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12-30-08,

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Judkins, Ector Co,  
Texas,

Dear Sir and Friend;

your favor and the

Realty literature received and  
 noted, and I should be glad to  
 get down there some time,

But as I was away during the  
 summer, in the West, - I will  
 have to wait awhile for another  
 trip. Wishing you all

success, most truly,

J. B. Searcy.

P. S. - Enclosed find the circulars.

**For Sale at a Bargain.**

1754 acres of land, 20 miles south of Pecos City; a 4-room house, plenty of good, soft water. 74 acres in cultivation; good barn; 54 head Red Hereford cattle, of which 48 are mother cattle; 4 good horses; \$150 worth farm tools; 1 wagon and harness; also one 2-room house with up-stairs; good well water with pump and all other incidentals. Price, \$6.50 per acre bonus, and State price averages \$1.60 per acre. All the above land is lived out and provided up.

No. 3. Pearl Courtney's three sections of good, smooth, level land, within three miles of Panama P. O., school, etc.; 21 miles southeast of Pecos. Well covered with several varieties of good grass and filaree knee high. Good well 90 feet deep, soft, pure water, 12 ft. windmill. A two room house, 40 acre tract fenced off for small horse pasture; three miles of outside fence. Price \$2.50 per acre to the owner, average \$1.66 due the state, 38 1-2 years time at 3 per cent.

No. 4. Alfalfa farm. A big snap for an immediate net income of Three Thousand Dollars per year. 160 acres near Barstow 70 acres well set in alfalfa. Cuts from 350 to 450 tons per year, selling at \$11.00 f. o. b. Barstow. Two box houses, hay shed, corral etc. Paid up water right on 120 acres. \$1.50 water rental. This property is dirt cheap at the price asked now—\$9,000.00 The hay alone will pay 10 per cent on an investment of \$30,000.

No. 48. A No. 1 section, five miles north of Barstow; sodded in good grass; good well, windmill and tank in a fertile draw. This is a cheap proposition at \$4 per acre.

No. 47. A cinch. 225 acres good land, 8 miles of Pecos City, for \$400 bonus. Due state \$362.70 and mighty cheap.

No. 8. The Hollywood place, 4 miles west of Barstow; homesteads D and C, both patented. 80 acres in C, has paid up water right, 16 acres in alfalfa, price, \$50 per acre. 160 acres in D, no water rights on this land but they can be bought from the irrigation company. 7 acres in alfalfa. Price, \$25 per acre.

No. 12. 3 1-2 patented sections, 18 miles southeast of Pecos, in Tobosa flat. Price, \$4.00 per acre. Half cash, balance on long time.

No. 14. Two residence lots, close in town, near court house, in very desirable neighborhood, at \$200 each. A snap.

No. 14b. Two sections of tobosa land in Toyah valley, near Pecos and Saragosa road, about 20 miles from Pecos. Good three room house, good drilled well, 69 feet, with best water in the Toyah valley, and windmill. Bonus, \$5 per acre.

No. 15. 160 acres adjacent to town of Barstow, will make a nice suburban home, or town site addition. 80 acres of paid-up water rights. Price, \$5,000 and cheap at that.

No. 16. 80 acres with water rights all paid up; in just half a mile of the courthouse in Barstow, Ward county. Very good five room house with front porch. Stone cemented cistern holding 100 barrels; 60 acres in cultivation, of which 12 are in alfalfa. 600 grape vines, California varieties, came to fruit this year. Price \$8,000; \$2,500 cash, balance

in 1, 2 and 3 years with 6 per cent interest.

No. 17. Section 155, Block 34 two miles east of Barstow, finest kind of sandy soil, at \$7.50 per acre.

No. 19. 4 sections in Ward County, 3 miles from Patrole, a station on the P. V. & N. E. railroad, ten miles north of Pecos; five-room house, ceiled overhead, walls papered, outside painted 14 foot Eclipse windmill, fine soft water at 32 feet, good tank, 90 acres in cultivation, 200 acres fenced in pasture. Price, \$4.50 per acre, half cash. Owner has 7 1-2 sections altogether, and will make the price \$4 per acre if all are taken. Three adjoining sections can also be had at the same price.

No. 20. Forty acre plat, No. 14, Section No. 3, Block 32, H. & T. C. Railway Co., Ward County, Texas. Under the Grandfalls canal. First class river bottom land. Riparian rights. Price is only \$1000. This is the very last chance for a cheap forty under this system.

No. 22. The John Miller place, a beautiful suburban home near the growing city of Barstow, Texas; 140 acres on Sec. 73 adjoining city limits; 30 acres in alfalfa, 20 acres in cotton, 90 acres in pasture, all under fence, all with paid up water rights, low water rental, only \$1 per year per acre. Sandy loamy soil, nearly level, just enough slope to irrigate easily. A handsome 6 room residence, well decorated and finished in good shape, both inside and out. Tenants house, barns, smoke house, cow and horse lots, garden, etc. Some 8 or 9 peach trees and about 40 pear trees in the garden all just coming into bearing. Price \$7,500, one-fourth cash, balance in 1, 2, 3 and 4 years, at 8 per cent. This is dirt cheap for this beautiful little place; it is admirably adapted for dairy and gardening.

No. 23. Prof. Lee's house in Barstow, corner lot, 100x140 feet, two and one-half blocks east of the courthouse. A beautiful residence of six rooms, with south and east fronts; six good closets, bath room, front and rear galleries, two open fire places, flue in every room, large shade trees, nice grassy lawn, chicken yard, etc. \$2,100 gets this pretty place. Come quick if you want it.

No. 24. Section 19, block 4 H. & G. N. grantee, lies 6 miles northwest of Pecos. \$3.50 per acre buys this if you come quick, it is mighty cheap at this price.

No. 25. Alberta Peach Orchard. A five acre peach orchard just coming into full bearing, only half mile from town limits of Barstow. Three room box house; large cottonwood trees furnish delightful shade; beautiful smooth drive to town. Lovely place for suburban home. Owner sells on account of bad health. \$1000 will take this valuable place.

No. 26. About 600 acres of the finest river bottom lands in the Big Valley, known as the John McDonald lands; has riparian rights. Worth \$25 an acre but for a quick sale we will take \$15.00.

No. 29. Mrs. Augusta Reynolds' lands, in Blocks 5 and 6, H. & G. N. R. R. Some of these lands have water now on them from natural springs. Shallow depths to good water for pumping. Write for detailed description and terms.

No. 30. Mrs. M. I. Brown's lands. 2560 acres in Township 7, Block 51, nice, pretty, smooth land, good soil, about 12 miles southeast of Pecos City. Write for terms. Mention list number.

No. 32. Known as Homestead Q 32 acres of crackerjack fine land under the famous Barstow Irrigation Company's canals. The lands in the vicinity are selling at from \$50 to \$150 per acre. Bid lively if you want to get this great bargain at \$25 an acre.

No. 34. Last chance to get a section of irrigable land at rock bottom prices in the great Barstow valley. Celebrated for its production of European grapes, Elberta peaches and other fine fruits. Patented Section No. 225 Block 34. The soil is a soft, rich, mellow, sandy loam, and was selected by the present owner as being the very best in block 34. Price now \$7 per acre.

No. 33. 480 acres in Section 39, Block 6, H. & G. N. R. R. 5 miles from the city limits. A running stream goes through the middle of the section, from which a large acreage can be irrigated. There are several seep springs that can undoubtedly be developed into good flowing water. Price, only \$20.

No. 35. Best business lots in Pecos City. Two lots on corner of principal street adjacent to Orient hotel and in front of T. & P. depot, at only \$1600 to close up estate.

No. 36. 160 acres patented land under the famous Grandfalls canal system; 110 acres in cultivation, fine rich soil; 3-room house in grove of cypress cedars. Price only \$25 an acre.

No. 42. Coal and oil land.—Seventy acre tract 10 miles south of Harrisburg, Saline county, Ill. Coal is being mined all around this land but it has not been prospected; lies within 3 miles of oil wells. Lead, zinc and spar is being mined on adjacent tract. New 3-room house, good water, well drained. Half mile of church and school. Price \$50 an acre.

No. 38. A fine little ranch. Sections 8, 9, 10, 11 in solid body, block C19, 8 miles from Pecos, 3 miles of Patrol, a station on the Pecos Valley railroad; well sodded in mixed grasses. All level, smooth land. About half sandy soil, the other rich, dark, choco-

late loam. Two-room house, 2 miles of wire fence, well 60 feet deep and good windmill. Due state, \$1.75 on usual 40 yrs time; equity \$5 an acre; all proved up.

No. 39. Cheap irrigated land. 244 acres in the celebrated and fertile Texas bend, under the Farmers' Independent ditch; this is the highest up the river of any canal taking water out of the Pecos river, therefore there is never any scarcity of water, and this is the first land that can be irrigated from that ditch. Perpetual water rights all paid up. Within 4 miles of railroad station, 16 miles from Pecos. This is absolutely the cheapest irrigated land in the Pecos Valley, perhaps in the state. Price only \$25 an acre for both land and water, either of which is more than worth the money.

No. 41. 640 acres, seven miles west of Stiles, in Reagan county. Good, smooth land, plenty of grass. Patented, title perfect. Price, \$2,500, or will trade for stock, sheep, goats, cattle or for stock horses.

No. 43. Section 159, Block 13, within one and one half mile of the town of Saragosa, is the last chance you will have to get an irrigable section in the great Toyah valley at rock bottom prices. This section corners with \$50 per acre land; the owner needs money and he will let you in on the ground floor very cheap.

No. 44. 504 acres of magnificent black fertile land in the rain fall belt; near the San Antonio river, 40 miles below San Antonio 13 miles from Floresville, and 6 miles from Path, a station on the Aransas Pass R. y.; store and post office called Dewess adjacent; a good land for orange-culture; is 1200 miles nearer market than the \$500 per acre orange lands of California. We will sacrifice it at \$20 per acre.

No. 45. Section 4, township 2, Block 56, 3 miles from Orla; a riparian section, lived out and proved up. Fine soil. Bonus, \$4.

No. 46. Cheap little ranch.—Seven sections fine grass land in El Paso county; three other sections may be acquired on same terms, making a pretty little ten section ranch of some of the finest pasturage in the country. Bonus \$1 per acre; state \$1.75.

No. 49. Eight sections of Col. Rush, on line of Pecos and Reeves counties, known as Rudd ranch. All fenced; lots of good grass, in fact these lands are the pick of that part of the country, first selected by Rudd and afterward by Col. Rush. Inexhaustable supply of good, pure water at from 40 to 80 feet; 5 wells, 4 windmills and tanks, corrals and all conveniences for handling stock. Good 3-room house. An ideal location for a ranch or for colonization project. Write us for prices and terms.

# PECOS CITY AND THE TOYAH VALLEY

## Location and Altitude

The town of Pecos City, Reeves County, Texas, was founded in the year 1882, and its geographical position on the map of the County, being near its north-eastern border, one and one-half miles west of the Pecos River, 402 miles west of Fort Worth, 213 miles east of El Paso, and 60 miles south from the line of the Territory of New Mexico, situated on the line of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, and at the southern terminal of the Pecos River Railroad, now a part of the Santa Fe system through New Mexico by Amarillo, Texas, to Kansas City and St. Louis. It is located on a nearly level plateau overlooking the Pecos River in its circuitous route a distance from one and one-half to three miles.

The altitude is 2596 feet; mean temperature about 70 degrees, and the estimated rainfall about 11 inches. The temperature rarely reaches more than 102 degrees, and seldom recedes to the freezing point.

## Population

The population of the town has increased rapidly in the last year, and is now estimated at 1800, being mostly native-born Americans, and not a permanent negro resident in the place. A few old-time Mexicans and their descendants still linger in the "Chihuahua" part of the town, but like poor Lot are fast giving place to his more thrifty and aggressive Anglo-Saxon brother.

The climate is delightful at night the year round. During the summer solstice the evenings up to 8 or 9 o'clock are warm, but not oppressively so, a gentle breeze most of the time relieving anything like oppressive heat.

Health conditions are seldom equaled and never surpassed in any locality known to man. Malaria to the acclimated is an unknown disease, and climatic conditions here are a boon to the consumptive. As a health resort for those afflicted with tuberculosis or liver trouble, this section is an ideal resort for physical betterment and cure.

Of the 100 or more artesian wells in the town, most of them are more or less impregnated with mineral, possessing great curative qualities for liver or kidney trouble. As for the tuberculosis victim, the pure ozone he breathes into the diseased lungs gives such delightful relief as to make life worth living.

Very little sickness of any kind to the acclimated ever occurs. Chills and fever, so prevalent in the malarial districts of the state, are unknown here.

The streets of the business part of the city are lighted by electrical lamps; are 100 feet wide, and, in the residence portion of the city, are well shaded by the Cottonwood and Cypress-Cedar trees; contract has been let to grade the streets, and surface sewers to carry off the storm water will be constructed.

The city has no public building, except a small city jail, which is rarely occupied. It is incorporated, with a Mayor and Board of Aldermen, City Marshal, Tax Assessor and Collector. The tax values for the year 1908 approximate \$800,000.00, the rate of taxation being 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation.

## Pecos as a Commercial Center

From this view much could be said as to future possibilities, but let it suffice here to give its present status. Among the mercantile establishments of the town, The Pecos Mercantile Company leads, doing a business of over \$400,000.00 annually; employing a corps of clerks, bookkeepers, salesmen, etc., some twenty to twenty-five the year around; doing a wholesale and retail business in general merchandise. This concern does not confine its zone of trade to Reeves County and vicinity, but has its traveling salesmen reaching out for the custom of the towns along the lines of rail on the Texas & Pacific east and west, and on the Pecos River Railroad north as far as the line of New Mexico. It now has in course of construction a two-story brick building covering four business lots on the corner of Oak and Second streets, 100 by 115 feet, adjoining in the rear the large and commodious warehouses, and expects soon to occupy its new quarters. Mr. T. Y. Casey is the general manager of this company, and in view of the increased population in the surrounding country expects to increase the sales of his concern to \$500,000.00 for the year 1909.

The other mercantile establishments of the town are all conducted by safe and reliable business men, among which may be mentioned Messrs. Prewit & Smith, doing a business of \$60,000.00 a year; the W. W. Ruhlen Dry Goods and Grocery Store; the Pecos Dry Goods Company, located in the Hudson & Brady

## A Few Facts Relating to this Rapidly Developing Section

## WHAT IT PRODUCES

## A Beautiful Little City Situated in the Coming Fruit and Vegetable Growing Section of Texas

Syndicate two-story building on Oak street; the Douglas Grocery Company, and various other retail stores doing a flourishing business. The Zimmer Hardware Company are exclusively hardware dealers, with a line of buggies, carriages and wagons; also a first-class tin shop conducted by Max Krauskopf; one windmill establishment, owned by Messrs. A. L. Ligon & Bro., who do a thriving business in windmills and windmill supplies. Two drug stores, two blacksmith shops, two butcher shops, two large lumber yards--the Pruett Lumber Company and the Pecos City Lumber Company, the latter, in addition to its lumber business, doing a contracting and building business. Two wholesale and retail Furniture Stores; one Saddler's Shop; one Tailor and Boot and Shoe Shop; two first-class Barber Shops and two Laundries about comprise the mercantile combine of the city.

Two good livery stables and feed stores are here to accommodate the public, and the Toyah Valley Auto Company furnishes autos to go anywhere in this or adjoining counties upon short notice. It is owned and operated by the Toyah Valley Land Company.

Pecos has also two able physicians in the persons of W. J. Vinsant and Jim Camp, both of whom do a good business dealing in real estate, but like the embalmers and funeral directors here, not much in their professions.

Also two Land Abstract Companies, up to date in every respect. The McKenzie-Brady Abstract Company, located in the Syndicate building on Oak street, owned by Messrs. McKenzie & Brady, prominent lawyers of this city, who have a complete Abstract of Land Titles to Reeves, Winkler and Loving Counties.

The Pecos City Abstract Company, of which Mr. R. C. Warn is manager also has a complete Abstract of Reeves County, and either Company is fully equipped and prepared to make Abstracts of Land Titles, or give information relative to Lands in the Counties mentioned.

The legal fraternity here is also ably represented, the principal firms being Parker & Buck, McKenzie & Brady, Helmer & Hudson and Ross & Estes. Most of the litigation here is settled outside of the court room, and the Judge's job here is an easy one.

The Pecos Times, a weekly newspaper with a circulation of something over 700 copies, is published here and has a fine and complete job printing office attachment, where all sorts of job work can be furnished, under the able management of the proprietor, E. J. Moyer.

Pecos has a splendid Electric Light and Ice Plant, with paid-up capital of \$40,000.00, which manufactures all the light and ice used by the town, which is liberally patronized and supported by her citizens.

## Banking Facilities

Pecos has two first-class Banks, both doing a large business. The old reliable Pecos Valley Bank, an institution that has grown with the growth of the town, located in its own two-story red stone building, covering the southwest corner of Oak and Second streets. This bank is an important factor in the banking sphere of business in this section of the state. Unincorporated, its proprietors are men of large capital, the President, Mr. W. D. Cowan, and the Vice-President, Mr. F. W. Johnson, aggregately assessing nearly a half million dollars in value in this and adjoining counties, being ranch owners with large herds, and extensive real estate holders. Mr. J. G. Love, the Cashier of the Bank, is also an extensive ranch owner, and is a composite business part of the institution, having been connected with it for many years.

The First National Bank, organized a little over a year ago with a paid-up capital of \$50,000.00, now has a surplus capital of \$10,000.00, and \$4,500.00 undivided profits. Mr. J. F. McElroy, of Odessa, is President of this Bank. Mr. W. W. Camp, a capitalist of this city with business interests in El Paso, is its Vice-

President, and Mr. T. H. Beauchamp, present County Clerk, and formerly County Treasurer, is Cashier. The Bank does business in its own home on Oak street, a two-story stone and cement block building, the ground floor of which is occupied by this Bank and the United States Post Office, the latter being one of the best in outfit and appointment in every respect.

## Hotel Facilities

Pecos has two good hotels--the old Pecos Valley Hotel, three blocks from the railroad depots, having been recently purchased by Mr. J. H. Carlisle and rechristened the "Carlisle Hotel," is beautifully located, a two-story frame building, with bath attachment and free bus to and from the depots, is well patronized.

The Orient Hotel, Mr. R. S. Johnson the owner, located opposite the T. & P. depot on First street, occupies a half block, is an imposing three-story structure with rear and front entrances, bath attachment, 60 room accommodation. Mr. Johnson had this building constructed under his own architectural plans some two years ago, with a view to the convenience of the traveling public, and for the commercial traveler has a large and commodious sample room attached.

## Educational Facilities

The Public School of Pecos City is not an independent school district, but is a regular County Community District, with an enrollment of something over 200 pupils of all grades. The school building is a two-story well-ventilated structure, situate in the West Park addition to the City, convenient to the residence portion, and the system has been reorganized and placed upon the up to date, modern plan. There are six elementary grades below the high school, and a standard high school course covering a period of four full years. The high school is organized on the "Department Plan," and each department is presided over by a specialist of University training and teaching experience. It is the intention to add modern scientific equipment soon, and place the school on the list of approved high schools. Superintendent D. S. Robbins, Ph. D., formerly Superintendent of the Stanberry Normal School of Missouri, who has had 16 years experience in Normal school work, has now charge of the school, assisted by an able corps of teachers in each grade.

It is the policy of the school board to maintain the present high standard, and make Pecos the educational center of this beautiful valley.

## Societies

Especially is Pecos City a society town; the women have several church aid societies, their civic federation, Eastern Star and a Rebekah Odd Fellows Lodge. The Masons, a Blue Lodge and Chapter, the Knights of Pythias, Woodmen and Odd Fellows each have flourishing Lodges, and there is also a Shakespear Literary Society.

## Churches

Within the limits of Pecos City will be found five handsome church buildings, Baptist, Methodist, Christian, Catholic and Episcopal, the former leading in point of membership and wealth, the attendance being verd punctual and large at Sunday School, and morning and evening services; the Rev. J. B. Cole, late of San Antonio, is the pastor of this church. The Methodists have regular service at their church, which is well attended, and is gaining strength under the guidance and direction of their pastor, the Rev. J. H. Messer.

The Christian Church is quite a factor in the religious realm of the City and is presided over by the Rev. Homer L. Magee. The Catholic and Episcopal denominations are in the minority in point of membership and have no resident Priest and Rector.

## The Residence Part of the City

In the business section of the town the sidewalks are cement pavements and crossings, but a very small part of the sidewalks are as yet paved. No town, however, in the state has a more beautiful resident section than Pecos City. In the West Park and College additions around beautiful residences which, if not dignified by the title of mansions, approximate to it, and in point of architectural beauty are not surpassed in the designs in the larger cities of the state. The yards are beautiful and are adorned with the Cypress-Cedar tree, an importation from California, which is a fast grower and extremely ornamental, and like the willow, if nurtured with plenty of moisture will grow from plant of branch or stem equally as well as from root. No preparation

of the soil is necessary for their propagation. The Cottonwood grows equally well but is not so hardy.

This Cypress-Cedar makes a beautiful hedge equal to the arbor vitae and is more easily trained and trimmed. In these additions have been constructed and built in the past twelve months something over 60 residences, mostly neat cottages, the dwellers owning them, very few if any houses for lease. Many fine vacant lots suitable for residence buildings can be had yet cheap, compared with prices asked in less desirable localities.

Artesian wells giving pure water are interspersed all through this section, the water obtained at a depth from 100 to 250 feet according to locality, to the resident owner who is not able to sink one of these wells, or who prefers to buy a water right he can do so from his more fortunate neighbor conducted by pipes to any part of his premises at a reasonable price.

Hydrants furnishing water from these wells are placed along the streets in the business section, the water is cool and palatable and its mineral properties are helpful to dyspeptics and nervous headache ailments.

One of these wells recently brought in on the north side of the railroad in the Cowan Park addition, gives the largest flow of water yet obtained through a six-inch pipe, and will furnish sufficient water to irrigate 100 acres of land, and that within three-eighths of a mile from the center of the town on land that can be had at \$75.00 to \$125.00 per acre. The Pecos Land Company, of which F. W. Johnson is President, are the owners of most of the lands adjoining the town, and recently this concern has had subdivided into 5 and 10 acre tracts, all in the artesian basin, 178 acres of this irrigable land, which can be purchased on reasonable terms, and to the truck farmer or gardener a good living can be made on 5 acres of it and money to spare from its products.

### A Prosperous Section

As an evidence of the prosperity of this section, the deed records of this County show that over 175,000 acres of land have been sold to original purchasers in the past twelve months. This has no reference to school lands taken up by individuals from the state, nor to duplicate sales. Of this amount of 175,000 acres, about 107,000 acres are those of the lands originally granted to the Houston & Great Northern Railroad by the state, lying in different parts of the County, which were sold, the lands being cheap at \$2.50 to \$4.00 per acre, one-fifth cash and four deferred, equal payments. There has been sold in the past twelve months in the Toyah Valley over 3,000 acres, in tracts of 40 acres, at \$40.00 to \$125.00 per acre, and of other lands, bordering on the irrigable lands, 10,000 acres at \$5.00 to \$15.00 per acre. The following Real Estate firms have been doing a thriving business: E. S. Alley, Pawkett & Davis, The Bomar Land Co., J. W. Moore, A. L. Oxford, The Goedeke Land Co., S. W. White & Co., Toyah Valley Land Co., C. L. Heath, Toyah Valley Grape and Alfalfa Co., G. N. Gentry, E. P. Ramsey, Pecos Abstract Co., McKenzie & Brady Abstract Co.

As a fruit-producing country this Toyah Valley excels the best part of California, as evidenced by the fruits raised in it. Mr. C. W. Giffen has 10 acre in the Keiffer pear, which produces \$1,000 per acre annually in that product alone. The finest of apples are also produced in this Valley, and an exhibit of the products in fruit, cotton, corn, Kafir corn, Milo maize, alfalfa and other products are on exhibition at the office of J. W. Moore, over the First National Bank in Pecos, which would prove a revelation to anyone not acquainted with what this section can produce.

To those seeking health we would say come to Pecos; to the homeseeker wishing to buy cheap lands from which a bountiful harvest with little effort will come, we would say come to Pecos; to anyone who wants to buy a cheap home in a town accessible to the markets of the world by two lines of railroad with a view of truck-farming, we would say come to Pecos; to anyone with small capital wishing to invest in cheap city property, or in small tracts of land, with a view of large returns, we would say come to Pecos and invest in urban property; to those who wish to make permanent investments, desirous of living in an invigorating climate healthful the year round, wishing to educate their children and bring them up among a God-fearing, serving, law-abiding people, where morality is the standard, and little or no vice is known, where there is no liquor traffic and the people attend to their own affairs, we would say come to Pecos.

### Toyah Valley a Land of Plenty

From Dallas Times-Herald, October 30.

Where is the Toyah Valley?

Ask Will L. Sargent, in charge of the Toyah Valley exhibit in the Agricultural hall at the Fair grounds such a question and he'll throw a fit, but at the same time he'll tell you, and tell you mighty quickly, together with a lot of other information about the valley and its productiveness---its susceptibility to irrigation, the enormous

cropland it has raised and can raise, with their quality and degree of fineness, and a lot of other things not at all uninteresting.

He has told it to thousands during the present Fair, and has sent many people to the "promised land" imbued with a determination to make their homes and emulate the example set before them in the excellent exhibit. Not a few of them have already gone out and invested in Toyah Valley lands, and have returned fully satisfied.

### Where it is Situated

As a matter of fact the Toyah Valley lies near Pecos City, Texas. It heads near the foot of the Jeff Davis mountains at the mouth of Olympia canyon, in Jeff Davis county; near the south line of Reeves. It slopes forty feet to the mile in an easterly direction; emptying the waters thus drained into Toyah lake; three by nine miles in dimensions, located seven miles south of Pecos. It is from three to thirty miles across and some forty miles long. About 9,000 acres are at present under cultivation---some 3,000 in alfalfa, and the balance in fruit and truck. There are approximately 200,000 acres within its confines, embracing several different varieties of soil, all of which may be irrigated as soon as there is a sufficiency of water to do so, and every effort now being made is in that direction.

According to Mr. Sargent, the clay subsoil, with its layers of loam, ranging from a dark red to a rich chocolate, is capable of producing anything produced in a tropical climate, although the most attention is given to alfalfa and fruit.

### Exhibit Looks Good

The Toyah Valley exhibit looks good. It also smells good. Poets have written of the smell of new-mown hay. That is what predominates among the variety of sensations which greet the visitors' olfactories as he enters the booth---new-mown hay, together with the odor of luscious pears, bright red apples, corn with stalks as high as a giant might reach and with ears as long as one's arm. The new-mown hay smells come from the bales of alfalfa which is stacked about the booth and which compose the four walls of the enclosure.

On all sides signs tell the visitors that alfalfa is king, and from what the people who have farms in the Toyah Valley say, that motto is well borne out. There is on exhibit some alfalfa from a field which has been harvested for seventeen years, without having been re-seeded or cultivated, and which is still being cut. Ordinarily a field is re-seeded about once every eight years.

### Seven Crops a Year

Another record which they claim for their alfalfa is shown in a stalk six feet two inches high, which came from a field which has been cut for the seventh time during the present year, and from which the yield has been from three-quarters to a ton and a half to the acre.

Six hundred head of hogs have been pastured on forty acres of alfalfa in the Toyah district---some fifteen head to the acre, and they have fattened on it.

There is corn shown which the people in charge claim produces eighty bushels to the acre, and which grows as high as sixteen feet to the stalk; they don't claim the valley to be a cotton country, but it can be raised. The only reason it isn't raised to any extent is because the other products are the best money makers.

### About the Fruit

In various pictures about the exhibit some of the fruit yields of the valley are shown. There is the photograph of an apricot tree ten years old, fourteen and one-half inches in diameter, over thirty feet across the top and twenty-three feet high. In 1907 it netted its owner \$20---pretty good for one tree. A four acre pear orchard netted \$1000 per acre in 1907, some of the earlier product taking first prize at the World's Fair at St. Louis.

Tokay grapes make California famous, and yet the Toyah Valley folks say they've got California beat a block on tokays, and the visitor doesn't have to be from Missouri to be shown---for the grapes are right there in proof of the statement. They've raised some mighty fine onions and believe that the only reason they didn't get first prize at the present Fair is because they didn't show them all; there are sweet potatoes, melons, apples, pears---in fact almost everything in the fruit line imaginable on exhibit, which have been seen by thousands.

### Many Have Gone Out

On the "homeseekers" excursions which various roads started out of the north and east some three weeks ago, many people were sent out to the Toyah valley country, and many of them purchased lands there. Another homeseekers' excursion started out of the same district on October 20, with the tickets allowing a stop-over at Dallas. Hundreds of people called at the Toyah Valley exhibit at the State Fair, having been provided with literature before they arrived in Texas. They saw the exhibit and then went straight to the scene. Many of them, according to Mr. Sargent, have now returned and report having purchased tracts with the intention of taking up their homes thereon immediately.

The valley is being cut up into tracts all the way from five acres up, and is being rapidly settled by prosperous, hard-working, ambitious farmers---no other kind is wanted in the new country, which those at the head of the advertising campaign now on, believe is destined to become the garden spot of Texas.

### The Future of the Toyah Valley

From a letter written by E. D. Balcom to The Times.

I know of no part of Texas which has a brighter prospect for this winter's immigration than this immediate territory. The good done at the Dallas Fair by the exhibit there will bring untold results, as it has turned many people to this county in a way that could not have been done in any other manner, as it has placed before them real facts---chief of which is that this county could produce grapes, fruits, alfalfa and other products, inferior to no other part of Texas.

Pecos City should also be greatly benefited by this influx of immigration, and every effort should be made on the part of the newly-formed Commercial Club to follow this up with liberal advertisements, setting forth the possibilities of the town and county, and to in every way try and induce capital to come here and develop our unbounded resources. Pecos City is and always must be the center from which shall be distributed the necessities of life and a diverting point for all of the country this side of the Davis Mountains, and in my opinion has the brightest future of any little city between El Paso and Fort Worth.

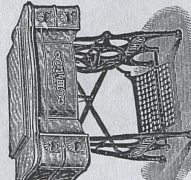
With the advent of a railroad into the Toyah Valley, which Valley will some day be as famous as the fruit and truck growing districts of the great valleys of California, and whose resources must all come through Pecos and from there be distributed to the different markets, it would be the concentration point for all the returns gotten by these various developments in the different parts of the county. Too much effort, in my opinion, cannot be put out on the part of the people here to help the development of this fine Valley, as every good word spoken for it will be a good word spoken for Pecos City, as it will always be compelled to divide its profits and surplus with the business men of this city. Every effort should now be made toward the securing of capital to build this Toyah Valley Railroad, and it can be done by a little advertising and push on the part of the enterprising citizens of the town more easily than in any other way. Let everyone put his shoulder to the wheel and the Toyah Valley Railroad will be a reality before we hardly realize the fact.

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**RESTILE PLATES ARE RIGHT**  
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when you buy a SEWING MACHINE. You'll find all sorts and kinds at corresponding prices. But if you want a reputable serviceable Machine, then take the **WHITE**.

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CLEVELAND, O.



**THE PECOS TIMES**  
TIMES PRINTING COMPANY

Entered as second-class matter July 22, 1908, at the post office at Pecos, Texas, under Act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

**Jes' So.**

We learn that a man and his wife have been sent from England to Pecos, Texas, as missionaries to the heathen. Great Scott! If this be true, why are we going to the expense of sending so many missionaries to Japan, China, and other foreign countries when we could use them at home. This is one on you, Pecos.—Midland Live Stock Reporter.

Uh-huh. Veni, vidi; and being convinced, took up four sections and is now a prosperous and happy farmer, with only one care to trouble his soul—the spiritual condition of the people about as far east of here as Midland. And everybody knows the further west you go on the T. P. the better the country, the towns, and the people.

**Alpine May Get New Railroad.**

On behalf of the Texas & Pacific railroad a contract has been signed with the citizens of Grand Falls, Texas, which provides for the building of a branch. The right-of-way and a bonus are donated. It is planned later on to extend this line to Alpine, Texas, on the G. H. & S. A., about one hundred miles from Grand Falls.

While there has been considerable talk the last few days about this branch being built to Grand Falls from Monahans, it is the

first time Alpine has been mentioned, although the objective point is right in line with Grand Falls and only about 100 miles distant.

It may be that the Texas & Pacific will try to head off the Alpine-Pecos railroad. Should the road terminate at Alpine it will give that place, which has a population of about 2500 people, three railroads, the G. H., K. C. M. & O., and the new one now proposed.—Railway Journal.

**Mrs. Bryan's First Speech.**

New York, October 27.—Mrs. W. Bryan made her first speech of the campaign yesterday at a reception tendered her by the Woman's Democratic club. When called upon to speak, Mrs. Bryan arose without hesitation and said: "I might have felt confused but for the rule that exists in our family that during campaign time Mr. Bryan is to do all the talking. While I can make no extended remarks, there are two things which I may touch with propriety. I may first bring you greetings of Democrats from other parts of this country, and although a woman usually conceals her age I shall take you into my confidence and tell you that twenty-five years ago I concluded there was not room enough in one household for two ambitions like mine and Mr. Bryan's. I have, therefore, merged my own in his, and out of this has grown a very close association."

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**Fort Worth Life Insurance Co.**

Home office: Reynolds Building, Fort Worth. \$100,000 to loan on Real Estate. Vendor's lien notes purchased. Call at the Orient Hotel Pecos, Texas, and see F. E. KISTLER, Agency Manager, for further particulars.

**Balmorhea for 10,000 Inhabitants } IN 1910**  
**Reeves County for 50,000 Inhabitants }**

Town lots in the beautiful new city of Balmorhea are now on the market at prices and terms within the reach of all. Balmorhea is located in the heart of the great Toyah Valley, THE CALIFORNIA OF TEXAS. If you are expecting to make a change, take a chance in this new city. We need capital to start the wheels of our natural water power that will operate for us a Canning Factory, Alfalfa and Farm Products Mill, Electric Light Plant, Ice Factory; light the home, saw the wood, churn the butter in every home in Toyah Valley. If you want one of these lots come early to our office and make a choice. If you are too far away, write us, enclosing \$10 as an evidence of good faith, and after reading your letter we will give you the benefit of our knowledge in making for you as good selection as though you were on the ground. These lots are going to be valuable soon, and the first crop is going to sell the

cheapest. If you do not help harvest this crop you will have to pay a better price for the second. Take a chance now before the choice of these lots are all gone. : : : : :

Buy a Farm in Toyah Valley. Better buy it now for they will soon be gone, and another opportunity of securing you a home in the best Valley on earth will have passed you by. Ask us to send you some of our literature telling you all about this wonderful Valley. You can secure a home and a living here, and be certain that you are getting your money's worth. If you do not think so, come and see for yourself. A farm here to suit every man. : : : : :

Our automobile service will take you to any part of Reeves County, and will make the trip a pleasant one. Call up the garage and ask for rates. We will be glad to wait on you, either for business or pleasure. : : : : :

**Toyah Valley Land Company**

Suite 1, Syndicate Bldg., Pecos, Texas. Balmorhea, Texas. 912 1-2 Main St., Ft. Worth.

**THE PECOS TIMES**  
TIMES PRINTING COMPANY

**Prominent Promoter Here.**

Amasa Corbin, of Joplin, Mo., the organizer of many large syndicates for the purchase of zinc mining properties in that state, visited the ranch of T. A. Ezell, near State line, Friday last, with a view to purchasing same, but was preceded by others who consummated a trade for the property in advance of Mr. Corbin's arrival.

The gentleman is desirous of exchanging the \$100,000 Murray Hill Hotel in the Thousand Islands, free and clear, for unencumbered lands in the Pecos Valley. As Mr. Corbin is associated with capitalists in the east whom he hopes to interest in some of our larger propositions, should he obtain a foothold in this valley, we hope that some of our ranchmen will investigate his proposition. He can be reached by letter at Joplin, Mo., and any banker or business man of Joplin, Webb City or Carthage is familiar with his efforts in behalf of the great Missouri zinc fields, in which the Corbin syndicates and Mr. Corbin's business associates have several million dollars invested.

He is a New York State man, and was one of the pioneers of the great Talc industry of St. Lawrence county, in that state, and was the first to enlist large money in the enterprise of mining and milling talc into pulp for making paper. Nearly every paper read by the public during the past thirty years contains the tale of the Corbin's native town.

Mr. Corbin is the founder of Murray Hill Park at Murray Isle, New York, located on one of the island gems of the river St. Lawrence, upon which the beautiful Murray Hill Hotel is located.

**Dixielanders.**

Mrs. Neil, of Pyote, is visiting at the home of her son, Joe Neil.

Miss Inkman, of Big Springs, is visiting at Mr. Davis'.

The Hallowe'en entertainment held at the schoolhouse last Friday night netted the school a neat sum toward the purchasing of a globe.

A. H. Bryan and son, Robert, made a trip through Winkler county last week.

Mrs. F. Goodrich, of Porterville, visited Dixieland Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Avant are visiting at John DeRacy's.

John Allen and Will Meeks of Porterville took in the entertainment Friday night.

Mrs. Dams visited at DeRacy's Saturday.

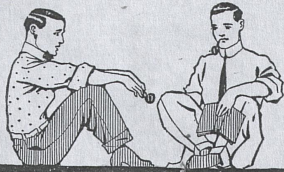
John DeRacy had three days rounding-up last week.

School closed for Tuesday on account of election.

**Notice.**

No hunting or trespassing allowed on the following farms: H. P. Snow, J. E. Hudson, T. G. Hutton, — Griffin, W. G. Moulton.

This covers all land on the Santa Fe railroad north from the 6 1-2 mile post to the 10 mile post. 50-2w



"The apparel oft proclaims the man"

The individuality in the dress of the "R. J. & R." man is noticeably apparent. When he pays \$5.00 and \$6.00 for an exclusive high grade shoe, he naturally expects footwear of unequalled merit and he is more than fondly gratified with the "R. J. & R." made for us by Roberts, Johnson & Rand Shoe Co. in St. Louis.

No. 1117—Made of Patent Kid, over the "Smart" last, is very striking and full of the snap that appeals to the well groomed man.



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The HAGAN and STOVER are absolutely all right, and are equal to anything in the market. Before you buy your outfit call and let us figure with you on your contract.

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Your Trade Solicited. : Opposite Pecos City Lumber Yard

**Duval Items.**

Rev. Carter, of Pecos, was out and preached us an excellent sermon at 11 and 3 o'clock Sunday. Our schoolhouse being burned, services were held at the residence of W. F. Stewart. A good crowd was in attendance, and all enjoyed a good dinner spread on the ground.

Cowden Bros., G. Scott and Rufus Cleveland will ship cattle from Monahans Saturday.

We are progressing nicely in raising funds with which to rebuild our schoolhouse. J. S. Howe was in Pecos last Thursday and the good people there contributed \$44.50, for which we feel very thankful. We will use the building for both church and school, and hope some day to be able to help those who helped us.

W. H. Seastrunk had his back hurt while at work on the schoolhouse at Pyote, and is now at home.

M. G. Scott and R. O. C. Bringley were in Pecos last week and brought out our election papers.

J. T. and E. W. Cowden, W. F. Stewart and J. S. Howe have agreed that Howe is to get the lumber, and they are to build the schoolhouse. The lumber will be hauled out from Pecos this week.

Land Owners: If you want to trade for brick buildings, vendors lien notes or merchandise, list with us at once.

S. W. WHITE & CO.

Three patents were issued to Texas inventors for week ending October 27, and are as follows: T. S. Cromer, assignor 1-2 to J. E. A. Banger, Linden, compound rail; W. C. Mayo and J. Houlehan, of El Paso, assignors 1-3 to C. E. Briggs, of Bartow, speed-changing gear; D. P. Shaw, assignor 1-2 to W. J. Tackabery, Fort Worth, stalk breaker.

**Letter to J. T. Hefner**

Pecos, Texas.

Dear Sir: We should like to print your opinion of this guarantee in this paper, where all your neighbors will see it:

We'll furnish the paint to paint half the house of any fair man on these terms: He shall paint the other half with whatever other paint he likes; same painter (any fair man) same way (the way of all fair painters, to make a good job). If our half doesn't take less gallons of paint by one-tenth to seven-tenths, we'll give him the paint. If our half doesn't take less labor by one-tenth to seven-tenths, we'll give him the paint. If our half isn't sounder three years hence, we'll give him the paint. If our half isn't sounder six years hence, we'll give him the paint. Any color.

We say one-tenth because there are two or three paints with about that difference; we say seven—there are dozens of paints with about that difference—we say one to seven, because there's a hundred that waste one-third of the money paid for both paint and labor.

Is there a paint we haven't covered? Yours truly

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**Well Outfit For Sale.**

I have for sale a Keystone No. 4 Steam Traction drilling outfit, fully equipped to drill 1000 feet, and all in good repair. Address N. J. YARBROUGH, Box 177, Pecos, Texas.

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# ECTOR COUNTY DEMOC

VOL. III.

ODESSA, ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS, OCTOBER 23 1908

## FACTS

WORTH KNOWING ABOUT THIS  
PART OF THE WEST. READ  
THIS, AND THEN COME AND  
SEE FOR YOURSELF. . . . .

Odessa, the county seat of Ector Co. is a town of 875 inhabitants, located on the Texas & Pacific Railroad 327 miles west of Ft. Worth, and 289 miles east of El Paso, in the heart of the coming agricultural and fruit growing belt of West Texas.

The nearest town of note on the west is Pecos City, 71 miles; on the east, Midland, 21 miles; while on the north it is 160 miles to Plainview, on the south 75 miles to Ft. Stockton. Hence the chances for our town to become a commercial center are, to say the least, very favorable.

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will say our rainfall is about 24 inches per year, which is sufficient to raise good crops, for it is well known that this soil holds moisture better than that at any place where it rains more—in fact we believe we suffer less from lack of rain than they do in the eastern part of the state and elsewhere, from too much rain.

The people at Midland have closed out a contract with W. H. Campbell, the "dry farming" expert of Lincoln, Neb., in which he agrees to raise one-half bale of cotton and 25 bushels each of corn, wheat and oats per acre for five years. He has already broken 100 acres for next year's crop and is to put in 100 acres each year. If he does as he proposes they are to let him the section of land upon which he farms. Under his methods, Mr. Campbell claims we have ample rainfall for farming, and he is a man of wide experience in his line, having established a large number of these farms in the "arid" belt of several western states and in Canada. His methods include scientific cultivation, conservation of moisture, varieties of crops for different localities, rotation of crops etc., and no doubt his farm will be of great practical benefit to the farmers.

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## FRUITS

The day is not far distant when the orchardist will find that we have as fine a country for commercial orchards as there is in the U. S. Our fruits grow large, they are of delicious flavor, and are free from spots, worms and other defects. The variety consists of peaches, apples, pears, plums, apricots, cherries, figs, almonds and various varieties of grapes and berries.

Barstow in the next county west took first prize on peaches at the St. Louis World's Fair. Toyah Valley in the second county west was awarded first prize at the same place on pears. We have same kind of climate and soil as these counties and our fruits grow as well.

It seems marvelous that a country where, until a few years ago the growth of agricultural products was scarcely known, could win in a world's contest ahead of such fruit countries as in Southern California where the price of fruit lands sell as high as from \$1000 to \$2000 per acre. And it must occur to the reader that such a country has vast possibilities for development.

## WHAT WE CAN OFFER.

To the man with money, we can offer investments in land values that can be surpassed in the U. S. and that will double in value in the next two or three years. To the home seekers of small means, we can offer homes at from \$20 per acre, which one will out in rents in a year or two on priced land, land that will produce us as large crops and a much greater variety to that in the North and East that is selling at from \$100 to \$200 per acre. And too, in a far better and more healthful climate and where nearly every body are first-class law-abiding citizens, as Ector County has never been represented in either of the State penitentiaries.

far as cheap farming land is concerned, now is indeed "The Last Call of The West." Land here is now rapidly advancing in value, and to judge by hundreds of examples all over Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Kansas, the present prices will double and triple in a short time.

Twenty-five or thirty years ago, a large part of the now famous blacklands of Central Texas sold at from \$1 to \$2 per acre. It was just as dry there then as it is here now, and the "knockers" said it was good only for grazing.

Those who settled that country were mainly people who came from Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama and adjoining states, in covered wagons. The ones who are settling this country are being brought from all parts of the U. S. on the railroads, that have been and are being built. Thru the medium of scientific advertising, there is a hundred prospectors in West Texas now to where there was one in Central Texas then.

The price of those lands now range from \$40 to \$100 per acre, and they are still going higher. Then, as this land is equal and in some respects superior to the black land, by what process of reasoning can one arrive at any other conclusions but that this land will be as valuable in a few years? It is needless to say, that in providing a home, these facts should be carefully considered; for the business world knows that buying real estate that one knows will rise in value, is the easiest way to make money honestly; and it is the surest plan one can adopt to leave something for his children.

If you are interested in this section of the state, write to or call on us and we will be pleased to furnish you any information you wish, always assuring you that we will not, so far as we know, give you anything but plain facts.

Below we give a brief description of some bargains we have listed, for sale and exchange.

No. 100. 800 acres 1 1/2 miles from Odessa. This tract is fine farming land all tillable except 10 acres. Has new 8 room house; fine wind mill and surface tank; 60 acres in cultivation. Price \$25 per acre. Would trade good farm preferred.

No. 101. 2560 acres 30 miles south of Odessa near P. O., 75 per cent fine farming land; two room house, well, and all fenced. Price \$4 bonus; \$3.37 due state. Will be lived out next year. Would trade if suited.

No. 102. 160 acres 1 1/2 miles from Odessa, unimproved, 100 per cent tillable. Price \$16 per acre. \$800 cash, balance on 1 to 4 years.

No. 103. 1280 acres 12 miles north of Judkins; all fine farming land. Price \$4 bonus, \$5 75 due the state; Party has lived on the land 1 year. Would trade.

No. 104. 640 acres one mile from Odessa; 50 per cent tillable; improvements consisting of house, barn, cistern, two wells etc. Cost \$2500. 30 acres in cultivation. Price \$20 per acre. Would take some trade.

105. 1500 acres 9 miles from Judkins on the T. & P. Ry. About 1200 acres of this tract is partly covered with slumery, but is 90 per cent tillable. Has small house, good well and is all fenced. Price bonus \$4.50 and \$2 due state. Would take part trade.

106. 1280 acres two miles from Judkins; 1200 acres tillable; has good three-room house, well and 60 acres in cultivation. Would make one a nice home. Price \$10 bonus and \$2 due the state. Would trade, farm preferred, but must be \$3,000 in deal.

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#### FRUITS

The day is not far distant when the orchardist will find that we have as fine a country for commercial orchards as there is in the U. S. Our fruits grow large, they are of delicious flavor, and are free from spots, worms and other defects. The variety consists of peaches, apples, pears, plums, apricots, cherries, figs, almonds and various varieties of grapes and berries.

Barstow in the next county west took first prize on peaches at the St. Louis World's Fair. Toyah Valley in the second county west was awarded first prize at the same place on pears. We have same kind of climate and soil as these counties and our fruits grow as well.

It seems marvelous that a country where, until a few years ago the growth of agricultural products was scarcely known, could win in a world's contest ahead of such fruit countries as in Southern California where the price of fruit lands sell as high as from \$1000 to \$2000 per acre. And it must occur to the reader that such a country has vast possibilities for development.

#### WHAT WE CAN OFFER.

To the man with money, we can offer investments in land values that can be surpassed in the U. S. and that will double in value in the next two or three years. To the home seekers of small means, we can offer homes at from \$20 per acre, which one will out in rents in a year or two on priced land, land that will produce large crops and a much greater variety to that in the North and East that is selling at from \$100 to \$200 per acre. And too, in a far better and more healthful climate and where nearly every body are first-class law-abiding citizens, as Ector County has never been represented in either of the State penitentiaries.

People in the North and East realize these facts and are investing in this part of the west.

"THE LAST CALL OF THE WEST."

"In conclusion we wish to say that so

equal and in some respects superior to the black land, by what process of reasoning can one arrive at any other conclusions but that this land will be as valuable in a few years? It is needless to say, that in providing a home, these facts should be carefully considered; for the business world knows that buying real estate that one knows will rise in value, is the easiest way to make money honestly; and it is the surest plan one can adopt to leave something for his children.

If you are interested in this section of the state, write to or call on us and we will be pleased to furnish you any information you wish, always assuring you that we will not, so far as we know, give you anything but plain facts.

Below we give a brief description of some bargains we have listed, for sale and exchange.

No. 100. 800 acres 1 1-2 miles from Odessa. This tract is fine farming land all tillable except 10 acres. Has new 8 room house; fine wind mill and surface tank; 60 acres in cultivation. Price \$25 per acre. Would trade good farm preferred.

No. 101. 2560 acres 30 miles south of Odessa near P. O., 75 per cent fine farming land; two room house, well, and all fenced. Price \$4 bonus; \$3.37 due state. Will be lived out next year. Would trade if suited.

No. 102. 160 acres 1 1-2 miles from Odessa, unimproved, 100 per cent tillable. Price \$16 per acre. \$800 cash, balance on 1 to 4 years.

No. 103. 1280 acres 12 miles north of Judkins; all fine farming land. Price \$4 bonus, \$5 75 due the state; Party has lived on the land 1 year. Would trade.

No. 104. 640 acres one mile from Odessa; 50 per cent tillable; improvements consisting of house, barn, cistern, two wells etc. Cost \$2500. 30 acres in cultivation. Price \$20 per acre. Would take some trade.

No. 105. 1500 acres 9 miles from Judkins on the T. & P. Ry. About 1200 acres of this tract is partly covered with shinnery, but is 90 per cent tillable. Has small house, good well and is all fenced. Price bonus \$4.50 and \$2 due state. Would take part trade.

No. 106. 1280 acres two miles from Judkins; 1200 acres tillable; has good three-room house, well and 60 acres in cultivation. Would make one a nice home. Price \$10 bonus and \$2 due the state. Would trade, farm preferred, but must be \$3,000 in deal.

We have other propositions. Write us what you have and want, but to save time, do not submit inflated values.

*D.B.*  
WALKER SEARCY & WOODS  
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW  
CARLINVILLE, ILLINOIS



*P. O.*

C. H. C. Anderson, Esq.,  
Judkins,  
Edgar County,  
Texas.

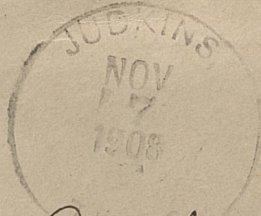
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If not called for in 5 days return to

*Mrs* W. E. P. ANDERSON  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
CARLINVILLE, ILL.



*Mr C. H. C. Anderson*

*Judkins  
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# The Bomar Land Company

*Established in Pecos in 1891 Under the Firm Name of J. H. Bomar & Company.*

*Will buy and sell on commission every kind, class and condition of land* **Pecos, Texas** *If we do not have what you want we will get it for you. Write to us.*

*"No Trouble to Answer Questions."*

Nov. 5th. '08

Mr. C.H.C. Anderson,  
Judkins,  
Ector Co.  
Texas.

Dear Sir;

Your favor of 4th. inst to hand this A.M.. For customers that you rustle around and obtain, bring out and show the lands, we can divide our 5 per cent commission with you in all such cases. In some instances we can give from 50 cents to \$2.00 an acre instead of commission, as it will be more than the small per cent of a commission.

We are inclosing a price list with lands marked in red for your information and convenience, but not to show to your customers, also lists that you can give to your friends and customers. o

Trusting that you may be able to make some good sales.

We remain yours truly

*The H. Bomar*  
Manager.

# The Bomar Land Co.

## PECOS, TEXAS

Established in Pecos in 1891 under the firm name of T. H. Bomar & Co.

Will Buy and Sell on Commission Every Kind, Class and Condition of Land in Any Size Tracts

If we do not have what you want we will get it for you.

No. 1. Six sections of smooth grass land, sandy, loamy soil, well sodded in Grama grass. From 3 to 8 miles of Barstow, in Ward county. Good water in easy digging depth. Price, \$3 per acre.

No. 3. Pearl Courtney's three sections of good, smooth, level land, within three miles of Panama P. O., school, etc.; 21 miles southeast of Pecos. Well covered with several varieties of good grass and filaree knee high. Good well 90 feet deep, soft, pure water, 12 ft. windmill. A two room house, 40 acre tract fenced off for small horse pasture; three miles of outside fence. Price \$2.50 per acre to the owner, average \$1.66 due the state, 38 1-2 years time at 3 per cent.

No. 4. Alfalfa farm. A big snap for an immediate net income of Three Thousand Dollars per year. 160 acres near Barstow 70 acres well set in alfalfa. Cuts from 350 to 450 tons per year, selling at \$11.00 f. o. b. Barstow. Two box houses, hay shed, corral etc. Paid up water right on 120 acres. \$1.50 water rental. This property is dirt cheap at the price asked now—\$9,000.00 The hay alone will pay 10 per cent on an investment of \$30,000.

No. 5. Ben Lewis' four sections 12 miles southeast from Pecos on the Fort Stockton road, smooth, level, fertile land; one small sandy ridge of about 320 acres; good stand of tobosa grass on all four sections. Price \$2.50 per acre cash to owner, \$1.50 per acre due the state, 38 1-2 years time.

No. 8. The Holywood place, 4 miles west of Barstow; homesteads D and C, both patented. 80 acres in C, has paid up water right, 16 acres in alfalfa, price, \$50 per acre. 160 acres in D, no water rights on this land but they can be bought from the irrigation company. 7 acres in alfalfa. Price, \$25 per acre.

No. 12. A patented section, 18 miles southeast of Pecos, in Tobosa flat. Price, \$4.50 per acre. Half cash, balance on long time.

No. 14. Two residence lots, close in town, near court house, in very desirable neighborhood, at \$200 each. A snap.

No. 14b. Two sections of tobosa land in Toyah valley, near Pecos and Saragosa road, about 20 miles from Pecos. Good three room house, good drilled well, 69 feet, with best water in the Toyah valley, and windmill. Bonus, \$5 per acre.

No. 15. 160 acres adjacent to town of Barstow, will make a nice suburban home, or town site

addition. 80 acres of paid-up water rights. Price, \$5,000 and cheap at that.

No. 16. 80 acres with water rights all paid up; in just half a mile of the courthouse in Barstow, Ward county. Very good five room house with iron porch. Stone cemented cistern holding 100 barrels; 60 acres in cultivation, of which 12 are in alfalfa, 600 grape vines, California varieties, came to fruit this year. Price \$8,000; \$2,500 cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years with 6 per cent interest.

No. 19. 4 sections in Ward County, 3 miles from Patrole, a station on the P. V. & N. E. railroad, ten miles north of Pecos; five-room house, ceiled overhead, walls napered, outside painted. 14 foot Eclipse windmill, fine soft water at 32 feet, good tank, 30 acres in cultivation, 200 acres fenced in pasture. Price, \$4.50 per acre, half cash. Owner has 7 1-2 sections altogether, and will make the price \$4 per acre if all are taken. Three adjoining sections can also be had at the same price.

No. 20. Forty acre plat, No. 14, Section No. 3, Block 32, H. & T. C. Railway Co., Ward County, Texas. Under the Grandfalls canal. First class river bottom land. Riparian rights. Price is only \$1000. This is the very last chance for a cheap forty under this system.

No. 22. The John Miller place, a beautiful suburban home near the growing city of Barstow, Texas; 140 acres on Sec. 73 adjoining city limits; 30 acres in alfalfa, 20 acres in cotton, 90 acres in pasture, all under fence, all with paid up water rights, low water rental, only \$1 per year per acre. Sandy loamy soil, nearly level, just enough slope to irrigate easily. A handsome 6 room residence, well decorated and finished in good shape, both inside and out. Tenants house, barns, smoke house, cow and horse lots, garden, etc. Some 8 or 9 peach trees and about 40 pear trees in the garden all just coming into bearing. Price \$7,500, one-fourth cash, balance in 1, 2, 3 and 4 years, at 8 per cent. This is dirt cheap for this beautiful little place; it is admirably adapted for dairy and gardening.

No. 23. Prof. Lee's house in Barstow, corner lot, 100x140 feet, two and one-half blocks east of the courthouse. A beautiful residence of six rooms, with south and east fronts; six good closets, bath room, front and rear galleries, two open fire places, flue in every room, large shade trees, nice grassy lawn, chicken yard, etc. \$2,100 gets this pretty place. Come quick if you want it.

No. 17. Section 155, Block 34 two miles east of Barstow, finest kind of sandy soil, at \$7.50 per acre.

No. 24. Section 19, block 4 H. & G. N. grantee, lies 6 miles northwest of Pecos. \$3.50 per acre buys this if you come quick, it is mighty cheap at this price.

No. 25. Alberta Peach Orchard. A five acre peach orchard just coming into full bearing, only half mile from town limits of Barstow. Three room box house; large cottonwood trees furnish delightful shade; beautiful smooth drive to town. Lovely place for suburban home. Owner sells on account of bad health. \$1000 will take this valuable place.

No. 26. About 600 acres of the finest river bottom lands in the Big Valley, known as the John McDonald lands; has riparian rights. Worth \$25 an acre but for a quick sale we will take \$15.00.

No. 32. Known as Homestead Q. 32 acres of crackerjack fine land under the famous Barstow Irrigation Company's canals. The lands in the vicinity are selling at from \$50 to \$150 per acre. Bid lively if you want to get this great bargain at \$25 an acre.

No. 34. Last chance to get a section of irrigable land at rock bottom prices in the great Barstow valley. Celebrated for its production of European grapes, Elberta peaches and other fine fruits. Patented Section No. 225 Block 34. The soil is a soft, rich, mellow, sandy loam, and was selected by the present owner as being the very best in block 34. Price now \$7 per acre.

No. 40. Ben G. Reynolds' 8 sections in Pecos county near the Reeves county line; fine grama and other grasses; double wells, plenty of pure, soft water, two 16 ft. windmills. About 1900 acres in a big tobosa flat, grass knee high, will mow nearly a ton to the acre; one crop of hay will pay for the land. Tobosa grass can be mown for hay all during the winter, as it does not rot but cures on the stalk. 100 acres fenced for small horse pasture. A good 2-room box house. State price \$1.50 an acre; bonus, \$2 an acre.

No. 42. Coal and oil land.—Seventy acre tract 10 miles south of Harrisburg, Saline county, Ill. Coal is being mined all around this land but it has not been prospected; lies within 3 miles of oil wells. Lead, zinc and spar is being mined on adjacent tract. New 3-room house, good water, well drained. Half mile of church and school. Price \$50 an acre.

No. 29. Mrs. Augusta Reynolds' lands, in Blocks 5 and 6, H. & G. N. R. R. Some of these lands have water now on them from natural springs. Shallow depths to good water for pumping. Write for detailed description and terms.

No. 30. Mrs. M. I. Brown's lands. 2560 acres in Township 7, Block 51, nice, pretty, smooth land, good soil, about 12 miles southeast of Pecos City. Write for terms. Mention list number.

No. 33. 480 acres in Section 39, Block 6, H. & G. N. R. R. 5 miles from the city limits. A running stream goes through the middle of the section, from which a large acreage can be irrigated. There are several seep springs that can undoubtedly be developed into good flowing water. Price, only \$20.

No. 35. Best business lots in Pecos City. Two lots on corner of principal street adjacent to Orient hotel and in front of T. & P. depot, at only \$1600 to close up estate.

No. 36. 160 acres patented land under the famous Grandfalls canal system; 110 acres in cultivation, fine rich soil; 3-room house in grove of cypress cedars. Price only \$25 an acre.

No. 38. A fine little ranch. Sections 8, 9, 10, 11 in solid body, block C19, 8 miles from Pecos, 3 miles of Patrol, a station on the Pecos Valley railroad; well sodded in mixed grasses. All level, smooth land. About half sandy soil, the other rich, dark, chocolate loam. Two-room house, 2 miles of wire fence, well 60 feet deep and good windmill. Due state, \$1.75 on usual 40 yrs time; equity \$5 an acre; all proved up.

No. 39. Cheap irrigated land. 244 acres in the celebrated and fertile Texas bend, under the Farmers' Independent ditch; this is the highest up the river of any canal taking water out of the Pecos river, therefore there is never any scarcity of water, and this is the first land that can be irrigated from that ditch. Perpetual water rights all paid up. Within 4 miles of railroad station, 16 miles from Pecos. This is absolutely the cheapest irrigated land in the Pecos Valley, perhaps in the state. Price only \$25 an acre for both land and water, either of which is more than worth the money.

No. 41. 640 acres, seven miles west of Stiles, in Reagan county. Good, smooth land, plenty of grass. Patented, title perfect. Price, \$2,500, or will trade for stock, sheep, goats, cattle or for stock horses.

*The furthest we can get what you get for you sell at the best price*

R.F.D. #2,

Osceola, Mo

Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> '08

Mr. C. H. C. Anderson

Judkins, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

What will you furnish me a good Collie male pup about three months old for? Would like to procure one for farm use, and want a good one.

Trusting to hear from you by return mail, and thanking you in advance, I remain

Very truly

C. W. Lundy



From C. M. Lundy  
Rd. #2 Osceola, Mo



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Mr. C. H. C. Anderson

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S. C.

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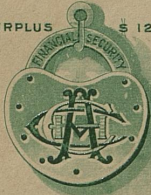
Ans. 10/30/08 C. C. C.

No male: fem CM \$5.

F.O.B. Carl.

THE  
BANKING HOUSE OF C. H. C. ANDERSON  
CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$ 125,000.00.

JOHN C. ANDERSON, PREST.  
E. A. MOUNTS, VICE-PREST.



JOHN WESTERMEIER, CASH.  
WALTER H. DEY, ASST. CASH.

CARLINVILLE, ILL. October 23'1908.

Mr. C. H. C. Anderson,  
Judkins, Texas.

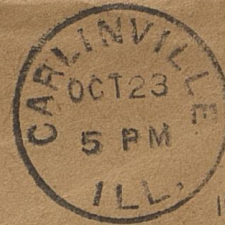
Dear Sir:-

Find duplicate enclosed for \$53.00. amount of check of L. M. Murphy, placed to your credit today. Walter E. P. account is \$8.50. to his credit, will report Breeders Gazette deposits as requested, hope you are all well.

Check Book under separate cover,

*John C. Anderson*  
*John Westermeyer*  
*Walter H. Dey*

From The Banking House of C. H. C. ANDERSON  
CARLINVILLE, ILLS.



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C. H. C. ANDERSON

Judkins,

Ector County,

Texas

Prairie Home Farm

Rec'd. 10/26/08.

Address W. Marsh  
Silver City, N.M.  
(Dunsmuir)  
(S.P. - like) etc

TEXAS  
OCT 25 1898

## THE TEXAS &amp; PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Dallas Tex

Station

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1908

Mr E. E. Anderson  
 Justus, Tex  
 Dear Sir -

On our return I found  
 your letter awaiting me -

I have referred it to  
 Mr J. W. Cavanaugh best real  
 Managin - who handles  
 such things. The Thorne is  
 about - or I should have  
 taken the matter up with him.

At present money is  
 very ~~scarce~~ hard to get  
 for improvements - Hence  
 you will necessarily have  
 to be patient & keep sawing  
 wood -

With all kinds of good  
 wishes for yourself &  
 family

I am yours truly

J. W. Cavanaugh

From.....



2442

C. H. C. ANDERSON

Judkins,

Ector County,

Texas

Prairie Home Farm

Recd. 10/5/08

\* 10/9/08 = J. W. Overman,  
Asst. Gen. Mgr.,  
T & P Ry Co.  
Dallas, Tex.

\* 10/9/08 = J. W. Ward



(1.)

Carlinville Ill

Sept 27/85

Dear Friend Curtis,

I recd;  
your letter a few days ago  
and was very glad to hear  
from you, although I owed  
you a letter. It seems as  
though I never can find  
time for writing. but here  
it comes just the same

I don't think I have very  
much to write about

Just three weeks ago this  
afternoon, I met the mules

(2)

heels with my face, and it  
will be another week before I  
will fully recover, am getting  
along very well at present although  
I had quite a time of it.

So you want me to make  
yours a visit sometime soon  
well I would like to accept  
the invitation but I guess  
time and money will keep me  
here some time. I would like  
to come out awful well but  
I don't know when it will  
be so I can. We are very busy  
sowing wheat now and I

(3)

have also been working on  
a township ditch for the  
last few weeks, then there  
will be corn cutting on hand  
again and after that will be  
corn shucking, so you see  
there's no rest for the wicked

Tell I did not get to finish  
my letter Sunday as I intended  
and had to put it off until  
to-night which is Wednesday  
we had quite a frost here  
Monday night and is awful  
cold again to-night. The rain  
and wind Sunday night

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blew the corn down so  
bad that we are compelled  
to straighten up the corn  
before sowing the wheat  
and it is an awful job  
I saw Harry Patcher last  
Thursday but did not talk  
with him.

Next Sat will be round-up  
day at Carlinville, but I  
don't think they are going  
to have any wild long-horned  
Texas cattle there. If they  
were, I might go over and  
get "macks" pony and "lasso"

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and take in the round-ups  
but I guess the most of  
them will be tame farmer  
boys, so guess I'll stay  
home and sow wheat, I  
intended going to the state  
fair but an account the  
wind and rain I had to  
miss it. Think I'll take in  
the county fair, but I guess  
I'll not see any of of C. H. C.'s  
exhibits there.

Well how's everything on  
the ranch did you see  
many rattlesnakes this

(6)

summer, did you put out  
any crop this summer?  
I suppose Sam has been  
helping you right along  
with your work; I would  
like to see him again as  
well as all the rest. tell Sam  
he must write me a letter  
some time.

Well guess I had better stop  
are I my near close, and  
I am anxious to get this letter  
started as you have been  
waiting for a long time  
and was about coming  
(over)

(7)

out, of course you know  
I'd like to come, but God only  
knows when I can so you  
see I can't make you any  
promise

Well it is getting bed time  
now and I must close  
my writing of you to visit soon  
With best wishes  
To all

I am sincerely yours  
"Will" Hill

P.S. I can well remember the  
day I left Prairie Home

(Tell Mrs. A. Hill)

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CARLE  
OCT 1  
5 PM  
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Mr. C. H. C. Anderson.  
Judkins  
Ector Co.  
Texas.

"Prairie Home Farm"



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TEXAS  
OCT 3 1898

Baltimore<sup>Md</sup>

Oct 4 - 08

Dear Aunt and Family

Your letters to  
Papa and I were forwarded here  
and I am so sorry to hear of  
the little darling Walter being  
so very sick but much relieved  
by a letter direct from you saying  
that he was much better.

I do hope that he has entirely  
recovered before this but you  
must be very careful of his diet  
for a good while. As you  
see by the date this is Walter's  
birth day and he is just 27.  
My but it makes me feel  
old when I think of my baby  
being that old. We are having

The most beautiful weather  
It just seems perfect and  
the scenery all around is so  
beautiful. Mill says they  
are 400 feet above <sup>in</sup> sea level.  
He took a long ride <sup>in</sup> to Glyndwr  
Friday and as cars waited a  
long time we got out and  
gathered chestnuts and the  
conductor had some apples  
and gave us all one which  
we certainly enjoyed. There are  
so many beautiful drives here.  
We think we will go chestnutting  
before we leave. We had had  
news about Uncle Ben, that  
he was failing so fast. He had  
a bad spell last Monday eve  
but would go riding the next

3  
morning but had them drive  
the phaeton up to the steps for  
him to get in. I do hope that  
he will get better and stronger if  
he does not suffer as he has  
He was suffering a good deal  
the day that I went there  
before starting on our trip. My  
trip was delayed so long it has  
cut out a good part and perhaps  
Uncle Ben getting worse may cut  
out the rest but hope not for all  
concerned. Our ocean trip had to  
be cut out from N. Y. to Norfolk  
on account of storms and then we  
had to pay extra to Baltimore for  
which I was not prepared and am  
sorry of extra expense, especially  
as Aunt Bell went back on her  
promise to pay my way after school  
waited three weeks for her. She

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Kept saying she would give me  
the money I paid for ticket -  
until we got to N.Y. and then  
told me she would not pay <sup>any</sup>  
at all, of course being away I  
have to get back but I surely  
will remember it - a good while.  
for I had my money plans  
all arranged for a good while  
to come and it - puts me out  
very much. however I am not  
going to let it - spoil my visit -  
for I have paid my good money  
and want to get the good out of it.  
I found <sup>Charles</sup> Fred at station to  
meet us as Mill was out of city.  
They are all well and children  
are have grown so much since I  
saw them. They are very sweet  
especially little Eleanor. She is

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trying to talk and attempts  
about every thing, but she is so  
sweet when Will says who do you  
love & she says papa, papa.

The folks live right in a park  
or woods (of course, <sup>then</sup> cut out to suit  
the yards & houses), across the street  
are some persimmons and they  
are fine have been over them  
twice as they are in vacant lots.

(Billed with baby)  
He took a long walk this after  
noon while Clarence and Fred were  
at Sunday school & it gave Will  
a chance to sleep. We went to  
church with him this A. M. and  
heard him give a splendid  
talk. He also makes a talk  
again tonight but we do not  
go with him. I have had a tooth  
that has been hurting and being  
apaid it would get to the jumping

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stage went yesterday to the dentist  
and he is going to save the tooth  
for me so he says. Both Barcus  
& Cameron said nothing could be  
done for it - at all. I need it so  
much I hope this one knows what  
he is talking about. I told the  
folks I was <sup>with my dolls here</sup> like Fred about his father  
when he said if it aint one thing  
it is another. Fred said this when  
his papa said he was too busy to play.  
Well I must stop and write to Walter.  
I wrote a little to papa and as an  
unto Will can cut his out; It is quite  
hard to get to write when away from  
home - hopes that you are all well  
and love and best wishes to all  
I will say good by.

your loving mother

I don't know what papa put in box but  
gave him books or magazines, & boat crumb  
tray & brush. thought Walter might like the  
tin boat.

I forgot to say I thought the  
pictures were fine and I surely  
do appreciate you sending them  
and thank you very much.

The folks all say they want  
~~me to give~~ their love to you  
and wish you success and  
hope Walter Edward is better.



WALTER S  
BIRTHDAY CONF.

BALTIMORE, MD.  
OCT 5  
4-PM  
1908

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Mr and Mrs C. H. C. Anderson  
Jenkins  
Ector Co.  
Texas.

Recd. 10/10/08



Carlisle Ill  
Sept 20 - 1908

Well Brit

I thought I would write you a  
few lines to night we are all  
well. Hope this letter will find you  
and family the same. But we  
are - dry & my heart tell you  
hardly show Bad we need rain  
wells a going - dry Pastures  
Just buying up lots of farmers  
Bin feeding for some time  
But some of our corn looks  
fairly well will have some  
corn if frost dont come too soon.

I could not come out too  
see you & the country this  
fall but will try to get  
out some time in the  
future

Well Brit the Pups shure looks  
Fine they are big enough too  
Ship any time now the old  
Bitch is a meaning them  
And if you have any orders  
For them just send them  
On for i tell you their is 8 of  
them + it is just like feeding  
a old Sow + 8 Pigs + lots of  
trouble too it is mighty  
Hard too sell them here But  
if we do sell any of our  
Part i will let you no of it  
Right a way

Now Brit there are 8 Pups in all  
6 females + 2 Males 4 of the  
Females in Color is Sable with  
White Collars or almost white  
Clear a round the neck the  
other 2 females is Sable + white  
Martley White + the 2 dog  
Pups is Black or Brown and  
White that is a Bant as near  
as i can disscribe them  
All fine Pups i tell you not a  
Bunt in them so sell them  
soon if you can + send the  
orders + we will send them out  
So good By W.F. Goodpasture

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