

# THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER.

VOL. 11

GRAPELAND, HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, SEPT 10, 1908

NO. 28

ALBERT H. LUKER, EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR, PAYABLE IN ADVANCE

### Latexo News.

Latexo, Texas, Sept. 6.—We have had two protracted meetings one Methodist and the other Christian. Rev. John T. Poe of Longview was the Christian minister, and Bro. Boyles of Crockett the Methodist. Six new members were added to the Methodist church.

We are having some pretty weather and cotton is being picked fast.

T. W. Sims has returned from League City.

Loney Poe of Vernon is spending a few days with homefolk. He will return in a few days to gather his crop.

Andrew Spence and Emet Poe left Vernon for New Mexico to spend the summer.

Dave Palmer and the three Patton boys left this week for Johnson county.

W. H. Poe went to Pennington Saturday on business.

Quite a crowd attended church at Ephesus Sunday.

We have Sunday school every Sunday evening, and it is progressing nicely.

Mr. J. L. Stiff of Rusk has moved over and has employment at the planer.

Little Eva Bowman was quite sick this week; also Lenard Sharp, but both are better now. Red Kid.

### Notice of Lecture.

There will be a lecture at the Christian church on Friday night Sept. 18. Subject: "Take the sunny side of life," by F. M. Trimble. Admission 15c and 25 cents. Children under 10 years free. Benefit of the Christian church.

Star Brand Shoes  
Are Better

Star Brand Shoes  
Are Better

I have the best selected stock of Dry Goods, as good stock of Groceries and sell the best Wagons in Grape-land. As proof of this statement, I invite your inspection. Yours truly,

J. J. BROOKS,

P. S. I SELL STAR BRAND SHOES.  
"THEY ARE BETTER."

Star Brand Shoes  
Are better

Star Brand Shoes  
Are better

## Shipment of Buggies

If you want a first-class buggy at a reasonable price see me before you buy. My buggies are coming in, so come around and see them. I guarantee every buggy that I sell, and will meet any legitimate competition. Try me.

Guice's Blacksmith Shop,

A. B. GUICE, Proprietor

I ALSO HANDLE BUGGY HARNESS

### Negro Lives 102 Years.

San Antonio, Texas, September 5.—Jane Williams, a negro woman, aged 102 years died early this morning at the home of her daughter. The aged negro centenarian had a remarkable history and had lived in Texas since 1820, when she was brought here as a slave, she was purchased by William Brookfield, surveyor for the Republic of Texas and one of the leaders in the struggle for Texas independence and pre-

sented to his daughter, Mrs. Vincent L. Evans, wife of Major Evans, who was killed in the Alamo. The old negress retained a remarkably clear memory of the early days. She delighted in recounting tales of the early days when her master was one of the founders of the Stephen A. Austin colony. She had seen the flags of four nations waving over Texas soil and had witnessed three wars. Her stories of the struggle of the Texans for inde-

pendence have been used in a number of historical works.

### Railroad Bridge Burned.

Palestine, Texas, Sept. 7.—Long Lake bridge, west of this city by a few miles was partially burned early Saturday morning a number of spans being destroyed. Traffic being delayed for several hours, passengers being transferred over the bridge. This being one of the longest

bridges on the line of the International and Great Northern, being about one quarter mile in length, and had the whole bridge burned the injury to traffic on this line would have been almost incalculable.

### Quick Relief for Asthma Sufferers

Foley's Honey and Tar affords immediate relief to asthma sufferers in the worst stages and if taken in time will effect a cure. Carleton & Porter.

### Crops Lighter Than Expected.

Trinity, Texas, Sep. 5.—No rain here for the past two weeks. We are having warm days and cool nights, and every appearance of continued dry weather, which is fine for cotton picking. The cotton crop will be lighter than was expected two weeks ago, although the young cotton planted on the river farms since the overflow still looks very promising, it is full of fruit, and as yet little or no damage has been done to the late planting by the boll weevil.

Cotton is not being marketed as fast as was expected in the beginning of the season, presumably on account of the low price offered for it, as farmers are loath to bring cotton to market when the price is so low.

### Passed Examination Successfully.

James Donahue, New Britain, Conn., writes: "I tried several kidney remedies, and was treated by our best physicians for diabetes, but did not improve until I took Foley's Kidney Remedy. After the second bottle I showed improvement, and five bottles cured me completely. I have since passed a rigid examination for life insurance." Foley's Kidney Remedy cures backache and all forms of kidney and bladder trouble. For sale by Carleton & Porter, druggists.

### Old and Obsolete.

Ratcliff, Texas, Sept., 7.—The new cotton and grist mill opened the throttle valves and put in motion the machinery that is to compete for the cotton trade that has of late years been going to near by points. This is altogether a home industry, being composed of a few of Ratcliff's industrious and wideawake citizens, who were cognizant of the fact that they would lose the bulk of the cotton trade if some steps were not immediately taken. Inside of 30 days the plant was purchased, grounds secured and the mills bolted their first turn of meal last Saturday.

### Will Interest Many

Every person should know that good health is impossible if the kidneys are deranged. Foley's Kidney Remedy will cure kidney and bladder disease in every form, and will build up and strengthen these organs so they will perform their functions properly. No danger of Bright's disease or diabetes if Foley's Kidney Remedy is taken in time.—Carleton & Porter.

### FOR SALE.

A bargain in a nice home, a good 7 room house, good barn and out houses, good water, ideal location, three large lots fronting on two streets. Owner must sell, see Will Darsey for terms and prices.

### It Knecks Malaria Out.

The old reliable Cheatham's Chill Tonic cures quicker and more permanently than any other remedy. One bottle is guaranteed to cure any one case. You can't lose. Try it.



## The Cotton-picker is in Evidence

Country merchants will need goods to supply the demand, and will need them quick.

We fill orders on the day they are received.

Our stock is complete in every line we handle.

**Send Us Your Order**

"American" Brand Shoes  
"Blue Ribbon" Hats  
**American Shoe & Hat Co.**  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

## Federal Appropriations for Public Road Improvements

Address by President of the National Grange.

As master of the National Grange, I am pleased to have this opportunity for presenting some considerations of this important question from the farmer's standpoint. The farmers have a common interest with all other advocates of road improvement, and although there may be differences of opinions as to methods, we are all working for the same ultimate purpose—the establishment of a complete system of properly constructed roads in all sections of the country. How such a road system can be secured is a problem that more directly concerns the farmers than any other class, and it may be safely said that the question of better roads is essentially a farmer's question.

It is true that all industrial interests are effected by the nature and condition of the roads over which the products of our farms are transported to market, but it is the farmers who suffer most from the inferior roads which constitute so large a percentage of the road system of the United States. And I am confident that it is to the farmers that we must look as the active force and influence that will secure the enactment of the legislation needed to bring about that improvement in road conditions that we all desire.

And here I wish to refer briefly to the seeming conflict of interests between the farmers and the owners of motor vehicles, which has in some districts given rise to pronounced antagonism and hostile legislation. That since the introduction and general use of the automobile there have been many instances of gross disregard by the drivers of motor vehicles of the public's right to the use of our highways, cannot be denied. The coming of the automobile has brought with it the victims of speed mania, who in their mad desire to beat records drive their high-powered machines along country roads at a speed dangerous to all others using these roads. It is only natural that the farmers, on whom the chief burden of constructing and maintaining public roads has fallen, should resent the violation of their right to use these roads in safety, and should have sought to have severe penalties imposed on the offending parties. For myself I may say that I believe that the attitude of the farmers toward automobile was to a large extent justified by the outrageous conduct of drivers of these vehicles. It is doubtless true, as is often asserted, that the "speed maniacs" constitute a very small percentage of the total number of automobile users. I am pleased to know that the abuses complained of in the earlier years of the automobile have to a large extent disappeared, and trust that through the influence of the automobile clubs and associations there may be brought about a willingness to respect the rights of all the people to the use of the highways, that will give no occasion for hostility toward the orderly reasonable use of the automobile.

I realize that the motor vehicle

is here to stay, and that it is a factor that must be taken into consideration in discussing the improvement of our roads. The question as to how far it creates new problems of road maintenance and repair I must leave to the expert road makers, and would only suggest that it is important that all the facts relating to the effects of automobile traffic on improved roads should be ascertained before raising needless alarm over the alleged destructive tendencies of the inflated rubber tire.

One phase of the development of the motor vehicle that is of special interest to the farmers, is the possibilities of the commercial truck, or power-operated farm wagon. It would seem that here is a very large field for an industry that will be profitable to both the farmers and the manufacturers of such vehicles. With improved roads the use of motor trucks for the conveyance of farm products to market should become general in all sections of the country, thus enabling the farmer to market his crops more quickly and at less expense. I believe that no injury is caused to macadam roads by these commercial vehicles, but on the contrary their solid rubber tires operate practically as rollers and serve to keep such roads in good condition.

In this connection I wish to emphasize the fact that the road question in the United States is not only a farmer's question, but first of all, a question of the commercial use of the highways. To the farmer the roads are the means of transporting his products to market, and it is from this point of view that the farmers will insist that all plans for road improvement must be considered. Over our country roads there are annually hauled nearly 200,000,000 tons of staple farm products, and if to this we add the smaller products such as fruit, milk, eggs, etc., and the fertilizers, feed, coal, lumber, etc., taken from the town to the farm we will have an aggregate of at least 250,000,000 tons carried for long or short distances over our highways. These figures show the enormous importance to the farmers of a system of improved roads that would enable them to reduce the cost of hauling this volume of freight from one-half to two-thirds of what is now costs them. It is estimated by competent authorities that over the ordinary country road the farmer draws an average of 2,000 pounds an average distance of 12 miles at a cost of \$3.00, and it has been shown that with improved roads the cost of moving the same load that distance would be but little more than \$1.00. Making allowance for exceptional cases it is certain that the cost of transporting a ton of farm products over improved roads is not one-half of the cost over earth roads. Under a general system of improved roads the cost of hauling these 250,000,000 tons would be cut in two, thus effecting a direct saving to the farmers of the country of at least \$125,000,000 annually.

Nor is this the only saving to the farmers that would be effected through improved roads. Because of bad roads the farmers or their hired men must now spend twice as much time on the road as would be required under a proper system. In bad weather the roads are often impassable, so that time must be taken from farm work in fine weather to get the crops to market. With a system of good roads over which farm products could be hauled in one-half of the time now neces-

sary, the farmers would have just so much additional time for other work, and could therefore greatly increase the productivity of their farms.

It is needless that I should occupy your time with any extended statement of the benefit of good roads. The direct saving in dollars and cents is only one of the many advantages to the farmers that would result from improved roads. There can be no question that the deplorable condition of our roads is to a large extent responsible for the dissatisfaction with country life, which drives so many of our people into the towns and cities. Bad roads make farming unprofitable and undesirable. They increase the solitude of life on the farm by making more difficult and less frequent visits to the neighbors, and to the villages and towns. They limit opportunity by forcing the farmer to spend twice as much time in going to and from his markets as he would with a good road system. In short, the greatest drawback to farm life today is the condition of the average country road, and the improvement of our roads is of greater importance to the farmers than any other suggested legislative reform.

Nor is it necessary to dwell upon the inferior character of our existing roads. The fact that out of a total road mileage in the United States of 2,151,570 only a fraction over 7 per cent can be called improved, speaks for itself.

The facts as to present conditions have long been known to the thoughtful farmers of the country, and they have been the first to realize the urgent need for radical reforms in methods of road construction and improvement. It is true that the farmer is naturally conservative and perhaps has not taken up the subject of better roads as quickly as the residents of towns and cities would act in a matter vitally affecting their interests, but from my wide acquaintance with the farmers of all sections of the country I am prepared to affirm that they are as a whole awake to the importance of this subject, and ready to do all in their power to further the work of road improvement.

The farmers recognize the need for better roads, and realize how largely such roads would contribute to their comfort and prosperity. They are anxious that well-considered plans for road improvement should be submitted to the state and national legislatures, and will do all in their power to aid in securing the adoption of such plans.

It may be asked why, if the farmers favor good roads, the work of road improvement has not made greater progress. The chief reason is to be found in the lack of the money required for the construction and maintenance of improved roads. Many farming sections of the country are still sparsely populated, and the economic condition of the farmers in general is such that they regard it as impossible for them to contribute in taxes the funds necessary for the construction of a permanent road system. While it is true that it would pay even the poorest communities to increase their expenditures for road improvement, it may be said that as a general proposition the means of the farming districts are wholly inadequate to provide for a proper road system.

In view of these conditions the farmers have in recent years come to realize that the road problem is not merely a question for the communities through which the roads run, but one that concerns the people of the states and of the nation as a whole. They are convinced that as the workers of the towns and cities, the manufacturers, merchants, and indeed all classes and interests, are affected by present road conditions, the people of the entire country should aid in establishing a better system. Believing that appropriations for this purpose should be made from other sources than local taxation they have aided the movement for state aid for highway improvement which has been in progress for

## PILES

CURED WITHOUT THE KNIFE  
Send for free pamphlet on rectal diseases, with testimonials. Cures guaranteed.  
Dr. E. S. WHITE, 209 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, Tex.

## Get a Telephone



Get in touch with your neighbors, your doctor, the city, and keep posted on the market. Easily installed at small expense, when you buy the Century Platinum Electrode instrument, perfect in every detail, and warranted for a lifetime. Write for our "Handbook of Rural Telephony." Sent free. Shows how to organize a company, construct lines, etc.  
Address Dept. A.

**Tel-Electric Company,**  
HOUSTON, TEXAS

## For Picnics and Barbecues

Richter's "Butter Bread" and "Butter Buns" are the kind always used.

Before placing your orders, get our prices on any sized shipment---We'll save you money---Write.

**Richter's Steam Bakery**  
San Antonio, Texas

## Southwestern University

Georgetown, Texas.

The president of this old and well known institution invites correspondence with every Texas boy and girl desiring an education. Splendid buildings. Complete Equipment. Wholesome Surroundings. Expenses very moderate.

Full courses in LITERATURE, SCIENCE and THE FINE ARTS. For 36 years Southwestern University has been doing work that abides. We point with pride to patrons and former students in every section of this State. The claims and advantages are many. Examine them.

Next session begins September 22, 1908.  
Medical Department at Dallas, Dr. J. O. McReynolds, Dean.  
President, R. S. HYER, Georgetown, Texas.

## McEVY'S WIRELESS STRAINER

For Oil and Water Wells



CAN BE ROTATED OR DRIVEN

Manufactured by  
**J. H. McEvoy & Co.**  
Houston, Texas

Prices and Samples on Application

## FALL SEEDS

NEW CROP ARRIVING DAILY

Bermuda and Creole Onion Seed,--Turnips, Spinage, Lettuce Beets, C a rrots, Mustard, Cabbage,--Dwarf Essex Rape. Multiplying Shallots. Seed Irish Potatoes.

**REICHARDT & SCHULTE**

The Texas Seed House

Houston, Texas. Catalog on application. Wholesale Price list to Merchants.

## Before You Buy or Wish to Sell Your Hay and Grain

Communicate with me about the matter. It will pay you to sell to me, as sure as it will if you want to buy. Write, Phone or Telegraph me.

Houston, **E. S. Dixon & Co.** Texas

## Coronal Institute

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.  
Rev. Sterling Fisher, President

Separate Boarding Departments for Girls and Boys. New Buildings, Modern Conveniences. Unsurpassed Health Record. Christian Influences.

Fifteen Instructors. Graduates enter Southwestern University and Univ'y of Tex. without examination. Literary Courses, Piano, Stringed Instruments, Voice, Art and Elocution by teachers of highest training and efficiency.

Before selecting a school for your girl or boy, write to the president for illustrated catalogue and testimonials.

## Werner Wilkens

Office: Alamo Bank Building. San Antonio, Texas

We are buying new OATS, and will make bids upon receipt of samples. whenever you have any CORN to offer, let us hear from you. Ask for four prices on HAY

## Building Materials Wholesale and Retail

Lime, Sand, Roofing Paper, Roofing Iron, Plaster, Pitch, Paints, Varnishes, Oils, Etc. Agents for Carbolinaum Arvenarium Pure Ready Mixed Paints, Acme Cement Plaster, Rex Flintkote Roofing, Ringbone Metal Lath  
Telephone 410.

**J. C. DIELMANN** 206 N. Commerce, San Antonio, Texas

## Learn BRICKLAYING

And earn from \$4 to \$7 per day; don't work for starvation wages: every branch of the art of bricklaying taught by the Alamo City Bricklaying School, north side of the Alamo. Call or write JAMES J. WILSON, P. O. box 26, San Antonio, Texas.



## International Fair Amusement Attractions.

Thousands of dollars spent to secure the best amusements for the big exposition at San Antonio.

Thousands of dollars have been spent by the San Antonio International Fair Association to secure a large number of amusement attractions for this year's International Fair which will open on September 26 and close on October 11.

Perhaps the most pretentious of these will be the Los Angeles Fire Works Company, which at great expense, has been secured to give nightly performances before the grand stand of the race track. This company is famous as one of the biggest and best of the companies giving fireworks spectacles in the country today, and the directors of the Fair Association are congratulating themselves in having secured it for this year's fair.

Every imaginable kind of pyrotechnic display will be given by this company, and for several hours in the nights the fair grounds will be made brilliant with the thousands of dollars worth of powder which will be burnt up to supply the illuminations.

In addition to this there will be a wild west and Texas cowboy show, in which 125 performers will appear. Each member of the aggregation is an expert with the pistol, rifle, shot gun and lariat, and each of them will ride bucking bronchos during the show. One man of the troupe will give \$50 for any horse, broken or unbroken, which he cannot ride without either saddle or bridle, and several horse breeders have signified their intention of bringing in some of their unbroken animals, with which they hope to win \$50.

A vaudeville show will give three performances daily in the big exposition hall, and a talking-picture show will be given between times. This will be the first time that the new talking pictures, in which the very moving pictures seem to talk, has ever been seen in Texas, and it is expected to prove of the greatest interest to the thousands of people who will attend this year's fair.

Numerous free amusements have also been provided, which will be witnessed, absolutely free of charge, by every one who attends the fair.

The midway will be thronged by all kinds of freaks, curiosities and side shows, while every day there will be horse races in the afternoon and on Sundays there will be all-day auto races. More than 1000 horses from all parts of the United States will take part in the race meet and compete for the handsome purses which have been offered by the Fair Association.

The pick of the 5000 troops stationed at Fort Sam Houston will give nightly performances, and on October 9, a grand military pageant in which hundreds of the soldiers will participate, will be given.

The railroads are this year offering the lowest rates ever authorized from all parts of the state to this city, and it is expected that this city will be thronged with thousands from all over the state, during the sixteen days of the fair. Ample accommodations will be found for all those that attend, as numerous private families are making preparations to take care of the visitors in addition to the regular hotels and rooming houses.

### Horse Races Daily.

Every afternoon except Sunday, during the big exposition there will be races in which horses from all over the United States will compete for the handsome purses which have been set aside for the race meet. More than \$4,000 will be won by the first, second and third horses, and this handsome amount of money has attracted more than 1,000 horses for the events.

Thoroughbred runners, stand-

In the quarter races only Texas quarter horses will compete, and these races are expected to attract trotters, and more than 300 of the wiry little Texas quarter horses will be seen in the races on the wide three quarter mile track of the Fair grounds which is the fastest three quarter mile track in the entire south.

Proof of the greatest interest to all Texans as the Texas pony is the idol of the Texas horse lover. Handsome purses have been hung up by the San Antonio International Fair Association for these quarter races, and these have stimulated interest in the quarter races to such an extent that there is hardly any breeder of these hardy horses, but who will have from one to a dozen horses at the meet.

So many have been the entries of horses for the races, that the numerous barns of the Fair Association, containing one thousand stalls, have proved too small for the horses, and a new addition will have to be erected before the big International Fair opens on September 26th.

### Mexican Band Engaged.

One of the biggest attractions at the fair will be the famous Mexican band from Mexico, which has appeared at nearly all the big expositions of the country try within the past few years, and which will appear at the International Fair every day while the big exposition is in progress. This band is recognized as one of the best musical organizations of the world, and wherever they appear they are always the center of interest of immense crowds during the time their concerts are in progress.

This band, is one of the big military musical organizations of Mexico, and is on continual practice, as it plays every day of the year for some concert, function or parade, in the southern Republic. Its director is one of the leading conductors of Mexico, and the standard set by it, is one that is followed as closely as possible, by all the military bands of Mexico.

### Implement Display.

One of the exhibits which is sure to prove of considerable interest to every farmer who visits the fair, is that to be seen in the big implement hall, where implements from manufacturers from all over the United States, will be on exhibition all during the International Fair. Steam plows, riding plows, traction engines, threshing machines, hand plows and farming implements of all kinds, will be attractively displayed, and active demonstrations will be given daily during the fair. The building for this display has been considerably enlarged, and it will be one of the chief attractions at the exposition for the farmers who will throng to this city from all over the state.

**Wonderful Dairy Machinery.** In the Dairy department, which will be in charge of C. O. Moser assistant in dairy investigation of the United States department of agriculture, will be seen a working creamery, in active operation. In this creamery, butter, cheese and other dairy products will be made from the raw milk, before the eyes of the visitors to the fair, and a herd of fifty cows will be constantly on hand to supply the necessary milk for the demonstration.

This herd of dairy cows will be milked by a patent milking machine in full view of the visitors to the department, and these features are certain to be eagerly watched by all farmers who own even one dairy cow. An expert will be in charge of the creamery and milking machine.

### Cotton Picking Machine.

A real, successful machine for picking cotton in the fields, will be on exhibition and in active operation at the International Fair, in the Agricultural department. Five hundred stalks of cotton will be furnished daily for the demonstration, which will be absolutely free to every visitor of the fair.

**Cheap Railroad Trips.** The lowest railroad rates ever offered, will be in effect to this city from all points of the state during the International Fair, have been authorized by the railroads of the state for this year's big exposition. The convention rate of one and one fifth

fares for the round trip will be in effect all during the fair from Sept. 25 to Oct. 12, and any one buying them on Sept. 25 may remain at the fair until Oct. 12. In addition, low rates of \$1.00 from distances within 100 miles of this city, with proportionate rates for intermediate distances will be in effect each Saturday, and on Saturday's Oct. 3rd and Oct. 11 a rate of one half of one way fare for the round trip will be in effect from all parts of the state good to return the following Monday. These rates will allow the people of the entire state to visit this year's big International fair at very little expense indeed.

## Smoke Kills American Boys.

Effect of Smoke on the Manhood of America.

American boys are smoking too much. In fact, they are smoking themselves to death. I was standing at a street corner and counted a hundred young men, out of whom 35 had cigars in their mouths—and many of these 35 were dyspeptic, wan, tired-looking persons, who seemed to be in need of sleep rather than in need of a smoke.

I recently examined 20 selected cases of hard smokers, aged between 35 and 68—ages most apt to show the affliction of tobacco blindness. Six were found that manifested more or less symptoms of tobacco blindness, technically called tobacco amblyopia. It is an interesting scientific fact that the colored race is immune from this affliction. Out of 30 who were examined none was found to have the trouble. The women, I speak of whites, up to the present time seem to be practically exempt from this trouble. Out of 50 examined in a Cincinnati tobacco factory some time ago only one was found to possess the tobacco blindness, to a slight degree. She was an old-time employe in the stripping department, and was probably a user of tobacco. How they will fare in the future in this respect, with the introduction of cigarette smoking, high-ball drinking and the numerous other fads aping in the direction of masculinity now in vogue among the fashionable set, time can only tell. Once I found a young man of 19, an inveterate smoker, who suffered from tobacco blindness. Usually only the older men suffer.

There is almost always a gradual, but progressive, failure of vision in both eyes. Luminous objects dazzle the sight, and a bright light is worse for reading than a subdued one. These patients are better in the evening than in the middle of the day. In addition to this, patients often complain of a glimmering mist that covers all objects in a bright light. Nicotine in the tobacco causes the affliction. The oily, colorless fluid diffuses itself into the blood with as much rapidity as prussic acid, and a poisonous dose has been known to kill an adult in three minutes. The cheaper grades of tobacco contain more nicotine than the expensive ones, consequently are more injurious to the consumers. This is probably why tobacco blindness is more common among the poor than among the rich. Chewing tobacco is usually very rich in nicotine. Nicotine exerts a marked influence on the blood corpuscles. To cure the disease of tobacco blindness the use of tobacco and alcoholic drinks must be stopped.

## CANDY

In order to introduce our delightful Chocolates, Bonbons and Nudja Car amels in every home in the United States, we will send you on receipt of 50c in money or stamps, a handsome box filled. The box itself is a fine ornament to your dresser. Sent post-paid. Mention this paper when ordering. **BLANKE-WENNEKER, 608 Market St., St. Louis, Mo.**

**EVARTS V. DEPEW, M. D., SPECIALIST DISEASES OF THE STOMACH AND INTESTINES. Fifth Floor Hotel Bldg. San Antonio, Texas.**

## Hunt's Cure



Will stop and permanently cure that terrible itching. It is compounded for that purpose and is absolutely guaranteed.

It is a never failing cure for eczematous affections of all kinds, including:

**Humid Tetter Herpes  
Salt Rheum Prurigo  
Heat Eruption Flavus  
Ring Worm and Scabies**

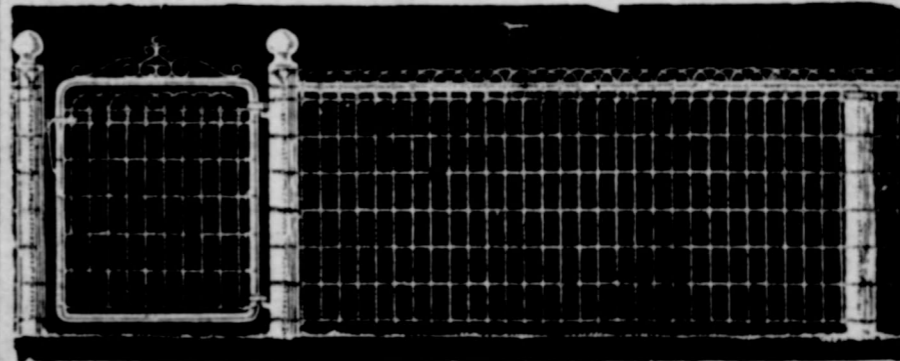
This last named disease is characterized by scalliness of scales. It is not due to inflammation like other skin diseases the skin, eruption of pimples, vesicles or sometimes pus-bub but to the presence of little parasites which burrow under the skin. These minute insects multiply with astonishing rapidity, and within a short time after their first appearance will be found in nearly every part of the body. The itching they produce is so intense it is often with difficulty the sufferer can refrain from tearing the skin with his nails. Hunt's Cure is an infallible remedy for this aggravating trouble. Applied locally.

Sold by all first-class druggists. Price, 50 cents per box, and the money will be refunded in every case where one box only fails to cure.

Manufactured Only By

**A. B. Richards Medicine Co. Sherman, Tex.**

## Cyclone Fence and Gates



Cheaper than wood picket fence, looks better, lasts longer. Heavily Galvanized; requires no paint.

Notice the double cables and the double pickets at the top. This means double strength at a point where all other fences are weakest.

Comes in three heights, 35-inch, 40-inch and 46-inch; rolls contain 10 and 20 rods each.

Dealers have established a large trade with it. Get your stock order in today.

Don't forget. We have gates to match in stock.

**PEDEN IRON & STEEL CO.**

700 Willow St.

Houston, Texas

## WINDMILLS

The Genuine and Old Reliable

**"ECLIPSE"**

The Celebrated Wood and Steel

**"STAR"**

The Famous

**"LEADER"**

**MILLS**

**ALL SIZES**

Write for prices

**S. A. Machine & Supply Co.**  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

## UNION MEAT COMPANY

Beef and Pork Packers: **CORN HOGS**

Wanted in Car Load Lots

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

## SAN ANTONIO ACADEMY

Fronting on the Beautiful San Pedro Park,

"Small Classes are the Gibraltar of the Private School"

A tree is known by its fruit, an institution by its work. Our diploma admits to TWENTY-FIVE of America's best institutions. Annual free scholarships in Texas, France, Washington and Lee and Virginia Universities. Limited number. Ample grounds. Individual instruction. Wholesome influences. Strong Teachers. Get the new catalog from **Wm. Walton Bondurant, Pres., San Antonio, Texas.**



# Grapeland Messenger

ALBERT H. LUKER, EDITOR.

SUBSCRIPTION—IN ADVANCE:  
 ONE YEAR.....\$1.00  
 SIX MONTHS.....50 CENTS  
 THREE MONTHS.....25 CENTS

Entered in the Postoffice at Grapeland, Texas, every Thursday as second class Mail Matter.

Advertising Rates Reasonable, and made known on application.

### The Master Key That Unlocks.

The door that leads to success is business education. Success is achieved by the one who sees clearly the goal of his object and goes straight to it. Young man, there is only one straight road to success, and that road is ability. Ability has never yet lacked opportunity, neither has it remained undiscovered. A great many business men are anxious to secure the services of a good bookkeeper, stenographer, or a general office assistant. To meet the business man's requirement the applicant must be thorough and practical. To this end and aim we put forward our best efforts and because of our good teaching and superior methods we give our students a better training in three or four months than they can get at other schools in five and six months. Bear in mind, it is only a few steps from Hill's Business College to a good paying position. Everything is high grade and right up to date. With us you learn bookkeeping by keeping books. Our system of shorthand is the best and shortest in the country. It is simplified and is easy to learn, easy to read and write and is practical. Big summer reduction. Our \$100 combined scholarships are now \$60; \$75 scholarships are now \$50; \$50 scholarships are down to \$25, \$35 and \$40; telegraphy \$25; mail course in shorthand \$20, or \$5 for five lessons. Address Hill's Business College, Waco, Texas, or Memphis Tenn.

### Has to be Cited.

Possibly there is something on earth that is a surer and quicker cure for cuts, burns, aches, pains and bruises than Hunt's Lightning Oil. If so, I would like to be cited. For twenty years I have been unable to find anything better myself. H.H. Ward, Rayville, La.

### Letter to H. M. Brown.

Dear Sir: Such experience as this are occurring all over the country.

Judge I. D. Farchild owns two houses, exactly alike, in Lufkin, Texas. J. M. Torrence painted both houses, one Devoe, 15 1-2 gallons; the other with another paint sold at the same price; 25 gallons. That 25 gallon paint is weak 15 0-0 whiteing; that's why it takes 91-2 gallons more.

You can learn for nothing what he had to pay for.

Yours truly,

F. W. DEVOE & CO.

P. S.—Geo. E. Darsey sells our paint.

Millions of bottles of Foley's Honey and Tar have been sold without any person ever having experienced any other than beneficial results from its use for coughs, colds and lung trouble. This is because the genuine Foley's Honey and Tar in the yellow package contains no opiates or other harmful drugs. Guard your health by refusing any but the genuine. Carleton & Porter.

### Obituary.

Mrs. Sarah White, mother of P. H. White, departed this life Sunday night, Aug. 23 1908 at her home five miles west of Grapeland. She was born in Columbus county, Tenn., February 2, 1854, and was 54 years and 8 months of age. She moved to Panola county, Miss., in childhood and was married to M. L. White, removing later to Hempstead county Ark. She joined the Missionary Baptist church 17 years ago.

Her health was very bad during the last few years of her life, but bore it with fortitude and in the last hours raised her arms as if she was impatient to be gone, and said, "Now Lord, come and get me, my Savior." An unfortunate circumstance entering into her life during her last years greatly changed her ways and disposition, but there were two things she never forgot; that was her God and her boy.

Good bye, mother dear, I consign you to the mercies of Him whom you ever looked to for aid and protection when this dark hour should come.

### Her Lonely Boy.

#### A Traveling Man's Experience.

"I must tell you my experience on an east bound O. R. & N. R. train from Pendleton to Le Grande, Ore.," writes Sam A. Garber, a well known traveling man. "I was in the smoking department with some other traveling men when one of them went out into the coach and came back and said: 'There is a woman sick unto death in the car.' I at once got up and went out, found her very ill with the cramp colic, her hands and arms were drawn up so you could not straighten them, and with a death-like look on her face. Two or three ladies were working with her and giving her whiskey. I went to my suit case and got my bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy (I never travel without it), ran to the water tank, put a double dose of the medicine in a glass, poured some water into it and stirred it with a pencil; then I had quite a time to get the ladies to let me give it to her, but I succeeded. I could at once see the effect and I worked with her, rubbing her hands, and in twenty minutes I gave her another dose. By this time we were almost into Le Grande, where I was to leave the train. I gave the bottle to the husband to be used in case another dose should be needed, but by the time the train ran into Le Grande she was all right, and I received the thanks of every passenger in the car." For Sale by Guice & Son.

Mr. George Richards and Miss Susie Gainey were married last Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother in the San Pedro community, Rev. J. G. Brawly of Troupe officiating. It was a quiet affair, only a few intimate friends and near relatives being present. Mr. Richards is a Grapeland boy, but for the last few years has been located in other towns as salesman for the National Packing Co. He is now located at Crockett. Miss Gainey is a favorite among those who know her and her friends are legion. The Messenger extends best wishes.

Foley's Orino Laxative is a new remedy, an improvement on the laxatives of former years, as it does not gripe or nauseate and is pleasant to take. It is guaranteed. For sale by Carleton & Porter, prescription druggists.

### Anthony-Martin

Hosea Anthony of Pecos and Miss Florence Martin of San Antonio were married at the Baptist church Wednesday evening, September 2, at about 8:30, Rev. J. B. Cole officiating. The ceremony was performed after prayer meeting services, in the presence of quite a number of relatives and friends. The bride is the sister of Mrs. Thos. White, whom she has been visiting the past few months. She is a charming and accomplished young lady and has made many friends during her stay here. The groom is a reliable, energetic and hustling young man who has for the past year been clerking in the grocery department of the Pecos Mercantile Co's. store, and numbers his friends by the score.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony have gone to housekeeping "under their own vine and fig tree," which Mr. Anthony recently purchased. May their future ever be pleasant, and they enjoy unbounded happiness and success is the wish of their hosts of friends, in which the Times most heartily joins.—Pecos Times.

#### Instantaneous Action

"I was almost distracted by a terrible itching which defied all treatment until I obtained a box of Hunt's Cure. The first application afforded instant and absolute relief. The one box affected a complete cure. It is simply wonderful in its instantaneous action." Geo. Gilliland, Manitou, O. T.

#### What Happened.

He was waiting for her father  
 In the hall,  
 For he wished to ask permission,  
 That was all,  
 Of the stern old magnate stately  
 If he objected greatly  
 To his marrying his daughter  
 In the fall.  
 At last he saw her father,  
 Grim and tall,  
 And he told him his desires,  
 That was all,  
 The stairs seemed never-ending,  
 And a surgeon now is mending  
 The bones he had broken  
 In the fall.

#### Hoppity Hop.

Are you just barely getting around by the aid of crutches or a cane? Unless you have lost a limb or have a deformity—if your trouble is rheumatism, lumbago, sprain, stiff joints, or anything of like nature use Ballard's Snow Liniment and in no time you can throw away your crutches and be as well as anyone. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Carleton & Porter, druggists.

Mr. Goodrum, the contractor who is erecting the Darsey residence, had the misfortune to drop a heavy piece of timber on his foot one day last week which is giving him a great deal of trouble. He went to his home at Troupe Monday.

#### When Trifles Become Troubles

If any person suspects that their kidneys are deranged they should take Foley's Kidney Remedy at once and not risk having Bright's disease or diabetes. Delay gives the disease a stronger foothold and you should not delay taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. Carleton & Porter.

Tom Kent, Jr. has gone to Jacksonville to attend school.

Several Grapelandites attended the Labor Day celebration in Palestine Monday and report a big time.

# Hedges Ice Cream Co.,

Houston, Texas, Make Our

## Pure Ice Cream

Conforms With Texas Pure Food law

Only Pure Fruit Flavors Used

Try it, and be Pleased.

## Carleton & Porter,

PRESCRIPTION DRUGGISTS

# CARLETON & PORTER ANNOUNCEMENT

We take great pleasure in announcing to our patrons and the general public that we will have with us for the following days only

SEPTEMBER 28 and 29

an expert Optician, representing the celebrated firm of A. K. HAWKES CO., Atlanta, Ga., the largest and most favorably known optical establishment in the world.

### He will Test Eyesight and Fit Glasses.

The Doctor is a graduate of one of the leading Ophthalmic Colleges in the United States, is thoroughly conversant with all modern methods in refractive science, including Retinoscopy, Ophthalmology, etc., and has had long experience in his specialty.

REMEMBER that we have arranged this engagement and secured the services of a man of ability and reputation, and that we, personally, guarantee his work.

All examinations are free, and only regular prices will be charged for glasses.

### You Can Save Money

and obtain the highest class of professional service in this line by taking advantage of this opportunity.

BEAR IN MIND THE DATES—

September 28 and 29

### Moving Postponed

We will proceed to move our stock of drugs to the Walling building, formerly occupied by J. G. Shipper & Son. We were supposed to move the 7th, but owing to the fact that the material for the building is not on hand, we will move some time between the 7th and 21st, and invite all our old friends and customers to call on us.

B. R. GUICE & SON,  
DRUGGISTS.

### Notice.

To all delinquent tax payers for 1907: The time is up and unless all 1907 delinquent taxes are settled at once I will be compelled to proceed according to law and enforce collections.

C. E. Lively,  
Deputy Tax Collector.

Among the relatives from a distance attending the Richards-Gainey wedding were Mr. and Louis Meyers and John Gainey, a brother of the bride, of Houston

Most children will, and all should, wear Buster Brown and other Star-5-Star specialty shoes to school next Monday.

Darsey's D. G. Store.

## WHITE'S Cream Vermifuge



THE GUARANTEED  
**WORM  
REMEDY**  
THE CHILDREN'S FAVORITE TONIC.  
BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.  
THE GENUINE PREPARED ONLY BY  
Ballard-Snow Liniment Co.  
ST. LOUIS, MO.  
—FOR SALE BY—  
CARLETON & PORTER.

### A Burglar in Town

his name is "bad cough." He doesn't care for gold or silver but he will steal your health away. If he appears in your house arrest him at once with Ballard's Horehound Syrup; it may mean consumption if you don't. A cure for all coughs, colds and chest troubles. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

## Wanted.

100 boys to call and have their measures taken for a suit of clothes. Satisfaction guaranteed.

M. L. CLEWIS.



## A Story with a Moral.

"I had my money and my friend;  
I loaned my money to my friend;  
I asked my money of my friend;  
I lost my money and my friend."

MORAL: Send your friend to the bank to borrow money.

## F. & M. STATE BANK, GRAPELAND, TEXAS

### LOCAL NEWS.

Try that flour at Wherry's.

Plenty of salt at F. A. Faris'

The Messenger's phone number is 20.

Try a sack of Ruth's flour if you want the best, at Howard's.

See Howard Anthony for fancy groceries, on back street.

New goods arriving every day at F. A. Faris'.

Mrs. Rush Aldrich and children of Lufkin are here on a visit to relatives.

Call—don't send—at Howard's and get a beautiful calender for 1909.

If you have troubles of any kind, trust in God and buy your groceries from Wherry.

Miss Vera Gainey left Monday for Sherman, Texas, to attend school the coming term.

See those hose for boys and girls for school wear—the best in town. F. A. Faris.

Black board erasers and crayon, pencil boxes, drawing pencils and rulers at Darsey's dry goods store.

Faris has just received a big lot of Hosiery direct from the mills and can give you the best values ever brought to this city.

If you buy waist goods without seeing our embroidered waist patterns we both lose. Darsey's D. G. Store.

If you want the best hat you ever wore go to F. A. Faris' and see those \$4 50 and \$2 50 Leopard Brand Hats.

No "Cheap John" stuff but the best line of Jewelry on display at Howard's ever shown in Grapeland. Call and see at Howard's.

Steady work for axe men at good wages, clearing up brush land, four miles south of Morrill. Inquire for E. C. Butterfield, Morrill, Texas. 274t

Go to F. A. Faris' to buy your groceries, dry goods, boots, shoes, hats, caps, flour, bacon, salt, in fact, your intire bill. And sell him your chickens, ducks, geese, eggs and cotton.

Wait for the expert optician, who will be at Carleton & Porter's drug store September 28 and 29, and have your eyesight tested free. Remember that he will be here two days only.

Don't be afraid to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to your children. It contains no opium or other harmful drug. It always cures. For Sale by Guice Son.

A few of Grapeland's enterprising citizens experimented Tuesday and Wednesday plating a part of the Daly's road with clay. The experiment worked so well, and makes the roads so much better, an effort will be made to plate all the roads. Hard roads would be the salvation of this country.

Shoes for everybody at Faris'.

School supplies at Darsey's dry goods store.

Don't forget to try Dooley's Ice Cream at the Bon Ton.

Howard Anthony's restaurant is the place to eat. Back street.

F. A. Faris wants to buy your cotton, chickens and eggs.

M H Salmon has returned home from Hugo, Ok.

Wanted—100 laundry patrons at the Bon Ton.

The best line of men's work pants for the money in the city at Faris'.

Call at Howard's; feel at home, trade or not trade, but if you do buy satisfaction is guaranteed.

Try Wherry's Flour, if it don't please you it wont cost you anything.

Mrs. R. H. Lacy and children of Crockett visited relatives in Grapeland this week.

Card signets of the order of the Eastern Star for sale at this office.

Mr. George E. Darsey has been confined to his room on account of sickness for several days.

WANTED:—Every boy between 15 and 75 years old to buy a suit of tailor made clothes from Clewis. He will suit you.

Miss Anabel Davis left Saturday night for Livingston to take up her school near that place next Monday morning.

I have a lot of stove wood and 2-foot wood for sale. If you need any see me. W. H. Live-ly.

F. A. Faris has just received a big shipment of dry goods, new styles, and he invites your inspection and guarantees you the lowest prices.

Claud Saddler has purchased the livery stable from Jim Smith and will make extensive improvements in the way of teams and buggies.

### A Big Show in Town!

Pin this to your coat and take it to the City Restaurant when you get hungry, and get something good to eat.

Admission 10c, 15c and 25c.

Don't forget the place when you want something good to eat. You will find plenty to eat and a nice, cool, clean place. Bring your wife and children.

Jno. L. Guice

Cash Produce Buyer

Car load best flour at Howard's

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

Young men, see those tan shoes at Faris'—the best that can be made.

Dr. C. L. Moore, the dentist, has returned to Grapeland and would be glad to have all those who need dental work done to call on him at the Totty hotel.

### Coming! Coming!

An expert optician, representing the A. K. Hawkes Co., will be in Grapeland September 28 and 29, at Carleton & Porter's. Have your eyesight tested.

### SPECIAL ATTENTION

Ladies, come in and see those silk embroidered Pongee shirt waist patterns. They are very fashionable, and in all colors. F. A. Faris.

Prof. Wade L. Smith arrived Saturday night from his home at Prosper, Texas. School will open next Monday. It was postponed a week on account of some of the books not arriying.

T. S. Kent of Reynard has purchased the store house and lot occupied by M. L. Clewis, and we understand will move to Grapeland some time in the future and go in business. Mr. Clewis will continue to do business at his present stand for some time yet.

### Cotton Seed.

I am in the market for Cotton Seed, and it will pay you to see me before you sell. Top prices always paid.

Ed. Harmon.

## MONEY TO LOAN

We Handle Real Estate.

If you want to buy or sell a farm or borrow money on it, call on us. We buy Vendors Lien Notes.

WARFIELD BROS.

Office North Side Public Square

CROCKETT, TEXAS

## High Class Millinery Goods.

The Ladies of Grapeland and surrounding community are invited to call and inspect our line of

Pattern Hats, Collars,

Belts, Combs,

Veil Pins, Merry Widow Bows

We Assure You these are the Very Latest Styles, and all HIGH CLASS STUFF

Watch for the Announcement of Our Fall Display.



RICHARDS SISTERS.

### It Does it.

The remedy that cured your mother and your father of chills twenty years ago is sure good enough to cure you and you kids at the present time. Cheatham's Chill Tonic did it and will still do it. Its guaranteed.

### Good For Billiousness.

"I took two of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets last night, and I feel fifty per cent better than I have for weeks," says J. J. Firestone of Allegan, Mich. "They are certainly a fine article for billiousness." For Sale by B. R. Guice & Son, Samples free.

## A Novelty in Ladies' Waist Patterns at Darsey's Dry Goods Store

A fine silk finished Pongee, a soft, clingy mercerized fabric that will make a handsome and dressy waist.

Three yards of material with very elaborately embroidered front and cuffs and collars to match, in about fifteen different eylet and French work patterns of unque and original design; can be made open back or front.

You must see these patterns to appreciate their real beauty, and you cannot afford to buy a waist until you have seen them.

The colors are white, black, cream, champagne, navy, allice, new blue, pink and red, and

The Price is \$1.50

DARSEY'S DRY GOODS STORE.

NEXT DOOR TO THE BANK



# GENERAL NEWS.

A Brief Summary of Happenings in the State, the Nation and the World.

## STATE.

### Austin.

A very important executive session of the Texas Railroad Commission will be held at Austin on September 8. Questions involving almost every line of railroad in the State will be brought up at the meeting.

Galveston.—According to a late report from St. Louis, Albert Ferrier, formerly city auditor of Galveston, is dead.

Orange.—The Miller-Link Lumber Company's immense plant has again started up after several months of idleness brought about by the late financial depression.

Huntsville.—Steele Johnson, aged 22 is found dead in his bed. Death was caused by heart trouble and Mr. Johnson seemed to be in excellent health the day previous to his death.

Waco.—The votive candle box in the Church of the Assumption, is robbed of \$5 by burglars. This is the second time a robbery has occurred in this church within a year.

Waco.—J. W. Evan of Rosenthal dies from the effects of a hammer blow on his knee which was inflicted seven years ago.

Lampasas.—Henry Perry, an old Indian fighter and a well known scout falls from a fifty foot bluff and breaks both arms. Mr. Perry is seventy years of age.

Temple.—Bert Ford shoots and instantly kills Dr. Moses E. Seale of Lampasas.

Palestine.—The dog poisoner has been at work and a large number of canines, some of them valuable, have been killed.

Goliad.—The Goliad Water & Light Company are doubling the capacity of their plant.

Seguin.—Five thousand four hundred bales of cotton have been received at Cuero so far this season.

Fredericksburg.—The Gillespie County Fair is in progress with an unusually large attendance. The racing attractions this year are exceptionally good and the exhibits are first class.

Austin.—Henry Hutchins, son of General Hutchins, saves Leslie from drowning while in swimming.

Austin.—The Attorney General is emphatically reminding all district clerks that their report on criminal business of the past year is now overdue. In the neighborhood of 140 reports have failed to materialize.

Rockdale.—According to the County Judge of Milam County, the law passed by the Thirtieth Legislature which authorizes precincts to create new roads, is null and void. As the Judge in question has to pass on the bonds before they can be sold for this purpose, this practically kills the law.

Brownwood.—The buildings of the Western Union Telegraph Company, the Madison Grocery Co. and the Central Drug Store are burned with the damages amounting to \$50,000 and insurance \$10,000.

Alpine.—The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad is almost completed to Presidio. The country through which the road is now being laid is a snap for the construction gangs and work is progressing rapidly.

Waco.—Abstractors of Texas meet and form a State Association.

San Angelo.—Morgan Jones, through representatives, makes a proposition to the citizens of San Angelo to build a railroad from Abilene to San Angelo. It is more than probable that a favorable answer will be given the promoter in the course of a few days.

Alpine.—Cloudburst in Paisano causes considerable damage to property at Alpine.

El Paso.—A well known ranger, T. J. Priddy, has resigned from that force to become a member of the mounted inspectors of customs.

Austin.—Dr. Worsham, superintendent of the State Lunatic Asylums, makes a protest against the paucity of accommodations for lunatics of the State and files a requisition for extra appropriations.

Brenham.—Mrs. Elizabeth S. Miller, a universally loved and respected pioneer of Washington County, passes away in her eighty-third year.

Eagle Pass.—An independent telephone system is to be established for Eagle Pass and C. P. Diaz, Dr. Wilson and Ed T. Rucker are at the back of the movement.

Temple.—Frank Gotcher is stabbed twice and sustains injuries which are serious. An arrest has been made.

Graham.—Nina Moore, aged 16, of Frederick, Okla., is drowned while in swimming. Miss Moore had been visit-

ing relatives at Graham.

Paris.—J. H. Roseer is in a critical condition as the result of being stabbed with a pitchfork in the hands of a Negro.

Seguin.—The new electric lighting system is ready to be placed in operation. The system, which is owned by the city, is under the management of Supt. V. Voight.

Port Arthur.—The Government bureau tabulation of the exports from this port total \$12,000,000. This is an extremely good showing and is only equalled by a few of the most important shipping points in the United States.

Bay City.—County Surveyor Carlington of Wharton County reports that there are over 4,000 acres of land in that county which have so far escaped taxation.

Bastrop.—City Marshal Clarke makes the rounds of the Negro quarters and notifies all idle Negroes that they must either get to work or leave town.

Austin.—A story is going the rounds of the State Capital to the effect that the Prohibitionists are intending to send 1000 delegates to attend the next session of the Legislature in order to force an early fight on the Submission question. The Pro. leaders make no secret of the fact that they intend to bring every effort to bear in order to secure the Submission of the Prohibition question.

Austin.—Mrs. John L. Peeler, wife of the Senatorial nominee of the Twentieth District, dies after a long period of sickness.

Austin.—E. M. Bralley is appointed superintendent of the State Institution for the blind and assumes his new duties immediately.

Elgin.—Hunter Hansom, aged 15 years, saves Ray and Odum Parnell, two small children, from death by drowning. The children had waded out of their depth in a large stock tank.

## DOMESTIC.

Atlanta, Ga.—With the exception of the Congaree river district, the flooded sections in Georgia and Carolina are regaining their normal condition. The loss has been very heavy and all crops are reported to be a total loss. Seventy lives were lost during the terrific floods of last week.

Athens, Ohio.—William H. Taft makes impromptu speech from the rear platform of his special train to a crowd of 2000 citizens. The Republican Presidential candidate is tendered an ovation and his remarks are greeted with enthusiasm.

New York.—The system of Gould railroads which have been lately acquired are to be under the immediate direction of "Wizard" Harriman himself. Both Mr. Harriman and J. Ogden Armour will be on the board of directors.

Guthrie, Okla.—The St. Louis and San Francisco railway officials have been notified by Acting Secretary of State Lea Meyers, that if a late appeal to a damage suit which has been filed by them in the Federal Court, is not withdrawn, that their State charter will be forfeited. This is in accordance with a law enacted at the first session of the State Legislature.

Little Rock, Ark.—General Superintendent Whittenden of the Rock Island railroad system denies that there has been any trouble with the employes of the system in connection with the smoking of cigarettes.

Washington, D. C.—The plans for the two new battleships of the Dreadnaught type are ready and are awaiting the approval of President Roosevelt. The construction of these two magnificent additions to the United States navy will commence as soon as the approval of the President is secured.

Trinidad, Col.—A cloudburst at the headwaters of the Cimmaron river causes considerable damage and caused the destruction of several dwelling houses and farm property at Fulson, N. M.

Miami, Okla.—John Hopkins is hanged for the murder of Lena Craig, an eighteen year old school teacher, last January. Hopkins died protesting his innocence.

New York.—Thomas F. Hisgen is formally notified of his nomination for President on the Independence ticket. The notification took place in the new Club House of the party which was simply crowded so that there was not an inch of room to spare.

Hannibal, Mo.—At the Missouri conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South resolutions are adopted which recommend the union of all Methodism.

Kansas City.—Governor Hoch has ordered a wholesale investigation of all county officials. Some sensational developments are expected.

Little Rock, Ark.—The Conference called by President Bratton of the Arkansas State Republican League is a pronounced success and delegates from every part of the State are in attendance. The outlook for Republican success in Arkansas was never better than it is this year.

Paso Robles, Cal.—Rear Admiral Henry Glass dies at the age of 64. Heart failure was the cause of death.

White River Junction, Vt.—The Republicans elect George H. Prouty as Lieutenant Governor. The majority over James E. Burke, Democrat, was 28,000 votes.

Toledo, O.—The National Encampment of the G. A. R. is a big event and the attendance compares very favorably with that of former years despite the many vacancies in the ranks of the veterans caused by death.

Oyster Bay.—The President is already making preparations for his hunting trip to the African Jungles. Wm. N. McMillan, formerly of St. Louis, who will be Mr. Roosevelt's host, is making preparations on a very comprehensive scale to give the President a successful hunt.

## FOREIGN.

Paris.—The action of Germany in supporting Mulai Hafed's claims has created an enormous sensation among the Powers of Europe. As a result of the endorsement, Arabs have made an attack of a French outpost on the Algerian frontier.

Melbourne.—As a result of the visit of the American fleet to Australian waters, Premier Deakin urges the importance of the building of an adequate colonial navy.

Melbourne.—Fifteen thousand Americans and Australians take part in the grand parade in honor of the visit of Uncle Sam's fleet to Australian waters.

T. N. U. San Antonio. 9-8-08

**KODAK**  
Pictures  
We make the Best  
Mail orders given  
prompt attention  
320 Kyle Theatre Bldg  
**BEAUMONT VIEW CO.**

**EXCELLENCE OF QUALITY**  
**ALWAYS ASSURED**

We have no Cure-all, but a specific remedy for each ailment. You take no chances.

## I. D. C. REMEDIES

Guaranteed strictly pure. Contain no harmful ingredients. Money refunded if they fail.

## I. D. C. Toilet Articles

are second to none, try them and you will use no other.

Ask your druggist—if he is out of these remedies write us.

**International Druggists Co.**  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

## EMERSON STANDARD

Alfalfa Renovator or Harrow

Revives an old Meadow. Puts a new one in better condition. Made in 6, 7 and 8 foot



Increases the yield about 25 percent, makes reseeding unnecessary, cuts out weeds and crabgrass, digs up the hiding places of the army worm and the cut worms, and the larvae and pupae of grass hoppers and web worms.

Alfalfa Mowers and Rakes especially designed for heavy work.  
For full particulars address:  
**Emerson Manufacturing Co.**  
Dallas, Texas.

## SAVE YOUR CHICKENS

WITH **Andru's Sore Head Remedy, and Westgate's Limberneck Remedy.**

25 cts per bottle. If your druggist does not keep it, send 25 cents and we will send it to you.

**STAR DRUG STORE**  
310 Milam St., Houston, Texas.

## G. T. Spearman, B. S., M. D.

Specialist  
In all Acute and Chronic Nervous, Blood, Skin and Genito Urinary Diseases of men and women.  
325-329-330 Mason Building,  
Houston, Texas.

There is Much in the Name of a PIANO

# Bush & Gerts

STANDS FOR QUALITY

Send for Catalog - Address

## BUSH & GERTS Piano Co. of Texas

J. R. REED, Manager.

800-802 Congress Ave., Austin, Texas

San Antonio's Leading Jewelry Store

## SARTOR & ROEMPKE

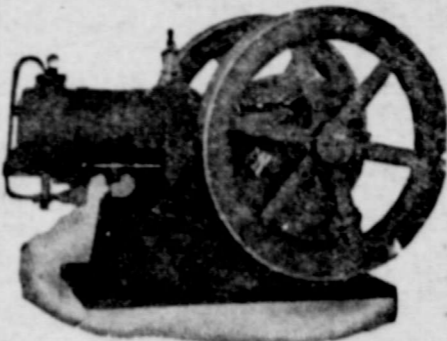
We want to impress it upon you that, whenever you have in mind the purchase of GOOD jewelry, you will lose both time and money by not inspecting our stock of DIAMONDS, WATCHES, RINGS, SILVERWARE, CUT GLASS, AND ART GOODS.

Send for Our New Catalogue Now

Sartor & Roempke

17 W. Commerce St.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS



All Sizes and Types  
**OLDS**

**Gasoline Engines**  
IN STOCK

**G. W. Hawkins**  
Houston, Texas

(Write for catalog and information)

## St Mary's Hall

San Antonio, Texas

29th Annual Term  
Opens Sept. 16th.

**A. W. BURROUGHS**  
Principal



John Deere Implements, International Harvesting Machines, International Gasoline Engines and Hay Presses, Moline "Flying Dutchman" Implements, Woods Bros. Self Feeders American Centrifugal Pumps, Studebakers, Fish, Weber and Coquillard Wagons, We believe we have what you want and can get it to you when you want it. 25 different Styles of Cultivators in stock

## South Texas Implement & Transfer Co.

Wood and Willow Sts., Houston, Texas. Buggy and Wagon Show Room, 603-605 Preston.

## CEMENT MACHINERY

**SLANE BROS., San Antonio, Tex.** sell and instruct in using The best concrete block and brick machines. It is best to call and see the machines working at our yard. If interested, write us. We will furnish information desired; also all kinds of ornamental moulds. We also manufacture cement products of all kinds, such as sidewalks, porch columns, steps, cemetery work, chimneys, etc. Yards 1012 East Commerce St., San Antonio.

## Bonn Avon

**SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**  
School for Girls and Young Ladies Conservatory of Music. Every Department leading to graduation. University and Conservatory trained faculty. Ideal Union of Social, Home and School Life. Splendid new building on Oakland Street—Mission Style with every modern equipment. Address Miss Julia Catherine Hall, Director Old Phone 55. 420 Ave. O.

## DYNAMITE--POWDER. Large stock always on hand

**Aetna Dynamite, American Blasting and Sporting Powder**  
CAPS, FUSE, ELECTRIC EXPLODERS, BATTERIES, ETC. Bottom Prices, either local from Houston or car lots from mills. Just the thing to clear your land of stumps and boulders, and all other blasting purposes. Room 3, Cotton Exchange Bldg. HOUSTON, TEXAS. **L. HARDE & CO.** Write or wire Prices on Grain, Hay, Produce car lots.



## WE SUCCEED BY SUCCESSFUL FITTING

Moderate Prices and Reliable Goods

Some of the most difficult cases that have been tried by others without success have been fitted by our SPECIALIST and a pleased customer added to our many patrons. We use entirely NEW METHODS and have the best equipped DARK ROOM (for fitting glasses) in the South. We Positively Guarantee the fitting to be correct. Twenty-five Years Experience Permits no Guess Work.

It will pay you to try the best, before you try the rest.

Our Specialty is Shur-on and Toric Lenses **E. Hertzberg Jewelry Co.** 320 W. Commerce St. San Antonio, Texas

# Awnings

Write for Prices  
**Repsdorff Tent and Awning Co.**  
Houston, Texas



some years past, and their votes have aided in securing action on this matter in various states.

In many states, however, the same conditions which prevent the construction of the needed mileage of improved roads make it impracticable to secure the desired appropriation by the state. The necessity for better roads is admitted, but it is not believed that the states are justified in increasing their tax rate to the extent needful for this purpose.

The general recognition of these conditions has in recent years given rise to a growing demand for national aid for public improvement. It is urged by the farmers that they do not receive a fair share of the benefits of the money raised by taxes upon the people of the whole country, and that the improvement of the public highways is as equally deserving of Federal assistance as is the improvement of our waterways, for which large amounts are annually appropriated by Congress.

The expenditures for river and harbor improvement are their importance to the trade just justified on the ground of and commerce of the country as a whole. The advocates of national aid for better roads believe that the improvement of the public highway is of even greater importance to the people of the entire country, since this is a matter that affects every industrial interest and will benefit the trade and commerce of every section of the United States.

I have recently had brought to my attention in a striking form the facts as to the relatively small proportion of the nation's revenue that is devoted to purposes affecting the great agricultural interests of the country. Statistics of the exports from the United States for the ten years ending with 1906, show that nearly 60 per cent (59.13, to be exact) of the exports during that period were the products of our farms, the total value of these products amounting to more than eight billions of dollars. Yet, for the benefit of the industry producing these enormous values, there was expended during the same period less than one per cent of the total Federal expenditures met chiefly by indirect taxes paid largely by the farmers of the entire country. During that period congress appropriated \$180,537,000 for the improvement of our waterways and harbors, but not one dollar (unless the few thousands annually appropriated for the office of public roads, U. S. department of agriculture, are so regarded) for the improvement of our highways.

The farmers are determined that this state of affairs shall not continue. They have made up their minds that Congress must devote a share of the annual appropriations to the construction and maintenance of our roads. They are not committed to any special policy as to how these appropriations shall be expended, so long as care is taken that the money is wisely devoted to the purpose for which it is intended. Some of us believe that the creation of a national highways commission with power to organize an efficient corps of trained road engineers, who, in co-operation with the state and local highway authorities, would supervise the disbursement of the Federal grants would be a satisfactory solution of the problem. This is, however, a matter to be worked out by the committees of the house and senate which will pass on the legislation to establish the general policy of national aid, and I am confident that a plan will be devised that will be satisfactory to congress, the state and local road officials, and the people of the country as a whole.

National aid will not, as some persons have suggested, lessen the interest of the states, counties and townships in road improvement. On the contrary, the roads constructed with federal assistance will serve to stimulate everywhere the desire for better roads, and will be the means of ultimately giving the entire country an uniform system of scientifically constructed public highways.

## Do YOU WANT Tariff Reform?

As the national campaign progresses, the people throughout the country, are devoting more and more time to the study of the various questions that concern our welfare. This to a large extent accounts for the remarkable quietness of this campaign, which shows that people are doing more thinking and less whooping than hertofore, and are going to cast their quiet vote as dictated by their reason than by impulse. The American people rather believe in the principles of protection, where it is necessary to protect the interest of the American workman. But it is admitted by all that there are very few industries in this country that still require protection, and the existing law is much higher than is necessary. In fact when the Dingley tariff bill was framed in 1897, eleven years ago, the protected interests of this country deceived Republican members of the committee into placing the tariff a great deal higher than was necessary. Their argument was that President McKinley could then trade these tariffs off in forming reciprocity treaties with foreign countries, certain countries would let in our goods free of duty, and we in return to admit certain goods from those countries free of duty. The fact is that reciprocity treaties were never formed and still we have been enduring a tariff which has enabled the trusts to practically take the consuming public of this country by the throat. In the first place, we have a great steel trust that is enjoying a high protective tariff. Robbery of the people is shown by the fact that this steel trust sells its steel rails in London \$6 per ton less than the price of which they sell them in America. If we enjoyed the same rates on steel rails as the foreigners enjoy, we would be building railroads and electric lines much faster and thereby giving employment to many people who are idle. The wire nail trust which furnishes wire fences and nails to the farmers is selling the goods the American farmers buy for one-third less to the European farmers. In other words, the wire fencing and nails that the American farmer pays \$30 for is sold to the European farmer for \$30 for is sold to the European farmer for \$20, thus the American farmer pays 50 per cent more for enjoying the glorious benefit of trusts promoting tariff. Also every newspaper in the United States is paying double the rate for paper that they paid twelve years ago today. If the tariff were removed from pulp, foreign competition would compel the paper trust to stop robbing the American newspaper men and to sell to them at a reasonable price. The tariff now in existence strikes more harshly at the home than at any other point. Every sewing machine that is purchased by Americans from the sewing machine trusts cost \$10 or \$20 more than the same machine is sold in European countries at. In other words, the tariff that is now in existence, enables these great trust companies to rob the American purchaser at an enormous profit but could sell the same article at a fair profit as cheap to the Americans as he does to the foreigner, and would do so if the tariff did not enable him to rob the Americans. This only goes to show that great trust companies in this country rob the Americans out of every dollar that they can possibly secure. This they are liable to do by reason of the iniquitous tariff that protects them in this robbery. Every voter ought to be sure that he votes for a congressman this fall who will reduce the tariff when the election is over.

**Loper Bros. Film Service**  
Clean, Swift, Reliable  
Members Film Service Association  
115 1/2 W. 11th Street  
Forth Worth, Texas

**I MOUNT** Deer and Wild Animal heads (been doing it for 20 years) and dress skins for rug purposes. F. Hardmann, 218 F. Alamo St., San Antonio, Texas.

## Choice Farm Lands in the Gulf Coast Country 16 to 25 \$ per Acre

Cotton and Stock Farming Lands in Maverick Co. 8 to 15 \$ per Acre.

The Allison-Richey Land Co., 518 Moore Bldg, San Antonio, Texas.

### BIRKHEAD & BOOTH

Attorneys at Law  
Frost Building  
San Antonio, Texas

## FOUR WEEKS FROM TO-DAY

The International Fair will throw open its gates to its 10th Annual Exposition.

Prepare now for a visit to this great educational exhibit.

## RATES

It will actually be cheaper to come to the Fair than to stay home.

Lowest rate on all railroadsever granted to San Antonio on account International Fair.

## Ask Your Agent

"The rates are low So all may go."

**"Buster Brown" Bread**  
THE TRIUMPH of the BAKER'S ART  
If you once eat it you will always want it  
We ship any quantity anywhere, just write or wire us; will ship same day.

**Schossers' Steam Bakery,**  
Houston, Texas □

## "Furniture Built to Stand"

**Waddells**  
HOUSTON TEXAS

Fannin St. and Prairie Ave., HOUSTON, TEXAS

The Largest Furniture House in the South.

Special Summer Catalogs Now Ready

Send for Them - Sent Free  
Summer Furniture Catalog  
Office Furniture Catalog  
Refrigerator Catalog  
Go-Cart Catalog  
□ Kitchen Furniture Catalog - Hoosier Cabinets

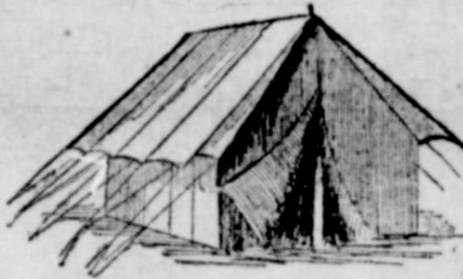
## Why Did You Let Him Die?



When one dose of Schaeffer's Colic and Bots Cure would have cured him in 15 minutes. Owners of good horses and mules should never be without a bottle of this invaluable remedy. It never fails to cure Colic and Bots in short order. Price 50c. Manufactured by

**Houston Drug Co.**  
HOUSTON, TEXAS

FOR SALE BY ALL RETAIL DRUGGISTS.



## AWNING and TENT SEASON is here.

Let us quote you our best prices on them. We have made the best Tents and Awnings for many years and our prices cannot be equalled. Write for our illustrated price list.

**WM. LORENZEN**  
216 Ave. D, San Antonio, Texas

Our Prices Are Right

Our Stock Is Complete

Manufacturers

OF

Oil Well Supplies,

Duplex

Pumps,

Drilling

Engines,

Transmission

Appliances

and

Pipe and

Fittings

# UNION IRON WORKS

HOUSTON, TEXAS

Prices as Low as the Lowest.

Quality the Best

Dealers in

Oil Mill Supplies

Rubber

Belting

Engine

Fittings

Shafting

O. K.

Planer

Knives

Send Us Inquiries

A Pleasure to Quote



**Don't Make a Mistake.**

If you are contemplating making a stenographer of yourself, do not make a mistake and attend a school teaching one of the old systems, such as the Pitman, Graham, and Gregg—they are too awful hard to learn, almost impossible to read accurately and are incomplete. The Byrne Simplified Shorthand, as taught at the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, is far superior, more modern in every way; it is a system that is easy to learn and has often been mastered by youngsters of from 9 to 12 years of age. Where the Pitman and other systems have over 500 rules, almost 500 exceptions and thousands of word signs to be committed to memory, also a phonetic language to master, the Byrne Simplified writes the English language as it is written and spoken in every day use, with but the 26 letters of the alphabet, 13 short rules, no exceptions and 13 word signs to be memorized. It takes one with a giant memory to become an expert stenographer with the other systems, while with the Byrne Simplified, practically anyone has sufficient memory to handle it successfully. The illegibility of the old systems is due to the student's unfamiliarity with the phonetic language his inability to apply the 500 rules or some of the many exceptions properly, his failure to execute accurately the complicated outlines required in writing words with these systems. With the Byrne Simplified, reading is an easy matter, and one who could read print accurately should have no trouble in learning to read the Byrne Simplified with accuracy. In the first place he writes the English language as his mother taught him to speak it, and not phonetic language as hard to learn as Latin. Next he uses characters representing the 26 letters of the English alphabet, which together with the 13 short rules and 13 word signs, enable him to write anything in the English language. There is not a word that can be set in type or written in script alphabet that cannot be written with the 26 letters of the alphabet of the Byrne Simplified. Its outlines are simple and easily executed. You are not worried to death trying to figure out whether the vowel dot or dash you put in was shaded or unshaded or whether it was put at the beginning of a character or in the middle, neither are you worried trying to figure out whether that vowel circle was made large enough for A or small enough for I or whether it be a loop or what in the world it might be. There is absolutely no guess work in the reading of the Byrne Simplified, as is the case with other systems.

The others are incomplete inasmuch as the basic principals are a deficient and incomplete that the thousands of word signs, hundreds of rules and exceptions must be brought into use to supply the deficiencies. The Byrne Simplified is the most complete system in use, inasmuch as it is more like the 26 letters of the printed or script alphabet; with these 26 letters of the script al-

**To Our Friends and Customers**

We are now buying our fall stock of goods and when they arrive we will have the largest stock of Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Ladies' Coats and Jackets, Groceries, Hardware, Furniture, Cooking Stoves, Saddles, Sewing Machines, Wagon Harness, Buggy Harness, Leather Goods, Doors, Windows, Lime, Brick and Cement, Belting, Machine Oil, Babbitt Metal, Bagging and Ties, Barb Wire, Hog Fencing and the old Reliable Studebaker Wagon.

We are buying our goods in large lots and for the spot cash down for every purchase which enables us to buy our goods as low as possible. It makes no difference how small your bill is we will appreciate it and fill it with the greatest care. Neither does it make any difference how big it is as we are prepared to fill it complete.

If you have any thing to either sell or buy it will pay you to see us? We buy hides, chickens, eggs, Turkeys, cotton and cotton seed.

Yours for a good fall's business.

**GEO. E. DARSEY.**

P. S. We have moved our Dry Goods to our new brick store next to the bank and have moved the furniture to our old Dry Goods room. Mr. Starley Boykin and Miss Ida Coleman Live-ly will have charge of this department and will be glad for you call here and see them when in Grapeland.

phabet, we write any word in the English language; the same is true with the 26 letters of the alphabet in the Byrne Simplified Shorthand.

Many of the most rapid writers in America today write the Byrne. This proves its wonderful speed possibilities. For indorsements from those who have mastered the other systems, then abandoned them and made a success of the Byrne, write for 168 page catalog; it contains hundreds of indorsements that are sufficiently strong to convince the most skeptical of the wonderful superiority of the Byrne over all other systems. We have the exclusive control over this system and no other school in this section is permitted to teach it. You can better understand why the Tyler Commercial College is the largest school of Bookkeeping, Business-Training, Shorthand, Typewriting and Telegraphy in America when you have read our catalog. Every statement made in this catalog is true and correct and is backed by a cash guaranty of \$100. Don't delay; write at once for catalog.

**Best Treatment for a Burn**

If for no other reason, Chamberlain's Salve should be kept in every household on account of its great value in the treatment of burns. It allays the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a severe one, heals the parts without leaving a scar. This salve is also unequalled for chapped hands, sore nipples, and diseases of the skin. Price 25cents. B. R. Guice & Son.

**FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR** CONTAINS NO HARMFUL DRUGS  
 Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, La Grippe, Asthma, Throat and Lung Troubles. Prevents Pneumonia and Consumption. The Genuine is in the YELLOW PACKAGE.  
 For Sale by CARLETON & PORTER, Druggists

**Work on Reagan Monument.**

Palentine, Texas, Sept. 7.—The base of the John H. Reagan monument has been erected at the intersection of Spring and Main streets and avenue A. The heavy blocks of marble are imposing and attract a great deal of attention. The work is artistic and attractive to the eye. As soon as the heavy base is firmly set, the monument will be erected.

**For a Sprained Ankle.**

A sprained ankle may be cured in one-third the time usually required, by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely, and giving it absolute rest. For Sale by Guice & Son.

**W. Caskey, The Easy Barber.**

Shaves  
Shampoos  
Hair Cuts  
Tonics and  
Massages.

Your Business Wanted.  
Shop on front street  
Martin Laundry Agent

**YOU ARE FRETFUL?  
YOUR HEAD ACHES?  
IT'S YOUR LIVER.  
USE**

**HERBINE**  
TRADE MARK

**No Better Advice**

could be offered you. It is an impossibility for one to enjoy good health if the liver is out of order. It is not necessary to fill your system with drugs. HERBINE a strictly vegetable compound... Cures Constipation, Chills and Fever, Dyspepsia, Malaria and all complaints due to a Torped Liver.

**CHRONIC CONSTIPATION CURED.**

"I have been troubled for the past four years with what doctors called chronic constipation, and a friend advised me to use Herbine, and I did so, and am now entirely cured. I would not be without it for the world. Take pleasure in recommending it to my friends."

**Pleasing and Effective,  
A Positive Cure.  
PRICE 50c.**

Ballard Snow Liniment Co.  
500-502 North Second St.,  
ST. LOUIS, MO.,



Sold and Recommended by  
**CARLETON AND PORTER, DRUGGISTS**

**ATTENTION!**

To all Lovers of Good Barber Work  
When in Crockett do not fail to patronize  
**FRIEND'S BARBER SHOP**  
HOT AND COLD BATHS  
AT ALL TIMES  
Best Equipped Shop in Houston County  
CROCKETT, TEXAS