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### News of Palestine.

Palestine, Tex., Sep. 27.—Paving work on the Old Town terminus of Avenue A has reached the concrete stage. Concrete is being laid, surfaced with sand and cement. The work will be pushed as speedily as possible, the contractors stating that they could very effectively use fifty more laborers.

That the land sharks in Iowa, Indiana and other Middle Western States have been busy and industrious was proven today by the receipt at the office of the county clerk of a beautifully lithographed and highly decorated "certificate," bearing an impressive gilt edge seal and purporting to entitle the holder to 50 acres of land in this county and five lots.

That the tobacco industry in this section, though yet but a fledgling, is quite a lusty one, is evidenced by the fact that in one tobacco packery here some fifty people are employed, and that to date this packery is accommodating about 60,000 pounds of the weed. This is the Tausig packery. The packery of Mr. John R. Hearne, in the old Christian church, is also a busy place. Here are being cured and packed the crops of the Hearne farm, the Smith farm, the Wright farm and others.

Congressman A. W. Gregg of this district has received urgent invitations from the national committee and from the congressional campaign committee to get on the stump and make speeches for the national ticket. Mr. Gregg has been so occupied with home business affairs that he was unable to answer the call until yesterday, when he advised the committee that he would be at their disposal on and after the ninth of October. He does not know where he will be sent, but will go into any of the doubtful states where the committee directs. He is a good campaigner, and will make a valuable addition to the large list of speakers now on the stump.

### Woman Interrupts Political Speaker.

A well dressed woman interrupted a political speaker recently by continually coughing. If she had taken Foley's Honey and Tar it would have cured her cough quickly and expelled the cold from her system. The genuine Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates and is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. Carleton & Porter.

### Chokes Infant to Death.

Elkhart, Tex. Sep., 23.—Mrs. John Dalton, living three miles south of this place, became insane yesterday and killed her baby by choking it. The child was about a week old. There was no one at the house at the time, except Mrs. Dalton and small children. Mrs. Dalton was taken to Palestine.

Palestine, Tex. Sept., 23.—Charged with killing her 8-day-old infant, Mrs. John Dalton of Elkhart was brought in on the noon train. She is insane and does not realize her act. Several days ago it was noticed that her mind was unbalanced. Saturday she escaped from home and with the infant spent the night in the woods. The babe was evidently choked. One of its arms was found to be dislocated.

### Are You Only Half Alive?

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### Bryan Campaign Fund.

In pursuance of a call by National Chairman Mack for campaign funds to help elect Bryan president, the Messenger has started a fund, and solicits contributions from the good democrats around Grapeland. We will acknowledge donations through the columns of the Messenger, and on October 15 will forward same to Herman G. Ridder. The following have contributed the amount opposite their names

- S. E. Miller..... \$1.00
- J. W. Caskey..... .50
- A. H. Luker..... 1.00
- A. S. Porter..... 1.00

### Saved His Boy's Life

"My three year old boy was badly constipated, had a high fever and was in an awful condition. I gave him two doses of Foley's Orino Laxative and the next morning the fever was gone and he was entirely well. Foley's Orino Laxative saved his life." A. Wolkush, Casimer, Wis.—Carleton & Porter.

B. R. Guice & Son moved their stock of drugs and sundries Tuesday to the Walling brick building, formerly occupied by J. G. Shipper & Son. Mr. Dave Walling has closed a deal with the Masons, who own the lot occupied by Guice & Son, for a two story brick building, and work will begin at once. The contract calls for the building to be completed by Jan. 1st. Verily Grapeland forges to the front in spite of the knocker.

### Oriole News.

Oriole, Sept. 29.—We are having some rain at this time which is bad on cotton that is on the ground.

We have been having some sickness. W. M. Robinson had to have the services of Dr. Evans of Belott, but at this time is able to attend to business.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Osborne of Nevil's Prairie have moved among us and are aiming to buy a home. There are a good many of our community talking of moving west; among them Mr. Fred M. Stuart, jr. He is selling out his crop and has rented his place to Mr. Ed Gallante. I don't think the west is a good place for a man who expects to rent land.

Mrs. Almedia Grounds, who has been spending some time in Chicago with her son, Henry, has returned and is visiting her relatives here.

Mr. Will Warner filled his appointment at the school house and had a fine singing. Hope he will come again.

We have had two new arrivals a girl at Mr. and Mrs. Thad Marsh's, and a boy at Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gentry's, both of them born on the 21st inst.

What has become of Old Gray of Augusta? I enjoyed reading his interesting communications in the Messenger and hope he will continue to write.

Mr. George Burton of Lockout and Mrs. Susan Yeager were married Sunday by Rev. Jas. Lively at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wells.

Mr. J. N. Tyer is kept quite busy with his mill and gin.

A. K.

### 170 STUDENTS.

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### AT THE FAIR.

While at the fair, either at San Antonio, Dallas, or Hot Springs, be sure to see the exhibit of the Tyler Commercial College. It will be an elaborate and interesting one.

Mr. C. H. Beazley of Reynard was in town Monday on business.

### News From Hays Spring.

Sep. 28.—The health of our community is very good at this writing, except the fifteen month old baby of Mr. Jim Robertson who has been in very bad health for several weeks, but they think it is some better now.

We have been having a little rough weather of late in the way of rain, and at present we are having a cool snap which reminds us that the fall season is here.

Farmers have made rather slow progress the past two weeks gathering their crop on account of bad weather, though some are almost done gathering as their crops were short and easy gathered.

B. R. Eaves has moved from his farm here, to the John Frisby place near Grapeland where he will be more convenient to the Grapeland school.

Our school is to begin the 12 of October. Miss Loy Darsey will teach for us this term. We hope for a successful school as we think Miss Loy is well qualified to make school teaching a success.

Mr. Ed Clark left on Wednesday of las week with a car of household goods and stock, to go to Big Springs, where he expects to locate for a while. Ed's family left today accompanied by W. J. Clark. He will go with them to Big Springs, and thinks of going from there on to New Mexico prospecting for a home, and will be away from home several days.

### A Jeweler's Experience

C. R. Kluger, The Jeweler, 1060 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., writes: "I was so weak from kidney trouble that I could hardly walk a hundred feet. Four bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy cleared my complexion, cured my backache and the irregularities disappeared, and I can now attend to my business every day, and recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy to all sufferers, as it cured me after the doctors and other remedies failed."—Carleton & Porter.

### For Sale.

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Ed Clark and family left last week for Big Springs where they will reside in the future. This makes the third time Ed has gone west, but each time has returned to God's country.

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We are requested to announce that there will be preaching at Oak Grove the first Sunday night in October by Rev. W. D. Andrews of Slocum. A good attendance is requested.



## GENERAL NEWS.

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

### STATE.

**Fort Worth.**—The Texas Sheriffs and Tax Collectors meet in annual convention. The full rendition section of the tax law is endorsed, after much discussion.

**Karnes City.**—Karnes County gave a majority against submission in the late primaries.

**Corpus Christi.**—The Epworth section of the Sunday School Workers is in session here. A large crowd is in attendance.

**El Paso.**—The mills on the W. C. Green properties at Madera have been closed down as the result of labor troubles.

**Ballinger.**—Luther Neal, aged 20, is drowned while in swimming.

**Temple.**—The family of Rome Safley, consisting of nine people, are poisoned by something eaten during dinner. Mrs. Safley was only saved by heroic efforts, and she and the rest of the household are now rapidly recovering from the effects of the occurrence.

**Dallas.**—Chairman Strong makes the statement that the submission proposition has won out in Texas, and says that a fight will be made on the floor of the State Democratic Convention for recognition of that fact.

**El Paso.**—Agents of the Creek Indians of Oklahoma have purchased 1200 acres of land near Durango, Mexico. The Indians have made arrangements to make their homes there.

**Austin.**—A. B. Story of Lockhart has been announced by his friends as a candidate for the State Chairmanship of the Democratic party of Texas.

**Lampasas.**—The county fair opens with a large attendance, despite the heavy rains.

**Georgetown.**—During this week's session of the District Court Zeke Rose gets two years for perjury, S. H. Bright a couple of years for burglary, and Jim Robinson three years for stealing a horse. Next week closes this term of court.

**Kenedy.**—U. N. Atkinson is attacked by unknown parties and beaten up in a manner which will probably prove fatal.

**Bastrop.**—A new incorporation, the Johnson Grocery Company, opens up a well-appointed store.

**Batesville.**—A mass meeting is held to consider ways and means for the erection of a new school building. An election will be held for the purpose of deciding if a \$5500 bond issue shall be made for the purpose of providing the necessary funds.

**Texarkana.**—The natural gas pipe line between Texarkana and the Caddo fields is completed, and the residents of the district will be supplied with gas at a rate of 30 cents per 1000 feet.

**Corsicana.**—Dr. N. J. Mills, former postmaster, and one of Corsicana's most respected citizens, dies after a lingering illness. Dr. Mills was the brother of Senator Roger Q. Mills.

**Luling.**—Mrs. L. D. Powell is in a very critical condition as the result of a shock by lightning, which she received during an electrical storm in the vicinity of her home.

### DOMESTIC.

**Fornie, B. C.**—The most disastrous timber fire ever remembered is raging in the Fornie district. In the neighborhood of 170 people are killed and 6000 rendered homeless. Several small towns have been completely destroyed and \$10,000,000 worth of damage has already been accomplished. The headway of the fire is so great that nothing except a heavy rainfall can stop it until it runs out of the timber.

**Teconseh, Okla.**—The courts have ruled that the Gulf Compress Company is a trust, and have ordered that all compresses acquired by trading the stock of the company be returned and the combination entirely disintegrated.

**Galveston, Tex.**—At a meeting of the German Immigrant League of Texas a resolution was passed to inaugurate a campaign for the purpose of bringing German farmers to Texas.

**New York.**—The price of wheat jumps 3 cents per bushel under heavy buying orders. The condition of the crop in the Northwest caused the flurry.

**Huntingdon, I. L.**—The American motor boat Dixie wins the international boat race, defeating the British boat by forty-nine seconds over a thirty-mile course.

**Washington, D. C.**—The following

expenditures have been recommended by Government engineers for Texas improvements: Galveston Harbor, for improvement, \$1,000,000; for maintenance, \$200,000; from Galveston Harbor to Texas City, \$50,000 for maintenance and improvement; from Galveston Channel to Port Bolivar, \$50,000; Galveston Ship Channel and Bayou, improvement, \$330,000; maintenance, \$150,000; inland waterway on coast of Texas, improvement and maintenance, \$40,000; Aransas Pass to Pass Cavalho, for maintenance, \$20,000; Guadalupe River to Victoria, for improvement, \$2,000; for maintenance, \$20,000; Turtle Cove Channel from Turtle Cove to Corpus Christi, maintenance, \$20,000; moth of Brazos River, improvement, \$102,000; Aransas Pass and Bay, for improvement, \$290,000; for maintenance, \$280,000.

**Guthrie, Okla.**—Attorney General West contends that under the Oklahoma anti-trust law that the State is given the power to regulate prices. He is going to test this by controlling the price of coal throughout the State. He aims to set the price of coal mined in the State at \$5 to \$5.50 per ton, instead of \$8 to \$10, as in the past.

**New York.**—Henri Farman makes three successful flights in his aeroplane. The machine was perfectly under control and successfully competed with automobiles driven over a given course. This is looked upon as the most successful of the experiments in aerial flight.

**Paducah, Ky.**—James Kelly, while in a state of insane jealousy kills his sweetheart, Miss Eva Sleeter, and her companion, Link James. Kelly blew out his own brains immediately after committing the double murder.

**Tucson, Ariz.**—The Golden State Limited strikes a broken rail while traveling at a high rate of speed and is completely wrecked. Eighteen passengers are injured, J. C. Myers of Kansas City probably fatally.

**Washington, D. C.**—In connection with the assistance being given by the State Department to Mexico, Ambassador Creel states there will be no obstacles in the way of the extradition of such men as Mexico desires to bring to justice, because Mexico will not ask extradition of any but those who have committed extraditable offenses on Mexican soil. Ambassador Creel is pleased with the energetic activity of the Federal authorities in Texas against the men who violated neutrality laws of country. There are now four men under arrest in Los Angeles, Cal., three in jail and two out on bond at El Paso and two in jail at Del Rio, while warrants have been issued for the arrest of twenty-four more who participated in the outrage at Las Vacas.

**Denver, Colo.**—George F. Pettibone, for years prominent in the councils of the Western Federation of Miners, and charged, with President Moyer and former Secretary Wood with complicity in the murder of former Governor Steunenberg of Idaho, dies at St. Joseph's Hospital from the effects of an operation for cancer. Mr. Pettibone has been ill practically ever since his confinement in the Idaho prison.

### FOREIGN.

**Tokio.**—Peasants in the province of Saselo are hunting for a sacred dragon which they believe is concealed in the bamboo thickets in that vicinity. It is certainly a bad case of brain storm, evidently engineered by human cupidity. The owner of the bamboo thicket claims that he has had a secret dream, which directed him to tell his countrymen of the existence of a dragon with power to cure all sickness, which inhabited his thicket. The populace are in a state of fervor, induced by his revelations, and are hourly making great offerings of rice, money and meats to the dragon. This mythical animal appears to be hard to satisfy, as the offerings rapidly disappear without any sign that his royal highness is in any way appeased.

**Paris.**—The fair dames of France, spurred on by the recent successes of their English sisters in the matter of right of suffrage, have instituted a somewhat vivid campaign of their own. They point with truth to the historic annals of La Belle France, in which it is shown that women have in the past taken active part in movements for the betterment of both political and social conditions, and always with success. The movement is one which is sweeping aside all opposition, and threatens to overwhelm the French Chamber of Deputies.

**Durango, Mexico.**—Juan Losoya is critically ill in the City of Mexico. Mr. Losoya is a prominent figure in social and political life in the Mexican Republic.

**City of Mexico.**—Earnest Miller, the owner of a 151,000-acre ranch in Durango, has announced his intention of restocking the ranch with a pure grade of Hereford cattle. It is his plan to raise nothing but the best blooded stock.

**City of Mexico.**—Kid Mitchell knocked out Van Leunan of St. Louis in a twenty-round boxing bout and gains the title of champion of Mexico.

## PYTHAGORAS.

Epigrams of One of the Earth's Wisest Men, Old, But Ever True.

Churchmen of the Middle Ages worked the memory of Pythagoras great injustice by quoting him literally in order to prove how much they were beyond him. Symbols and epigrams require a sympathetic hearer; otherwise they are as naught.

For instance, Pythagoras remarks: "Sit thou not down upon a bushel measure." What he probably meant was, get busy and fill the measure with grain rather than use it for a seat.

"Eat not the heart"—do not act so as to harrow the feelings of your friends, and do not be morbid.

"Never stir the fire with a sword"—do not inflame people who are wrathful.

"Wear not the image of God upon your jewelry"—do not make religion a proud or boastful thing.

"Help men to a burden, but never unburden them." This saying was used by St. Francis to prove that the Pagan philosophers had no tenderness and that the humanities came at a later date. We can now easily understand that to relieve men of responsibilities is no help; rather do we grow strong by carrying burdens.

"Leave not the mark of the pot upon the ashes"—wipe out the past; forget it; look to the future.

"Feed no animal that has crooked claws"—do not encourage rogues by supplying them with a living.

"Eat not fish whose fins are black"—have nothing to do with men whose deeds are dark.

"Always have salt upon your table"—this seems the original of "cum grano salis" of the Romans.

"Leave the vinegar at a distance"—keep sweet.

"Speak not in the face of the sun"—even Erasmus thought this referred to magic. To us it is quite reasonable to suppose that it meant "Do not talk too much in public places."

"Pick not up what falls from the table"—Plutarch calls this superstition, but we can just as easily suppose it was out of consideration for cats, dogs or hungry men. The Bible has a command against gleaming too closely and leaving nothing for the traveler.

"When making a sacrifice never pare your nails"—that is to say, do one thing at a time—wind not the clock at an inopportune time.

"Eat not in the chariot"—when you travel, travel.

"Feed not yourself with your left hand"—get your living openly and avoid all left-handed dealings.—Fra. Hubbard.

Just remember this: Give out courtesy, kindness, patience and good will and you'll get them all back, with compound interest. The men who deserve to rank in Class A do not chew the lint, fuse and bellike about the small misfits of life. To take what comes and forget the rest is wisdom.

Let Braggo give the janitor the call, and the hall boys have it out with the ash box inspector—you can't afford to roll your soul with small scraps. Fight on a big scale or not at all. The folks who have trouble with ushers are always looking for trouble—and find it.

### The Hurry Fad.

Mr. Cleveland," said a Princeton lecturer, "had little sympathy with the rush and hurry that the American business man so conspicuously affects—no sympathy with train and boat dictation, with the lunch table telephone, the letter phonograph and the other bluffs.

"Don't rush so," Mr. Cleveland once said to me. "Lightning might do a great deal more if it wasn't always in such an awful hurry."

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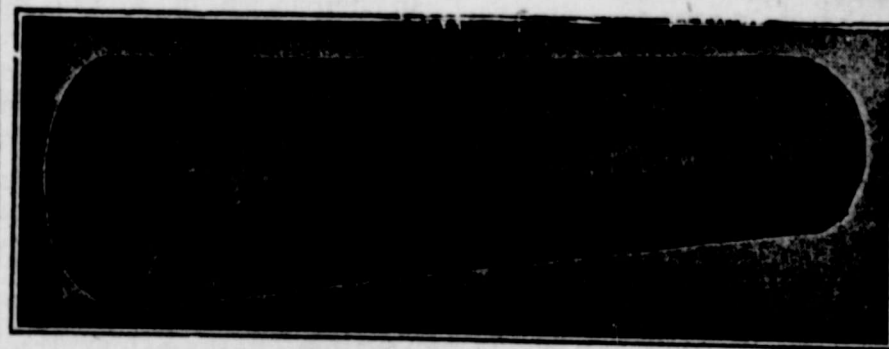
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## In Battle Line.

No Room for Mud Slinging; Campaign Not a Personal One.

The campaign is now beginning to assume definite shape, but there is every evidence that it is going to be an unusually quiet one. In fact, when the substance is boiled down there are but very few points of difference between Mr. Taft and Mr. Bryan, and thus far the campaign has been totally devoid of bitterness and mud slinging. The Republicans are trying to tantalize Mr. Bryan by asking him what he has done with the "sacred ratio" of 16 to 1, and why silver is no longer a running mate with wheat.

On the other hand, the Democrats are assuming the aggressive, and are asking the Republicans to "name the trusts" that Roosevelt has "busted" and to state what relief, if any they can, that the Republicans have afforded from the grasping power of those giant monopolies.

The Democrats are also making an attack on the administration departments at Washington. They claim that the great and ponderous machinery of the Department of Justice has accomplished absolutely nothing, and that the trusts are as powerful today as they were when Roosevelt entered the White House seven years ago. They are also making a ferocious attack on the management of the pension office, the patent office and the land office. They are claiming that the examiners in the pension office are refusing pensions to meritorious applicants on flimsy technicalities, and on the other hand, are allowing pensions to many who have "never smelt powder." They are also making an attack on the management of the patent office, and they claim that there are many officials in the patent office who seem to think that the patent office is designed to prevent people from obtaining patents.

## Advance of Freight Rate not Needed Now

Facts and Figures Given to Show the Freight Rate Does Not Need to Be Raised Now.

Discussing the recent notice of the Southwestern railroads to advance freight rates on interstate shipments to Texas points, Wallace's Farmer says:

"Some months ago the various railroad associations announced that they would make an advance in rates equivalent to about 10 per cent. This was bitterly opposed by the manufacturing and agricultural interests. The manufacturers held a meeting in Chicago May 15 and arranged to fight the measure from the drop of the hat. The announcement was then made that the proposed advance had been abandoned, and the producing interests felt easy again. The railroads have been quietly sawing wood, however. In other words, they have been organizing for the battle, and the Southwestern Freight Association a short time ago filed a new tariff schedule affecting all rates in Texas on all railroads and from all territories. This move is understood to have been made with the sanction of the Central and Southeastern Freight Associations, so it can be regarded as the first bun of the battle.

As throwing an interesting sidelight on the need for this advance in rates we give an abstract from the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission for the year ending June 30, 1907. From this it appears that there was a large increase in passenger and freight earnings. There was an increase of 10,892 miles of track. The total salaries and wages paid were \$1,072,386,427. The passenger traffic exceeded that of the previous year by almost \$76,000,000; the freight traffic increased 165,000,000 tons, or 69,718 tons per mile. The passenger revenue per mile averaged 2.14 cents, and both passenger and

freight earnings per mile showed an increase. The gross earnings from the portion of the line from which substantially complete returns are given were \$263,000,000 greater than the previous year. There was an increase in operating expenses of over \$211,000,000, and an increase of net of over \$51,700,000 for the year. The dividends declared aggregated \$308,137,924, leaving a surplus of 141,323,264 from the profits of the year, as compared with a profit of \$112,334,761 the previous year.

This resume of the operations of the year ending June 30, 1907, taken, as it is, from authoritative sources, is about the best argument that can be made against the increase in freight rates at this time. The railroads can very well take pot luck with the farmers, business men and manufacturers in sharing adversity. While they were enjoying all this unbroken prosperity they were demanding an increase in rates in order that the public may bear their share of the adversity. In short, they demand an increase in rates, and then get it by changes in classification, when times are good, and because they are good. Then they demand an increase in freight rates when times are bad, because they are bad. We very much fear that they are treasuring up for themselves wrath against a day of wrath. The marvel is that such a move is made at the beginning of a presidential campaign.

## THE LAST YARD OF RED TAPE.

Charles P. Taft, brother of former Secretary Taft, called at the Washington Taft headquarters one day a while ago.

"I would like to see Mr. Hitchcock," Taft said.

"Ah, yes," replied the guardian of the first of the seven rooms of the headquarters. "Name please."

"Name is Taft."

"Ah, yes; what State are you from?"

"Ohio."

"Ah, yes; what do you desire to see Mr. Hitchcock about? Write it on this slip of paper, please."

Taft patiently wrote that he would like to see Mr. Hitchcock on personal business.

"Very good," said the guardian. "Name is Taft, from Ohio and desire to see Mr. Hitchcock on personal business. Take a seat, please."

But at that moment Charles P. Taft exploded with a loud noise.

## NOT THE RIGHT BUNDLE.

Representative James S. Davenport of the Third Oklahoma district has a constituency that likes to get public documents. Mr. Davenport is willing to oblige and has sent large numbers of the government publications to his district.

A time ago Davenport found two big bundles of books in the hall of the new House office building, near his office door. He concluded they were public documents for his use, and he told his clerk to frank them down to a select list of his constituents.

That afternoon an excited man stuck his head in the door of Mr. Davenport's office and said: "Say, did you see anything of two bundles of books that I left here this morning?"

"Yes," the clerk replied. "Well, where are they?"

"I sent them down to Oklahoma."

"Sent them to Oklahoma!" yelled the excited man. "What in blazes did you do that for?"

"Why," replied the clerk, "I don't see what affair it is of yours. They were public documents belonging to Mr. Davenport."

The man who had the inquiry hopped up and down and spluttered. "Public documents, my eye!" he screamed. "They were Washington telephone directories I was going to distribute around the offices here."

## A SUSPICIOUS CHARGE.

"The contention we have

made," said John Sharp Williams, the Democratic leader of the House of Representatives, "that the Republicans passed their currency bill as an emergency or campaign measure, before they were afraid to go before the people without such a measure, reminds me of a negro who was haled into court in Yazoo City, Mississippi.

"Were you ever arrested before?" asked the judge.

"Yes, yo' honah. Three times."

"What were you first arrested for?"

"Stealin'."

"And the second?"

"Stealin'."

"And the third?"

"Susp'cion, an' I went to jail for it."

"Went to jail for it?"

"Yas, yo' honah; you see, they proved it on me."



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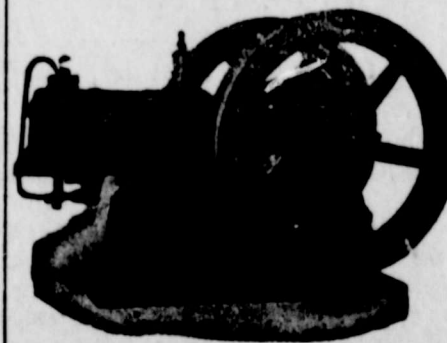
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The man with a purpose coupled to an idea has learned the virtue of patience, the worth of character, the power of kindness—and they become a part of his accomplishment.

The thinker is also an originator, and he who successfully originates has joy beyond any financial reward. He necessarily is a hopeful man. Hope is the salt of the earth. A man who has lost hope is dead already, whether he is aware of it or not.

Therefore, have a purpose, and with hope, enthusiasm and perseverance as your guiding stars, you cannot fail of the goal of honorable success. — Exchange.

October is coming in wrong end foremost. A cold wave hit town Sunday, and overcoats and fires have felt comfortable all the week.

Those in charge of the national campaign are very sanguine over the prospects of Bryan's success. But it takes money and lots of it. Add your little mite to the campaign fund now.

J. R. Marmion of Palestine, agent for the New York & Texas Land Co., was here Saturday, and we understand that several Grapeland parties took option on a large tract of land.

Dave Leaverton left Monday night with his household goods for Lorain, where he has an interest in a drug store and will make that place his future home. His family will leave Thursday. The Messenger regrets very much to lose this good family.

### Hamlet.

had melancholy, probably caused by an inactive liver. A bad liver makes one cross and irritable, causes mental and physical depression and may result disastrously.

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Of the Financial Condition of the  
**Farmers & Merchants State Bank**  
 At Grapeland, State of Texas,

at the close of business on the 23rd day of Sept. 1908, published in the Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 1st day of Oct. 1908.

RESOURCES  
 Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral. \$ 29041.96  
 Loans, real estate..... 5738.20  
 Overdrafts(secured)..... 2593.65  
 Bonds and Stocks..... 000.  
 Real estate (banking house)..... 2983.03  
 Other Real Estate..... 000.  
 Furniture and fixtures 1684.40  
 Due from Approved Reserve Agents..... \$ 23039.29  
 Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check..... \$2155 80 25195.09  
 Cash Items..... 000.  
 Currency..... 2718.00  
 Specie..... 3640.64 6358.64  
 Other resources as follows:..... 000.

Total..... \$ 73594.97

LIABILITIES  
 Capital Stock paid in \$15,000.00  
 Surplus Fund..... 1500 00  
 Undivided Profits, net 487.11  
 Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check..... 000.00  
 Individual Deposits, subject to check..... 56607.86  
 Time Certificates of Deposit..... 000.  
 Demand Certificates of Deposit..... 000.  
 Cashier's Checks..... 000.  
 Bills Payable and Discounts..... 000.  
 Other Liabilities as follows:..... 000.

Total..... \$ 73594.97

State of Texas, )  
 County of Houton, ) ss We,  
 Geo. E. Darsey as president, and  
 S. E. Miller as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Geo. E. Darsey, President.  
 S. E. Miller, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 28th day of Sept., A. D., nineteen hundred and eight.  
 Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

J. R. Richards, Notary Public.  
 Correct—Attest:

W. G. Darsey, } Directors

Letter to S. E. Miller,  
 Grapeland, Texas

Dear Sir: If a customer wants \$35.50 you don't give him \$75.

Suppose you should hear of one of your customers doing a thing like that and not knowing it, what would you say next time he wants discount?

We'll venture half your men are doing that very thing without a suspicion.

Men who paint any other paint than Devoe are paying \$75 for \$35.50 or some other such figure.

10 gallons Devoe is enough for a good size house two coats; 15 or 20 isn't too much of another paint. There's \$8.75 or \$17.50 for 5 or 10 extra gallons; besides \$2 to \$4 a gallon putting it on; that's \$10 to \$40. That's how half the houses, stores, factories, warehouses, shops, barns and fences are painted: \$50 for paint and labor; \$25 to \$50 more for not knowing what paint to put on.

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Yours truly,  
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Judge Newman has returned to Houston, after attending the bedside of his father at Augusta.

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**LOCAL NEWS.**

Try that flour at Wherry's.

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

More goods every day at Howard's. Come and see us.

School supplies at Darsey's dry goods store.

See Odell Faris before you order your fall suit.

Fish and oysters at Howard Anthony's restaurant.

If you want good flour try "Happy Day" at Wherry's.

A few thousand brick for sale. See Geo. E. Darsey.

Go to Howard's for your gloves, anything from a ladies kid to a heavy work gloves.

Everything complete in the way of school supplies at Guice's Drug Store, less the books.

Olan Davis and Harry Calhoun were down from Palestine Sunday afternoon.

J. S. Cook was up from Crockett several days last looking after his telephone business.

If its a Studebaker wagon its all right, for cash or easy payments at Geo. E. Darsey's

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

When you get ready to go, you will find me at Darsey's Dry Good store.

Mr. M. S. Spence went up to Palestine Saturday to get a piece of his gin machinery repaired.

The newest things in ties, collars, and belts at Darsey's Dry Goods store.

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

We still have a few calenders left, if you have not had one call at Howard's.

Grapeland Masonic Lodge will meet October 3. A full attendance is requested.  
A. L. Brown, Secy.

Mrs. S. E. Miller returned home Sunday from Henderson where she has been visiting friends.

**WANTED!** 500 men at once to dine with me, today and tomorrow. Ever thing good to eat. Come and see Howard Anthony on Back street.

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

The Grapeland Masonic Lodge will meet at the Woodman Hall October 3rd. A full attendance is requested.  
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Lee Eayes writes us from Austin to send the Messenger to his address. Lee will attend the university again this year.

Mrs. O. N. Pitts returned Saturday night to her home in Hillsboro, after attending the bedside of her father, J. S. Newman.

Attend to Your Liver.

No organ in the human body can give so many different kinds of trouble as the liver when it is not right. Simmon's Liver Purifier makes it right and keeps it so.

See George E. Darsey for salt.

Maj J. F. Martin went down to Crockett Thursday.

Flour at wholesale prices at Wherry's.

B. E. Blount was down from Palestine Sunday to see friends.

Car load of flour at Wherry's. Best in town.

Mack Martin has returned home from Big Springs.

Take your chickens and eggs to Darsey's

Dr. P. H. Stafford left Monday for Ponta to see his mother.

Attorney Whitley of Palestine was here between trains Saturday

Bring Howard Anthony your butter and get the cash.

If you want the best try Ruth flour at Howard's.

A car load of the old reliable WHITE WAVE flour to arrive at Darsey's next week.

If your appetite is bad, try the new Restaurant. The latest fad. Howard Anthony, Back street.

Harold Leaverton left last week for Austin where he will enter the state university.

Mrs. P. H. Stafford and Miss Blanche Kennedy visited relatives at Augusta Sunday.

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**HIS RANGE.**

"That dog of yours has a remarkably high-pitched voice."  
"Yes; he is the right sort of a dog to belong to an old sailor like me; his bark is on the C."

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A Man Who Stood for the Pure and True.

Scarcely had he laid aside the spotless robes of office ere fell disease laid hold upon Samuel Lanham, and, indeed, while he was bearing the burden of great official responsibility his physical powers began to abate, and for many months it has been evident that he had heard the call obedience to which is imperative and inevitable.

Returning to the home in which he had lived so many years, and taking his place among the neighbors and friends who had trusted him and loved him, he prepared calmly for the end which he knew was not far off.

As he waited there befell him a calamity, to him far worse than death. In the twinkling of an eye his wife passed away—a lovely, cultured woman and devoted wife, who had shared with him the joys and sorrows of life for more than forty years. To a gentle, devoted, sincere, affectionate man like Sam Lanham such a blow could not be recovered from in his already weakened condition, and he began at once to sink into his last dreamless sleep, and he finally went to join the wife of his youth and the sharer of his poverty and obscurity and of his competency and exalted distinction.

A good man, a clean man in every relation of life, an efficient man, a devotee to duty, was lost to Texas when Sam Lanham died.

The rule may be sometimes hard, and not always just; but men must, for the very lack of a truer standard, be tested by success.

Sam Lanham succeeded, the man who came to Texas in 1866 with a pair of ponies and a wagon, with nothing save a wife and a few household goods, then poorly educated, and rose to an honorable position at the bar, served fourteen years in congress, and was chosen, without an opposing candidate or a dissenting vote, governor of this great state, proved his worth. He became a man of culture and extensive reading, an eloquent and pleasing speaker and manifested marked executive ability.

He was faithful to every trust, and he took up and held every duty with clean hands and discharged it with conscientious fidelity.

When a mere youth with down upon his lip he stood as one of the thousands of South Carolina's sons who followed Lee through all his great campaigns, and when it is said he was worthy to have been where he was praise can find no higher expression.

He was born and lived and died a gentleman in the highest sense of the term. His thoughts were pure, his words were pure, his life was clean, honest, open, manly, modest.

His ambitions were honorable and his efforts to attain them were free from even the faintest taint of uncleanness. He won honors because he deserved to win them.

His people trusted him because he deserved to be trusted and he repaid their trust by faithful, efficient, self-sacrificing service.

He was, too, a humble, trusting believer in the eternal verities. His was the simple faith of a child, and when he "fell upon sleep" he felt no fear, but the relentless messenger was by him welcomed as one who came bringing tidings of peace and rest.—Houston Chronicle.

## Bryan's Chance to Win.

In former campaigns for the presidency Mr. Bryan had the support of the Socialists and the Populists. In this campaign both these parties are fighting him. We think there will be a million votes polled for Eugene V. Debs for president. Tom Watson will get some votes. Hearst's ticket will get some. The Prohibitionists are somewhat stronger than ever, and in Democratic territory.

How is Mr. Bryan to overcome this defection, if at all? We incline to think that Mr. Roosevelt has done it for him; that Mr. Roosevelt has popularized Bryanism to such an extent that Rooseveltians will vote for Mr. Bryan, now that they have no opportunity to vote for Mr. Roosevelt himself. We don't think Mr. Roosevelt can deliver his followers to Mr. Taft.

It seems to us that Mr. Taft is a reactionary; that as an indurated federal judge he cannot be anything else fundamentally than an upholder of privilege in the forms in which it has entrenched itself in this country. Mr. Taft can't be a Rooseveltian and a John Marshall man, too, with a deep and idolatrous devotion to the so-called "vested rights" that are in fact continuing vested wrongs.

Mr. Bryan will get all the Democratic votes he ever got, and most of the Parker and Buckner vote that bolted in 1896. He will get thousands and thousands of the Roosevelt Republicans. His chance to him has been made by Mr. Roosevelt himself. Whatever of good Roosevelt and Bryan has in common in their policies Taft is opposed to, mauger, his platform and his professions. He represents all the social and economic antipathy to Bryan and Roosevelt. Only those are strong for Taft who believe that he is the antithesis of Bryan and Roosevelt. Wealth may not feel that Mr. Taft is quite so extensively antipathetic to Bryanism and Roosevelt as Wall street would have him, but he is the best that wealth could get, and the capitalistic element will have to take him.

Will business vote for Taft because Bryanism brought on hard times? We don't think so. This country is pretty well convinced that the panic was deliberately and artificially brought about by the men who hate at once Roosevelt's Bryanism and Bryan's Rooseveltism.

The man on a reduced salary, the small business man out of a job, knows that the big interests that precipitated the stringency are for Taft. Are these men going to vote for the candidate of the men who, to protect the graft, were willing to plunge the country into misery? We think not.

In spite of Debs' and Watson's and Hearst's and the Prohibitionists' defection from Bryan, we think the Democratic candidate this year has a better chance to win than he ever had before. He isn't the bugaboo that he was to the men with a \$2500 hom eand a \$5000 insurance policy, and they are the men who defeated him in 1896 and 1900, at the instance and instigation of great financiers, most of whom have since been exposed and disgraced as gigantic thieves and some of whom have gone on en route to ail or dead in dishonored graves.—St. Louis Mirror.

There are these three—knowledge, learning, wisdom. And the world has until very recent times assumed that they were

practically one and the same thing.

Knowledge consists of the things we know, not the things we believe or the things we assume. Knowledge is a personal matter of intuition, confirmed by experience. Learning consists largely of the things we memorize and are told by persons or books. Tomlinson of Berkeley Square was a learned man. When we think of a learned man we picture him as one seated in a library surrounded by tomes that top the shelves. Wisdom is the distilled essence of what we have learned from experience. It is that which helps us to live, work, love and make life more worth living for all we meet. Men may be very learned and still be far from wise.

MAXIMS OF NAMREH EHT ESIW.

(IVth Dynasty.)

The Rooster that crows in the Morning shrinks down on his Perch at Night.

Boast not of thy courage, my Brother, for Some one may turn out the light.

My Son, at your ease you may borrow, and once in a while you may Lend,

But when you are asked for the Payment, Pay—if you value a Friend.

He who is fording the River laughs not at the Roar of the Fall.

The Wise yield in Peace to a Woman, and Fools try their strength with the squall.

Laugh if you want to be Welcomed; Weep if you want to be guyed.

Enter my dwelling, Old Fellow, but please Leave your troubles outside.

Lend to your Friend of your Shekels; go out and get him a vote.

But if you value Contentment, Sign not your name to a note.

The Rain has come down on a sudden, and draggled the overbold hen.

If you would gain merit, my sister, Avoid ye the gaze of the Men.

The Jackass may dress as a Lion, but look how it runs at a Roar!

Because he rides by in an auto Is cause to suspect him the more.

Who puts on the Dress you admire, and seeks your advice in a Plan?

Take heed of thy freedom, oh, Brother, For she is in love with a man.

Accept of his friendship when offered, but let the acceptance be cool.

The Strength of the Wise is in Silence, And speech is the Death of a Fool.

Two things may no man be forgiven if that at his door they be laid.

Forgetting a Date with a Woman And leaving a card debt unpaid.

Fhat, then, if she greet you with Laughter, and straightway begin to be Sad? Remember that she is a woman, And therefore a little bit Mad.

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The signs are better now. In June bank clearings decreased only 12 per cent; commercial failures were less than last year, the number of idle freight cars was smaller by a hundred thousand than in April. Corn was growing prosperously on over a hundred million acres. Crops promise well. By election time, without bad luck, depression will be in the past tense.

Even at that it will have lasted a year, and we wish to say again that nobody has even suggested a good reason why we should have suffered it. There was nothing in fundamental conditions to which it can be charged. It belongs decidedly in the class of preventable accidents.

## Radical Tendencies on the Wane.

One Gathers From Recent Primary That Texas Radicalism Is on the Wane.

Returns from the Democratic state primary held on July 25 are now sufficiently reported to show an interesting change in the political attitude of the state of Texas. This change is best summarized by saying that Texas has abandoned its radical attitude and is growing conservative. The revolt against Governor Campbell, who was nominated on a radical platform and elected with a Legislature that enacted many radical laws, best indicates this. Governors in Texas are elected for two years, and precedent has always given a re-election without opposition. This year an unknown man, R. R. Williams, formerly a blacksmith at Cumby, known as "Honest Bob, the Village Blacksmith," came out against Governor Campbell, and the tide of opposition arose with a rush. Campbell stemmed it only by violent effort, and finally was renominated by a majority estimated from fifty to seventy-five thousand. "Honest Bob," it is said, gives up his gubernatorial aspirations to become a justice of the peace at Cumby. Had anybody realized the extent of the reaction against radicalism in Texas the opposition to Governor Campbell would doubtless have been of a different character.

As a result of this fight it is said that the Republicans will nominate a strong independent Democrat for Governor and make a determined effort to get up an independent Republican party in Texas. To this end the negroes have been encouraged to join the Democratic party, and have received no recognition from the dominant Republican faction. The Republicans believe that if they could eliminate the negro from their ranks he would cease to be a political issue, and many lukewarm Democrats would turn Republican. Their hope of raising up a Republican party are so much raised that it is said no less a person than William H. Taft will campaign for the Republican ticket in Texas this fall.

At the recent primary the contest over the proposition to submit to the people an amendment to the state constitution enforcing statewide prohibition was bitterly contested. The result of the primary is yet in doubt, both sides claiming the victory. The anti-prohibitionists contend that to carry the proposition must receive a majority of all votes

cast. A great many voters did not vote on the question at all, and, while submission of the prohibition amendment probably received a higher number of votes than anti-submission, it seems improbable that it received a majority of all votes cast. This dispute will doubtless be carried to the Democratic state convention, to be held in San Antonio August 11, 12 and 13.

The primary seems to indicate beyond a doubt that Texas has grown less radical, and that the next Legislature will not only enact no radical laws, but will repeal some of those now on the statute books.

## Truckgrowers Organize.

Success of our growers has led other truckers to organize for sales.

Combination of truck growers to market their products will be effected at the meeting of South Texas gardeners, in session at Brownsville. The onion growers of this section have already an association and co-operate in marketing with great success. Their sales agent, located in San Antonio, handles about a thousand car loads annually and has increased the profits over 100 per cent. The growers of other vegetables will doubtless adopt a similar system. They are waking up to the fact that growing the products is only one-half, and the other half is to market successfully, preventing the economic waste of flooding one or two markets with perishable goods.

## Fishin' Time.

"Say, paw, can't me and Jim go fishin' this evenin'? We ain't got nothin' to do."

"Better get enough stove wood chopped before you go, No; you'll not get back in time."

"Jim, hurra, Jim! Get ready. We can go."

"All right, Red."

So Jim and paw's red-headed bog dug the bait, under the cool old oak trees behind the smokehouse, and dumped the wriggling mass of "fishin' worms" and some fresh earth into an old ayster can and made short work of getting to the banks of the creek that fostered "mighty big fishes." Yes, they were large. You remember they used to grow awfully large in your boyhood days, larger than a torpon now. In those days you did not tell yarns about it; even the smaller fish were as big as your leg and the "whoppers" were as big as your body.

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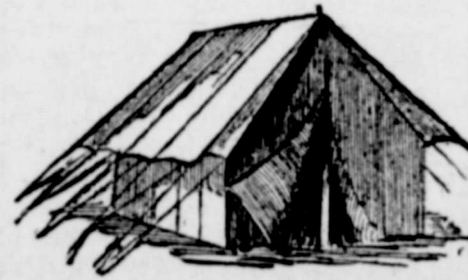
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