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ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR, PAYABLE IN ADVANCE

MISS HALTOM GETS \$10.00.

Second Special Prize Has Been Awarded.

ANOTHER PRIZE IS OFFERED

To Contestants Who Have Not Previously Won a Special Prize

The Contest for the second special prize in the Messenger's Piano Contest closed Tuesday at ten o'clock and after a careful canvass of the vote it was found that Miss Inez Haltom had won the second special prize offered by making the largest gain in votes for the past four weeks. Her vote showed a gain of 26, 280.

Following is a list of the gains of each contestant:

Inez Haltom.....	26,280
Lorraine Hanson.....	11,470
Mada Murchison.....	3,555
Sallie Mae Kent.....	2,985
Lovie Spence.....	1,120
Luna Taylor.....	960
Stella Whitaker.....	730

Another special prize will be given to the young lady who has not previously won a special prize and who secures the largest number of votes for new, back or renewal subscriptions from Feb. 1, to March 1, 1910. This watch consists of a 15-jeweled Elgin movement in a warranted 20-year gold-filled case. This is the most valuable special prize yet offered in the contest.

Remember, girls, that all votes which count for this gold watch count also for the grand prize. GET BUSY.

The following is the standing of the contestants this week:

Miss Adelle Davis.....	53,270
Miss Lorraine Hanson.....	45,035
Miss Inez Haltom.....	33,995
Miss Mada Murchison.....	13,185
Miss Sallie Mae Kent.....	8,845
Miss Luna Taylor.....	7,600
Miss Lovie Spence.....	6,105
Miss Stella Whitaker.....	1,465
Miss Ciny Wall.....	1,240
Mrs. Ida White.....	20

Carbon on sale at Leaverton's Drug Store. Kill the ants.

The Bon Ton has a nice line of Post Cards.

Say! Iron beds, spring, and mattresses. Whitley & Keeland.

Best bucket coffee for 90¢ at F. A. Faris'

All kinds of fruits at the Bon Ton.

Buy your shoes from, F. A. Faris.

Revs. Tyler and Lohman closed their meeting here Sunday night and left for Percilla.

Mr. Whitley of New Waverley spent Sunday here with Messrs. Keeland and Keer.

Velvet and axminster rugs at \$1.50 to \$4.50. beautiful patterns. Darsey's D. G. Store.

Stovall White has returned home from Ft. Worth where he has been working for the past few months.

They are showing some pretty patent and suede leather ankle strap oxfords for ladies from \$2.00 to \$3.50 at Darsey's.

Some Facts and Figures.

Editor Messenger:

As I am alone I will give you a few thoughts. First, more money for cotton and plenty of provisions. Second, or less money for cotton and no provisions.

In 1870 the south produced 2, 500,000 bales of cotton, sold it for 24¢ per pound, which brought \$300,000,000. In 1880 5,000,000 bales were produced and brought \$300,000,000. The crop was doubled and the price was halved and each crop brought the same amount to the producer. In 1890 10,000,000 bales were produced and sold for 6¢ per pound, again doubling the crop and halving the price.

Now I think with proper rotation every farmer will improve the soil he cultivates, have plenty of provisions and feed stuff and get more money for the cotton he makes. Without this the farmer will make no provisions or feed stuff and will receive less money for his all cotton crop.

The above are historical facts and it is high time that every cotton producer should first plan to make a living at home, and all animals necessary, and then make small cotton crops. This being done the whole country will prosper. Pursue the all cotton policy and the producers will become slaves and the entire south impoverished.

Let every landlord, every renter and cotton producer see to it in this good year 1910 that plenty of feed stuff is made at home and next fall will see happy landlords, happy renters, happy laborers, happy merchants, happy ministers, rested sheriffs, and idle lawyers.

As ever,
Recks.

Hays Springs, Jan. 31.

Trinity River Ripples.

Reynard, Texas, Jan. 31.—One month has gone and we are still rocking along. The winter so far has been a very agreeable one and spring will be here in a few more weeks.

Gardening will be in order this week. Several new plows will commence today.

Our school will resume work to day.

The big house on the bank farm burned about one o'clock Saturday morning and the loss falls heavy on Mr. West, as he lost most all of his household effects. The house was covered by insurance. Guess a new one will be put up right away. The meat house and contents also burned. If the wind had been from the south do not see how the crib would have kept from burning. Every one is pretty well fitted up with labor and are moving along just as though they knew they were going to make a ten strike. We ought to be cautious about the expenditure.

Pledger Chiles is in Crockett settling his father's account with the county. There are three things a man ought to hold sacred above all—his family, religion and his citizenship.

Zack.

Mr. George Shaver has purchased some land south of Grape-land, and is erecting a nice residence. He will move here when it is completed.



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We solicit your patronage strictly on these merits.

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At Clewis' Old Stand

Telephone No. 20.

Augusta News.

Augusta, Texas, Jan. 30—We have read with interest the articles of Hon. W. B. Page in the Crockett Courier. He has raised the curtain and turned on the light showing beyond a doubt that the county has been fleeced to the amount of hundreds of dollars. He further shows by facts and figures that it has been done illegally. With this light on the subject the time is ripe for the people to call a halt and have a better condition of affairs or have no commissioner's court. The bill that is now a law was hatched up by our commissioners, one of them going to Austin to assist in lobbying the bill through. Such a thing was unknown to the citizens of this county. The bill referred to allows the commissioners one hundred days for road service instead of twelve. This piece of high handed rot is nothing worse than taking the purse strings of the county in their own hands and do as they wish with its contents. This matter deserves serious consideration of every citizen of Houston county. Mr Page rightly deserves the thanks of the citizenship of this county for his work in the grand jury report and the light he has given the people in regard to the doings of the commissioners' court. Where is Sir Roderick Lively now? We presume he sits upon his throne a sceptered commissioner wrapped in the solitude of his own originality.

We are having beautiful weather and every thing is being pushed to the front in farm work. There will be very few potatoes planted in this section, for the farmers think potatoes and fertilizer are too high to deal in futures with.

A social entertainment was a feature of the new year at the residence of W.H. Wall and lady. The occasion was enjoyed by all present. Visitors from town were Misses Dollie Cook and Helen Long and Messrs. Grubbs Long and Newman and others. The shrill crow of a fine rooster announced the dead hour of midnight and the visitors departed to their homes with thanks and

praises to the host and hostess for their royal entertainment.

Miss Sadie Story has organized a ladies Woodmen Circle consisting of fifteen members.

The ladies are very enthusiastic over their new venture.

Officers will be elected at their next meeting.

Ed Holcomb has just returned from Alto where he has been to a celebrated dentist who did some fine work on his teeth.

W. H. Holcomb has just returned from Hickory Creek where he has been for several days on business.

C. A. Moore is building quite an addition to his house. It will make things loom up in east Augusta.

J. W. Lucas has about completed a seven room residence which will add greatly to the appearance of west Augusta.

Our doctors report but little sickness.

We notice that some aspirants for office are already in the field and reaching for the plum.

Politics are very quiet in this section. When the proper time comes we will have a good man in the race for Commissioner.

As ever,
Old Gray.

NOTICE

To whom it may concern: You are hereby notified to keep your hogs out of my farm near Oak Grove after Feb. 20, 1910.

W. H. Kolb

More people are taking Foley's Kidney Remedy every year. It is considered the most effective remedy for all kidney and bladder troubles that medical science can devise. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities, builds up the system, and restores lost vitality.

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One Hundred doses for One Dollar

Your money back if you are not satisfied

A. S. PORTER,

Druggist

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THURSDAY, FEB. 3, 1910

A great many people are laboring under the impression that the comet visible in the western sky just after sundown is the great Halley's comet. It is not, however, and from whence it come and whither it is going has not yet been fully explained by scientists. It was discovered with the naked eye by a fellow in Africa a few weeks ago. The great Halley's comet is visible in another part of the heavens with a small telescope.

We present the name of O. C. Goodwin this week as a candidate for the office of Clerk of Houston County subject to the democratic primary. Mr. Goodwin is a school teacher, having taught eight years in the county, and is now teaching his fourth term at Wesley Chapel. He is thoroughly competent to discharge the duties of County Clerk, and promises faithful service if the people see fit to honor him with the position. Mr. Goodwin formerly taught at Enon, near here, and has lots of friends in this part of the country who will be glad of the opportunity to vote for him.

This week we present the name of Prof. John T. Crook of Ratcliff, who asks to be elected to the office of County Superintendent of Houston County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. Mr. Crook has been identified with the educational interests of this county in the capacity as teacher for quite a number of years. He is at present engaged in school work at Ratcliff, and was at one time principal of Grapeland high school, and is well known to a great many of our citizens. To those who do not enjoy the acquaintance of Mr. Crook we will say that he thoroughly understands the duties of the office to which he aspires, and that should he be elected, would fill it satisfactorily to all. We commend him to your consideration.

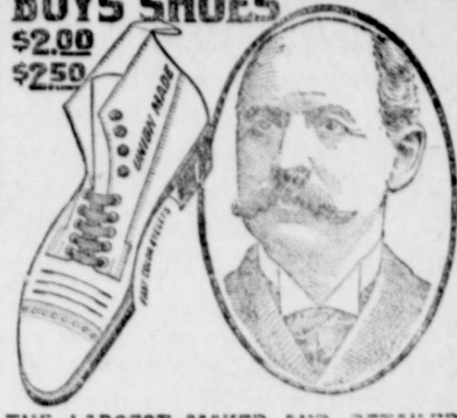
You don't need a poll tax receipt to vote in the Messenger's Great Piano Voting Contest.

Buy Prosperity flour from W. H. Lively and prosper.

I am still in the market for your chickens, eggs and butter. Will pay the cash. On back street. K. C. Alsop.

Geo. E. Darsey has already sold over a car of wire and hog fencing this year and will have another to come this week. There is no better wire than the genuine Baker perfect and American Special barb wire.

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\$3.50 & \$4.00 SHOES
BOYS SHOES



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 "I have worn W. L. Douglas shoes for the past six years, and always find they are far superior to all other high grade shoes in style, comfort and durability." W. G. JONES,
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Nathan Guice went to Crockett Monday.

Buy your over shoes at Darsey's D. G. Store.

Mrs. Calhoun of Crockett is visiting her son here this week.

Car chops, bran, and flour at F. A. Faris' this week.

Try a sack of that good flour at Whitley & Keeland's.

D. R. Stubblefield of Elkhart was here Sunday.

Work began Tuesday morning on Dr. McCarty's residence.

See Whitley & Keeland for saddles and harness.

You will be pleased with the pretty lingerie waist we are offering at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00.

Kill your ants. Plenty of Carbon at D. N. Leaverton's drug store.

F. A. Faris & Son will have a car choice pea green Pecos Valley alfalfa this week. See them before you buy.

Mr. D. N. Leaverton has just closed a deal whereby he can issue his customers an insurance policy of \$1000. or a weekly indemnity of \$5.00 for ten weeks. Read the particulars in his ad.

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A. S. Porter.

The Baptist meeting closed Sunday night, and B. O. Cole left for other fields. Bro. Cole made many friends while in our town, who would be glad for him to return sometime for another series of meetings.

Hoarse Coughs, Stuffy Colds, pain in chest and sore lunge, are symptoms that quickly develop into a dangerous illness if the cold is not cured. Foley's Honey and Tar stops the cough, heals and eases the congested parts, and brings quick relief.

A. S. Porter.

When buying fertilizer look at the tag and take notice that the Davy Crockett brands always run from \$1.00 to \$7.00 per ton above other brands. Be sure to get Davy Crockett brands if you want the best. J. W. Howard Agt.

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Buy your farm supplies, dry goods, boots and shoes and groceries from us and save money.

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We want your business this year, and will do our best for you. Respectfully,

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I also take orders for up-to-date

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See me and get my prices

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 B F DENT
 C M (MARVIN) ELLIS

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:
 C R STEPHENSON

For County Superintendent:
 JOHN T CROOK

For County Clerk:
 O C GOODWIN

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To You—Our Friend

We know you will appreciate its worth. For the sum of 34c and \$5.00 worth of trade at our store we issue to anyone from 16 to 65 years of age a \$1,000 Policy or a Weekly Indemnity of \$5.00 for ten weeks. How we or the Insurance Company can afford to make this extraordinary offer is not for you to worry about. This is not a premium scheme, but a legitimate advertising proposition, where the consumer, instead of others, gets the benefit.

You Don't Pay One Cent

More for your drugs than you ever did. Don't cast this aside. This ought to appeal to every thinking man and woman. When in need of Drugs, Sundries or Toilet Articles, call on us. We will take pleasure in serving you

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Prescriptions Accurately Compounded Day or Night by a Registered Pharmacist. Grapeland, Texas

Photographs

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I. N. Whitaker

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Cream Vermifuge

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WORM
REMEDY

THE CHILDREN'S FAVORITE TONIC.

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 A. S. PORTER, The Druggist

Last Saturday looked like old times at Grapeland, Darsey's stores were crowded from early morning until late in the afternoon, he shipped Saturday and Monday 410 doz. of eggs.

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ENJOYS GOOD HEALTH**

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For Stomach Trouble, Sluggish Liver and Habitual Constipation.

It cures by aiding all of the digestive organs—gently stimulates the liver and regulates the bowels—the only way that chronic constipation can be cured. Especially recommended for women and children. Clears blotched complexions. Pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes.

A. S. PORTER.

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Crockett, Texas.

In Memory of Arthur Matthews.

Arthur Matthews, son of W. S. and Lucy Matthews, was born Jan. 12, 1890, and died Jan. 17, 1910. Arthur was the youngest child; he was a bright, energetic, kind and affectionate boy, always anxious of the comfort and welfare of other people. He was the pride and joy of his mother's love, the pet of his two brothers and father and a general favorite with all. Little did we think as he left home Monday morning so full of bright hopes that he would be brought back home a mangled corpse. Oh, the awful shock! No tongue or pen can express our feelings when the news came, "Arthur is dead;" he who had just left us laughing and talking in his usual cheerful manner. Poor boy; it seemed as though my heart would break as I gazed upon his cold lifeless form; so young and so manly. I had known him from infancy. We were the same age; being so closely related we were associated all our lives. We were great favorites with each other, and in our childish games we were always on sides together. I loved him as a brother. He was always kind to me—thoughtful and loving to his mother, never causing her anxiety; was obedient to his father and affectionate to his brothers.

Thursday before he met his death we spent our last birthday together. Goodbye, dear Arthur. 'Tis hard to give you up. He will be missed by all, but more by that loving mother, as he was ever her companion when at home. He was the life of the family; always jolly and full of life. To the heart-broken family we can only say, "Earth hath no sorrows that Heaven cannot heal; look ever to Jesus, He will all our sorrows heal."

"Dearest, Arthur, thou hast left us,
And our loss we deeply feel.
But 'tis God who has bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.
Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life is fled,
There in Heaven we hope to greet thee,
Where no farewell tears are shed."

His cousin,
Etta L. Pridgen.

Bright's disease is more dreaded by physicians than any of the serious disorders with which they have to deal because of its insidious and malignant character. If prompt action were taken when headaches, urinary disorders, digestive troubles first appear, much suffering and sorrow would be averted. PRICKLEY ASH BITTERS will quickly stop the spread of the disease, quiet the inflammation, heal the kidneys and bladder, strengthen and regulate the liver, and drive poisons and impurities out of the system.

A. S. Porter agent.

Better Than Expected.

Our January attendance is much better than we expected, as was also our calls from business firms for our graduates. We have enrolled more students and placed more graduates in good positions during January this year than ever before in the history of the school. Business conditions are improving throughout the country and there is an ever increasing demand for young men and women thoroughly and practically trained as bookkeepers and stenographers or operators. The wage scale has been raised, which enables us to place our recent graduates at better salaries than ever before.

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A. S. Porter.

Farmers' Institute Organized.

A Farmers Institute was organized in Grapeland Saturday afternoon with sixteen members. The following officers were elected: J. F. Garret, Pres., R. B. Edens, Vice Pres., W. F. Warner, Sec'y.

The meeting was addressed by Messrs. J. W. Neil, Dick Bonner and others, and was very profitable to those who attended. Commissioner Ed R. Kone was not present on account of being called to Austin on official business.

The crowd was small, in fact so small that it is discouraging. Our farmers should realize that the institute is a school for them in which to learn improved methods of farming; how to get the greatest yield from a small number of acres, etc. The state employs experts along this line to educate the people. If you are a tax payer, then you should take interest in the work, for you are paying for something you



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DIGESTION**

Biliousness and constipation bring on kidney disease which is the great destroyer of life. The safe course is to remove bilious disorders as soon as they appear.

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A. S. PORTER, Special Agent

**J. W. CASKEY,
..BARBER..**

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On Short Notice, Try me**

M. L. Clewis

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THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER,
GRAPELAND, TEXAS

don't get, if you fail to attend these institutes and get the benefit of them. Our business men should take more interest in these matters. Their prosperity depends on the prosperity of the country surrounding their trade territory. This being strictly an agricultural section we should all join hands in making it one of the best.

The Institute will meet on the third Saturday afternoon in February. All the farmers are requested and urged to join this move of progressiveness. Be on hand.

For driving out dull bilious feeling, strengthening the appetite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, PRICKLEY ASH BITTERS is a golden remedy.

A. S. Porter agent.

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A Positive Cure For
**BILIOUSNESS, CONSTIPATION,
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AND FEVER AND ALL LIVER
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Mr. Cockey Evans, Registered Pharmacist, Jewett, Texas, writes:—"I recommended Herbine for a child that had chills and a general debilitated system, and who had tried nearly everything except Herbine. It quickly cured the child and the family now keeps Herbine all the time. They recommend it to others and from that have built up a good trade on it. I believe it is the best substitute for calomel I know of."

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There's more quality in a pair of Friedman-Shelby shoes than in any other you can buy. The price is not too much.

W. H. Lively.

Second Prize of \$10.00 in Gold Was Awarded to Miss Inez Haltom.

Another Special Prize is Offered.

Another Special Prize

The Publisher of the Messenger has promised to award the young ladies who are doing the work in this contest, and a third special prize of a

A Ladies' \$20. GOLD - WATCH

will be given to the contestant who has not previously won a Special Prize and who secures the largest number of votes for NEW, Back and Renewal subscriptions from February 1st, to 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, March 1, 1910.

Remember the Hustler Wins

How to Get Votes:

New Subscriptions	500 votes for \$1.00
Renewal Subscriptions	500 votes for 1.00
Back Subscriptions	500 votes for 1.00
General Advertising	200 votes for 1.00
Job Printing	200 votes for 1.00
5-year Subscriptions	5,000 votes for 5.00

Popular Voting Contest

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I hereby nominate or suggest the name of

.....

Address

As a lady worthy to become a candidate in your Popular Voting Contest. I present this name with the distinct understanding and agreement that the editor shall not divulge my name. This does not obligate me in any way whatsoever.

Signed

Address

Be the first to nominate the winner of the Prize Piano and receive \$5.00 in cash.

The Bon Ton Cream Parlor,

NATHAN GUICE, Proprietor

Will give 25 votes with each cash purchase of one dollar. See us for fruits, candy, nuts, etc.



THE PRIZES:

D. H. Baldwin & Co's.

\$400 HAMILTON PIANO

Furnished by THE MESSENGER

- \$18.00 Ladies Genuine Cut Glass Water Set, given by A. S. Porter, Druggist.
- \$12.50 F. A. Faris, General Merchant, will give a \$7.50 gold Bracelet and a \$5.00 gold necklace.
- \$12.50 Kennedy Bros. will a dress pattern of the winner's selection and a pair of American Lady Shoes.
- \$12.50 D. N. Leaverton, Druggist, will give a Manicure Set and a cut glass puff box, total value \$12.50.
- 10.00 Nathan Guice, proprietor of the Bon Ton, will give a box of fine candy, valued at 10.00

Giving Them Away

The above merchants in Grapeland are giving FREE 25 votes with each \$1.00 cash purchase at their stores. Ask for them and then cast the votes for some girl on the list. You are not doing the square thing by your own or your neighbor's daughter if you do not get the merchants' coupons to which you are entitled, and present them to her, or cast them yourself at our office. Help the girls.

A. S. Porter, Prescription Druggist

DEALER IN

Pure Drugs, Patent Medicines, Sundries, Perfumes, School Books and Supplies, etc.

We give 25 votes with each dollar purchase for cash.

Trade With F. A. FARIS, Dealer in

Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots, Shoes, Hats and Farm Supplies. Cash prices paid for Cotton and Country Products.

Ask for Voting Coupons

NOTICE

Kennedy Bros. have discontinued giving 25 votes with each dollar purchase, but will give away the premiums they have listed above at the close of the contest.

D. N. Leaverton, Druggist

Dealer in Drugs, Patent Medicines, Sundries, Sick Room Supplies, etc. Prescriptions carefully compounded. We give 25 votes with each cash purchase of \$1.00. Ask for coupons.

Rules of the Contest.

1 Announcement—This Piano and Popular Voting Contest will be conducted on strictly honest business principals, with perfect justice and fairness to all concerned.

2 Prizes—The first Prize shall be a firstclass piano of a leading make, valued at \$400. Many other valuable and useful prizes will be given.

3 Candidates—Any young lady, married or single, in this and adjoining counties, is eligible to a place in this contest. The most popular lady is the one who shall receive the most votes: to her shall be awarded the beautiful upright Piano. Other candidates to receive their choice of prizes in order, according to their standing of votes.

4 Tie in Votes—In case of a tie, the value of the prizes will be equally divided, or a like prize granted to those tying.

5 Classes of Votes—The votes are issued in coupons of the following denominations:

New subscriptions	500 votes for \$1.00
Renewal Subscriptions	500 votes for 1.00
Back Subscriptions	500 votes for 1.00
Job Ptg. or Advertising	200 votes for 1.00
5-year Subscriptions	5,000 votes for 5.00

Right is reserved to add additional classes of votes, and other publications, also to change or modify these rules and regulations as necessity demands.

6 General Instructions.—Names of Contestants will be printed in order according to standing and the amount of their votes published regularly after first count is made.

During first 60 days no candidates will be permitted to cast over 5,000 subscription votes during any one week. Advertising, Job Printing, Merchants' or Free Paper Voting Coupon Votes can be voted in any quantity at any time.

Votes will not be allowed on subscriptions at less than regular price of the paper.

Votes once deposited in ballot box cannot be transferred to another.

Postmasters' and Agents' commissions are suspended during contest.

No Contestant will be allowed to take more than one of the Extra Special Prizes that we may offer from time to time.

The publisher is not to tell whom anyone votes for, except in case of alleged error or irregularity.

Each Contestant is requested to send us a cabinet size photograph for publication as soon as convenient.

Make up your mind who you want to vote for before coming to the office, as the editor will positively not decide for you.

Contestants should keep a list of their votes turned in each week, and see that publishers' figures verify it.

All coupons should be placed in envelopes with name of contestants written plainly thereon.

Free 20 Vote Coupons will be published in this paper during the first 60 days of contest and can be voted without cost for any contest.

An Awarding Committee of three good business men are to be appointed to make final count and distribution of prizes.

Contest to run not less than 90 days; date of closing will be announced about 30 days in advance.

The Contest shall close at 4 o'clock on the on the date to be announced later. Two weeks previous to date of closing, the judges are to take the ballot box, carefully locked or sealed, to the bank, where it will be kept on a table in front window during business hours, and in the vault at night, until close of contest, when the awarding committee takes charge and makes final count.

During last two weeks all voting must be done in the locked box at the bank. If secrecy in voting is desired, place your cash subscriptions together with other votes and coupons, in sealed envelopes with name of Contestant on same, and deposit in ballot box. Envelopes and subscription blanks for this purpose will be furnished. The strict compliance with these rules guarantees a fair and square deal to all concerned.

An Accurate Record.

In the United States army and navy an accurate record is kept of each man's gun score during target practice. A check account will record accurately your financial transactions. Your bank book is the score sheet, each check you issue is conclusive evidence of the money paid. Be accurate in business. A check account will give you exactness. DO IT NOW!

F. & M. STATE BANK,
Grapeland, Texas

LOCAL NEWS.

Trade with Lively.

Don't be too late, buy your seed oats now while Darsey has them.

Pure corn chops, bran, meal and flour at W. H. Lively's.

New garden seed and onion sets at Howard's.

If it is to be had you will find it at Darsey's.

Get your hay, bhops and bran at Kennedy Bros.

A nice lot of graniteware, zinc tubs, etc. at W. H. Lively's.

Clewis has his services for sale to clean and press your clothes.

J. B. Williams barber bar soap 5c at the Racket Store.

Remember Ruth is the best if you want good flour,
at Howard's.

Don't betoo late but go to Darsey's now and get your seed oats and Oklahoma seed corn.

Sweetheart Flour, extra fancy patent, the best you can buy. W. H. Lively sells it.

Do you want a cultivator? If so we have them. riding or walking, at Kennedy Bros.

Buy your seed potatoes, onion sets and garden seed from Darsey.

You can find something real nice in dress goods at Kennedy Bros.

See Geo. E. Darsey for best cultivators made especially for East Texas.

I will have OYSTERS on Saturday. Come around on back street. K C ALSUP.

The same old search light match 12 boxes for 35c at Kennedy Bros.

Now is the time to sell your produce while the price is high. K. C. ALSUP.

See our Men's Elk Shoes. Comfort, quality, and cheapness combined, at Howard's.

FOR SALE—A No. 5 Oliver Typewriter. Call on
M. L. Clewis.

Plenty of American barb wire, Baker Perfect and hog fencing at Darsey's. Big car received at Geo. E. Darsey's this week.

Clewis has his new spring samples on display. Come and let him take your measure. He guarantees you a fit.

See Geo. E. Darsey for complete house keeping outfits, including, cooking stoves, bedsteads, bed springs, mattress, kitchen safes, chairs, tables, china ware, table cutlery, and all other articles necessary to make house keeping a pleasure and yet not very expensive. See us and get our prices. No trouble to show goods and quote prices.

Lively sells it for less.

Plenty of seed potatoes for garden planting at Darsey's.

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

Brass wash board 25c at the Racket Store.

You can always buy it for less at Kennedy Bros.

One-half gal. covered bucket 5c at the Racket Store.

We want all of your Eggs, Turkeys and chickens.

F. A. Faris.

Just received one car of fertilizer from Meridian Miss. Equal to none, Better than all. At Kennedy Bros.

Lively sells good shoes.

No. 2 lamp chimney for 5c at the Racket Store.

You will find Clewis next door to the Messenger office.

Buy the best flour our Harvest and our Daily Bread from
F. A. Faris.

Darsey received a car of doors and windows this week, see him for what you want.

For collars, leather goods, plow lines, etc, call on us,
S. E. Howard.

For red rust proof oats, Oklahoma selected seed corn, and sorgum seed go to Geo. E. Darsey. Car load received this week.

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

KENNEDY BROS. *Caribbeana*

We are in the market for speckle bank and red ripper peas see us if you want the top price in cash. Geo. E. Darsey.

Ring 14 for your groceries. Send 'em up right away.

Don't forget to call at Howard's for best oil and oil cans.

All sizes of doors and windows at Darsey's now, his car came in this week.



PLOW TIME IS HERE

ALSO IS

George E. Darsey

With the largest and best stock of

General Merchandise

EVER SHOWN IN THIS COUNTY CONSISTING OF

Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Trunks, Suit Cases, Furnishing Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Furniture, Stoves, Doors, Windows, Lime, Cement Shingles, Brick, Barb Wire Hog fencing Cultivators Georgia stocks Kelly Plows and fixtures Spring Tooth Harrows Corn and cotton Planters stalk cutters Post Hole Diggers Wire stretchers cross cut saws hoes rakes in fact we sell everything used on the farm or in the home. Also complete housekeeping outfits burial robes coffins.

If you have anything to sell or buy it will always pay you to see us, get our prices and compare with others. We are always in the market for most all kinds of farm products, such as Chickens, Eggs, Green or Dry Hides, Coon, Mink and Possum Hides, Bees Wax, Turkeys, Ducks and Geese. . . . If you are not a customer of ours try us this year and you will be. If you prefer drop in and let talk over our business methods with you. Yours for a prosperous year in 1910.

George E. Darsey.

Mr. E. A. Kelley, Belvidere, Ill., writes us: "I am an ex-engineer with 22 years active service to my credit. About three years ago my kidneys so that I had to give up my engine. First I was troubled with severe, aching pain over the hips. Then followed inflammation of the bladder, and specks appeared before my eyes. A sample of Foley's Kidney pill that I tried, so benefited me that I bought more. I continued to take them until now I can safely testify they have made me sound and well man."

A. S. Porter.

Change in Schedule.

A slight change was made in the I. & G. N. train schedule Sunday, which is as follows:
 Going south, No. 5 due at 10:15 p. m. No. 3 due at 9:12 A. M.
 Going north, No. 2 due at 12:17 p. m. No. 4 due at 9:45 p. m.

SORE LUNGS AND RAW LUNGS

Most people know the feeling and the miserable stage of health it indicates. All people should know that Foley's Honey and Tar, the greatest throat and lung remedy, will quickly cure the soreness and cough and restore a normal condition. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar.

A. S. Porter

Jno. Guice has purchased some lots between the Methodist church and the railroad and will soon begin the erection of a dwelling. We understand Mr. J. J. Guice will also erect a residence this summer in that section. Grapeland is growing.

The man who was "born tired" should use PRICKLEY ASH BITTERS. It makes work a necessity to give vent to the energy and exuberance of spirits generated by functional activity in the system.

A. S. Porter agent.

Willie Smith and Miss Flora Walling were married Sunday at the residence of Rev. W. H. Kolb, that gentleman officiating. The Messenger extends best wishes.

Baby Hands.

will get into mischief—often it means a burn or cut or scald. Apply Ballard's Snow Liniment just as soon as the accident happens, and the pain will be relieved while the wound will heal quickly and nicely. A sure cure for sprains, Rheumatism and all pains.

Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter.

I have eight different brands of
Fertilizer

Made in Houston Co., and made from your own cotton seed.

When buying see that you get the

**Davy
 Crockett
 Brand**

Ask your merchant or see

J. W. Howard,

Ladies' White Waists for Spring

We offer a very strong line. Every number we list is a good value. They are correctly fashioned, honestly made and tastefully trimmed garments, superior to those usually sold at these prices. The illustrations give a better idea of their appearance than we can by description, but to appreciate the value, style and dainty designs fully you must see them and then you will leave with the firm conviction that they are the best values to be found.



No. 5201—WAIST of India Linon, front of allover embroidery and tucks, tucked lawn collar edged with lace, box plait and pearl buttons down center, tucked sleeves, open front each.....**\$1.00**

5202—WAIST of soft Persian Lawn, yoke and front of baby Irish and val lace, lace collar, neatly tucked sleeves and back, open back, each.....**\$1.00**

5203—WAIST of India Linon, fine lawn, entire front of allover embroidery, tucked lawn and lace collar, tucked cuffs and back, open back, each.....**\$1.00**

5204—WAIST of Persian Lawn, front and sleeves trimmed with lace, fine val lace collar, open back, each.....**1.00**

5205—WAIST of India Linon, front of allover embroidery and val lace yoke and center of baby Irish lace, sleeves trimmed with lace and tucks, lace collar, open back, each.....**1.50**

5206—WAIST of India Linon, entire front of dainty allover embroidery, sleeves trimmed with five clusters of neat tucks, detached collar of neatly tucked lawn edged with lace, open front, each.....**1.50**

5207—WAIST of India Linon, yoke of embroidery and baby Irish insertion, with val lace and embroidery insertion, front and sleeves trimmed with tucks and val lace, open back, each.....**1.50**

5208—WAIST of India Linon, allover embroidery front of pretty rose design, wide baby Irish banding down center, tucked collar edged with val lace, lace and tucks trim the sleeves, open back, each.....**1.50**

We are also showing an extensive line of Ladies' Muslin Underwear, Corset Covers, Underskirts, Night Gowns, Drawers and combination drawers and corset oversuits.



5209—WAIST of India Linon, front of allover embroidery, fronting with six wide side plaits, each plait shows the embroidery design with open work between each plait, 14 half inch plaits trim the sleeves, clear pearl buttons and box plait center gives it a tailored effect, open front, each.....**2.00**

5210—WAIST of Persian lawn, exquisite lingerie waist with circular yoke made entirely of val insertion, front, collar and sleeves trimmed with lace to match yoke, open back.....**2.00**

5211—WAIST of India Linon, front made of eyelet embroidery with four rows of narrow lace insertion between, finished with neat tucks, sleeves, collar and back trimmed with lace to match front, open back, each.....**2.00**

5212—WAIST made of fine Persian lawn, trimmed in front with pretty val insertion and baby Irish medallions, collar of val insertion and edge to match, sleeves trimmed with val insertion and tucks, open back, each.....**2.00**

In near silk, Heather-bloom and Coronation Taffeta Petticoats we have a very handsome showing of black, navy and brown, at

\$1.00 & 1.75

Darsey's

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