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## THURSDAY LAST DAY OF NORMAL

The Houston County Summer Normal will close Thursday, after a very successful term of eight weeks. The normal has been one of the largest held in the state, in point of attendance standing at the head with those held in much larger places. It opened with an enrollment of 103, and was increased to 150. The members of the faculty have expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the work of the students.

The final examinations are being held this week and the students will begin leaving for their homes Thursday. About 125 are taking these examinations which is a splendid showing.

The citizens of Grapeland have co-operated with the normal in making it successful in every way they knew how. We believe this co-operation has been appreciated, by both students and faculty, because we have heard them so express themselves. It has been a pleasure to have these people in our midst, and we regret to see them go. As the normal is now an established institution of the county, Grapeland will make an effort to secure it again next summer.

## NEGRO WOMAN KILLS A MAN

Ed McGruder, a negro man, was shot and killed Wednesday morning of last week, while asleep in his yard on the Matthews farm, several miles northwest of Grapeland. A pistol was the weapon used and death was instantaneous.

Constable Taylor was called to the scene, and placed under arrest Hattie Ellis, a negro woman who is charged with the shooting. She was carried to Crockett and placed in jail, being denied bail. The woman stated to officers that she shot McGruder because he had threatened to kill her with a razor the day before.

### Best Diarrhoea Remedy

If you have ever used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy you know that it is a success. Sam F. Guin, Whatley, Ala., writes, "I had measles and got caught out in the rain, and it settled in my stomach and bowels. I had an awful time and if it had not been for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy I could not possibly have lived but a few hours longer, but thanks to this

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Miss Mary Walker is home again. She has been attending the normal at Grapeland.—Plains Correspondent in Houston County Herald.

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### PERMANENT ORGANIZATION

The Good Roads Convention held at Crockett July 20th for perfecting permanent organization Palestine-Houston-Galveston Highway Association was largely attended.

Officers elected: President, J. W. Young, Crockett; Treasurer, W. G. Darsey, Grapeland; Secretary, J. D. Freeman, Trinity; Vice-Presidents, Geo. A. Wright, Palestine; W. L. Hill, Huntsville; C. W. Nugent, Conroe; W. H. Ward, Houston; W. A. Bell, Trinity; John C. Millar, Crockett.

Delegates were in attendance from Montgomery, Walker, San Jacinto, Trinity, Houston, Anderson and Harris Counties.

The organization endorsed

creation by law of State Highway Commission and working convicts on public roads.

Stirring addresses were made by Hon. W. L. Hill and Hon. Geo. A. Wright on advantages of improved roads.

The success of the highway is assured. Trinity was selected for headquarters of Highway. Membership in Palestine-Houston-Galveston Highway Association was fixed at one dollar per annum, and quite a number have enrolled.

Co-operation of every citizen is solicited in the building of this highway and developing the country traversed.

Yours Respectfully,  
J. D. Freeman, Secy.



## GERMAN SUBMARINE SINKS AMERICAN SHIP

MEMBERS OF CREW LEELANAW WERE GIVEN TIME TO LEAVE THE SHIP.

### ON THE BATTLE LINES

The Germans and Austrians Continue to Hammer at the Russian Lines. Italians Are Meeting With Stubborn Resistance.

**Latest From European War Fronts.**  
The American steamer Leelanaw has been sunk by a German submarine of the Orkney Islands. The steamer had aboard a cargo of flax, and was bound from Archangel to Belfast. The commander of the submarine stopped the Leelanaw, and finding that she was carrying contraband, ordered her crew off and sent the vessel to the bottom. The American consul at Durdee, to which port the crew is proceeding, will institute a thorough investigation of all the circumstances.

The Leelanaw, sunk off the Orkney Islands by a German submarine, cleared from Galveston, Texas, on April 6 with 6,000 bales of cotton for Gothenburg. She arrived in New York ten days later and departed on the 16th for her destination. On June 1 she arrived at Kirkwall and after a thirty-day delay her owners were informed by the admiralty that she could not proceed to Gothenburg. Accordingly, arrangements were made to sell the cargo in Archangel, and she was sent to that port. After discharging the cargo of cotton she loaded a cargo of flax for Belfast, and had been ordered to discharge and return at once to New York for another cotton cargo.

The advance of the Germans southward from Courland through Kovno, evidently with the intention of capturing the railway lines leading to Petrograd, and thereby cutting off direct railway communication between the Russian and Polish capitals, is making fair headway. The Germans have reached Poniewesch, southeast of Shavli, the junction of the line running from Vilna to Libau, which would give them control of the railroad to the Baltic. Their next move probably will be eastward against the Kovno-Dvinsk line at Dvinsk, in the capture of which town Petrograd would be isolated from direct communication with Poland.

From the nature of the operations around Warsaw it would seem that the Russians have no immediate intention of withdrawing from the Polish capital, if at all. The pressure of the Austro-German forces from the north is making itself felt, and the Germans have crossed the Narew river on a front of nearly thirty miles, extending from Ostrolenka to Pul-tusk.

Only the northern tip of the pinchers the Austro-Germans for more than a week have been trying to close around Warsaw and the Russian armies in the Polish salient has moved during the last few days. This point has forced its way across the Narew river between the fortresses of Pul-tusk and Rosean and is advancing toward the Bug river, which stands for the greater part of the way between it and the Warsaw-Vilna railway, its objective.

The other points which Field Marshal von Mackensen is directing at the Chelm-Lublin railway has gained hardly a yard since it reached the village of Reiovetz, just south of the railway.

In stubbornly resisting the German advance the Russians are making a continual threat at Von Mackensen's flank along the Bug river from east of Chelm to east of Lemberg. Between Krylow and Sokal their attacks have been especially severe, compelling the Germans to send for reinforcements.

The fighting in the east of the Vistula river in Southeastern Poland has lost for the moment much of its vicious character. Both the Berlin and Vienna official statements say that comparative calm prevails in the Lublin-Chelm region, near Ivangorod, and in the region of the Bug river where it flows across the border of Russian Poland in Galicia. At these points the Russian opposition to an Austro-German advance has been well sustained and the Russians have made several attempts to break the Austro-German line, with what result is not definitely known.

The fighting in the western war theater consists mainly of artillery engagements and sapping operations, with no material gains by either side.

Fierce fighting continues on the eastern sectors of the Austro-Italian front, especially on the Doberdo plateau, where the Italians have attacked relentlessly, but, according to Vienna, have secured only temporary local successes, which the Austrians afterward counterbalanced by recapturing their original positions.

## CANNING TIME



### TAX RATE TO BE HIGHEST IN THE HISTORY OF STATE

Ad Valorem Rate 30c on the \$100 Valuation, 20c for Schools and 5c for Confederate Pensions.

Austin, Tex.—The state automatic tax board, according to figures just compiled by the state controller's department, will fix the ad valorem rate at 30c on the \$100 valuation. Added to this will be 20c for schools and 5c for Confederate pensions, making a total of 55c on the \$100 valuation for 1915-16. It will be the highest tax rate ever levied in Texas.

The ad valorem rate for revenue purposes has reached 25c during three years, 1885, 1886 and 1887, but at that time there was no Confederate pension tax and the school tax rate was only 12.5c. From 1871 to 1880 the tax rate for the states as a total was 50c for all purposes, but during the past twenty-seven years in only two instances has the ad valorem rate for revenue purposes passed the 20c mark. These were in 1855, when the rate was 25c, and in 1913, when a 23c rate was levied. It has dropped as low as 4c in 1910.

Tax rate for revenue purposes is based on an estimated tax valuation of the state of \$2,739,459,589, or an increase of more than \$27,000,000 over 1914. Nine counties failed to submit figures and for these counties estimates were taken of last year's actual valuation amounting to \$51,148,657. Those counties failing to make returns were Burleson, Crockett, Crosby, Harrison, Rusk, Starr, Upshur, Upton and Ward counties. The tax valuation for 1914 for the entire state amounted to \$2,716,000,000.

The total amount appropriated for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1916, amounted to \$9,761,943.40. Revenue collected from other sources than ad valorem amounted to \$2,982,679.81, making a total of \$6,779,263.59 to be collected from taxes. The law provides that to this amount 20 per cent be added for delinquents, cost of collection, etc. This percentage amounts to \$1,355,852.70, making a total of \$8,135,116.29 to be collected.

Collection from all sources other than ad valorem tax for twelve months prior to July 1, 1915, shows the following collections: Insolvents, \$3,484.87; redemptions, \$116,147.85; polls, \$322,108.88; three-fourths occupation, \$735,078.25; general land office, \$16,737.27; state department, \$626,023.10; attorney general, \$101,054.03; controller, \$13,197.54; treasurer, \$711,742.85; insurance and banking, \$66,462.80; public buildings and grounds, \$7,963.54; state health department, \$28,158.60; interest from depositaries, \$32,506.34; sundry asylums, \$23,470.80; inheritance tax, \$34,247.82; miscellaneous, \$21,370.24; penalty, \$8,094.06; assessment of insurance companies, \$104,830.79.

#### McLoughlin Is Tennis Champion.

San Francisco, Cal.—Before the largest crowd that ever watched a tennis match M. E. McLoughlin Saturday won the Panama-Pacific Exposition tennis championship in men's singles by defeating William Johnston, 7-9, 4-6, 8-6, 6-2, 7-5.

#### Second Georgia Prisoner Hurt.

Milledgeville, Ga.—Another prisoner in the Georgia state prison here was stabbed Friday by a convict, Charles Miller, serving a term for burglary, was cut in the stomach by Frank Reid, in prison for murder. He is not fatally hurt.

#### Bonds Approved.

Austin, Tex.—The attorney general's department Saturday approved a \$75,000 bond issue of Montgomery county road district No. 2, thirty 20s at 5 1/2 per cent.

### NACO INCIDENT PROTESTED

Occupation of Naco, on the Sonora-Arizona Border by Carranza Forces Is Protested Against by the United States Government.

Washington.—With the Washington government completely cut off from communication with the City of Mexico since the reoccupation by Zapata forces and with local agents of the Mexican factions in complete ignorance of military operations near the capital, the Mexican situation again assumes an air of tension.

Somewhere in the neighborhood of Pachuca, fifty miles northwest of the capital, General Pablo Gonzales with his Carranza army is believed to be battling with the Villa flying column whose swoop down from the north last week caused Gonzales hurriedly to abandon the City of Mexico. Cutting of cables and telegraph wires has drawn a veil over this whole section.

In diplomatic as well as government circles there is much uneasiness. It is assumed that the diplomatic corps in the City of Mexico has taken steps to insure the safety of foreigners, but no one knows just what force Zapata has sent in to preserve order. The food supplies delivered during the brief Carranza occupation probably were insufficient to check famine riots long.

President Wilson, with the note to Germany dispatched, turned his attention particularly to the City of Mexico. He conferred with officials of the American Red Cross and listened with interest to reports that the Red Cross had been seriously hampered in its efforts to extend relief to the needy civilian population of the country. He told Red Cross workers not to be discouraged by handicaps and to keep up the relief work, getting into the City of Mexico wherever they could.

A message to San Antonio, Texas, Friday from Piedras Negras says that a mob of starving men, women and children, aided by a number of soldiers, attacked a storage of corn located about thirty-five miles from Monclova and carried off 6,000 bushels of corn. The grain, said to have been held for Villa troops in a warehouse and to have aggregated about 50,000 bushels, was discovered last week and the mob marched on the place Saturday evening.

Many of the troops had been called to other points to prevent attacks from the Carrancistas, leaving only a small guard to protect the warehouse containing the corn.

Ten or fifteen of these deserted their post when the women appealed to them for food and permitted them to help themselves. In small sacks, boxes and many crude canteens the corn was carried away. Further confiscation of the stock was prevented by the troops on Sunday. News of the storage has spread throughout that section of the country and it is understood that the military authorities are preparing to move the grain to another point.

#### Fire Damage at Wootan Wells.

Bremont, Tex.—C. J. Glover, Jr., Ed McCullough, Geo. Robinson and T. A. Goldstein of Waco, owners of Wootan Wells property, sustained loss by the fire at Wootan Wells on Saturday of the frame and brick hotels, Sanitarium, bathhouse, four cottages and the furniture and equipment. The total loss is estimated at \$25,000.

#### Prominent Man Kills Self.

Houston, Tex.—W. B. Turner, 46 years old, formerly mayor of Alexandria, La., and a well known insurance agent and real estate man of that city, was found dead in his room at a local hotel Saturday morning with a pistol wound through his heart.

## UNITED STATES NOTE TO GERMANY DISPATCHED

FURTHER LOSS OF AMERICAN LIVES WILL BE REGARDED AS "UNFRIENDLY ACT."

### IN NATURE OF FINALITY

Note Informs Germany That Submarine Warfare In Contravention of International Law Will Be Followed by Finality of Action.

Washington.—President Wilson and Secretary Lansing completed the new note to Germany Wednesday warning her that the repetition of a disaster such as that visited upon the Lusitania or any violation of American rights on the high seas resulting in loss of American lives will be regarded as "unfriendly."

The note is in the nature of a final statement by the United States. Among the points in the note are:

1. The assumption by the United States that Germany by declaring her submarine warfare to be a retaliatory measure against the alleged unlawful acts of her enemies has admitted that the destruction of unresisting merchantment without warning is illegal.

2. German submarine commanders already have proved that they can save the passengers and crews of vessels and can act in conformity with the laws of humanity in making war on enemy ships.

3. The United States can not allow the relations between the belligerents to operate in any way as an abbreviation of the rights of neutrals.

4. The representations which the American government has made in previous notes for disavowal of the intention to sink the Lusitania with Americans aboard and the request for reparation are reiterated with renewed insistence.

5. The American government realizes the unusual and abnormal conditions which the present conflict has created in the conduct of maritime war and is willing to act as an intermediary as between the belligerents to arrange a modus vivendi or any other temporary arrangements which do not involve a surrender by the United States of its rights.

6. The proposals by Germany to give immunity to American ships not carrying contraband and to four belligerent ships under the American flag are rejected with the emphatic assertion that to accept such suggestion would be to admit Germany's right to set aside the American contention based on fundamental principles in international law—that neutrals may travel anywhere on the high seas on unresisting ships of any nationality even if carrying contraband.

The note is about twelve hundred words long. While nowhere in it is there any direct intimation of the course which the United States will pursue in the event of another disaster similar to the Lusitania tragedy, there are emphatic statements throughout the communication pointing out that the discussion of the principles involved has been virtually concluded and that future conduct of German submarine commanders will determine the responsibility for the friendly relations between the two countries.

The statement that future transgressions will be regarded as "unfriendly" is taken in diplomatic usage to preface a break of friendly relations unless reparation and disavowal is forthcoming. President Wilson, it is understood, has considered fully and at length the construction which may be placed on the implications of the note and is prepared to deal with any new situation that may arise. He is hopeful and confident, it is said, that Germany, having already modified to a great extent the practice of her submarine commanders, will now take such precautions as seem necessary to avoid endangering friendly relations with the United States.

The note went forward Thursday.

#### Life Sentence for Mrs. Wilganowski.

Marlin, Tex.—Apparently unaffected and without a visible tremor, Mrs. Kate Wilganowski heard the reading of the jury's verdict by the clerk of the district court Wednesday assessing her punishment at ninety-nine years in the penitentiary on the charge of the murder of her husband.

#### Japan Won't Meet Request.

Tokio.—Japan has informed Great Britain that she is unable, because Japanese laws do not permit such action, to accede to Great Britain's request to announce a prohibition of trading in the Far East with citizens of hostile nations.



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"Why, son, you can't have a goat, he'd hook you."  
"Well, daddy, then I'd cut his horns off."  
"Nothin' doin', son, he'd butt you."  
"Aw, daddy, then I'd cut his buttons off. Please get me a goat."

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## HUNGRY MOBS ROAM THE STREETS OF MEXICO CITY

Americans Make Appeal for Aid, While Women Parade Streets and Wreck Bakeries, Etc.

City of Mexico, by Courier to Vera Cruz, Mail to New Orleans, La.—Conditions in the capital border on the desperate at present. Thousands of hungry inhabitants are wandering about the streets searching for food, which is not obtainable because merchants refuse to accept the paper money issue in exchange for merchandise. General Gonzales' decree nullifying the fifty-million-dollar issue in circulation when he entered the city has not been followed by the introduction of new money.

Monday mobs of women paraded the streets, looting bakeries, markets and pastry shops, until they were dispersed by streams of water thrown by the fire department.

General Villeda and seven commissioned officers of the Zapata forces, captured by Gonzales when he occupied the capital, were executed Monday on charges of rebellion. Governor Herrera and staff and a number of other officers are awaiting court martial on the same charges.

The food situation continues extremely serious. Representatives of the American relief committee stated Monday that they have been unable to relieve the distress of the starving Mexicans and needy Americans, although the committee has thousands of dollars, because of the inability to purchase food, fuel and other necessities, due to their scarcity and the uncertainty of the money situation. Virtually all places of business are closed. The city is full of rumors concerning the nearness of Villa and Zapata forces, and there has been almost continuous fighting in the suburbs of the federal district.

In view of the alarming conditions existing at Mexico City, a mass meeting of representatives of all foreign colonies was held Monday and an appeal for relief and protection was issued to the government and people of the United States. The appeal, which will be forwarded to Washington, says in part:

"A committee representing American residents of the City of Mexico appeals to the government and people of the United States for relief and protection on behalf of all foreign residents in the City of Mexico and the great majority of Mexicans who are suffering indescribable hardships through prevalent conditions of want, disorder and violence.

"President Wilson's recent warning to the Mexican leaders that their differences must be composed within a 'very short time' has gone unheeded, and conditions steadily are growing worse. No Red Cross supplies except medicines have arrived. Even people with money can not buy food. There has been looting of markets and shops and rioting, with the resultant deaths from the fire of soldiers. The city's chief water supply is shut off. Countless thousands are suffering from hunger; supplies are cut off; commerce and industries are paralyzed, and stores have been closed for a week awaiting announcement as to acceptable money.

"Fresh reports have been received by the committee of murders, robberies and outrages against foreigners as well as Mexicans throughout the country. \* \* \* In despair, we again appeal for relief for suffering, starving Mexico, powerless to save herself in the agony of destruction by her own unworthy offspring, supplied with arms and ammunition from the United States, the country to which unarmed Mexico looks for salvation."

A definite step toward settling the Mexican problem will be taken by the United States government in the near future. Authoritative announcement to this effect was made this week at the state department, although the nature of the contemplated action was not disclosed. President Wilson is understood to be revolving several suggested courses.

Mr. Wilson is known to have been reviewing the situation for some time, the warring Mexican factions having failed to heed his suggestion of two months ago, that they accommodate their difference and restore peace. Apparently he has determined that the other measures, which the Washington government announced it must take if the battle factions continued, must now be resorted to.

### Cotton Not to Be Contraband.

London.—Despite the recent agitation by a certain section of the British press that cotton be declared contraband, the government has not changed its decision. This is indicated by a statement made in the house of commons Monday by Lord Robert Cecil, parliamentary undersecretary for foreign affairs, who said Great Britain did not want to deal unfairly with neutrals, whatever Germany might do.

## QUAINT, DAINTY FROCK

DESIGN ESPECIALLY SUITABLE FOR YOUNG GIRL.

White Net and Azure Blue Taffeta Selected for the Costume Illustrated, Though Other Materials May Be Employed.

There is always room in a girl's summer wardrobe for the quaint, dainty little frocks designed especially for her needs, of which the illustrated model is an exceptionally pretty example. It is fashioned from white net and azure blue taffeta, and also may be made up in other materials. One of the rose-sprigged pompadour taffeta would be very sweet combined with chiffon or net, or else the entire dress might be of taffeta.

In this case the pale blue taffeta makes the little peasant bodice and the deep shirred ruffle set in an undulating line around the hips. Very narrow bias strips of the same are used in the fashioning of the small bowknots and festooned loops that trim the bottom of the skirt above a succession of narrow net ruffles. Narrow ribbon can be used, if preferred, but it should be taffeta ribbon and match exactly the blue of the bodice.

The skirt is very full, with a close line of gathers all around the waist. It can have an underskirt of net, or simply be worn over a crepe de chine or net petticoat.

The blouse, too, is of net, gathered around the neck and sleeves, then given flaring "Priscilla" cuffs and collar of sheer mousseline de soie.

The bodice is rounded out quite expansively in front, but the curve across the back is shallow, with the upper edge flared on the shoulder seams to stand away from the figure as illustrated. It hooks directly in front, with a shirred heading run the



Youthfulness is Expressed Here in a Pretty Disposition of Net and Azure Taffeta.

length of the seam and is trimmed with a tiny cluster of pink rosebuds at the top of the corage. Two small lapels turn down over the top of either side. The underarm seams are also shirred with a finishing heading. The underarm shirring causes some graceful folds of drapery in the material across the back, but this only extends for a few inches above the waist.

### LECTURES OF FASHION

Fine rep serge is a modish material. The small girl should wear jacket effects.

There are evening coats of white taffeta.

Scarions appear on colored linen dresses.

The dress of wash silk is cool and economical.

The all-white hat of cotton crepe is smart.

The hat with a touch of cretonne is distinctly quaint.

The loose unbelted smock makes a charming design for the small boy's suit.

### When Washing Hair.

To prevent tangling, when washing the hair, at the last rinsing float the hair out straight in the water, then comb it out while dripping, and it will not tangle and pull out as it does when dried before combing.

## SATIN TOQUE



An undyed satin toque trimmed with rabbit-ear bows of black velvet. Sorelli of Paris considers this one of the smartest creations of the season.

## FEWER WHITE WAISTS SEEN

Pale Tints More and More in Evidence as the Warm Weather Makes Its Presence Felt.

The vogue of the all-white waists is going out, for the new blouses are in pale tints, yellow predominating. White crepe de chine and the soft cotton crepe are first in favor as materials.

Another notable feature of these early blouses is the "outside" finish, most of the blouses being made so as to come down outside the skirt, sometimes forming a little buttoned vest, and sometimes merely ending in sashlike loops or fastening snugly with a single buckle covered with the material.

They are all far more elaborate than in former seasons, but the frill, both single and double, has been set aside. Its death knell was sounded by the introduction of the winter suits buttoning close up to the throat, and now with summer the little waistcoat is so popular that the frill has been definitely set aside.

With it has gone the deep sailor collar, the new blouses all showing either a high flaring collar or a flat, narrow one of soft material, and in some instances the neck is finished simply with a band of the material, with frill or net inside to lend a soft finish close to the skin.

## BUTTONS NOW IN MOLD FORM

Do Away With Trouble of Sewing, Which Most of Us Have Occasion to Remember.

Have you ever said unladylike things when you were sewing a cloth-covered button to a gown and had trouble getting the needle through the material at the back of the button? Well, you need have no more difficulty along this line, for it is now possible to procure a button mold consisting of three parts. The first part is the regular button mold—a wooden disk—the second part is a flat aluminum back and the third part is a small steel screw eye, nickel plated.

The mold is covered in the usual way by first cutting a circular piece of cloth, or whatever material you desire to use, and running a drawstring around the outer edge. The cloth is then placed over the wooden portion of the mold and the drawstring gathered in. After adjusting the gathers the metal disk, which is provided with an opening, is placed over the back of the button mold and the screw eye is inserted as a shank. The extra thread of the drawstring is then cut off and the button is complete.

### Dolly Varden.

That colonial styles are returning is evident. There are the full skirts, flounces, yokes and high waist lines. Dolly Varden styles, which have not been seen for many seasons, appear with these styles of former days, and are considered as attractive as they ever were. In silks they are particularly charming and are becoming very popular. The reason given for the return of these old-fashioned styles is the increased use of American made goods and the working out of American styles to fit them.

Tussor silk and tulle are one of the new combinations.

## CZARINA ESCAPED THE CROWD

Unwelcome Popularity Forced Wife of Monarch to Climb Ladder When Recognized.

The czarina's popularity in Russia has been enormously increased since the war on account of the work that she has been doing for the Russian Red Cross.

It is interesting to recall that her majesty once had an extraordinary experience for a royal personage while on a visit to Germany. She was out shopping one day, attended only by one lady companion, and she had hoped to remain unrecognized by the people. While she was making some purchases in a jeweler's shop, however, the news of her identity got abroad, and in a very few moments there was a large crowd outside the premises.

Exit through the front door was out of the question, so the czarina asked the jeweler to let herself and her companion out of the back of the shop.

The jeweler replied that that was impossible, as the back yard was inclosed by a very high boarding which would effectually cut off their retreat.

"That does not matter," said the empress. "Get a ladder and we will climb over it."

A ladder was brought and the czarina and her companion rushed up it, climbed over the boarding, jumped into a quiet street, and made their escape as quickly as they could.

A minute later the jeweler's shop window was smashed to atoms by the surging and excitable crowd.—Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

### Not Much.

"Is that Grogan in there pitching for the home team?" inquired the belated fan who arrived just after the visitors had made seven runs in one inning.

"That's Grogan in the pitcher's box," admitted his neighbor, "but I haven't noticed that he's been doing any pitching."

Nine-tenths of a man's talk is of no earthly importance.

## BROUGHT HOME TROPHIES

Aunt Mary Had Gathered Many "Curiosities" During Her Morning Stroll on Golf Links.

It was at St. Andrews in Scotland, the home of golf, where the links stretch along over the moors by the sea, and dear, quiet Aunt Mary had gone up from London to visit a golfing family of nephews and nieces. At tea the first afternoon someone managed to stop talking golf long enough to ask, "Well, Aunt Mary, how did you pass the morning?"

"Oh, I enjoyed myself immensely, my dear. I went for a walk on the moor."

"A good many people seemed to be about, and some of them called out to me in a most energetic manner. But I didn't take any notice of them. And, oh, my dear, I found such a number of curious little round things. I brought them home to ask you what they are."

Hereupon Aunt Mary opened her work bag and produced 24 golf balls.—Youth's Companion.

### Companions in Misfortune.

Two men sat at the same table in a restaurant of the cheaper sort in Berlin. They were strangers to each other, but not too proud to talk.

"Hard times," said one, putting down regretfully his empty beer glass. "Very hard times," said the other as he speared with his fork the last morsel of sausage.

"I have seen better days."

"And I."

"Only a year ago, too."

"Just about that."

"I mean in my business."

"Precisely. My business is gone clean to the devil."

"The same with mine."

"And what is your business, may I ask?"

"I am a dancing master—a professor of the fox trot and allied arts—and you?"

"I am a professor of international law."

A wife is very dear to the ex-bachelor who formerly saved his money.

# Good for Boys



Camping time is a time of joy for the youngsters. Very few things are needed for a cracking good time—a tent, blankets, plain, stout clothing, and plenty of good, wholesome food.

A splendid food to take along is

# Grape-Nuts

It's an ideal camping food—nourishing, appetizing and always ready to eat.

This delicious wheat and barley food contains great nutrition with little bulk. It is made from the natural, whole grains, retaining all of their vital mineral salts, particularly necessary for building health and strength in growing boys and girls.

Grape-Nuts is ready to serve direct from the package—just add good milk or cream. Summer rains won't hurt the supply—packages are wax-wrapped and moisture-proof.

**"There's a Reason"**  
for  
**Grape-Nuts**

—sold by Grocers everywhere.



THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

L. E. TUNER, Editor and Owner

Entered in the Postoffice at GrapeLand, Texas, May Thursday as Second Class Mail Matter.

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Advertisements—Obituaries and Resolutions respect are printed for half price—50c per line. Other matter "not news" charged at regular rates.

Our advertising rates are reasonable and quoted upon application.

Our Purpose—It is the purpose of the Messenger to record accurately, simply and interestingly the moral, intellectual, industrial and political progress of GrapeLand and Houston county. To all as in life every citizen should give us its moral and financial support.

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| 1 YEAR   | \$1.00 |
| 6 MONTHS | .50    |
| 3 MONTHS | .25    |

THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1915

THE PROPOSITION IN A NUTSHELL

Here is the proposition in a nutshell: If we build warehouses and patronize them the right thing has been done and we are practically certain to get a good price for cotton—as certain as any business proposition that the future must be depended upon to develop can be. If the price is high we have not only lost nothing but have actually been the gainer, for regardless of the price some of us want to hold our cotton and have it protected while being held. If we do not have warehouses we can have no hope of getting aid from the banks and little if any prospect of receiving sympathy from our creditors. The cost to protect ourselves against emergency is so little as to be utterly trifling. Which course should or will any sensible, careful business man pursue? The farmer is a business man, if he isn't he is not a success. It is time for the business farmer and the farmer who has not been applying business methods to his farm to turn to the warehouse. It is one great opportunity to protect himself against the storm, which continues to present a menacing view. —Corsicana Sun.

If we do not have a bonded warehouse in which to store the cotton, how can a man borrow money on it if he wants to hold? It's a cinch the banks will not advance money on cotton unless it is stored in a bonded warehouse.

The state tax rate has been fixed at .55, which is the highest rate in the history of the state. One reason of this high rate is the legislature was very liberal in appropriating money for educational purposes. Former legislatures have pursued a niggardly policy toward appropriations for our educational institutions, the result of which was that they were on the eve of ruin and something had to be done.

The new ginners' law, which requires the ginner to take three fair samples of the cotton as it is ginned, seems to be in disfavor. It is a reform movement, having as its object the correction of our present crude method of marketing cotton. In the marketing of the south's cotton crop, wiser handling would effect a saving of many millions of dollars every year. We believe after the law has been tried, the people will see the benefits of it and will like it.

It is possible that the American public is more or less indifferent to or oblivious in the rural free delivery postal system. From and after August 1 the automobile will take the place of the horse-drawn wagon on many routes. At the beginning, perhaps, no remarkable difference will be noticeable, but it is expected, and apparently with reason, that the introduction of the motor car into the service will not only insure more rapid distribution and delivery, but result in a more general use of the

mails. New routes will certainly be established, and within local zones parcel post delivery systems of the highest value to farmers and consumers should come into speedy operation. —Farm & Ranch.

A POET'S VISION

I climbed upon a lonely mount,  
Far, far, from the town away,  
My mind was naught upon the crowd  
But on the birds and bees at play.  
And out across the distant view,  
I saw the winding river run;  
Its waters shone like glittering gold,  
As streaming rays flashed from the sun.  
I watched the birds sail round and round  
Up in the region of the sky,  
And thought that just for one short hour,  
If I could but go up and fly,  
Then out across the world I'd see,  
Away from city, town and throng,  
I'd ramble 'round those lofty scenes  
And listen to a heavenly song.  
Then, after while, as hours flew by,  
My mind so full of nature's scene,  
How grand to get away from crowd  
To where all is peace, quiet and serene.  
I laid me down beneath a tree,  
And saw the world—a great play-house  
With all its freaks, and actors great  
A poet's fascination to arouse.  
Soon to another land I came  
Where all is bright and grand and fair,  
Where poet's have golden castles fine,  
Whose steeples glitter in the air;  
And maidens—ah! the finest lot,  
With sparkling eyes and hair like gold,  
This land is built for only poets  
Whose hearts and lives are sad and cold.  
And as I walked into that home,  
The king of poet's came there to me,  
And placed a crown upon my head,  
As happy as a king could be,  
I wondered what it all could mean—  
When soon he turned to me and said,  
"You've been the greatest of them all,  
Therefore I came and crowned your head."

And, oh! the joy that came to me  
That I was greatest of them all;  
Yet many poets below me were  
Great—but in reality small,  
And then amid such times as these  
Alas! where is my golden crown,  
Oh! it was but a lofty dream  
Beneath this tree—far from the town—  
Henry Guenther, Student in Houston County Summer Normal.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT In Memory of Sovereign Lula Parker

Whereas, the Father has seen fit, in his wisdom, to remove from its earthly surroundings the spirit of Sovereign Lula Parker, wife of E. C. Parker, and  
Whereas, she having been a true and faithful Sovereign of our beloved order, loved and respected by all,  
Now, therefore be it resolved:  
First. That Harmony Grove, No. 656, Woodmen Circle, in testimony of its loss, be draped in mourning for thirty days.  
Second. That we tender the family of our deceased Sovereign our sincere condolence in their deep affliction.  
Third. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minute books of our Grove, a copy tendered the family of the deceased and a copy be handed the GrapeLand Messenger for publication.

Mrs. P. H. Stafford,  
Chas. Halton,  
Committee.

ELECTION RETURNS

|                          | For | Against |
|--------------------------|-----|---------|
| <b>CROCKETT</b>          |     |         |
| Voting anywhere          | 134 | 131     |
| Supreme Court            | 42  | 114     |
| Road Tax                 | 57  | 135     |
| Student Fund             | 30  | 230     |
| Levee Fund               | 58  | 201     |
| Separation               | 127 | 143     |
| <b>LOWELADY</b>          |     |         |
| Voting anywhere          | 48  | 81      |
| Supreme Court            | 41  | 90      |
| Road Tax                 | 42  | 89      |
| Student Fund             | 36  | 95      |
| Levee Fund               | 41  | 90      |
| Separation               | 80  | 71      |
| <b>GRAPELAND</b>         |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 30  | 41      |
| Supreme Court            | 42  | 81      |
| Road Tax                 | 54  | 75      |
| Student Fund             | 35  | 71      |
| Levee Fund               | 45  | 78      |
| Separation               | 70  | 60      |
| <b>BELOTT</b>            |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 20  | 21      |
| Supreme Court            | 6   | 35      |
| Road Tax                 | 11  | 29      |
| Student Fund             | 11  | 29      |
| Levee Fund               | 11  | 30      |
| Separation               | 19  | 22      |
| <b>DANIEL</b>            |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 0   | 19      |
| Supreme Court            | 0   | 19      |
| Road Tax                 | 0   | 19      |
| Student Fund             | 0   | 19      |
| Levee Fund               | 0   | 19      |
| Separation               | 0   | 19      |
| <b>DALY</b>              |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 7   | 15      |
| Supreme Court            | 2   | 19      |
| Road Tax                 | 6   | 16      |
| Student Fund             | 1   | 21      |
| Levee Fund               | 2   | 20      |
| Separation               | 4   | 18      |
| <b>TYER'S STORE</b>      |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 1   | 25      |
| Supreme Court            | 0   | 26      |
| Road Tax                 | 0   | 26      |
| Student Fund             | 0   | 26      |
| Levee Fund               | 0   | 26      |
| Separation               | 0   | 26      |
| <b>AUGUSTA</b>           |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 4   | 54      |
| Supreme Court            | 2   | 56      |
| Road Tax                 | 4   | 54      |
| Student Fund             | 3   | 55      |
| Levee Fund               | 1   | 57      |
| Separation               | 7   | 52      |
| <b>PERCILLA</b>          |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 5   | 21      |
| Supreme Court            | 2   | 26      |
| Road Tax                 | 3   | 24      |
| Student Fund             | 3   | 24      |
| Levee Fund               | 2   | 23      |
| Separation               | 4   | 22      |
| <b>FREEMAN</b>           |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 12  | 1       |
| Supreme Court            | 0   | 10      |
| Road Tax                 | 0   | 12      |
| Student Fund             | 0   | 12      |
| Levee Fund               | 0   | 12      |
| Separation               | 3   | 8       |
| <b>ASH</b>               |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 1   | 13      |
| Supreme Court            | 0   | 14      |
| Road Tax                 | 0   | 14      |
| Student Fund             | 0   | 14      |
| Levee Fund               | 0   | 14      |
| Separation               | 0   | 14      |
| <b>TADMOR</b>            |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 4   | 4       |
| Supreme Court            | 0   | 8       |
| Road Tax                 | 1   | 7       |
| Student Fund             | 0   | 8       |
| Levee Fund               | 0   | 8       |
| Separation               | 4   | 4       |
| <b>HOLLY</b>             |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 1   | 20      |
| Supreme Court            | 0   | 21      |
| Road Tax                 | 0   | 20      |
| Student Fund             | 0   | 21      |
| Levee Fund               | 0   | 21      |
| Separation               | 0   | 21      |
| <b>PORTER'S SPRINGS</b>  |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 4   | 16      |
| Supreme Court            | 4   | 16      |
| Road Tax                 | 3   | 16      |
| Student Fund             | 1   | 19      |
| Levee Fund               | 3   | 16      |
| Separation               | 3   | 16      |
| <b>ANTIOCH</b>           |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 9   | 20      |
| Supreme Court            | 2   | 29      |
| Road Tax                 | 6   | 25      |
| Student Fund             | 0   | 30      |
| Levee Fund               | 2   | 28      |
| Separation               | 5   | 25      |
| <b>TOTAL COUNTY VOTE</b> |     |         |
| Voting Anywhere          | 343 | 482     |
| Supreme Court            | 143 | 566     |
| Road Tax                 | 187 | 621     |
| Student Fund             | 120 | 674     |
| Levee Fund               | 165 | 643     |
| Separation               | 306 | 521     |

Hats cleaned and re-blocked, made to look new. New bands put on inside and outside. adv. M. L. Clewis.

New Goods

at

Darsey's

SERVICE FIRST STORE

This week has marked the arrival of many pretty new things at our store, and we will be glad for you to come and see them. We also want you to keep up with our windows, as they are revealing some big bargains

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| New styles in felt hats       | Talcum powder                        |
| Peggy Tams                    | Face powder                          |
| Utility Gingham               | Tooth paste and brushes              |
| Madras Shirting               | Hair combs                           |
| Percales and light calico     | Dress fasteners, etc.                |
| A big line of toilet Articles | Palm Beach and ox blood shoe polish. |

Big Reductions

Are being made on all summer goods--Voiles, Flouncings, etc., ladies' low quarter shoes and men's straw hats.

If there is anything you need to finish out the summer with you will do well to come to our store

Big shipment of the newest neck-wear for men and boys due this week

Geo. E. Darsey. THE SERVICE FIRST STORE

MODERN FABLES

By RaMel

Once upon a time, a young man whose parental ancestor had died and left several thousand dollars life insurance, started for a large and wicked city to become a captain of finance. Previous to his exodus the village sages had called him to their side and earnestly warned him against the devious pit-falls that lie about the path of the unwear, and whispered to him the many tales of the country visitors to the metropolis who had returned home poorer and wiser, because of the wiles of the confidence men who dwelt and operated there.

And the young man heeded them all. He placed his heritage in a savings bank and took rooms at the Y. M. C. A. He procured a place of employment where he filled his duties so well that in ten years the man who wrote the checks took him into the firm and helped him invest his money in a place where he could collect enough dividends to own a "car" and attend two ball games a week.

But after a decade had elapsed, our hero found himself cherishing a desire to return for a visit to the scenes of his boyhood and display his wealth to his old comrades. So he put an extra quart of gas in his "tinner's dream" and made the trip.

The greetings were scarcely over, in the innocent little village,

before the old, back-woods real estate agent had coaxed him into his dusty little office and sold him two thousand acres of timber land in Patagonia.

Moral—All boos do not reside in the rural districts; neither do all gold brick agents remain in the midst of the bright lights.

Cured of Indigestion

Mrs. Sadie P. Clawson, Indiana, Pa., was bothered with indigestion. "My stomach pained me night and day," she writes. "I would feel bloated and have headache and belching after eating. I also suffered from constipation. My daughter had used Chamberlain's Tablets and they did her so much good that she gave me a few doses of them and insisted upon my trying them. They helped me as nothing else has done. For sale by all dealers. adv

EXCURSION RATES ON BATHS

Beginning August 1 and continuing through the month we will make a special price of 15c for baths. J. W. Caskey.

Better Than Life Insurance

Twenty-five cents invested in a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy will enable you to protect your family from any serious consequences resulting from an attack of colic or diarrhoea during the summer months. Is that not better than life insurance? Buy it now. It may save life. For sale by all dealers. adv

TO GINNERS—The Messenger can supply you with cotton sample wrappers to comply with the new ginners' law. Give us your order.



# Do You Enjoy a Good Smoke?

Look at Our Line Up:

El Sidelo After Dinner 5c and 10c  
 Robert Emmet  
 Renown, Counselor, Cinco,  
 El Toro, Anna Held  
 and a number of other Leading Brands  
 Buy your Cigars from us  
 We take great care to keep them fresh

We thank the public very kindly for the increasing patronage extended to us.

**WADE L. SMITH**

## LOCAL NEWS

Rev. S. W. Edge is holding a meeting near Trinity this week.

Save money by buying your shoes at Wherry's.

No. 666 will cure Malaria or Bilious Fever. It kills the germs.

Get your duck for cotton and pea sacks at Darsey's.

Miss Eddie Downs of Crockett is spending the week in Grapeland with relatives.

Rub - My - Tism - Antiseptic, Anodyne - Kills pain, stops putrefaction.

Phone your grocery wants to Darsey's. All goods delivered promptly.

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes Specialist. Old clothes renovated and made new. Charges most reasonable. Adv.

Rev. S. F. Tenny of Crockett sends us a check for his renewal. Bro. Tenny has been a subscriber to the Messenger many years.

Mrs. Dora White and daughter, Miss Marie, left Tuesday night for Austin to spend some time visiting Mrs. Mark Anthony.

Sanford Hart, who is attending the normal at Grapeland, is here this week visiting homefolks. - Houston County Herald.

### MASS MEETING

The Socialists and Sympathizers of Houston County will meet in Crockett at 10 o'clock a. m. Aug. 7, 1915.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith returned to their home in Ione, Ark., last Friday night after spending quite awhile near here visiting relatives. Mrs. Smith was formerly Miss Jessie Jeter, and lived at Percilla.

Gladiola flour at Wherry's.

Plenty of 8 oz. duck at Darsey's.

A. L. Jones of Percilla has recently renewed his subscription.

Bro. Matney is conducting a meeting at Percilla this week.

Joe Darsey of Alpine has our thanks for his renewal.

25 per cent off on all low quarter shoes.

W. R. Wherry.

Rev. H. A. Matney attended the District Conference of the M. E. Church at Madisonville last week.

Rev. C. A. Campbell is in the southern part of the county engaged in protracted meetings. He expects to be gone about four weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dailey and Mr. John Edens of Daly's are in Galveston this week enjoying the sights at the Cotton Carnival.

The Messenger is requested to announce that Rev. W. R. Durnell will begin a revival meeting at Refuge on Saturday night before the third Sunday in August.

### LOST

Ladies' hand bag containing one five and one dollar bill and some silver; vanity bag, handkerchiefs and a blank note of Jack Lively's. Liberal reward. Finder please leave at Messenger office.

Ellis Allen, living a few miles east of Grapeland, and Miss Ruby Cook of Percilla, were married in Grapeland Sunday night by Esq. John A. Davis. Miss Ruby is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cook, and is one of the prominent young teachers of the county. Mr. Allen is a young farmer and a leading citizen of his community. The Messenger joins friends in congratulations.

# NOTICE!

The ice house will close on Sundays promptly at 12 o'clock, and we ask all those who want ice to please get it by that hour.

**CLAUDE LEAVERTON**  
 Ice House Near the Water Tank

## ALL THE NEWS FROM GLOVER

(Delayed)

July 19th.—Summer is here once more bringing all the happiness of nature. Protracted meetings, with all the good things to listen to the preacher has to say, also the good old familiar Hymns, both new and old, are most pleasing to the ear. And last but not least, the water melon and fried chicken which always follows such occasions. Occasionally a crowd of gay and sporty fisherman will load a wagon with a well filled chuck box and plenty of fishing tackle and all kinds of waring munitions for the ever ready inhabitants of the swamps (the mosquito) and hike off to some lovely stream to spend a few days of recreation with the God of nature. Who could deny this being a grand and glorious place to live? We will admit that if we only look at one side of life, and that be the dark side alone, we become very much discouraged and lonely—almost tired of our very existence—but that is a wrong view to take. Let's look on the sunny side of life and all will be well; only look around and sum up what the Almighty has done and is doing for us each and every day of our existence, and we are bound to give God the glory and say the Lord is good and provided a good place for both good and bad to live.

Health of our community is reasonably good. Some little sickness but not serious.

Jim Thames seems to be improving from a delicate state of health.

W. T. Payne and family visited R. C. Thames and family Sunday, also Richard Thames and family visited S. M. King Sunday.

Miss Claudie King of near Elkhart is visiting her brother, S. M. King of this community.

Miss Ollie Thames will entertain her friends tonight (Monday) with a musical and singing in honor of her friend, Miss Claudie King.

Most everybody is about through with their crops, which are very promising. There will be plenty of feed raised in this community for another year. In fact, corn is already made, and peas, peanuts and potatoes are doing nicely; good cane, both sorgum and ribbon, and a few razorbacks in the pen. "Pide" and "Peggy" lowing at the cowpen gate with plenty of grass and water make us want to boast just a little bit for Glover community.

Crab Apple.

### NOTICE TO PEA GROWERS

We have a thresher here at our store that will thresh your peas Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Will ask you to bring them in at once before the weevils affect them. Geo. E. Darsey.

### NOTICE

I am now taking orders for the Texas Nursery Co. of Sherman, Texas, who are growing all kinds of fruit trees, shade trees, and all kinds of ornamental shrubs. They are making a specialty of the BEST PAPER SHELL PECANS and are pushing the sale of the best seedlings also. The PAPER SHELL PECAN, when properly cared for, will begin bearing at four years. Our splendid crops of all kinds are now assured and I will be glad to take your orders for what you need at the first convenient opportunity. Mr. J. S. Yarbrough will begin working with me on August 1st, and any orders you can give him and courtesies shown him will be highly appreciated by me. adv J. E. Hollingsworth.

W. S. Johnston returned to his home in Houston Saturday.

Dave Warren and family moved to Elkhart this week where they will reside in the future. Mr. Warren was formerly in the grocery business here with Claude Sadler. He will engage in the same business at Elkhart. We regret very much to lose such good people, but our best wishes for success go with them.

# Merchandise Going AT COST

My entire stock of merchandise is going at cost. If you are in need of anything in my line it will pay you to come at once and get your choice.

## 7000 FEET OF LUMBER

I also have 7000 feet of 1x8 and 1x10 ship lap lumber at a bargain

**J. J. BROOKS**

EAST SIDE RAILROAD

## NEW PROSPECT LOCAL NEWS

July 25.—Health of the community is improving.

The farmers are hard at work trying to save their corn tops and fodder. I believe there will be more feed stuff of all kinds made and saved this year than has been for several years if nothing happens to it before it can be gathered in. Buying feed in the past has learned our farmers a lesson that won't be forgotten soon. I guess everybody is glad to see lots of feed being raised.

Cotton is needing rain as we did not get any rain the last time it rained at Grapeland, and if we don't get one in a few days the cotton crop will be cut short in and around here.

Some of the young folks from here attended the debate at Union last night and report a nice time.

Mr. J. T. McKnight and family visited Mr. Bud Kennedy and family today.

Mr. Webb Finch and family

visited Mr. Herod Parker and family of the Oak Grove community last night and today.

Mr. Jim Baker and wife visited Mr. Lee Finch today and lots of other visiting too numerous to try to keep up with.

There has been several fishing parties going to the river of late. Some report lots of fish caught and some not such good luck, but had a good time just the same.

Mr. Editor, there are lots of good ripe watermelons out this way. You ought to come out and get you one fresh from the vine.

On the first Monday in August we want to meet at Louis Herod's to fix that hill. We would like to see every body that is interested in good roads come and help us. Bring wagons and shovels as there will have to be clay hauled to fix the road with. Every body that feels interested come.

Wishing the Messenger and force long success.

Big Jim.

No. 666 will cure chills and fever. It's the most speedy remedy we know. adv

## For that Social Occasion

For the afternoon affair, the lawn party, the reception or the jolly informal gathering, you'll find Welch's a delightful treat to your guests.

Served plain or in the famous Welch Punch, it's a big favorite.

### Try This Punch:

- Juice of 3 Lemons
- Juice of 1 Orange
- 1 pint of Welch's Grape Juice
- 1 quart of water
- 1 cup of sugar

**D. N. LEAVERTON**  
 THE LEADING DRUGGIST





## DECREASE IS REPORTED IN OPERATIVE REVENUE

Statistics Compiled by Texas Lines for First Eleven Months of Fiscal Year Show Steady Decline.

Austin, Tex.—During the first eleven months of the fiscal year that ended June 30 last, twenty-eight of the leading railroads of Texas, comprising over 90 per cent of the mileage in the State and doing over 90 per cent of the total business, enjoyed a total operating revenue of \$102,267,117.66, according to a summary just made by General H. G. Askew, statistician for the lines, at Austin. As compared with the same period of the preceding fiscal year this is a decrease of \$1,971,994.15, and as compared with the same period two years back, this is a decrease of \$8,284,852.03.

During the eleven months period ending May 31 last, the operating expenses of the twenty-eight roads were \$80,899,165.62, a decrease of \$3,720,092.74, as compared with the same period for the preceding year and a decrease of \$4,085,866.17 as compared with the same period two years back.

The total operating revenue less the operating expenses gives the net operating revenue, which for the eleven months covered by General Askew's summary, ending May 31 last, was \$21,367,952.04, an increase of \$1,748,098.55 as compared with the same period of the preceding fiscal year and a decrease of \$4,198,985.86 as compared with the same period two years back.

By adding "other income" to this net operating revenue the gross corporate income is obtained and this for the eleven months period ending May 31 last, was \$25,398,326.18, an increase of \$3,762,298.87 as compared with the same period of the preceding year and a decrease of \$2,913,633.26 as compared with the same period two years back.

From this "gross corporate income" must be paid taxes, hire of equipment, rents, interest and other legal obligations. These deductions from income for the eleven months period ending May 31 last, aggregated \$30,140,970.49, leaving a deficit on May 31 last, as a result of the eleven months operations, of \$4,741,744.31. During the same period of the preceding fiscal year the deficit was \$6,568,260.47, or \$1,826,516.16 more than for the period covered by the summary up to May 31, this year. Going back two years and covering the same eleven months period the twenty-eight roads had instead of a deficit a surplus of \$452,347.35.

### Forgotten Currency Found.

Austin, Tex.—Tucked away in a dark corner, covered with dust and mold of years, an envelope containing \$204.40 in currency and another containing \$2.75 in mutilated currency of 10c, 15c and 25c denominations, were found in the basement of the Texas capitol Saturday by former State Controller Stephens, now an employe of Controller Terrell, who is engaged in classifying and filing records of the State that have long lain in piles and bundles in the capitol basement, making an excellent playground for rats, insects and bugs.

### Terrible Loss of Life in China.

Washington.—From 80,000 to 100,000 lives have been lost in the floods near Canton, China, according to a cablegram to the state department Wednesday. A telegram from the American legation at Peking says the American consul general at Canton telegraphed that 80,000 to 100,000 lives are estimated lost there on account of the unprecedented floods. The Wilmington and Callao (United States gunboats) are rendering assistance, but Consul General Cheshire asks all the assistance the navy can afford.

### Throngs Cheer the Liberty Bell.

San Francisco, Cal.—The liberty bell, America's chief relic of the war of independence, was installed Saturday in the Pennsylvania pavilion of the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Crowds broke into uncontrolled demonstration when the bell, banked in crimson rambler roses, reached a great plaza at the exposition, where Speaker Champ Clark, Governor Hiram W. Johnson of California and other speakers were gathered. Forty-eight little girls, representing the states of the union, placed wreaths on the bell.

### American Minister Resigns.

Washington.—James M. Sullivan, American minister to the Dominican Republic, has tendered his resignation to President Wilson and it has been accepted. Mr. Sullivan's resignation is the consequence of an investigation conducted for the state department by Senator Phelan of California into the minister's fitness for his office. The findings were unfavorable to Mr. Sullivan.

## HUNDREDS LIVES LOST WHEN BOAT CAPSIZES

STEAMER EASTLAND, LOADED WITH PICNICKERS TURNS OVER WITH ALL ON BOARD.

## MANY TRAPPED IN CABINS

All Chicago Mourns Greatest Marine Disaster in Many Years—Aid for the Distressed—Investigations Under Way as to the Cause.

Chicago, Ill.—Probably a thousand persons, most of them women and children, were drowned Saturday within a few feet of land by the capsizing of the steel steamer Eastland as it was about to leave its wharf in the Chicago river with 2,500 relatives and friends of employes of the Western Electric Company for an excursion across Lake Michigan. The ship rolled over on its side in twenty-five feet of water within five minutes after it began to list.

The total dead as a result of the turning over of the topheavy ship still remains at approximately 1,000, according to estimates made by Coroner Hoffman, whose reports Monday indicated that probably 200 bodies still were held in the mud of the river by the superstructure of the overturned boat. While only 1,002 passengers of the Eastland have registered with the Western Electric Company as saved, it is thought that about 475 survivors, including the crew of seventy-two, had failed to report their escape.

The Eastland lies on her side in the river, with divers floundering through her ghastly interior and burrowing under her in a death search. While the aggrieved thousands who lost dear ones are walking through the morgue in the Second Regiment armory, gazing into the faces of the dead, half in hope, half in despair, Chicago citizens and officials have turned their attention to investigations that must bring forth some explanation of the catastrophe, and to the work of providing relief for those left destitute.

While no families were made wholly dependent by the disaster, it was said Monday that employes of the Western Electric Company had been working half time or less in recent months. An organization of employes, it was said, gave the picnic. The company had nothing to do with the excursion, according to several employes, but as members of the employes' organization purchase of tickets for the lake trip, an annual affair, was almost compulsory.

Acting Mayor Moorhouse and his advisers have decided to raise a relief fund of \$200,000. The Western Electric Company, whose employes formed the vast majority of the ill-fated excursion party, also has announced that \$100,000 from its employes' insurance funds is available for relief. Numerous private relief funds have been started.

Coroner Hoffman has made an appeal to the public for a fund for the burial of the unidentified dead.

In churches and homes throughout the city Sunday there were offered prayers for the thousands whose hearts have been pierced by grief. The day was one of gloom. The sky was cloudy and a mist hung in the air. There was more than the usual Sabbath quiet everywhere.

Coroner Hoffman issued the following statement Monday:

"I intend to use every effort within my power to punish every person directly or indirectly responsible for this great disaster. None shall escape.

"I am ready to co-operate with any official, city, state or national, in fixing the responsibility for this disaster.

"The state's attorney has agreed to work with me."

Numerous theories have been advanced, but the evidence thus far obtained by no means bears out any one theory.

One theory given credence by many is that the water ballast of the boat had been pumped out to lighten her and the weight of the large number of passengers made the boat topheavy.

Another theory is that the boat was simply overcrowded, while a third theory is that the bow of the boat had become embedded in the mud and when her engines were started and she did not release herself the boat careened to one side and the weight of the passengers carried her over. Faulty construction is alleged by some, but this is denied by both the owners and the inspectors.

President Wilson has ordered that a complete investigation be made by the department of commerce into the Eastland disaster. Acting Secretary Sweet of the department sent him word at Cornish that the cause of the disaster would be looked into, and the president directed that nothing be left undone to fix the responsibility.

## BETTER HIGHWAYS FOR TEXAS URGED BY AUTOMOBILE MEN

A Plan to Cleave State From Red River to Gulf, From Sabine to Rio Grande, With Crossroads.

Galveston, Tex.—The Texas Automobile Association at its midsummer meeting at Galveston Friday took an important step in the effort to better the highways of Texas by appointing the president and secretary of each automobile club a local committee to urge upon the governor the plan to cleave the State from the Red river to the gulf, from the Sabine to the Rio Grande with a cross of improved roads built by convict labor with material furnished by the counties. The idea is that this cross shall represent the basic highways of an extensive system of good roads and shall be laid out without the view of immediately serving any particular city or locality. To these main streams of traffic later would come numberless tributaries, and out of the nucleus eventually would grow a comprehensive and complete web of good roads.

The use of convict labor is a consideration of paramount importance, and in calling upon the governor to put into effect this scheme of two roads, running "as the crow flies" from the north to the south and east to west, the motorists are seeking the fulfillment of a plank of the democratic party's platform. The State's 4,000 convicts would be given beneficial employment and the State would be served in many ways, the motorists say. Their plan embraces the maintenance of the convicts by the respective counties the highways traverse, the building of the smaller bridges and furnishing of material by the counties also, the State to undertake the construction of the larger bridges.

The conditions of the Texas roads and plans for their betterment were the principal topics before the convention. Maco Stewart, who presided, called attention to the need of automobile insurance by the State organization, which could furnish more effective protection than the individual members could obtain.

Road regulation was another leading matter. To seek suitable legislation the chair appointed a committee consisting of Ira F. Sproule of Denison, G. L. Cade of Dallas and C. H. Earnest of Colorado, Texas. Mr. Stewart declared the speed limit was excessively low, and it was described by C. J. Michaelis as a survival of the days when machines couldn't go faster than eighteen miles and the roads did not make a livelier pace. Mr. Stewart spoke also of the "hold-up" evil, and assured the members that no officer had a right to arrest them for speeding without a warrant. The statute, he said, permits the making of arrests without warrants in certain cases, specifying and defining these cases.

One member thought the government could be induced to divert to road construction the funds being spent on out-of-the-way streams and another offered the suggestion that the State, owning gravel beds and quarries, might well furnish material for road making. The creation of a highway commission was regarded as useless, if it operated with the present road laws.

### Menhaden Fishing Record Broken.

Port Arthur, Tex.—The record was broken by the menhaden fleets at Sabine on July 21, when 2,767 barrels of fish were taken by two steam fishing vessels. The record last season was 2,500 barrels for the fleet of three boats.

### Railroad Bridge Destroyed.

Brownsville, Tex.—A forty-two-foot bridge on the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico, thirty-two miles north of Brownsville, was set afire and burned and the telephone and telegraph wires at the point cut at an early hour Sunday.

### Frank's Assailant Feared Mob.

Milledgeville, Ga.—William Green stabbed Leo M. Frank in the prison last week because he feared the prisoner would be attacked by a mob bent on lynching Frank, he told Governor Harris Saturday.

### Cattle Are Dying at Westfield.

Westfield, Tex.—Cattle have been dying throughout this district during dry summer days. The cause of their trouble is not definitely known, but the loss is a serious blow to the farmers.

### Fisher Elected to Legislature.

Houston, Tex.—Harry W. Fisher of Houston was elected to the legislature Saturday to fill the unexpired term of Sam H. Dixon, resigned.

### Boyd is Named Representative.

Snyder, Tex.—H. M. Boyd was elected representative of the One Hundred and Fifth district in Saturday's election.

## GROWING HAY IN THE SOUTH FOR MARKET



Baling Alfalfa Hay Direct From Windrow on Texas Farm.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Whether it is practical for the southern farmer to own and operate his own hay baler or press depends to a great extent upon the number of tons of hay the farmer will bale each year. It is the opinion expressed by the department's experts in Farmers' Bulletin No. 677, "Growing Hay in the South for Market." It is doubtful whether it will pay a grower to purchase even a two-horse press if he has less than 50 tons of hay to be baled each year. When less than this quantity is grown it will be cheaper to hire the hay baled if it is possible to do so. This can often be done at a cost of about \$1 per ton. Where there are several hay growers in the same community, each growing small quantities of hay, it is best to purchase a press in common, or else for one person to purchase it and make a business of baling hay, or renting balers, a frequent practice in most hay-growing sections. Where balers can be rented the charge is usually about a penny per bale.

The experts point out that the one-horse perpetual type press (the only type of press used in the South) is not economical because of its small capacity. One of the most convenient and efficient types is the two-horse, continuous-travel press which gives three impulses to each revolution of the team. It is arranged so that the hay is fed into an opening on the side or top of the press. As soon as a forkful of hay is placed in the press, the feed opening closes and the hay is carried down into the baling chamber. Hence, there is no necessity to force the hay down by means of a fork or the foot, as with some of the older types of presses. The cost of a two-horse press is \$150 to \$300, and of a large power press from \$500 upward.

A two-horse press can be operated with four or five men, and will bale eight to twelve tons a day. A large power press will require about twice the crew of a two-horse press, and consequently if a breakdown occurs there will be a relatively greater loss of time. A power press will prove profitable only when a large acreage is grown by one individual or where there is considerable hay grown in the locality. Such a press should bale 20 to 30 tons a day. Unless there are at least 200 tons to be baled the two-horse press is advised.

### Methods of Baling Hay.

Hay should be put up in neat, uniform, square-ended bales, properly wired, and with distinct folds or layers of approximately the same size and easily separable. Hay thus baled will always command a better price than slovenly baled hay, and especially on a crowded declining market. If bales are uniform in length more can be packed in a car; if square ended, they are less liable to fall apart and thus cause loss to the shipper. If made up of many folds or layers, a small quantity for feeding is conveniently and easily separated from the bale.

To make a good bale, care should be exercised to make each feed uniform and not to feed very large or very small forkfuls at random. Special at-

tention should be given when starting or finishing a bale, in order to secure square ends. The division block should be dropped at the proper moment, thus insuring bales of uniform length.

Another very important point is to put only one kind of grade of hay into a bale. The custom of "sandwiching," or putting one or more forkfuls of spoiled or stained hay into the middle of the bale, usually results in a much greater financial loss than the mere value of the hay.

### Baling From the Field, Stack or Barn.

Hay is sometimes baled directly from the windrow or from the cocks. This practice is not a desirable one in humid regions, there being increased danger of loss from rains and inevitably a greater amount of bleaching. The most serious difficulty, however, is that hay from the field is often baled too soon. After such hay is baled it will go through the process of sweating, and often on arrival at the market will be found so hot and consequently damaged as to be classed as "no-grade" hay.

The evident advantage of baling from the field is to save the cost of stacking and housing, but this advantage in reducing expense rarely compensates for the poorer quality of hay that is usually the result.

After hay has been stacked or housed it goes through the process of sweating, which requires five to eight weeks. This delay sometimes prevents a grower from taking immediate advantage of a good market, but on the other hand it insures a better quality of hay. After hay has gone through the sweat there is practically no danger of heating the bale. Unless the circumstances are unusual, hay should not be baled before the process of sweating is complete.

### Size and Weight of Bales.

Hay should always be baled in the sizes and weights most used and especially in the size and weight most in demand in the particular market where it is to be sold.

The sizes of bales in general use are as follows:

|                                | Inches.        |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Dimensions of small bales....  | 14 by 18 by 36 |
| Dimensions of medium bales.... | 16 by 18 by 36 |
| Dimensions of large bales....  | 18 by 22 by 36 |
| Dimensions of large bales....  | 22 by 28 by 48 |

Bales are classified by weight as follows:

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| Small bales.....  | 60 to 100 pounds  |
| Medium bales..... | 100 to 150 pounds |
| Large bales.....  | 150 to 250 pounds |

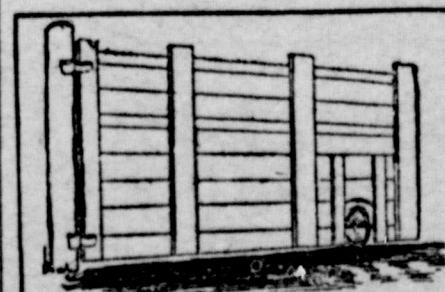
### Selling Hay in Local Markets.

The most satisfactory method of marketing, especially for the beginner, is to sell on the local market. In so doing the producer and consumer come into personal contact and a definite understanding as to the quality or value of the hay may be reached. The question of grades, as they are known in the city market, is eliminated, and there is little need to discuss grades or to sell hay on grade, because the consumer is present and can inspect the hay and form his own opinion as to its value. Production of market hay is treated in Farmers' Bulletin No. 508, and may be had free upon application to the editor in chief of the division of publications, United States department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., as long as the supply lasts.

## WHEELED GATE EASILY MADE

Small Boy Can Manage Movable Frame Without Effort—Old Wheel From Sweep Rake Is Used.

I have invented a handy gate which any farmer can make with very little work. Hang the gate three inches



A Wheeled Gate.

from the ground, then take two 2 by 4s and spike these to the gate about eight inches apart close to the end of the gate farthest from the post on which it is swung. Then take a wheel from an old sweep rake, or an old

plow wheel, writes Frank Jurgens of Carthage, Ill., in Farm Progress. Cut the gate planking enough to carry the weight of the gate. This will make you a gate that will be so easily managed that any small boy can open and shut it.

**Soil Improvement Plan.**  
Don't expect lime to do everything. It won't and can't. It simply paves the way for the clover, or alfalfa. In case alfalfa is seeded, inoculate before or during seeding to insure a successful crop. If the soil is very poor, an application of manure plowed under will prove exceedingly profitable. It must be remembered, therefore, that liming and fertilizing should go hand in hand in any soil improvement plan.

**Poison for Cutworms.**  
Dry bran mixed with paris green until it is of a greenish color and then moistened with thin molasses water makes a preferred cutworm food, and when scattered about growing plants will put an end to hundreds of the pests.



## TEXAS NEWS

A corn mill and elevator is being built at Odem.

A big levee project is being considered at Freeport.

Texas oil producers are feeling good over the advance in prices.

Peaches are being shipped daily from the Palestine district.

A ginners' association has been organized in Gonzales county.

Work is progressing rapidly on Alvin's 26 miles of shell roads.

A 10,000-bale cotton warehouse has just been completed at Cuero.

The new \$12,000 brick school at Joaquin is nearing completion.

Work on the new model school building at Berclair is progressing.

A movement is on foot for the erection of an oil mill at Fredericksburg.

The Texas Automobile Association held its semi-annual meeting in Galveston last week.

The question of building adequate good roads in Gillespie county is being agitated at this time.

The annual meeting of the Texas Abstracters' Association will be held at Corpus Christi on August 3.

Carloads of horses are arriving daily in Texas City for shipment to Europe for use in the armies of the allies.

Henry E. Ransom of Houston has been appointed captain of company B, Texas Ranger force, with headquarters at Harlingen.

The twenty girls who escaped recently from the Dallas County Girls' Industrial Home at Elam, have been returned to the institution.

Major J. W. Young was selected as the first president of the Palestine-Houston Highway Association at its organization at Crockett recently.

The Texas railroad commission has made a ruling which equalizes Houston with Galveston on rates with reference to the reconcentration of cotton.

The Texas railroad commission announced this week that the hearing on the application of the Texas lines for an increase in rates will resume on September 1.

A Masonic field day was held in Kenedy last week; San Antonio, Floresville, Alamita, Helena, Runge, Yorktown, Goliad and Beeville lodges were represented.

Bonds to the amount of \$100,000 for the paving of the first link in the Houston-Livingston-Lufkin highway through San Jacinto county were voted a few days ago.

A permit was issued this week to the Waddell Investment Company of Kansas City to do business in Texas, capital stock \$100,000, and Texas headquarters at Paris.

As a result of a vigorous diversification campaign the Corpus Christi country raised the largest crop of Indian corn, milo maize, Kaffir corn, sorghum and feterita ever raised in that section.

The first rural school district in Bell county to take advantage of state aid as furnished by the million-dollar appropriation is that of Lost Prairie, where at a special election a 50c maximum-maintenance tax was voted.

The American Land and Irrigation Company sold their holdings at Mercedes, Hidalgo county, consisting of 100,000 acres of land, the Mercedes townsite hotel and canal system to a St. Louis syndicate for \$3,500,000.

A proclamation has been issued by the governor establishing a quarantine, beginning August 1, against cattle and stock infected with ticks in the territory embracing the Trent independent school district in Taylor county.

The deep sea fishing smack Bohemian returned to Port Arthur recently with 9,000 pounds of red snapper. The catch was made at a point about one hundred miles below the mouth of the Rio Grande and outside of the three-mile limit.

Dallas county is the richest county of the State, according to the tax estimates submitted to the comptroller's department. Figures show Dallas, \$142,131,630; Harris, \$135,000,000; Bexar, \$109,869,686; Tarrant, \$100,000,000; McLennan, \$55,870,310, and Jefferson, \$52,453,025.

## CALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK, UGH! IT'S MERCURY AND SALIVATES

**Straighten Up! Don't Lose a Day's Work! Clean Your Sluggish Liver and Bowels With "Dodson's Liver Tone."**

Ugh! Calomel makes you sick. Take a dose of the vile, dangerous drug tonight and tomorrow you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you feel sluggish and "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour, just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store or dealer and get a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful tonight and if it doesn't

straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous by morning I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it cannot sally or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

### Borrowed Finery.

The wedding party was moving down the aisle, and as the bride passed a woman friend sitting with her husband whispered: "She's wearing a veil loaned by her grandmother. Isn't it a beauty?"

"It certainly is," replied her husband, "but just look at the white waistcoat the bridegroom is wearing. He borrowed that from me."

### Invokes God's Reward For Pellagra Cure

Jumbo, Va.—J. H. Satterwhite writes: "I want to thank you for what you have done for me. You have cured my wife. God bless you in your work. I hope some day to see you; if I never see you I hope to meet you in heaven. God will reward you for your grand and noble work."

There is no longer any doubt that pellagra can be cured. Don't delay until it is too late. It is your duty to consult the resourceful Baughn.

The symptoms—hands red like sunburn, skin peeling off, sore mouth, the lips, throat and tongue a flaming red, with mucus and choking; indigestion and nausea, either diarrhoea or constipation.

There is hope; get Baughn's big Free book on Pellagra and learn about the remedy for Pellagra that has at last been found. Address American Compounding Co., box 2088, Jasper, Ala., remembering money is refunded in any case where the remedy fails to cure.—Adv.

### Not Acquainted With Adam.

In his interesting book of memories, "Sixty Years in the Wilderness," Sir Henry Lucy has an amusing story about Sir Francis Burnand. Sir Henry and Sir Francis were talking together at a big public luncheon when a very important-looking guest, arrayed in a brilliant uniform, came up and effusively shook hands with Burnand, who appeared surprised at the act.

"I see you don't know me from Adam," said the stranger.

"My dear sir," answered Burnand gravely, "I didn't know Adam."

### Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.—Adv.

### Considerate.

"I see you're teaching your wife to play golf. Is she an apt pupil?"

"Oh, she doesn't care for the game at all. I'm merely teaching her the rudiments, so I can discuss the game with her when I come home from the links."

### LADIES!

#### —Take CAPUDINE—

For Aches, Pains and Nervousness. IT IS NOT A NARCOTIC OR DOPE— Gives quick relief—Try it.—Adv.

### Harmony.

"I'm going to select new uniforms for my baseball team," said the manager. "Can you suggest anything?"

"How about caps of green billiard cloth to match their ivory domes?" said the disgusted roofer.

Be just to your neighbor. Some day he may be on the jury that is trying your case.

### Should Sport a Sign.

A man born with a harelip is of few days and full of trouble. In a central Missouri town lives a man who possesses a harelip and a motor car. He had been much interested in the spread of the jitney idea, and the other day, when starting out to the county seat of his county, he saw a number of his fellow citizens waiting at the railroad station for a train to the same place, and decided to do a little jitneying himself. Driving up to the station he called out what his friends took to be a cordial invitation to joy ride to the county capital, and they accepted promptly. On arriving at the courthouse they were surprised—and grieved—by a demand for 50 cents apiece.

"Pay nothin'!" exclaimed one. "You never said a word about pay. You just drove up and hollered: 'Git in the car!'"

"I didn't either say yit in the car," wailed the harelip man. "I said yitney car."

### Magic Washing Stick

This is something new to housewives—something they have wanted all their lives, but never could get before. It makes it possible to do the heaviest, hardest washing in less than one-half the time it took by old methods, and it eliminates all rubbing and muscular effort. No washing machine is needed. Nothing but this simple little preparation, which is absolutely harmless to the finest fabrics—white, colored or woolen. It makes the hardest task of the week a pleasant pastime—a delightful occupation. You will be delighted at the clean, spotless, snow-white clothes that come out of the rinsing water; and all without any effort on your part. The Magic Washing Stick does it all—and remember, without injury to the most delicate goods, colored or white, woolens, blankets, lace curtains, etc. Contains no acids, no alkalis, no poisonous ingredients to make its use dangerous. 15 washings 25 cents.

Sold by all Druggists and Grocers everywhere. If yours doesn't handle it, show him this ad—he'll get it for you. Or send 5c in stamps to A. B. RICHARDS CO., Sherman, Texas.—Adv.

### Life on the Farm.

A certain theatrical manager, whose eight-year-old son is visiting on a farm, received the following letter from him recently:

"Dear Father—I am having a 'lyne time. I no a kid named Skeets Wilson and me and him are it up here. We bethe three fellers up today and I got the toothe we nuked out of one's mouth. Tonite we are going to steele ole mon Dink's cow and cutt the tossell off hur tale. I no a hog I can ryde in the piggs pean and a mule kicked me yestiday. I got a pet rat to take to bed with me and tomorrow I am going to get a snake to put down Ant Em's back. Won't that be rediklous? Willie."

### Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

### No Help Then.

"Hints on courtship abound. Every magazine will tell you how to win a wife. Anybody will gladly post you on the etiquette of love-making."

"What's in your mind?"

"But after a man marries he has to shift completely for himself."—Pittsburgh Post.

### MANY WAR ZONE HOSPITALS

Have ordered Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder, for use among the convalescent troops. Shaken into the shoes or dissolved in the foot-bath, Allen's Foot-Ease gives refreshing rest and comfort and prevents the feet getting tired or foot-sore. Try it TODAY. Don't accept any substitute. Sold Everywhere, 25c. For FREE sample, address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.—Adv.

### Difference of Opinion.

He—You are the idol of my heart. She—That's all right; but I don't intend to have any idle business in this family.

## UNHEALTHY LIFE IN CITIES

Statistics Show That Dwellers in "Human Bee Hives" Have Shortened Days of Existence.

Forty years will soon be the old age mark for business men if there does not come a change in the manner of living in cities, according to deductions of Dr. Louis B. Weismiller, physical director of the New York West Side Y. M. C. A. These deductions are based on the examination of more than 2,000 men during the last year.

Notwithstanding all that has been said about the advantage of a sound mind in a sound body, the tendency in large cities, Doctor Weismiller says, is to go on demonstrating excessive activity of mind. The condition is said to be peculiar to hustling business men. Result—tuberculosis, because of the campaign against it, has been on the decrease, while diseases of the heart, arteries and kidneys which belong normally only to old age, have been on the increase, until there are more deaths from the latter than from tuberculosis.

We are told that life is too tense and this tense condition is allowed to hold on too long. A more general regard for the advantage of play that will cause complete forgetfulness of business is suggested as the only solution of the problem of assuring rational health conditions.

## RESINOL SURELY MAKES ITCHING ECZEMA VANISH

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The people of the community are invited and urged to attend the services.

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The Messenger received a pleasant call Saturday morning from F. A. Lively, who formerly lived east of town, but living near Lovelady. Accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Etta Garner of Cameron, and his son, Ozzie, of Chicago, he had been out visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Pennington at Daly's. Ozzie Lively is now working for a large piano concern in Chicago and is doing well. He is considered to be one of the best piano tuners in the United States, and is also a successful salesman. We are glad to hear of his success.

**EMPTY WAGONS**

The tragedy of the Southwest is that so many farm wagons go to town empty and come back with a load, and so few go there loaded and come back empty.

Except in the busiest seasons most of our farm folks take Saturday afternoon off and go to town. Some go as a matter of habit; many go on some errand, usually to lay in supplies for the week. The wagons you meet going to town are empty; those you meet going back to the farm home have from a few parcels to a load.

In every community, however, there is one farmer—sometimes more—who seldom goes to town with an empty wagon. Regardless of the season he and his family have something at home marketable in the town. In the spring it may be fresh vegetables; in the summer, watermelons, peas and fruits; in the fall, syrup, peanuts, turnips, turkeys; in the winter, spare-ribs, back-bone and sausage; the year round, eggs, chickens, butter. Sometimes it's a load of corn, or other feed, he can spare from a surplus.

Of course such a wagon, when it goes back home, seldom carries a load of groceries, other than a little sugar and coffee and flour. It never carries back a load of feed. And of course on such a farm there is plenty to eat for man and beast, the family dresses well, and there are comforts and conveniences in the home. Needless to say, doubtless, that the family is happy and contented.

More of our farmers need to get the habit of taking something to town to sell. The townspeople want the products of the farm, and you can supply them without interfering with your ordinary operations. It is a habit that spells thrift and prosperity.

Let there be fewer empty wagons on the road to town.—Farm & Ranch.

**LOCAL NEWS FROM UNION**

July 26.—One more rain has fallen and all of it was gratefully received by the people.

Mrs. Whitescarver and daughter of near Grapeland are spending some time here with relatives and friends.

The meeting which is to be held at Midway begins Friday night, July 30. Services are to be conducted by a Mr. Lemons. A singing school opens Monday, August 2nd. This is to be at the school house and is to be under the direction of Prof. W. J. Starkey of Salmon.

A good audience was present at the last meeting of the society. We had with us Misses McKnight and Bridges and Mr. Caskey and another Mr. whose name we failed to get from New Prospect. Then from Salmon were two Miss Murdocks, a Mr. Trig and perhaps others whom we cannot name. We were glad to have them with us and invite them and others to be here at any time.

We are sorry to hear of the death of an infant of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herod.

Blue Jay

The Messenger was honored Saturday by a call from Mr. I. M. Baber of the Antrim community, who left a dollar to shove his subscription a year ahead. Mr. Baber has just passed the seventy-fifth mile-stone in the journey of life. Although old in years, he is still young in spirit, and is healthy and active and can do a man's work. He has made a crop this year, and it's a good one. He has been a farmer fifty years and always raises his living at home.

R. R. Thames of the Glover community was in town on business one day last week, and paid the Messenger office an appreciated visit. Mr. Thames reports a good rain in his community and that feed crops are excellent.

Starling Boykin, who is traveling, was here Saturday and Sunday with his family.

**COMMUNITY CO-OPERATION**

We have had a great deal to say to our readers about the advantages and possibilities of properly directed co-operative effort.

Developments in many communities in the Southwest are bearing us out in our contention that the undivided cooperation of the residents of this or any other locality, will result in increased prosperity and happiness to all interested persons.

In one Texas county that we know of the merchants, bankers and professional men have all joined hands in a movement designed to develop the possibilities of the community to the highest point. Results being secured are most satisfying and the people are wondering why they waited so long to get together and take advantage of the opportunities so long at their at their command.

The leading banker in one of the towns in the above mentioned county stated to the writer that, while every interest and individual engaged in the work is due a share of credit, the greater part of it belongs to the merchants who bear the brunt of the hard work and expense. It is needless to say that these merchants could not extend their co-operation unless their business were in a healthy condition. In other words it is necessary for people in the community to patronize local stores in order to enable the merchants to take active part in community welfare work.

This community offers as good opportunity for work of this kind as any other section. We will gladly do our part, as we have always done, in any movement for the good of this community.

**CAR OF MAIZE FEED**

I have on the track, a car load of maize, the best feed you can buy. This will be the last car of the season so you had better get a supply now. adv J. W. Howard.

**HOW ABOUT IT?**

Governor Ferguson was the guest of the good people of Center Wednesday and made a speech at the big east Texas log rolling, in the course of which he is reported as having referred to the present industrial condition of Texas and said that one could understand why Texag was not advancing more rapidly when he went into our homes. He found our plates made in England, our knives and forks made in New York, our beds and chairs made in Michigan, our breakfast food made in Battle Creek, our lard made in Kansas City, our plow stock made by the John Deere company, our mules raised in Missouri, and the only home product found on our farms was the "damned old dog," which kept us awake all night by his long-eared, howling. —Lufkin News.

**WHY YOU SHOULD TRADE WITH FIRMS THAT ADVERTISE**

It is folly to consider that the consumer pays for the advertising any more than he pays rent, the clerk hire, the proprietor's living expenses, etc. The firm's advertising makes it possible for the consumer to buy better goods at lower prices, because it creates and continues to increase the firm's sales, where other expenses do not. The firm that advertises believes in more sales on a small margin, whereas the non-advertiser may figure greater profits on the sales that happen to come to him.

**NOTICE TO GINNERS**

We are prepared to furnish the necessary cotton sample wrappers to comply with the new ginner's law, which requires the ginner to take three samples from each bale of cotton and put them in a sealed wrapper. We have booked several orders and would like to have all orders in by August 1, so we can get them out in time for the ginning season. Our prices will compare favorably with foreign houses, so keep this money at home. The Messenger, Grapeland, Texas.

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For the splendid patronage accorded us during the eight weeks you have been in our little city, and desire to heartily thank you for it. It has been a great pleasure to us to render what aid we could in making your stay pleasant, and now that the parting time has come, we reluctantly bid one and all good bye.

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