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# Messenger.

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Nov. 1.-We are having some

The farmers of this section have about finished gathering

their crops. Syrup making and potato digging is the order of

The people here are not uneasy

of starving this winter, as they

will have plenty of corn bread,

speckled peas, sweet potatoes

attendance was small, but now

there is a large number of pupils

attending and preparations are

being made for a good winters

the box supper at Percilla last

Several from here attended

When the school first began

and ribbon cane syrup to eat. Our school is progressing nice-

FROM WANETA

LOCAL NEWS

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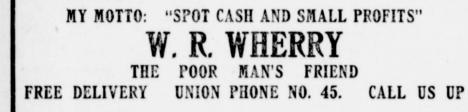
## A FEW DOTS FROM THE BARGAIN STORE

### A BIG SHIPMENT OF DRY GOODS TO ARRIVE THIS WEEK

A car of Gladiola flour to arrive this week. We are still giving 100 cents worth for every'dollar spent with us. We are not offering you something for nothing. We are not offering a few staple articles below cost. That is why we don't overcharge you on anything that you buy. The only premium that we offer you is 15 to 25 per cent saving on your purchases, and everybody draws this prize when they trade with us.

Don't forget that we handle the best line of shoes and staple dry goods in town. Don't squander your money. Remember that one dollar cash next spring will get you nearly as much as two dollars on credit.

Corne to Grapeland where the High Cost of Living has been reduced



#### **TO TRY NOLAN AND AUSTIN**

Crockett, Texas, October 31.ty.

WAREHOUSE LAW UPHELD

Fort Worth, Texas, October Sheriff Bob Spence returned to- 31.-"Efforts to knock out the day from Huntsville having in enacting clause of the State guson stole a march on their charge Hart Austin and Floyd warehouse law have failed." Nolan, who will be tried here in This announcement was made by home of Rev. Foster. We wish district court Tuesday and Don Biggers, formerly. State Thursday of coming week on a representative from Lubbock, charge of bank robbery, alleged now lecturer for the State markto have been committed in Harris eting and warehouse deportment. from here went to Percilla Suncounty several months ago. The Biggers said the opinion has day afternoon. cases were transferred here by been written and will be handed Judge C. W. Robinson of crimi- down probably Wednesday, by B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM SUNDAY, nal district court of Harris coun- the court of criminal appeals at Austin.

Saturday night. On Sunday morning, Oct, 21, the death angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Barnes and took from their midst their infant daughter. Her remains

were laid to rest in the Muse cemetery. Rev. Foster conducted the funeral services. The community extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

Miss Carnie Murchison visited Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sewell of Percilla Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Hettie Sheffield entertained the young people with a Halloween party Friday night.

There is a great deal of sickness in the community at this writing.

Sunday afternoon Mr. Harry Lively and Miss Willie Lee Ferfriends and were married at the them a long, happy and prosper ous life.

A few of the young people

NOV. 7.

Leader, Miss Jewel Taylor. Song. Prayer, Lord's Prayer. Song. Secretary's report. Song. Sentence prayers by members. Scripture reading, 2 Cor., 3 -6, and introduction-Leader. 'God commends His workers by blessing their work," and we must do the work to receive the commendation"-T. S. Kent. Efficiency - the final test-Georgia Bell Richards. Our christianity tested by what our community is like-W. D. Granberry. The New Testament Test-Rev S. W. Edge. Song.



## Just A Word

Many of the most discriminating eaters in this community buy their groceries at this store.

There are just two reasons why they buy them here. 1st, they get exactly what they want. 2nd the price is so low it is more than satisfactory to them.

Can you think of a better reason why YOU should buy your groceries from us? If it is so eminently satisfactory to them it would be equally so to you.

#### THE CASH GROCERY COMPANY FREE DELIVERY Phone us Your Orders

# New Shoes!

We have shoes for you--for all members of the family. Come in and let us show them to you.

Auction Sale!

Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1915, at 10 O'clock

at my place 4 1-2 miles north of Grapeland, just west of the Palestine road.

#### AUCTIONEER IN GOOD **CHARGE** !

All household articles and kitchen furniture **Farming Implements** 2 good work mules 2 horses 3 young mares 1 mare and colt 3 good Jersey milch cows and 2 calves 1 coming 2 year old heifer 6 head of good meat hogs 1 good farm wagon 200 bushels of corn 4000 pounds of speckle peas And numerous other articles

All of the above to be sold to the highest bidder.

Terms of Sale will be announced on the ground. Attend this sale and purchase some things you need at a bargain price. All must go!--highest bidder gets them. Remember the date--Tuesday, Nov. 9, at 10 o'clock.

H. S. HARRISON

Closing prayer.

#### Do You Have Sour Stomach?

If you are troubled with sour stomach you should eat slowly and masticate your food thoroughly, then take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Obtainable everywhere.

#### CORN WANTED

Since losing my barn and contents by fire, I am in the market for 1000 bushels of sound corn; will pay 50c per bushel. I have made arrangements with Olan Davis to weigh and pay for same, so bring it to his scales:

Geo. Calhoun.

For the serious diseases that attack the kidneys, Prickly Ash Bitters is an unfailing remedy. Leaverton.

## New Car of Blue Ribbon Flour **Fresh Groceries** Seed Oats Pure Wheat Shorts

Give us your next bill and be among the many satisfied customers that trade with us.

### WE BUY COTTON

McLean & Riall THE HOME OF DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE BOTH PHONES FREE DELIVERY

### LETTER FROM MR. BROOKS

Lampasas, Texas, October 26. To all my friends back in good old Houston county, and especially those who read the Grapeland Messenger, will say that since my last letter to the Messenger, I have drifted about fifty miles to the south west of Gatesville and find myself stopping in one Relieves backache, swelling of the oldest towns in this part of the feet and persistent headache Texas. This is the land of turksymptoms which indicate kid - eys and pecans, besides many tell about, but will quit for the ney trouble. Sold by D. N. other marketable products. In present, lest I take up too much adv fact, they raise an abundance of space.

everything here that we do around Grapeland, except peas and peanuts, but in that line there is nothing doing. I was surely glad when I got over here and found a copy of the Messenger lying on this desk. It was like getting a letter from home. Yes, a whole handful of them. I am contemplating a trip over into San Saba county and as the Messenger is a regular visitor in Frank's home, and thinks it is worth its room. I will write again from time to time. There are many things I would like to W. F. Brooks.

hours she would be freed from all the consequences of our rash act. It was the reaction which had given her such high spirits, the exhilarating sense of escape, a relief so profound as to cause her to even forget her father's death. This was the conception which took possession of me, obliterating every other possibility.

At first the thought served to numb my faculties, and I rode forward with lowered head, all interest in life dead within me. Then pride came to the rescue, and I straightened up in the saddle. She was my wife-that slender, laughing girl! Of course I would never claim her; no word would ever pass my lips to bring her pain and humiliation. No one would ever know -excepting us two. But if I did speak she could not deny, and she must realize why I had kept silent, why I had even gone down to death with closed lips.

And then-there was yet a chance! While there was life there was hope. and I was soldier enough, and sufficiently reckless, to accept of any opportunity. There might occur a relaxation in the vigilance of the guard, some delay at Lewisburg, possibly a forwarding of me to headquarters at Charleston-some sudden, unexpected opening through which 1 could squeeze. I was ready enough to try, however desperate the occasion; and. "And as Major Harwood's daugh- if such a chance did serve, the end might not come merely with escape. fore me. "I desire to be heard, and to I could see her again; talk with her face to face. It became a fascinating dream, an inspiration-at last a grim determination.

Through the mud we rode steadily on, following the pike that curved along the tase of the mountains, and finally into the streets of Lewisburg.

> 1000 CHAPTER XV.

Sec. 8

changes had occurred since last I walked those streets hand in hand with my father. It had not grown any larger, and thus far the war had wrought little damage. The most of life in the sleepy old town centered "True enough," and Whitlock stepped about the Frost hotel, a three-story to the door. "Sergeant, bring a file of wooden structure, where the officers men, and take charge of this prisoner. of the garrison lodged, and the court-There is nothing to detain us longer. house, a dignified edifice of red brick. We have extra horses, Captain Fox, a block beyond, where in other days and you will ride with us as far as my father presided on the bench, now Lewisburg; Miss Harwood, I presume completely surrounded by a military you have no desire to remain here camp. There were more Federal solalone-indeed, I could not permit it. diers here than I had expected to see, Better bind the fellow's hands, Har- but a remark exchanged between two per; search him first for weapons, and of my guard informed me that most whatever papers he may carry. Mount of these had arrived during the night him on that old artillery horse, and -a regiment of Ohio troops, and a battery of light artillery, destined to Raymond watched the proceedings assist in a contemplated attack on

hands of the sergeant, and reading in front of the hotel, but Whitlock The captain was hatless, and a them over with a grim smile. I gave shouted a command to the sergeant, small heed to the glance of satisfac- and we rode on past, the guard closing tion with which he regarded me, and up tightly. I kept my face straight black with mud. He saw Whitlock only ventured to look once toward the ahead, determined to make no sign, first, and gripped his hand warmly, his girl, as the soldiers roughly bound my but, nevertheless, I had a glimpse of glance straying from the face of the hands. She had turned away, and was Noreen, standing at her horse's head, little captain to the other occupants staring out of the open window. I and, for an instant, I felt certain her hed out into the hall closely sur- eyes were resting on me. Then Ray-"Gad, but it is good to see a blue rounded by the guard, my thought less mond spoke to her, touching her uniform again," he exclaimed heartily. concerned with my own fate than with sleeve familiarly with his hand to at-"What was the row here, Fred-some her feeling toward me. Suddenly the tract attention, and she smiled up into his face, as if in answer to some witty remark. This was the last glimpse I had as we clattered on down the At the courthouse steps the sergeant turned me over to the officer of the day, and I was marched into the basement. The old jail had evidently been burned, for I could see the roof had fallen in, and the stone walls were blackened with smoke, but the lower story of the courthouse was bastile enough, the windows barred, the walls strong and thick. The place in which they thrust me had at one time protected the county records, was perhaps nine feet square, with one narrow window high up in the wall, and an iron door. The floor and wails were of stone, and the ceiling beyond reach. A soldier threw in a box, to be utilized as a seat, together with a couple of blankets. "There, Johnny," he said carelessly, "I guess you'll stay here till you're wanted. There'll be some grub along after awhile." The iron door clanged behind him, and I heard the sharp click of a heavy lock, then regular steps passing back and forth across the stone floor, proof that a sentinel had been posted. There seemed little need of one as i sat down on the box and stared disconsolately about. The window afforded ample light, but no hope of escape. The shelves on which had once reposed the records of Green Briar county were of iron, as a safeguard against fire, with a sheet of iron at their back, concealing the wall behind. My heart gave a sudded hap. As a boy I had played about this building, invading every book and corner. I could even recall when those shelves were first installed, and I had sat almost where I was sitting then, and watched the workmen bolt them into their present position. It was before my father bought the place out on the ridge, and we were living only a block down the street. Those shalves rested against the big chimney, and Ramsay." at the knowledge that within a few there was an opening leading into it, I stood motionless a moment, en-

iron to the wall.

If I could once get in behind that iron plate the way out would not be Pickney, and respectfully decline. I such a hard or difficult one to travel.



#### I Gave Small Heed to the Glance of Satisfaction He Gave Me.

The chimney was large: I recalled standing upright in the fireplace on the floor above, and looking up to where I could perceive the light of the sky. It was constructed of irregular bits of stone, which would afford lodgment for the feet, and grip for the hands in climbing-no easy job, of course, but not impossible for one reckless enough to make the attempt.

But how could I hope to pry loose that protecting sheet of iron? Where could I discover a tool to give me the necessary leverage to dislodge those bolts? Could one of those supports be unscrewed or twisted off? If so, it might prove strong enough for the purpose. I stepped hastily across, and tested two of them with my hands, but found both these firm and immovable. dare not exercise much force in fear the noise might be coerieard, and

besides it was time the failer brough me in some food. So I went back to my seat on the box, and waited, my eyes on the iron, and my mind eagerly working on some plan which seemed feasible. I had a half dozen keys it my pocket, and a broken cartridge shell in my belt-nothing else avail clean. A careful survey of the floor down again-there was someone at the door.

It opened, and a soldier stood aside while two men entered. One was Fox, must act now, if at all. the other a heavy-set, gray mustached

across which they had nailed a tin deavoring to straighten the matter out protector before they fastened the in my mind. When I spoke it was as briefly as possible.

"I can only thank you, Colonel will not answer your questions, sir." Fox gripped my arm, and as I

glanced at him, I was surprised to see a mist of tears in his eyes.

"Wyatt," he exclaimed, making no pretense at calmness, "do not be hasty in your decision. I would not counsel you to any act of dishonor, but surely some compromise is possible. I not only ask you to consider the situation from your own standpoint, but also from ours. I accompanied Colonel Pickney in the hope I might have some influence." He hesitated an instant, as though doubtful of his words. "Perhaps I should say, my boy, that another urged me to come."

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"Another?" "Yes-a lady."

My head swam, my heart beating like a triphammer

"Do-do you mean, Captain Fox, that she actually asked you to urge me to save myself by such an act?"

"No, Wyatt; not that. She requested me to accompany Colonel Pickney, and do all I could on your behalf."

I drew a long breath of relief, my mind clearing, my resolve strengthened. She did care then! Gcd knew I was glad; and she had not urged me to an act of dishonor. And I knew, I understood-she wished me to realize that she was not indifferent to my fate, that her interest was not dead; and she had sent the message to me by the only man she could trust to rightly deliver it. My heart lightened, and my lips smiled.

"I thank you for your message, Captain Fox," I said sincerely, clasping his hand. "Tell her how glad it made me. But it cannot change my decision; I will answer no questions."

"This is your final reply, sergeant?" the colonel's voice had hardened; his eyes had lost their friendliness. "Good day, sir."

The door opened to the rap of his knuckles, and the two men passed out, neither one glancing back at me. The sentry asked a question, and I heard Pickney answer:

"Yes, set the food within, but let no one communicate with the prisoner except on my written order. I will have another sentry posted above."

A soldier entered, bearing a camp ration and a pannikin of water, and placed these on the box. He said nothing, and the colonel stood beside the door watching until I was left alone. 1 put the food on the floor untouched and sat down on the box. I wanted to live; I was young, ambiable. The searchers had stripped me tious, and-I loved that girl. I realized this truth clearly, and it became revealed only a twisted nail, but there the one ceaseless incentive to effort. was something caught in the iron bars Her face arose before me, and I felt of the window; from where I sat it that her message was meant for my looked like the half of a broken horse encouragement. She wanted me to shoe. I got up to see, but quickly sai live; wished me to know that she was

not indifferent; trusted me to accomplish all that a man could. And I I ate the food, not from any sense

of hunger, but because I needed it to keep up my strength. I was alone, unwatched; there was no place where an eye could peer in on my movements. I dragged the box over to the window, stood on it, and managed to dislodge the bit of iron entangled in the grating. It proved to be part of a discarded horseshoe, flung there carelessly by some farrier and contained three thin-headed nails. With difficulty I loosened one of these and fitted the sharp edge into a screwhead of a shelf bracket. The nail afforded little purchase, and I tried three of the screws before finding one loose enough to turn. By this time my fingers were numb and bleeding, yet the final success set my heart throbbing with exultation. The removal of the screw, which by chance was the lower one, enabled me to insert the remnant of horseshoe beneath the bracket iron. Slowly,

#### COPYRICHT A.C.MECLURG &CO. have played my last card." SYNOPSIS.

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A TALE OF CIVIL STRIFE

CHAPTER I-Confederate Sergeant Wyatt of the Staunton artillery is sent as a spy to his native county on the Green Briar by General Jackson.

CHAPTER II-Wyatt meets a moun-taineer named Jem Taylor, with whom he rides to a house beyond Hot Springs.

CHAPTER III-In the house Wyatt and Taylor meet Major Harwood, father of Noreen and an old neighbor of Wyatt, who is sent to bed while the two other men talk. Wyatt becomes suspicious, and finds that Taylor has murdered Harwood and escaped.

CHAPTER IV-Wyatt changes to the U.S. cavalry uniform he has with him, and rides away in the night, running into a detachment of Federal cavalry, to whom he identifies himself as Lieutenant Raymond, Third U.S. cavalry, by means of papers with which he has been pro-vided. Captain Fox finds Harwood's body and follows. Taylor's trail. and follows Taylor's trail.

CHAPTER V-Fox and Wyatt believe Taylor to be old Ned Cowan. The de-tachment is ambushed. Wyatt escapes to the Green Briar country and goes to Har-wood's apparently deserted home.

CHAPTER VI-Wyatt finds Noreen Harwood alone in her home. She does not recognize him, and he introduces him-self as Lieutenant Raymond.

CHAPTER VII-Parson Nichols comes to the house and tells Noreen of her fa-ther's death.

CHAPTER VIII-Wyatt forces Parson Thichois to confess that he has been sent in advance of Anse Cowan, who proposes to marry Noreen at once, and so quiet title to the land in dispute between the Cowans and Noreen's dead father.

CHAPTER IX-Anse Cowan and his gang arrive and find the preacher bound in a closet. Wyatt and Noreen have con-cealed themselves in the attic.

CHAPTER X-The Cowan gang ran-sacks the house but fails to find the hid-den couple. Wyatt tells Noreen who he is.

CHAPTER XI-Wyatt and Noreen return to the second floor and await the next move of the gang, forcing the preacher to silence.

CHAPTER XII-Unable to escape while the gang is on the first floor and around the house, Wyatt proposes to marry Noreen to protect her from Cowan. She accepts and Wyatt forces the preacher to marry them.

CHAPTER XIII-Cowan's gang is driv-en off by Federal troops, one of whose officers is the real Lieutenant Raymond. Wyatt is trapped, though Noreen attempts to defend him

## CHAPTER XIV.

#### A Prisoner.

bloody handkerchief was wound about his head; his uniform was torn and

here, Wyatt?" "I refuse to answer." "No? Well, Ramsay will get a reply out of you!" "I hardly think so, sir. You hang spies, but do not torture them."

wait for us."

"Is your name really Wyatt?" "It is; I am a sergeant in the Staunton horse artillery." Raymond glanced from my face to where she stood, white-lipped and silent.

"There is nothing else between you?" he asked roughly. "Do you mean to say-' "I hardly think, lieutenant," broke in Whitlock, suddenly realizing his

authority, "it is necessary to ask such questions now. The man confesses himself a spy, and a court-martial will

probe into this matter. We must remember the young lady is the daughter of Major Harwood."

ter," she said gravely, standing beanswer this gentleman's question. I sought to save Sergeant Wyatt because of the special service he has rendered me during the past night. I know nothing of his purpose here. but-but I hold him friend whatever

may be his uniform." The lieutenant bowed, hat in hand. "I intended no criticism of your motives, but a soldier must perform his duty. Under whose orders are you

carefully, taking my credentials as a Covington. Federal recruiting officer from the The head of our little column halted

#### ..... I Choose Death. I knew the town well, and few

of the roon

guerrilla work? Ah! by Jove!" his truth revealed itself to my mind that eyes brightening as he recognized me. I loved the woman I had so strangely "Raymond, I am glad to see you married. again," and he strode forward, his lips smiling, his hand held out. "Old Ned swore to me you were dead, but the sergeant said you got away at the first rush. Not even a scratchhev-?"

"Just a moment, please," and the interested lieutenant interrupted him by a hand on the shoulder. "I believe we have never met before, but I presume you are Captain Fox?"

The latter turned, a trifle indignant at the other's manner.

"I am; what of it?"

"Only I am naturally somewhat interested in your identification of this fellow. To us he has claimed the name of Wyatt, but you address him as Raymond. What Raymond did he represent himself to be?"

Fox stared about in surprise at the faces surrounding him, scarcely able to collect his scattered wits.

"Why," he answered, as though half in doubt of his own words, "Lieutenant Charles H. Raymond, Third cavalry, on recruiting service. I-I met him at Hot Springs, and he showed , me his papers. Isn't-isn't he all right?"

"Well, you can draw your own conclusion," returned the lieutenant, his thin lips curled in a sneer, "for I am Raymond, Third cavalry. This man is a rebel spy."

Escape was impossible; I knew that, for I had considered the chances. Both Whitlock and the lieutenant-the latter with revolver drawn-stood between me and the windows. The hall without was thronged with troopers. and, although I might attain the open door, that would be the end of it. I saw Norcen rise to her feet, her startled face turned toward me, but I held my nerves firm, and managed to smile.

"I expect the jig is up, gentlemen," I acknowledged quietly, determined they should get as little comfort out of me as possible. "I know when I

It is indeed odd how the human street. mind works, and now this new discovery completely eclipsed every other consideration. The thought of possible escape, of any means of defense, never occurred to me. All my memory retained was that last glimpse of her slender figure at the window and the silhcuette of her averted face. What was her thought of me? In the moment of her first surprise she had sprung to my defense, but as soon as she could consider the conditions, her whole nature would turn against meeven now the feeling of disgust had come. She had turned coldly away. hating the very sight of me-staring out of the window until I should disappear, dreading lest I prove cur enough to boast of our relationship. Well, the lady need not fear that. My fate would be swiftly and surely settled-a drumhead court-martial at Lewisburg, a verdict of guilty, and a firing squad at dawn. No one need

ever know, for the preacher's lips could be easily closed. And perhaps Lieutenant Raymond-Bah! my teeth clenched angrily at thought of him, and I tramped on down the stairs to the gruff order of the sergeant.

There were three other prisoners, sallow-faced, roughly dressed mountaineers, one wounded in the arm, but I was kept separated from them with a special guard. Within ten minutes the entire command was in saddle and moving slowly northward. The lieutenant rode in my rear for the first mile, watchful and suspicious. Noreen was riding in advance of the column between the two captains. A gray, circular cape concealed her slender form, but I could observe the frequent turning of her head as she apparently conversed vivaciously with her attentive escorts. Her show of utter, heartless indifference hurt and blinded me. I actually believed the girl was glad of my capture; that she rejoiced

officer, in the uniform of a colonel of infantry. The captain greeted me gravely, and extended his hand.

"I would far rather meet you as I did before," he said, "but war gives us no choice."

"I took my chances and have no complaint," I answered heartily, for 1 liked the man. "I presume there is no doubt as to my fate?"

"I fear not, but the matter is not in my hands, for which I am grateful. This is Colonel Pickney, in command."

I bowed, and our eyes met. The face confronting me was strong and resolute, its expression that of regret.

"A very young man, Captain Fox." he said to his companion, "which fact adds to the unpleasantness of such duty. Your name is Wyatt?"

"Yes, sir."

"You claim connection with the Confederate service-an officer?"

"A sergeant of artillery, sir." He cleared his throat impressively.

"You have the appearance of an intelligent man, Sergeant Wyatt, and must realize the seriousness of your position. I am sure I need not dwell upon the fate which befalls a spy when captured by the enemy. In your case there seems to be no defense possible-you wear Federal uniform; were within our lines, and papers have been found on you of a most incriminating character. It is my understanding you make no denial."

"None, whatever, sir; it would be useless."

There is always a way in which mercy can be extended," he went on earnestly. "Doubtless you possess information which would be of the utmost value to us. I shall gladly use my influence on your behalf if the circumstances warrant."

I glanced aside at Fox, and caught the look of appeal in his face; then back into the expectant eyes of the colonel.

"You have authority to make me this proposition ?" I asked quietly.

"I am in command of this camp, and pledge you my influence with General



So I Went Back to My Seat on the Box.

fearful of creating alarm, the improvised lever wrenched the bracket free, until I was enabled to get firm grip on it with my hands. With foot braced, and every muscle strained. I worked that bit of iron back and forth, tearing it free, until I knew that another wrench would separate it entirely from its fastenings. Then I forced it back into place again, pressed down the loosened screws, carefully gathered together the slight debris littering the floor, and cast it into a dark corner. The bracket seemed as solid as ever. Now I must wait for night.

(To be Continued)

#### REAR ADMIRAL M'LEAN



Rear Admiral Walter McLean, commanding the Fourth division of the Atlantic fleet, has been put in command of the American naval forces off Vera Cruz. His flagship is the battleship Louisiana.



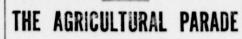
Sabetha, Kan .- Thirty years ago the prairies of Nemaha county were populated with coveys of quail and flocks of prairie chickens. Professional hunters came from the river cities and killed them for market.

These destroyers counted it a poor day's work of 200 birds. These were drawn when killed and shipped daily. On the city markets the chickens brought \$2 a dozen and the quail \$1. The chickens have been exterminated from the county and a farmer who possesses a covey of quail these days considers them so valuable as insect destroyers that he prosecutes hunters who even scare the birds. In those days the quail in the month of September gathered in droves and migrated. They were very tame and quiet when in numbers. They walked or ran as a rule, so that the weakest were not lost. Bird lovers in those days tried to protect the young, but the professional hunters slaughtered them even with clubs.

#### THE MESSENGER, GRAPELAND, TEXAS

nore music. **MAGNIFICENT PARADES** A Traveling Men's parade is expect-FEATURE AT NO-TSU-OH

BEAUTIFUL FLOATS WILL PASS THRU STREETS EXEMPLIFYING ALL THEY REPRESENT.



From An Educational Standpoint the Agricultural Parade Will Lead the Week, With Possible Exception of Historical Parade.

A parade will feature every day of No-Tsu-Oh week is Houston. Some will lead in splendor and gayety, and others in exemplifying the agricultural and economical advantages of South and Southeast Texas, but all will be beautiful.

Experts are designing the gigantic floats that will pass through the streets 'midst the cheers of thousands and the music and melody of many bands.

The agricultural parade will represent twenty-five counties surrounding Houston, and on each the principal products of each section will be attractively displayed. An artistic scheme of decoration will run through every float. No product or group of products will be shown in their bareness. Float makers are using all their ingenuity of embellishment to present them as naturally as they are grown, but with added features of decoration that will make them interesting to those who are only attracted by art and beauty

From an educational standpoint the agricultural parade will lead the week, with the possible exception of the historical parade, in the pageants.

Almost everything that grows will be represented-thus showing the wonderful fertility and diversity of soil as well as the unlimited possibilities in the raising of fruits and truck. The counties in the extreme southern part of the state grow practically all of the fruits and truck grown in tropical climates.

There will be many visitors to Houston from all over the country besides those who come annually for No-Tsu-

Oh. They will have a first-hand opportunity to see what a great variety of choice fruits and vegetables may be raised on soil in Texas that is selling at \$10 to \$50 an acre. Many not acquainted with Texas believe that cotton and cane are the only products of

this section, and it is not uncommon to hear tourists marveling when told of the possibilities here.

The advertising advantages of such a display are not to be measured in words or writing. Nothing could be better and the twenty-five counties taking part in this exhibit are doing everything to excel the neighboring county for the big prizes that are be-

ed to feature Saturday, Traveling Men's Day, although all arrangements have not been made for this event. Many traveling men will be here, but whether they will take part in an individual parade has not been decided.

The best bands in the state, and one outside of the state, are being engaged for the parades. A committee is ex pected to go to the San Francisco exposition for one of the famous bands there. If successful they will have secured a band that has played to thou-

sands since the exposition opened. .....

### DEBATE AT LATEXO

There have been numerous reports concerning the debate at Latexo, and some have been misleading. To get the matter straight and keep it straight for all the time, following are the plans for the occasion:

Joint debate, Hays' Springs and Grapeland representing one side, and the other side represented by Ephesus and Crockett. Question, "Resolved, That there should be an amendment to the Constitution of the United States by the Federal Congress and Senate prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes." The Affirmative will be represented by Messrs. W. A. Riall and Jack Murchison of Grapeland and H. I. Luce of Hays' Springs. The Negative will be represented by Messrs. A. M. Anderson of Ephesus and Mark K. Winfree and Daniel Russell of

Crockett. The program will be rendered under the auspices of the Latexo Epworth League, and will be supplemented by every feature to make the occasion an enjoyable and successful one. The good people of Latexo invite everybody; they promise you a good time, so come.

The time will be November 19, 1915, and the exercises will open at 7:30 o'clock, p. m. Secretary.

### MAY RUN FOR STATE SENATE

Hon. Geo. B. Terrell of this county may decide to become a candidate for the state senate, having the matter under advisement at this time. Hon. Cam Kay of Palestine is also spoken of as a probable candidate. As Townsend will not offer for reelection.-Jacksonville Banner.

### **NEW PROSPECT** HAPPENINGS

Oct. 31.—Health of the community is not so good at the present.

Mr. A. B. Milliken, principal of our school, has been on the puny list the last week, but has not missed any time from school.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Baker are sick also. We hope they will soon recover.

The entertainment at Mr. P. L. Herod's Saturday night, given in honor of Mr. Milliken and sister, Miss Ruth, was well attended, and everybody reports a good time and heard some fine music rendered by Mr. Lee Burden and three Mr. Smiths.

We learn that Miss Nannie Hicks, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Ford Newman, will leave for her home in Oklanoma Tuesday.

Messrs. Jim Parker and A. B. Milliken and Misses Erie Bridges and Ruth Milliken took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Webb Finch today.

Mrs. Bud Brown, who has been suffering with a bad case of sore eyes, is reported to be better.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Lee Finch lost a fine colt last week.

Mr. Sim Finch and family are moving back in our community. We are glad to have them back again.

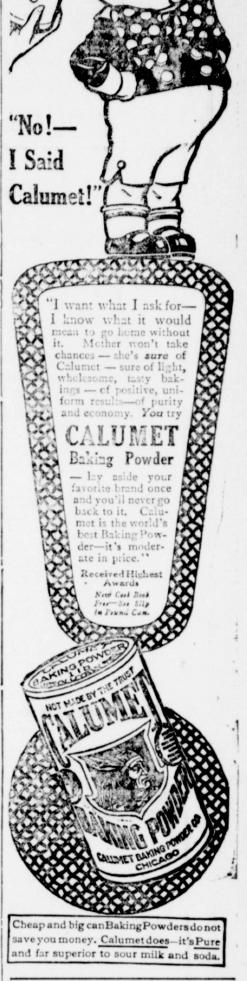
A Messenger Reader.

### **OUR HONOR ROLL**

The honor roll this week covers a period of two weeks. Thanks to all-that dollar certainly looked good to us.

Forest Jones, M. A. Gadway, Laney Johnston, J. P. Adams, John A. Davis, Ben Brooks, Grapeland.

Mrs. M. C. Walling, Mrs. Dave Walling, Claude Brooks, Route 1. John Skidmore, Route 2.



THREE GOOD HEARTY EATERS

One Puts Away Case of Beer, Another Absorbs 27 Bananas and Third Surrounds Huge Melon.

Clio, Mich .--- If restaurants and soft drink counters here should display placards with the business drawing slogans: "All you can eat for a quarter" or "All you can drink for a nickel" they would soon be forced to go into bankruptcy, as this village has four men who are likely candidates for statewide fame in competitive eating contests.

One demonstrated to strangers that he had a storage tank in his physical makeup in which he could store a case of beer with ease inside of an hour, and for their enlightenment he taxed the strangers \$50 as a bet.

Another ate 27 bananas when required to eat 24 to pay for what he ate. The third got on the outside of a 30-pound watermelon, except for the rind and seeds, accompanied by other toods which go to make up a balanced ration for a man's dinner.

THAT'S DIFFERENT.

"She is a girl of unusual beauty." "Introduce me."

"Of unusual beauty of disposition." The Period Manual I "Oh !"

ing offered. The agricultural parade will be held Wednesday afternoon.

The exhibits will show dairying, cotton raising, cane growing, fruit and vegetable growing, the proper methods of harvesting and handling of crops and countless other features,

adequately and prettily explained. Many of the counties have asked for double the space they had last year because they have benefited by its advertising and they will put double the effort behind it to make it a success, yet last year's industrial parade was something the association was highly proud of.

Preceding the agricultural parade, the historical parade will be held. This will be Tuesday afternoon. From the standpoint of beauty it will vie with the flower parade which is to be held Thursday afternoon. Everything of a historical value to Texas will be

portrayed. The historical parade will be one of the most beautiful pageants of the No-Tsu-Oh.

The Mardi Gras features in parades last year are being dropped for the historical pageant. In this new attempt the committee hopes to introduce something that will make a decided hit. The floats are being constructed along precise lines in order that they may portray with no exaggeration, yet adequately, events in the making of the State of Texas that are dear to its natives.

The flower parade is probably the most gorgeous of any. Hundreds of dollars are spent each season in rich decorations. A variety of coloring in paper flowers and streamers combined with skillful designing always makes this pageant among the most attractive of the week.

The Shriners' parade will take place Friday afternoon. Patrols from San Antonio, Austin, Fort Worth, Dallas and Shreveport will be represented. All will bring bands. An effort is also being made to get Oklahoma City to enter. Well drilled men in brightly colored uniforms of different character will be seen in the procession and no one parade of the week will have

#### Sufferer From Indigestion Relieved.

"Before taking Chamberlain's Tablets my husband suffered for several years from indigestion, causing him to have pains in the stomach and distress after eat. ing. Chamberlain's Tablets relieved him of these spells right away," writes Mrs. Thomas Casey, Geneva, N.Y. Obtainable everywhere. adv

M. C. Thomas, Chas. Story A. H. Streetman, J. J. Guice, Route 3.

W. C. Laster, W. M. Brown, heretofore announced Senater Jack Beazley, B. R. Eaves, Route

> J. W. Ellisor, Joe N. Miller, Elkhart, Route 2. W. Z. Brumley, Ed Bush, Geo.

> Brumley, Percilla. Mrs. L. P. Brooks, Corpus Christi.

Ira Kirkpatrick, Augusta. R. H. Wherry, Memphis. Lee Johnston, col., Route 4.

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John Doe

THE MESSENGER, GRAPELAND, TEXAS				
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	Each District According to Number Received on First Call	of BARGAIN PRICES GOOD FOR THIS AND NEXT WEEK		
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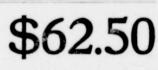
Victoria Dailey . . . 41,760 Elizabeth Lenord . . . 1,995

All votes counted have been placed to the credit of contestants and will be included in the final count for the gold watch in December.

Our second call for votes is made for votes issued up to Saturday, November 20, which must be turned in for count not later than Monday night, Nov. 22

# \$62.50





will be given to contestant for votes at 2nd call as follows: To the contestant in each district turning in the largest amount of votes will receive \$5.00 in gold and the contestant in each district turning in the second largest amount of votes at this call will receive \$2.50. This means that we will give in gold \$7.50 to each of the seven districts. Contestants receiving the gold at our first call will not participate in the gold to be given away at our second call. But they will contest for the gold watch to be given away at our last call.

# Free Blankets and Bridles

We will give free with each saddle sold during this sale a good bridle and saddle blanket free. Positively the free blanket and bridle with saddle sale will not be continued after this sale, November 20th.

I Thank You

## George E. Darsey.

urday, Nov. 20, we will give extra free votes with gun and saddle sales, as follows:

With each single barrel shot gun sold we will give free 500 extra votes.

With each double barrel shot gun sold we will give free 1000 extra votes.

The cut prices on guns advertised will be extended during extra free vote sale.

With each saddle sold under \$20 1000 extra free votes. With each saddle sold over \$20 and under \$30 2000 extra free votes.

With each saddle sold over \$30 and under \$40 3000 extra free votes.

With each saddle sold over \$40 4000 extra free votes.

### EXTRA FREE VOTES ON MEN AND BOYS' PANTS

Beginning this week and until Saturday, Nov. 13, we will give extra free votes with men and boys' pants as follows:

With each pair of boys pants sold 100 extra free votes With each pair of mens pants sold \$2.50 and under 200 extra free votes.

With each pair of mens pants sold over \$2.50 300 extra free votes.

With each order for tailor-made pants taken 500 extra free votes.

With each order for tailor-made suit taden 1000 extra free votes. Orders to be taken by Nov. 13, and delivered as soon as made Extra free votes with shoes and hats advertised last week will be given until Saturday night, November 6th.

## Seed Oats

We have in stock and to arrive this week 1000 bushels of selected seed oats. See us for what you want.

## Contestant's Application

Geo. E. Darsey, Grapeland, Texas. Please enter Mr., Mrs. or Miss (state which)

as a contestant in district No	
Post office	
Do you take the Messenger	

Wirt Murray visited in Love-

S. N. Boykin is having his resi-

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lady Sunday.

side.



We wish to call your special attention to our complete line of Jewelry. Everything is absolutely new and guaranteed. Please take a look at our Cameos, Rings, Lavilliers, Watches, etc. and be convinced that we have an excellent line of Jewelry at right prices.

When you have your prescriptions filled at The People's Drug Store, a graduate in Pharmacy does the work and it is always done accurately. We are very appreciative of your patronage and ask your further favors.

## THE PEOPLES' DRUG STORE" WADE L. SMITH

The kidneys are small but im - ! portant organs. They need help occasionally, Prickly Ash Bitters is a successful kidney tonic and system regulator. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

I have entered Darsey's Cash among the farmers. Register Check Contest in the 2nd District, and, if you have not already promised your tickets to some one else, I will appreciate it very much if you will save them for me. Please leave them at S. E. Howard's store.

(Miss) Helen Owens.

Blake Hodge, who lives several miles north of town on Route 1, is the latest one to buy an automobile, having purchased a 5passenger Ford. It's a sign of prosperity when the farmers beadv gin to buy cars and we would be glad to see more of them in use

#### NOTICE .- GIN DAYS

Beginning next week we will on Friday and Saturday. Herod & Brooks.

call from Mrs. Jim Bridges of D. N. Leaverton. Elkhart. I will appreciate your help and

motored to Dodge Sunday.

influence in the contest at Darsey's. Pat Taylor, Elkhart, R. F. D. No. 2, Box No. 59.

#### FOR SALE

My place of 70 acres cheap. See or write Bud Brown, Route 3, Grapeland.

#### FOR SALE

1 sow and 8 pigs, 48 days old, of extra good blood. M. E. Bean,

Route 2.

If you have not already promised your Darsey Cash Register Tickets to some one else, I would appreciate your saving them for me

(Miss) Bamma Cunningham.

#### FUR SALE

21.2 inch Leudinghaus wagon S. T. Parker, for sale.

Route 3.

J. J. Guice of Route 3 has the editor's thanks for a quart of fine ribbon cane syrup brought to the office last Saturday. Mr. Guice is now making up his crop and expects to make about 700 gallons.

#### **BRICK FOR SALE**

I have plenty of brick on hand, gin on Thursday, Friday and and can make you a close price Saturday, and the week following on them-\$8.00 per 1000. If you need any see me.

T. H. Leaverton



This fall and winter we are making some exceptionally attractive offerings in dry goods and everything else you wear. Never before have we been so fortunate in advance selections, and never have we been so well pleased with the quality and values as we are with our present fall and winter stock.

#### **BUY BRICK NOW**

Have plenty on hand to supply your wants. \$8.00 per 1000-or 80c per 100.

T. H. Leaverton.

Rev. J. B. Luker, wife and baby of Hemphill spent a few Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kerr hays here last week visiting relatives and friends. They made the trip in an automobile with dence recovered and remodeled out a mishap. by adding a porch to the south

A bottle of Prickly Ash Bitters kept in the house and used The Messenger was favored occasionally means good health severely cut his foot with an axe Monday afternoon by a pleasant to the whole household. Sold by

> U. M. Brock, John A. Davis, Ben Brooks, M. P. Herod and Pink Stringer motored to Lovelady Sunday afternoon to view explosion several days ago.

Ruth Cunningham, a former Grapeland boy now living in Dallas, is back on a visit to his mother and brothers who live north of town. He will remain several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Parker visited the Dallas fair last Sunday. returning home Monday night. They report a most pleasant time.

Mrs. E. P. Lynch returned to her home in Houston last Friday, after spending a few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Anthony.

Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Boykin and children left Sunday morn ing for Galveston, where they will place their daughter, Miss Mabel, under the care of an eye specialist.

The Messenger is requested to announce that there will be a singing at Oak Grove the third Sunday in this month, beginning promptly at 10 o'clock in the morning. The singing will be lead by Prof. W. R. Campbell and others. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

#### WANTED TO BUY

\$50,000 worth of Land Notes. Robinson Guaranty State Bank and Trust Co., Palestine, Texas.

HOGS WANTED

I want to buy 300 hogs in the next thirty days. Will pay the highest price for same. See me before you sell.

Geo. Calhoun.

Floyd, the 13 year old son of Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Campbell of Salmon, had the misfortune to while chopping wood one day ady last week. It made an ugly wound, but the young man is getting along well.

Howard Anthony of Houston was here last Friday and Saturthe damage wrought by the big day to see his parents and many friends. It was his first visit here in quite awhile.

> I have entered Darsey's Cash Register Check Contest and to any one who has not promised their checks to some one else, I will appreciate it if you will save them for me. Address me at Grapeland, Route 3. (Miss) Ola Willis.

TO MY FRIENDS-I have entered Darsey's Cash Register Check Contest in the 5th District, and would appreciate any assistance you might give me. Please leave your tickets at either of the drug stores. Thanking you in advance for any favors you may show me. (Miss) Polly Pridgen.

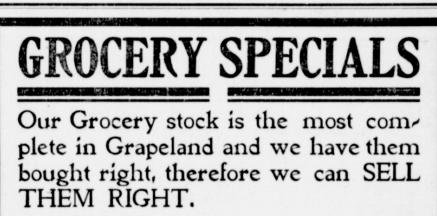
#### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Re-

ward for any case of Catarrh that can-not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Hall's Catarrh Cure has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh Hall's Catarrh Cure acts then Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the Blood on the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison from the Blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Catarrh Cure for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Cure at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.



## LADIES' COATS

Splendid line of ladies' coats, suitable for any occasion, and handsomely made and of the latest styles, very attractive and excellent values, selling all the way from \$12.50 to as low as

\$4.50

## MENS and BOYS SUITS

For a handsome, serviceable, winter suit for men and boys, a suit that will wear like iron, retain its shape and keep that

newness which appeals to every man and boy who values his personal appearance, you should buy one of our suits, at a price to please.

## **OVERCOATS**

Our Overcoats are quite as durable as the suits, and as attractive in appearance and last for several winters. Well lined and comfortable, easy fitting and very cheap at our special price of --

\$7.50 and up

KENNEDY BROS, The Store for Everybody Grapeland, Texas

Pure cane sugar 18-16s for	1.00
100 lb sack granulated sugar	E EO
for	. 5.50
Best flour in town	. 1.60
per sack	. 1.00
Our best high patent flour	. 1.50
per sack	. 1.00
High patent flour per sack	. 1.40
9 bars of laundry soap for	25c
Cooking oil pure white per gallon	65c
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Bulk lard per lb	9c
3 plugs Brown mule tobacco for	25c
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## STOVES!

We have on hand one car of stoves we are going to sell. Come and let us quote the prices on them and you will buy yourself a stove. All sizes and all prices.

## LEATHER GOODS

We have the best price in town on leather goods. Come and try us.

Kennedy Bros.

#### THE GRAFELAND MESSENGER

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Editor and Owner A. B. LUKER, -

Emered in the Postoffice at Grapeland, Texas every Thursday as Second Class Mall Matter.

Subscribers ordering a change of address should give the old as well as the new address.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE-Obltuaries and Resolution e? Respect are printed for half price-2 1-2c per line Ordam matter "not news" charged at regular rates

Our advertising rates are reasonable and quoted a pon application.

Our PURPOSE-It is the purpose of the Messenge e record accurately, simply and interestingly the maral, intellectual, industrial and political progress of Grapeland and Houston county. To aid us in his every citizen should give us his moral and financial support.

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

THURSDAY, NOV. 4, 1915

If you bought it in October on credit pay for it in November.

The giggling girl and the cack ling hen are not akin. The hen is of some value in this world.

If you know of a good news item be sure there are others who would like to know it. Tell DS.

Don't toss a nickel in the col lection box and expect St. Peter. to pass you by. Peter is no cheap guy.

We hope it has been a prosperons week for you-and the same for the next and the others to follow.

Cotton seed hit the forty dollar mark in Grapeland last Satur day. Let 'em go! Our farmers need the money.

Quit doing your shopping out of town and buy your goods from local dealers. That is, buy every thing you can here.

It is now possible for a wireless telephone conversation across the continent. What an opportunity for the gossips

The tongue of the gossip is al ways wagging and that of the snake is always darting, and of the two the snake is the least dangerous because it has fewer

victims.

The Lufkin News announces the publication of the Daily News, commencing last Monday. Lufkin is a good town and there is plenty of business there to pay a daily newspaper. Here's success to you, Watford.

Any man that will knock his own town should be urged to leave it and hunt another that is more congenial to his way of from the information we have it thinking. Elkhart don't want seems that the southern farmers any knockers .- Elkhart Record. Gee, if you've got any don't send 'em down here. We don't want 'em. We're all too busy to quit work to chase away a knocker.

Says The Grapeland Messenger: "Boll weevils are very numerous throughout this sec tion, and they have made their appearance in sections of the cotton belt that have heretofore should be picked as early as possible and cattle turned into the field to consume the green cotton foliage. Where practicable, the cotton stalks should be burned By this mean and a continual fight the pests can be exterminated, or the chances lessened for them to destroy the next crop.

It's all right to let the stock eat the green foliage; but no veg etable matter should be burned on East Texas farms. It's robbing the soil. Vegetable matter makes humus. That is what furnishes plant food or makes it available. If only by a "continual fight" the pest can be exterminated, would it not be bet ter to plant peas, peanuts, potatoes, pumpkins, corn and other crops to fatten the stock and thus fill our barns and smoke houses? East Texas farmers have no right to "fatten" boll weevils. Let's "fatten" something that will, in turn, fatten us and our bank accounts .- Troup Banner.

## **NEWSY LETTER** FROM ANTRIM

Nov. 1.-The weather is fine at this writing, the roads are dry and the price of most things are high and if we only had some cotton seed to sell we would be in the swim. The farmers' motto should be "sella few cotton seed and buy Sallie and the children a dress," but be careful how many you dispose of, as they are what people plant to make more cotton.

From the best we can learn and going to return to a great extent to cotton, and if such proves to be true, they are going to make the mistake of their lives. A man told me a few days past that off of something like four hundred acres he and his people would get only about fifty bales of cotton. A hint to the wise is sufficient. We can't grow cotton when it takes eight acres to make a bale, even at twelve cents. Had been free from this pest. Cotton this years crop been as large as last year, the price would have been about the same as the price for last year's crop. We note with some degree of satisfaction that the Boll Weevil is making himself known over a greater area of the south than has been the case heretofore. The weevil proves to be a forceful reducer of the cotton crop and we are not at all convinced that he is not a friend in disguise. Before he made his appearance in this country very few people planted any other crop except corn and cotton and few people made sufficient corn for their own use. By this I mean enough to properly feed their stock and fatten their meat and when cotton was cheap people suffered. But not so now. Most everybody is practicing diversification to a greater or less extent. A great deal of this is How can I make a bale? due to the influence of the boll weevil. People are harvesting good potato crops through here, despite the long summer drouth. Among those who have dug we will mention the following: J. F. Martin, about 100 bushels; J. F. Durnell, 135 bushels. The writer still claims to be the champion potato grower of this end of Houston county. Wh harvested something over 250 bushels from a pice of ground less than an acre munity, noted for their generous in size, and we yet have some to hospitality, will royally entertain dig. Our total outlay for fertilizer was \$2.55. Now, Mr. Potato You bet! And a well cooked tend are assured of a pleasant Raisers, we are in possession of the goods and if you don't believe



and especially to the people of Grapeland.

Aunt M. Shuter and husband of near Crockett have been spending a few days with their nephew, Mr. J. F. Martin and family.

Mr. William Waddell and Mrs. Lillie Waddell and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Skeen.

Our commissioner, Hon. Ross Murchison, was around last week looking for specimens of farm products for the Houston carnival. The last we saw of him he was headed toward Grapeland with an extra large pumpkin and W. M. Durnell was just one pumpkin short.

Old Gray, we have missed your 'pen," and the same is true of our friend, "Big Jim." Antrimite.

## "HARDSHIPS OF KING COTTON"

I fight the weevil night and day, As well as wind and hail; Sharpshooters too upon me prey,

The army worm it comes each for a consumer's demand. year

And strips me of my leaf, While old Jack Frost is linger-



Strive for the ideal of agricultural perfection within the boundary of your agricultural possessions.

A good farm plus a good farmer equals a good crop-and there is nothing on earth that is equal to a good crop.

A peace-loving neighbor makes himself liked by all of his neighbors, even if all of his neighbors do not like each other.

He is a wise man who profits by his neighbors who know things that he doesn't know, and lets those who do not know what he knows profit by him.

Somebody has to store and hold surplus crops and if the producer can do it he makes the extra profit, otherwise those who buy at auction prices take the profit for the storing and holding

Every member of the home is a member of a partnership in

W. D. Small announces that he has leased the Elkhart Record. He is a good newspaper man, and day night, continuing until Satis improving the Record every urday night. Prof. Duitch, prinweek.

A smiling wife makes a charming background for a stack of steaming hot flapjacks .- Bonham Favorite.

meal is a powerful aid to love. time.

A local teachers' institute will be held at Union, beginning Fri cipal of the Union school, informs us he is expecting a good crowd. The people of the Union com-

their visitors, and those who at-

ing near, Just like a sneaking thief.

The Banker says I belong to him, And the merchant has a claim: My chances do look very slim, But I get there just the same.

I cross the sea as contraband. My fate I do not know; But if I can reach old Fatherland,

I'm sure to stand a show.

which all are to do their part in earning the bread of life, in promulgating those principles of citizenship which make this country great. Children should be impressed with the importance of their service in the home, the school and rural society.

Joe N. Miller, accompanied by his mother, living north of town, paid the Messenger an appreciated visit one day last week.



# Dr. A. W. Nimmo

## Optometerist Of Fort Worth, Texas

Will make free examinations of the eyes and fit glasses all this week. More Hon. Phil Murchison and W. A. than 20 years actual experience, and the finest line of glasses ever shown in this town.

## Leaverton's Drug Store

Next Door to Postoffice

ago in an article on potato growing, that it was one thing to raise them and another to find a market for them. We believe the best way to dispose of them where the price is below 50c per bushel is to boil them and feed them to the hogs. There is nothing better for them. Our school is doing very nicely under the management of Mr.

what we have written, come and be sighted. We said some time

Webb and Miss Patterson.

Our next literary meeting will be Friday night, Nov. 12. A great deal of interest is being manifested on account of the debate which is dated for that time. Riall will represent Grapeland, while G. L. Waddell and John M. Warren will speak for Antrim. Those who wish to hear the question of "Woman Suffrage" intelligently discussed should not miss this. There will also be other features including songs, recitations and music. We extend a hearty invitation to all,

## The Most Satisfactory Method

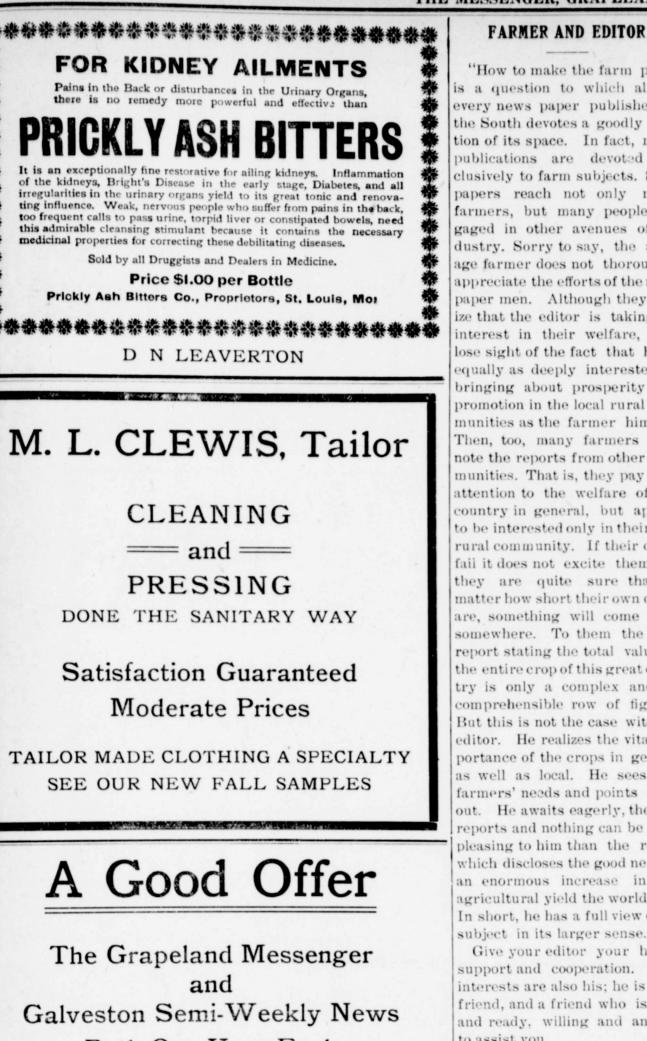


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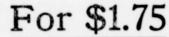
## Were You Ever Asked

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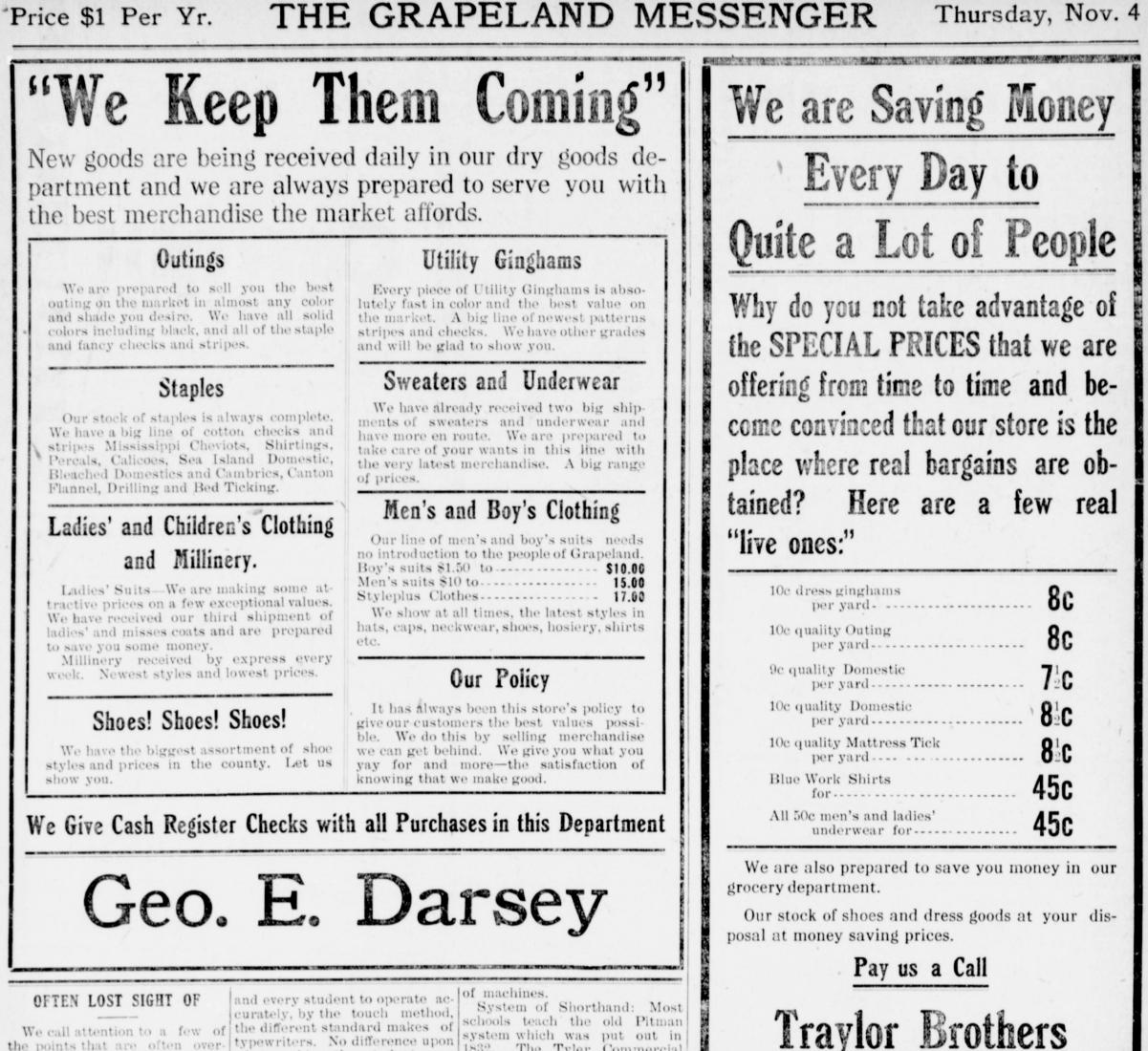
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