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## State and General News

Maryland has ratified the prohibition amendment to the federal constitution.

The Red Cross Order of Nurses was founded in Rome 320 years ago by Camillus de Lellie, who was canonized a saint by Pope Benedict XIV in 1746.

A New York dispatch says Col. Theodore Roosevelt has so far recovered from his recent operations for abscesses that he will be able to leave the hospital in a few days.

Congressman Flood of Virginia, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, said a few days ago that there would be no second draft before next May or June.

A movement to induce farmers to contribute bacon to the government if Liberty Bonds are not within their reach has been started in Missouri, according to a statement made by Speaker Clark at Washington a few days ago.

A New York dispatch says a campaign for the sale of the the third issue of Liberty Bonds will start in a short time and that it is to be a big campaign, waged with vigor, as the bond issue this time is to be of tremendous size.

Eleven citizens of Fayetteville were arrested by United States marshals a few days ago on charges of violating the president's proclamation. All are Ger-

mans, and among them was W. C. Lanlotz, mayor of the town. They are charged with displaying the German flag over the Germania Club. Examining trials will be held in Houston in a few days. Meantime the accused are under heavy bond, the eleven bonds totaling \$69,000.

That German propaganda is responsible for "night riders" terrorizing negroes in Red River county is claimed by John B. Dailey of Paris, assistant United States district attorney. He says the intent of the Germans is to "strike a deadly blow at the efficient carrying on of the war, by sowing seed of disunion among the laboring classes."

"The Stars and Stripes," the official publication of the American expeditionary forces, a weekly paper, authorized by the commander-in-chief, made its appearance in Paris, France, a few days ago. It is edited by officers and enlisted men and all the profits will be devoted to the benefit of the enlisted men.

In his recent address to the American congress and incidentally to the world, President Wilson told Kaiser Bill where to head in and until the military masters of Germany are ready to consider peace on the principles of justice the United States will continue to fight, says the Lufkin Daily News.

The attorney general of Texas holds that a special session of the legislature is empowered to ratify an amendment to the constitution of the United States

the same as a regular session; and that the matter of its ratification need not be submitted by the governor. This holds, in effect, that the forthcoming special session can act on the national prohibition amendment, regardless of whether that subject matter is submitted by the governor.

Every effort will be made to conserve fruit raised in Arkansas this year and to increase the supply as an aid to the food campaign, horticulturists of the state decided at their annual convention recently. Governor Brough urged increased production.

Fireworks manufacturers in session at Chicago a few days ago declared that all chemicals and explosives used for making firecrackers and other noise-makers are needed in the manufacture of munitions for the war. Fourth of July is therefore decreed a "noiseless" day. Dealers predict great popularity for the patriotic displays—without the noise.

Internal Revenue Commissioner Roper has announced the extension of the time for filing income and excess profits returns from March 1 to April 1. This ruling applies also to reports on payments of more than \$800 during the year to be made by employers and business enterprises and covers incomes both above and below \$3000 and corporation incomes.

As a war measure for relief and rehabilitation of farmers in the area of Texas that has suffered from the drouth, it is the intention of Senator J. C. McNealus of Dallas to present in the coming special session of the legislature a bill making an appropriation of \$2,000,000. Senator McNealus was author of such a bill in the third called session, but it was not passed. He says there is precedent for such legislation in the act of the legislature of 1887, when \$250,000 was appropriated for like purposes in the same region.

The Breslauer Volkszeitung, a socialist organ, publishes the following manifesto urged by women war-workers: "We women want peace. Not one single moment longer than is necessary shall our children starve, shall our fathers and brothers be exposed to the most horrible of deaths. We shall tolerate no further war-making for the sake of conquests; we shall insist on a peace by understanding. The authorities shall shortly hear more of the working women of Germany."

The South, under carpetbag rule following the civil war, was but a gentle zephyr in proportion to what the whole United States will suffer should the German kaiser be permitted to get his iron heel across our necks. To prevent it we must make sacrifices, save wheat, save meat, buy Liberty bonds, purchase Thrift stamps and War-saving certificates and come across in a thousand and one other ways not yet thought of.—Lufkin News.

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We have a very beautiful line of staple and fancy PIECE GOODS that we will take great pleasure in showing you if you will only come in to see us.

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If you don't have to go to war come in and let us fit you out with a pair of Howard & Foster shoes, a Star Brand Hat, an Edward Rose suit made to your measure, Neck ties, soft collars, hose, etc.

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BRING US YOUR PRODUCE next Saturday. It will be to your advantage.

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**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

The State of Texas—To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the Unknown Heirs of S. C. Collison, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of S. C. Callison, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of John Collins, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Reuben Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Mrs. F. C. Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Mrs. L. W. Edens, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of John F. Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of R. E. Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Robert Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Rebecca Edens, deceased, and the Unknown Heirs of B. F. Edens, deceased, hereinafter styled defendants, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county to your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the court house of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, on the seventh (7th) Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1918, the same being the 25th day of March, A. D. 1918, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 18th day of January, A. D. 1918, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5728, wherein Ray Wiess and wife, Edwina Wiess, are plaintiffs, and the Unknown Heirs of S. C. Collison, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of John Collins, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Reuben Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Mrs. F. C. Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Mrs. L. W. Edens, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of John F. Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of R. E. Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Robert Mathews, deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Rebecca Edens, deceased, and the Unknown Heirs of B. F. Edens, deceased, are defendants; said petition alleging that plaintiffs reside in the City, County and State of New York, and that the names and residences of the defendants above named are unknown to plaintiffs; that the plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple, being lawfully seized and possessed of the following described tract of land, lying and being situated in Houston county, Texas, on the S. C. Callison (or Collison) survey, holding and claiming the same in fee simple, to wit:

Beginning at a rock on the Grapeland and Navarro road 352 vrs. N. 26 W. from the Forest Spring. Thence N. 26 W. with the Crockett and Magnolia road at 308 vrs. a corner, from which a Hickory 10 in. dia. brs N. 32 E. 13 4-10 vrs. Thence 84 E at 854 vrs. a corner on Collison's E. B. line, from which P. O. brs. S. 71 E. 1 vara, a Hickory Brs. N. 33 1-2 W 1 vara. Thence N. 30 E. with said Collison's E. B. line at 680 vrs. a corner, from which a B. J. 14 in. dia. brs. N. 55 W. 4 2-10 vrs. Thence S. 82 1-2 W. at 1400 vrs. a corner on the Magnolia and Crockett road, from which a P. O. brs. N. 70 E. 8 vrs. Thence N. 30 W. with the Magnolia and Crockett road at 1538 vrs. a corner on the bank of the Big Elkhart creek, from which a

Sweet Gum brs. N. 76 E. 2 vrs. Thence down with the meanders of said creek at 1900 vrs. a corner on the West bank of said creek on the N. B. line of the John Edens league. Thence S. 60 E. with said Edens league line at 1580 vrs. to the S. corner of the J. R. Edens 30 acres tract, on said Collison survey and on the Mill branch, from which a Sweet Gum brs. 64 W. 6 vrs. Thence N. 55 E. 402 vrs. to the East corner of the said J. R. Edens 30 acres tract, a stake for corner, from which a Sweet Gum brs. S. 14 W 3 vrs. Thence N. 32 W. 352 vrs. to the place of beginning, and containing 620 acres of land, more or less.

That defendants are setting up some sort of right or claim to said land the exact nature of which are unknown to plaintiff and for which reason plaintiffs sue herein, such right or claim casting a cloud upon plaintiffs title to said land. That plaintiffs claim title to said land by through and under the following instrument, to wit: Patent to S. C. Collison (or Callison); deed from said Collison (or Callison) to John Collins, the original of this deed being lost or mislaid, and the record thereof being burned with the court house of Houston county, Texas; deed from John Collins to Reuben Mathews; deed from the heirs of Reuben Mathews and his wife F. C. Mathews, to H (J) R, and L. W. Edens in partition; deed from J. R. Edens, Bettie Edens, A. N. Edens, Fannie May Wall, Douglass Wall, Annie Murdock and Lee Murdock to Luna W. Hollingsworth; deed from Luna Hollingsworth and J. E. Hollingsworth to Ray Wiess and wife Edwina Wiess; deed from J. R. Edens to A. N. Edens; deed from A. N. Edens to Mrs. Edwina Wiess; deed from R. E. Mathews to B. F. Edens; deed from B. F. Edens to J. R. Edens; deed from J. R. Edens to Ray Wiess and wife, Edwina Wiess. That plaintiffs have had and held under color of title from and under the State of Texas, the peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of said land and premises for a period of more than three years after defendants cause of action accrued and before the commencement of this suit. Plaintiffs further allege that they and those under whom they claim title to said land have had and held the peaceable, continuous and adverse possession thereof, under deeds duly registered, paying all taxes due thereon for a period of 5 years immediately preceding the filing of this suit; and that plaintiffs and those under whom plaintiffs claim title to said land have had and held the peaceable, continuous and adverse possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same, for a period of ten years immediately preceding the filing of this suit, and plaintiffs specially plead the statutes of three, five and ten years limitation in bar of any claim asserted to said land by the defendants, wherefore plaintiffs sue for the title and possession of said tract of land, and that all clouds be removed therefrom, for costs, and writs of possession and restitution, and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this 18th day of January, A. D. 1918.

JOHN D. MORGAN, Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

**GREAT SURPRISE IS AWAITING PEOPLE OF UNITED STATES**

**MORE AMERICANS WILL BE IN THE TRENCHES BY SPRING THAN PLANNED FOR.**

**RED CROSS IS CHALLENGED**

Chapters Throughout Southwest Are Urged to Double Their Efforts to Take Care of Brave Soldiers "Over There."

Red Cross chapters of the Southwest are urgently requested by the headquarters of the Southwestern Division, American Red Cross, at St. Louis, to mobilize all their forces and prepare for a surprisingly big drive in the spring.

From all signs and intimations coming from Europe in veiled cablegrams, from persons high in the conduct of the war, and from hints dropped from Washington, the number of Americans who will be in Europe by spring will be a great surprise.

It is admitted, on high authority, that there are thousands more soldiers in France than it was thought there would be. From preparations being made at cantonments and from the numbers now in transit, there will be many thousands more in Europe within a short time. They not only will be in Europe, but they will be in the front line, so present advices point out.

This all goes to show that Red Cross workers will have to double up on their work and provide comforts for our own boys and at the same time continue to aid French, Italians and Servians.

It is up to chapters to inform their members of the necessity for more sweaters, wristlets, helmets, mufflers, hospital garments, surgical dressings, etc. Hundreds of thousands of each of these must be made to take care of the boys in the spring.

The time to start the preparation is now. The chapters realize that it takes lots of time to get all of the necessary articles together, and each one will want to make a good showing when the shipments are made.

Of course, the thousands of American soldiers will need Red Cross nurses to care for them. Forty thousand is the number estimated by the surgeon-general for the near future. The nursing service of the Red Cross offers many inducements and undoubtedly many of the patriotic women of the Southwest will join it, so that they can go to France and help in the fight for democracy.

The American Red Cross has appropriated \$4,771,990 for work in Italy between November, 1917, and May, 1918, according to word received at the headquarters of the Southwestern Division, American Red Cross, at St. Louis. The amount was fixed after a survey to determine Italy's needs.

**UNCLE SAM AS TRUCK USER**

Government Introduces Standardization Which Is Expected to Be of Big Value to Industry.

The fact that Uncle Sam has standardized his trucks, so that any part broken in action may be replaced by a similar part taken from another truck, does not necessarily mean that the most efficient delivery system can be obtained only by the use of a fleet of trucks identical in model and design, says H. W. Slauson, in Leslie's. It does mean, however, that there must be at least a certain standardization of methods and a certain interchangeability of parts which will enable each truck to spend its actual time in the most effective service.

What the truck industry has needed most has been a standardized system of truck installation, operation and cost keeping. Without such a system it is impossible to determine whether a truck or a fleet of trucks is operating at its maximum efficiency or whether an improvement of some 50 or even 100 per cent in effectiveness could be made by a change here or an elimination of waste effort there. Now, however, it seems probable that this deficiency is to be changed, and that Uncle Sam, as the world's greatest truck user, will evolve a truck system which will prove of inestimable benefit to every user of trucks before, and during, as well as after the war.



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# WINNING THE WAR. A MESSAGE TO THE FARMERS OF TEXAS

Prepared for the Texas Food and Feed Production Campaign 1918 by Tom C. Gooch, Editor of the Dallas Times-Herald

What is the imperative demand of today? What is America's great task, failing in which, she no longer will be America? It is winning the war.

What are the factors that will win the war? Men and munitions, ships to carry them and food.

If America's cupboard becomes a Mother Hubbard's cupboard Germany conquers and the world becomes a tenant farmer of the Hun, and on this tenant farmer will be imposed such hardships as no tenant farmer anywhere ever suffered. He shall sow, but Germany shall reap. He shall work the fields during the long hot hours, but the harvest shall go to fill the granary of the Kaiser.

Texas farmers, your hour is here. Texas farmers, on you as the producers in the greatest agricultural state in the country is imposed a high and glorious obligation. To you President Wilson looks to produce as you have never produced before. It is no exaggeration to say that in your hands lies, in large part, the destiny of America and freedom.

Courageous France that disdained to crouch before the Hun, but flung its brave sons in thousands before his bloody path, is in dire need of food. If Texas and America fails to supply this food, then France must yield and the Hun feasts in Paris.

Indomitable England, that scorned to stay out of the war when it saw Belgium crumpled beneath the German guns, England that has kept the seas open

and prevented submarines from absolutely stopping American commerce, England that sent her 100,000 immortals against a million Germans, must have food from Texas farms or London becomes Linden ruled by another bloody von Bissing.

Belgium, that pleasant little pasture land of Europe, that depended on the word of kings and kaisers for safety and would not basely yield to a German army when the kaiser broke his word, Belgium starves unless Texas farmers and the farmers of America supply it with food.

And over there, our American boys, the boys under Pershing, the army that is rapidly becoming a formidable opponent to the foe of democracy, that army must fight on an empty stomach and must finally cease to fight unless the farmers of this country supply it with food.

Food and feed; these are the two things that must be raised on Texas farms as they have never been raised before. Already our entire wheat surplus has gone to our allies in this war. Already our allies have declared they must have 75,000,000 bushels more or starve.

President Wilson has pointed out that never yet have the farmers of America failed of patriotism.

It is your patriotic duty now, farmers of Texas, to plant and plant and plant, that the American lads you know and love may return home conquerors and that a secure and just peace may be established throughout the world.

### Food Regulations

By proclamation of the President of the United States on January 10, 1918, but by a miscarriage of mail, only reaching Texas February 5, all dealers in grain feed, peanuts and other kinds of grain, hay and feed and cereals, must take out license at once, and will not be permitted to do business without such license after February 15, 1918. Same will be applied for by this office or to the administrator in the county that business is carried on in, and you will be instructed as to steps to be taken. When writing, parties must state business, name, location and post-office address.

Realizing that requiring consumers who buy wheat flour shall at same time buy equal number pounds of specified substitutes, works serious hardships on those farmers who have ample supply of home grown substitutes and that many farmers have grown the substitutes upon urgent request of the government, the following modification of said rule in its application to farmers is hereby authorized, effective February 15th. Retailers may sell to their farmer trade 70 per cent of their normal requirements of wheat flour without substitutes, provided the farmer furnishes the retailer a written statement that he has on hand an adequate supply of home grown substitutes and includes in such written statement a list of substitutes showing approximate quantities.

This is the only exception made to pound for pound rule and applied only to farmers having on hand this home grown substi-

tute, however a farmer or other customer must not purchase or use over 70 per cent of his normal requirements of wheat flour each month.

The retailer in selling customers must explain this rule and assure himself that it is being strictly lived up to. It is described and strictly urgent that retailers conform their sales of wheat flour to their regular established trade and not seek new customers. Unless a retailer pursues this course he will later find that he is unable to secure sufficient supply of wheat flour to take care of his regular customers, as retailers can buy and distribute only 70 per cent of his normal supply.

W. A. Collins,  
County Food Administrator.

### The Jitney-Marine

That's Henry Ford's new sub-chasers which he is turning out in his big auto plant in Detroit at the rate of one a day. They are 200 feet in length and not so large of beam but that they can find their way from Detroit to New York through Lake Erie and the New York state canal. You remember that Henry Ford started out to stop the war a year or two ago. Now he is trying a new method of stopping it—building peace makers to smash the Hun submarines.

We are in receipt of a letter from J. A. Richardson, enclosing \$1.50 for his renewal to the Messenger for a year. He is now located at Pottsville, Texas, engaged in the mercantile business with his son. He says he is getting along nicely, and sends regards to all of his friends in this section.

# GOOD WORK

BEING DONE BY CONTESTANTS IN THE MESSENGER'S CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN AND LOTS OF NEW NAMES ARE BEING ADDED

Effective work is being done by our contest workers and the circulation of The Messenger is increasing rapidly.

Subscriptions are pouring in from every section of the surrounding country. Contestants are bringing them in; the friends of the contestants are bringing them in, and many are sending them by neighbors or mailing them direct to The Messenger.

We thank the people in general for the liberal support given our workers. Those who have not yet been solicited to take The Messenger will very likely have a chance to subscribe for it before the campaign is over. Any help given our workers is appreciated, and in return for subscription payments made to them we promise a paper worth the price.

We have purchased four valuable articles that any young woman would be proud to own, and they will be given to the four workers receiving the most votes. The prizes are on display at the two GrapeLand drug stores. Ask to see them and be convinced of their value. All contestants not winning one of the listed prizes will be suitably rewarded for what work they do.

There is but one way to get votes, and that is by paying on subscription to The GrapeLand Messenger. No votes will be sold, and no votes that have been cast for one person will be transferred to another. Every one is given a

square deal, and the judges appointed by the contestants will make the final count of all the ballots, see that they tally with the cash brought in by the contest and award the prizes after all parties have been satisfied as to whom they should go.

The contest has been a big success so far and we feel certain that the paper's circulation will be twice as large when the campaign ends as it was before it started. We wish to again say to the people of GrapeLand and this community that we want your hearty co-operation. If you are not taking The Messenger, subscribe for it now. If you are taking it, renew for another year or more. You can afford to help extend the circulation of your home paper by paying for a few subscriptions for relatives or friends living elsewhere, and now is the time to do it while you can help some contestant win a prize.

We are making another special vote offer, good until 5 p. m. next Monday. Subscriptions given to workers before that time will get more votes for them than if given later. And when subscribing at the office or sending us your subscription by mail your votes can go for any one of the contestants that you designate and the amount of your payment will apply as that much on a club when the worker gets in her next report.

The Advertiser Trade-Mark Enables You to Obtain a Standard Article at a Fair Price

Both of these results are desirable—a Standard Article and a Fair Price. Either one is to be desired by the consumer. But when both go hand in hand they form the ideal combination.

These results are brought about by advertising the product and then identifying it by means of a trade mark or brand name.

When a product becomes known to the consuming public through advertising, it tends to become Standardized. Being produced on a large scale, it naturally follows that there comes to be a uniformity of quality of the different units. Each unit is exactly the same as every other unit bearing that label.

People come to know just what this product is. It stands for something definite. It represents a definite value characteristic of this particular product. It becomes standardized.

In addition to this, the very fact that it does become standardized and known makes possible a greater market for it. This greater market makes possible the economies of large scale production. That is, a manufacturer who produces 10,000,000 units of a product can produce each unit more cheaply than the manufacturer who produces but 10,000 units, through having more improved machinery, being able to carry the specialization of labor to a greater degree, having less waste, and having more units of production to bear the expense of general management and overhead.

The result of this large scale production is a lower price to the consumer per unit.

### FEED STUFF

I have a car load of maize feed stuff. If you need any, better get it at once, as it is scarce. 45-tf J. W. Howard.

### A Rainy Day at the Zoo

Have you ever visited the zoo on a rainy day and noticed the effect such weather has on certain animals?

Like the domestic cat, the biggest animals of that tribe are disgusted when it is raining; lions, tigers, leopards, pumas and jaguars prowl restlessly about their dens, growling and grumbling, and actually trembling, as if their nerves were on the rack. To soothe them their keepers give them an extra dose of milk, a form of medicine they are never loath to swallow.

Monkeys also hate rain—it gives them a fit of blues. The monkey house on a drizzling day is a doleful picture; silently they sit on their perches, staring through the windows at the rain, with their hands clasped over their heads—veritable graven images of gloom.

Now the dog tribe, especially the wolf, glories in damp weather, and is at peace with the world. Though the wolf is a treacherous animal, his keeper need not worry on a wet day, the beast is on his best behavior, even inclined to be playful.—London Answers.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 21, 1918



--- This paper has enlisted with the government in the cause of America for the period of the war ---

The dollar that the merchant saves by not advertising, usually goes for interest on the note necessary on carrying the goods over.

The weather man has been against the farmers in many ways, but those in the GrapeLand country are kept too busy to argue with the weather person.

America is in the war to the finish. President Wilson made this clear in his address to congress last week, and served notice on the enemy what they may expect. America does not do things in a half-way measure—we are going to win a clean-cut victory. Our armies will hammer through to Berlin!

The defection in Russia will prolong the war without bringing any relief to the revolution stricken country. Germany will not gain from it what she expects. Russia is depleted of supplies and her own people are going hungry. Russia has been sold by the blackest treachery to her worst enemy by the most fiendish traitors the world has ever seen. And there will be a flare-back; another revolution will be the result when her people learn the real truth.

The hen is playing a mighty part in winning the war. The food administration realizes this, and placed a ban upon selling laying hens so they might be kept on the farm to increase the egg supply. Every farm and town back yard ought to have its flock of hens. When it comes to doing a rush job, the hen is in a class by herself. She can produce food in the way of eggs and meat and can reproduce herself more quickly than any other sort of live stock, and in doing it can use up more varieties of waste food products. Save the hens and let them work for Uncle Sam.

Mrs. Jesse Page left Saturday night for San Antonio, where she went in response to a message informing her of the serious illness of a nephew who lives there.

Avoid a constipated habit, it breeds disease in the body. An occasional dose of Pricely Ash Bitters will keep the bowels healthy and regular. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

**Not Necessarily**

One esteemed exchange thinks the Tuscania tragedy will awaken congress. We are not sure. The alarm clock has been ringing for more than three years.—Ex.

**Crockett News**

Crockett, Tex., Feb. 18.—In a row between two negroes Sunday morning, Charles Ellis, proprietor of a negro restaurant, was shot. Immediately after the shooting Arthur Hall was arrested by Marshal Deupree and a charge of assault to murder lodged against him. Ellis was also arrested and charged with assault to murder and carrying a pistol. Hall used a shotgun and Ellis a pistol. Trouble arose over a woman.

The first fatal automobile accident in Crockett happened Saturday evening, when Arnold Bros. delivery car, driven by Leonard Arnold, a member of the firm, ran over and almost instantly killed a little negro girl nine years of age. The road was slippery and muddy and it was quite difficult to keep the car from skidding. Eye witnesses state that the accident was caused by an attempt of the child to cross the street immediately in front of the car, and that it was an unavoidable accident. The car was being driven at a rate of speed within the legal limit. Mr. Arnold drove his car into a ditch in an attempt to avoid striking the child.

The number of deaths from pneumonia and kindred diseases in and near this city lately, has amounted to almost an epidemic. Upon investigation, it has been found that within the past six weeks and in a radius of eight miles of this city, there have been twenty-eight deaths. In cases in the city limits of Crockett, only two cases have recovered where there were well developed cases of pneumonia, these being J. C. Shotwell and a Mr. Brinkman.

Mr. Hugh Goolsby, aged about 55 years, died at his home six miles north of this city Friday night, having been ill for several days with pneumonia. He left surviving him a widow and several children, two sisters, Mesdames D. C. McCarter and J. Allen, all residents of this city. Interment was in a local cemetery near town.

News was received in this city the latter part of last week announcing the death at Ft. Worth of J. D. (Jim) Johnson, following an illness of several weeks' duration. He lost an arm by accident when he was quite a young man, but it did not deter him from doing "His Bit" in life. He was well and favorably known by the older residents of the county, having been a resident of this city for many years. He leaves a widow, residing at Fort Worth, one brother, Walter Johnson, residing at Marlin, two sisters, Mrs. F. J. Arledge and Miss May Johnson, residents of this city.

During the month of January, 1918, there were filed in the office of County Clerk A. E. Owens, 1,273 chattel mortgages. Same period 1917, 1,246 chattel mortgages filed. Total number of chattel mortgages filed during year 1917, 5,516. Number of deeds filed for record during 1917, was 2,342. Number of marriage licenses issued during month of January, 1918, was 36.

**Seed Corn for Sale**

Extra choice, carefully tested seed corn, both yellow and white, at \$4 per bushel. If not satisfied after testing, return corn and money will be refunded. Reference: West Plains Bank. 51tf F. H. Cone, West Plains, Mo.

**At Darsey's---"THE SERVICE FIRST STORE"---At Darsey's**



**SPRING HABERDASHERY**

FOR THE MAN WHO CARES

**Y**OU men who are used to buying good clothes and other wearing apparel at a moderate figure, will be happily surprised by a look through our immense stock of Men's Furnishings. **Individuality** is shown in every line in each department. Whether you buy a pair of socks, necktie or suit of clothes, you will be more than pleased with the added quality at seemingly no advance in price. The new goods are arriving every day.

**Styleplus Announcement**---Men and young men desiring utmost style in guaranteed clothes at \$25 and less, will find their desires realized in styleplus for spring at \$21 and \$25. The cloth is absolutely all pure wool and the styles are the latest. Spring Styleplus will be here in a few days. All Styleplus clothes carried over from last spring will be sold at the old price, \$17.

**HANSEN GLOVES**

"Built like a Hand"



our leather gloves are:

**\$1.00 to \$6.00**

HANSEN GLOVES are built for service. whether you buy a kid glove, auto gauntlet or heavy work glove, you will find maximum wear for the price consideration. Our glove line is very complete, embracing all grades in leather, kid and auto gauntlets. The prices on all grades of



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In selecting shirts, do you select a line with ut a name or do you choose one with a trade marked brand that means quality, style and durability? Our entire shirt stock will be composed of these brands:

SELECTO—Popular priced madras up to.....\$1.00  
PERFECTO—Better grades of madras and silk shirts.  
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PERFECTO SHIRTS are already here in a variety of new designs and colors at \$1.25 and \$1.50, also silk at \$5.00 and \$7.50.—New Ties, Fancy Sox, Underwear and all fixings.—Coming, a Complete line of Newest Soft Collars.

**"Tippy" Spring Hatts**



**WORTH STRAWS**  
\$3.50 \$4.00

Stetson's expected to arrive every day by express.

Shown here in popular brands at **\$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00.** All of the new shades are just in by express. The colors are light gray, slate brown, tan, green, melon, dice and black.

The new **Royal Line** for spring---bristling with wool---at a slight advance in price. Come and give it the "once-over" and you will select your made-to-order suit right now.

**GEORGE E. DARSEY**  
**"THE SERVICE FIRST STORE"**

**LOCAL NEWS**

For wood, phone J.H. Kolb. 50t3

Plenty of carbon at Leaverton's. Bring your container. 1t

More spring suits, coats and dresses to come at Darsey's. 1t

Buy your next bill from W. R. Wherry. 50tf

Good heavy comforts at \$3 each at Darsey's. 1t

Willie Gee and wife motored to Crockett Friday.

RUB-MY-TISM—Antiseptic, Relieves Rheumatism, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc.

Darsey's jitney gets there first. Phone your orders. 1t

A. H. Denman of route 1, was an appreciated business visitor at this office Monday morning.

Now is the best time to kill ants. Carbon at Leaverton's. Bring your container. 1t

**FOR SALE**

One pair of small mules and a good buggy and one good horse. 50tf Hugh Richards.

Mark Anthony of Houston, spent a few days here this week visiting his children and other relatives.

W. W. Sullivan of Percilla, paid us an appreciated call Monday, while in the city on business.

You need not go further than Clewis' tailor shop to find the spring suit you are looking for. Our new samples are on display and they are beauties. 1t

Kill the ants with carbon before they do damage. Can be had from D. N. Leaverton, druggist. 1t

J. H. Leaverton has returned home from Houston, where he spent several days under the treatment of an eye specialist. A slight operation was performed on his left eye.

Nothing to give away at Darsey's—just be satisfied that utmost quality and longest service goes with every purchase at this store. 1t

Germany is reported to be eating dogs. This country could spare her a few million, and they ought to be extra toothsome, too, as they have been well cared for.—Bonham Favorite.

All the teachers of this city and surrounding communities went to Crockett Saturday to attend a meeting called by Superintendent Snell in the interest of the Junior Red Cross work.

W. R. Campbell paid us an appreciated visit Friday, renewed his subscription and cast the votes for his favorite in the contest. He and family recently moved from Salmon to Elkhart, and is in the mercantile business with F. W. Woodard. He reports a good business.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Membranes of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Cure fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

We pay you more for your produce.—McLean & Riall. 1t

More new dresses at Darsey's. 1t

County Attorney J. F. Mangum, was here Saturday.

Breaks your Cold or LaGrippe with a few doses of 666. 1t

Ladies' spring coats and coat suits at McLean & Riall's 1t

Harry Long and wife of Augusta, spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives.

Wanted twenty-five dozen roosters, from 3 months to 6 years old.—Geo. E. Darsey. 1t

Children's dresses, ladies' gingham dresses and aprons at Darsey's. 1t

Earle Adams, Jr., of Crockett, was a business visitor to Grapeland last Thursday.

See Clewis today and select your new spring suit. The new samples are on display. 1t

Henry Wright of Palestine, was a visitor to Grapeland Sunday.

J. W. Howard will buy your peanuts and goober hay and pay the highest market price. 1t

Why send away, when you can buy your FORD parts from Darsey? 1t

Two dollars' worth of produce entitles you to a key at McLean & Riall's. 1t

**FOR SALE**

Fresh milk cow. W. P. Whittington, at bottling works. 1t

Corn chops, shorts, bran and Mebane cotton seed at Darsey's. 1t

Mrs. Gossett of Crockett, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Hill.

**FOR SALE**

2-seated hack for sale at a bargain. 52-t2 Ben Masters, route 3.

Mrs. C. P. Daniels left Sunday morning for Houston, where she was called on account of the sickness of a relative.

J. L. Kennedy and J. W. Taylor of the Rocky Mound community, were pleasant callers at the Messenger office Tuesday.

**PEANUT HAY WANTED**

Will pay \$25.00 per ton for good, clean Peanut Hay. J. W. HOWARD.

Mrs. Joe Kellam returned Sunday to her home in Kaufman, after spending some time here visiting relatives and friends.

**To Autoists**

You will find the best lubricating oil and grease at Hughes & Son's garage. 52-tf

M. E. Darsey and Mrs. Loye Stowe left Monday night for Dallas to buy spring goods and millinery for the firm of George E. Darsey.

Earl Lively, who visited here and at Augusta for some time, has returned to the training camp at Fort Worth. He is a son of T. C. Lively of Augusta.

The remains of Mrs. Mary Dickey, who died at her home in Fort Worth, were shipped here Sunday and interred in the Ephesus cemetery. She formerly lived in this community.

Darsey buys turkeys, geese and old roosters. 1t

**FOUND**

Some money. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this notice. 1t Carl Gainey.

Stokes Pelham, Will Craig and Earl Shaver, all of Camp Bowie, spent Sunday here with relatives and friends. They had only a 36-hour leave, hence had to return Sunday night.

**LOST**

Mouse colored mare mule, about 14 hands high, stripe down back, stripes across shoulders, brand on hip. Reward paid for delivery to Kennedy Bros. at Grapeland. 1t

FORD light bulbs now at Darsey's. 1t

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

I will make the season with my mammoth Kentucky Jack at my place 4 1-2 miles east of Grapeland on the Grapeland and Augusta road. Fees: \$10.00; \$2.00 when served and remaining \$8.00 at foal. 49-t5p L. D. Anderson.

Miss Carnie Murchison has resigned as teacher of the sixth and seventh grades in the Grapeland school. She has been succeeded by Miss Bolton of Augusta.

Plenty of seed potatoes at Darsey's. 1t

**WANTED TO BUY**

I am now in the market for several car loads of old scrap iron and other kinds of junk. See me for prices and sell me what you have. 1t J. W. Howard.

**Just Arrived**

French glaze zephyrs, crepe de chine, silk tussah, Utopia silks, Belfont tissue, French plaid serge, military cloth, silk stripe veil and taffeta. A real nice line of ladies' shoes and dress goods. 51tf W. R. Wherry.

Preston Lively of Percilla, paid us an appreciated call Tuesday. He is in the race for sheriff, and is well pleased with the outlook for his election.

Senator Ben Tillman thinks "Roosevelt made an ass of himself." An exchange remarks that the Colonel is not entitled to all the credit as he had considerable help in the job.—San Saba News.

A large crowd from Grapeland attended the entertainment at Crockett Monday afternoon, given by the Baylor-Belton choral club, despite the bad weather. Misses Mary Lou Darsey and Lois Sims of this city, and Sarah Mack Crook of Crockett, are members of this club.

**\$300 REWARD**

Three hundred dollars (\$300) reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties guilty of the murder of Daniel Crenshaw, which occurred on December 14, 1917. The above amount is now in the Guaranty State Bank of Grapeland, Texas, and will remain there as long as twelve months. 52-t4

Mrs. C. F. Stockbridge, residing a few miles from town, is spending a few days at Fort Worth, where her son is in training at Camp Bowie. After a time spent with her son, she will visit other relatives in that part of the state and will not return home for some time.

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WADE L. SMITH

**Meeting at Crockett.**

Team No. 3, representing the Texas Food and Feed Production campaign, will visit Houston county and will hold a meeting at the court house in Crockett at 2 p. m. on February 25. The team is composed of F. S. Minter, state department of agriculture; D. M. Reedy, state department of warehouse and marketing; Mrs. J. L. Landrum, state department of agriculture; Wm. Hall, representing Cotton Belt railway. Subjects of interest to the people will be discussed and it is hoped that a good crowd will be present.

Grow more cotton and better cotton by using pure Mebane cotton seed. Get 'em at Darsey's. 1t

**To the Delinquent Tax Payers of Houston County**

After April 1st, there will be a heavy penalty on all delinquent taxes, and as the comptroller of the state of Texas insists that every effort be made to collect all taxes, I, as collector of your county, insist that if you have not paid your taxes, attend to same at once. I am, yours very truly,

C. W. Butler, Jr., Tax Collector.

**Notice to Public**

Having purchased the Grapeland Bottling Works, I wish to announce that I will be open for business Friday, February 22. All business given me will be duly appreciated. Any one having cases belonging to the bottling works, will please return same at once or notify me. I am short on cases. 1t W. P. Whittington, Prop.

**Eastern Star Visitor**

Mrs. Cora M. Cohen of Galveston, Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star of Texas, was here Wednesday afternoon of last week and attended a called meeting of Grapeland chapter. Those present enjoyed the instructions received; a social hour followed and refreshments were served. Mesdames LeGory and Arrington of the Crockett chapter were visitors.

**FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS**  
FOR RHEUMATISM KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

**The Best Prescription**

The German newspapers say that the kaiser's health has reached such a stage that he had to transfer his personal headquarters to a certain spring to take the cure. There is only one remedy that will do the kaiser any good, and that is a liberal dose of the Red, White and Blue.

**HAPPINESS**

If you would increase your happiness and prolong your life, forget your neighbor's faults. Forget the temptations. Forget the fault findings and give little thought to the cause that provoked it. Forget the peculiarities of your friends, and only remember the good points that make you fond of them. Forget all personal quarrels, or histories that you may have heard by accident, and which if repeated, would seem a thousand times worse than they are. Blot out as far as possible, all the disagreeables of life; they will come but they will grow larger as you remember them, and constant thought of the acts of meanness, or, worse still, malice, will only tend to make you more familiar with them. Obliterate everything disagreeable from yesterday; start out with a clean sheet for today, and write upon it for sweet memory's sake only those things that are lovely and lovable.—Exchange.



**MERIDIAN FERTILIZERS**

**WE HAVE** on hand a stock of Meridian Fertilizers in varying analyses to suit different soils and crops. They are in fine mechanical condition—will go through the guano distributor without any argument.

Order the famous Fertilizers with the red bag printed on the bag.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rates—Cash in Advance.  
 County Offices.....\$6 00  
 Precinct Offices.....\$3 00  
 District Offices.....\$12 00  
 Congress.....\$20 00

The Messenger is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July:

- For County Judge:  
Nat Patton.
- For Sheriff:  
Preston Lively.
- For Tax Assessor:  
Will McLean.
- For County Road Superintendent:  
G. R. Murchison.
- For County Treasurer:  
Willie Robison.  
Ney Sheridan. (Re-election)
- For Tax Collector:  
C W Butler Jr. (Re-election)

**FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**



SENATOR W. A. JOHNSON

Senator W. A. Johnson of Hall county, who is now acting lieutenant governor, has announced his candidacy for election to that office and will make an active campaign during the spring and summer. He has been a member of the senate for the past eight years, representing the jumbo district of 49 counties and has made an enviable record. He has served as chairman of many important committees, and when Gov. Hobby was inducted into the office of chief executive, Senator Johnson was honored at the close of the session by being elected president of the senate.

He has served as president of the Texas Press Association and also of the Northwest Texas Press Association. He has served several times on the executive committee of the National Editorial association. Being a regular attendant for more than 25 years upon annual conventions; he has a wide acquaintance among the publishers of the state, which will no doubt be an asset in his favor in his campaign. He is now and has been for many years publisher of the Herald at Memphis, Texas.

He is a newspaper man of many years experience and has thus attained a wide scope of information and experience. Before being elected to the senate he was a member of the board of Regents of the University of Texas. He is basing his campaign on three cardinal principles "honestly, economy and sobriety." As a democratic editor he has supported every state ticket from John Ireland down to date. He is capable, honest and earnest and has a strong support over the state for lieutenant governor.

**SPRING STYLES**

**Y**OUR Home Tailor knows the styles and he takes a delight in making his customers look like they have just stepped off of Broadway. And the customers who have patronized the shop in the past are the strongest friends we have right now. Tell us what you want in the way of clothing, and we will give you quick service, correct information and a square deal. Your old clothing will be made to look new if you will bring it to this shop. Let us serve you.

**CLEWIS**  
THE TAILOR

**SCHOOL TEACHERS**

The appropriation for this year is not sufficient to support all the schools in Texas for the whole school year, and the situation is so unsettled that there is no assurance of adequate support for next year, or the following years. Teachers' salaries, on the whole, have not been raised, while the increasing cost of food and necessities makes much greater demands on slender incomes than heretofore. The problem of the summer vacation is becoming alarmingly acute with a large number of teachers.

Many teachers are seeking relief from the uncertainty of future employment and support by transferring to the field of civil service, where the pay is prompt and sure and the salary is drawn the year round, with good opportunities for advancement. Others seek the broader world of business, with the ambition to rise above the salary basis to reach a comfortable income with the prospect of attaining the wealth which commercial success ultimately brings.

The door which offers admission to these new fields is the commercial education. Once equipped with this knowledge, the teacher has the way always open to either class of employment. He or she has the option of continuing the teaching, or entering the employ of the government, or seeking opportuni-

ties in business. The Tyler Commercial College has many graduates who have gone directly into government employ at Washington and elsewhere. Others have left commercial positions of some standing to offer their services to Uncle Sam in civil service work. A reasonable number of these are employed locally with boards working in every county and district throughout this country. Civil service examinations are held every Tuesday in practically every city in the United States. A step which will mean your advancement and at the same time help your country in this time of need ought to be taken without delay. Mail us your name and address on the blank form below for free catalogue.

Name .....

Address .....

Tyler Commercial College,  
Tyler, Texas.

Hard-working men and women who are burdened with a torpid liver, feel tired, lazy and discouraged. They know they are lazy and they are ashamed, yet it is nothing to be ashamed of. The thing to do is to get the liver started again and to purify the stomach and bowels. There is no better remedy for this purpose than Prickly Ash Bitters. A few doses corrects the trouble and makes work a pleasure. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

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Pains in the Back or disturbances in the Urinary Organs, there is no remedy more powerful and effective than

**PRICKLY ASH BITTERS**

It is an exceptionally fine restorative for ailing kidneys. Inflammation of the kidneys, Bright's Disease in the early stage, Diabetes, and all irregularities in the urinary organs yield to its great tonic and renovating influence. Weak, nervous people who suffer from pains in the back, too frequent calls to pass urine, torpid liver or constipated bowels, need this admirable cleansing stimulant because it contains the necessary medicinal properties for correcting these debilitating diseases.

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Five-Passenger Sedan, \$1195; Six-Passenger Town Car, \$1195; Touring Car with All-Weather Top, \$855; Touring Car, \$745; Roadster, \$745. All Prices F.O.B. Detroit

## Geo. E. Darsey

**Heads Mining Board.**

Hon. John LeGory of Crockett, has been elected chairman of the State Mining Board, which held a session at Austin last week. He was recently appointed a member of the board by Gov. Hobby. His election to the chairmanship will be a source of gratification to his many friends in Houston county.

If you don't sleep well at night from nervousness, indigestion or urinary troubles, you need Prickly Ash Bitters. It purifies the system and relieves the kidneys and bladder. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

**Next Draft May or June**

Washington.—While the house was discussing the slacker bill Wednesday, Representative Dent of Alabama, chairman of the military committee, said that the second draft would not be called for some time, and consequently there was no hurry for action in regard to alien slackers.

Representative Flood of Virginia, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, told the house there would be no second draft before next May or June.

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3 cars of Cypress Shingles  
Car load of big mill FLOORING  
and SIDING--none better

**CATCH SALMON BY THE TON**

Record Haul for One Day Near Mouth of Columbia River Reaches Fifty-Two Tons.

If a fisherman has luck when seining for salmon, he generally gets a haul weighing many tons, says Popular Science Monthly. It is perhaps for this reason more than for any other that so many launches and seining skiffs may be seen with their nets just inside the great promontory near the mouth of the Columbia river. For net fishing for salmon—seining, as it is called—at this fruitful spot is nearly always very dangerous. Nevertheless, in some seasons nearly 500 tons of Chinook salmon—the most valuable and most prized fish of the species—are taken by a single crew. Individual hauls sometimes reach 18 tons, and the record catch for one day has reached as high as 52 tons.

Because of the promontory on one side of the fishing grounds and Sand island lying directly opposite the river's mouth, the breakers constantly ride high. When the steamers of the Great Northern Pacific ply through the narrow grounds at a speed of 23 miles an hour, the breakers pushed out from their side pile so high that fishing is utterly impossible. If the launches and skiffs are caught too close in shore to weather the breakers there will be little chance for them to get to safety.

Certain conditions seem to be most favorable to the formation of high waves by the steamers. During an ebb tide and an off-shore wind, the water is piled into solid waves often six and eight feet high. The suction produced at the sides of the steamers is very great, and heavy nets are known to have been drawn in from a distance of 200 feet and finally destroyed by the rapidly revolving propellers of the ship.

**Must Be Old.**

"How old would you say he is?"  
"About seventy."  
"Don't be ridiculous. He can't be a day over thirty-five."  
"He certainly is. No woman could tame a man as well as he is tamed unless she had at least 50 years to do it in."

**'Twas Ever Thus.**

"How about that wedding check your father-in-law gave you?" asked the friend. "Was it good?"  
"Certainly," replied the benedict. "It's the unexpected that happens, you know."

**Blissful Ignorance.**

The Girl—You say that Miss Padds and Jack Pott are going to be married. Why, I didn't know they knew each other.  
The Cynic—They don't. That's why they are going to be married.

**A HOT ONE.**



Uglymug—My wife was awfully nearsighted when she married me.  
Kutter—She must have been.

**Recollections of Childhood.**

"Why did you get up and give that lady your seat?"  
"Well, ma'am, ever since I was a boy it scares me to see a woman with a strap in her hand."—Burr.

**New Style.**

"So your son's in college, eh? Burning the midnight oil, I s'pose?"  
"Well—er—yes; but I've an idea—that it's gasoline."—St. Patrick's Monthly Calendar.

**Overanxious.**

"Is Bliggins an optimist?"  
"He says he is. But he works so hard trying to cheer up that you'd think he must be terribly scared about something."

**INVENTS NEW MACHINE GUN**

Mechanically Operated Loading Device Keeps Belt Filled, Despite Continuous Use.

There comes now an inventor with the significant name of Ford—not Henry, however—with some startling improvements for the machine gun, asserts Edward C. Crossman in the Popular Science Monthly.

The first one is a mechanically operated loading machine to keep the belt of the gun filled all the time regardless of fire and the duration thereof. The belt loader is operated by the power of the machine on which the gun is mounted, this to be motorcycle, motor tricycle, automobile, airplane or other power vehicle.

The second is a circulating water cooling system, a la automobile, in which the water passes from the jacket around the gun barrel to a regular automobile radiator, which in turn is cooled by a fan driven by the power that operates the loading mechanism and which in turn is merely the power plant of the car. A centrifugal pump makes the water move, although it would surely thermosiphon hurriedly if this system were used instead of the pump.

The third startler is the fact that the gun is designed to be an integral part of its carriage, which is a gas engine propelled vehicle. Perhaps this idea was borrowed from the fighting airplane, in which the machine gun is rigidly mounted to fire through the propeller.

**REASONABLE DEMAND.**

"Are you in favor of an eight-hour working day?"  
"I don't go so far as that," replied Farmer Jacob. "If my boy Jake was to work three a day two days in succession I'd think he was doing purty well."

**HORRORS OF WAR.**

Officer—That's a pretty awkward lot you've got now, sergeant.  
Sorely Tried Sergeant Inspector—They are that, sir. It's the like o' them, sir, as brings 'ome to us what a horrible thing this war is, sir!—Passing Show.

**A SLIGHT MISTAKE.**

"This punch—hic—seems a trifle weak."  
"Go slow, old man. You're dipping into the goldfish globe."

**NOTHING DOING.**

Ned—My love for you is like this ring—it has no end.  
Nell—My love for you is also like the ring—it has no beginning.

**FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS**  
FOR BACKACHE KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

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**WHAT THE RED CROSS IS DOING AND WHAT YOU CAN DO**

**CANTEEN SERVICE DEPARTMENT.**

In the Southwestern Division of the Red Cross, which includes the States of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas, there have been organized 97 Red Cross Canteens in towns along the main lines of railway travel to render aid of every kind to troop trains.

In large movements of troops delays are unavoidable, and these bodies of men will often suffer from hunger and thirst in spite of the best efforts of the Army, and to give some refreshment to these men is a service the Red Cross is undertaking.

The commander of every troop train is supplied with a list of the towns where Red Cross canteens have been organized, and he is instructed to wire ahead for any service that a canteen can give. The organization of a canteen consists of a chairman and a committee of at least 10 members. Arrangements are made beforehand for the preparation of coffee and sandwiches in large quantities on short notice and their transportation to the station. The average troop train of 500 men will require 60 gallons of coffee. Fruit, cigarettes, etc., are also distributed. Hot coffee is always most acceptable. Although supplied with the army travel ration, it is often impossible to provide every troop train with cooking facilities, in which case hot coffee is greatly appreciated by the men.

If a troop train commander finds that, owing to delay, his food supply is exhausted, he will wire his requirements to a canteen and they will use their organization to supply his needs. In case of serious illness demanding immediate attention, the canteen will have an ambulance at the station to remove the man to a hospital without delay. This service has already been the means of saving the life of more than one of our boys.

Postal cards are distributed to the men to write home. This little attention is much appreciated by them, as the troops are often not allowed to leave the train. Innumerable letters are received showing the gratitude of the boys for

the favors they have received from the Red Cross canteens all over the country, all of which makes them feel that somebody is interested in their welfare, and does much to cheer and encourage them.

The personal touch of the Red Cross worker is an important factor in maintaining the spirit of the troops, and this is an important duty of the Red Cross.

Too much cannot be said of the splendid enthusiasm that the women of the whole country have shown in this work. When they have been called upon they have responded, whether day or night. It is a service that all women will be glad to render to our boys who are giving so much.

That it's worth while on has but to read the letters from the men. I quote but one:

"On our arrival at M— we were tendered a most hearty reception by the Red Cross. Their kindness in serving us with hot coffee and sandwiches left an impression upon the boys that will never be forgotten. We cherish not only the worth of such a gift, but more than that the fact that the whole nation is interested in our welfare."

We welcome the organization of a Red Cross canteen along any main railroad line, and the undersigned will be glad to furnish information as to just what duties may be expected of them. **CHARLES P. PETTUS,** Director of Canteen Service, Southwestern Division American Red Cross, 1617 Railway Exchange Building, St. Louis, Mo.

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We will grind Corn at our Mill  
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## HOBBY ISSUES CALL

For Special Session of the Legislature to Convene February 26—Submits Liquor Question and Three Other Subjects for Consideration

Austin, Tex., Feb. 19—Governor Hobby today issued his official proclamation convening the thirty-fifth legislature in special session on February 26. Eight subjects are submitted by the governor for the consideration of the law-makers. The first five of his recommendations relate to the liquor question. He wants a law prohibiting the sale of liquor within ten miles of a training camp, and it is said that this law, if passed, will put out of business all the saloons in all the big towns in Texas except at Beaumont.

The other three subjects are: Relief of the drouth-stricken portion of the state; enabling act to put in operation the constitutional amendment for the conservation of the natural resources of the state, and to enact a uniform depository law in the state.

## List of Contestants

Grapeland	
Miss Annie Rainey Hollingsworth	42,100
Miss Rena Ross Richards	11,000
Miss Thelma Lee Clewis	10,000
Miss Esther Darsey	56,600
Miss Eula Mae Riall	71,200
Percilla Route 1	
Miss Buna Covington	7500
Mrs. Ruby Lively	63,000
Percilla	
Miss Edwina Bush	8000
Miss Rosa Branch	56,700
Elkhart	
Miss Gracy May Baber	7500
Elkhart Route 2	
Miss Ellen Bridges	22,400
Grapeland Route 3	
Miss Ola Willis	12,700
Miss May Martin	12,500
Salmon	
Miss May Belle Murdock	9,000
Augusta	
Miss Cloie Scarbrough	57,200

The contest will close at 5 p. m. on Saturday, March 9. There are people in this trade territory who are not taking The Messenger yet and we want to enroll every one of them before the campaign closes.

## VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE

and help her win the first prize. The contest will close in a short time, and our offer to give 7,000 votes with each \$9 club of subscriptions turned in any time up to 5 o'clock Monday afternoon, February 25, is by far the best offer that will be made during the contest.

These votes are in addition to the regular votes that go with the subscriptions, and there will be no limit to the number of clubs that each person may turn in.

The rain we had here Sunday will do lots of good, but it was by no means a good season. Other parts of the state and even in some places in Houston county much heavier rainfalls are reported than we had here.

# Kennedy Brothers

## Are Preparing for Spring

**Y**ES, we are preparing to give the people of Grapeland and community the largest showing of Spring Merchandise that it has ever been our pleasure to show.

New Arrivals each week in

### Silks and Dress Goods

Every express and freight brings to this store new creations---In silks never have we been able to show such an array of exceptional new fabrics, comprising correct ideas for all occasions. Some of the new materials that have arrived are the two tone silks and some of the prettiest patterns in silk gingham. A tempting array of favorites are largely featured in our collection.

### Shoes for You

You will find our shoe stock as complete as you will be able to find anywhere, and you will find them sold at a closer margin of profit than anywhere else.

### Trunks and Suit Cases

You are sure to money on your purchases on Trunks or Suit Cases if you get them here. See them and be convinced.

We will be glad to show you anything in our line any time you will pay us a visit.

### Men's and Boys' Clothing

We are getting shipments of Men's and Boys' Spring Suits almost every day, and will soon be ready to show you all the season's newest and most popular styles shown this season. We will be glad to show you anything in the clothing line.

### New Gingham Dresses for Ladies and Children

We are showing all the new patterns such as plaids, stripes and solids. Don't fail to see the quality and compare it with that of other goods. Prices to please everyone.

# Kennedy Brothers

## The Store for Everybody

### WANETA

REGULAR CORRESPONDENT

Waneta, Feb. 18.—We had a nice rain last night and the weather is cold again today.

C. H. Scoggins of this place, is very ill at this writing.

Messrs. Ollie Harrington and Alton Dickey went to Crockett last Wednesday.

Vivian Avera of Liberty Hill, was in our midst Sunday.

Richard Scoggins and wife of Alto, are here at the bedside of the former's father.

William Lively and wife made a business trip to Crockett last Thursday.

Elbert Clark and wife were guests of J. E. Harrington and wife Sunday.

Lewis Hendrick and mother were in Cherokee county from Friday till Sunday.

Our community was saddened last Saturday by the death of Mr. Alton Carter of Big Springs, Texas. He resided here a number of years and has a host of friends to mourn his death. His body was sent here and funeral services will be held at Muse cemetery tomorrow.

### Honor Roll Suggested

To the People of Houston County: I want to get up an "Honor Roll of Houston County," to be posted up in the court house, on which will be the names of all the boys who went from Houston county to the army and navy. Inasmuch as the records are

incomplete, I would like for everybody that knows of any boys in the army or navy to send me their names, rank, present address, company and regiment designations, name of ship they are on, etc. Don't send the names of your immediate relatives only, but send the names of all the boys you know. It would be better for accuracy's sake if every name was turned in several times.

Please do this at once. Write or phone me at Crockett or drop by the office when you are in town and let me have the names. Do it now. Yours truly,  
A. E. Owens.

If the shoes you have been buying failed to give satisfaction, try W. R. Wherry. 50tf

### Valentine Party

Last Friday night Miss Carrie Spence complimented the Grapeland music club with a delightful valentine party at her beautiful home in West Grapeland.

The parlors were artistically decorated for the occasion and the guests were gracefully received by the charming hostess. The game of progressive hearts was heartily engaged in by the guests the principal part of the evening. Miss Annie Rainey Hollingsworth was awarded the prize, while Roy G. Wherry was awarded the consolation prize.

Piano and vocal solos were rendered by the following:

Adabele Leaverton, Polly Pridgen, Rosalie Howard, Casten Guice, Mabel Boykin, Evagene

Murchison, Alma Cecil Lively, Francis Stafford, Louise McCarty, Carrie Spence, Bess Boykin, Joe Wherry.

At a late hour refreshments, consisting of hearts of cream and cake, olives, sandwiches and mints were served. After which the guests departed, expressing profuse appreciation for such a delightful evening.

### Former Citizen of This County Dies at Big Spring

Alton Carter died a few days ago at his home at Big Spring, Howard county. He formerly lived in the Waneta community, where his mother (a Mrs. Jones) now resides. The body was shipped here, arriving Sunday night, and the burial was at the Muse cemetery. Rev. Foster, pastor of the Baptist church at Waneta, met the corpse at Palestine and returned on the train that brought it here.

Mr. Carter had measles and then pneumonia.

He is survived by a wife and two small children. A very sad thing in connection with his death is that one of the children is very low with pneumonia and not expected to live and on that account Mrs. Carter could not come to see her husband buried.

But 2,001 men have been exempted on the ground of "moral deficiency." This phrase was defined by the President's regulation to include persons convicted and sentenced for felony in any court of record.

### Exit the Sectional Lines

When the war is over Americans will know one another better, and lingering sectional prejudices will be wiped out by contact in military camps. This intimate acquaintanceship will not stop them. It will be continued, for it will embrace the Canadians, with whom our soldier boys fraternized on the other side of the ocean. The South will know the North and the East the West as never before. The civil war, the American revolution and the war of 1812 will become history, and their memories will cease to cause rancor when the descendants of those who participated in them find a new bond of union in this great struggle against autocracy and in support of democratic ideals. They will be remembered only as are the Wars of the Roses are in England. The British empire has been at peace for 100 years with France and America, which is the best proof that war is unnecessary, though preparedness for war will be a burden upon civilization if the kaiser is not decisively defeated. For ourselves and our allies, let the dead bury their dead.—New York Commercial.

Rev. A. O. Riall is reported to be quite sick. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Jack Murchison is home from Camp Bowie on short furlough, to see his parents and friends.

Miss Maude McCarty left last week for Splendor, where she has a position in that school.