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### Col. Bailey Spoke Here.

Col. George Bailey, editor of the Houston Post, spoke at the Methodist church in this city Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour, going to Palestine on the 1:30 train, where he spoke at night.

Col. Bailey does not claim to be an orator, and says he is young in the service as a lay preacher, but he proved himself to be an orator of no mean ability and his discourse had the ear-marks of an old-timer.

He spoke upon the subject of "Three Great Ideals," which he characterized as patriotism, chivalry and service. Patriotism he defined as "intelligent Christian citizenship in action." He scored the indifferent man and those who took no interest in the affairs of government.

He paid a beautiful tribute to womanhood and expressed the belief that their entrance into governmental affairs by means of the ballot, would have a wholesome effect.

While Col. Bailey's speech reviewed the social, industrial and political signs of the times, yet it was intensely religious and uplifting in its nature.

Those present declared that it was the best lecture that has been delivered here in years. Those who stayed at home, or otherwise failed to hear him, missed the treat of their lives.

Col. Bailey promised a return engagement for some time during the winter, when he will deliver his lecture, "Old Time Religion."

Plenty of 8 ounce duck at Darsey's.

### THE ENTERING WEDGE

to back-sliding is neglect of the church. Faithful attendance cleaves the way for right living. Which way does your wedge aim?

## The Methodist Church of Grapeland

HOURS OF SERVICE:

Sunday School at 10 o'clock

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening

### School Opened Monday

The Grapeland public school opened last Monday with the largest attendance in its history. The enrollment totaled 241. In spite of the hard rain which fell Monday morning, several of the patrons of the school were present for the opening exercises.

Although the distribution of the free text books is somewhat complicating the school machinery, it is hoped that in a day or so the school will be running smoothly.

At last a full faculty has been secured and we are glad to say that as a whole the faculty appears to be up to the standard. All the teachers, with one exception, have had experience in other schools and all have at least a first grade certificate.

The final assignment of the work is as follows:

First grade and part of second: Miss Kate Hutchings.

Second and third grades: Miss Cecil Walters.

Fourth grade and part of fifth: Miss Maggie Hale.

Part of fifth and part of sixth grades: Miss Jesse Norwood.

Sixth and seventh grades: Miss Velerie Standley.

High school work assigned as follows:

Eighth and ninth, Algebra, all the history and eighth grade English, Miss Gertrude Nation.

Latin and English: Miss Ulrich.

Science and mathematics, Mr. LeMay.

The high school this year is offering a course in vocational agriculture, which includes the plant-product course. It is planned to alternate the plant production and the animal production courses and this gives each boy in school an opportunity to learn some of the elementary principles of farming. The State Department of Education is offering a unit and a half of affiliation for each of these courses, thus making a total of three units for both courses.

The course of study for the high school, with this exception, is the same as it was last year.

### Where Imagination Fails

This planet has been whirling in space for millions of years. We are very insignificant particles of a universe which is far beyond our powers of comprehension. Time is either infinitely long, or it will come to an end sooner or later—and it is equally impossible to imagine either one. Space is either limitless or has bounds; if it is limitless how can you explain it, and if it has bounds, what is there beyond it?

You at once get out of your depth when you try to consider these things. But the most insignificant of us has his part in creation. The Creator has brought you forth and he is responsible for you. Billions of other human beings have lived and labored and died, and what they have endured you can endure. Little children come out of eternity and go back to it, knowing no fear of the future. Is your faith and trustfulness less than theirs?—The Pathfinder.

The federal investigation committee gives the country the comforting message that the prices of necessities will drop twenty-five per cent in three months. Meat took a slight tumble a few days ago, which is regarded as a forerunner of a slump that is soon to follow in all the things people must have to eat or wear. The people are ready. On with the slump!—Honey Grove Signal.

### Shaver's Sawmill Burned

The sawmill of George Shaver located a few miles west of town, was destroyed by fire Wednesday night of last week, and was a total loss, as no insurance was carried.

Mr. Shaver had just recently added some new machinery to his plant. It will not be rebuilt, as in a few months longer the timber supply would have been exhausted. The loss is estimated at between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

Not only is the financial loss heavy to Mr. Shaver, but his plans for the future have been greatly upset. In a few days he expected to remove to Comanche and open a lumber yard, using the cut of his mill here, but now he has given up the idea and will remain here. We sympathize with him greatly in this misfortune, but we are glad that he is going to remain with us, and we are reminded of the old saying, "it's an ill wind that blows nobody good."

A lady dyed an old faded georgette waist last week with Rit and all her friends thought it was new. Plenty of colors at Darsey's.

Miss Lois Porter, who visited Miss Lucretia Riall a few days, returned to her home in Tyler Monday night.

### Cut Rates for Confederates

The 29th annual reunion of the confederate veterans of the Civil war will be held next month at Atlanta, Ga. As an accommodation to those who wish to attend, managers of all the railroads in the country have been instructed to make a special rate of one cent a mile each way from Oct. 7 to 10 inclusive. The tickets will be good for the return trip until Oct. 31. The rate applies to confederate veterans and members of their families, to sons of confederates and members of their families and to members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

### Halloween Party

The Ladies Aid of the Christian church announce they will hold a Halloween party on the night of October 31. The details and place of holding same will be announced later.

### Teachers' Examination

A teachers' examination will be held in Crockett Friday and Saturday, October 3 and 4. J. H. Rosser, Co. Supt.

Why rent, when you can own a home. See S. E. Howard for home in town, or farm in the country.

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Never was there a better or more sensible solution of the high cost of living problem offered the people that trade in Grapeland than is offered you here, in so far as staple merchandise is concerned.

There is hardly an article in our house for any member of the family, or a necessity of the household, but that you can buy of us right now, at the very threshold of the new fall season, at or below actual wholesale cost.

We bought months ago at extreme price concessions and long before present radical advance in price.

We merely pass a "good thing" along to you as our friends and customers.

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Read the following letter from the Supt. of Telegraphy of one of the large Railroad systems:

Tyler Commercial College, Gentlemen: If you will send us the high class students you have been sending, we can use all that you can send. Could use a large number at the present time if have them. In this connection will say what students you have sent us have been very satisfactory and have developed in some of the best telegraphers and agents that we have. Trust that you will be able to send us more of your students at once and keep them coming as fast as they are capable. I had the pleasure on August 2nd to visit your great school and made a personal investigation of the methods used by you in preparing student telegraphers, and I find they meet with all requirements of my road, and I wish further to say you have the largest and most complete and thorough business college that I have ever seen.

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**50 Cent Cotton Predicted**

Dallas, Texas, September 20.—Fifty-cent is predicted by brokers on Wall Street, according to announcement made today from the State headquarters of the American Cotton Association. In confirming this statement is sighted an extensive statement by Carlisle Rowntree, of Rowntree Bros., cotton brokers in New York.

"One factor that has not been considered in many of the discussions as to cotton price is the morale of the Southern farmer," according to Mr. Rowntree. "The majority of them do not know, nor do they pretend to know but little about the effect of the world's visible supply, mill stocks, exports, consumption, census reports, crops estimates, exchange money rates, foreign labor unrest, strike troubles, or any of the economic factors that enter into making of the market."

"But they do know that they had a taste of 36-cent cotton last fall, since when none of the cotton goods they use have declined, and that if necessary, they will eat corn bread and hold their cotton until they get that price again. Since the majority of farmers have realized more cash the past few months than ever before out of their grain and other crops, they are in a position to hold if necessary."

"And they will have the help this year of the Southern banker, many of whom realize that they were duped this last spring by insistent, preconceived, organized bear propaganda, predicted upon the assumption that if the Southern banker got scared, that the spot holders would

be forced to sell for cash, which is just what happened in many instances around the 20-cent level.

"Six weeks ago practically all the big operators and interests in New York City were predicting that cotton would hit 40 cents per pound in a few days more. This caused a considerable long interest to accrue, thus weakening the technical condition of the market and making possible for heavy selling to start the break and make the long run, this additional selling to cause the market to go still lower.

Now while these same interests are putting out a lot of pessimistic dope and figures showing that cotton must decline still further on account of present conditions, they almost without exception believe in higher prices eventually.

"The answer is, there will not be much further decline.

"If each of the 300,000 farmers and merchants in the South would appoint himself a committee of one to buy a contract of ten bales and call for the actual cotton at the time of expiration, there is no limit to the price cotton would sell for.

"The only way to decrease the price of a commodity like cotton is to increase the production, and unless the producer gets a living price over his cost of making the crop, the production will not be increased."

The statement printed in the large daily papers of the East and South further says cotton is sure to go to 50 cents when the channels of trade are opened. The American Cotton Association has been urging farmers to warehouse their cotton and hold for a good price. Cotton in warehouses under bonded warehouse receipts becomes splendid collateral for the banks and gives the farmer an opportunity to hold his crop until he can realize for cotton what he justly deserves.

The Texas Division of the American Cotton Association is planning soon a membership campaign in Texas. In the organization of the cotton growers conditions can be bettered. To this end the Association is working.

**His Prayer Answered**

Dallas, Texas, Sept 21.—What a little earnest prayer and a few tow sacks did in ridding his field of army worms, so that his cotton was saved, was told by a Dallas County farmer while in the city to-day.

"The army worms had got so bad in my cotton I had about calculated, that I wouldn't make any crop at all," he said. "So I hooked some tow sacks onto a cultivator and drove through my cotton field. The sacks knocked all the worms off onto the ground.

"When I saw all those worms on the ground I began to wish that I had a big drove of turkeys to eat them—but I didn't have a single turkey. So that night when I went home I got on my knees and prayed for birds to come and eat up all the worms I had knocked off my cotton. Well, do you know, the next morning I waked up and looked out in my field—it was filled with birds. It wasn't long before there were no worms left. And now I figure I'll make three-quarters of a bale to the acre."

Sour stomach, belching, wind in the bowels and constipation, can be corrected by taking a dose or two of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a man's remedy for such ailments. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

**Notice Patrons and Pupils**

Patrons and pupils of the Oak Grove school are requested to meet at school building Friday, October 6, at 1 o'clock. This is important.

B. T. Masters,  
Trustee.

**State Health Officer Sounds Warning on Flu**

On the twenty-first day of last September, the first case of influenza in Texas was reported to the state health department. This first case was followed in rapid succession by others from different parts of the state.

"No equinoxial storm ever recorded," says Dr. C. W. Goddard, state health officer, "reached such a fury or exacted a toll in loss of life comparable to this epidemic which made its appearance in our state last fall.

"It is well known among medical men, that one of the special characteristics of influenza is that it recurs in cycles, and with each return records a heavy mortality. In each cyclic outbreak in the past the disease has reappeared in the fall and winter from one to three years following the initial outbreak.

"The great epidemic of 1889 was followed by outbreaks in the fall and winter for three years following, and with an increasing mortality rate each year. The same history is recorded of epidemics of influenza in Europe, and in fact as far back as we have been able to gather statistics, each initial outbreak of influenza has been followed by recurrences in the next two or three years following. Since it is well known that history repeats itself, we may reasonably expect a recurrence of this dreadful disease this fall and winter, with a high mortality, especially from pneumonia.

"I cannot predict with certainty that we will have another epidemic of influenza this winter, but I can with certainty say that if we do not, the history of epidemics of influenza in the past, will not hold good for the future.

"In the light of past knowledge and experience, it would be nothing short of criminal to take no steps to protect the public against a possible recurrence of last season's devastation. Based on incomplete statistics from rural and urban reports, it is estimated that there were approximately 450,000 deaths from influenza in the United States and approximately 25,000 in Texas, from the recent epidemic. The epidemic last year which swept over the country with hurricane like rapidity, found the country depleted of its doctors and nurses, many communities having neither. At this time most of them have been released from the army and have come back to us rich in experience and trained in public health work.

"The excessively heavy rains this year have caused an unusually heavy growth of vegetation which is apparent not only in the small villages and towns, but even in places in our largest cities; while pools of stagnant water and litters of garbage are to be seen in far too many places.

"I am now calling upon you to begin an active campaign in anticipation of a possible recurrence of influenza, and as a matter of civic pride and health protection in general.

"In every village, town and city, health boards should be organized, or rejuvenated, where they already exist, and "clean up campaigns" put on, and every possible means taken to be prepared for any emergency.

"Local health officers should at once call a meeting of their local health boards if they have one, or a meeting for the purpose of organizing one if they do not already have one, and then enlist the aid of the commercial clubs, civic clubs, boards of trade, social welfare workers, Parent-Teachers association and all other organizations interested in civic advancement and the betterment of health conditions in their communities.

"I am calling upon the newspapers of the state to join me in this note of warning and trust that every paper in the state will not only copy this article, but add such comment as they feel will be helpful in promoting this defensive work in the interest of humanity.

"If these prevention measures

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are not taken, then from past experiences with influenza, you may reasonably expect your community to suffer the penalty of your neglect.

**More Labor Trouble**

His Better-Half (regarding him from the bedroom window) Where you bin this hour of the night?

"I've bin at me union, considerin' this 'ere strike."

"Well, you can stay down there an' consider this 'ere lock-out."—Tit Bits.

**Cotton Burned at Slocum**

Eleven bales of cotton were destroyed by fire on the gin yard at Slocum Monday night, Sept. 15. The origin of the fire is not known. It represents a serious loss to the owners, who are as follows:

- 2 bales, A. P. Tims.
- 3 bales, Mell Wise.
- 2 bales, Claude Denson.
- 1 bale, Sam Denson.
- 1 bale, Mr. Milligan.
- 1 bale, Mr. Corbett.
- 1 bale, Tom Lockler.



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**LIVELYVILLE**  
 By Rip Van Winkle

Livelyville, Sept. 22.—We are all reconciled to a poor crop now. The best thing to do is to look for the silver lining in the cloud. It is sure to be there and the optimist will find it. The weather is ideal to harvest and no doubt school will open with a full attendance.

The fact that it pays to read the advertisements in the Messenger was brought home to one of its readers Saturday in buying an article that had been advertised for the week at 25c less the usual price. The clerk had not read the ad, but the purchaser knowing the cut rate, saved the quarter. Read the advertisements—it pays.

J. E. Johnson and Miss Marie Masters were quietly married Thursday night, Bro. Sneed Taylor officiating. The bride wore a beautiful blue taffeta dress. We wish the bride happiness and congratulate the groom.

After a good singing, we had preaching Sunday, Bro. Bean filling the pulpit.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ferguson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Brown.

Arthur Guice spent Sunday with Paul MacDonald and Raymond Garner.

Miss Alma Howard spent Sunday with Miss Modelle Garner.

Joe Willis and Henyard and Johnnie Redmond took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garner Sunday.

Mrs. Jo Keen entertained many young friends Wednesday night. All present had a lovely time.

Mrs. J. E. Howard spent Sunday with Mrs. W. Redmond.

Mrs. McGraw from Blooming

Grove, Texas, is visiting her grandchildren, Mr. Clifton and Miss Gertrude Hale.

We are glad to see Mrs. Henry Ferguson able to be about again.

**SALMON**  
 By Regular Correspondent

Salmon, Sept. 22.—Most of the farmers have gathered their corn and all made enough to do them. Reagan Lasiter holds the record for making the most corn for a single hand. He tells us that he gathered twenty-four loads, which would average sixteen bushels to the load. That is pretty good for one hand.

Cotton picking is in full swing here now, and if the sun would just shine for about three weeks the cotton crop would be gathered.

Sunday school was well attended yesterday and we hope it will continue that way. Next Sunday will be a special day here, as it is our regular preaching day, and we just feel like Bro. Dean is going to bring us a great message. We invite everybody to come as we want to elect new officers for the Sunday school, and we want the entire church and Sunday school membership to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Starkey visited at C. A. Campbell's Sunday afternoon.

W. P. Grounds motored to Jim Ray's, up near Palestine, Sunday.

L. N. Lasiter and family and Mrs. J. H. Gaines spent Sunday at Hub Starkey's.

Cleve Sadler is building a four room bungalow on his farm east of Salmon and he and his wife expect to move to the farm soon. We will be glad to have them in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Burro spent Sunday with Reagan Lasiter.

**Proceedings of the Houston County Teachers Institute**

Promptly at 8:45 Monday morning, the 15th Inst., the Houston County Teachers' Institute was called to order by County Supt. J. H. Rosser.

Rev. C. B. Garrett was requested to conduct the devotional exercises.

Other opening exercises during the Institute were conducted by Rev. W. H. Rosser.

Immediately succeeding the opening exercises, the general session was organized, the County Superintendent appointing Mr. Puntch, President, and G. D. Dykes, Secretary. Each day of the Institute a different member served as presiding officer.

Committee covering the general work of the institute were selected as follows:

Resolutions: D. McDonald, Harry Bruton, H. C. Hill, J. P. O'Keefe, Mrs. Archibald and Miss Ava Thomason.

Interscholastic League: Director General S. R. LeMay. Director Athletics, H. C. Hill. Director Declamation and Debate, B. F. Thomas. Director Spelling, Miss Ava Thomason. Director Essay Writing, Mrs. N. A. Gant.

Summer Normal Committee: S. R. LeMay, Chairman; Miss Ava Thomason, Mrs. Karl Leediker, B. F. Thomas, M. A. Gant.

Omitting any account of the discussions purely technical, the following topics of public interest were elucidated in General Sessions: "Purpose and Method of Promotions," led by G. S. Hart. "The Interscholastic League," Mr. Bedichek from State University. "The Function of Teaching," led by T. H. Stout. "Thrift Education," N. J. Norrell, Government agent. "Public Sanitation" led by N. A. Gant. The importance of Agriculture as a subject in the curriculum was discussed by Mr. Dove, from State Department.

The committee on Resolutions submitted the following report: Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that the Houston County Institute of 1919 has been conducted in a most efficient manner, without undue loss of time, and without friction; that co-operation, freedom of speech and exchange of views have made for the growth of the teachers assembled and that we hereby thank our conductor, Mr. Rosser, for his broad and rational conduct of this Institute.

Resolved, That it be the sentiment of the Teachers of Houston County Institute to express their appreciation for the courtesy shown us by the citizens of Crockett, who contributed to the Automobile tour of the town, and be it further resolved, that our thanks be extended for the grateful reception into the many homes of Crockett during the Institute week. Also, be it resolved, that our thanks be extended to the Board of Trustees of Crockett High School for the use of their splendid building throughout the week.

Whereas, the public schools constitute the very heart of our American democracy, and from them must flow those ideals which make for civic health, material prosperity, patriotism and the happiness of all the people, therefore, be it resolved: First, that every possible effort should be made to make Texas schools the best in the world. They should be the best for all the children of all the people. To make them so, is our primary object, and all other aims are subordinate to this one. Furthermore, we believe that to accomplish this object it is necessary for teachers to form strong local organizations, county and city, and that every such local organization should see to enroll its full membership in the Texas State Teachers' Association. We believe that the educators constitute the force which must unify and harmonize, for the good of all the people, the conflicting and the divergent interest of the various classes of society.

And be it further resolved:

That we continue our campaign for better salaries until the remuneration given teachers is such as to hold the best men and women of the State in the profession of teaching. We feel that we can never properly equip ourselves so long as our salaries are so absurdly small. It is utterly impossible for our schools to remain even so good as now unless salaries are advanced to a point from 50 per cent to 100 per cent above the level of 1914.

Resolved, That the present constitutional tax limit of Fifty cents on the one Hundred Dollars Valuation for local maintenance should be raised to one dollar on the hundred.

Whereas, It has pleased the Almighty Disposer of events to remove from our midst our late worthy and bereaved friend and co-laborer, R. J. Dominy, and, Whereas, the intimate relations long held by the deceased with the members of this institute render it fitting and proper that we should place upon record our appreciation of his services as educator, secretary of this organization, and as friend of man; Therefore,

Resolved: That we deplore the loss of R. J. Dominy with deep feelings of sorrow and regret, softened only by the confident hope that his spirit is with those who, having fought the good fight here, is enjoying perfect happiness in a better world.

Resolved: That we tender to his bereaved widow and son, Mrs. Clara Dominy and Roy Dominy Jr., our sincere condolence and our earnest sympathy in their affliction at the loss of a devoted husband and father.

The technical subjects considered in "High School," "Intermediate" and "Primary" sections of the Institute covered almost the entire gamut of the profession, and only lack of space prevents a more extended write up.

Friday, the last day of the Institute, was largely devoted to discussing duties of Boards of Trustees. Unfortunately for the welfare of our schools, only a comparatively small number of trustees were present. The school communities represented on this occasion by Trustees, should congratulate themselves on possessing officials in whose hands the school interests are really safe, and may well expect such Schools to forge to the front.

T. H. Stout, Reporter.

**Negroes Creating Trouble**

Crockett, Texas, Sept. 23.—Howard Brown, a negro about thirty years old, has been lodged in jail, charged with assault to murder, committed Monday morning on Andrew Spence of Latexo. The attack is said to have been unprovoked. When arrested by constable McPhail, the negro was armed with a double barreled gun, loaded with buck shot. He also had a number of buck shot cartridges on his person.

Will Hackett, colored, Saturday night attacked policeman Musick, and was promptly knocked down by that official. The negro took exception to the way the vagrancy laws were being enforced, and in an insulting manner demanded of Mr. Musick why arrests were being made.

A white man, who has been here for several days buying cattle, was assaulted by a negro named Milton Rhodes Saturday night, and severely cut. The negro was jailed and a charge of assault to murder lodged against him. The attack was the result of some jokes passed by some of the town boys, in which the cattleman had not taken part.

The City Schools opened here Monday morning with an attendance slightly larger than last year. They will open at nine o'clock and close at four. There have been a number of resignations from the faculty originally selected, the teachers claiming

that they could make more money in other lines of work. The salaries paid here are much better than those generally paid in other towns of the same size. The present faculty is composed nearly altogether of home people, and the teachers are in every way qualified in their respective lines of work.

Lieutenant Owens and a few of the members of Troop M, Texas Cavalry, stationed here, engaged in a little target practice with pistols Monday evening. Some fairly good scores were made, Lieutenant Owens leading.

What is believed to be the record price for vinegar was paid here one day recently, when a traveling salesman, hailing from Louisiana, gave forty eight dollars for four quarts. Standing on the streets, he happened to remark that he would like to have a "Hawn". In a few moments he was approached by a man who told him that he knew where one could be found. The usual preliminaries were gone through with, the out of the way place visited, a drink of good whiskey given him as a sample, when he was informed that nothing less than four quarts would be sold, and they in the original sealed package. The money was passed, the packages delivered, and the durmmer went on his way rejoicing. When he opened the package in his room at the hotel, he found four bottles duly labeled "Genuine whiskey," but after opening one after the other of the bottles, he found that they contained vinegar. He applied to one of the officials, who, after hearing his story, and after a personal investigation of the matter, promptly informed him that what he needed was not redress at the hands of the law, but about a six months course of treatment in the insane ward of some first class hospital. It is not thought that the "evidence" in this case will have disappeared should the case ever be brought to trial.

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 The Body Builder

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Women who have suffered for years are now able to go about their household duties every day and are enjoying better health than they ever thought possible, thanks to Admirine.

Don't go on suffering, when Admirine will give absolute relief.

Admirine is a tonic, a body builder, and contains iron in its most tasty form. No matter what your ailment, this tonic will help you to better health. It builds up the entire system.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 25, 1919

**BACK TO SCHOOL**

A hilarious vacation will soon be ended. The first day of school is one of the picturesque scenes of American life. It is inspiring to see the little groups of youngsters reassembling after their summer vacation. Tanned faces show that the summer has done them good. Their new school clothes demonstrate that with all the cost of living, the average family is comfortable.

The kid element may pretend to dislike school. But very few of them would of their own choice absent themselves. It is with cheerful faces that they come whooping up the street as the school bell rings after its long silence.

May that cheerfulness and readiness continue here in Grapeland all through the long year. The children that really want to learn will accomplish ten times as much as those whose interest and co-operation is not aroused.

More talk and less work seems to be the popular theory of how to pay off the war debt and solve the high cost of living.

Among the people who help put up the cost of living are those who get scared for fear prices will go still higher and who rush in to buy before they need them. Buy wisely and conservatively and thereby help put prices down.

The newspaper man who did not advance his subscription price during the war, looking forward to the time when print paper would be cheap and plentiful again, isn't finding post-war conditions coming anywhere near his expectations. In the spring the price declined a bit, and then started its upward trend again, until the price is as high now as during the war. In fact every article used in a print shop is no cheaper now than one year ago. Wages are necessarily higher now than at that time.—Deport Times.

Thomas Campbell, the man who used to be governor, is trying to start a boom for William J. Bryan as a presidential candidate. We feel very kindly toward the sage of Palestine, for it is true that he once offered to loan us his full dress suit so that we could attend an inaugural ball, and for this favor he has our sympathy in the herculean task he has undertaken. Go fishing, Thomas, and forget it.—Honey Grove Signal.

**SLOCUM**

Regular Correspondent

Slocum, Sept. 22.—Rain, rain, plenty of it. The farmers are all "down in the mouth." The weevils have taken more than their share. Some say they will never see the top with stuff so high and not much cotton made. Most all farmers have gathered their corn and all seem to have made plenty and some to spare, so let us be more cheerful.

Twinkle, twinkle, little shoes; dearest thing I've ever seen since you've gone so dog-gone high, you and I must say good bye.

Little Ray Campbell spent the past week at A. P. Tims'. He said it was a happy week for him, picking cotton and chewing ribbon cane.

A. P. Tims and family spent Sunday at C. C. Tims' at Waneta.

Dr. C. C. Blair left Monday for Ft. Worth.

Slocum had quite a fire Monday night of last week, when eleven bales of cotton were burned. A. P. Tims lost 2 bales; Mel Wise 3 bales; Mr. Corbett 1 bale; Claude Denson 3 bales; Tom Lockler 1 bale; Sam Denson 1 bale: The cotton had no insurance. It is thought the fire was caused by some one smoking.

Bro. McDaniel preached at Maydell Sunday.

**LIBERTY HILL**

By Regular Correspondent

Liberty Hill, Sept. 22.—Mr. Vergil McAnally of Palestine spent the day here Sunday visiting friends.

Misses Emma Moore, Cordie Holcomb and Gladys Avera are home after spending the week in Crockett. Miss Moore will teach in the Waneta school. Misses Avera and Holcomb will teach the Shady Grove school.

J. M. Young has gone to his school at Salt Branch.

Miss Matney of Augusta spent the week end in Liberty.

John Davis and Arthur Holcomb were in Crockett Friday to attend the institute.

On September 13, a fine boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Young.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore and left a fine boy.

Miss Tommie Holcomb has gone to Crockett to attend High School.

Bernard Avera has gone to attend the High School in Crockett this winter.

Homer Holcomb and Pleva Cutler went to Crockett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ramey are visiting Charlie's parents.

We had a good congregation at church Sunday morning and evening, when Brother Matney preached.

Plenty of 8 ounce duck at Darsey's.

Van Clark left Tuesday for points in West Texas.

Rit makes dyeing easy. In flake and cake at Darsey's.

Our new fall samples are on display. Call to see them.

M. L. Clewis.

Anabel, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Allen, is sick with typhoid fever, but is getting along nicely.

A visit to Darsey's Millinery Department will reveal more hat styles to you in a minute than you can get from a magazine in a day. All of the season's newest shapes, best materials and smartest styles are being shown.

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THE SERVICE FIRST STORE

**Summer is Over**

Last Monday was the first calendar fall day and the cool, peppy weather we are having this week also reminds us that our summer togs are kind of out of place. At this store, you will find just what you are looking for in wearing apparel and we solicit an early visit from you. Our styles are right; our materials are serviceable; our quality is guaranteed. We can serve you at a saving.



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**Now!----**

Off with the old straw hat! The season's over Summer has gone. Fall is here and it's time for a new hat. We suggest that you decide to wear one of our new Fall style

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**About your Fall Suit**

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**New Silk Shirts**

There is nothing more beautiful than the showing of Silk Shirts in a number of new patterns on display at this store this week. Our entire shirt stock is the most carefully selected in East Texas and careful shirt buyers will find matchless quality in our shirts in a number of materials at—

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**Cash Register Checks**

We are giving CASH REGISTER CHECKS with every purchase at our store which are VALUABLE to you. We now have en route, several big shipments of merchandise that WILL BE GIVEN AWAY ABSOLUTELY FREE AS PREMIUMS to those who have Cash Register Checks and hope to have these PREMIUMS on display within the next few days. SAVE YOUR CASH REGISTER CHECKS! These premiums will be given for different amounts and your cash register checks are worth as much to you as they will be to the other fellow.

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Miss Willie Browning has returned from Rusk, where she visited her sister, Mrs. King.

### For Sale

One Ford with racer body.  
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Mrs. Claude Keeland has returned from Huntsville, where she visited relatives.

Rit dye flakes for heavy goods. Rit dye cakes for silks and light goods. You'll find the color you want at Darsey's.

### Notice

I am prepared to repair all kinds of stoves. Nat Campbell, Elkhart, Route 2. 23-4 t

Mr. Sam Selkirk of Bay City spent a couple of days here last week visiting his brother, Mr. J. M. Selkirk.

Bring us your produce. We need it for our Houston stores. W. R. Wherry. tf.

Don't be fooled into paying a fabulous price for a suit of clothes. Call to see our samples and get our prices. M. L. Clewis.

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Mrs. Howell Appling and son of Carthage are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Howard.

Z. C. Sheridan and family of Elkhart were the guests of R. L. Pridgen and family Sunday.

Mrs. R. B. Womack of Weches spent last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tucker Campbell at Slocum.

See J. A. Murdock every Friday and Saturday for fish and oysters. Before you buy, get my prices. 29-4t

Of course, if it is out of the question for you to buy a new suit, we can make your old one look mighty good. M. L. Clewis.

### The Cradle Roll

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Foreman, Thursday, Sept. 18.

### Rabbits For Sale

We buy all you raise. Write or catalogue. Address—Dixie Rabbit Co., 880 N. Bois D'Arc Ave. Tyler, Texas. 29-5t

Rev. R. L. Brooks and family who have been spending a few days in this community with relatives, have returned to their home at Elgin.

A complete developing tank system does the trick. Films received by 9 a. m. finished and mailed same day. Developing 10 roll prints 3, 4 and 5 cents. Watkin's Studio, Palestine, Texas.

T. M. James, formerly of Mississippi, but lately of Rusk county, has purchased a farm east of Grapeland, and will make his home here. His family has not arrived yet, but will come later. At present he is making his home with W. D. Collins.

### Will Serve Oysters, Cake and Hot Chocolate

The Baptist Ladies will serve oysters, cake and hot chocolate at the Grapeland Hotel Friday afternoon and night, Sept. 26th. Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Montgomery left last week for Mitchell county, where they will reside in the future. We understand that N. H. Montgomery and family will also move to Mitchell county in the near future. We regret to see these good people leaving us.

### Ford For Sale

My Ford with motor recently overhauled, new top and seat covers, Stewart speedometer, Yale switch lock, large steering wheel, good tires, in first-class condition in every way. J. E. Buttrill.

Col. W. S. Walter returned Saturday from Hillsboro, Ill., where he spent two weeks visiting relatives and friends. As this was his first visit to the old home in many years, of course he had a most pleasant time.

Arnold Clewis arrived home Tuesday morning, having received an honorable discharge from the navy, after about two years service. A great deal of his time was spent in the transport service and he visited France several times, and obtained leave to visit Paris and the battle front.

If your brain don't work right and you feel tired and lazy, you may be sure your system is clogged up somewhere. You should take Prickly Ash Bitters. Men who use it know it is a thorough system tonic and bowel purifier. It invigorates and strengthens both body and brain. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.



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### When Prices Are High

Extravagance is one of the greatest dangers now confronting the American people. Times are so prosperous that many who have never before had more than a scant living are earning large labor wages and perhaps spending in a prodigal manner. Our currency is inflated. The billions we have loaned European countries have not been transferred in cash, but have been credited to those who are buying our products. The billions in government bonds have also started a volume of money in circulation so that the money is the cheapest commodity many have.

The result of this is "cheap money" which lowers the buying value of the dollar. Moreover, laborers in the trades are making demands for higher wages with less work. More pay and less production is certain to increase the cost of manufactured articles. Then why are laborers surprised at the high cost of living?

There is a tendency to live beyond one's means and a disposition to defer settlement. While our war debts are accumulating the state and the national governments are extravagantly appropriating the people's money, creating new offices and increasing salaries. When will the people call a halt?

Farmers are not getting as high prices for their labor as others who are organized and may tie-up and paralyze industries by strikes. But crops and live stock products are bringing higher prices than ever before in the history of the country. To meet present conditions farmers will decide, doubtless, that the safe way is to be economical and frugal; use more labor-saving implements and machines; save all products that are edible or salable, and feed to animals on their farms.—Farm and Ranch.

Knocking Buttermilk

A standard of one-half per cent alcohol would prohibit not only the sale but the manufacture of buttermilk (necessarily fermented and from one to three per cent alcohol), and, by inference, the manufacture of butter. Seems safest to kill off all but the dry cows. Wall Street Journal.

Pore old Jim Lowry! He has put in a whole lifetime preaching the doctrine of buttermilk, and now to find that it is prohibited by the dry laws from being manufactured! Maybe they can put Bulgarian bugs in it and kill the alcohol germs. Something

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J. W. HOWARD

should be done to save his pet stimulant.—Garland News.

The whiskey ring and the great business interests are still trying to down the world's elixir of life, the delightful acidulated lacteal fluid. Years ago, when we were pounding away on the buttermilk propaganda, these interests and their hirelings put out awful reports on buttermilk. They claimed that many people got choked on the wonderful fluid and died; that thousands had become buttermilk drunkards; that it engendered family feuds, fostered socialism, made people bowlegged and worked many other awful atrocities upon the human family. Now that the fight has been won and the flag of buttermilk waves from Cape Cod to Iloilo and from the aurora borealis to the south pole, the same interests are trying to hoist the delightful fluid upon its own petard—which is to say they are trying to prevent its manufacture under the bone-dry laws. Fight on, ye villains; the apostle of buttermilk is a warrior bold and peace troubles his mind. There isn't enough alcohol in buttermilk to intoxicate a chigger.—Jim Lowry, in Honey Grove Signal.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Marselino Sallas, deceased, the unknown heirs of Thos. Davis, deceased, the unknown heirs of L. M. Davis and his wife, E. A. Davis, both deceased, the unknown heirs of John Edens deceased, the unknown heirs of John Jones deceased, the unknown heirs of Jessie R. Jones, deceased, the unknown heirs of J. M. Davis, deceased, the unknown heirs of S. S. Elliott, deceased, the unknown heirs of Jose Maria Procella, deceased, the unknown heirs of Martin Murchison, deceased, the unknown heirs of D. H. Edens, deceased, the unknown heirs of Nancy A. Edens, deceased, the unknown heirs of Robert Acree, deceased, the unknown heirs of Nathan A. Mitchell, deceased, the unknown heirs of Amanda E. Mitchell, deceased, the unknown heirs of Wm. E. Mitchell, deceased, by making publication of this citation once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court in and for Houston County, Texas, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, on the 1st Monday in October, A. D. 1919, the same being the 6th day of October, A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 29th day of August, A. D. 1919, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 5807, wherein D. N. Leaverton, C. L. Halton, H. A. Leaverton and Geo. W. Shaver, are Plaintiffs, and the said above-named unknown heirs are Defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple of six hundred and fifty and sixty-five one hundredths acres (650.65) of land in Houston County, Texas, consisting of four tracts, to-wit: One tract of 374 3-4 acres on the Marselino Sallas survey, one tract of 139 and four tenths acres (139 4-10) on the Jose M. Procella survey, one tract of 33 3-4 acres on the said Procella survey, and a tract of 102 3-4 acres on the said Sallas survey, situated about sixteen miles northeast of the town of Crockett and generally known as the "Geo. W. Shaver Land," and being the same fully described in a deed from G. W. Shaver and wife, Hattie Shaver, to plaintiffs, dated July 5, 1919, and recorded in Book 92 on page 426 of the deed records of said county and the deeds therein referred to, and to which said records and the original petition filed herein reference is here made for a complete description of said several tracts of land, and that on January 1, 1919, defendants entered upon and ejected plaintiffs therefrom and unlawfully withhold from plaintiffs the possession thereof, and are asserting some sort of right, title or interest therein, whereby, and because of the burning of the records of said county in 1865 and 1882, a cloud is cast upon plaintiff's title, as well as certain liens unreleased as per the said records but which are long since barred by the statutes of limitation in such cases, and plaintiffs plead the statutes of five and ten years limitation by reason of the peaceable and adverse possession of said land by plaintiffs and those under whom they claim against the right of defendants and each and all of them to recover said lands or any part of the same.

Wherefore, plaintiffs sue and claim title to said land, and pray for citation in terms of the law, after making affidavit that the residences of said defendants and of each and all of them are unknown to plaintiffs, commanding defendants to appear and answer their petition at the next regular term of said court and on hearing that plaintiffs have judgment for the title and possession of said land and premises, for the removal of all cloud on plaintiff's title and the quieting of the same, for the writs of possession and restitution, for all costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in

equity, that plaintiffs may be entitled to, & c.

Plaintiffs claim title to said lands through the following instruments: Grant from the State of Coahuila to Marselino Sallas, and the following deeds: Thomas Davis to Thos. J. Cook, L. M. Davis and wife to Thos. J. Cook, Thos. J. Cook and wife to Davis and Ruby Cook, Davis Cook and wife and Ruby Cook to T. H. Leaverton, T. H. Leaverton and wife to Geo. W. Shaver, T. J. Cook to C. F. and B. J. Cook, Thos. J. Cook and wife to C. F. and B. J. Cook, B. J. Cook to C. F. Cook, C. F. Cook and wife to J. F. Lively, J. F. Lively and wife to G. W. Shaver, State of Coahuila to Jose Maria Procella, Jose Maria Procella to Martin Murchison, D. H. Edens and wife to Robert Acree, Robert Acree to Nathan A. Mitchell, Ada L. Banks and husband, J. T. Banks and Lula Jones and husband, H. C. Jones, to B. Mitchell, B. Mitchell and wife to B. E. Elliott, B. E. Elliott and wife to T. H. Leaverton, H. C. Jones and wife to R. T. Bobbitt, R. T. Bobbitt and wife to T. H. Leaverton, T. H. Leaverton and wife to Geo. W. Shaver, B. Mitchell and wife, Willie E. Mitchell, and Ada L. Banks and husband, J. T. Banks to G. W. Shaver, G. W. Shaver and wife to plaintiffs, C. F. Cook and wife, Ethyl P. Cook, and Joe Cook and wife, Lynn Cook, to G. W. Shaver, all of which instruments are duly recorded in the county clerk's office of said county.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this the 29th day of August, A. D. 1919.

V. B. Tunstall Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

Patience Rewarded

There is an alarming shortage of teachers. Schools in many of the rural districts have not been provided for. Parents are sorely perplexed, and little Martha and John are likely to miss a portion of their too scant education.

The condition is one that demands remedy, and the only way to remedy it is to pay the teacher a living wage. The laborer gets enough to live on for putting bricks in a wall, but what does the patient woman get who puts thoughts in young America's head?

The crime of low pay has persisted long enough. Teaching has been in the nature of a sacrifice. It has paid less in proportion to the skill demanded than any form of human endeavor. Now that wages are good in other positions that demand less preparation and energy, is it to be wondered that the tired teacher has forsaken the blackboard and the desk? Rather, is it not wonderful that she has borne rebuff and injustice so long?

If the war has ended in hardship and confusion, it has at least brought the world to a realization of some of its shortcomings. From now, America will pay its teachers a fair salary or suffer its future men and women to grow up in ignorance.—Holland's.

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Resources

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$81,954.03
Loans, real estate	4,990.89
U. S. Certs. of Indebtedness	2,000.00
Bonds and Stocks	36,400.00
Victory Bond act.	2,732.46
Real estate (banking house)	3,428.90
War S. S. Certs.	854.76
Furniture and Fixtures	2,651.70
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	17,208.89
County Warrants	1,060.03
Cash Items	217.39
Currency	12,582.00
Specie	2,550.50
Interest and Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,501.60
Other Resources: Bills of Exchange	435.03
Total	\$170,568.18

Liabilities

Capital Stock paid in	\$20,000.00
Surplus Fund	8,149.50
Undivided Profits net	1,917.72
Individual Deposits, subject to check	85,062.84
Time Certificates of Deposit	26,680.50
Bond Certificates of Deposit	27,800.00
Cashier's Checks	957.62
Total	\$170,568.18

STATE OF TEXAS County of Houston We, C. W. Kennedy, as president, and U. M. Brock, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

C. W. Kennedy, President.  
U. M. Brock, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of Sept. A. D. 1919.

(Seal) Jno. A. Davis, J. P. Precinct No. 5. Ex. Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
M. P. Herod  
J. C. Kennedy  
E. G. Walling  
Directors.

EPHESUS

By Regular Correspondent

Ephesus, Sept. 22.—Little Odell McQueen was badly burned last week while playing around a fire, which was burning around the wash pot.

We had a large attendance at Sunday school yesterday, and we think everyone derived some benefit from the lesson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Graham and Mrs. Lee Graham left Monday for Ballinger.

Miss Jewel Turner left Saturday for Teague, where she will teach school.

The trustees of this school attended the institute in Crockett last Friday.

Mrs. Minnie McQueen spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Anderson.

Miss Julia Luce is on the sick list this week.

At the Baptist Church

The Messenger is requested to announce that Rev. W. H. Rosser will preach at the Baptist church in this city next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and a cordial invitation is extended the public to hear him. Rev. Rosser formerly lived in this community, but has been in other parts for several years, and his many old friends will be glad of the opportunity to hear him preach again.

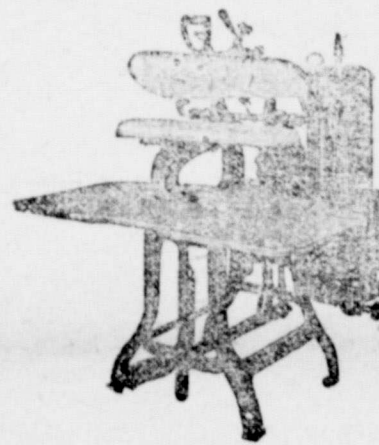


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D. Boone Osborn,  
Editor Central Missouri Leader  
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You are to be the judge—try this famous tonic—if it doesn't bring to you new energy, a splendid appetite, restful sleep, peaceful and quiet nerves—if it doesn't destroy that tired feeling and build you up, then Rich-Tone will be free to you, it will not cost you anything—NOT ONE PENNY.

YOU OWE IT TO YOURSELF to try this marvelous remedy. YOU OWE IT TO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS to be strong, well, happy, bright of eye, brisk of step, ruddy of cheek, able to go about your work with a smile on your lips!

On each bottle is plainly printed, "Money cheerfully refunded if not entirely satisfactory," and your own local druggist will let you try Rich-Tone on this money-back guarantee.

One user says: "I was run down after a bad case of 'flu.' Was in bed four months and under the care of five doctors, had nervous prostration and could not sleep and ate very little. I got a bottle of your wonderful tonic, Rich-Tone, and am now eating three times a day and I sure sleep sound. I can't say enough for your wonderful tonic, Rich-Tone. It is worth its weight in gold. It has saved me \$50 or \$60 as I was going to Mineral Wells, but I do not need to go now, thanks to Rich-Tone."

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### NO. 183 Official Statement of the Financial condition of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 12 day of September, 1919 published in the Grapeland Messenger a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 25 day of September, 1919.

Resources	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$103,382.40
Loans, real estate	11,278.42
Overdrafts	2,354.15
Bonds and Stocks	14,550.00
Real estate (banking house)	2,983.03
Bond account	1,347.65
Furniture and Fixtures	2,365.00
Due from Approved reserve Agents net	12,864.23
Cash Items	1,225.77
Currency	6,700.00
Specie	1,350.00
Interest and Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,976.12
War Savings Stamps	63.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$162,440.27</b>
Liabilities	
Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	1,519.38
Individual Deposits, subject to check	87,746.71
Time Certificates of Deposit	13,624.18
Bill Payable and Discounts	15,000.00
Certificates of Bonds Deposited	14,550.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$162,440.27</b>

#### STATE OF TEXAS County of Houston

We, Geo. E. Darsey, as president, and W. D. Granberry, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Geo. E. Darsey President.  
W. D. Granberry Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of September, A. D. 1919.

(Seal) J. R. Richards,  
Notary Public Houston  
County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:  
W. G. Darsey  
M. E. Darsey  
T. S. Kent  
Directors.

#### Print Paper Going Higher

S. S. Carvalho, one of the best known newspaper men in the United States, and formerly the general manager of all the Hearst publications, stated in a recent interview that newspapers are facing the greatest crisis in the history of the industry. He said that 20 per cent more paper is being used than is manufactured; that high prices are inevitable, and that paper stocks are already at the danger line.

Mr. Carvalho bases the increased price of paper on the four following things:

"First—The labor cost of per ton on white paper is now \$20 against \$10 four years ago.

"Second—It takes one ton of coal to make one ton of paper and coal at the mill has practically doubled in price.

"Third—The haul on pulp wood is growing greater each year; likewise the freight charges.

"Fourth—The six to nine cent markets of Europe, South America and Australia are now asking for Canada and United States paper."

Before the war the price of paper was given little consideration by publishers in figuring publication costs. Today it is a very important item. The only way to meet the advance is for publishers to secure better advertising and subscription rates, the only sources of revenue.—Publisher's Auxiliary.

Is your subscription paid to date?—RENEW NOW!

#### Prices Go Higher

Washington, Sept. 19.—Retail prices on foodstuffs increased 1 per cent in August as compared with July and reached the highest point in the nation's history, despite the government's campaign to reduce the cost of living.

The next increase, probably already apparent to the consumer, was revealed Friday night when the department of labor's bureau of labor statistics made public its monthly report.

The foodstuffs increasing in price were eggs, rice, potatoes, milk, porkchops, butter, cheese, coffee, dry beans, sugar and bread. Prices declined for sirloin and round steak, ribs and chuck roasts, onions, bacon, flour, cabbage and canned peas corn, beans and tomatoes.

#### PURINA FILLS THE BILL

MORE EGGS OR MONEY BACK GUARANTEED



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### Let Us Locate It for You

The surest way of finding the lost animal, the lost pet, or the lost article is to let us locate it for you. A small classified advertisement in our lost and found section will tell of your loss to many more people than you could see in a day.

And the more people you can interest in recovering your loss the sooner will you be successful.

The cost of a small advertisement is very low—much less than it would cost you to make a personal search. Next time let us make your search by means of a little classified ad.



**MEXICO WILL EXHIBIT AT THE VICTORY FAIR**

INVITATION EXTENDED BY DIRECTORS THRU CONSUL FLORES ACCEPTED BY PRES. CARRANZA.

The Republic of Mexico, for the first time in history, will make an official Government exhibition at the Victory Fair.

Mexican Consul Flores, of Ft. Worth and Dallas and W. H. Stratton, Secretary State Fair of Texas, originated the idea. Signor Albino R. Nuncio, of the Mexican Industrial, Commercial & Labor Department, made a trip all the way from the City of Mexico to Dallas, a few days ago to complete arrangements. Signor Nuncio is an expert in preparing displays for exhibitions. He had charge of the Mexican Government's exhibition at the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, N. Y. and at the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco, California.

The display at the Victory Fair will consist of agricultural, industrial, official, and artistic exhibits. Pottery, Indian Blankets and wicker-ware are among the commodities, in many different sizes, color combinations and unique designs that are made by the Mexicans and the Indians of Mexico, that will be shown.

The Dallas Trade Trippers, who visited Mexico recently, inspected their national museum of commercial and industrial arts. They are filled with admiration for the many interesting and handsome articles they saw there. Many of these, together with a famous Mexican art loan collection, it is planned, will be shown at the Victory Fair at Dallas in October.

One, or more, of their excellent Police, or Army Bands, may come. Secretary Stratton has sent a special request of this nature to President Carranza.

Twenty thousand square feet of floor space have been set aside for the Mexican Government exhibition. Advices have been received that thousands of representative Mexicans will attend the Fair. At this time an immense amount of business can be transacted between Mexicans and Texans and many cordial personal friendships will then be made.

**HORACE GOLDIN, MAGICIAN STAR FOR VICTORY FAIR**

WITH COMPANY OF ORIENTAL MYSTICS WILL MYSTIFY COLISEUM AUDIENCES.



Horace Goldin, Master-Magician, Illusionist, and Inventor of Legerdemain, with his company of Oriental Mystics, will be a star coliseum attraction at the Victory Fair at Dallas in October.

Goldin presents some of the most mystifying spectacular illusions ever seen anywhere. He himself is a "whole show of whirlwind magic."

A beautiful maiden walks through a big plate glass mirror—Goldin disappears from a wicker basket suspended from an airplane—a dainty damsel appears to be torn to shreds by a raging tiger, only to walk forth presently unharmed. Goldin climbs a rope dangling from nowhere, until he disappears into—nowhere. These, and many other tricks which appear to defy all the laws of nature and of mechanics, will be presented by Goldin, the Royal Russian Magician & Company.

**Mule Lost—\$5.00 Reward**

Brown mare mule about 9 years old; will weigh 850 or 900 pounds; big fat when she left home; will jump anything, so if you get her tie her up and notify me. Mouse colored nose. \$5.00 reward for recovery.

Tom Kent, Grape land, Route 4.

**SHOP AT KENNEDY BROS.**

Do your shopping at Kennedy Bros. where you will find your needs fully cared for and at a price less than you can get these new fall goods at wholesale. Note the following:

**SILK HOSE**

Never before have you had the pleasure of seeing such nice hose for a price that we are showing them at this time. All colors—black, blue, charlotte, cordovan and white, priced from \$1.50 to \$3.00

You will find all thread silk in our \$2.00 and up numbers. They will please you. Call and get what hose you need.

**THE NEW BLOUSES**

You cannot afford to miss seeing the new blouses that we are receiving daily, and especially the new styles and all the new pretty colors. They are the season's latest. Prices range from \$1.25 to \$8.50

**SILKS**

Silks that will please. You will find plaids and plain silks in all colors, and 36 ins. wide priced at per yard from \$1.75 to \$2.50

**LADIES COATS**

Ladies coats of Silvertone, in blue and brown with lovely fur collar, real values at \$35.00

Many other coats in plush with wide collars and all the new belts that will please you, at prices from \$16.50 to \$35.00

**MOTHERS!**

Mothers, we especially call your attention to our boys suits from 8 to 16 years. They are the cloths that will give the boy service, and we are in a position to fit him in a suit for a very small amount of money. See them.

**MADAM GRACE CORSETS**

Buy Madam Grace Corsets. We take great pleasure in saying that the Madam Grace Corset is all you can ask in a corset. We will make any one of them good that does not give perfect satisfaction. See the Madam Grace Corsets \$2.00 to \$5.00

**NEW FALL WEAVES**

A wide range of all the newest materials and the very best patterns to be had this season, are the new collars that you will find anywhere. See these goods at our dress counter.

THE STORE FOR EVERYBODY **KENNEDY BROS** THE STORE FOR EVERYBODY  
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**Origin of "Gone West."**

The war gave us many new words and phrases. It is none too early to fix definitely the origin, so that disputes of the future may be unnecessary. Perhaps none is more pathetically expressed than "gone West," the soldier term that came to designate death. From where came this phrase and why?

In a book review appearing in the New York Times recently a very interesting exposition is given. It is explained that more than three thousand years ago the ancient Egyptians spoke of the dead as "the Westerners," or those who had "gone West." For the abode of the dead was believed to be in the realm of the setting sun, in the Amenti where Osiris reigned. This belief by the ancients in the soul going west has at least a reflection in the customs of some of our own North American Indians, who cherished the belief that their "happy hunting grounds" lay in the West, and who practiced the custom of laying their dead away in well-provisioned scaffolds facing the West.

The belief of the ancients died long, long ago, with the religion of that far distant time.—died only to return to earth again many generations later reincarnate in another language, called into being by a war such as the nations of old could not have conceived.

So quickly did the phrase become a part of the vocabulary of the soldier in the trenches that today it would be difficult to find a reading person in all the earth that does not instantly perceive its affectionate pathos. —Tulsa World.

**Luke McLuke Says**

A married woman will love you for telling her that she doesn't look it. But a married man will call you a wall-eyed liar if you tell him he doesn't look it.

One pretty girl can make more female enemies in an hour than 10 homely girls can in a week.

There would be no divorces if a man loved his wife the way he loves his wife's husband.

You do not need to worry about taking aim when you kiss a girl. She won't let you miss the target.

A doctor does not always diagnose a case properly. We once heard a doctor tell a chronic kicker that the latter needed more exercise.

Twin babies are about the only two folks in the world who can live as cheaply as one.

The old-fashioned broad-minded man who believed that there were exceptions to all rules now has a narrow-minded son who believes that there are violations of all rules.

When a prosperous farmer has a daughter and a mule who both have strong voices, he never thinks of cultivating the mule's voice.

What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to believe in ghosts?

Edison invented the phonograph in spite of an oversupply of talk. And he might redeem himself by inventing a muffler before he dies.

Our idea of an over-anxious cuss is a married man who leaves his own house to look for trouble.

**Why Rural Press is a Power**

The average man can live in a big city all his life and never see his name in the paper, but the farmer and the average man and woman in any small town will see their names in their local country newspaper at least ten times a year, and always connected with some worthy cause, some faithful service, something that brings joy all through life. The country newspaper is the paper that spreads happiness and content.

Don't you always want to read about the ball game you saw the day before? If you witness a fire you read the details of that fire with double interest. If you hadn't seen the blaze perhaps you would not read the story at all. Why is this? asks the Oelwein (Ia.) Iowan. It is because the things you know are the things you like to read about. That is why country newspapers have such a tremendous hold on their readers. They tell them about the comings and goings of their friends and neighbors, the people they know. Nothing on earth is as interesting to the farmers and people living in the town as the news of their babies, the marriage of their boys and girls, their social and church events, the illness and the deaths among their friends. Year after year the country newspaper records the history of its community.

Is it any wonder the country newspaper is the most powerful advertising medium on earth? Just as its power is great in holding its readers' interest, so is it helpful in shaping thought and powerful as an advertising medium. It turns the printed word almost into the spoken word.

No metropolitan daily, no

magazine, no billboard, no farm journal—good as they all are—rings the bell with farmers and small town people as does their home newspaper. It is an integral part of the community that cannot be filled by any other medium.—Publisher's Auxiliary.

**Land For Sale**

100 acres of land 2 miles south of town on the Crockett road; all under fence; living water runs through it. For price and terms inquire of—

Hill & Kennedy.

**Flirting with Death**

All sorts of agitations are alive in the hearts of men, to the Nation's peril.

War against the outside enemy has given way to war against the enemy at home.

Bolshevism is the vice of the times, and it does no good to deny its presence.

It will take steady courage, commonsense, and alertness to weather the storm.

It will take faith in America and America's ideals; much sober thinking.

If you believe in your country and its institutions, do not hesitate to say so.—Holland's.

**Beware of Leaners**

President Wilson says the world today leans on America, and the Beloit Gazette is instantly reminded of "Fainting Bertha," the celebrated police-court character who used to faint on the street. After some kind-hearted gentleman had caught her in his arms, helped her to a place of safety and started away in the proud consciousness of having done a kind act, he usually discovered that Bertha had lifted his watch.—Kansas City Star.