

# The Grapeland Messenger.

AN AD IN THE MESSENGER IS WORTH TWO ON THE FENCE

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PRICE \$1.50 PER YEAR

## Flour Flour Going up!

We have in stock a car of the very best grade of flour.

**The wholesale Price today is \$3.57 per sack**

We bought this car of flour before the big advance and have A BIG SAVING FOR YOU.

**Don't Buy until you get our Prices**  
**Every Sack Guaranteed**  
to be the best or your money back

**KEELAND BROS.**  
THE PRICE IS THE THING

## Henry Ward Beecher's Famous Creed

It was Beecher who said: "He that would look with contempt on the pursuits of the farmer is not worthy of the name of man."

Though Beecher was not a farmer, the following indicates that he knew what was good for the farm and the farmer:

"I believe that the soil likes to eat as well as its owner, and ought, therefore, to be liberally fed.

"I believe in large crops which leave the land better than they found them—making the farmer and the farm both glad at once.

"I believe that every farmer should own a good farm.

"I believe in going to the bottom of things and, therefore, in deep plowing and enough of it."

### SEE US FOR

Farm Implements, Stalk Cutters, Breaking Plows, Disc Harrows, Points, Land Sides and Bolts for Kelly Plows, Avery Plows, P. & O. Plows.

If we haven't the parts we can get them for any make of plows.

**BRING US YOUR CHICKENS AND EGGS**  
We Want Them

**W. H. Long & Co.**  
The Value Giving Store

### NEWS FROM SALMON

Salmon, Jan. 12.—The continued bad weather has delayed the farmers very much with their work, and from the way the weather is beginning this week it looks like we will have to stay in another week.

Dan Herod has returned home from Austin, where he spent several days visiting his brother and reports a most joyous time.

Mr. and Mr. J. A. Lasiter and children of Elkhart spent Saturday night with their son L. N. Lasiter of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Grounds were Grapeland visitors Saturday, and a number of others from here.

On account of bad weather we didn't have and Sunday school yesterday, and we hope that next Sunday will be favorable and trust that everybody will come out.

Rev. W. R. Campbell passed through here Saturday enroute to Union Chapel to fill his appointment Sunday; and also, Bro. Ben Morrison of Rusk passed through enroute to Oak Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herod spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Campbell.

We learn that L. Walling's little boy is fast improving. He got shot in the hand Christmas week with a 38 cartridge shell. The cartridge in some way fell in the fire and exploded and the hull of the cartridge hit him in the hand, making a severe wound.

### LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, Jan. 12.—Most people remained at home the past week, as the weather wasn't exactly pleasant, and at this writing it is still raining.

Several people are on the sick list, most of them suffering with severe colds.

Glenn Sullivan has moved and is now living on the Sam Lively place. We welcome these folks to Livelyville.

Several of our young people went to Percilla last Saturday night, but were disappointed, as the concert had been postponed.

Raymond Garner and Paul MacDonald were visitors at the home of John Morris Sunday.

Mrs. Zack Bishop is on the sick list this week, suffering with pneumonia.

The graveyard needs attention. It has only been worked once since memorial day, and as Monroe Jones has moved to Corsicana, we need another to work it. All interested meet the first Sunday at Livelyville and talk the matter over after services.

As you will notice by announcement elsewhere in this issue, the law firm of Adams & Young at Crockett has been dissolved. J. W. Young acquires the interest of Col. Earle Adams in the firm and will occupy the offices as heretofore. Col. Adams has opened an office in the First National Bank building.

Mrs. B. S. Elliott and daughter, Miss Clarette of Crockett, are the guests of Mrs. J. C. Kennedy this week.

## Notice!

We have moved to the building formerly occupied by W. R. Wherry

We have so arranged our stock that it will be more convenient for us to take care of your needs.

It is our aim to save you money on your purchases during 1920 as we did in 1919.

**McLean & Riall**  
DEPENDABLE MERCHANTS  
Grapeland, Texas

### UNION DOTS

Union, Jan. 12.—We have had plenty of rain for the last few days. We suppose that some of the boys and girls are wanting colder weather, so that they can throw snowballs yet we enjoy ourselves reading the good old Messenger. We are glad to get the news from around Grapeland.

We are glad to report little Foy Walling well after a week's sickness.

Church services were held at Midway last Saturday night and Sunday morning and will also be held there next Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Walling of Grapeland spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walling.

Berdie Weisinger spent Saturday night with Dimple Cromwell at Grapeland.

Dr. Cromwell's family spent Monday night and Tuesday morning at Mrs. J. S. Weisinger.

Mr. J. S. Weisinger left for Erath county last Sunday night

with Dr. Cromwell's car of household goods.

Delma Weisinger visited Ernest Caskey Sunday.

Earl Herod and Marvin Caskey visited Greely Chaffin Sunday.

This bad weather has not stopped us from going to town on Saturdays. If the roads get much worse we will have to stay at home.

Our school is getting along nicely, and we hope it will continue to do so.

By Shylock.

### More Evidence

More evidence that advertising pays can be found in the ad of the Goolsby-Sherman Drug Co. Read the ad and see what this firm thinks of the Messenger as an advertising medium.

### Peanuts Wanted

I am in the market for your peanuts and will pay highest market price. See me before you sell and get what your peanuts are worth.

O. W. Davis.

**New 23rd Psalm**

The flivver is my car, I shall not want another. It maketh me to lie down in wet places. It soileth my clothes; it leadeth me into deep waters. It leadeth me into paths of ridicule for its name's sake; it prepareth for me a breakdown in the presence of mine enemies. Yea, though I run through the valley I am towed up the hill. I fear great evil when it is with me; its rods and its engine discomfort me. It anointeth my face with oils, its tank runneth over. Surely to goodness if the thing follows me all the days of my life I shall dwell in the house of the insane forever.—Exchange.

**Production is the Thing**

If every man will set out deliberately to do his share in producing all that he and his wish to consume, not in money but in goods such as food, clothing, coal, houses, or the material, labor and transportation necessarily involved in their production, all will be well. If we will not do this, then in spite of all who have died and all who have mourned we have lost the war. Remember Russia!—Country Gentleman.

**Many Women Use Glycerine Mixture**

Grapeland women will be surprised at the INSTANT, pleasant action of simple glycerine, buckthorn bark, etc., as mixed in Adler-i-ka. One spoonful relieves any case of gas on stomach or sour stomach. Because Adler-i-ka acts on BOTH upper and lower bowels, it often cures constipation and prevents appendicitis. One lady reports herself CURED of a bad case of bowel trouble and constipation. Sold by Wade L. Smith.

Preparedness applies to the human body as well as to nations. A bottle of Prickly Ash Bitters on the shelf at home is the best and cheapest form of preparedness for indigestion, constipation and kidney troubles. It is the dose taken in time that wards off sickness and averts money. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith Special Agent.

**Mistake Caused Tragedy**

Seemingly trivial and inconsequential things often prove to be the utmost importance for on them in many instances hinge matters of vital moment, sometimes even matters of life and death. This proved to be the case when letters were delivered by mistake to one Texas woman when they were addressed to and should have gone to another.

H. D. Spencer, a former district judge, wrote the letters to his divorced wife who had resumed her maiden name. They were inadvertently delivered to another woman, a Mrs. Bolger whose name is similar to that of the former Mrs. Spencer. When Mrs. Bolger's husband ran across them he foolishly jumped to the conclusion that Spencer was writing love missives to her. He hunted up his supposed rival and, without waiting for an explanation, shot him, the wound causing his death a short time afterward.

Bolger is now being tried for his life at Decatur, Texas.

**Same Old Story**

This new year looks a lot to me like nineteen hundred two or three, or any other bloomin' year started out on its career. It says to me to pay my bills, aome of our earthly ills, and not to smoke of swear or chew, drink, or do as others do, but do a lot of other things, like sprouting feather duster wings upon my skinny shoulder blades, to fly away from hottest hades. But we will trot our usual hikes, and scratch the same old bedbug bites, and growl and grumble just the same, and on our neighbor lay the blame. We'll stick our gum upon the chair some other's trouserloons to tear; we'll gnaw the same old T-bone steak and ten comandments bend and break. In short we'll wag our ample ears and make it same as other years.

Avoid irregularity in the bowel movements, it leads to chronic constipation; a condition that poisons the blood and breeds disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a man's remedy for putting the system in order. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith Special Agent.



# The Most Welcome Tire That Ever Came to Market

*Men Who Appreciate Superlative Values Prefer The Brunswick*

In every great tire factory, the chief question is: "How much can we give for the money?" And the product depends on the policy adopted.

Every man who has become acquainted with Brunswick Tires knows that Brunswick standards are again evident. This famous concern—noted as a leader in every line it entered since 1845—has once more proved that its policy is right.

A perfect tire is simply a matter of knowledge and standards and skill. No secrets nor patents prevent making an ideal tire.

But standards come first. For in tire making there is vast room for skimping, for subtle economies, for hidden shortcomings. Makers without the highest standards don't build high-grade tires.

The Brunswick organization of tire makers includes a brilliant staff of technical experts. Not a man

among them has spent less than 20 years in handling rubber.

Each is a master of his craft. And the new ideas they bring to the attention of Brunswick directors receive sincere consideration.

Every proved betterment is adopted unanimously.

The Brunswick Tire is a combination of acknowledged features—plus Brunswick standards of manufacture.

The result is a super-tire, the like of which you have never known before. The kind of a tire you will gladly join in welcoming.

Yet Brunswicks cost no more than like-type tires.

Try ONE Brunswick. We promise a surprise. And we feel certain that you will want ALL Brunswicks.

Then good tires will have a new meaning to you.

THE BRUNSWICK-BALKE-COLLENDER CO.  
Dallas Headquarters: 611 Main St.

*There's a Brunswick Tire for Every Car Cord—Fabric—Solid Truck*



Cord Tires with "Driving" and "Swastika" Skid-Not Treads  
Fabric Tires in "Plain," "Ribbed" and "BBC" Skid-Not Treads  
Solid Truck Tires in all sizes authorized by the Society of Automotive Engineers

## Brooks Brothers Garage



**Fortunate Flivver-Makers**

Henry Ford is to distribute a sum between \$8,000,000 and \$10,000,000 among the 90,000 employees of his automobile factory. It is the largest single gift of the kind on record, averaging about \$100 each. The men are also invited to invest in the company so as to become part owners.

**Will Buy Your Hogs**

I am in the market for all kinds of hogs from 60 pounds up, and will pay you the best market price for them. Be sure to see me before you sell.

J. W. Howard.

**Rheumatism**  
makes the joints ache and causes the afflicted person much misery.  
For quick relief use

**BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT**  
It is a Powerful, Penetrating Remedy

The relief is prompt and very gratifying to the sufferer. It eases the joints and conveys a strengthening influence that soon restores normal conditions. Use it also for healing Cuts, Sores, Wounds, Burns, Scalds, relieving Stiff Neck, Lame Back or Sore Muscles. It rarely fails to give good results. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle.

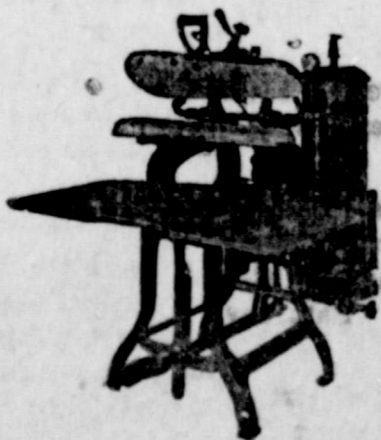
JAS. F. BALLARD, Proprietor, ST. LOUIS, MO.

FOR SALE BY D. N. LEAVERTON

## "Let Clewis Do It"

**QUICK SERVICE**

**We Call for and Deliver**



CLEANING AND PRESSING THE HOFFMAN WAY IS THE SANITARY WAY

# Clewis

**Clean Up the Orchard**

At the risk of being called a crank on the subject of keeping the orchard in a clean condition, we wish to again urge that every person who has allowed weeds, grass, etc., to grow in his orchard during the past summer, to clean it up. Just as surely as an orchard is allowed to remain in this shape it will mean that considerable damage will be done during the winter by field mice and rats. It will also mean that various insects and fungous pests will be harbored, so clean up if necessary.

Growers in New Jersey and in other sections of the East claim that the Crawford peach, which they have been growing in that section for several years, has been entirely over-shadowed by the Elberta and Belle of Georgia grown in the South, and now a vigorous effort is being made to develop a variety suitable to that section and that will be superior to the Crawford and will successfully compete, as far as quality is concerned, with the Elberta and Belle of Georgia that are grown in the South.—The Progressive Farmer.

**For Sale**

Several thoroughbred, big bone Poland China pigs. See C. L. Haltom, manger Texas Holstiem Farm.

We handle GENUINE FORD PARTS. Brooks Bros. tf

**Hastings' 1920 Seed Catalog Free**

It's ready now. One hundred handsomely illustrated pages with brilliant cover in natural colors. It is both beautiful and helpful, and all that is necessary to get it is a postal card request. You will find our 1920 catalogue a well worth while seed book.

Hastings' Seeds are sold direct by mail. You will never find them on sale in the stores. We have some five hundred thousand customers who buy from us by mail. We please and satisfy them, and we can please and satisfy you in 1920.

Planting Hastings' Seeds in your garden or in your fields insures "good luck" so far as results can be determined by the seed planted. For 30 years Hastings' Seeds have been the standard of seed excellence and purity in the South. Only varieties adapted to the South are listed. Quality of the best and prices often less than those you pay at home. Write for free copy of this splendid catalogue now. H. G. HASTINGS CO., Seedsmen, Atlanta, Ga.—(Adv't.)

**The Levitation Act**



**Keep the Money at Home**

The last census shows that our population increased 21 per cent in the preceding decade, while our meat-producing animals decreased more than 10 per cent. We are facing a very serious situation. The meat-produced animal must be on the farm. Farmers will not long continue to raise stock at a loss. The conditions must be such that stock raising is profitable, or farmers will sooner or later go out of the business entirely. The South has an overwhelming advantage over every other section in live stock raising. We have great climatic advantages that permit outdoor pasturing and feeding during the whole or the greater part of the year. We can obtain large yields of oats, leguminous crops, Johnson and Bermuda grass, sorghum cane hay, and an abundance of corn and sorghum for the making of silage, the most economical form of carbohydrates. The keeping of good cattle and the intelligent use of thoroughly good permanent pastures and grazing crops, and the economic use of the silo and cotton seed meal will make our lands rich, keeping millions of dollars at home that are now sent to the North and West and make our people prosperous.—Cattle Clatter in San Antonio Express.

**Newspaper Mistakes**

**A Joy to Public**

Occasionally a few of the many mistakes made by workers in newspaper offices escape a whole galaxy of watchers for mistakes: the writer, the editor, the linotype operators, the proofreader back to the linotype operator, then back to the printer, back to the proofreader, then to the printer and on to the pressman.

Then the mistakes are sent out for inspection of all the people and some of the readers swell up and nearly burst with self-importance on discovering the mistakes of the ignoramuses who make newspapers.

If all the mistakes of other people were blazoned before the public as the newspaper men's mistakes are, the woefully ignorant newspaper men would have company in their misery, but each of them can conceal his mistakes and the newspapers generously suppress thousands that are apparent otherwise it would be seen that there are legions of

"ignoramuses" outside of the newspaper offices.

An automobile man may make numerous mistakes, but he charges the customer \$1.25 an hour for making mistakes in correcting them, if he discovers them. If he fails to correct them they do not appear on the first page of the newspaper for the wisecracks to laugh at.

The newspaper men are the only poor devils whose mistakes are sent out for everybody to examine.—Monroe (Col.) Enterprise.

**Yes, What If—**

The farmer has been steadily busy while the other industries were cutting down production in all lines as they argued to and fro about the high cost of living—apparently never realizing that every day of idleness tends to send that cost ever higher and higher. What if the farmers who have always worked long hours, should decide to imitate their city friends and refuse to work more than six or seven, or even eight hours daily? The sight of every other class striving fiercely for shorter hours and more pay, may in time make the less thoughtful among the farmers conclude there must be something after all in loafing and talking.—American Fruit Grower

**Try It**

Get up right in the morning. Go to bed right at night. Start with joy in your heart, hope in the future kindness in your purpose.

If it is a dark day, never mind; you will lighten it up. If it is a bright day you will add to the brightness. Give a word of cheer a kindly greeting and a warm handshake to your friends.

If all of us would only think how much of human happiness is made by ourselves, there would be less of human misery.

If all of us would bear in mind that happiness is from within and not from without, there would be a wellspring of joy in every heart and the sun would shine forever.

Try it.—Leslie's.

Rev. Chas. U McLarty, presiding elder of the Navasota District, was here Sunday and preached to a large audience at the Methodist church Sunday morning. No service was held at night on account of the inclement weather. The first quarterly conference for the charge was held Monday morning S. W. Duitch was elected a steward in place of W. R. Wherry resigned, who in moving to Houston.

**Political Profiteering**

There was political profiteering going on during the war, as well as commercial profiteering and if there is any difference in the crimes we should say the former is worse, though Lord knows both deserve court marshal and firing squad.

In ordinary times one can understand graft and robbery, and lay it to human selfishness and dishonesty, but one would naturally think that ordinary patriotism would prevent dishonesty in times when human life is the price of it. All grafters, either commercial or political, should be weeded out and punished severely, and if they are not then the natural conclusion that is arrived at is that the government officials and agents are as deep in the mud as others are in the mire. And such is generally the case, for graft and dishonesty could not long prevail without the connivance of those whose duty it is to prevent it. Exchange.

W. R Campbell of Elkhart was a Grapeland visitor Saturday.

**Our Best Efforts**

this year will be put forward to merit your highly appreciated patronage.

We opened our doors January 1 with a determination to serve you better and to do more business than we have ever done.

We solicit your business.

**D. N. Leaverton**  
LEADING DRUGGIST

**Creation of Leisure**

The point is that leisure succeeds and does not precede work that if you plan a day with four hours of work, and four hours of poetry writing you are perfectly justified provided you find more nourishment in poetry than in beefsteak. The hours of labor are determined by an adjustment between what we want and what we are willing to work for, and the hope of leisure can spring only out of a confidence in the ability of collective brains to provide facilities by which a man may do more with less effort. The only way to provide these facilities is by increasing the margin of production over consumption, for it is that margin which provides the capital for increased facilities.—World's Works.

**Ford**

**"The Universal Car"**

The Ford Sedan, with electric self-starter and lighting system and demountable rims with 3 1-2 inch tires front and rear, for every day in the year has no equal as a family car. Just as popular on the farm as it is in the city. In fact, it fits the family demands in every vocation of life. Large roomy seats, finely upholstered, plate glass windows, make it an open car in pleasant weather, while in rainy and inclement weather it becomes a closed car, dust-proof and rain-proof. It is not only comfortable but really cozy, and above all, economical in operation and maintenance and has all the Ford merits of strength and durability.

Call and we will be glad to show you one

**TOWERY MOTOR COMPANY**  
AUTHORIZED SALES AND SERVICE

HUGH L. MORRISON, Authorized Representative

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A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

Entered in the Postoffice every Thursday as second class mail matter

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 6 Months ..... .75  
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Our Advertising Rates are reasonable and Rate Card cheerfully furnished upon application.

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 Office ..... 51  
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**OUR PURPOSE**—It is the purpose of The Messenger to record accurately, simply and interestingly the moral, intellectual, industrial and political progress of Grapeland and Houston County. To aid us in this, every citizen should give us his moral and financial support.

THURSDAY, JAN. 15, 1920

**CEDAR CREEK ITEMS**

Cedar Creek, Jan. 12.—Did you know that the roads are as bad as present politics. There are but very few good places on the route. The last few day's rain has almost stopped the travel. Our mail has come only three days the past week.

There is some sickness in this community, such as colds, almost as bad as whooping cough.

No farming has been done yet. Getting wood and keeping fires is the bulk of the work.

Abbert Cumming is on the sick list this week, and two of his children are sick.

Our school is doing very nicely. Our assistant teacher, Miss Waggoner, resigned and the trustees employed Miss Belle Hodge daughter of Bob Hodge of near Slocum. She has given satisfaction up to date, and the pupils love her.

S. T. Parker has moved to his new home and says he is well pleased. His son, Willis, and wife, visited him during Christmas, and left Saturday for Angelina county. They had been in Oklahoma picking cotton.

Old Timer.

**Missionary Society Notes**

The Missionary Society of the M. E. Church held their first meeting of the year at the church Tuesday evening. The following officers were installed:

Mrs. S. E. Traylor, Pres.

Mrs. C. W. Kennedy, Vice Pres

Mrs. E. E. Hollingworth, Cor Secy.

Mrs. F. W. Leaverton, Conf Treasurer.

Mrs. Wade L. Smith, Rec. Sec

Mrs. W. L. Mangum, Local Treas.

Mrs. J. E. Buttrill, Supt. Bible Study and Mission Work.

Mrs. J. M. Owens, Cradle Roll Supt.

Mrs. A. H. Luker, Reporter.

The Society voted to have a Valentine entertainment the second Friday night in February. The place will be announced later.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. W. H. Whitecarver for presenting the church with a very beautiful hand worked scarf for the pulpit stand.

Mrs. S. N. Boykin closed the society with prayer.

Next meeting will be held at the church. Reporter.

**WANETA NEWS**

Waneta, Jan. 12.—We are sure having some cold, rainy weather. We are all wishing for a few days sunshine so the plows can begin to run.

Mrs. Billie Lively is sick at this writing.

George Brumley and family visited at Louis Hendrick's Saturday night and Sunday.

James Carrol and wife left Saturday for Oklahoma, where they expect to make their future home.

Bascom Jones entertained the young people with a party Saturday night.

Ollie Harrington, who has been working for the Mallard Drug Co. at Rusk, has resigned and accepted a position with Wade L. Smith, druggist, at Grapeland.

Grandmother McElroy is still on the sick list.

Charlie Ramey and wife spent the day at Mr. Lively's Sunday.

Marshall Jones and wife are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy baby at their home. The youngster weighed 14 pounds.

Curtis Walling, principal of our school, was absent from school all last week on account of sickness in his family.

Mrs. Jones and daughters visited Mrs. Mollie Miles Sunday.

**Bostwick Show Coming**

Grapeland will have all next week the Bostwick show, playing high class dramatic plays only. This is the first time they have ever played a town so small as Grapeland, coming from Henderson, where they have been on a return engagement.

The show has thirty-three people, among whom is numbered some of the best dramatic players in the country. They also have full band and orchestra, and the music alone is well worth hearing.

People in the country are especially invited to attend the show as it will furnish entertainment and amusement and drive away the dull cares of life. Remember—opening Monday night, and ladies will be admitted free upon the payment for the war tax 4 cents.

**F. & M. Bank Elects Directors**

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank was held Tuesday of this week, and the following board of directors was elected for the ensuing year:

George E. Darsey, T. S. Kent, W. G. Darsey, W. D. Granberry, C. H. Beazley, M. E. Darsey and Mrs. C. B. Dailey.

The years business was reported to be most satisfactory, and has been a prosperous one. Ten per cent was added to the surplus fund, giving the bank now a working capital of \$31,500. A ten per cent dividend was declared, payable to all stockholders.

**Eggs Eggs**

Try a package of Condimental Poultry Mixture. Every box sold under a printed money back guarantee. More eggs in 15 days of your money back. Condimental is a mineral preparation that acts directly on the organs which produce the eggs and is a general tonic, which will thoroughly renovate the system and the results must be more eggs and healthy chickens. Positively cures roup and sorehead. For sale by Keeland Bros. 44 8t

**George E. Darsey & Co.**  
 THE SERVICE FIRST STORE

**“How Large a Place is Grapeland?”**

Our buyer was asked this question last week by the manager of one of the largest distributors of ready-to-wear in St. Louis. Upon being informed that Grapeland is a thriving little city of some fifteen hundred population, he remarked: **“You sure buy big town merchandise down there.”** And we believe that you will appreciate this fact when you come to our store and see the new things in wearing apparel that we now have on display. The styles, the materials, the colorings and the trimmings are the same as those shown in all popular fashion magazines and by all the leading stores in the big cities.

**THE COATS**

Coats are shown in sport and three-quarter lengths in a number of popular fabrics. The predominating colors are navy, copen, tan, bisque and Reindeer.

**THE SUITS**

This season's suits, mostly in navy blue, are shown in serge, poplin and tricotine. They are profusely trimmed with braids, buttons and embroidered designs, some with straight lines and others with the ever popular ripple effect.

**THE DRESSES**

This season's dresses are very “chic” in style and come in such colors as pearl, tan, bisque, taupe, navy, pekin and copen. The pleated and ruffle styles, large pockets and flaring effects are extremely in demand. Some in short sleeve and long sleeve models of georgette and taffeta.

**THE SKIRTS**

Our showing of the new skirts in silk materials of tricolette, fantastic cloth, failles and woolen materials of serge, cussa cloth, fancy suitings and all wanted materials.

NOTE—The new georgette blouses are expected to arrive this week

**NEW ARRIVALS**

White Goods

Undermuslins

Handkerchiefs

Trimming Braids

Trimming Buttons

Printed

Georgette

Printed Voile

Tissue

Dress Goods

Camisole Ribbons

Bag Ribbons

Silk Hosiery

Fancy Elastic

Table Linen

**TAKE OUR TIP:**

and begin your spring buying now while stocks are new and complete.

It'll be hard to re-

buy anything later

also.

**FREE DELIVERY to be DISCONTINUED**

In order to keep up the quality of our goods, also in an endeavor to hold the price of meat down to the present basis, and on account of the very dull business at this season of the year, and for various other good reasons, we are compelled to discontinue our free delivery service, for awhile at least, until business picks up again.

We wish you to know that we highly appreciate your business and it affords us great pleasure to be able to deliver the goods to your door, but we now have arrived at the point where it is a losing proposition for us to do so.

BEGINNING MONDAY, JANUARY 19, WE WILL DISCONTINUE FREE DELIVERY. Come to our market and pick out what you want for dinner. We can please you better when you are here to watch us. Tell and show us just exactly what you want.

Thanking you for past favors, and hoping to see you in our market real often, we are, Yours for better meat,

**CITY MEAT MARKET**  
T. W. LEWIS, Proprietor

We still have plenty of those good Oliver chilled turning plows  
Kennedy Bros.

LOOK! That fellow has nice clothes. Yes, Clewis does his work.

Big car of meat salt this week at Kennedy Bros. Get your supply while it lasts.

Ollie Harrinton of Waneta who has been working in a drug store at Rusk, has accepted a position with Wade L. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Goodson have returned to Troup, after spending a few weeks here visiting relatives.

Rub-My-Tism is a powerful antiseptic; it kills the poison caused from infected cuts, cures old sores, tetter, etc.

**Watch Lost**

Silver plate, open face watch with leather fob. If found return to Jeff Starkey, Route 1.

Hillard Williams, who has been in the west the past few months picking cotton, has returned home.

**For Rent**

A good place for rent; 50 acres in cultivation; 6 miles southeast of Grapeland. For particulars see George McCorkle. 2t

Phone your grocery orders to Darsey's. Deliveries made on schedule time. Satisfaction guaranteed.

666 has proven it will cure malaria, chills and fever, bilious fever, colds and lagrippe.

Miss Ola Willis of the Rock Hill community, who has been attending school at Tyler, returned home Monday.

We have the FORD PARTS that you need. Brooks Bros. tf

Mrs. Ben Brooks and Miss Ellen Logan left Tuesday for Jacksonville, where Miss Ellen will take medical treatment under a specialist.

**Lost**

1 brown mare mule, 12 or 15 years old, little fox ears, in good shape when last seen. \$5.00 reward. C. W. Kennedy tf

Rub-My-Tism is a great pain killer. It relieves pain and soreness caused by rheumatism neuralgia, sprains, etc. 8t

**Pigs For Sale**

I have some fine Red Duroc Jersey pigs for sale. M. L. Whitaker, Route 2. tf

Mrs. L. A. Ward of Amarillo who has been here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ben Frisby, left for her home Monday night, being accompanied by Mrs. Frisby.

**Wanted**

20 second hand wagon tires; will pay 25c each delivered to Walling & Woodside. 2t

**Hay For Sale**

Have lots of nice hay, good for all kinds of stock, for sale at 75c per bale C. W. Butler, Sr., 3t Percilla, Texas.

**Cheap  
Convenient  
Safe**

A preparation which imparts a smoky flavor to meat without danger of fire and the trouble of a smoke-house.

**Liquid Smoke**

Price \$1.00 the Bottle.

**THE PEOPLES DRUG STORE**  
HONESTY AND QUALITY WADE L. SMITH

**LOCAL ITEMS**

Slickers at Darsey's.

Try our new delivery service Kennedy Bros.

Billiken shoes in misses and ladies sizes at Darsey's.

County Clerk Owens was here from Crockett Tuesday.

Fresh garden seed at Kennedy Bros.

Highest cash prices paid for eggs and produce at Darsey's.

Plenty of shorts, bran, seed oats and all kinds of hay at Kennedy Bros.

Miss Clarette Elliott of Crockett was the guest of her aunt Mrs. J. C. Kennedy, Sunday.

If you want a good stalk cutter see us before you buy. Kennedy Bros.

It makes no difference how muddy the roads are, you cannot afford to miss the show next week, playing each night in a big comfortable tent.

**How's This?**

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Hall's Catarrh Cure has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the Blood on the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison from the Blood and healing the diseased portions. After you have taken Hall's Catarrh Cure for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Cure at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Take your produce to Darsey's and get highest cash prices.

Meat salt in 50 and 100 pound sacks at Kennedy Bros.

Many extra good values in winter merchandise at Darsey's.

Plenty of sugar at Kennedy Bros.

Knit caps for ladies, and children at Darsey's.

Try our delivery service. You will like it. George E. Darsey, & Company.

Clewis is the one who puts class in a suit of clothes. Try him.

Mrs. Dan McLean and Miss Jennie McLean of Crockett were the guests of Mrs. A. O. Riall Sunday.

666 quickly relieves colds and lagrippe, constipation, biliousness, loss of appetite and headaches. 8t

We wash cars, charge batteries, fix Fords and repair automobiles. Service Garage. tf

Hery Dailey moved his stock of goods Monday to the corner building on the west side, recently vacated by McLean & Riall.

**Lost, Strayed or Stolen**

Last Monday evening, January 12, 1 white and liver spotted bird dog, about 2 years old, slight cut on left hind leg just above hock joint; will answer to the name of Dick. Any one knowing anything about this dog, please report to W. H. Long for reward

Crockett, Texas, January 12, 1920.

Editor Messenger,  
Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Editor:

Just received a PHONE CALL and TWO LETTERS from your city for Drugs and Sundries. ADVERTISING IN THE MESSENGER PAYS. Just tell the good people of your city and surrounding country to let their orders KEEP COMING, that WE APPRECIATE THEM and will be more than glad to SERVE THEM in any way possible.

Yours very truly,

**GOOLSBY-SHERMAN DRUG CO.**

Successors to Bishop Drug Co.  
GRADUATE PHARMACISTS ONLY  
CARL GOOLSBY      Crockett, Texas      LIP SHERMAN

**Hogs Wanted**

We will buy any and all kinds of hogs. See us for prices. 2-t Dailey Bros.

**Fords for Sale**

1 1918 model Ford roadster with new top, for \$300.00; 1 Ford racer at almost your own price. C. C. Hill. tf

**For Sale**

A 4-burner oil stove and a good refrigerator. See, C. L. Haltom.

Miss Kate Hutchins, primary teacher in the Grapeland school, is quite sick at her home in Lovelady. Her place in the school is being filled by Mrs. Claude Keeland.

Grady Finch and Miss Annie Kyle, two popular young people of the New Prospect community, were married in Grapeland Wednesday at the office of Esq. Jno A. Davis, who officiated. We join their friends in congratulations and best wishes.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Messenger is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic primary in July: For District Judge, Third Judicial District: JOHN S. PRINCE (Re-election) For County Clerk: W. D. COLLINS For Tax Collector: C. W. BUTLER JR. (Re-election.)

**Will Buy Your Corn**

We are in the market for several hundred bushels of ear corn and will pay the best market price. See us before you sell and get our price. Dailey Bros.

E. P. Bean of Route 1 dropped in Saturday to move his figures forward a year, stating that Mickey, in the last issue, reminded him of it. Mickey's a good collector.

**NOTICE!**

**NEW DELIVERY SERVICE**

In order to serve all of our customers and to give satisfaction, we have established a new delivery service.

All orders given us before 10 a. m. will be delivered between 10 a. m. and 11 a. m. All orders given us after 10 a. m. will be delivered between 3 p. m. and 4 p. m.

We hope this service will meet with the approval of all.

**KENNEDY BROTHERS**

**CHURCH DIRECTORY**

**BAPTIST CHURCH**  
W. E. Ray, Pastor.  
C. L. Haltom, Church Clerk  
Preaching each first and third Sundays, morning and evening.  
Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.  
W. D. Granberry, Supt.  
Baptist Women's Auxiliary meets each Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.  
Mrs. Geo. Moore, Pres.  
Mrs. Frank Allen, Sec'y.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
G. H. Farmer, Pastor.  
Preaching first, second and fourth Sundays in each month, morning and evening.  
Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

T. H. Leaverton, Supt.  
Lucretia Riall, Sec'y.  
Junior Endeavor Society meets each Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.  
Ladies' Aid Society meets on Tuesday afternoon after each first and third Sunday.  
Mrs. Geo. Calhoun, Pres.  
Mrs. Sidney Boykin, Secy.  
Women's Missionary Society meets Tuesday afternoon after the second Sunday in each month.  
Mrs. P. H. Stafford, Pres.  
Mrs. G. H. Farmer, Secy.  
Official Board meets on Monday night following each third Sunday.  
J.E.Hollingsworth, Chm.  
Miss Blanche Kennedy, Secretary.

**METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH**  
J. E. Buttrill, Pastor.  
Farmers' Union Phone No. 59  
Preaching each Sunday morning and evening.  
Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening.  
Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.  
M. E. Darsey, Supt.  
A. H. Luker, Sec'y.  
Women's Missionary Society meets Tuesday afternoon following the second and fourth Sundays at 3 o'clock.  
Mrs. S. E. Traylor, Pres.  
Mrs. Marvin Gilbert, Sec.  
Board of Stewards meet on Monday night following each third Sunday.  
R. B. Edens, Pres.  
Wade L. Smith, Sec'y.

**ANTRIM NEWS**

Antrim, Jan. 12.—Ethel Audry Grey is very sick with yellow jaundice at this writing.

Stokes Pelham has resigned as teacher and Misses Westlie Bowman and Dovie Morehead are now teaching.

We have been having some cold and wet weather.

Rev. W. R. Durnell went to Field's Chapel Sunday to fill his appointment.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenard Parker of the Rock Hill community have moved into this community recently.

Carl Jones and Arnold Keen visited at the home of John F. Martin Sunday.

Lee Martin visited Walter Blackwell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kiser of the Rock Hill community have recently moved into this community.

Misses Dovie Morehead and Westlie Bowman were visitors to Grapeland Saturday.

**Corn Wanted**

I am in the market for 1,000 bushels of corn. Will pay \$1.00 per bushel delivered.

O. W. Davis

**Notice**

Parties wanting cotton seed at cost will please call and get them before Feb. 1st, as we will close out the account at that time.  
Farmers & Merchants State Bank.

**Do Business Through Your Bank**

The time has come when every land-owning farmer and most of our tenant farmers as well should have bank accounts and pay practically all their bills by check. The man who does this putting his entire business on a cash basis, usually has a feeling of independence that is worth much to him in his work. As we see it, there are at least three excellent reasons why every farmer should be a bank-patronizing farmer.

First, when all surplus cash is deposited in the bank we have the bank's receipt for it, and when we check against this account to pay bills, the cancelled check itself is a receipt for any payment made. In other words, the bank virtually keeps our cash account for us, and thus we have made the first step toward farm bookkeeping or account-keeping.

In the second place, a good bank is by far the safest place to keep any surplus funds. The farmer who keeps any considerable amount of money at home is running risks from losses by theft or fire that are needless and that should be avoided. By keeping the money in the bank, it is not only safe, but exact change may be made every time a check is issued, thus doing away practically entirely with any need of keeping change about the house.

In the third place, the local banker is one of the best men in the community for the farmer to know. It will pay well to cultivate his acquaintance, and the surest and best way to do this is to start an account with his bank. Even if the farmer may not ever expect to need to borrow money, it is well for the local banker to know him and know his reputation for meeting his obligations promptly. At some time of other almost every farmer has need of credit and at such times the good opinion of the local banker may be of great value indeed.

If you are not a bank-patronizing farmer, we urge that you become one at once. It is the soundest kind of business and it will pay you well.—The Progressive Farmer.

**Get Most Out of Life**

So many people make the mistake of never stopping to enjoy life until it is too late. A very fortunate few have acquired the knack of thoroughly enjoying each day as it comes, of being interested in the people they meet and of finding dozens of amusing incidents every day. These are the people who never grow old. But most of us lack the ability to feel interested sufficiently in our fellowbeings to gain this trait. A stranger is a stranger to us; a clerk is a clerk; school children are school children. We plod along each day doing the things we did the day before seeing the same people and thinking that everything is the same. It behooves such people to completely change their surroundings once in awhile so that they really may see entirely new objects and people, and get their minds out of that deadly groove.—Exchange.

**DENTAL NOTICE**

Dr. C. L. Moore, the dentist, is now in Grapeland, at the Grapeland Hotel, and is ready to do all kinds of dental work. Teeth extracted without pain.

**How the Indians Grew Corn**

Europeans on coming to America found the Indians cultivating and using a cereal that was unknown in all other parts of the world. This was maize or Indian corn—in this country we call it now simply corn.

The soil and climate of America are particularly well suited to the production of this cereal and enormous crops are grown every year. As everyone knows, it is one of our most important food-stuffs, a variety of valuable products being obtained from it.

By careful breeding and selection the white man has improved the corn grown by the Indians. He has also improved on the methods of cultivation practiced by them. Yet it is surprising that with all of his science and experience he knows so little more than the Indians did about breeding and growing it.

Agriculture was the principal occupation of the Indians before the meddling white man came and upset their customs and habits of life. Corn was their main crop. They had large fields of it, each consisting of numerous individual plats. The squaws did most of the work in preparing the ground, planting and cultivating the crop, using crude implements to break the up soil and work it roughly. About the only time the men and boys took a hand was at harvest time when they helped to gather the ripened ears. The males regarded work as degrading to them and usually adhered to the principle of letting the women do the work.

The untutored red man understood seed selection about as well as the most expert agriculturist of modern times. They were careful to choose large, well-filled ears from plants possessing the most desirable qualities. In this way they developed some excellent varieties which have scarcely been improved by the whites in several centuries. They also knew something of testing the seed for vitality and germinating strength. To do this they germinated grains from seed ears by soaking them in wet moss or in willow baskets, in a manner somewhat the same as that of the up-to-date farmer of today. Their methods of breaking up the ground and cultivating the crop were greatly inferior to ours but, as the soil was rich they usually obtained ample harvests.

The Indians' operations in the corn field were timed by what might be called a natural calendar. For instance, they aimed to plant the seed at the time when blossoms appeared on the wild turnips in the woods. The time when the ears of the growing crop were in the milk stage was indicated to them by the first flowering of the buttonwood. They considered it the proper time to gather the corn at the end of the blossoming season for the buttonwood.

They had a hard, flinty variety of corn which they used for making hominy. Bread and other articles of food were made from a softer variety of corn. Succotash, made of corn and beans, is a dish of their invention. A number of our most toothsome and wholesome dishes made from corn are also prepared after recipes essentially the same as those worked out and used by these original Americans.—The Pathfinder.

**BRASS TACKS**

Let's talk things over as they are—not as they used to be or as they may be or as they should be. Let us face Facts!

Never before has the Lumber industry of the west, east, south or north, been in the condition it is at the present time. That means it is a mighty important matter for the buyer of Lumber to use utmost care in the selection of the company from whom he is to RECEIVE his lumber. (Note the word "receive" is in capitals.)

There is one lumber concern that has builded a most enviable reputation for service in the handling of orders, a company that has taken pride in living up to its every promise, that has acquired a good substantial clientele by reason of the manner in which it has always handled business—with promptness, efficiency and dispatch.

THAT IS

**T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER COMPANY**

**Take Home Paper First**

First of all, take your county paper, then your trade paper, and then such magazines, church papers and political papers as you wish. In spite of the fact that I edit a farm paper, you will see that I put the county paper first. I do this because a man's first great need is to be in touch with his immediate environment. Heizen unless he is in touch with send it items showing neighborhood affairs, movements, and events in his own locality. If your county paper is not what it ought to be, subscribe for it anyhow, or a lawyer who did not read a hood progress and improvement, and help get the editor aroused about all matters that are needed for the betterment of your section and the country as a whole.

Next after his local paper, a man ought to take his trade paper—that is to say the publication dealing specifically with his own trade or occupation. I would not knowingly employ a doctor who did not read a good medical journal; or a teacher who did not read a good teachers' publication; or a lawyer who did not read a good lawyers' magazine; or a farmer who would not read agricultural papers. A man who does not read his trade paper not only keeps behind the times, but shows that he is not interested enough in his work to enjoy reading about it and learning everything useful there is to know about it, and thereby brands himself as a sleepy makeshift who ought to be doing something else. If a man thinks he cannot afford to take both his trade paper and his church paper, he had better take his trade paper first, and it will soon increase his efficiency enough to enable him to take both.—The Progressive Farmer.

**Some Class**

Winding up a wedding notice, the Midland Reporter says: "Thus it ever is—no sooner does one pair of lovers cross the stage and disappear into the wings, than another paces along in its predecessor's footsteps, and there is a continuous performance of the Divine Comedy. But here's that your lives will be such a bed of marshmallows, such a lingering undiluted dream of redolent joy, such a delightful dip into the honey-dew that falls from the sheltering tree of love, that you will always bless the day upon which you sank into the golden arms of wedlock."

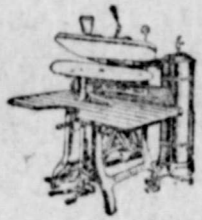
**TELL US TO CALL and TEST our promptness as well as our workmanship**

The minute you tell us you have a garment ready for

CLEANING  
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in any way, that minute we start for your home and return the work to you when promised.

**We Positively Guarantee that our Workmanship is Par Excellent.**



**CITY TAILOR SHOP**

Now located with the Messenger

**ABSTRACTS.**

You cannot sell your land without an Abstract showing perfect title. Why not have your lands abstracted and your titles perfected? We have the

Only complete up-to-date Abstract Land Titles of Houston County.

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Crockett, Texas

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### HONEY BACK

without question if Hunt's Salve falls in the treatment of Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, Itch, etc. Don't become discouraged because other treatments failed. Hunt's Salve has relieved hundreds of such cases. You can't lose on our Money Back Guarantee. Try it at our risk TODAY. Price 75c. For sale locally by

WADE L. SMITH

For sick headache, backache, heartburn, nervous weakness and constipation, Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy that men use. It purifies the bowels, tones the stomach, clears the brain, sweetens the breath, restores energy and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

# Thoughts and Things

The business of living, when boiled down to its clearest essence and all the froth skimmed off, is just a matter of thinking.

Each of us is continually thinking ideas of our own and swapping them for ideas of others. If there is a famine of outside ideas we shrivel up ourselves. Children with "nobody to play with" are unhappy and unmanageable.

From thinking with our heads to doing with our hands is but a little step and then our thoughts become things.

It is because men of America are so unfettered in their thinking and doing that this country is such a fine place to live in. It is also because these thoughts are freely radiated and spread broadcast, in the distribution of manufactured things and in the distribution of the facts about them (advertising), that this country is such a fine place to live in.

The originator of an idea is not much better off than before he originated it till he gets some one else to absorb it and enjoy it and benefit by it.

The man or woman surrounded by better thoughts and things but who pays not the slightest attention to them is not much better off than the one with "nobody to play with."

Advertising are thoughts—telling you about the ideas that other men and women have thought out for your happiness. Read the ads. They are the voices from hundreds of thousands of looms, shops, foundries, studios, laboratories, where millions of minds are turning pleasant thoughts into worth while things for your comfort.

### Rocket That Will Reach The Moon Devised

Washington, Jan. 11.—A method of sending apparatus to the unreachd higher layers of air to regions beyond the earth's atmosphere, even as far as the moon is described by Professor R. H. Goddard of Clark College in a recent publication for the Smithsonian Institution.

The apparatus is a multiple charge of high-efficiency rocket of a new design.

"The great scientific value of Professor Goddard's experiments says the announcement, "lies in the possibility of sending recording apparatus to moderate and extreme altitudes within the earth's atmosphere. The nature of the higher levels of the air has for a long time been a subject of much speculation as to their chemical composition, temperature, electrical nature, density, ozone content, etc. The highest level that ever has been reached with recording instruments is about nineteen miles, accomplished with a free balloon. As the earth's atmosphere extends some 200 miles, there is a great unknown region.

"The balloon, with its recording apparatus, requires days to ascend, drifts horizontally for a considerable time, and may come down at a great distance from its starting point. Its recovery depends on the chance of its descent being noticed and on the willingness of the finder to return it. Thus it may be days or weeks before the record taken

is available. The new rocket apparatus would go straight up and come straight down, the whole operation probably consuming less than half an hour. Thus daily observations at any desired altitude for use in weather predictions could be taken.

"The time of ascent of the rocket will be very short, only six and one-half minutes being required to carry it up 250 miles somewhere near the outer limit of the earth's atmosphere. Then too rapid descent of the recording instruments could easily be checked by the use of a small parachute.

### Make Thousands of Dollars—Get Ahead of the Other Fellow by Picking Straps of Time from the Waste Basket

Abraham Lincoln would split rails all day in the forest and then after his day's work would walk five miles to borrow a book to study and improve himself. It is said that George Washington, in answer to a question of his mother as to why he studied so late at night, replied that he was working out the destiny of his country, and he did.

There are hundreds of young people today who are desirous of gaining a practical education, but for one reason or another they cannot leave home to secure it, so they drag along from one year to the next in the same old rut. There are hundreds of others who cannot attend our school in person but who are availing themselves of the opportunity offered by the correspondence department of our college, saving their leisure moments and investing them in an education that will mean thousands of dollars to them in the coming years.

You may say that you are not able to take a course, but the person who can least afford it is the one who needs it most, who should get it by all means at any sacrifice; it does not cost much.

Young friend, take advantage of your opportunity to gain a business education, use the moments that would otherwise be wasted. Spend an hour after nightfall in the long winter evenings qualifying yourself with a knowledge of the famous Byrne shorthand, practical book-keeping, typewriting, arithmetic, grammar, writing, salesmanship and business efficiency, advertising and telegraphy, by which you will make the business world readily pay cash for your services.

Fill out the following blank and mail to the correspondence department for catalogue and full particulars.

Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Name .....  
Address .....  
Correspondence course interested in .....

### Corn Wanted

I want to buy 1000 to 1500 bushels of good ear corn. Will pay \$1.00 per bushel. Bring what you have to sell.

tf J. W. Howard

### For Sale

Macatawa berry plants; better get yours before they are gone. See, write or phone me your wants. M. L. Williams, Route 4.

### American Red Cross Plans Expenditure of a Huge Sum

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 12.—The American Red Cross will spend \$30,000,000 this year.

Out of a fund of that amount available for the year's work, \$15,000,000 has been set aside for European relief, \$13,750,000 for use at home and \$1,250,000 for completing its program in Siberia.

In making public plans for the carrying forward of the Red Cross peace time activities, Dr. Livingston Farrand, head of the Red Cross, declared that a considerable reserve must be held for emergency calls such as "such possible events as the opening of Russia to intercourse with the United States."

With appeals infinitely beyond Red Cross resources and unable to count on additions to its total fund during the year, the executive committee, he said, found it "wise and necessary to consider the application of its funds so that the soundest sense of proportion might prevail."

### Who Shall Have Berger's Seat?

Victor Berger having been again elected to Congress from the Socialist and pro-German Milwaukee district, the expectation in Congress is that he will not be allowed to take his seat. No further investigation is thought to be necessary, because the House has already decided, with but one dissenting vote, that his disloyalty makes him unfit to be a Representative in Congress. Under these circumstances his opponent at the election claims the seat. He contends that after the House had proclaimed Berger inadmissible, votes cast for him were void. The claimant is H. H. Bodenshtab, the candidate of the Republican and Democratic parties.

(Since the above was put in type, Berger has again been expelled from the house by congress.)

### Ordination Services Held Sunday

Sunday afternoon at the Baptist church a beautiful and impressive ordination service was held and Rev. W. R. Campbell was ordained a minister of the Gospel.

The presbytery was composed of Bros. S. P. Terrell, J. H. Gunnels, John Wilson, Revs. J. H. Rosser and T. M. Dean. Rev. Rosser delivered the ordination sermon, questioned the brother and delivered the charge, after he was presented to the presbytery and following the ordination prayer by Bro. Terrell. Presentation of the Holy Bible by the pastor, Rev. T. M. Deam, concluded the impressive service.

The Record joins the members of the church and the many personal friends of Rev. Campbell in wishing him success in the divine work which he has chosen in much good in the Master's kingdom.—Elkhart Record.

### Peanuts Wanted

I am in the market for peanuts and will pay top prices.

J. W. Howard

Connor Denson, formerly in the barber business, has purchased an interest in the firm of Owens & Allen.

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 31st day of December, 1919, published in the Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 15th day of January, 1920.

Resources	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$ 72,262.10
Loans, real estate	13,121.03
County warrants	2,160.72
Overdrafts	488.61
Bonds and U. S. Certificates	33,350.00
Bond account	350.97
Real estate, (banking house)	2,983.03
War Savings Stamps	907.50
Furniture and Fixtures	2,365.00
Due from approved reserve agents, net	58,047.33
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check	817.39
Cash Items	2,501.27
Currency	19,004.00
Specie	2,359.70
Interest and assessment depositors' guaranty fund	1,960.20
Acceptances and bills of exchange	5,000.00
Collections in transit	956.25
Cotton seed account	2,923.56
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$221,558.66</b>
Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits net	3,681.71
Individual deposits, subject to check	163,195.96
Time certificates of deposit	11,330.99
Bonds deposited	13,350.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$221,558.66</b>

STATE OF TEXAS  
 County of Houston.  
 We, George 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. Darse, Pres.  
 W. D. Granberry, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of January, 1920.  
 J. R. Richards,  
 (SEAL) Notary Public,  
 Houston County, Texas  
 Correct—Attest:  
 W. G. Darsey,  
 M. E. Darsey, Directors.  
 T. S. Kent,

**"I Was So Weak That I Could Not Walk"**  
 Rich-Tone is Making Me Strong and Healthy.—Says F. Maese.  
 "I was so very weak and nervous, had lost all my appetite and had become in such a bad physical condition that at times I could not walk. I saw your advertisement on Rich-Tone and am now taking it. I feel so much better that I take pleasure in recommending Rich-Tone to all my friends as the very best tonic in the world."  
**Take RICH-TONE**  
 and gain new energy  
 Not one penny will Rich-Tone cost you if it doesn't prove of genuine worth in treating your case.  
 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!  
 Try Rich-Tone entirely at our risk. Get a bottle today on our money-back guarantee. Sold and guaranteed locally by  
**Wade L. Smith**

No. 768  
 Official Statement of the Financial Condition of  
**THE GUARANTY STATE BANK**  
 at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1919, published in the Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 15th day of January, 1920.

Resources	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$ 60,175.25
Loans, real estate	6,230.39
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	32,201.64
Bonds and stocks	43,950.00
Real estate (banking house)	3,428.90
Cotton seed account	3,402.26
Furniture and Fixtures	2,651.70
Due from approved reserve agents net	40,062.94
County warrants	3,172.74
Cash items	137.70
Currency	17,493.00
Specie	3,554.75
Interest and assessment depositors' guaranty fund	1,488.40
Acceptances and bills of exchange	10,000.00
Collection and War Savings Stamps	3,859.31
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$231,808.98</b>
Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 20,000.00
Surplus fund	8,149.50
Undivided profits net	4,169.11
Individual deposits, subject to check	148,263.93
Time certificates of deposit	21,655.17
Cashier's checks	169.05
Bonds deposited	28,950.00
Other liabilities: Reserved for taxes and Int.	452.22
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$231,808.98</b>

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, Pres.,  
 U. M. Brock, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of January, 1920.  
 E. E. Hollingsworth,  
 (SEAL) Notary Public,  
 Houston County, Texas  
 Correct—Attest:  
 E. G. Walling,  
 J. C. Kennedy, Directors.  
 M. P. Herod,

**Pay Your School Tax**  
 The time is growing short in which to pay your school tax. After February 1, 10 per cent penalty will be added. Up to date about 50 per cent of the taxes have been paid, so you'll have to hurry to avoid the penalty. Paul Kennedy, Collector. tf  
 C. H. Jones of Route 1 paid us a pleasant call Saturday, dropping in to renew his subscription. He reported his little grandchild, baby of Mr. and Mrs. Dural Jones to be real sick.  
**Notice to Farmers Union Telephone Subscribers**  
 We failed to mention in our announcement last week that the rate to party line subscribers would be 50c per month. It  
 Floyd Waller, Mgr.

# OH, LOOK!

—My Jim is Coming—  
**DR. J. F. WILLIAMS PRESENTS**  
**THE LEON BOSTWICK**  
**FAVORITE PLAYERS**



"JIM—the man behind the fun"

In the season's greatest plays, interpreted by the best actors. A sparkling medley of new drama, cheery music, clever vaudeville, with a complete change of program each night.

**EVERYTHING NEW THIS YEAR**

**UNDER BIG WATER PROOF TENT**

**ONE WEEK ONLY, BEGINNING MONDAY, JANUARY 19th**

Presented with full Musical accompaniment, executed by enlarged Orchestra

**LADIES FREE WITH 4c WAR TAX MONDAY NIGHT**

As is our custom, ladies are admitted absolutely free on the opening night. No paid escort, necessary ladies; just buy a four-cent war tax ticket and walk in.

**TENT COMFORTABLY HEATED AND SEATED**

Don't stay away on account of cold weather! Our gas heating plant circulates a current of hot air thruout the tent. The heavy, double-walled canvas confines the heat to the ceiling area, which affords equal warmth and comfort to all

Doors open with Band Concert at 7:15 p. m. Curtain at 8:15

**PRICES 20 CENTS AND 40 CENTS, INCLUDING WAR TAX**

**All Next Week---Don't Miss the Opening Play!**

**C. W. Butler Jr. For Tax Collector of Houston County**

C. W. Butler, Jr., offers this week as a candidate to succeed himself as tax collector, and his name will be found in our announcement column.

"Charlie Dick" as his friends call him, is serving his second term in this important office and he has filled it well. He is ever courteous to those having business with his office; accommodating and painstaking in his efforts to serve the public. His record seems to be that he realizes that a public office is a public trust, and he proceeds to fill it upon that theory.

A new duty has been thrust upon the collector for the past two years, which has about doubled the volume of work to be done. We refer to the collection of automobile tax for the State Highway department, and while the remuneration for this work is small compared to the work necessarily involved, Mr. Butler has performed it cheerfully and efficiently.

We commend his candidacy to your careful consideration.

**Death of an Old Citizen**

Uncle Jimmie Murchison, as he was familiarly known, passed away at his home near Daly's last Thursday afternoon, January 8, 1920.

Mr. Murchison was well known

to the older settlers, having spent his entire life in this neighborhood.

Recently he left the old home and went to Austin to live with his niece, Mrs. Robert Hamby, daughter of the late Dr. Meriwether, but the change was so different from the old life on the farm that he returned to Daly's where he was living at the time of his death. His nieces, Mrs. Hamby and Mrs. Heart, of Austin, being unable to attend the funeral, only Mr. Hamby came up to attend and make other necessary arrangements.

Uncle Jimmy had only been sick a short time when pneumonia developed. In spite of all the doctors and careful nursing by friends could do, he soon passed to his reward beyond the grave.

Mr. Murchison was 74 years of age, and for reasons known to himself only, had never married. His body was laid to rest in the Daly's cemetery Saturday morning in the presence of quite a number of friends. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. H. Farmer of Grapeland.

May his soul rest in the peace and happiness of the faithful. To the loved ones we extend the deepest sympathy. A Friend.

Mrs. C. L. Cromwell and children left this week for Stephenville, where Dr. Cromwell is practicing dentistry, and will make their home there in the future.

**Speckle Peas Wanted**

I am in the market for about 3,000 bushels of good, sound, speckle peas, and will pay \$2.00 per bushel for same. See me at once if you have any to sell.  
 J. W. Howard

W. L. Fox of Reyard was here Tuesday getting material for a tenant house he is building on his farm.

Chester Tyer and family have moved into the residence vacated by Dr. Cromwell, and Lawrence Wilson has moved to the residence recently made vacant by M. D. Murchison.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Grounds of near Salmon were appreciated visitors to the Messenger office Saturday.

**Notice**

We wish to advise that the firm of Adams & Young has this day been dissolved. January 12, 1920.

Earle Adams,  
 J. W. Young

**EARLE ADAMS**  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 Crockett, Texas  
 Will Practice in State and Federal Courts  
 Office in 1st Nat'l. Bank Building (Law firm of Adams & Young is dissolved)