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Texas Legion Men Offer Services to Governor

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19.—Dr. Guy O. Shirey of Ft. Worth, commander of the Texas department of the American Legion, held a conference with Governor Neff, and placed the full and unqualified support of the American Legion of the State of Texas and of every officer and member of the large ex-service men's organization at the service of the State authorities of Texas.

That the American Legion was back of the Governor, to the last man, in his efforts to stop the crime wave which has been sweeping the State during the last few months, with robbery and murder, was assured the Governor by Dr. Shirey. If necessary, the Legion chief told the governor, he would ask that every Legion man throughout the State be commissioned special deputies to aid the police authorities in cleaning the State of vice and crime.

The governor expressed appreciation of the offer of service on the part of the American Legion and reiterated his purpose to rid Texas of every crook if it took every good citizen of the State to be sworn in as special policeman to accomplish this result.

Following the conference with Governor Neff, State Commander Shirey said that he would issue a call to every Legionnaire in the state to stand behind the governor in his clean-up campaign and to lend all assistance possible in making Texas a safe place in which to live.

Better Pay for Teachers

We have got to pay more for our teachers in the future—more than teachers in the public schools have ever been paid in the past. Temporary increases in pay to meet the increased cost of living will not do. We must put teachers' wages on a new basis and give such a guaranty of continued good wages in the years to come as will induce young men and women to accept teaching as a permanent profession and take the time and spend the money necessary to prepare for it as a life business.—Philander P. Claxton.

Must Have Great Navy, Senate Committee Says

Senator Borah's resolution to suspend the building of battle-ships did not get a favorable report from the Senate Committee on Naval affairs. The committee reported against it.

In making this report the committee said it favored the "general principle" of an agreement among the nations to limit armament. All the same, it wanted the United States to have a Navy "at least equal to that of any other Power." That means a great deal for the British are still far ahead of us in naval strength.

It would cost the Government dear to halt the ship-building program now, the committee said. Unfinished warships would have to be abandoned and perhaps spoiled. Workmen and machinery would have to be dispersed. Contractors, halted in their work by no fault of their own, would have to be paid. And it would be folly for the United States to disarm before the other nations do. Disarming must be general and include all the principal maritime powers.

The committee put in a good word for developing the air service, but agreed with Secretary Daniels that the battleship or dreadnought is still the backbone of naval power.

C. E. Dockery Dead

Relatives in this city received news of the death of C. E. Dockery, which occurred at his home Shreveport, La., Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock.

His remains will be brought here for interment, arriving this morning. (Thursday.) Definite funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Deceased is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Spence of this city, and a brother-in-law of A. H. Luker, editor of the Messenger.

Mr. Dockery had lots of friends in Grapeland as he visited here every summer with his wife.

J. W. Howard and O. W. Davis were in Crockett Friday on business.

Pure Advertising Bill Is Amended by the House

Austin, Tex., Feb. 21.—Before passing the pure or honest advertising bill to a third reading the house added some material amendments. The bill is No. 104, by Senator Hertzberg and it now reads as follows, preparatory to final passage in the house:

Section 1. Any person, firm, corporation or association, who with intent to sell or in any wise dispose of merchandise, securities, service or anything offered by such person, firm, corporation or association directly or indirectly, to the public for sale or distribution, or with intent to increase the consumption thereof, or to induce the public in any manner to enter into any obligation relating thereto, or to acquire title thereto or any interest therein, makes or publishes, disseminates, circulates or places before the public, or causes directly or indirectly to be made, published, disseminated, circulated or placed before the public in this state in a newspaper or other publication, or in the form of a book, notice, handbill, window display, card or price tag, poster bill, circular, pamphlet or letter or in any other way an advertisement of any sort regarding merchandise as to its character or cost, securities, service or anything so offered to the public, which advertisement contains any assertion, representation or statement of the fact which is known by said person, firm corporation or association, or could have been known by use of reasonable diligence or inquiry, to be untrue, deceptive or misleading in any material particular as to such matters or things so advertised, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$200 for each offense; provided, however, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any owner, publisher, agent or employee of a newspaper or other publication, periodical or circular, who, in good faith, and without knowledge of the falsity of the character of such advertisement, causes to be published or takes part in the publication of such advertisement.

Sec. 2. In the prosecution under this act such statement, trade name, or trade mark, with the name, signature, mark or identification of the person, firm corporation, partnership or association shall be considered prima facie evidence of the publication of such statement, trade name or trade mark by the person, firm corporation, partnership or association referred to herein.

Make Your Own Comment

An American steamship reports having part of its propeller bitten off in the Caribbean sea by some sort of fish. And we have been told our ships were "dry."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Arthur Guice left Saturday for Caddo, Ok., where he will spend some time visiting relatives.

Palestine Man Kills Wife and Then Ends His own Life

Palestine, Texas, Feb. 21.—Elam Dublin, a railroad brakeman, early today shot and killed his wife on a downtown street here, and then swallowed poison from which he died within a short time.

Dublin using a shotgun, fired two loads of buckshot at Mrs. Dublin who fell fatally wounded. Running a few steps the man broke a bottle of poison on the fender of an automobile and drank the contents. The cause of the tragedy is not known.

Bill Repealing Pistol Sales Tax Is Passed

Austin, Tex., Feb. 18.—The Darwin bill, repealing the 50 per cent occupation tax on pistol sales was passed by the house today by vote of 81 to 27. The measure is a senate bill. Amendments were added in the house prohibiting the sales of pistols. An amendment by Martin was refused extending the date for enactment of the proposed law until Jan. 1, 1923. The vote against the amendment was 25 to 85.

Opposition to the bill was voiced by Baldwin, Martin and Hill. Hall spoke for adoption of the measure.

The house also passed finally the Leslie bill creating a new county of Kennedy out of parts of Hidalgo and Cameron counties.

Fruit Prospects in East Texas Seem Excellent

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19.—According to George B. Terrell, commissioner of agriculture, who has just returned from a tour of inspection in East Texas, prospects for a large fruit crop in that section of the State are considered excellent for the coming season.

"The peach crop is safe up to date," said Commissioner Terrell, "and unless a late freeze comes there will be a good fruit crop."

"Wesley Love of Jacksonville, the largest peach grower in the State, said his crop is safe so far and the indications point to a good fruit crop."

Commissioner Terrell added that "the tomato acreage in East Texas will be materially increased and the cotton acreage reduced about 33 1-3 per cent."

While driving to town Saturday, one of the mules Chuck Skidmore was driving dropped dead. Mr. Skidmore said he did not notice anything wrong with the mule, but suddenly it stopped, brayed three times and fell dead.

A man's own observation, what he finds good of and what he finds hurt of, is the best physic to preserve health.—Francis Bacon.

All kinds of onion sets, 50c per gallon at Kennedy Bros.

Be Sure to See us Before you Buy

We want you to be sure to see us before you buy your next bill or sell your basket of eggs. It will be to your advantage.

Best flour, per sack	\$2.95
Best rice, 12 pounds for	\$1.00
2 cans of tomatoes for	25c
6 pounds of best roasted coffee for	\$1.00
Wheat bran per sack	\$2.00
Wheat shorts, per sack	\$2.50

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Grapeland, Texas

DOWN WITH HIGH PRICES!

25 pounds of Irish potatoes	\$1.00
12 pounds of best rice for	\$1.00
11 pounds of sugar for	\$1.00
Best grade fancy patent flour for	\$2.95
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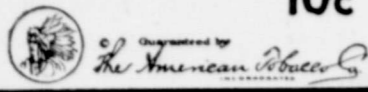
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 10c



PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN



This Gullible Gink has been Monkeying with an Ouija Board until he's Scared himself Plum Stiff. Ain't science Wonderful when any Common Dub can buy a 98c weeja board at the Corner Drug Store and hold Heart-To-Heart confabs with Celebrities like William Shakespeare, Cleopatra and Gyp the Blood?

Tasmania's Artesian Water.

The dry season experienced in Tasmania last summer caused the state government to examine the county known as the Midlands for artesian water. The area surveyed was approximately 500 square miles. The investigation has shown that there is no artesian water in the Midlands, but that there exist definite sub-artesian basins from which appreciable quantities of water of very fair quality may be drawn. The investigation, the first of its kind in Tasmania, will make a valuable asset of the Midlands, and will furnish data from which valuable conclusions can be drawn as to the conditions affecting irrigation.

Soldiers Make Money on Rats.

Inducements in the way of bounties are offered to the French soldiers to induce them to hunt the rats which infest the barracks. The bounty takes the form of money considerations and an increased allowance of wine. One man obtained a release from duty for a few days and spent the nights in hunting the rodents, and his success was so great that one man from each company was assigned to the same duty and the results of these assaults was astonishing.

Students Compete With Profiteers.

Charcoal, salmon, codfish and other commodities will be sold at several points in Tokio by students of Waseda university who have organized to raise funds for their studies on social problems and at the same time to cut into the trade of retail shops which ask unreasonable prices. The goods are to be sold at a 40 per cent discount from the ordinary price.—Japan Advertiser.

Dominant Policy.

"I can't quite decide whether our distinguished colleague is for protection or free trade."
 "He is still sounding out his constituency," replied Senator Sorghum. "The only policy on which he is absolutely consistent is self-preservation."

No Women in U. S. Mines.

There is one industry which women have not attempted to invade. It is that of coal mining, in which not a single female person in this country is employed.

Good Highways

IMPROVED ROADS IN INDIANA

Order Issued by State Highway Commission Requiring Standardization of Plans.

Uniform road construction is expected throughout Indiana as a result of an order issued by the state highway commission requiring the standardization of road plans and specifications for county highways which are subject to the approval of the commission. The regulation became effective July 1 and covers all county road projects submitted to the commission for approval.

The regulation is similar to the federal order requiring the use of standardized plans and specifications by the



Improved Road in Indiana.

state for all roads for which government aid is expected. The action of the commission extends the use of the approved standards to the roads which will be built in Indiana under the provisions of the county unit road law, by which the state shares the cost.

Officials of the commission have compiled the standards for the Indiana roads, which are identical with the requirements made of the state by the federal government. The standards will apply to all county-aid projects proposed under the state highway law, the county unit road law, and the free gravel road law.

Many counties of the state already have adopted the commission standards voluntarily to keep their road construction up to the specifications prescribed by the federal and state engineers.

Members of the commission, in discussing the regulation, declared that it will have the effect of standardizing road construction throughout Indiana.

ROMANS AND GOOD HIGHWAYS

Roads Built Two Thousand Years Ago Are Still in Active Service—How Constructed.

Two thousand years ago the Romans built roads, some of which are still in active service. These roads have lasted through the centuries simply because of their massive construction.

The Romans built four successive courses or layers on the earth surface, carefully prepared and drained. First came the statumen or foundation, then the rudus, next the nucleus, and finally the pavementum or wearing surface, says a writer. The statumen consisted of large flat stones, while the two intervening courses were built of smaller stones laid in lime mortar.

To carry the chariot and packhorse traffic of Roman times, these roads were seemingly ridiculously heavy, yet the wisdom of the builders was amply demonstrated by the 800 years during which the Roman road system formed the backbone of the transportation system of what was the greatest empire of all time.

We can learn a mighty profitable lesson from the Romans, and if we take the lesson to heart now, standing as we do on the threshold of a new highway era, we shall save ourselves much pecuniary sorrow.

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT SURE

Both Republican and Democratic Parties Pledged to Assist in Good Roads Development.

Regardless of which party wins out in the presidential election this fall, American motorists can rest assured that highway development will be continued. In their platforms, both the Republican and Democratic parties have placed themselves flatly on record as favoring liberal federal appropriations to assist in good road work.

The definite action of both parties proves conclusively that motor transportation has been recognized as a definite factor in the nation's economic fabric and that everything will be done to utilize its value to the utmost.

It's Renewal Time!

On January 1st many subscriptions to The Messenger expire. Are you going to renew?

Look at the Figures Opposite Your Name

If it reads "Jan 1 21" it means that your subscription expired January 1, "Dec. 1, 20" means that your time was out December 1, 1920. "Feb 1 21" means your time will expire February 1, 1921, etc.

We Appreciate your Patronage and Solicit your Renewal

The Messenger

YOUR HOME PAPER

Facts About Cotton

Marlboro County, South Carolina, claims the distinction of averaging production of more cotton to the acre than any other county in the United States.

Ellis County, Texas, in total number of bales produced is the banner cotton growing county of the United States.

The per acre yield, average for the United States, has varied from 145 pounds of lint in 1871 to 224 pounds in 1914. The 10 years average in 182 pounds.

The area under cotton in India, about 25,000,000 acres, covers such a wide climatic range that at many seasons of the year planting and picking are going on in different parts of the country at the same time.

Cotton is grown in Asia as far north as the latitude of Chicago.

There is now enough cotton in the world, unspun, to last nearly two years.

The Civil War was fought in the cotton fields of the South, destroying temporarily, the means of supply. The recent World War was fought in the

great factory districts of the world.

There is now more cotton in the stocks of any one of half a dozen cotton markets in the South than was produced in all of the United States a hundred years ago.

The estimated number of working cotton spindles in the United States is about 35,000,000, of which 15,000,000, are in cotton growing states.

The largest cotton crop ever planted in the United States was 37,458,000 acres in 1913, which yielded 14,156,486 bales, 500 pound equivalents, of lint.

America's greatest crop of cotton—16,134,930 bales, was grown on 36,832,000 acres.

The knowledge of cotton growing wild in islands of the West Indies is as old as the history of their discovery by the Spaniards in 1492.

Eli Whitney, an American, invented the saw-gin. The original patent was Mar. 14 1794.

On account of the labor involved in separating the lint from the seed by hand, cotton was of unknown commercial



Smith and Ryan

importance prior to the invention of Whitney's gin.

Census Cost \$24,000,000

In the annual report of the census bureau Director Rogers states the cost of enumeration, which covers three years, has been \$23,765,000.00. Since only \$22,550,000 was appropriated by congress a deficiency appropriation of \$1,215,000 will be required. The cost of the field work was approximately \$9,345,000, a material increase over 1910.

Cotton Seed

Those having cotton seed to sell, see me and let me buy them. The mills will close down for the season pretty soon, so if you have any, better dispose of them at once.

J. W. Howard.

For Torpid Liver

"Black-Draught is, in my opinion, the best liver medicine on the market," states Mrs. R. H. Whiteside, of Keota, Okla. She continues: "I had a pain in my chest after eating—tight, uncomfortable feeling—and this was very disagreeable and brought on headache. I was constipated and knew it was indigestion and inactive liver. I began the use of Black-Draught, night and morning, and it sure is splendid and certainly gives relief."

Theford's BLACK-DRAUGHT

For over seventy years this purely vegetable preparation has been found beneficial by thousands of persons suffering from effects of a torpid, or slow-acting liver. Indigestion, biliousness, colic, coated tongue, dizziness, constipation, bitter taste, sleeplessness, lack of energy, pain in back, puffiness under the eyes—any or all of these symptoms often indicate that there is something the matter with your liver. You can't be too careful about the medicine you take. Be sure that the name, "Theford's Black-Draught," is on the package. At all druggists.

Accept Only the Genuine.

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Antidotes

Crime waves are as old as war as new as the most modern weapon. War made slaughter commonplace; vast bodies of men, some of whom were possessed of criminal tendencies to begin with became inured to blood. After war came depression and lack of work, a species of demoralization. Every winter there is some crime; the past winter there has merely been more crime than usual.

Executive clemency accounts for some of it—clemency carried to sentimental extremes. Professional jurors suspended sentences account for more of it. Those criminal lawyers who bear too heavily on technicalities, and who stir men's emotions until black is white, are also to blame.

Every culprit has the right to defense, and errors which demand clemency are sometimes made; but cases which languish in the courts and guilty persons who go free are not less inimical to law and order than are highwaymen themselves. We need more hangings, more convicts pounding rock, fewer pardons. It would be an act of encouraging rectitude for the Southwest to inaugurate a season of rigid law-enforcement, backed by inexorable opinion. The way to diminish crime is to make punishment certain.—Holland's Magazine.

READ THE ADS

HomeTown Helps

USE OF TREES AND SHRUBS

Effectively Employed, They Are of Immense Importance in Improving Appearance of House.

It sometimes happens that barns are necessarily of greater size than the dwelling, and so have the appearance of being more important. Yet



Unsightly Barns.

the building of chief importance always is the home. That fact can be made plain by manifesting special regard for the appearance of the house. Trees and shrubs will hide the encroaching but necessary service buildings and emphasize the true center



With Trees and Shrubs.

of interest—the home. The illustrations show how the scheme may be carried out to the best advantage.

EASY TO GROW GRASS LAWN

Perfect Greensward May Be Quickly Realized by the Use of Novel English Method.

It is proverbially a slow business getting a good grass lawn in a garden, but a new English idea makes it possible to secure a fine stretch of verdure just as one would buy a carpet at the stores. Grass seed is sown thickly on strong canvas and, when this is thickly covered with growth it is ready for making the lawn.

The site is well prepared, being made perfectly level, and special attention is given to getting the soil so that it is a favorable rooting medium for the little plants. Then the grass mats are put down on sections, these being closely fitted together. As time goes on the roots push down through the canvas and, in this way, establish a permanent lawn. Ultimately the material will rot. The value of this lies in the fact that an immediate effect can be secured. It is quite easy to have a splendid grass lawn in a situation where, a few hours before there was nothing of the kind. Thenceforward the grass will go on improving and the little plants speedily take a hold on the soil.—Scientific American.

Trees Beyond Valuation.

Ten million dollars' damage annually is done to the shade trees and hardy shrubs of the country by shade tree insects, according to estimates made by the bureau of entomology, United States Department of Agriculture.

It is very difficult to estimate the money value of the shade trees and shrubs of the country, but a very conservative estimate would place their value at \$1,000,000,000. These figures were reached after extensive correspondence with the forestry and other authorities of states and municipalities. A more definite census is aimed at, but the figures are taken as dependable for general purposes. They are based on the value of trees to cities, parks and private property, and have no reference to the bare intrinsic value of wood or lumber. An old oak tree which, because of its condition is not worth \$2 for lumber, may add \$500 to the value of the city lot on which it is located.

A STILLER GUEST

By FLORENCE MELLISH.

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It was a rainbow wedding—a pink maid-of-honor and blue and canary and lavender and pale green bridesmaids. Evelyn looked so sweet and childlike in her white gown and veil that I just curled into my corner of the pew and cried. I had loved her from her babyhood. I had made her first short frocks and rompers and her graduation gown, but my fingers had grown too stiff to be trusted with wedding garments.

Maurice Penfield, looking more dignified and self-possessed than ever, was none the less handsome for his graying temples.

"Isn't he fine looking?" Luella Bates whispered, "and so talented, and rich, too! But aren't you sorry he's a widower—a warmed-over man?"

"No," I whispered back, "he has been tested, and he has borne the test. He was all devotion to his invalid wife."

Luella was silenced, but down in my heart I was a little sorry. I wanted our Evelyn's marriage to be ideal in every way.

But, after all, it was not the lovely bride or the stately bridegroom who held the eyes of the little company that filled the pews. It was the lady who sat stidly upright in the fourth pew of the west wing. They were whispering to each other:

"Who is the lady in gray?"

Doctor Landphear began the service in his quiet, penetrating tones. When he came to the words: "If any one knows any reason why these two should not be joined in marriage, let him speak now, or forever hold his peace," and I held my breath for an instant as I always did. I always had a nervous feeling: "What if some one should come forward and speak?" I had been a guest at 24 weddings, and no one had come forward.

This time some one did. It was the lady in gray.

"I know a reason," she said in a deep voice that could be heard in every corner of the church.

Doctor Landphear looked surprised, but he kept his usual dignified poise. "Will you state your reason?" he asked quietly.

"My sister Muriel is Maurice Penfield's wife, and my sister Muriel is here."

The pink maid of honor flushed with anger. The lavender bridesmaid was in tears. The canary bridesmaid lifted her chin haughtily. The blue and pale green bridesmaids clung together tremblingly. Evelyn herself was deathly pale. Maurice Penfield threw a strong arm about her.

"It is my sister-in-law. The poor woman is insane." He turned to one of the ushers. "Can you take her out quietly?"

Evelyn turned instantly and looked behind her. I could see how violently she was trembling. Maurice drew her gently back.

"Try to be calm, Evelyn. The poor mad woman is not worth minding."

"But Muriel is there. I saw her myself," she shivered.

"Evelyn," he said, sternly, this time, "you must be calm." Then speaking to Doctor Landphear: "I think we may go on now."

Months after the dear girl came to me in that same little shabby room and told me the whole story.

"I am happy now, Miss Buffum," she said. "But I was very unhappy at first. Maurice was very patient and tender with me, but I could not make him understand. He would not believe that Muriel did come. He thought it was simply a case of nerves."

"But, Evelyn, I saw no one."

"But she was there. She came again. She came three times. I used to feel so guilty and frightened. You see, it was the locket."

"The locket, Evelyn?"

"Yes, the dearest, loveliest, quaintest silver locket you ever saw. It contained a lock of Muriel's hair. He had given it to Muriel, and she always wore it night and day underneath her gowns. Before she died she gave it back to Maurice and charged him never to let anyone else wear it. He showed it to me once, and I was childishly jealous. I wanted to wear it, and I worried Maurice until he gave it to me. I had it on under my wedding gown in church when Muriel came."

"But, Evelyn—"

"She did come. She came again three times and stood beside my bed. It was in the early morning when it was just beginning to be light. Maurice was always asleep and he would not believe it. But I saw her plain—her eyes were so sad and reproachful. The third time she stood with her eyes fixed on the chain that held the locket. It came to me what she wanted and I unclasped it and gave it to her. She smiled then and she didn't go out by the door. She just seemed to fade

away and was gone. She never came again. I have lost my foolish jealousy of poor, sweet, gentle Muriel, and I am happy now."

"Did you tell Maurice about it?"

"Yes. I knew he felt some compunction over giving me the locket, and I wanted him to know that Muriel had it back. But he never could believe me. He said I must have dropped it into the fur rug and one of the chambermaids had found it."

"But, Evelyn, are you quite sure you didn't drop it into the rug?"

"Yes, I am sure. I gave it into Muriel's hands and she looked happy and satisfied. Now I am at peace."

City Has Right Idea.

A campaign to beautify school surroundings has been started by the architectural-engineering department of the public schools. About \$35,000 will be spent this year, it is announced.

A. D. Weeks, director of the department, says that from a landscape standpoint Detroit schools rank poorly in comparison with eastern cities though they compare favorably in architecture.

In the past, work of this sort has been largely assumed by the pupils who performed the labor and bore the expense.—Detroit Free Press.

Missouri Organizing.

Many of the county farm bureaus in Missouri are finding that the effectiveness of their organizations is increased by forming "farm bureau centers" or community clubs.

Good Scratching Material.

Leaves are cheap in the fall and make splendid scratching material for bedding the poultry house floor.

Purebred Sire Is Best.

The purebred sire is better than the grade.

Synthetic Camphor.

Camphor is now being manufactured synthetically from turpentine. This step has been made in order to supply the American market with the aromatic substance. The majority of camphor is imported from Japan. It is used in medicine, in the making of celluloid, which is a combination of camphor and gun cotton. The Department of Agriculture had established a camphor farm in Florida and is producing a very good grade of the substance.

Many Hiccough "Cures."

After hiccoughing for 15 days, John P. Wallace, thirty-three years old, of Camden, N. J., was relieved by physicians at Cooper hospital, that city. Wallace, who is a shipyard worker, was taken ill with stomach trouble. Physicians treating him received numerous letters suggesting "sure cures," which ranged from the use of ice cream without sugar to the smoking of a "big black cigar."

Claim Cure for Rabies.

A vaccine has just been discovered by two doctors of the Pasteur institute in Paris which, it is declared, provides a certain cure for rabies. The vaccine discovery, Professors Marie and Remlinger declare, has already been tried successfully on dogs afflicted with the disease and has effected speedy cures in every case. The treatment can also be employed as a preventive, and any one taking it becomes immune to hydrophobia.

His "Home Brew."

"Have you moved it yet?" asked an excited householder as he rushed up to a group of husky men who were throwing his possessions into a van. "I guess you mean the piano, sir. We just checked it in a minute ago." "Piano, nothing! I expected you to drop that. I'm talking about a big hamper that was in the basement."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Judge Will Go to Jail

To Judge Ben B. Lindsey of Denver juvenile court were divulged confidences by a boy in his charge accused of complicity in the murder of a farmer. When the judge refused his information to the district attorney he was fined \$500 for contempt of court from which he appealed to the U. S. supreme court. That body has dismissed the appeal and now Judge Lindsey declares he will not pay the fine but prefers to go to jail. "I'd rather go to jail than betray the confidence of a child," says Judge Lindsey.

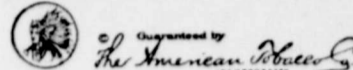
Miss Grace Sanders of Lovelady visited friends in the Oak Grove community last week.

Flavor!

No cigarette has the same delicious flavor as Lucky Strike. Because—

It's toasted

LUCKY STRIKE CIGARETTE



ROCK HILL NEWS

Rock Hill, Feb. 21.—George Hudnell has returned from near Houston.

Mr. Streetman certainly appreciates the way in which the good people of Reynard cared for his dog, and thanks them for letting him know where it was.

There will be preaching here next Sunday. Everybody invited

Miss Erma English, teacher of our school visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Streich Sunday.

Most of the farmers are in a rush to get their corn planted.

The people of this community have been blessed in the way of good health during this winter.

Don't Hurry When You Eat

You may think you haven't time to eat slowly, but if you persist in "bolting" your food, you will find that you haven't the time to work Rapid eating impairs the digestion and in time destroys digestion. More time is lost in illness which will result from indigestion than from the extra minutes it would take to eat properly. You may abuse your stomach for a while but once it turns on you, it will be the master and you the slave. Take time to eat properly.—M. P. H. A. News.

Waste Cotton Yields "Wool"

Artificial wool, prepared by treating cotton waste with chemical will prove of great industrial and commercial value, it is predicted. Not only does the product take dye well and wear satisfactorily but it is said to be warmer than natural wool. Mixed half with real wool it can be woven into cloth which is similar to the all-wool product. As it is cheaper than natural wool, it promises to become a formidable competitor with the latter in the manufacture of cheaper grades of clothing.

Confidence

Man's confidence in his fellowman is one of the greatest forces in our industrial and business life. Without confidence in our business institutions there could be little efficiency or economy; surely no progress or prosperity.

Let us have faith in ourselves and our industries. The nation needs confidence, not indifference and doubt. Confidence is a tonic that strengthens us individually and collectively.

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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.

Phones—Farmers Union System
Office 51
Residence 11

THURSDAY, FEB. 24, 1921

WHY THEY FAILED

Grapeland business men should be interested in a report sent out by the government showing the percentage of failures and their causes during 1920. Of course it forms rather disheartening reading, this story of the other fellow's misfortune, but it carries a lesson of value and one that deserves careful study.

The high spot in the report is that of the entire number of concerns which failed in the United States in a single year, more than 84 per cent of them, think of that, more than 84 per cent of them were establishments that did not advertise. If there ever was an argument in favor of using printers' ink in a judicial way, your Uncle Sam has presented it through this report.

We presume that in most instances these unsuccessful concerns did not advertise because they were satisfied to drag along. Then came the readjustment period and they found that the very thing which was putting their competitors over the bumps—advertising—had been the one thing they had ignored. The merchants who used printer's ink got rid of war-price stocks at even money or better, and were able to stay on their feet. The fellow who had goods that were declining in value daily and did not have brains enough to use the papers to tell the people that he wanted to get from under took his place with the 84 per cent who are now sadder but wiser in the ways of the business world.

If you want the best reason in the world why you should advertise judiciously and sensibly, Mr. Home Merchant, just sit down and think over Uncle Sam's figures—that 84 per cent of all business failures in 1920 were of concerns that didn't advertise.

QUIT KICKING

For the love of mike, let's be done with this whining and moaning about hard times; and let's stop all this talk about how much worse conditions are apt to be in a few month than they are now.

We know that isn't very pretty English, but it is plain English and we are hearing too much kicking, anyhow, to make us care much what kind of talk we

use so far as grammar is concerned. The only person who ever got anything out of whining is the fakir who stands on the corner and pretends he lost a leg in the war and begs a dime, when in reality he lost a limb through being too lazy to get out of the way of a passing automobile. If you want to get into this class you are welcome, but pick another community to do your whining in.

What if business isn't as good as it might be? Are you going to make it any better through running around shrieking about it? You had some mighty fine times in the last two years or so, and if you won't take the bitter with the sweet then you're no better than a spoiled child. Life is not all sugar, and it would be a pretty sickening kind of proposition if it was.

If you cannot do anything but howl, then for goodness sake go and buy a gag and let the rest of us here in Grapeland who want to work attend to our jobs. If things are not right there is only one way to put them so, and that is by plain, hard work. Turning yourself into a fountain of woe isn't going to help any.

Take your coat off and start smiling. Neither one will hurt you half as much as you think.

March 4 President Wilson will retire to private life. It is said that he will shut himself in for a period of quiet and rest in the home he has purchased in Washington. It is understood that Mr. Wilson is writing a history, but even this will be postponed for awhile. He has been in office ten years, two years as governor of New Jersey, and eight years as chief executive of the United States. His tenure in office as president has been more trying than any other president ever experienced, even barring the trying times through which Lincoln passed. We feel sure that the people of the United States, without regard to political affiliations, will wish for Mr. Wilson complete rest and a restoration to his former good health. In the years to come history will write his name high up in the list of the world's great men.

At the Methodist Church

Next Sunday we will have a service which will largely be in the hands of the children. We want them to be the major part of the choir and some of the boys will act as ushers and wait on the congregation in taking the offering. I am going to preach a sermon that is appropriate to their needs. Let me say I crave the prayers and support of every parent who has the interest of their children at heart. Come next Sunday and bring the children along, or come and be one in their midst. Little Edward Stewart Darsey will sing a solo for us. Lucile Howard will play a piece on the piano.

Lloyd P. Bloodworth of Polytechnic, Ft. Worth, is going to lead in song when our meeting begins the 10th of April.

B. C. Anderson, Pastor.

Meal and Hulls

I have a car of cotton seed meal and hulls to trade for cotton seed, or will sell for cash. Will save you money.

Henry Dailey.

GRAPELAND HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

(By the School Reporter)

The boy's senior basket ball team played against Chambers Friday afternoon and won by a score of 33 to 13.

Monday morning the high school organized a literary society which will meet twice a month. The following officers were elected: Rev. Newland, chairman; F. M. Boone, assistant chairman, and Miss Elizabeth Leaverton, secretary. The society was organized for the benefit of the school and we are sure that we can make it a success.

Bro. Newland and the high school pupils surprised Mr. Boone with a "pounding party" Monday night.

We are expecting a ball game with Palestine senior girls and Maydelle senior boys next Friday, and we would be glad if more of the town folks would attend the games.

Champion Rat Killer

Much interest and enthusiasm is being shown in the state-wide rat killing campaign which has been inspired and encouraged by the Extension Service of the A. and M. College of Texas until it has blossomed into an active campaign fostered and supported by the leading officials of the state and some good records are being made by individuals as evidenced by the following:

"Mr. Fred Vinther, living just outside of Georgetown, appears at the present time to hold the championship of Williamson county as a rat killer. On January 10th, while moving a pile of corn he found that it was badly infested with rats. He took a number of sheets of corrugated iron, placed them end to end around the pile of corn so as to form a pen and then threw the corn out. He killed 172 rats within two hours."

According to figures furnished by the Government officials each rat destroys \$3.50 worth of property yearly. Estimated on this basis Mr. Vinther saved \$592.00 by these two hours of work, either to himself or others.

Two hundred and ninety-six dollars for an hour's work is pretty fair pay even in these days of high-priced farm labor. Money saved is money made.

Has Your Local Paper Any Claims Upon You?

Any town nowadays that makes pretention to being more than a mere cross road village would be greatly handicapped without a local newspaper. The first thing that any village desires when it begins to think of becoming a center to attract people and business institutions is a newspaper. Why? No community can develop under twentieth century conditions if it has not a means of giving expression constantly to the purposes and ambitions of its people; if it has no means of keeping constantly before the world the advantages it has to offer as a place to live, as a place to do business, as a place of solid, progressive, educational, religious, commercial and industrial advantages.

You probably, if you have not thought seriously about it, con-

sidered that your local newspaper is nothing more than any other private business establishment in your town. But suppose that it failed, neglected or refused to say that Troup is a good business town? Suppose that it should say that the country about Troup has no advantages to offer. Suppose that it never should say a word about the good schools and churches, and the good people, and the healthful climate—suppose, in short, that its attitude was that of "damning by giving scant praise," and that it by implication, if not outright, told people to do their business elsewhere and to make their homes elsewhere. In that case, you would more clearly see what a local newspaper is worth to you, both directly and indirectly.

No local newspaper can do much for its community unless it has the moral backing and generous material and substantial patronage of every institu-

tion and individual in the town where it is published. People always judge a town and community by its local newspaper—you do yourself. The first thing you want to know about any town is the kind of newspaper it maintains. If you were figuring on moving to another community for business or other purposes for trading, or for residential reasons, you would not select that new home in a community whose local newspaper showed a lack of local support and generous patronage from its home people. Would you?—Troup Banner.

Cotton Seed for Sale

Pure Mebane early Triumph seed for sale. These seed are machine cleaned and machined culled and guaranteed pure. Put in 3 bushel sacks delivered at Grapeland for \$2.50 per bushel. Put in 3 bushel sacks delivered at Texas. 4-t

Pay by Check

CHECK YOUR PAYMENTS

Paying bills by check is the modern method of doing business. It indicates the careful conservative, successful man, and the world judges people by what it sees.

OPEN A CHECKING ACCOUNT WITH US

Pay your bills by check and you can keep a check on your payments, thus avoiding paying the same bill twice.

Farmers & Merchants

State Bank

W. D. GRANBERRY, Cashier

Our Line is Complete

WE CARRY A COMPLETE LINE OF

Rubber Goods Toilet Articles

Stationery

Perfumes Toilet Soaps

Line of nice Candy in boxes

Come here for your Cigars, Cigarettes and Smoking Tobacco

D. N. Leaverton

LEADING DRUGGIST

LOCAL ITEMS

Onion sets at Kennedy Bros.

A complete line of middies S. E. Howard.

Best grade Pea green Alfalfa Hay at Darsey's.

All kinds of flower seed at Kennedy Bros.

Rice Bargain
Eat more rice. 12 pounds for \$1.00 at Keeland Bros.

Buy your seed potatoes from us. Kennedy Bros.

Thos. B. Collins and P. W. Bishop of Crockett were here on business Tuesday.

Block salt for cattle and horses Kennedy Bros.

John Deere Plows and Planters Cheap for Cash or produce. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

11 lbs best sugar \$1.00 Keeland Bros.

G. W. Langham does painting and paper hanging. Get his estimate on your job. 3t.

We want to buy your produce—chickens and eggs. See us before you sell. Kennedy Bros.

Mrs. Loye Stowe and her mother Mrs. E. H. Darsey, are visiting friends in Dallas.

A new, fresh car of that good La France flour at Kennedy Bros. It makes baking a pleasure.

Mrs. W. H. Holcomb and daughter, Miss Robbie, of Augusta were visiting in GrapeLand Monday.

Stroll through our grocery department and see what a nice, fresh stock we carry. Kennedy Bros.

Ready for Service
My registered Jersey male, 2 miles north of town. Service fee \$2.50. E. P. Bean.

If your automobile is not running as it should, bring it to us. We can fix it. Norman & Lively

We have everything you need in the way of either dry goods or groceries. We will make it to your interest to trade with us. Kennedy Bros.

For Sale
1 Holstein cow, 6 years old. Will be fresh in about two weeks. Will give four gallons of milk. If you want a good cow, see A. B. Guice.

If you are bothered with chicken mites and fleas get some of that Insectimune at Darsey's and it will sure get 'em. Cash or produce.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured
by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists, 75c. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

See the ladies', children's and Misses' hats at Howard's.

Seed Potatoes, Onions Sets and Garden seed at Darsey's.

Is your subscription paid in advance?
If coffee does not agree with you, try Postum. We sell it. Kennedy Bros.

Pure Melton watermelon seed for sale. O. E. Herod, GrapeLand, Texas R. F. D. No. 3.

Wood For Sale
Wood of all kinds at any time. E. L. Frisby.

Before buying a new book, look over the new assortment now on display at Smith & Ryan's.

Come to see us when in town. We are always glad to see you. Kennedy Bros.

Waltus Scarborough of Houston visited his mother, Mrs. Geo. Scarborough, last week end.

Get our prices on any item you need before you buy. Kennedy Bros.

Miss Katherine Hassell spent the end in Crockett with her parents.

A full line of genuine FORD parts. Cheap for cash or produce. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Get the most for your money. Trade with us and be satisfied. Kennedy Bros.

Now is the time to use CARBON. Bring your containers and let us fill them. Smith & Ryan.

5 gallons of the best coal oil for 90c at Keeland Bros. Why pay more?

Miss Joe Vauda Davis of Alpine is visiting relatives and friends in GrapeLand and Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Darsey, Mrs. Loye Stowe and Miss Mabel Boykin were visitors to Palestine Monday.

For men's and boys' overalls and work shirts, call at Howard's. New goods at lowest prices.

Kelly Plows, Stalk Cutters, Planters, Cultivators, and fixtures. Lowest prices for cash or produce. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Fertilizer
Have a small quantity of fertilizer on hand. Those wishing any, call on me; will make you a special price. J. W. Howard.

Horse collars, Collar pads, Bridles, Lines, Traces, Hames, and Single trees, Lowest prices for Cash or produce. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Cabbage Plants For Sale
Wakefield and Flat Dutch 35c per 100, 300 for \$1.00. Tomato plants same price. J. G. Dickson, Route 4.

Maize for Feed
Have some maize heads; they are excellent feed. Those desiring any, get it at once. J. W. Howard.

Onion sets at Kennedy Bros.

Phone batteries at McLean & Riall's

We repair gas engines. Norman & Lively

Dock Jones of Crockett visited friends here Sunday.

The best grade of Alfalfa Hay for Cash or produce. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Boy's toy wagon "cheap, cheap," at Kennedy Bros.

You can get 25 pounds of Irish potatoes for \$1.00 at Keeland Bros.

All kinds of bolts, points and repairs for Kelley Plows at Kennedy Bros.

Mrs. George Moore has returned from Benford, where she visited her husband a few days.

Gasoline and Lube for Cash or produce. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Rhode Island Red eggs for setting. \$1.00 for 15. Mrs. R. B. Edens.

If you need any peanuts for seed, just see Chuck Skidmore.

Whole maize, maize chops and corn chops for chicken feed at Darsey's.

Mrs. Sam Karowitz of Houston is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Frank Allen.

For first class painting and paper hanging see, phone or write G. W. Langham, 3t.

We have just received a big shipment of plow bolts. Kennedy Bros.

Put Up Your Hogs
It is now time to put up all hogs running at large, and this warning should be sufficient to those affected. W. N. Ferguson, Constable.

Let us overhaul your Ford motor, the longer you let it run, the more it will cost you. We guarantee our work. Norman & Lively

Buying Peas
We are now buying Whipporwill and stock peas; also will buy a few cream and black-eye peas. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

For Sale or Trade
33 1-3 acres of land at Baker crossing on the Crockett and GrapeLand road; clear title, all fenced; contains some fine oak timber. Nat Patton, Crockett, Texas.

Jot Davis Hollingsworth, who is attending school at Southwestern University, Georgetown, spent a few days this and last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hollingsworth.

Lost
A Poland China male, a sow and bunch of shoates, marked swallow fork and underbit in right ear, crop off of the left. Finder notify J. H. Mitchell, Route 3.

SPRING IS FAST APPROACHING

and will find us better prepared than ever to give you

FIRST-CLASS SERVICE AT OUR SODA FOUNTAIN

Cleanliness and sanitation in the handling and serving of our cream and drinks will be our first thought.

Let us furnish your ice cream for desserts and special occasions this season. Our cream is the best human skill will produce and is sold at a price in reach of all.

Besides the great variety of drinks served through our fountain, Budweiser and bottled Coco-Cola is served at his best here.

Smith & Ryan
DRUGGISTS

Blue Laws
If you had lived during the reign of Queen Elizabeth and King James woe unto you if Sunday meeting you would without malice aforethought overlook, for failure to go to church on Sunday was a statutory offense. The penalty was a fine of one shilling for every Sunday overlooked, and 20 pounds for remaining away from services for a whole month. The statute had jurisdiction over the members of the Church of England only; however, those who refused to subscribe to the beliefs of the church were absolved provided they attended a church of their own beliefs and provided they took certain oaths and made certain declarations. The law nevertheless was very severe with respect to persons belonging to other sects. For instance the five-mile act of 1665 made it unlawful for a minister of a nonconformist church to come within five miles of an incorporated town. Failure to comply with this measure would find the divine poorer by 40 pounds.—Exchange.

Dethroned Mothers
Mineral Wells Index: We do not know who the guilty party is but we want to go on record here and now that we are in nowise responsible for the paragraph going the rounds about the girls bathing in Sweetwater and dressing in Plainview. Who ever started it, he ought to be waited on by a committee of indignant mothers and told to his foolish face that he is no gentleman. However, there may be some truth in the report about the Sweetwater and Plainview, because State Press has a letter signed Dallas Girl which says some young men of her acquaintance have gone to Seymour. But, speaking of indignant mothers, probably there are a few of that species anywhere, west or east, south or north. Sometimes it looks like mothers the world over have quit being indignant at anything concerning daughter. Daughter has become a law unto herself, and sometimes she is quite puffed up over her liberty

of action. "The new girl freedom," as it relates to the girl population, up one side of this hemisphere and down the other, has led many of them to assume that they have a vast amount of sense and a beautiful stock of sophistication. Some of them indeed are so free in their manner, so appreciative of their liberty, they are not ashamed to prove it by immodest dances and keeping questionable hours in questionable company. State Press hopes there are no such girls in Texas, but in some states there are such—indeed there are, even if our Texas girls do blush to believe it.—Dallas News.

I Never Thought of That
You buy something-or-other hit-or-miss. Contented, you visit Mr. Nextdoor. But alas! He has bought better. Blankly you admit you never thought of that. How did he get more for his money? He read the advertisements. Right at home in your easy chair you can view the wares of the world. You know what you want when you want it. You know when you are getting the real thing or a substitute. You'll find the man or woman who follows the advertisements has the best the country offers. Besides, his bank balance keeps growing. Read the advertisements. They are tips which will help you pick the winners. "I never thought of that" can be dropped from your vocabulary.

For Sale
Choice frost-proof cabbage plants, early Flat Dutch, Early Jersey and Charleston Wakefield. Post paid. Prompt shipment. 100, 35c; 300, \$1.00. Jesse Barnes, Trinity Texas.

It has just about gotten so in this country that when a young man has money to burn he is soon surrounded by warm members.—Dallas News.

The New Day When Business Women Will Prefer Simple Clothes to Finery.

By MRS. L. L. FOREST, Nat'l Fed. Professional-Business Women.

You never see a young business man going to work in a Tuxedo coat, dancing pumps, combined with colored shirt and tweed trousers, but you see girls going to work in a general mixture of ballroom finery and tailored things.

Of course, this is not altogether the result of lack of sense of fitness. Confronted with the necessity of buying both evening and business clothes out of a limited income, the business girl buys the former and tries to make them do for both occasions.

But, no matter what the condition, this practice won't do any more than the mixed clothing will do for the young man. I feel that the Federation of Professional and Business Women should concern itself with a national movement in behalf of simple and suitable dress for business women.

The trouble has been that the moment dress reform is mentioned for women the world jumps to the conclusion that it means mannish clothes or a uniform. I do not believe in either, but what I do herald is the coming of a new day when business women will prefer simple clothes to perishable finery.

Ging Backward

The casting of a straw indicates the direction of the wind. Seeing an account in the daily papers of tarring and the feathering of a lawyer in Houston the other night reminds us of some of the reminiscences of by-gone days and the contempt for the laxity with which the law is being executed in this day of our boasted civilization. It seems that the law-abiding people are getting disgusted with the slow process of administering justice through our courts and the sharp practice of shysters, and are taking this old time method to show utter contempt of those whose duty it is to see to the administration of the law, it being the first incident of the kind that we remember of for quite a number of years. It is an indication of a backward trend, and the question naturally arises, are we going backward or forward? Our opinion is that every citizen of our commonwealth should ask himself this question. It is a travesty on our present civilization that such a deed should be perpetrated in one of our largest and most prosperous cities. It is time for every law-abiding citizen to wake up. The only remedy for mob violence is to see that the existing laws are speedily enforced. The hair of the dog is good for the bite. Law enforcement alone is the only cure for mob violence.

A Citizen.

"Worst Thing This Side of Hell."

The above is a strong way to put it, but that is the language of J. B. Mayfield, an East Texas merchant, in a speech to the Smith county farmers. He was talking about the credit system, and here are the exact words: "My father was a slave holder in Rusk county and owned 200 slaves when the war between the States ended. But when I quit the credit business I owned a thousand. If the Lord will keep the people humble the credit system will keep them in poverty. The credit system is the worst thing this side of hell."—Rusk County News.

Intestinal worms destroy the health of children and weaken their vitality. The worms should be expelled before serious damage is done. White's Cream Verifuge is a thoroughly successful remedy. Price, 35c. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Renew your subscription today

Shot Woman and Child

Thaniel Kimbrough, a young negro, was arrested late last week and locked up by Sheriff Deb Hale on a charge of assault to murder. A charge of lunacy has also been filed against the negro. He is accused of shooting and dangerously wounding his sister-in-law and her child using a shot gun loaded with buckshot. He is believed to be demented and will like be sent to the asylum.—Crockett Courier.

Hard working men who are burdened with a torpid liver, feel tired, lazy and discouraged. They know they are lazy and they are ashamed, yet it is nothing to be ashamed of. The thing to do is to get the liver started again and to purify the stomach and bowels. There is no better remedy than Prickly Ash Bitters. It puts a man in working trim and makes life worth living. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Smith & Ryan, Special Agents.

Mr. Wilson Will Take Long Rest

After eight or ten years of incessant labor in office, first as Governor of New Jersey and then as President during the most critical period since the Civil War, Woodrow Wilson has been prevailed upon to give about six months to complete rest. Thus he hopes to build up his health before he undertakes to resume the writing of history. No President ever worked so hard and long as Mr. Wilson has worked, and his broken health is a consequence.

Want to Buy

I am in the market for stoker sows and shoats; will pay 5c to 6c, according to class and grade. If I am not in town, see J. W. Howard, who will weigh the hogs and pay for same. George Calhoun

Avoid constipated habits—it breeds disease in the body. An occasional dose of Prickly Ash Bitters will keep the bowels healthy and regular. Men use it and find it good for that purpose. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Smith & Ryan, Special Agents.

Cash for Produce

We are cash buyers of produce and it will always pay you to see us when you have anything to sell, especially chickens and eggs.

J. W. Howard.



ADVANTAGES OF MOTOR TRUCK

Save Much Time in Hauling Materials to and From Farm—Big Draw-back is Poor Roads.

According to an investigation into the worth and service of motor trucks on eastern farms, specialists in the United States Department of Agriculture find that motor trucks, as compared to horses and wagons, last year saved from one-half to two-thirds of the time required for hauling materials to and from the farms. This information was gleaned from study of reports from 753 farms, and they showed further that trucks ranging in size from one-half ton to five tons were in use, with about half of them of the one ton size.

An interesting fact obtained from a study of these reports is that about one-fourth of those reporting have changed their markets for at least a part of their produce. Instead of patronizing their old markets at an average distance of seven miles from home, they go to better markets located at an average distance of 20 miles away. During the year these trucks traveled an average of 3,820 miles at costs ranging from eight cents a ton mile for the one-half ton trucks to 20 cents a ton mile for the two ton size.

The average cost of hauling crops with the driver's time valued at 50 cents an hour amounted to 50 cents a ton mile with half ton trucks, 34 cents for three-fourths ton trucks and decreasing to 18 cents a ton mile for the two ton kind. Along with these costs, four-fifths of those reporting stated that their trucks decreased their expense for hired help, this decrease averaging \$324 a year.

The principal disadvantage of the motor truck, according to this investigation, was poor roads. It is stated that there are about eight weeks dur-



Mud, Snow, Etc., Hold Motor Trucks Back.

ing the year when the roads are in such condition, because of mud, snow, etc., that motor trucks cannot be used, as the roads over which three-fourths of the trucks had to travel were unpaved dirt roads. But in spite of bad roads the average life of the trucks was placed at 6 1/2 to 7 years, and the largest single item of expense in connection with their operation was that of depreciation.

Most of the owners of the one-half and three-fourths ton trucks prefer pneumatic tires, the owners of one ton are about half divided between pneumatic and solid-tires, while those owning larger trucks were favorable to the solid tires.

CHIEF BENEFITS BY FARMER

Lower Cost of Transportation, With Better Markets and Higher Prices for Products.

Perhaps one of the chief benefits which will be derived by the farmer from the construction of good roads through his particular district is that of an increased production coupled with a better market and higher price for his goods and a lower cost of transportation. All of these things go hand in hand with the construction of good roads and all of them have sound economic reasons at their base.

GOOD ROADS HELP CHILDREN

Larger Percentage of Students Attend Schools Regularly Where Highways Are Improved.

While it is true that various factors contribute to increase or reduce the attendance at schools in given sections of the country, it is worthy of comment that in the states having a high percentage of improved roads a much larger percentage of rural students enrolled regularly attend the schools than in the states having a small percentage of improved roads.



Write for the booklet "Our Wives and Daughters." Full of information every woman should have; including voluntary testimony and advice from women in all walks of life who know by experience what Stella Vitae will do for women. Stella Vitae is the famous prescription of an old family physician, successfully used in a long, life-time practice. Sold under agreement that if the first bottle fails to benefit money will be refunded. Ask your druggist. THACHER MEDICINE CO., Chattanooga, Tenn., U. S. A.



Smith & Ryan Druggists

As It Worked Out

An Irishman working far a Dutchman asked for an increase of pay. The Dutchman replied: "If you are worth it I will be pleased to give it to you. Now let us see what you do in a year, Pat. We have 365 days in a year, you sleep eight hours every day, which makes 122 days you sleep. This taken from 365 days, leaves 243. Now you have eight hours recreation every day, which makes 121 days. This taken from 243 days leaves 122 days. We have 52 Sundays in a year which you have off, leaving you 69 days. You have 14 days vacation; take this off and you have 55 days left. You don't work on Saturday afternoons; this makes 26 days in a year. Take this off and you have 29 days left. Now Pat, you allow 1 1-2 hours for meals, which totals in a year 28 days. Take this off and you have one day left. I always give you 'St. Patrick's day off, so I ask you Pat, if you are entitled to a raise?"

Pat than answered, "Well, what the deuce have I been doing then?"

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

Meal and Hulls

Let me sell you your meal and hulls. I have been in the business here for 11 years, but have never gotten rich yet. Will treat you right and meet all competition.

J. W. Howard

Liquid Borozone is an efficient healing remedy for human or animal flesh. It mends a severe wound, sore, cut or scratch in the shortest possible time. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

One reason why we have made such poor progress up the ladder of fame is because we have to come down every few minutes and answer the telephone.—Snap Shots.

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Money back without question if HUNT'S Salve fails in the treatment of ITCH, ECZEMA, RINGWORM, TETTER or other itching skin diseases. Try a 75 cent box at our risk.
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Can you Afford

To neglect your personal appearance when our prices for cleaning, pressing and repairing clothes are easily within your means?

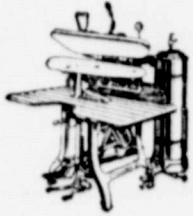
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To overlook the importance of personality as relates to outer garments?

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Bill Would Force Autos To Stop At Crossings

Austin, Tex., Feb. 18.—Under provision of a bill introduced this morning by Senator Carlock, automobiles would be required to come to a full stop before proceeding over railroad crossings in rural districts. The bill would not apply to cities of more than 10,000 population, nor to crossings where the view is unobstructed for a distance of two hundred feet on each side and where there are only two trains a day on the road in question.

A bill by Senator Suiter of Winnsboro seeks to make the law fixing a minimum salary for teachers holding permanent and first and second grades certificates not only apply to school districts levying special school taxes. The bill also would validate contracts in such districts where teachers are now being paid more than the maximum, which is \$100 for second grade \$125 for first grade and \$150

for permanent certificates.

Senator Fairchild offered a bill which would give attorneys a lien on unliquidated claims or demands placed in their hands.

Named Depository

The county commissioners named the First National bank of Crockett as the county depository Monday of this week. The bank made bid in regular form in compliance with published notice of the commissioners and agreed to pay three per cent interest on daily balances of all funds of the county on deposit. Only the one bid was before the court.—Houston County Times.

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EPHESUS NEWS

Ephesus, Feb. 21.—Farmers are going ahead with their plowing in spite of the fact that it is nearly impossible to borrow money or get credit.

There will be lots of feed and foodstuff planted in this community this year. We have learned that people who raise plenty to eat do not have to have much money.

We can't see how cotton can sell very high next fall in view of the fact that we have about ten million bales to carry over. It looks foolish to us for a merchant or banker to say that cotton is the only thing the south can depend on and that they will not furnish money for us to plant anything else. Now is as good a time as we will ever have to start to making a living.

The land in this part of the south will not produce the cost of cultivation unless we reduce that cost. It is an established fact that cotton is the most expensive crop we can raise and if we can't get the backing to raise what we want it will pay us to raise what we can without backing.

We are aware of the fact that it will make it hard for lots of us, but we had just as well hit it hard now as in the future. If we never go through one year without going in debt we will always be in debt and couldn't pay out with cotton at 30c per pound.

Jesse Kelly and Bud Turner of Daly's visited in this community Saturday night and Sunday.

Prof. W. G. Luce spent Saturday and Sunday at his home in the Jones School House community.

Walter Patton and family of Chappel Hill spent Sunday at Coleman Turner's.

Sunday school was well attended yesterday in spite of the cold weather.

We are told that Walnut Creek school girls will play basket ball against the Ephesus girls next Saturday at this school house.

The health of the community is good at present, for which we are thankful.

SILVER CREEK NEWS

Silver Creek, Feb. 21.—We notice the trees and various plants are budding, which seems to indicate that spring is near.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Franklin and Joe E. Edmondson visited Bob Hodges Sunday.

Mrs. Coleman Jackson and children visited Mrs. Pack Sunday.

Garland Franklin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Forston near Phillips Springs.

Mongo Edmondson and Mrs. Eunice Dickey and little son visited Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Dickey near Waneta Saturday night.

Misses Willie Mae and Ruth Raines visited Mrs. Lora Franklin Sunday.

Joe E. Edmondson, who has been working in the comptroller's office at Austin, has returned home to stay. He said he was getting tired of staying away from his family.

Misses Mamie and Carra Ferguson and Willie Howard were visitors to our school Friday afternoon. We are always glad to have visitors.

Our school is running very smoothly and the attendance is holding up reasonably well.

LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, Feb. 21.—The groundhog wasn't such a bad prophet after all, and the cold spell, to use the editor's words, made our lovely woodpile look very low indeed, but our smokehouse was enriched by several hogs.

Our Sunday school is well attended and we hope will continue so. Mr. Ed Bullar of Percilla will lead in singing next Sunday and we hope everybody will come and be with us.

Mrs. Henry Bishop has been sick for several days. Mrs. Laney Johnston has been spending the week with her, caring for her. Mrs. Bishop is better now.

Billy MacDonald and Jimmie Garner spent Sunday at Grape-land with Paul MacDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Grounds visited Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Haltom Sunday.

Mrs. Herbert Jackson, who has been very sick in a Palestine sanitarium for five weeks following an operation for appendicitis, was brought home today. We hope she will continue to improve and speedily regain her former health.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brown spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hale.

SALMON NEWS

Salmon, Feb. 21.—We have got a pretty good season in the ground now since the little rain which fell last week. We have heard a few wishing for rain so they could plant corn. Our advice to them is to wait until spring. The last few days has been like real winter time.

On account of the weather being so cold yesterday, only a few were present at Sunday school, about forty in all.

Next Sunday is our regular preaching day, and we invite all to come Saturday night as well as Sunday and Sunday night. We especially invite the good singers to come Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Heford visited Mr. and Mrs. Hub Starkey Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Grounds spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Haltom in the Livelyville community.

Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Walling and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Lasiter.

ANTRIM NEWS

Antrim, Feb. 21.—Everybody is getting ready to plant a crop and gardens are also being planted.

Rev. J. S. McDaniel was unable to fill his appointment here Sunday on account of the inclement weather.

Miss Lura Gray spent Sunday with her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Gray.

Allie Little and Ivey Brinson spent Sunday afternoon with Virgil Durnell.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Edens and children recently visited at the home of W. S. Matthews.

Miss Emma Charm Edens spent Sunday night with her aunt, Mrs. Maude Durnell.

Homer Little and Bennie Gray spent Saturday night with Vardaman Gray.

Gaines O'Connor, who has been working at Goodlet, Texas.

TRINITY RIVER RIPPLES

Reynard, Feb. 21.—This morning does not feel much like spring with a temperature of 30 degrees, but it still looks like it, as nothing seems to be killed.

There was lots of gardening last week, and there is enough moisture in the ground to insure fell nicely, did not pack the a good stand of corn. The rain ground that was broken, and the outlook is good.

W. F. West has some corn planted and quite a lot will be planted the last of the week, and will begin in earnest by the first of next week.

P. L. Fulgham was called to Palestine one day last week to see the last of his dear old father. He died among relatives and friends and was buried in the old home burying ground.

J. L. Chiles and boys killed 400 pounds of nice meat this cold spell.

Preaching service yesterday was good, but very few out, and therefore, they missed a good practical talk, interspersed with common sense and reason.

Miss Freddie Fulgham, has been away from home quite a bit helping in the sickness of her grandfather.

The fall in the price of eggs is the last lick the farmers have got, but the hens still lay and and as the eggs are perishable they have to go at any old price, but we are not quite as proud to hear the cackle.

We were glad to hear of the Sister Kent on the anniversary of flowers the Bapist folks gave Bro. and Sister Kent on the anniversary of their marriage: believe they are worthy of such.

is now working for A. N. Edens of this community.

Miles Bennett of Comanche county is visiting William Franklin.

State Senate Approves Bill For Liberty Day

Austin, Texas, Feb. 19.—Senator Rogers of Collin Saturday obtained the passage to engrossment of his bill which provides that November 11 be declared a legal holiday and that the day designated Victory day.—Associated Press Report.

Lost Motion

That day will be very profitable which sees a damper cast on courts of inquiry, boards of investigation, elaborated, elongated, non-productive muckraking. Just how many governmental inquiries can you recall which have resulted in men behind bars and restitution of sums illegally expended?—Holland's Magazine.

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Traffic Rules

A vehicle meeting an old man between two crutches shall keep to the center.

If you meet a school kid leaving school try to knock him back into the building for more education.

A flivver that is struck by a reckless inmate of a baby carriage is entitled to damages from the Associated Charities.

When two vehicles going in opposite directions meet one pedestrian each vehicle is entitled to 50 per cent of the bag.

Always stand pedestrains on their heads. It doesn't hurt them and makes them logical candidates for the presidency.

When meeting a freight train of 62 cars on the new road to Chocowinity, always try to pass it at about the 48th car.

A man that uses his legs nowadays is a slave to habit. They can easily be broken.

Most accidents are caused by rashness. When approaching a pedestrian think twice before slowing up and three times before blowing the horn.

When bouncing a pedestrian about, on the pavement, step on the gas and blame the administration.

When meeting a deaf person drivers should be very careful to blow their horn.—Eagle Lake Headlight.

It Is Very Hard

- To apologize.
 - To begin over.
 - To admit error.
 - To be unselfish.
 - To take advice.
 - To be charitable.
 - To be considerate.
 - To endure success.
 - To keep on trying.
 - To avoid mistakes.
 - To forgive and forget.
 - To keep out of the rut.
 - To make the most of little.
 - To maintain a high standard.
 - To recognize the silver lining.
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THE SUNLIT WAY
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Jasmine rode every morning, down the sunlit way. The park surrounding her big shabby home was gloomy in its wealth of trees. The house was gloomy, too; so in her hour of recreation, Jasmine chose the sunlit way.

Jasmine, seated on her white horse, Bonnie, loved to dream, at the water's edge, of that other world so far away, and yet near, where other young people laughed and talked, and sang together.

Since her mother's death, when she had been too young to remember, the girl had known little companionship save that of Ursula, the housekeeper, and James Rhodes, her father. James Rhodes, aged prematurely by disappointment and sorrow, was a severe man.

The one friend who continued to bear with his humors was John Westwood of Westwood place, next door. And as James Rhodes, in his broken-hearted isolation—for he had never ceased to mourn his wife's loss—grew poorer, John Westwood, energetic and successful in business, grew ever richer.

Now, the one stubborn desire of the old thwarted man was to make that wealth his daughter's, through her marriage to his friend.

John Westwood admired Jasmine very much; he loved her, he said, and would make her happy. So Jasmine grievously disturbed, rode every morning down the sunlit way, trying to think out an escape from the impending fate. The girl in absorbing tenderness for her father, could not bear to deny his heart's one desire, and yet—

A stranger sat at the end of the sunlit road one day, a young and idle stranger, with arms clasped behind his head against the tree on which he leaned, and brown hair blown by the breeze from his high, white forehead. As the young man's frank blue eyes came back from their survey of the river, they rested upon Jasmine—seated there on her horse, in a kind of joyous wonder.

"You?" asked the young man, dreamily, "who are you?"

And also smilingly wondering, the girl replied: "I am Jasmine."

The stranger nodded.

"Of course," he said, "I might know that you would be Jasmine—when you came. A white flower."

Strangely acquiescent, she allowed him to take the bridle from her hand and lead her to a seat on the grass at his side.

"You come from the old house, Jasmine?" the young man asked.

"You see, I know that there are but two houses, and John Westwood lives in the other."

"Yes," she answered slowly, "from the old house."

"And you are?" he hesitated over his question.

Then Jasmine smiled.

"I am," she told her questioner, "occupied there as—companion."

She was away before the stranger could detain her, flying on Bonnie's back, up the sunlit road. In the somber silence of the park trees, the girl calmed, and her eyes grew wistful. Had it not all been a dream? Yet she went again, and still again, and every coming found him waiting. Then firmly Jasmine told herself that the meetings must end. It was the white horse who carried her there.

"I did not mean to come," she told the young man, decidedly. "Bonnie brought me."

"And your heart led Bonnie," he answered laughing softly, in confident assurance.

"But now that I have come," the girl went on, "I shall stay only to confess my deceit, and then—good-by. I am Jasmine Rhodes, and I am to marry John Westwood."

"You?" gasped the young man, "to marry my crabbed old uncle? You, my little white flower!"

"Your uncle," she faltered confusedly.

The lover impatiently nodded.

"I came down to visit my uncle," he said. "He is putting me through college. Through all his crustiness, my uncle has an affection for me. But if you think that I shall let you marry him—"

Young John Westwood broke off abruptly.

"There is only one way to straighten it all," he said, "and we must hurry. My roadster will carry us quicker than Bonnie. It's on the river road. First, we will have to get a license. Then you shall come back here as my wife. Wealth can mean nothing to you as compared with love. Come, dear heart."

But Jasmine lingered.

"Some day," she said, "I will go with you. But first, I must be honest with both my father and his friend."

From behind the shelter of a tree

came suddenly old John Westwood. "I would advise you, my dear," he said quietly, "to obey now the dictate of your heart. This lad is—a good lad, and true love is more than money. I, myself, shall see your father, and after all, I am sure he will be well pleased with my nephew as son-in-law, when he learns that I shall make him my heir."

"Oh," murmured Jasmine, "how can you be so generously kind!"

Old John Westwood smiled.

"Until this morning," he said, "it has been many long years since I glimpsed the Sunlit Way."

TAKE BABY HIPPO IN TRAP

Hunters Have No Easy Task in Getting Youngster From Pit Into Which It is Decoyed.

A writer in Chambers' Journal, in telling of the work of zoologists says: "Pitfalls are dug for the hippopotamus, which has the habit of allowing its young to trot along in front of it instead of behind, so that it can have its eye open to any danger to its offspring. The young creature appears to vanish into the earth, through the branches which cover the pit, and the terrified mother turns and bolts. Then, always supposing that he can annex his prize before a lion or a leopard strips its bones, the hunter has his work cut out to get the weighty youngster out of the pit. A noose is passed over the neck and the fore-legs, and the legs are bound securely together. Then a sloping pathway is dug out of the pit, and the baby hippo, a weight of about half a ton, is hauled upon a stout litter through the bush to the nearest river, where it continues its journey on a native barge. The hippopotamus is malicious and dangerous from the day of its birth, and becomes reconciled to captivity only after many months."

UNIQUE SYSTEM OF HEATING

Method of Swedish Inventor Utilizes Electricity Where the Current is Inexpensive.

A Swedish inventor has devised a most unique system of electrical heating for houses of from four to ten rooms, and which is especially intended for localities where electric current is inexpensive. The system consists of two tanks, a motor-driven rotary pump, and the necessary radiators and piping. One of the tanks is placed in the attic of the house and is thermally insulated. In it are placed the heating units, which, normally, are only operated at night, when the rates for electric current are low. In the morning the heating units are disconnected from the supply circuit and the motor-driven pump started. The water flows down the piping and through the radiators by the force of gravity and is collected in a receiving tank in the basement, from where it is pumped and returned to the tank in the attic. It is claimed that the cost of heating a house by this system is about 12 cents per room, with a current rate of 1 cent a kilowatt hour.

WHAT MAKES FOG.

London is famous for its fogs.

Why?

Because, for one reason, London is a city. Cities make smoke, and smoke makes fogs.

Doubtless London fogs are much thicker and more prevalent nowadays than a century ago. The city is much bigger, and there is more smoke.

A fog is formed by the condensation of moisture upon smoke particles and dust particles suspended in the atmosphere. The more smoke and dust, the greater the liability to the formation of fog, each particle furnishing a nucleus for moisture when conditions are right.

Thus as a city gains in population, fogs become more frequent.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

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Senior Party

On Friday evening, February 11th, at eight o'clock, the members of the Senior Class of the Grapeland High School and a number of other young people were entertained at the home of Miss Lucindy Darsey with a "Kid Party." As the guests came in, the boys clad in short trousers and the girls aprons, they were received by members of the Class. After registering, many old games were played to the delight of everyone, among which was a spirited spelling match. Each member was given a large red heart with a letter of the alphabet on it and as each word was spelled each would represent a letter. A few children's speeches and songs then delighted the audience awhile and was followed by a contest on Lincoln, the first letter of the answer to the questions spelling Abraham Lincoln.

The prize was awarded to Mr. Melvin Darsey and Miss Pearl Spence and the consolation to Mr. Killough Richards and Miss Jewel Caskey. Broken hearts with Valentine verses were then passed around and matching for partners began, as each heart was matched the boy read the sentiment expressed thereon to the girl. A tea bell was heard in the vicinity of the back porch and the "kids" found prepared for them a delicious bucket lunch which was taken to different parts of the yard and porch and enjoyed.

The surprise of the evening came when all went into the dining room where a huge birthday cake was aglow with candles, one for each guest present whose birthday came in February, this date also being the birthday of the honoree. Much fun came in cutting the cake each being desirous to learn his or her fate.

The guests departed at a late hour and expressed their delight in getting to be plain kids once

Present were: Misses Mattie Leigh Moseley, Fannie Mae Pennington, Jewel Caskey, Rena Ross Richards, Mabel Boykin, Dorothy Darsey, Pearl Spence, Agnes Murray, Louise Selkirk, Lucy Mae Murchison and Cora Mae Hague and Miss Sara Mack Crook of Crockett; Messrs. B. Halbert, Geo. R. Darsey, George E. Darsey Jr., Killough Richards, Leroy Davis, Otto Walling, Wesley Woodard, Melvin Darsey and Messrs. John and William Wagon and Ben Marable of Palestine.

Where Kindness Paid

It is said that a reporter of the Chicago Tribune pays fifty dollars to the most congenial, politest person met in his travels each day. One day he called a fake number on the telephone and his request was turned over to Mrs. Lillian Pajeau, information operator. The reporter was insistent and abrupt in his speech, but through it all Mrs. Pajeau remained kind and sweet.

Finally the attempt was ended and the reporter turned to try several more during the day.

When the day had closed, Mrs. Pajeau was awarded the fifty-dollar check as a result of her kindness. She is an example of what is needed so much in the business world to-day. How pleasant it is to wear a smile of sunshine for others! Such a Smile paid Mrs. Pajeau. Many more should adopt her methods.—Religious Telescope.

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