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East Texas Cotton Farmers Gain by Pooling Staple

Quitman, Texas, May 14.—Members of the Wood County Farm Bureau realized a net profit of more than \$2000 on 217 bales of cotton sold from a pool which has been formed here for about a month, according to County Agent M. H. Vandiver and C. S. Vickers, county farm bureau treasurer. The members pooled 530 bales but have not offered the other cotton for sale, as market conditions are considered unsatisfactory just now. The cotton was classed and stamped and the samples submitted to the bureau of markets. The cost of grading, weighing, selling and other items was \$1.60 a bale, and the cotton was sold for nearly 50 points above the Dallas quotations in addition to rise in the market since the pool was formed.

"Pooling is very beneficial to the farmers," Mr. Vandiver said, "but we can see that we might get much more for our cotton if we had the statewide association working now, because the buyers are making the market by playing the pool against each other. We can get better prices than we could individually and the pool is worth while, but we can very easily see how much better a statewide association is going to be. We won't sell our cotton to the buyers, there is a local somewhere else that will, and so it is every day."

LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, May 16.—The weather man changed a little from rain to a hail storm that will be remembered for some time to come. Some people's crops were completely destroyed. The stones are very large and beat the corn up as well as the cotton. Farmers are hard at work trying again to make some sort of crop.

F. A. Lively and family were here on our memorial day. We are glad to have them with us.

Mrs. Brannen and her three daughters, Maybelle, Pauline and Ola, also her son, John J., of Bogoville, are here visiting among their many relatives.

Mrs. Ben L. Keen is at Richards, Texas visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Herman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith spent Saturday night and Sunday with the latter's sister, Mrs. Howard Enman.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garner spent Sunday with I. H. Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. Josh Bishop spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bishop.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Denman spent Sunday with Mrs. Denman.

ENON NEWS

Enon, May 16.—Crops are looking nice considering the rain we have had. The farmers are taking advantage of this pretty weather to plant peanuts and plow corn. King Cotton looks rather rusty, and we have seen one boll weevil already. Guess Mr. Weevil will get this cotton crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Sweney Goodnight and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brimberry and Mrs. Anderson visited Mrs. Lizzie Whitaker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ferguson visited their daughter, Mrs. M. L. Whitaker, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Brimberry spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Denson.

Mrs. Coleman has been sick the past week, but is better at present.

Frank Brown visited his daughter, Mrs. Chuck Skidmore Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mason spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ferguson.

Mrs. Lewis Story and children visited her sister, Mrs. Alvin Oliver, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brimberry visited their daughter, Mrs. Joe Colkin, one day last week.

A Senior Hike

Monday afternoon as the two-thirty bell rang at the school house the Senior, accompanied by Miss Moseley, their English teacher, started on a hike into the country. At five o'clock we arrived at the home Cora Mae Hague, one of the graduates.

After feasting on roasted peanuts, plums, and berries, we were called to lunch, which was served under the large shade trees on the beautiful lawn. All sorts of good things were served in true picnic style.

About 6:45 we started for home, arriving just in time to practice the Senior play "Nothing but the Truth."

A Senior.

When an energetic hard working man feels unduly tired, half sick, "blue" and discouraged he thinks he is getting lazy. It is not laziness, the trouble is in the stomach and bowels; they are disordered. To restore energy, vim and activity the right remedy is Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a man's remedy for regulating the system. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Smith & Ryan Special Agents.

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Four Constitutional Amendments to Vote on in July

Four proposed amendments to the constitution submitted by the recent session of the legislature, will be voted upon throughout the state on the Fourth Saturday in July. A brief synopsis of these amendments are given herewith:

Joint Resolution No. 4 provides for a constitutional amendment increasing the salary of the Governor to \$8000, annually, and the following salaries of other state officials:

Secretary of State—\$5,000.
Attorney General—\$7,500.
Comptroller—\$5,000.
Commissioner Land Office—\$5,000.

Members Legislature \$10 per day for 120 days and \$5 per day for remainder of session, plus 10 cents per mile traveled in going and returning from state capitol.

House Joint Resolution No. 11 provides that the constitution shall be changed so as to provide for an additional tax levy of 7c on each \$100, which additional funds may be used in granting aid to indigent or disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1910, and for the establishing of a home for such soldiers and sailors.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 provides for change which will permit payment of poll taxes by either husband or wife for both parties, and providing that only native born or natural citizens of the United States shall be qualified electors in this state.

House Joint Resolution No. 30 provides for abolishing the Board of Prison Commissioners and for the supervision and management of the prison system under such laws as may be provided for by the legislature.—Rockdale Reporter.

The Cradle Roll

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark of Hays Springs community Monday, May 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Long announce the birth of a daughter Saturday, May 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Skidmore are the parents of a girl baby, the young lady arriving Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Neel of Percilla announce the arrival of a fine baby girl, born Wednesday, May 11.

Notice to Public

I have purchased the Murdock restaurant on second street and would be glad to have my friends and the public to call on me. Will endeavor at all times to render good service. Will appreciate your patronage.

Will Robbins.

At the working of the Murdock cemetery last Saturday it was decided by those present to have a memorial service there the fourth Sunday in June, and a committee was appointed to get up and arrange a program, which will appear in the Messenger as soon as completed.

Committee.

Bob Wherry returned Monday night from Houston where he had been attending the bedside of his father, who has been seriously ill. Mr. Wherry's Grapeland friends hope his recovery will be speedy and complete.

Suitable Tip

"I say, porter, did you find fifty dollars on the floor this morning?"

"Yes, suh. Thank you suh."

—The Brown Jug.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Gifford Pinchot, Commissioner of Forestry for the state of Pennsylvania, has the following to say:

"Scouting is worth while. It makes real boys and then turns them in to real men. A good scout makes a good American. A good American makes a good citizen and good American citizens make America the first Nation in the world."

"Scouting is good fun, but it is a lot more than that. It is the best kind of preparation for whatever life is to bring in the days ahead. A good scout is seldom or never caught unprepared, and a man who has grown up out of a boy scout is always ready to meet the present and the future with head up, eyes front and shoulders back."

Our troop made a special trip to Augusta last Sunday to organize a scout troop our there. Mr. I. I. Bradshaw and Mr. Albert Moore with thirteen boys were waiting for us at the school house when we arrived.

They were all interested in the boy scout work and seemed anxious to get organized as soon as possible. We elected officers and gave them the information they wanted to organize. We extended to the Augusta troop our best wishes and hope they succeed with their troop.

We got permission from the Myrtle Lake Fishing Club last week to build a boy scout club camp house at the lake. We are going to build a firstclass camp house and all of the stockholders will have permission to enjoy the use of it as well as the scouts. Messrs. D. N. and H. Leaverton contributed their old camp house to us, and we are going to use the lumber in it to build the new house, which will mean a saving of about \$100 to us. We want to thank them for this favor, as it is very highly appreciated.

We are also going to build a new bath house and life saving station.

We will publish later the rules that will govern each scout when he goes to the lake, and remember mothers and fathers, that when your son goes to the lake as a scout that he will be under strict ordinance at all times and will not be permitted to ramble over the woods or go in swimming when he pleases.

We have one new member this week, Reagan Marshall. If and other boys want to join our troop apply to me at once and we will be glad to have your name on our roll book.

J. M. Gilbert,
Scout Master.

Before The Civil War

A slave-holder, about the year 1850, advertised in a Kentucky paper as follows.

Having sold my farm and intending to move to Missouri, I will sell at public auction 1 mile west and 4 miles south of Harrisburg, Ky. on Saturday, Sept. 26, 1850 the following described property to wit: One buck nigger 25 years old, weigh 210 pounds; 4 nigger wrenches from 18 to 24 years old; 3 nigger boys 6 years old, 13 nigger hoes, one pine sled, 6 yokes of oxen well broke 10 ox yokes with hickory bows, one saddle pony 5 years old, 2 ox-carts with 6-inch tires, one side saddle, 3 double shovel plows, 2 stump plows 10 and 12-inch, 25 one-gallon whiskey jugs, 100 gallon of apple cider, one barrel of good sorghum, 2 barrels of soap, 2 barrels of kraut, one extra good nigger whip, 2 tons of tobacco 2 years old. Sale will start at 10:30. Terms cash, I need the money.

Col. H. W. Johnson, Auctioneer,
Joe Cooley, Owner.

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Postoffice Department Gets 50,000 Army Pistols

Washington, May 14.—Fifty thousand pistols have been turned over to the postoffice department by the war department Secretary Weeks yesterday told the senate military affairs committee. Sixteen thousand of the pistols which will be used by postal employes in combatting mail robberies were transferred within the last few days.

SALMON NEWS

Salmon, May 16.—Owing to the rains last week not much was done in the way of farming, and what was done will have to be done over. The farmers are getting behind with their work. We had no hail last Wednesday to amount to anything, but a few miles east and northeast of here it was awful. Albert Starkey brought the news to us that he went over just east of the Sadler farm Sunday morning and raked up two tubs full to make some ice cream, and reported that there was plenty left.

Among those who attended memorial services at Livelyville last Friday were Rev. C. A. Campbell and daughter, Miss I. V., Bro. N. S. Herod, L. N. Laster, Bud Glenn and Odiss Salmon. They report a nice time.

Many of our people attended the Sunday school rally at Killionville last night.

Miss Maybelle Murdock, who has been working in the store for Bob Smith, has returned to her home at Waneta to spend awhile with home folk.

Our boys went down and beat Grapeland another game of ball Saturday a week ago. Good for them. Killionville and Center Grove will play here Saturday and Salmon will play the winning team.

There will be a cream supper Saturday night at Elisha Walling's in honor of Miss Callie Walling's birthday. The proceeds will go to the church. Boys, come and bring your "Jane" and treat her cool.

We wish to announce that there will be singing at the church Sunday afternoon beginning at 2:30 and Bro. N. S. Herod will deliver a lecture on music. We wish to invite all to come as we have some new books and we will sing some new songs.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

(By the School Reporter)

Mr. Irving, who has been teaching Mr. Boone's classes the past two weeks, returned to his home at Dialville Friday.

The senior class is practicing hard on its play and expect to give the people the best show that home talent has ever produced.

Most of the classes are preparing for final examinations to be held for the seniors Thursday and Friday of this week and for the other classes next week.

See some Wall street stock exchange business involving high finance some bum stock, a bishop and an honest man at the auditorium May 30.

The seniors, accompanied by Miss Moseley, went on hike to Mr. T. E. Hague's home Monday afternoon, and had a very enjoyable time.

If you think a fellow can't tell his sweetheart the truth, see "Nothing but the Truth" at the school auditorium. May 30.

Rev. Newland, pastor of the Baptist church, conducted chapel for us last Friday. His talk was appreciated by all.

The high school ball team played Union Chapel Saturday and defeated them by a large score.

OUR DESIRE

Our desire is to sell you what you need at a better price than can be obtained elsewhere, and if you will but visit our store we will live up to that desire.

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SLACKER LIST

George E Darsey Jr., Commander of the local post American Legion, has received from the war department the initial list of draft evaders, and the list will be printed in installments, the first list to appear next week.

Treat Them Both Alike

An organized effort is being made to induce Congress to amend the law which exempts the bonds of the Federal Land Bank and the Joint Stock Land Banks from taxation, making the exemption apply to the Federal institution only. This attempt should fail. Both bank systems were established for the purpose of giving farmers long time credit at a low rate of interest. If it is found that the Joint Stock banks can best serve the purpose for which both were organized, and that both can not survive, then let the one that serves best and is the most popular be the one to receive Government sanction. Taxing one out of existence should not be permitted. If, in the wisdom and judgment of Congress, there should be a change of attitude on tax free bonds, then tax both the Federal Land Bank and the Joint Stock Bank bonds. Farmers, as a rule are more interested in long time credits under the easy payment plan than they are in the amount of interest charged provided, of course, the interest rate is not excessive.—Farm and Ranch.

Reason For Lower Price

Willie and Johnny set up a lemonade stand the other day, and a gentleman was their first patron. Willy's sign read: "Four cents a glass." Johnny's modest announcement was: "Two cents a glass."

Being a man with an eye to the fact that "a penny saved is a penny earned," the customer bought a glass of Johnny's lemonade, paid the two cents due and casually inquired: "Why is yours cheaper than your brother's?"

"Cos mine is the lemonade that the puppy fell into."—The Pathfinder.

SILVER CREEK NEWS

Silver Creek, May 16.—A devastating hail storm visited this community on May 11th doing great damage to crops and gardens and killing small pigs and fowls. Much of the crops and gardens are being planted over. Many of the hail stones were larger than goose eggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Chaffin spent Saturday night with Mrs. Willie Caskey.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Franklin and Mr. and Mrs. Fermon Rains spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edmondson.

Mrs. Lura Woodard spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. John Brown near Grapeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Dillard spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton.

Several of the people of this community attended the memorial services Friday at Livelyville, and also a Muse.

Mrs. Eunice Dickey and son visited Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Dickey at Waneta the week end.

Mrs. Dollie Chaffin spent Sunday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. Bettie Jackson.

Ben and Tex Franklin spent Sunday with Thomas and Oliver Edmondson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Frank visited Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hodges Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hutchens spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Pack.

Mrs. Marion Franklin spent Monday night with Ethel Franklin.

Make a little and save a little; be bright and cheerful; spread sunshine; don't complain about the weather, your neighbors and things in general; just try to make others happy and you will enjoy living.—Oakwood Oracle.

The planter—the farmer needs to reduce the cost of transportation; the laborer to provide home and cheaper living; the merchant wants the country air. What opposes? Roads—bad roads.—Seaman A. Knapp.

See J. W. Howard for Alfalfa hay.

The Price is the Thing

11 pounds of sugar for \$1.00
Best grade of flour for \$2.50
7 pounds of good coffee for \$1.00
17 pounds of full head rice for \$1.00

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 Office 51
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THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1921

GET BERGDOLL

We hope Uncle Sam will be successful in getting Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, rich draft dodger, back from Germany. For the love of all that is right, sensible and honorable, he ought to be captured. Not that we want him as a citizen of Grapeland, no not in a thousand years, for if he ever settled himself in this community we wouldn't give a nickel with a hole in it for his hide and tallow two hours after he hung his hat up.

He ought to be brought back to the United States in order to show others who ducked when Uncle Sam called for aid that no matter how much money a man may have, he isn't too good or too great to peel off his coat and pitch in when there's trouble ahead.

Let's show the world that there is something more highly prized than money, and that's patriotism and manhood.

Let's make an example of this rich and pampered do-nothing, who tried to make Uncle Sam look foolish.

If the war was still in progress the firing squad would be his just desserts, but if there are a few faint hearts who oppose this method, then let's stick him in a federal prison for the balance of his life and forget to worry when the guard overlooks prison etiquette and puts his foot on his neck occasionally.

Now that the season for beating a train across the track is here, the fool killer is in the height of his glory.

The English language is called the "mother tongue" because father never gets a chance to use it.—Cartoons Magazine.

California's prune crop ran up last year to 200,000,000 pounds and it is expected to do it again this year. No wonder we all get full of 'em.

President Harding is right up against it, having a basket of five loaves and two fishes out of which to feed a multitude of hungry office seekers, and not being able to perform miracles.

The business interests of the country seem to favor the proposed sales tax to the present system of income tax, but no matter which it is old Mr. Ultimate Consumer will have to dig it up and Jones will continue to pay the freight about the same as usual.

In the northwest they are talking of making the state of Lincoln out of parts of Idaho, Montana and Washington. And now comes the suggestion that the name of South Dakota be changed to Roosevelt. Why not a state of Jefferson? Or is the declaration of independence forgotten?—Bryan's Commoner.

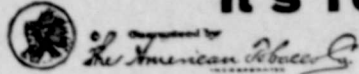
Mr. Bryan is behind the times. Ex-lieutenant governor Johnson jumped into the limelight several years ago when he introduced a resolution in the Texas Senate proposing to divide Texas and call the western half of the state Jefferson.



LUCKY STRIKE

10 cigarettes for 10 cts Handy and convenient; try them. Dealers now carry both sizes: 10 for 10 cts; 20 for 20 cts.

It's Toasted



THE COWLESS AGE

Henry Ford says the time is approaching when we will see both the horse and the cow banished from the farms. The horse will go, he says, because of the auto truck and tractor. "The horse is a 1,200 pound hay motor of 1 horse power" says Mr. Ford "and a little machine half the size will equal twenty of him." As for the cow Mr. Ford says: "It is a simple matter to take the same cereals that the cow eats and make them into milk which is superior to the natural article and much cleaner." Nor is meat essential, for he describes a scientific food which will not only take the place of milk, but of meat also.

Henry may be right. He has accomplished such wonderful things in the past that it would be hard to find anyone brave enough to argue the question with him.

Maybe he could go a little farther and say the time will come when there will be so many different kinds of machines and chemicals that a fellow can quickly and cheaply manufacture his own clothes and do away with factories, and by swallowing a tablet of this kind and one of another enjoy an entire meal without having to waste an hour at the dinner table.

Maybe we will have more time for ourselves by not having to stop to eat, and maybe the women will have more leisure by not having to cook.

It seems there really isn't anything impossible in this world, and if they can convince us that they've found something to replace the cow—they already furnish us eggs in the shape of a powder—then we are willing to admit that Henry Ford is a prophet, and fully a thousand years ahead of his time.

The doctor who prescribes permanganate of potash instead of whisky for snake bites has taken all the thrill out of snake hunting.—St. Joseph Gazette.

Whiskey Still Found

Upon reaching his place of business Saturday morning, D. N. Leaverton found a whiskey still in front of his door, which had been placed there some time Friday night. Who captured it and where is a mystery, as no one seemed to know anything about it.

Mr. Leaverton placed it in his store for exhibition and all day Saturday crowds thronged there to see it. It was a very crude affair, consisting of a 5-gallon oil can, a "worm," or iron pipe about 8 feet long, and an ordinary tub in which the coil was placed. But in spite of its crudeness, those who profess to know said it was capable of producing stuff with a kick in it that would "make a rabbit spit in a bull dog's face."

Sign Your Name

Again we wish to call our friends attention to the fact that all copy sent to this office for publication must be signed by the writer. All items not signed will be consigned to the waste basket. Your name will be withheld from publication if you wish, but we must know where every item comes from that goes into the paper.

Kindly bear this in mind when mailing or sending items to the Messenger for publication.

District Court

The spring term of the Houston county district court came to a close last week with final disposition of the following cases:

Riley Taylor, forgery; dismissed on motion of district attorney.

Jesse Evans, horse theft; dismissed on motion of district attorney.

C. A. Cunningham, forgery; dismissed on motion of district attorney.

Richard Rook, theft of cattle; two cases and dismissed on motion of district attorney.—Crockett Courier.

"Nothing But the Truth"

A Comedy in 3 Acts

At Grapeland High School Auditorium May 30, 8 p. m.

BY THE SENIOR CLASS

CAST OF CHARACTERS:

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| Bob Bennett | Cone Richards |
| B. M. Rallston | Otto Walling |
| Bishop Doran | Ellis Duitch |
| Clarence Van Dusen | John Kennedy |
| Dick Donnelly | John Anderson |
| Gwen | Lucindy Darsey |
| Ethel | Louise Selkirk |
| Mabel | Fannie Mae Pennington |
| Sabel | Lucy Mae Murchison |
| Martha | Jewel Caskey |

SOME SMILES



Spratt Family Up To Date

Jack Spratt could eat no fat, His wife could eat no lean, But prices being lower now, They eat the butcher clean. —Portland Press.

"Of course I don't know," began the sarcastic boarder, "but it strikes me that this chicken—" "Now what's the matter with the chicken," snapped the landlady.

"Oh, nothing answered the lodger, "only it is evidently the offspring of a hard-boiled egg."—Tid-Bits.

"One of my cows swallowed my pocketbook," announced the chatty milkman.

"Any money in it?," "Forty dollars."

"Well I hope your milk will be a little richer," said the grouchy customer.—Science and Invention.

Not That Kind of a Bird

An old dame at a railroad station asked a porter where she could get her ticket. The man pointed in the direction of the ticket office.

"You can get it there," he said, "through the pigeon-hole."

"Get away with you, idiot!" she exclaimed. "How can I get through that little hole? I ain't no pigeon!"—Houston Post.

"Well, what did you think of my acting?" asked an amateur player of a truthful but diplomatic member of the audience.

"I can say this," replied the spectator frankly. "I have a friend who I am confident would have given \$500 to have heard you."

"Who is it?" asked the embryo Booth, highly pleased.

"Well, you wouldn't know him. But he's deaf as a post."—Legion Weekly.

Mental Arithmetic

"Now, then, Johnny," said his teacher, "if your father gave you seven cents and your mother gave you six and your uncle gave you four more, what would you have?"

Johnny wrinkled up his forehead and went into the silence for the space of several minutes.

"Come, come," said the teacher impatiently. "Surely you can solve a simple little problem like that."

"It ain't a simple problem at all," replied the boy. "I can't make up my mind whether I'd have an ice-cream soda or go to the movies."—New York Sun.

When your breath is bad, appetite poor, and you feel "blue" and discouraged, you need Herbine. One or two doses will set you right. It is a great system purifier. Price, 60c Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Forearmed

The man who knows in his heart that he has earnestly striven to do his duty, unpleasant though it may have been, can face with equanimity the fiercest assaults of his enemies. Consciousness of rectitude is an impregnable fortress because it is defended by the cohorts of righteousness. The man who is guided by the principle of expediency rather than of right is courting both unhappiness and defeat.—New Orleans Advocate.

A bad sprain heals slowly if not treated with a remedy that has the power to penetrate the flesh. Ballard's Snow Liniment is especially adapted for such ailments. Three sizes 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

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Brown Calf Leathers	\$10	Brn. Kang. Leathers	\$12
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50c to	50c	Oxfords	
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Why not use your leisure time wisely? What have you gained from your spare time the past year? In every city, town and community in our great Union some ambitious persons are studying by correspondence, are climbing upward, while their associates are standing around the foot of the ladder of success. Already thousands too busy or too poor to attend college are finding education at their door; already they are studying, mastering, succeeding. We are as near to you as your mail box. An hour a day for three months, devoted to one of our courses will make you stronger, wiser, better fitted to cope with the world and wrest success from her hands, success which can be won only by those who are trained in their work.

We are teaching, under our Money Back Guarantee Plan, and have for years successfully taught by correspondence thorough courses of Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Typewriting, Telegraphy, Grammar, Spelling, Arithmetic, Business Law, Penmanship, Salesmanship, Advertising, etc. In a few months' time, without interfering at all with your present employment, we can equip you for a position as a trained office worker, and your income need never cease during the period of training. When you have completed a course of business training with us you will be able to accept a position at a far better salary than you are now receiving. This is the age of specialization, the trained man get the big salary.

Indications are that this will be an excellent year for the raising of everything except wages.—Pasadena Post.

Mail Route to Kennard-Ratcliff

Postmaster J. W. Hail received a telegram from the postoffice department at Washington Saturday afternoon instructing him to start a Star Mail Route to Kennard and Ratcliff beginning with Monday morning of this week. This is only temporary but will be permanent in the course of time, or as soon as the government has time to advertise for bids, etc., making the route a permanent one. The mail now leaves Crockett every morning at 7:30 o'clock and arrives at Ratcliff about 10 o'clock, and gets back to Crockett at 12 o'clock. Under the above schedule the people of Ratcliff and Kennard are given the best rail service they have ever had. The route also gives the mail from this city the best outlet to the entire eastern part of the county we have ever enjoyed.—Houston County Times.

For every purpose for which a liniment is usually applied the modern remedy, Liquid Borzone, will do the work more thoroughly and more pleasantly. Price 30c, 60c, and \$1.20. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

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MICKIE SAYS—
 THERE AINT NO MORE SENSE GIVING SORE BECUZ YOUR PAPER STOPS THAN THERE BEIN' PEEVED WHEN YOUR CLOCK STOPS, FER THE SAME FELLER IS TO BLAME BOTH TIMES!



Moody Lands on Market

All the estate of Col. W. L. Moody, deceased located in Houston county, is now on the market and for sale. The estate includes some very choice property and if you are in the market, see me about it.

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See J. F. Lively for pure ribbon can syrup.

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Darsey has a full line of flower pots.

Stove wood for sale.
J. W. Cook.

KERRY KUT UNDERWEAR for men and boys at Darsey's.

Mrs. J. T. Parks visited in Crockett Monday.

Something new—cold solder. At Darsey's.

Oil cloth in most any color, 40c per yard at Howard's.

Special price reduction on Summer hats at Darsey's.

Mrs. Tilley of Huntsville was the guest of Mrs. W. H. Lively Sunday and Monday.

We are expert mechanics. We fix your car right.
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Full blood, registered Poland China boar for service. Fee \$1.50 in advance. L. A. Frisby.

Mrs. W. B. Taylor and children of Leon county are here visiting relatives and friends.

Ladies, let Clewis have your old silk dress, waist or skirt and coat suit and have it dyed.

Girls and children's summer hats reduced in price at Darsey's.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Korowitz were week end visitors to Palestine last week.

Alfalfa Hay
Plenty of nice, fresh Alfalfa hay.
J. W. Howard.

Mrs. M. A. Lively and baby of Houston and Mrs. W. E. Kerr of Gossé Creek are here visiting their mother, Mrs. Josie Taylor.

Dr. Blackman's Medicated Salt Brick is the best for your stock. Only 25c a brick at Kennedy Bros.

We are proud of the confidence doctors, druggists and the public have in 666 chill & fever tonic

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative power of Hall's Catarrh Medicine that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, etc.

See Darsey for crockery.
Clewis represents the best dye works in the state.
Some nice children's hats just received at Howard's.

Get a new spout for your flower sprinkler at Darsey's.

Leon Brooks was in Houston this week on business.

See our line of dry goods and ladies slippers. J. F. Lively.

Get your fishing tackle at Darsey's.

George Moore of Benford spent Sunday here with his family.

Special price reduction on all Summer Millinery at Darsey's.

For work shirts 75c at Howard's.

Going away? Trunks and suit cases at Darsey's.

Use Petro sealing wax to seal your fruit jars. 40c per pound at Kennedy Bros.

If your suit is sun faded, let Clewis have it dyed for you. It will make it look like new.

Am expecting another car of good maize feed next week.
J. W. Howard.

Cold solder mends everything from tin pans to auto radiators at Darsey's.

All kinds of car trouble adjusted by us and our work is guaranteed.
Norman & Lively.

Will Robbins has bought Murdoch's restaurant on second street and assumed management of same last week.

Any woman about to purchase a summer hat can save money at Darsey's.

Use Argo corn starch. It is best for all cooking purposes. Only 15c per box at Kennedy Bros.

John B. Selkirk came in from Bay City Sunday night, and left for his home at Troup Monday evening.

R. D. Wherry left Wednesday for Houston in response to a message stating that his brother, W. R. Wherry, was seriously ill.—Oakwood Oracle.

See the display of Revonoc Furniture Polish in our window this week. It is the best made. Only 60c a bottle. Kennedy Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Frisby left Monday night for Shreveport, La., to live, Mr. Frisby having a position in a large barber shop in that city.

Mrs. Knight of San Antonio is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Moore.

W. O. W. Unveiling
Waneta Lodge 2714 W. O. W. will unveil the monument of Gov. D. J. McKenzie at Evergreen cemetery Sunday, May 22, at 3 p. m. and also decorate graves. Grape and nearby lodges are invited to participate.
W. B. Moore, C. C.

Try a box of Kellogg's Krumbled Bran. It is a delightful breakfast food and good for the system. Only 25c a box at Kennedy Bros.

Lots for Sale
Lots in Selkirk Addition to Grape and are now on the market for sale. For price, terms, etc. see John A. Davis, Agent.

Mrs. J. R. Brock of Livingston and Mrs. J. L. Brock of Bryan are visiting U. M. Brock and family.

Notice Woodmen
At our regular meeting Saturday night May 21, there will be some important business to attend to. All members are urged to be present.
J. S. Eaves, C. C.

Eggs For Setting
From purebred strains of White Orpingtons, Rhode Island Reds, Barred Rocks and White Wyandottes. \$1.50 for 15.
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Mrs. J. N. Tyer of Jones School community paid the Messenger a call Saturday, while in the city shopping, and renewed her subscription for another year.

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Dickson Optical Store,
Dr. G. O. Dickson,
Crockett Texas.

Rev. B. C. Anderson, M. E. Darsey and R. B. Edens are at Lola this week attending the district conference of the Methodist church.

"Jack"
I have a good jack, black and white tipped, two years old, for sale, or will let responsible party have same for the season.
Write L. L. Cole, Alto, Texas. 4t

Cotton Seed Wanted
I am in market for cotton seed. If you have any to sell see me for prices.
Henry Dailey.

For Sale
Nice young Jersey cow fresh; also some good cows that will be fresh in a few weeks.
J. W. Howard.

For Sale
Have for sale corn, cotton seed some nice young milch cows and a one-half bred Hereford bull.
J. S. Eaves.

Musical Recital
Mrs. Riall's music class will give a recital at the school auditorium Friday night, May 27. The public invited to attend.

Get a Lee puncture proof tire and stop punctures. We pay for punctures as per schedule print in our ad. Read it.
Norman & Lively.

"Ain't it the truth?" Most of the shadows of life are caused by standing in our own light and of our neglecting to save our clothes by having Clewis to clean and press them.

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Parent-Teachers Meeting
The Parent-Teachers Association will meet this Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Methodist church. It is important that all members and others be on time in order to get through by 4 o'clock.
Bros. Newland and Farmer are on the program for talks and we are sure there is something good in store for us, so come.
Mrs. H. A. Tyer, Pres.

Thinks He is Poor
That young man that thinks he is poor because he has no bank account little understands the value of God's free gift of health and strength, little appreciates the fact that the brightest and best of the country are self-made and come to the notice of the world from just such beginnings. Not by idle moaning that they are poor, but by going carefully to work, perfecting themselves in their chosen pursuits and becoming so useful to those about them that their services are always in demand whether it be on the platform, in the shop or in the kitchen, for all are honorable alike.

Mrs. Leon Anderson of Paris is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Darsey.

Dr. Sam Kennedy, Wm. H. Long and A. E. Owens left Wednesday afternoon for Augusta where they will join others for a fishing trip on the Neches river.

Seth Thomas says he has quit the law. He and Lige Smith went to law for a shoot. He won the pig which soon died of cholera, and he and Lige each had to sell a horse to pay their lawyers.—De Witt (Ark.) New Era.

In Boston they are making milk out of oats, peanuts, water and salt. Given the same ingredients, a cow can do quite as well.—Little Rock (Ark.) Gazette.

Mesdames. M. S. Spence, Minnie Miller, Rena Dockery and A. H. Luker and son spent Wednesday in Crockett with relatives.

In England the mother lacks legal right over her child. In these days over here we sometimes think she doesn't exercise her spanking rights often enough.—Dallas Times Herald.

PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN



The Editor has Just Heard of a Newspaper that Died and left Several Hundred Pounds of Print Paper and he is Dashing to the Depot with a Telegram to Ship it, regardless of Cost. Editors always Did have Great Gobs of Grief in the Dawn Newspaper Business but These Days have everything Beat.

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