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Marion County Man Makes \$9000 300 Acres Peanuts

Jefferson, Tex., Sept. 9.—Making good on peanuts in Marion County, R. H. Crudup living about seven miles west of Jefferson, estimates his income from a 300-acre field this year will be \$9,000. It is no wonder that Mr. Crudup only has eight acres in cotton, for he, like many others, has learned a lesson, in staking all hopes on one crop and that being cotton.

This county has long been known as one of the best in the country for growing peanuts, and this year many examples of proof are current.

Definition of a Gentleman

A gentleman has ease without familiarity, is respectful without meanness, genteel without affection, insinuating without seeming art.—Chesterfield.

Carpenters are now at work remodeling the home of Mrs. J. M. Selkirk.

Milk Cows With Chickens And Pigs Excell Cotton

Cuero, Tex., Sept. 10.—W. F. Meisenhelder of Mission Valley in common with many of his neighbors failed to make a cotton crop this year, but he is trying out a side line that is proving quite successful. He is milking sixteen cows, and running them in his field and pasture. His estimated feed costs on the abundant corn and hay crops he raised are \$40 per month and average sales are \$140 monthly.

A lively bunch of pigs fattening on skimmed milk, turkeys, chickens, eggs, and farm truck add to his revenues. He markets his products in Cuero.

For Sale or Trade

148 acres of improved land, three-fourths miles of town. 1 good residence and 2 tenant houses. Running water through property. This property is priced right. Will trade for town property or unimproved real estate. It will make an ideal dairy or stock farm. See O. W. Davis.

Baptist Pastor Preaches Sermon on Americanism

Rev. Fred J. Newland, pastor of the Baptist church, delivered an eloquent sermon Sunday night on Americanism. Rev. Newland scathingly denounced the forces at work in this country to undermine our government, laying special stress upon the active work of Catholicism. Below we give a few excerpts from his sermon:

"The newspaper exposure of the inner secrets of the Ku Klux Klan has been followed with intense interest by many of our people, but in rendering our judgement for or against this organization it seems that it would be well to consider the reasons for the exposure and attack by a number of papers, either owned or controlled by the Roman Catholics of this country. It is only reasonable to hope and suppose that after all of the material has been used in the denunciation of the spirit of real Americanism that has swept the country that these active and energetic newspaper hounds will get on the trail of and expose that exclusively papal organization known as the Knights of Columbus, which has never done anything for America and never will until it changes its Romanish allegiance and affiliation.

"I have followed with interest the printing of the aims and ideals of the Ku Klux Klan and up to the present time there has not been one principle exposed to which Americans could not say a fervent amen!

"It is to be expected that the Roman church would raise a howl against any organization that stands for the separation of church and state. The one ambition of that doubtful institution is to bring the educational institutions and system of this and every other country in which it is permitted to do business under Roman rule. And because a certain organization does not propose to submit to its hellish schemes it must needs expose and denounce that organization to the limit.

"As far as the other ideals of this fraternal organization are revealed to us, we must truly say that they are the foundation stones upon which our glorious American history has been builded. They are 'ideals for which any red-blooded American would unhesitatingly die: white supremacy, the protection of womanhood, the abolition of lawless, clean politics and the tenets of the Christian religion. The only man in America who could or would not stand against these principles is the bolshevist, the bootlegger, the nigger-lover, the political pole cat and the hyphenated half breed. And God knows our land can get along without that gang!

"The newspapers enlisted in the so-called exposure are positive in their denunciation of the Klan as an anti-Catholic organization. Could not the Knights of Columbus come under the ban? If that Romanish organization

25.8 Cents Per Pound is Cost of Producing Cotton Crop

Austin, Texas, Sept. 7.—The cost of producing the 1921 cotton crop in Texas is 25.8 cents per pound, according to a statement Wednesday by George B. Terrell, commissioner of agriculture. He said any price under 25 cents would not cover cost of production, pointing out that his estimate was a conservative one based on reports from farmers in 56 counties who kept the cost of production of the 1921 crop.

Mr. Terrell said in view of the fact that the recent government crop estimate of 7,037,000 bales is the shortest in 26 years that cotton should bring 25 cents per pound or more.

In figuring his estimate Mr. Terrell allowed \$1 per hundred pounds for picking and 40 cents for ginning. He also included depreciation of the machinery, taxes and other similar expenditures.

He said it was not his purpose to advise the farmers what price they should take for their cotton, but suggested farmers should organize for the purpose of receiving the production cost at least of their cotton.

is open to the red-blooded, real American, protestant manhood of this country, we have never heard an announcement of the fact. And if what we have heard and read of the organization and its affiliation is correct, we will be an applicant for membership the year hell freezes over!

"I am not undertaking in this sermon the defense of the Ku Klux Klan. God knows its record is clean, true and American enough to speak for itself. It needs no defense from me. I would simply have my folks know the true source of the attack and the menace that looms above us. I would have you know the truth that you may be freed of the feeling of prejudice that has been implanted by the seed sown by such journals as the Houston Chronicle, whose record is no secret to many of us.

"I have nothing but sympathy for the thousands of good men and women who in their ignorance bow down to Romish rule, but were I to profess respect and admiration for the Roman system under which I was helplessly born and in which I was held captive until I attained the age of judgement and reason, I would be an unmitigated liar. And so help me God, I do hate a liar."

Lester Bridges is now sole owner of Bridges & Morris garage, having bought Kenneth Morris' interest in the business. Mr. Bridges is putting an addition to his garage in order to accommodate his increasing business—Elkhart Record.

The women are not putting up much fruit in Johnston county this year. The men are using all the fruit jars. (None of your business.)—Tishomingo (Okla.) Democrat.

C. P. O'Bannon, Prominent Crockett Merchant, Dies

Crockett, Tex., Sept. 13.—C. P. O'Bannon, a prominent merchant, died Monday night at his home in this city, following a surgical operation performed Friday of last week. He was thought to be doing well until a short time before his death, but took a turn for the worse and failed rapidly, the end coming peacefully. He was a member of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crockett, belonged to different social clubs, was a member of Palestine Commandry No. 3, Knights Templar, Palestine, Texas, also Trinity Chapter No. 4 R. A. M., and Lothrop Lodge No. 21, A. F. & A. M., Davy Crockett Lodge No. 193, Knights of Pythias, Crockett, Texas. Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

For some time he was superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school in this city, and was prominent in religious circles.

Known as a rustler, a public spirited man, a thorough going gentleman, generous to a fault, he made and held a world of friends here and elsewhere, who will miss him.

Tax Collector Butler Resigns to Study Medicine

Crockett, Texas, Sept. 13.—C. W. Butler Jr. has resigned his position as Tax Collector of Houston County, effective December 1st 1921, the end of the fiscal year. At this time Mr. Butler makes his annual report and settlements with both the State and County. Mrs. C. W. Butler Jr. has been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of her husband, and will take charge immediately upon the vacating of the office by Mr. Butler.

Mr. Butler has held the office of Tax Collector for a good many years, and by his business administration of the affairs of the office, strict attention to duty, and the extension of uniform courtesy to all parties, has made many friends.

Mr. Butler will enter a Medical College immediately after going out of office.

Douglass Wall Dead

The body of Douglass Wall, who died at his home at Keltys, Texas, Tuesday, September 5, was shipped here and carried to Augusta cemetery for interment last Wednesday.

Mr. Wall was 49 years old, and is survived by his wife and five children. He was the eldest son of W. H. Wall of Augusta. Deceased was reared at Augusta, and has many friends and acquaintances throughout this section.

Rev. Jordon of Keltys accompanied the remains and conducted the funeral service.

Mrs. Leon Anderson of Paris came in Tuesday night to spend a few days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Darsey.

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LIVELYVILLE ITEMS

Livelyville, Sept. 12.—Everybody is glad to see the sun shining on the cotton, as the weather has been unfavorable for gathering.

Quite a number of people from this community attended the Anderson County Singing Convention at Slocum Sunday. They reported good singing and lots of nice dinner.

George Brumly has been real sick the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Erma Mills have moved to their new home near Slocum.

Misses Annie Lee Mills and Idola Adams spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Eunice Mills.

ROCK HILL NEWS

Rock Hill, Sept. 12.—Some times we sing that grand old song, "The Sun will Shine after the Rain," and then it comes a rainy spell like we have just had and we think it will be perpetual. But like in the cloudy places of our lives, the sun follows. We are very glad to see this sun shine for we want to continue the gathering of the crops. This spell has caused some of the people to get anxious to have their cotton picked before another such spell so Tony Wood, W. A. Streich and C. M. Streetman are seeking cotton pickers now. The increase in the price of cotton is almost a "good Samaritan" to the farmers, for we are indeed broken down and this higher price is serving somewhat to lift us up.

Miss Lura Gray of Antrim was a visitor in this community Sunday.

Bruce James and family of Rocky Mound visited Mr. Taylor Sunday.

Some of our leading religious workers attended church at Center Grove Sunday and at Bridges' saw mill Sunday night.

Lillie Streich is now able to be up after eight weeks' confinement with typhoid fever. Her older sister, Alice, is able to visit

SAYS TOOTH PASTE RUINS TEETH

Prominent dental authorities recently found, after extensive investigating, that many of our most popular tooth pastes actually cause decay instead of preventing it.

Due to their abrasive nature, they report, tooth pastes and powders very often wear away the enamel in teeth, allowing decay to set in and causing cavities. They also fail to penetrate the gum pockets where the germs of pyorrhea and other dangerous mouth diseases breed.

Instead of teeth-scratching, gum-tearing and inefficient tooth pastes and powders many dentists now recommend a new liquid dentrifice, called Steroline, which does away with all the disadvantages of tooth paste. Being a liquid, Steroline readily gets into even the tiniest crevices, cleaning them thoroughly. In addition it makes an excellent mouth wash—a few drops night and morning keep the mouth cool and sweet and acts as a preventive of the many diseases contracted through the mouth. Sold and highly recommended by Smith & Ryan Druggists. Money back if you want it.

TRINITY RIVER RIPPLES

Reynard, Sept. 12.—Most all are through gathering corn, and all have made some, but only a few have made enough to do them and none to spare. We are now after king cotton and all have made some and it will be to spare, unless a few pounds are retained for quilts or mattresses. If the price remains around 20c not many will fail so they cannot go into business next year.

Presume all have taken their vacation and are ready to get down to business. The writer took his in broken doses. Our trip to Oakwoods was the best, meeting old friends that we had not seen in ten years and seven days by the almanac.

Since our last letter a number have made our community a visit.

Misses Hattie and Zollie Kleckley of Crockett spent a week at the West home.

Rev. H. J. Hays, wife and two daughters of Alto, and Mrs. A. J. Frick of Wynnie all spent one day at the Chiles homes.

Miss Julia Eaves is spending the week at the Fulgham home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fox, little Miss Elnor and Miss Julia Eaves spent Sunday at the West home.

J. L. Chiles and family visited at G. B. Kent's Sunday; Homer Beazley and family at the Allen home; Mrs. Douglass Beazley and the girls at Tom Kent's; Mrs. J. H. Beazley at G. B. Kent's and most all of them in the evening attended Sunday school and had a right good service.

The following were week-day visitors at the Chiles home. Mrs. Tom Marshall and boys, Elnor Fox, Mrs. George Allen and children, Mrs. Douglass Beazley and girls and Mrs. J. H. Beazley.

Arch Murray and his hands deserve special mention for some good road work done during the hot days.

Oscar Beazley slipped away from us and is at Eldorado in charge of a gin.

in the community after a similiar spell of sickness, but of shorter duration.

The Y. L. S. C. tells us that they are planning to have an ice cream supper September 30 at the school house. The funds are necessary to the welfare of the community and they will appreciate our support.

Charlie Mack Streetman, who underwent a rather serious operation several weeks ago, is doing well now.

Little Lois Willis and friend, Katherine Denson, visited relatives in Dallas and Ft. Worth recently.

Miss Ola Willis of Ft. Worth has been among us to help enjoy the fishing trips lately. We are glad to have her with us.

W. A. Streich is on a business errand in San Antonio.

We had a good prayer meeting service Sunday night. Those who were not there missed a good lesson. We hope some of the parents of this community will realize that the prayer service will do them good and that we want them and need them very badly. We do not have but one or two parents with us most times. Try coming out Sunday and Sunday night. Let's meet oftener than on church days.

666 has more imitations than any other fever tonic on the market, but no one wants imitations

NEW HOPE LOCALS

New Hope, Sept. 12.—We are glad to see the sun shining after the past week's rain.

We had a good crowd at Sunday school and at singing that night.

Ollie Brumly entertained the old as well as the young people Saturday night with an ice cream supper. All report a nice time.

John Brumly and family and Mrs. Rosa Dickey spent Sunday with W. A. Teems.

Willie Barnes and wife of Waneta visited Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Brumly Sunday.

Miss Pearl Dickey spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Ethel Jones at Waneta.

Mrs. Nettie Brumly and Mrs. Rosa Dickey spent Thursday with Mrs. Mary Lou Brumly.

We are glad that the price of cotton is on the rise again, for we began to get a little scared last week when the price began to drop.

Mrs. Mary Lou Brumly spent Saturday with Mrs. Jessie Hendrick at Waneta.

Oliver Spann and family visited Bee Wilson of Muse Sunday.

We have called W. R. Durnell as pastor of this church for the coming year. It was Bro. Andrews request that we call Bro. Durnell. We all regretted to give up Bro. Andrews.

At the Methodist Church

Remember the services at the Methodist Church next Sunday. Sunday school at 10 o'clock.

Preaching at 11 and 7:45 o'clock.

We hope that the membership will be well represented at all these services. Others who may desire to worship with us are extended a cordial invitation to come.

Preaching at New Prospect at 3 p. m.

E. C. Anderson, Pastor.

A Snake Tale

Some weeks ago the Messenger published the champion snake tale from the Palestine Herald, but here is one that beats it.

Henry Shepherd Jr., a colored boy living in the Trinity River section, recently killed a water moccasin that measured about 4 feet long, and upon cutting the snake open found 23 young ones. The same day he killed a garter snake, which had 25 young ones on the inside. If anybody has a better snake tale than this, please bring it in.

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Perpetual Motion

An Easterner sold \$25,000 worth of stock in a "perpetual motion" machine to credulous investors before the police stopped him. About the only perpetual motion the world is yet sure of is the movement of money out of the pockets of credulous investors.—Kansas City Times.

You miss the best news in the paper if you do not read the ads.

NEWS FROM ANTRIM

Antrim, Sept. 12.—Since our last writing Bro. Anderson has closed a very successful revival here with six additions to the church. A large crowd was present at each service and all enjoyed the sermons very much.

Most everyone is busy gathering corn and picking cotton, but as the cotton crop is light it will not take very long to pick it.

Mrs. S. J. Martin and son, J. F. Martin, visited at the home of R. E. Martin near Grapeland Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Harrington are the proud parents of a baby boy, which was born Thursday, September 1.

Mrs. W. R. Durnell and children spent Sunday with Mrs. W. M. Durnell.

Mrs. S. J. Martin spent Saturday night with Mrs. J. F. Martin.

Misses Esther and Mamie Durnell and Emma Charm Edens and Allie Little attended the singing convention at Slocum Sunday.

Mrs. Sallie March and children of the Jones School House community, and Miss Ona Schuder and brother, Albert, of Lantexo, recently visited at the home of J. F. Martin.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lasiter Sunday, August 28.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Edens and children recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill O. Matthews.

Rev. W. R. Durnell filled his appointment at Union Chapel Sunday.

Why Do Merchants Advertise

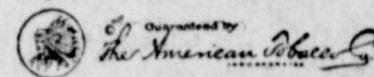
Why do merchants advertise? It is not because they do not realize that everybody in their community knows them and what their lines of goods are. It is not that they know that their friends are aware that they are doing business. That has nothing to do with it. The fact that a man or woman has opened a store for sale of certain lines of goods does not by any means mean that they will be successful. Everyone in the community may be aware of the fact, and they are also aware that there are others in the same lines of business. The fact is that advertising creates business. It creates a demand for the merchandise that the merchant has upon his shelves. A person may walk into a store without inquiring for various articles that could be had for the asking. The merchant knows that to be a fact, and that is why he advertises in his local paper. He knows that paper goes into practically every home in the community, and he knows that by advertising his goods the people will go to the store to buy what they see advertised. Advertising creates a demand.—Tupelo (Miss) Review.

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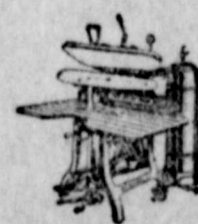
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When one scatters a feeding of corn to a chicken, would it be reasonable to expect that chicken to get fat and grow because of that one feeding? Yet many so called business men expect fat returns from one advertisement. Is that reasonable?—American Press.

Rub-My-Tism is a powerful antiseptic. Cures infected cuts, old sores, tetter, etc.

State And County
Tax Rate Is \$1.07

The state automatic tax board set the state rate at 22 cents on the \$100 valuation Tuesday, and adding this to the Houston county rate, 75 cents, and a special public improvement tax of 10 cents, makes the rate \$1.07, on the \$100 valuation in Houston county, besides the special issues for road and school districts.

The following table shows how the tax is prorated for this county:

- County general, 23c.
- Plat book, 2c.
- Jury special, 15c.
- Jail building, 2c.
- Old road and bridge, 2c.
- Court house and jail 16c.
- Road and bridge, scrip. 10c.
- Com. precinct No. 4, 5c.
- Public improvement, 10c.
- Total county tax rate, 85c.

The following table shows the special levies, with the exception of the school districts.

- B, district No. 1, west Grape-land, 25c.
- A, district No. 3, Crockett, 50c.
- E, district No. 4, Weches-Belott, \$1.25.
- D, district No. 6, east Grape-land, 75c.
- F, district No. 7, Ratcliff, \$1.25.
- G, district No. 8, Kennard, \$1.50.
- H, district No. 9, Weldon, \$1.65.
- I, district No. 10, Blue Lake \$1.50.
- J, district No. 12, Prairie Point, \$1.50.
- K, district No. 14, Arbor, (no levy.)
- M, district No. 15, Creek, \$1.70.
- C, district No. 16, Lovelady-Holly, 75c.

The minutes show that Commissioner J. A. Beahard of precinct No. 4 voted "no" on public improvement tax levy of 10 cents.

Tax Assessor Will McLean has been unable to complete the rolls on account of having to wait so long for the state rate, but now that he has received the rate he hopes to complete the rolls within the next two weeks.—Houston County Times.

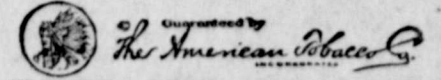
A Chicago bride whose mentality ceased to function for nine days is all right again. At least the doctor pronounced her well just as soon as he heard her say she needed a new dress.—Houston Post.

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Confederate Pension Tax Increase Defeated

Austin, Texas, Sept. 8.—Four of the five constitutional amendments voted at the state election held on July 23, 1921, were defeated, the only one adopted being the proposed amendment that only American citizens shall vote in state elections, the majority for this amendment being 3712. The amendment proposing to increase the Confederate pension tax from five to seven cents on the \$100, which was generally believed to have been adopted, was defeated by 10,716 votes. This announcement was made by the state canvassing board, composed of the governor, secretary of state and attorney general, late Wednesday following an official canvass of the returns. The votes were to have been canvassed on September 1, but there were so many counties missing that action was deferred. As it was, 34 counties in the state failed to send in their returns.

There was a general impression throughout the state, shared in by most of the state officials, that the Confederate pension tax amendment had carried, so it was a surprise when the officials canvass disclosed that the amendment had failed by over 10,000 votes.

That there was general apathy over the election is disclosed by the fact that only 110,906 votes were cast at the election which is about one-fifth of the voting strength of Texas.

Because of the defeat of the Confederate pension tax amendment to the constitution, as disclosed by an official canvass of the returns, the total state taxes for the current year will be only 62 instead of 64 cents, announced Lon A. Smith, state comptroller and a member of the state automatic tax board. This tax is divided as follows: Ad valorem, 22 cents; school tax, 35 cents; Confederate pension, five cents.

It was on the assumption that the Confederate pension tax amendment had prevailed that it was previously announced that the total state tax would be 64 cents. This proposed amendment sought to increase the Confederate pension tax from five to seven cents on the \$100 property valuation.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 15, 1921

BUSY BUYERS

The streets are now thronged with busy buyers and the merchants are raising their heads in ecstasy. The activity on the thoroughfares beams with metropolitan life. What is the use of harping about hard times? Our town has stood well the test of monetary stringency, our people are living well, our town is progressing, we have all the advantages and resources that could be reasonably wished for; then, why should our people continue to complain of hard times? The least said of misfortune or bad times and bad conditions the better it will be in the end. Let us lift our voices and with one accord exult over good luck during the next months. Let us speak of our resources, our business and our general stability. Ours is a good, solid, progressive, conservative town with brilliant prospects and we can do much for it by speaking of its continual, steady advancement. Let us do it.

Over 22 women have graduated in law this year, to say nothing of the loving wives who lay down the law without graduation.

As the bootleggers and moonshiners are reckoned as among the unemployed, that cuts down the number about a million, as they are very much employed, night and day.

Since Postmaster Hays says there are million of dollars hidden away in the stocking legs of the country, you can now figure out just why it is that men are taking such an interest in the grand national hosiery display.

If we would make personal sacrifice and put love into our every day actions in this life, and devoted such love and sacrifices to bringing a bit of joy into the lives of friends and loved ones, our own sunshine of life would brighten, and old St. Peter would be more busy recording credit marks for us on the good book up yonder somewhere.

A man may get along, after a fashion, in spite of bad habits. He may be a liar, drink a good

deaf, be slow in paying his bills, waste a lot of time, talk too much, and still make a living; thousands of we "proletarians" do that every day. But there is not a man on the face of the earth who could not get along better and easier, make a better living and be happier without these bad habits. Life is a mere matter of being as smart and as effective as you can be, and you cannot be either smart or effective if you do not behave fairly well.

The Building Exchange, composed of the employers, and the Building Trades Councils, made up of union craftsmen, are now playing a game of freezeout, a dead loss to everybody. It should be well for these gentlemen to get together and agree to postpone this freezeout game for a period of one year, or longer, until general conditions improve; then to unbury the hatchet if thought wise. This is no time for industrial foolishness on the part of either side, or anybody. Five million men and their families want bread, with a slight smear of butter on it.

WANETA HAPPENINGS

Waneta, Sept. 12.—We had good rains last week, but it is clear this morning and everybody is busy picking cotton.

Elmer Goff's baby is very sick again.

Will Wilson and wife spent last week at Lufkin with the latter's parents.

Al Sheffield and children of Palestine spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Sheffield.

Albert Rich and wife of near Crockett are visiting friends and relatives here this week.

Buck Carrol, wife and baby of Dallas are visiting relatives here and at Hickory Grove.

Mrs. Tinnie Wilson spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Bascom Jones.

Larkin McElroy and wife and mother of Wheeler county are visiting relatives here.

Clara Wilson spent Saturday night with Ruby Goff.

Bro. Jones filled his regular appointment at Hickory Grove Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. McKee of Cleburne, who is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Harrington of this place, has been sick the past week, and is sick again this morning.

SALMON NEWS

Salmon, Sept. 12.—A good many of our people attended the singing convention at Slocum yesterday. We believe it was the best we ever attended, and we must congratulate the Slocum people for the bountiful dinner they served to feed so many people. Everybody had plenty to eat, and we heard some good singing and enjoyed the day fine. We have a convention to be proud of. The next meeting will be with Denson Springs December 11.

Everybody come to Sunday school next Sunday. Bro. Schweeter will probably preach for us in the afternoon. We want to urge that every member of the church be present Sunday morning.

We notice that Mr. and Mrs. Glenn are riding in a new Ford. Dan Herod is working in Grapeland now, having charge of the gin stands at Bridges' gin.

School Starts Monday **George E. Darsey & Co.** THE SERVICE FIRST STORE School Starts Monday

Boys and Girls!



Come by our store on your way to school next Monday morning and we will give you a bag to keep your books in. We want you to make our store your stopping place when down town because we like to have you around.

You will always find here the new things for boys and girls—things that you are proud to wear. If we can serve you, let us know.

New Autumn Modes Now Featured

NEW HATS
—from—
ELZEE
and other noted makers

are shown here in Banded Sailors, Ready-to-Wear and Hats tailored with the latest trimmings in felt, velvet, plush and beaver. Suitable shapes and sizes for ladies and young ladies of all ages

Authentic styles in MILLINERY, SUITS, COATS, SKIRTS, DRESSES, BLOUSES and DRESS GOODS are on display at this store. This week, several late purchases in these lines have arrived, affording you one of the most complete assortments in the county to select from. To more truly appreciate the merchandise, styles and values we offer, it is necessary that you visit our store.

Wonderful Sweaters

The values we show in sweaters are truly wonderful.

We have this week received a shipment of the new styles in silk sweaters, all popular shades.

at \$6 to \$8.50

The new styles in wool sweaters are here and the assortments of styles, colors and sizes for men, women and children, is complete in every detail.

BUY SWEATERS NOW



AS ILLUSTRATED

We are showing the Billiken oxford illustrated in this cut, in a beautiful shade of Brown Kid, at only \$6.00. This is only one of the many smart fall styles in women's and girls shoes at this store, which are shown in a big range, including all leathers and colors.

at \$3.00 to \$7.50



WE SHOW THE NEW THINGS FIRST

LOCAL ITEMS

Men, your favorite Stetson is at Darsey's.

Clewis represents the best dye works in the state.

Lowest prices on standard staple dry goods at Darsey's.

Miss Lucretia Riall has returned from a visit to Ft. Worth and Dallas.

If you want a good cooking stove it will pay you to go to Darsey's.

Miss Eula Mae Riall has gone to Oklahoma City, where she will teach again this coming term.

Pure home made Ribbon Cane Syrup 75c a Bucket at Darsey's.

Misses Katherine Hassell and Sarah Mac Crook of Crockett visited friends in Grapeland Sunday.

Wood Prices Cut

Oak stove wood, per cord \$5. Pine for \$5.00 per cord.

J. W. Cook.

"Peppy" Models in suits for young men and conservative styles for others at Darsey's priced at \$15 to \$35.

Jim Cook of Dallas spent several days this and last week in this community visiting his numerous friends and relatives.

Cheese, Sausage, Bacon, Turnips, Potatoes and Onions at Darsey's.

Farm For Sale or Trade

80 acres of good land in state of Arkansas. See Ben Frisby for particulars.

Notice—Posted

My farm is posted and I have too many livestock in the field to permit hunting. Please take notice.

J. W. Howard.

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 surface. 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. P. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

A good overall for a dollar at Darsey's.

John Kennedy was in Lufkin the first of the week.

It will pay you to get Darsey's prices before you buy.

Johnnie Wagon of Palestine was a Grapeland visitor Sunday.

Best line of 5c school tablets at Darsey's.

Mrs. C W Kennedy and daughter, Ruth, were visitors to Houston this week.

You will get the top prices for your chickens and eggs if you take them to Darsey's.

Mrs. Laura Goodson spent several days in Longview last week visiting the family of her brother, Dr. W. N. Jones.

Hogs For Sale

We have a few choice Poland China gilts and boars for sale at 20c per pound.

Texas Holstein Farm.

Mrs. S. E. Howard has returned home from Lake Charles, La., and Beaumont, where she spent some time visiting her daughters Mesdames. Faris and Logan.

Milch Cows For Sale

Good young Jersey milch cows, cheap. Come and see—them milked.

C. A. Campbell, Salmon Texas.

Ben Frisby has returned to Grapeland to make his home, after spending nearly a year in the state of Arkansas. Mrs. Frisby and the baby are expected to arrive later.

A Bargain

A Hobart M. Cable piano, mahogany case, practically new. Cash or terms. See or write V. B. Tunstall, Crockett, Texas.

Miss Clara Anderson left last week for Livingston to visit friends a few days. She is attending the teachers institute at Lufkin this week and will teach at Jaquin.

Hogs Wanted

I will ship another car of hogs next Tuesday, September 20. If you have any to sell bring them in.

J. W. Howard.

Rub-My-Tism is a great pain killer. Relieves pain and soreness rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains.

Get Darsey's prices on flour, bran, shorts and maize.

Hogs Wanted

I want to buy 50 or 60 half fat hogs.

A. B. Spence.

Mrs. Loye Darsey Stowe visited friends in Tyler the latter part of last week, returning home Monday on the Sun Shine.

Mrs. C. E. Dockery left Sunday night for Shreveport, La., where she will spend some time visiting friends and relatives.

Clothes that Men are proud to wear are the kinds Darsey sells.

Boys, get under one of those new Pep caps at Darsey's. They're different.

Today is the last day you can safely wear that old straw lid. Bring it to Darsey's and "swap" it in on a new Worth, Mallory or Stetson. You'll like the new ones.

Mrs. F. M. Boone had as her guests last week her sister, Mrs. W. H. Wills of Tuscola, her brother, Ben Gustine, of Deval, Ok., and her mother, Mrs. M. B. Gustine, of Alcedo, Texas.

Mrs. Loyd Anderson and daughter returned to Huntsville Tuesday for the school term, after spending several weeks at their home east of Grapeland.

Mrs. M. E. Darsey underwent an operation for appendicitis at her home in this city Saturday afternoon. Her condition at this time is reported to be very satisfactory. Miss Rogers, a trained nurse of Palestine is with her.

Save dealer's discount, 25 per cent, on your kodak finishing. Mail your 2 1-4 x 3 1-4 with 26c " 2 1-2 x 4 1-4 with 32c " 3 1-4 x 4 1-4 with 32c " 3 1-2 x 3 1-2 with 32c " 2 7-8 x 4 7-8 with 32c " 3 1-4 x 5 1-2 with 36c " 4 x 5 with 36c

One or two-cent postage stamps or coin and we will return you six prints per roll or refund amount you overpay.—Watkins Studio, Palestine, Texas.

Let us remember that children are very much like rivers. It is impossible to stop them, but comparatively easy to change their course.—Margaret Wright North.

For Services Not Rendered

The call on the part of organized labor for an alliance with farmers' organizations against the encroachments of capital will butter no bread. Labor fights capital as its enemy, while the farmer is the heaviest capitalist in all the country. The farmer is an individualist of the pioneer type, while the laborer has surrendered most of his personality as a producer to the union and the union's leaders. The world is full of men, both capitalists and laborers, who expect pay for services not rendered. The farmer cannot afford to train with either of them.—Country Gentleman.

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

If you are a Property Owner, Read this by all means

All of us have seen the effect winter weather has on unpainted property—ruinous—causing repair bills twice as expensive as the cost of good paint applied in time. DON'T YOU MAKE THAT MISTAKE!

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Everything a Good Drug Store Should Have—and then Some!

SCHOOL DAYS WILL SOON BE HERE

One of the most important features of preparation should be the careful selection of your children school shoes. Tight, misfitting and uncomfortable shoes are annoying and irritable. They retard the children's progress and make school days miserable.

We Have a Nice, Practical Gift for Each Boy and Girl that Purchases a Pair of Shoes at our Store

or other merchandise to the amount of \$2.00. Boys and girls don't fail to come to see us. We will take pleasure in showing you the nice present we have for you.

Special Prices In Groceries For Saturday.

14 pounds of granulated cane sugar for	\$1.00
Best extra high patent flour, per sack	\$2.20
Wheat Shorts, per sack	\$1.50
Wheat Bran, per sack	\$1.25
5-bushels sacks of Oats, per sack	\$2.90
Garrett Snuff, per bottle	30c
Honest Snuff, per glass	30c
Brown Mule Tobacco, per plug	25c
7 pounds good roasted coffee for	\$1.00

Bring us your Chickens and Eggs. We will Pay the Highest Market Price

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School Begins Monday

The Grapeland school will begin its 1921-22 term next Monday morning with an opening exercise of a fitting nature, which will be participated in by several selected for that purpose. A general invitation is extended the patrons and others to attend the opening exercises. Those having unders to enter school are requested to confer with Mr. Boone Saturday.

A sudden turn in school af-

fairs has had the effect of putting the school board "up in the air." Mr. Dominy, who was elected superintendent and accepted, sent in his resignation Tuesday morning. Up to this time the board has no been able to find a man to take his place, and if they do not Mr. Boone will take the superintendency and another teacher found to take his place.

Darsey has Iron Beds, Springs and mattresses at reduced prices.

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Enjoy the life you are living today.

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The Frame of National Government

Every European State has to fear not only the rivalry but the aggression of its neighbors. Even Britain, so long safe in her insular home, has lost some of her security by the growth of steam navies. She, like the powers of the European continent, must maintain her system of government in full efficiency for war as well as for peace, and cannot afford to let her armaments decline, her finances become disordered, the vigor of her Executive authority be impaired.

Had Canada or Mexico grown to be a great power, had France not sold Louisiana, or had England, rooted on the American continent, become a military despotism, the United States could not indulge the easy optimism which makes them tolerate the faults of their government. As it is, that which might prove to a European State a mortal disease is here nothing worse than a teasing ailment. Since the War of Secession ended, no serious danger has arisen either from within or from without to alarm American statesmen. Social convulsions from within, warlike assaults from without, seem now as unlikely to try the fabric of the American Constitution as an earthquake to rend the walls of the Capitol.

It must never be forgotten that the main object which the framers of the Constitution set before themselves has been achieved. When Sieyes was asked what he had done during the Reign of Terror, he answered, "I lived." The Constitution as a whole has stood and stands unshaken. The scales of power have continued to hang fairly even. The president has not corrupted and enslaved Congress: Congress has not paralyzed and cowed the president. The legislature may have some-

times appeared to be gaining on executive department; but there are also times when the people support the President against the legislature, and when the legislature is obliged to recognize the fact. Were George Washington to return to earth, he might be as great and useful a president as he was more than a century ago. Neither the legislature nor the executive has for a moment threatened the liberties of the people. The states have not broken up the Union, and the Union has not absorbed the states. No wonder that the Americans are proud of an instrument under which this great result has been attained, which has passed unscathed through the furnace of civil war, which has been found capable of embracing a body of commonwealths more than three times as numerous, and with twenty-fold the population of the original states, which has cultivated the political intelligence of the masses to a point reached in no other country, which has fostered and been found compatible with a larger measure of local self-government than has existed elsewhere. Nor is it the least of its merits to have made itself beloved. Objections may be taken to particular features, and these objections point, as most American thinkers are agreed, to practical improvements which would preserve the excellences and remove some of the inconveniences. But reverence for the Constitution has become so potent a conservative influence, that no proposal of fundamental change seems likely to be entertained. And this reverence is itself one of the most wholesome and hopeful elements in the character of the American people.—James Bryce.

(Editor's Note—The articles appearing in the above space from week to week are taken from "Americanization" by Elwood Griscom, Jr. This excellent volume, which is a collection of articles upon the general theme of patriotism and good citizenship, is presented to the schools of Texas by the Bodies of Scottish Rite Masonry in Texas.)

National Leader Needed

When Woodrow Wilson was bobbing on the top wave of popular favor he said one thing, at least, of fundamental importance, which has been lost in the scuffle. Namely, that the economic crisis of a nation is not so much a matter of money as of psychology.

The average man does not think, because he cannot. He merely reflects the opinion of his surroundings. You can almost tell which part of the country he lives in if you hear him vent his opinions.

If the surrounding penumbra of opinion is blue, you will find the average man blue. If the surroundings are sunny, you will find him sunny.

We've had a long siege of economic doldrums, and people have got into the habit of feeling blue and talking blue.

If we now had a leader in the same sense that the late J. P. Morgan was a leader in finance, all such a man would have to do would be to show confidence, to

personify confidence and to back up his confidence with his wealth.

As the sun dispels the mists so would such a man dispel present blue-nose pessimism. The average man would pick up his head for his surroundings would radiate with the sunny confidence of the big leader. All of a sudden everybody would say and think and feel and look that everything is all right, which makes it so in the aggregate. And once more we would have national confidence restored and business humming as a result.

The country would not be richer by a penny but immeasurably richer than the power of mere money by the irresistible momentum of rock-bottom national confidence.—Sugarman's Indicator.

A cross, sickly baby suffering from digestive troubles and looseness of the bowels needs McGee's Baby Elixir. It checks the bowels, eases the stomach and restores healthy conditions. Price, 35c and 60c. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.



"You don't know how nervous I was when I proposed to you."
"You don't know how nervous I was until you did."—The American Legion Weekly.

"When I married you I thought you were an angel."

"Its quite plain you did. You thought I could manage without either clothes or hats."—Kari-katren (Christiania)

Mr Dadmore—Mother won't be home to dinner this evening, honey; so you will have to take her place.

Little Ethel—Do you mean I won't have to be polite and respectful to you?

"Say, waiter, is this an incubator chicken? It tastes like it."

"I don't know sir."
"It must be. Any chicken that has had a mother could never be as tough as this one is."—Wampus.

"I saw the cutest little hat this afternoon."

"Did you buy it?"
"Not yet. I've picked out a more expensive one for my husband to refuse to buy so I can compromise on this one."—New York Sun.

A little girl was enjoying a slide upon the pavement, when to her consternation, her heels flew up and she fell with great force upon the stones. A woman who was passing saw the accident and ran to the child's assistance.

She picked her up, brushed the dust from her clothes, and asked kindly, "you poor little mite; how did you fall?"

The child with tears streaming down her cheeks, sobbed: "Flat, ma'am!"

"Two men, strangers to each other, sat side by side in a suburban train. Finally, one turned to the other and become confidential.

"I," he said impressively, "am a starter of elevators in a city sky-scraper. When I signal them to go up, they go up. And your line is—?"

"I" said the other, "am an undertaker. When I signal them to go down, they go down."—The American Legion Weekly.

The Likely Candidate

Two negroes were working in a coal bin in a Mississippi town, one down in the bin throwing out the coal and the other outside wielding a shovel. The one inside picked up a large lump and heaving it carelessly into the air, struck the other a resounding blow on the head.

As soon as the victim had recovered from his momentary daze he walked over to the edge of the bin and, peering down at his mate, said: "Nigger, how come you don't watch where you throws dat coal? You done hit me smack on the haid."

The other looked surprised.



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D. N. Leaverton
LEADING DRUGGIST

"Did I hit you, nigger?"
"You sho' did," came the answer. 'And I jes want to tell you, I've been promising the debil a man a long time, and you certainly does resemble my promise.—New Yorp Evening Post

A Symbolic Costume

Ex-Secretary Lansing said at a dinner: "Our taxes are too high. The only way to get them lowered is to protest against them strenuously. This is being done. I heard a chap went to a masquerade ball the other night in a costume that excited a great deal of comment. He wore, in fact, a long-tailed shirt, socks and shoes—but no trousers.

"George," said his host, rather severely, 'what the dickens do you represent—Venus preparing for the bath?'
"No," said George complacently. "I represent a taxpayer."

Three Scotchmen went to church, each clutching tightly the penny he intended to contribute when the plate was passed. Consternation reigned when the minister announced that on this particular Sunday an effort was to be made to raise the mortgage and asked every member of the congregation to make a substantial offering.

During the prayer the Scots held a whispering consultation as to the solution of their dilemma and reached a satisfactory decision.
One fainted and the other two carried him out.—Ex.

If you feel bad; if you are "blue," tired and discouraged, without apparent reason, you need Prickly Ash Bitters, the system purifier. It restores action in the torpid liver, cleanses the stomach, helps indigestion, drives out gas and fermented matter in the bowels, and brings back that fine feeling of strength vim and cheerfulness which only men in perfect health enjoy. Price \$1.25 per bottle.—Smith & Ryan Special Agents.

Now one reformer wants congress to specify just what ailments physicians may prescribe whiskey for. Does he want the fellows to know what ailments to catch, so as to save time?—Houston Post.

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."

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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.

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Mrs. V. K. Uzzell, Suffolk, Va.
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No. 183
Official Statement of the Financial
Condition of
**Farmers & Merchants
State Bank**

at GrapeLand, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 6th day of September, 1921, published in the GrapeLand Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at GrapeLand, State of Texas, on the 15th day of September, 1921.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$ 81,817.07
Loans, real estate.....	12,779.37
Overdrafts.....	64.85
Liberty Bonds.....	11,684.40
Real estate (banking house).....	2,983.03
County Warrants.....	1,041.79
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,500.00
Due from other banks and bankers and cash on hand.....	21,424.66
Interest in depositors' guaranty fund.....	2,139.47
Assessment depositors' guaranty fund.....	1,698.27
Other resources—	
Collections.....	1,772.81
Total.....	\$138,905.72

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus fund.....	18,000.00
Undivided profits, net.....	1,418.50
Individual deposits, subject to check.....	65,869.34
Time certificates of deposit.....	17,017.88
Bonds deposited.....	11,600.00
Bills payable.....	10,000.00
Total.....	\$138,905.72

Total.....\$138,905.72
STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Houston.

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

George E. Darsey, Pres.,
W. D. Granberry, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of September, 1921.
J. R. Richards,
Notary Public, Houston
County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
W. G. Darsey,
M. E. Darsey,
T. S. Kent,
Directors.

Tragedies Of Life

After serving the people of La Grange and Fayette county for seventeen years as editor of the La Grange Journal, Ben F. Harigel has been sent to the mountains by his physicians in search of health—perhaps to die. The Journal was poorly patronized by the people and Ben had to fight day and night (from twelve to fifteen hours per day) for enough money to get by. Of course Ben was in the wrong business. But with tenacity he held on. He never complained but his physicians told him he must give up the fight and quit—his health was gone. That is the greatest boon to man and when the sun is setting in the River, it is over so far as the battle of life is concerned. When the time came to go Ben said nothing but with a sorrow-filled heart and broken health he sent out a few past due bills to his customers that he had served faithfully and among them two came to his office. One rich man, living in a brownstone mansion, who had been Ben's schoolmate came to the office in his limousine and protested a bill for an advertisement charge that had cost Ben \$2.30 to produce. He wanted the 30 cents taken off and with the fever of death in his blood Ben "compromised" knowing that he was making his last stand for life. Another man who had grown immensely rich while Ben worked for him and his business and town said that the wind had blown away several

No. 768
Official Statement of the Financial
Condition of
**THE GUARANTY
STATE BANK**

at GrapeLand, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 6th day of September, 1921, published in the GrapeLand Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at GrapeLand, State of Texas, on the 15th day of September, 1921.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$ 83,098.18
Loans, real estate.....	3,305.39
County Warrants.....	1,741.89
Bonds and stocks.....	31,069.41
Real estate (banking house).....	3,428.90
Furniture and fixtures.....	2,386.70
Due from other banks and bankers and cash on hand.....	21,383.47
Interest in depositors' guaranty fund.....	1,700.87
Assessment depositors' guaranty fund.....	1,640.23
Other resources—	
Collection.....	24.00
Total.....	\$149,779.04

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$20,000.00
Surplus fund.....	12,000.00
Undivided profits, net.....	1,018.46
Individual deposits, subject to check.....	79,144.01
Time certificates of deposit.....	20,366.57
Cashier's checks.....	100.00
Bonds deposited.....	17,150.00
Total.....	\$149,779.04

Total.....\$149,779.04
STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Houston.

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

C. W. Kennedy, President,
U. M. Brock, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of September, 1921.
Arwine Skidmore,
Notary Public, Houston
County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
P. H. Stafford,
E. G. Walling,
J. C. Kennedy,
Directors.

newspapers and refused to pay his bill and Ben went away without the needed money. The writer has known Ben Harigel from his boyhood. He was always serious and earnest and was a worker but not a money maker. His word was better than a bond because no man had to sue on his bond. He is dying out in the mountains fighting the great deadly monster—tuberculosis. But in the day of judgment he will have a better record than those who have failed to treat him fair for they too may remember when it is too late the last earthly words of Henry W. Grady, when he closed his eyes in death: "Mother, you and God will not desert me when my feet are in the river."—Lee J. Rountree in Bryan Eagle.

CREPE AND BEADS



It appears that georgette crepe and seed beads were made for one another, and it is useless to try to keep them apart. In the new blouses for fall and winter they show their fitness for each other as set forth in the model pictured here. Beads in two colors make a rich and very tasteful embellishment for this blouse.

Sweet Potato Tests By Troup Experiment Station

The sweet potato, as a commercial crop, has made greater advances in East Texas than anywhere else in the South. But its commercial possibilities as a food in its natural state and as a canning product, have scarcely dawned upon the optimistic. In every county curing plants are being erected in large numbers; and the question of canning sweet potatoes to a much larger extent than they have ever canned in East Texas counties is now being agitated.

Bulletin No. 277 showing results of fertilizer tests with sweet potatoes at Troup Experiment Station can now be obtained by requesting the same of A. & M. College Station, Texas. The rainfall during the months of the potato growing season was very deficient, or below normal, for two of the years in which the tests were conducted. However, the results, as averaged up, show the following facts as to average yields: Non fertilizer plats yielded 92 bushels per acre; plats fertilized with acid phosphate, 142 bushels per acre; plats fertilized with cotton seed meal, 135 bushels per acre; plats fertilized with acid phosphate and cotton seed meal, 164 bushels per acre.

This bulletin, No. 277, contains but five pages and is easily understandable in that it is not technical, but is written in common language that the average man can grasp. We are sure that potato growers will do well to obtain a copy.—Troup Banner.

Relativity

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder where you are;
High above I see you shine,
But, according to Einstein,
You are not what you pretend,
You are just around the bend;
And your sweet seductive ray,
Has been leading men astray
All these years—O little star,
Don't you know how bad you are?

—Science and Invention.

A Horse lit on an old cow's skin,
Swung his tools and spudded in,
Bowed his back, jiggered his pole;
And all the time he was making a hole
The cow browsed on, in her usual way.
Until the Horse Fly's bit struck regular pay,
Then she swung her tail with a vigorous dig
And deftly skidded the Horse Fly's rig.
—Unnamed Poet.

The World Do Move!

The world never moved so fast before. We have winter ice Fourth of July, spring vegetables Christmas, straw hats in March and the women wear furs in August; we get our Sunday paper Saturday night and our magazines a week ahead of time. If we call a man in San Francisco from New York he hears our voice four hours before we speak, and if somebody in Japan sends us a cablegram tomorrow we get it today.—Exchange.

Mrs. B. C. Anderson and children visited friends at Livingston several days last week.

LILACS

By NELLIE A. FAIRBANKS.

Bill Curtis vigorously applied the old stubby brush broom to his well-worn suit, then stopped for a moment to gaze out across the great green fields. For 16 years, weather permitting, Bill had watched and loved this time of day, when the sun was casting its last slanting rays.

Tonight he was leaving the home he loved so well and the man who had shared his home and with whom he had worked for 16 years. That was the hard part of going. Something that looked suspiciously like tears welled up in his honest blue eyes, and he gazed for a minute at the man at the sink, doing up the supper dishes. As a rule this man was talkative, but tonight he was strangely silent.

The arduous task of making an old suit look something like new was finally completed and Bill stepped out on the little platform that served as a piazza. He looked sadly at the two empty arm chairs.

"At the end of two days' journey I will be with Marcia again," and once more he could see the little white-clad figure as he left her that last evening. Again he could hear the soft sobbing as she begged him not to be away long, and Bill held her close as he whispered:

"When I have made the little fortune I have dreamed of, then I will come back to you. And when I do come back, Marcia, it will be in lilac-time, just like it is today."

The first few weeks had been unbearable to Bill; then as the months and years passed he fell into that rut of being perfectly satisfied with working hard all day and spending the long evenings with his faithful companion and his pipe.

His little pile of money grew bigger each year until he at last decided it was time to go back to the old home and Marcia. His heart beat faster as he pictured the little vision in white, and he sighed happily as he again entered the little cottage. But his spirits drooped when he beheld Jim, sitting with his head resting in his two hands, a picture of despair. Going over, he placed his hand on Jim's shoulder and said:

"We've spent some very happy years here, old scout, but now I must be going back to Marcia. I wish you could see her, Jim—so small, with wavy tresses and—"

"Yes, but 16 years makes an awful difference, old man," Jim answered. "Yes, yes," Bill murmured, half absently; "in some people, but not Marcia."

At last the time came when the comrades parted. Jim drove Bill over the two miles to the railroad station, and they silently pressed each other's hand, for neither could speak just then.

Jim drove back to the lonely cottage, seated himself in his arm chair beside the vacant one, and when the big full moon arose its beams fell on one lonely figure, and an empty chair.

In the meantime the train sped on towards Bill's old home and Marcia. His journey ended at noon two days later, but as Bill felt terribly romantic, he waited until the sun was setting, then Marcia must see him first by the lilac bush near her door. As he neared the house he wished he had kept corresponding all these years; but then, he felt sure Marcia loved him enough to watch and wait for him even though it was sixteen years.

He was almost at the gate when a sudden fear took possession of him. Things did not look just right. What if Marcia had gone away, or had died; but no, he must put such thoughts away. At the gate a piercing scream reached his ear—just as he was by the lilac tree, where Marcia must see him first—and two dirty-faced boys came rushing around the corner of the house, the larger one finally overtaking the other, and they immediately started a fist fight.

The door of the house opened quickly, and a woman, one who would easily tip the scales at two hundred, appeared in a soiled gingham dress, sleeves rolled to her elbows, exhibiting a pair of fat red arms thickly covered with white studs, and the equally red face showed plainly she had just emerged from the family wash-tub.

Bill rubbed his eyes and looked again. There might just have been an ordinary double chin attached to that face, but Bill could swear he saw four. He also noticed the thin, half gray locks, twisted into a little hard knot at the back of her head. Crushing the important time when he had a few moments before so romantically placed his hand, he stepped back a little farther.

There was no mistaking. The eyes proved it was Marcia, and if there was the least bit of doubt left in his mind, it disappeared when a man in overalls brushed past him and called

out, "Hurry up and get my dinner, Marcia."

And Marcia was just starting back for the kitchen when she espied the man by the lilac bush. Raising her voice, she called out loudly:

"Get away from them lilacs or I'll call the dog."

Three days later Bill turned the corner of his own little cottage, and peering through the window, beheld Jim in the act of setting one single place at the table.

"Set it for two, old man," Bill sang out cheerily. "And Jim, when you said a lot could happen in 16 years, you said something."

Are You Doing Your Part To Make This A Deserted Town?

What if this pleasant home town of ours became a "Deserted Village?"

The folks who send their dollars to other towns and cities to buy their needs and their luxuries can tell you just how to make this a "Deserted Village." The trick can be done by everybody following the example of the few and buying elsewhere.

Then there would be no money to pay people to work. There would be no money at all to buy farm produce; no money to keep up homes; no money to hold people in this town at all. And so your property and home and job would have little value.

Trade at home. Every dollar spent here helps to make living in your town better and pleasanter; every dollar spent at home helps to make the thing you own more valuable.

Old People Lonely

As men grow older, and as the death of people at a given age become more certain, they feel the pangs of increasing sorrows. At the age of twenty, a young man thinks little of the deaths of people around seventy. By the time he is forty, men whom he may have known in adult life for twenty years are then passing away. By the time he is sixty, not only most of his fellow-workers older than himself have gone to the better country, but many of those younger as well. This shifting of age and the almost stationary limit of seventy cause the old person to become lonely unless he makes new friends among young people.—Ex.

IN RED AND BLACK



The vogue for black has made such an impression on the world of fashion that designers of children's clothes have taken advantage of it in the production of new things for fall. It appears in this pretty dress with its waist of black taffeta silk and hand embroidered dots of red. The skirt is red and black Scotch plaid with a wide belt that folds over a narrow black sash of crepe ribbon.

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UNION CHAPEL ITEMS

Union Chapel, Sept. 12.—Rev. W. R. Durnell filled his appointment here yesterday. It was his last time for this associational year.

Mr. and Mrs. Deckard Anderson of Ephesus attended services here Sunday.

Miss Birdie Mae Weisinger was the guest of Mrs. G. W. Weisinger Thursday night.

J. F. Martin and mother, Mrs. S. J. Martin, spent Sunday night with R. E. Martin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. White and son and daughter of Percilla were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Olan Weisinger a few days last week.

Miss Ruby Davidson recently visited her sister, Mrs. Henry Platt.

Mrs. Robert Chapman and children spent last Monday with Mesdames. Buck Cutler and Josie Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shaver and daughter and Miss Lura Mae Goodnight of Enon were in our midst Sunday.

There will be services at the church next Sunday afternoon. All who feel interested in the welfare of the community are urged to be present.

NEWS FROM ENON

Enon, Sept. 12.—Mrs. Chuck Skidmore and children visited her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown, Sunday. Mrs. Brown was quite sick the past week but is better now and we hope for her a speedy recovery.

John Mason and Roy Ferguson and Miss Nola Coleman are attending the teachers institute at Crockett this week.

Mrs. Loyd Anderson and daughter, Miss Thelma, and Mr. Hogan returned to Huptsville Monday.

Mrs. Alvin Oliver visited Mrs. M. L. Whitaker one day last week.

Miss Eula Mae Shaver and brother, Earl, visited relatives at Slocum Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brimberry spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Skidmore in the Union Chapel community.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Whitaker visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ferguson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Denson spent the week end visiting relatives in Anderson county.

Brief and Pointed

This department has been asked if it is strong against militant suffrageism. Well, er, yes, of course, that is to some extent—in fact as strong as we dare to be.

A San Diego Mexican crept behind a balky mule and stabbed him to make him move. They both moved.

What makes a woman want to juggle the furniture around the house about once a month, and put one piece where another piece was? It is very disheartening to come home late and try to go to bed on the chiffonier.

Having the other fellow call your bobtail flush is not the most disastrous handholding stunt that can be put on.

No country man likes to live in a city flat, where the rooms are so small the dog has to wag his tail up and down instead of sideways.

The country seems equally divided between those who think Government should let business alone and those who think it should grant business a loan.—Kingston (Ont.) Whig.