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ELECTRIC CHAIR INSTALLED AT PEN

Huntsville, Tex., June 29.—The installation of the electric death chair at the Huntsville penitentiary to be used for the execution of criminals condemned to death is nearing completion. A bill recently passed by the second called session of the thirty-eighth legislature provides that all legal executions will hereafter take place at the Texas state penitentiary at Huntsville, this doing away with hanging at the place of conviction.

Commissioner H. W. Sayles, accompanied by Warden R. F. Coleman and Master Mechanic R. T. Storms, have returned from a visit to the Arkansas state penitentiary at Little Rock and the Oklahoma state penitentiary at McAlester, where they spent some time in obtaining data that would assist them in the installation of the electric chair at the Huntsville penitentiary.

The space allotted for this purpose at the Huntsville prison will contain nine death cells and one death chamber, and will be located at the extreme end of the east tier building. It will be apart and separate from the other cells and inclosed by walls so as to preclude any possibility of inmates seeing or communicating with those in the death cells.

AT METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 o'clock. No services morning or evening on account of the revival at the Baptist church.

I will preach at Hays Spring at 3:30 p. m.

B. C. Anderson, Pastor.

Rev. B. C. Anderson is conducting a revival meeting at Reynard this week.

HUBBARD FORSEES NO TAX INCREASE

R. M. Hubbard, chairman of the State Highway Commission, said Saturday, in replying to a statement by former Gov. Oscar B. Colquitt, that the proposed highway amendment to the State Constitution would not empower the Legislature to levy one cent more of additional taxes than its present authority includes. Mr. Hubbard was in Dallas Saturday at the invitation of the County Judges and Commissioners' Association.

"In the first place, Mr. Colquitt fails to call attention to the fact that the proposed amendment does not authorize any bond issue," Mr. Hubbard said. "The amendment as originally framed provided for the submission of a bond issue to the people of Texas, but as it now reads, the question of a future bond issue is eliminated.

"It is true that the amendment does provide for the levying of ad valorem taxes for the specific purpose of retiring bonds authorized by vote of the people of this state, as 'provided for hereinafter.' But as authority for any bond issue was eliminated, the power to levy any additional ad valorem taxes is therefore annulled.

"Inasmuch as the Legislature now has the power to levy excise taxes, the provision in the amendment empowering it to levy excise taxes gives the Legislature no additional authority. The only power it gives the Legislature is to levy excise taxes for road construction.

"The people need not fear that the Legislature will levy any such taxes to the detriment of the schools. On the other hand, education will be greatly benefited by the proposed amendment if carried. Education and good roads go hand in hand and anything that will give

SPOKE BEFORE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Mr. M. E. Darsey of this city went to Crockett last Thursday morning, being on the program to deliver an address to the boys and girls clubs of Houston county, who were holding a two-days meeting. His subject was "How to Foster a Closer Co-operation between Agricultural and Business Interests." It is needless to say that he handled his subject in a very intelligent and entertaining way. Incidentally he took occasion to give our coming fair a boost.

to Texas a connected system of every-day-in-the-year roads will certainly be of incalculable benefit to our schools.

"If we ever expect to see a connected State system of roads; if we continue to go forward instead of backward; if we do not want those thousands and thousands of dollars already expended go to waste, and millions lost to the State in the future in the shape of Federal aid, it behooves the people of Texas to see that the proposed highway amendment is carried.

"The people of Texas, driven by the urge of thousands of motor vehicles, the need of additional transportation facilities and the need of a durable, uniform, connected system of State highways, have for the time being made road building their greatest single industry. To accomplish that goal the work should be carried on and forward in the most economical and efficient manner possible.—Dallas News.

TRINITY RIVER RIPPLES

Reynard, July 2.—The ripples on the river are not running so high. In fact, the bottom dropped out, so to speak, and all are easy going along that line.

We have not had a good rain in two weeks, but will make some of every thing should it not rain another drop before September, but would make more to have a good rain by the 4th.

Our meeting began yesterday,

FOX HUNTERS HAVE BIG TIME AT MEET

The Neches River Fox Hunter's Association, of which Mr. C. B. Keeland of this city is secretary, had a big hunt Thursday and Friday nights of last week at the Star pasture north of Elkhart.

Quite a number were in attendance, many from adjoining counties. Between forty and fifty dogs were in the chase and they made the "welkin ring," as only dogs can.

Several foxes were made to take to trees, but none of them were killed, as it is a violation of the Association's rule to kill a fox when it can be prevented.

Rev. B. C. Anderson in charge of the preaching and E. C. Parker will have charge of the singing. Do not think we ever saw a meeting start in this community under more favorable conditions from a material standpoint, except a few have no conveyance. Every body seems anxious and see no reason why we should not have as big a meeting and just as much religion as anybody. Had quite a number of visitors to begin with, and hope to have more through the week. In the bunch was one preacher, M. L. Williams, whom most everybody down this way knows.

A bevy of Grapeland young ladies are in our midst this week and say they will have a nice time at church and going to the swimming hole between meals. They are Misses Mary Kent, Ruth Clinton, Julia Eaves, Callie Lasiter and Dorothy Darsey.

The writer is still thinking of that dinner under the shade of that walnut tree and the way he feels now can do a good job.

Let's everybody turn loose this week and go to church; go home to dinner with one another in the good old fashioned way. We are sure we can have a revival, but it will not be an old time one, for you cannot have an old time one with new time folks.

666 cures Malaria, Chills and Fever, Dengue or Bilious Fever. It destroys germs.

METHODIST MEETING CLOSED SUNDAY

The revival meeting at the Methodist church came to a close with the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning, when twenty-nine members were received into the church, 23 by confession of faith, and 6 by letter.

Dr. W. D. Andrews of Palestine, who did the preaching the past week, returned home after the service Friday night, as also did Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Daly, who had charge of the singing.

These people are very capable leaders, Dr. Andrews being recognized as one of the best preachers in southern Methodism. Their work among the people of this community was very much appreciated.

BLAIR—DURNELL

D. H. Blair of La Porte and Miss Esther Durnell of the Antrim community were married in Grapeland Friday afternoon at the home of Esq. John A. Davis, who officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Durnell of Antrim, is a very accomplished young lady and has many friends, who will join The Messenger in congratulations and best wishes. They will make their home at LaPorte.

RIVER WAS FULL

Charlie Royall, who works on the Jones farm on Trinity river, is responsible for the statement that Trinity river was so full accidentally spit in Keechi creek last week that if someone had the water would have spread all over the bottom.

MEETING AT PERCILLA

The Messenger is requested to announce that Rev. J. F. Lively will begin a protracted meeting at Percilla the third Sunday in July, and a cordial invitation is extended the public to attend the services.

Miss Edwina Haltom of Houston is here visiting relatives and friends.

Revival Meeting

at the

Baptist Church

Beginning Next Sunday, July 8th

REV. W. A. REAGAN

of Groveton will do the preaching. A competent leader will have charge of the singing

You are Invited

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In Texas we need a highway system. Only the State can successfully build such a system.

We need connected highways. Only the State can successfully connect them and keep them connected.

We need permanent highways that are kept permanent. Only the State can provide successfully the constant maintenance which is necessary to permanence.

It is State traffic which makes State roads necessary, and such roads should be built and maintained by the State so that the traffic itself can be required to pay a just share of the cost of such roads and their maintenance.

Under the present system the roads being used by State traffic are roads built at an enormous cost to the counties and maintained by the counties to the neglect of the purely county roads. State highways should be built and maintained by the State, in cooperation with the Federal Government.

And such highways should be built in a system and should be connected. Under the present system we are building highways only in patches. Thousands of miles of highways have been built in Texas in co-operation with the Federal Government, but you can scarcely find one hundred miles of improved highways in one connected link. Our highways should go somewhere. Most of our roads now go from the County seat to the County line. One little patch of impassible road between two points wipes out the value of all the rest of the highway. Our highways become much more valuable when they are built in a system and are connected. Only the State can build a connected system and keep it connected.

We need highways that are not destroyed before they are paid for. We need permanent highways. The only permanent highways are highways that are permanently maintained. The old adage "A stitch in time saves nine" can be applied to highways as to nothing else. A system of patrol and constant maintenance is absolutely essential to permanence and is much cheaper than a system of periodical repairs. We must maintain our roads, not merely "repair" them. Only the State can successfully provide this for our State roads.

To provide Texas with a State system of permanent highways,

permanently maintained, an amendment to the Constitution has been submitted to the people. Vote for the Highway Amendment on the Fourth Saturday in July (July 28.)

There are about 180,000 miles of public roads in Texas. Most of the heavy traffic, however, uses only about 10 per cent of these roads—say 18,000 miles.

Most of this traffic is State traffic. It is not purely local traffic.

But most of the money is being spent on these 18,000 miles of roads—and most of that money is county money.

That means that 162,000 miles of county and local roads are being neglected so that the counties may provide and maintain 18,000 miles of roads for State traffic.

State highways for State traffic at State and Federal expense will release county funds which can be devoted to rural roads for rural traffic.

Vote for the highway Amendment on the 28th of July (fourth Saturday in July) so that the State may take over these State roads and thus make it possible for the counties to maintain the 162,000 miles of roads which the farmers use constantly. Then the State can provide Texas with a system of connected permanent Highways permanently maintained.

We must have highways for modern traffic. We must get rid of the bad road tax in Texas. The bad road tax, which runs into millions annually, is what we are paying in damage to automobiles, wear and tear, destruction of tires, extra consumption of gasoline and loss of time due to bad roads.

The Federal Government will pay half the cost of building 12,000 miles of our highways—those over which there is the heaviest traffic and thus the most costly—if we will place those highways under State supervision and control.

If we don't do this, the Federal Government will not spend any more money in Texas.

That means that it will cost the people of Texas twice as much to build these 12,000 miles of highways if we don't place them under State supervision and control.

And if we don't build these highways at all it will cost us even more in the Bad Road Tax.

It will be cheaper to build these highways than not to build them.

And it will be cheaper still to build them with Federal aid than without it.

The course we should adopt is clear. We should place these

highways under State supervision and control and build them with Federal aid.

That means protection for the taxpayer in two ways. It means that the people will have to spend less money and that they will get more value for the money they spend.

To insure all this, vote for the Highway Amendment on the fourth Saturday in July and thus obtain for Texas a State system of connected permanent highways permanently maintained.

WHAT EAST TEXAS MIGHT DO

There are live commercial bodies in Houston, Beaumont, Orange, Crockett, Huntsville, Nacogdoches, Lufkin, Tyler, Jacksonville, Palestine, Grape-land and other East Texas towns. Each is striving zealously for its own community, and each is achieving worthily, let us hope.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has shown us that it is possible for a section of the State, embracing two-thirds of the whole area and inhabited by 1,500,000 people, to achieve in an important sense for a large section.

The great Valley organization has shown us that united effort can make the desert blossom as the rose.

Why not the great timbered region of East Texas, of which Houston and Beaumont are the chief cities, through a united citizenry, do something along broad lines which, though helping localities specifically, would also insure to the benefit and prosperity of the whole?

The Post has been asked, "What could such an organization undertake in East Texas?"

The answer is, many things.

East Texas has been and is the 'home of the lumber industry of Texas, and the operation of this great industry is leaving a rapidly spreading area of denuded land, some of which ought to be reforested and much of which should be placed under cultivation by actual settlers.

A well organized, far-reaching plan of reforestation would be a great undertaking that well might challenge the resourcefulness and foresight of East Texas; and the cultivation of at least half the area by actual

settlers also might become an ultimate achievement.

East Texas is rich in iron deposits, which no locality seems able to develop, but all of East Texas working together might do so.

East Texas might become the home of a great textile industry.

East Texas might enlarge such operations as truck farming, which has made Jacksonville, Lindale, Tyler and other East Texas towns prosperous.

East Texas might become the home of a great hardwood manufacturing industry.

East Texas might supply not only Texas, but other States and countries with canned foods.

The finest cigar tobacco land in the United States is in East Texas.

East Texas working as a unit might greatly improve the train schedules, now far from satisfactory, in all parts of its area.

East Texas working in harmony might find much benefit in making a wider use of Port Houston and the ship channel.

The Post is not advocating an East Texas bloc such as put over in the legislature the million-dollar college last spring, but there would be many opportunities to make the voice of East Texas potent if there were some common ground which would bring its citizens together.

That common ground might be found in the great undeveloped resources of the timbered region of Texas stretching between the Sabine and the central prairies and from the Gulf to Red River.

There is really a community of interest in the timbered region that might be wonderfully served if there were a live East Texas Chamber of Commerce.

It would be a great achievement to bring Houston, Beaumont, Orange, Conroe, Lufkin, Cleveland, Nacogdoches, Tyler, Jacksonville, Paris, Texarkana, Marshall, Palestine, Huntsville, Rusk, Crockett, Grape-land and other East Texas cities together in some great undertaking for a rejuvenated East Texas.

The International-Great Northern railroad is already undertaking to stimulate agriculture and industry along its East Texas lines. It has started what all working together might make a great movement.—Houston Post.

The Post erred, we are sorry to say, in so far as Grape-land is

maintaining a live commercial body. However, a majority of our citizens are in sympathy with any movement that has for its object the betterment of conditions in East Texas, and we are sure they will join the movement in a whole-hearted way. Many of our leading men belonged to and supported the former East Texas Chamber of Commerce while it lived. We will say this: Grape-land is doing its part in promoting better agricultural conditions through its community fair, which gives promise of spreading an influence that is far reaching in its effect.

If the Post is successful in getting the East Texas Chamber of Commerce to functioning again, you can count on Grape-land to the limit.

SILVER CREEK NEWS

Silver Creek, July 2.—Mrs. Lottie Denson of Slocum visited Mrs. Bertha Hodges the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Franklin spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hodges.

Rosa Lee Woodard of Palestine who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Woodard returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Eunice Mills and Mrs. Lura Franklin spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Nancy Edmondson.

Mr. Will Franklin of Houston is visiting relatives in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Franklin spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Chaffin of near Palestine visited relatives in our community Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Eunice Mills visited Mrs. Lura Woodard Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harson Jackson visited Mrs. Ethel Franklin Sunday afternoon.

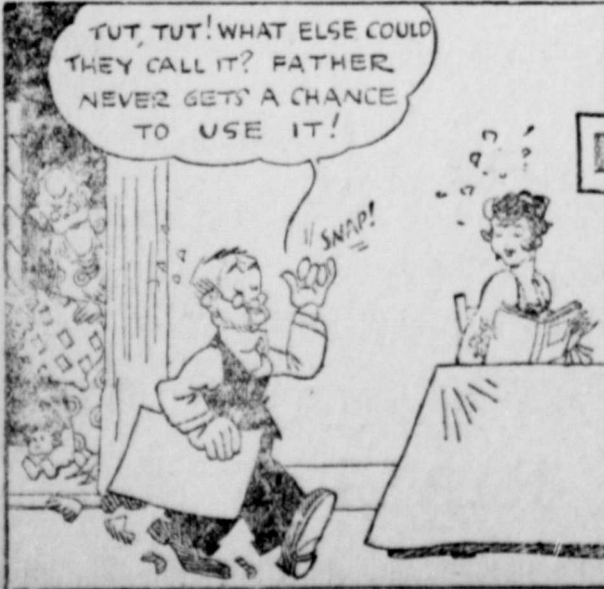
Mrs. Bertha Hodges and her grandmother visited Mrs. Nancy Edmondson Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Mills and daughter, Cora Mae of Grape-land, Mrs. Mary Kelly of Enon and Mr. Joe E. Edmondson and family spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Erma Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Raines visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caskey of near Prospect Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny attended church at Guiceland Sunday.

HOME SWEET HOME
Oscar, You're Lucky It Was A Pillow
—by Terry Gilkison
AUTOCASTER



HOME HABITS
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THE NEGROES 19TH AND FAIR

One of the most largely attended, amusing and profitable diversification contest meetings that gave an opportunity also to the negro girls and women of this county to place in full view in the county's court house, samples of the first year's sewing course work, as well as Agricultural Speaking, Demonstrations, Games and Attractions of many kinds, occurred in the court house and on the fair grounds Monday and Tuesday, June 18th and 19th.

Five big beeves, 50 goats and 100 chickens were barbecued and freely given away. Too much praise cannot be given to Messrs. Scott Sykes, Will Kitchen, Ed Tate, Rob Woods, Lee Gary and J. H. Estelle for their part played in butchering and barbecuing, in order that the great quantity of meat that was well cooked, was put in a palatable as well as in an enjoyable condition.

The great host of people were all well fed. Four hundred loaves of light bread was specially prepared by the Crockett Grocery & Baking Co., about fifty of which could not be consumed, since everybody had all that the body could well accommodate.

The colored people of Houston county were loud in their praise to our good white business men of Crockett, who made it financially possible to feed this host of people. They contributed with but one or two exceptions, gladly and tellingly, in order that the affair might be all that was intended. The white people of Crockett and Houston county head the State's list of standing by in a protecting, financial, and prominent way, the negroes of this county in any laudible

and helpful undertaking.

They are conservative, considerate and indispensably helpful in trying to promote peace, harmony, regard for law and order, farming interests, public road development and educational advancement in our race. These appreciative and manly qualities they possess and display are serving to help make old Houston county the garden spot of farming interest in East Texas; they're bringing more negroes into the county to live permanently, quietly and progressively, new places are being contracted for, cleared and improved and a more general affable, peace abiding and mutual understanding between the races is noticeable.

It is much to the negroes credit to report that our good Sheriff, Mr. Deb Hale, our excellent Jailer, Mr. Norton and our worthy constable, Mr. Buck Mortimer stated that they were agreeably surprised and glad to be able to say that the deportment of the negroes generally showed a great improvement to occasions of this kind. Not one arrest, not even a dry squabble was noticeable on either of the two days. They say we're coming, were deporting ourselves better, making our being here more enjoyable and serviceable by reason of our improved citizenship, regarding more the law, trying to do more orderly what we have to do and having a better understanding for good, even among ourselves.

This article would be incomplete without a mention of a timely informative and tersely delivered Welcome Address on the part of the Mayor of Crockett by Hon. N. H. Phillips Attorney at Law. He was at himself and fluently and enjoyably stated some truths, helpful suggestions and good advice that

will doubtless do the negroes of this county great good. Our hats are off to him.

The county's highest Executive officer, Judge Leroy Moore favored us with one of his magnifying speeches on Public roads, their value to the community and how the negroes can help us in getting more of them. Judge Moore began by saying, "I am going to talk on a subject about which I know a very little and you, the negroes know nothing." The Judge was in a speaking trim, had prepared well his subject and left his large audience much better informed as to our duty and how to perform it in this county. The Judge told about the great public road awakening in this county, the many forces at work physically and financially to better road conditions in this county. He explained the attitude of his business like Court and the negroes became interested, enthused and encouraged to organize, do some team work, help to build up a stronger road sentiment among us as a people. They asked the Judge some timely questions and to be brief, left the impression that they had been profited and as early as work was more nearly finished, were going to organize and do some work worth while. Judge Moore is an earnest business man and a practical speaker.

Prof. J. H. Holmes, New Orleans, La., was the prominent negro speaker of Monday night's meeting. Prof. Holmes knows his people well and plainly showed how the relationship between the races can be amicably maintained and even how we can better present conditions. He grew humorous at times, but was at all times driving home some salient points. He made also an open air speech Tuesday at the fair grounds, that was highly entertaining, brim full of wholesome advice and the best information as to the races outlook and the school project. Tuesday's lecture was full of humor and in truth just what the audience seemed to enjoy and should have been told.

The Sewing and Art work feature of the program was well worth the time spent in its preparation, for the spectators seemed to highly enjoy inspecting such shrewd, advanced and well organized Houston county Sewing work. Five dollars will be given to the Snow Hill community for the best collection of bulletin workers as well as some excellent art work displayed.

The singing from the different communities took its well deserved share of attention and enjoyment. This praise, attention and notoriety is just due them for we listened to some of the best trained voices that this county affords. That singing production would have easily led any State contest singing exercises. All seemed to be interested in every song rendered. New Salem Community choir will be given the five dollars promised for the best singing Mrs. D. A. Wells, New Salem, is the singing director.

Prof. R. H. Hines, Waco, District Agent of Extension work, made the Agricultural speech Tuesday. Prof. Hines showed that he knows his subject. He held his audience spell bound and drove home some farming truths that are calculated to do this county some early good, if put into practice.

Rev. J. Johnson, the School project leader was introduced by County Agent Hogg and explained in detail what his school contemplates doing. All seemed to agree after listening attentively to his explanations, that the county needed such a school and their facial expressions and general expressions to one another after the speaking, gave the impression at least to the writer, that the school will easily get County support and will finally become a reality somewhere in Houston county. Rev. Johnson is a thinker and a doer of things and the writer feels

that he is going to put his project over.

Our next county's effort we hope, will be with Grapeland Fair which occurs Oct. 24, '25, and 26th. Efforts will be made to co-operate with the good white people of Grapeland and to place on exhibition some of our best productions, with a hope of an equal chance of prize winning and encouragement to make our part go.

The colored agent will work the negroes up, the county over and bring a host if he meets in his early visit to Grapeland, that sort of encouragement.

Again we thank you, the good white citizens of Crockett, who generously opened your pocket books and made possible our great, prosperous and highly enjoyable days. Long may you live, to suggest, advise, set the pace and help to promote civilization.

Let's Houston county negroes prepare, get ready to respond to the cry, viz "All Aboard for The Grapeland Fair."

J. W. Hogg.

ONE IN TEN

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Wade L. Smith

Miss Adabel Leaverton returned to Austin Wednesday after spending a few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Leaverton.

Frank Luce and family of near Elkhart were here last week end visiting friends and attending the meeting at Shiloh church, east of Grapeland.

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THURSDAY, JULY 5, 1923

TOWN BOOSTERS

A newspaper may boost a town through its editorial and news columns, but a critical investor takes his cue from the advertising columns for substantial evidence as to the thrift and prosperity of the place. To him the advertising is the barometer that measures the prosperity of a community. The advertisements tell him that the place is up with the times in business.—Grapeland Messenger.

Just so, Bro. Luker, Editors the country over are boosters, and boosting the old home town becomes a second nature with them, and since this fact has become so generally known the prospective investor first reads the nice things the editor says about his town and if interested, turns through the paper for physical evidence in the way of advertisements, and if he finds none or only a few scattering ones he immediately loses interest. No amount of editorial boosting is as convincing as the advertisements of local business concerns.—Montgomery County News, Conroe.

Intelligent advertising revives many a dull business.

The man who drives the family suggestion from the rear seat. ly car usually gets a lot of auto-

Vote for the highway amendment on July 28 and thereby insure a connected system of well built and well kept highways.

Ford's presidential boom seems to be slipping into high despite the fact that Henry has declared he is not a candidate. The peoples' call may be so strong he cannot resist it.

Any town or community that doesn't pull together doesn't accomplish results these days. It takes united action to build towns, cities and communities. And it takes united action and concerted efforts to accomplish anything, which is a gentle hint to every individual in this community to get to work right now to make Grapeland's fair a howling success this fall.

Straw votes usually do not mean anything, except for the amusement of those who participate in them. Collier's is now conducting such a vote and it is interesting to note that Henry Ford is leading the race, which seems to be between himself and President Harding. It is significant that Ford is leading in the home states of President Harding, Johnson, Underwood and LaFollette. As we have stated before, the people may rise up in their might and demand the election of Henry Ford as president of these United States. Governor Neff said if Henry Ford runs on the democratic ticket and all the car owners in the state vote for him, he will sweep Texas.

There is one man in Nacogdoches who says he is going to be one to strongly urge the adoption of the amendment placing all state highways under the control of the highway department. This man started to Center Sunday and broke a spring, necessitating his return to the city. This amendment will be up to the voters in July. It places the upkeep of the state highways under the state highway department. With the county relieved of this burden all the revenue paid to the road and bridge fund of the county will be available to the lesser roads of the county. There will be no increase in taxes, but if our highways are placed under the supervision of the state highway department there will be better upkeep. The highway department will get its money from the gasoline tax and the federal government.—Redland Herald.

Now that Houston county's first graveled highway has been completed—and say, isn't it a dandy,—let's go to work and build another. The first of next month Anderson county to the north of us will begin her campaign of constructing a system of permanent hardsurfaced highways on all the leading roads out of Palestine and extending to the county lines; to our south Trinity county has only recently finished a beautiful and very substantial graveled highway from the Houston county line to the Walker county line. If Houston county would build a highway from the Trinity county line to the Anderson county line it would give us an outlet to both the north and south, and the few links to connect up the highway from Dallas to Galveston would surely follow as a result of the extensive road building in the counties in this section of the state. It is our understanding that Grapeland people are now getting ready to build their part of the highway from their city to the Anderson county line, and if this is a fact Crockett will surely have to get in line and connect up her part of the highway. No better investment could be made than in a good, permanent, hardsurfaced highway extending north and south through the county.—Houston County Times.

Master Royal Woodell of Shreveport, La., is here visiting his gandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Royal.

Mrs. A. S. Porter and baby of Angleton are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goodson.

LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, July 2.—The M. P. revival services have started at Guiceland and many folks from here are attending same.

P. C. MacDonald and J. G. Garner are spending a week in Palestine visiting friends.

Miss Irene Shipper spent Wednesday with Miss Ruth MacDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Masters and Mr. and Mrs. Clem Smith went to Montalba visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Masters.

Homer Hodges went on a fishing trip and reports good luck.

Mrs. J. F. Fulton entertained guests Saturday and Sunday, we failed to get their names.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Denman and Miss Raybelle Wilson visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Denman Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Mills visited friends at Livelyville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Denson entertained visitors from the Pedro community over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Laney Johnston, and Mr. and Mrs. Zack Wilson spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Henry Bishop.

W. C. MacDonald and F. Wilson spent Friday in Elkhart with friends.

PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, July 2.—Up to this writing it is still dry and hot. A great deal of the corn is beyond redemption and the growth of cotton has come to a standstill.

The Christian meeting here came to a close last night with eight baptisms, one of which is to occur this morning.

J. A. Bynum was here this morning and contracted for the principalship of Percilla High School. This completes the faculty for the coming term, with Marshall Moore intermediate teacher and Miss Fannie Jones primary.

Mrs. A. K. Lively's sister, Mrs. Ora Harris, left last week for Chicago where we understand she is to make her future home.

The meeting the past week brought so many visitors to the community from various parts of the county and from out of the county—too many to report in detail.

MRS. HORN DEAD

The remains of Mrs. J. M. Horn, who died at the home of her son in Oklahoma, arrived in Grapeland Sunday morning and interred in the Parker cemetery that afternoon.

Mrs. Horn had been in ill health for some time and for the past several months had been visiting with her children in various sections in the hope of regaining her strength.

She is survived by her husband and six children.

BAPTIST REVIVAL

Rev. W. A. Reagan of Groveton will begin a revival meeting at the Baptist church in this city next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Reagan comes highly recommended as a forceful preacher, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public to hear him.

Mrs. Ball of Huntsville is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Keeland.



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REPORT OF SHORT COURSE

The first Club boys and girls short course ever held in Houston County was held in Crockett, June 29th and 30th under the direction of R. R. Morrison, County Agent, and Miss Ney Barnett, Home Demonstration Agent, with 45 boys and 65 girls in attendance from various sections of the county. Five of these boys started out to walk the ten miles from their home to Crockett and after walking five miles were picked up by a passing car, and they were among the first to register.

The Club members were entertained in the homes of the people of Crockett while attending the short course and we had more homes listed than we had boys and girls to assign them.

The morning of the 29th until 10:30 o'clock was spent in registering and assigning the boys and girls to the homes where they were to be entertained. At 10:30 we assembled in the District Court Room for the Welcome address by County Judge L. L. Moore, which was followed by Mrs. John A. McConnell, on the Modern Girl, and J. E. Stanford, District Agent, from A. & M. College, on Club Work in

Texas. At 11:10 we were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Wells and her class of four young ladies and two young men with three selections of string music. After the music Mr. Murdock Darsey, a business man of Grapeland addressed the audience on "How to Foster a Closer Co-operation between the Agricultural and Business Interests." We then adjourned for noon lunch.

At 1:30 we assembled in the Court Room and 30 minutes was spent in pep work, in Club Songs and Yells, led by J. E. Stanford. At 2:00 the meeting was divided into sectional meetings. R. R. Morrison took charge of the boys and loaded them into waiting automobiles and drove them to Mr. C. W. LeGory's home, where County Agent W. R. Nisbet of Palestine, assisted by Mr. Mack McConnell, graduate of A. & M. College, Class of 1923, gave the boys a lecture and demonstration on hog judging. We then drove to Mr. Dave Nunn's Dairy Barn where lessons and demonstrations were given in judging dairy cows, by Mr. Nisbet and Mr. McConnell.

Miss Ney Barnett and Miss Sallie Hill, District Home Demonstration Agent from A. & M.

College, gave the girls lessons and demonstrations in tying and dying work, sealing wax work and judging clothing contest.

A splendid program was rendered for the boys and girls and a large number of visitors by local talent at the Methodist Church at 8:00 p. m., consisting of music and readings; also the Club boys and girls, under the leadership of J. E. Stanford, sang a number of Club songs and Club Yells. After the program at the Church the entire body of Club members were guests of the business men of Crockett at the Picture Show.

The morning session of the 30th was opened by Club Songs and yells, following which E. A. Miller, Specialist, from A. & M. College, addressed the meeting on "Standardization of Garden and Field Crops," using vegetables to demonstrate the correct method. Interesting and helpful addresses were given by Judge Madden on the work of the A. & M. College and by Mrs. Gertie Sallas, County School Supt., on the Co-operation of the County School Supt. with Club work. At 11:10 four young ladies of Miss Otis McConnell's Class entertained the audience in a charming manner with readings, after which the announcement of the winner in the clothing contest. Miss Corinne Scarborough of Augusta Club won first place, which was a free trip to the A. & M. College Short Course for Club Boys and Girls, which was given by the business men of Crockett. Judge A. A. Aldrich made the closing address on "The Opportunity of the Young Man of today as viewed by a Business Man."

At 1:00 p. m. W. R. Persons, Assistant State Agent in charge of Boys Club Work, talked to the joint meeting of the boys and girls on Club work. The meeting was then divided into sectional meetings, Miss Barnett taking charge of the girls and completing their work, while the boys entered the judging contest for the free trip to the A. & M. College Short Course for Club Members, given to the two boys making the highest scores in corn and dairy cow judging, given by the business men of Crockett.

County Agent W. P. Barrett of Groveton had charge of the corn judging and County Agent W. R. Nisbet of Palestine, assisted by Mr. Mack McConnell, had charge of the dairy cow judging. The cows judged were three very fine Jersey cows which were brought on the Court House Lawn and this judging was witnessed by a large number of interested spectators. The first place was won by Lenn Durham of Stubblefield Club with a score of 159 out of a possible 200, Hill Miller of Stubblefield Club, second, score 158, Milton Creasy, of Kennard Club third, score 152; Jack Lochey of Belott Club, fourth score 150.

In addition to taking care of the Club Members during the Short Course and giving the two boys and girls a free trip to A. & M. College one week short course for Club Members and free entertainment at the picture show, free lemonade and soda water was served to the Club Members the two days they were in Crockett.

The Course was full of pep from beginning to the end and there was never a dull moment during the entire program, and

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the boys and girls left full of praise to Judge Moore and the Commissioner's Court for making it possible for them to have this Short Course, and the people of Crockett were loud in their praises of the good behavior of the boys and girls while in their midst.

R. R. Morrison.

COMMUNITY FAIRS

Community fairs, where neighbors get together and exhibit their fine stock and the best of their soil products, are becoming more and more popular as farmers learn more of the benefits to be derived. Not only do these gatherings have an educational value, but there is a social side to be considered. Farmers and their families get better acquainted with their neighbors, near and far. Oftentimes friendships that last a lifetime are formed, and better yet, the inspiration received from mingling with one another results in a more effective effort to do better farming. American farm homes are isolated. No effort has been made to build the home across the road from the adjoining farm home. Rather, each farmer seems to have selected a home site as far away from that of his neighbor as the limits of his land will permit. Therefore, it has not been convenient to be neighborly. This feature of American rural life is partially being overcome by better highways and the automobile, but the community fair is even doing more in bringing about a better acquaintance and in developing community pride and spirit.

Community co-operation has thus far proved of greater value to the individual than organizations covering a greater area.

It is in community organizations that farmers learn to cooperate. The child must first learn to walk before it can run and farmers who have studied production, but have been ignorant of marketing to an advantage, must begin in a small way. Co-operative marketing on a large scale, if ever successful, must be the result of a practical education which has a small

beginning. The community should be the unit, and community fairs which bring about a neighborly understanding with one another, will prove important factors in the development of co-operative marketing and production on a large scale.—Farm & Ranch.

Sources of Raw Materials Sought

Under authority of an act passed by the last congress Sec'y of Commerce Hoover will conduct an investigation into the supply of three raw materials—rubber, nitrates and commercial fibers. The first object will be to determine whether it is true that foreign combinations control the prices of the industries named. If such is found to be the case the commerce department will suggest and advocate legislative means by which the American buyer will be put on an equality with the controlling combinations. Mr. Hoover thinks that tropical and sub-tropical areas under the American flag can be made producing sources of rubber. Our nitrates now come chiefly from Chile but the department thinks that we can become more independent in this respect by means of artificial hydro-electric plants.

HONEY PHILOSOPHY For 1923

REMEMBER that birthday when there were twelve candles on the cake and the big piece rested on the plate of that wonderful girl whose golden curls were the most beautiful in all the world—and then that birthday, when that girl with nut brown hair glanced shyly as Dad told you you were now a man. And then the birthdays came quickly, until there were no candles on the cake, but just a touch of thoughtfulness and love reflected in the making. Now in the mellow of years we can think of birthdays and their joys just as the mirror of the only birthday—the day we pass into life—into Eternity. Smile as the hour nears.

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SLOCUM NEWS

Slocum, July 2.—Rev. Sam McDaniel filled his appointment here last night. There was a large attendance.

Our Sunday school program Friday night was nicely carried out. Cookies and lemonade were served as refreshments.

We have a wedding to report this week, Mr. Carl Miller and Mrs. Leona Hodges were quietly married Wednesday night. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Miller of Palestine and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Killgo of this community, and is one of our most popular young women.

Joe Heston and Emmett Garrison of Salmon were Slocum visitors Friday night.

Messrs. Ollie Colbert, Thelma and Posie Burks were dinner guests of Misses Cammie and Fay Hardy Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Prater entertained the young folks Saturday night with a cream supper. There was a large crowd present and everyone reported a nice time.

Miss Audrey and Carmon Chasten spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Minnie and Eola Thomas.

Mrs. Dell O'Neal of Palestine is here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Annie Mae Camp of Tyler is here spending the week with relatives.

Miss Elmina Cannon of Elk-

hart spent the last week end with Miss Viola Milligan.

Mrs. Jim Dismuke, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Onis Woodard has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vickory and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Vickory were the visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Killgo Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bishop entertained the young folks of this community with a singing last night. Every one reported a nice time.

ROAD COMPLETED

Grading and graveling the San Antonio road from Crockett to Trinity river was completed Saturday or almost completed. Our information is that some more work will have to be done on the road, but the gravel haulers have been taken off and the road is now open from Crockett to the river and was lined with automobiles Sunday afternoon and night, being by far the best drive out of Crockett.—Crockett Courier.

MASONIC NOTICE

There will be a called meeting of Grapeland Lodge No. 473 A. F. & A. M. next Tuesday evening July 10th at 8:30 P. M. for the purpose of installation of officers. Brethren will please attend. Visiting brethren welcome. M. E. Darsey, W. M. F. M. Boone, Sec. P. T.



Jerome—George burned a hole in his pants.

Billy—Did he carry insurance?

Jerome—No! His coat tail covered the loss.—Judge.

An army order advises that, where possible, mules should be used to draw machine guns. When, however, a mule is not available, any intelligent non-commissioned officer will do instead.—London Mail.

"Some men," remarked the admirer of poetry, "go into politics with the idea of leaving footprints on the sands of time."

"Some do," said Senator Sorghum. "And others are lucky if they get out without having their thumb-prints taken."—Washington Star.

Bishop Flipper said in a humorous after dinner speech in Atlanta: "As the weather grows colder the warm and comfortable churches begin to fill up. This fact always makes me think of the Rev. G. Washington White, who startled his congregation one freezing night with the bitter remark:

"Oh, men folks, men folks! Ah knows yo! Yo' wears out de knees o' yo pants prayn' all winter, and den yo' wears out de seats backslidin' all summer!"—Detroit Free Press.

FORCED TO SLOW DOWN

A man nearly eighty years old walked ten miles from his home to an adjoining town. When he reached his destination he was greeted with some astonishment by an acquaintance.

"You walked all the way!" the latter exclaimed. "How did you get along?"

"Oh, first rate," the old man replied. "That is, I did until I came to a sign, 'Slow down to fifteen miles an hour.' That kept me back a bit."—London Weekly Telegraph.

NECESSITIES FIRST

Jake was a worthless and improvident fellow. One day he said to the local grocer: "I gotta have a sack o' flour; I'm all out, an' my family is starvin'."

"All right, Jake," said the grocer. "If you need a sack of flour and have no money to buy it with, we'll give you a sack. But see here, Jake, there's a circus coming to town in a few days, and if I give yo a sack of flour, are you sure you won't sell it and take your family to the circus?"

"Oh, no," said Jake, "I got the circus money saved up already."—Progressive Grocer.

MOTHERS

Watch for symptoms of worms in your children. These parasites are the great destroyers of child life. If you have reason to think your child has worms, act quickly. Give the little one a dose or two of White's Cream Vermifuge. Worms cannot exist where this time-tried and successful remedy is used. It drives out the worms and restores the rosy hue of health to baby cheeks. Price 35c. Sold by Wade L. Smith

BRIMBERRY—PERRY

Mrs. Catherine Moore Perry became the bride of S. M. Brimberry at high noon Wednesday.

The ceremony took place in the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Robert W. Barton, and Dr. Barton, 3726 Morehead avenue.

Rev. W. H. Joyner officiated and as the guests assembled, Miss Rose Stein played piano numbers.

As the couple came into the drawing room, where the wedding took place, Miss Stein played the wedding march from Lohengrin.

The reception rooms of the Barton residence were decorated with palms, sweet peas and ferns, and only close friends were present for the wedding.

An informal reception was held after the wedding and then Mr. and Mrs. Brimberry left for a honeymoon trip to Cloudercroft, after which they will go to Lewis Springs, Ariz., Mr. Brimberry's home, to live.

Mrs. Brimberry formerly lived in Douglas, Ariz.

The guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Allwine,

Mr. and Mrs. J. Whitney Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich, Mrs. F. L. Chrisman, Mrs. Charlie Poole, Mrs. Nora Mills, Mrs. Gertrude Lambert, Maurice Stein, Miss Rose Stein, Miss Florence Corley and Mr. and Mrs. William Orsheer of Bisbee, Ariz.—El Paso Herald.

Signs You Can Believe In

If your breath is bad and you have spells of swimming in the head, poor appetite, constipation and a general no-account feeling, it is a sign your liver is torpid. The one really dependable remedy for all disorders in the liver, stomach and bowels is Herbine. It acts powerfully on the liver, strengthens digestion, purifies the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy, vim and cheerfulness. Price 60c. Sold by

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C. A. Mills has received his commission as public weigher of Precinct No. 5, which was issued and approved by the State Department of weights and measures. Mr. Mills has leased the lots just to the rear of the Woodmen building, and will erect a platform and be ready to weigh cotton when the crop begins to move.

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HIP POCKET MENACE

No one doubts for a moment that the carrying of concealed weapons is a menace to the peace and happiness of a community. The hip pocket as a revolver case is not only a disgrace to a man, but is also a curse to society. The hip pocket revolver case is not in any measure as great a menace to society or as great a disgrace to the individual as the hip pocket flask.

The young man who today fills his hip pockets with flasks containing intoxicating beverages is himself a curse to society and a direct enemy of the Constitution of the United States. He is unfitting himself for any position of responsibility. He no doubt thinks the hip pocket flask is an evidence of smartness and the essential equipment for a lark. Such a young man enters your parlors with his hip pocket flask and one of his first introductions to your daughter is to notify her of his possession of the flask. His next step is to tempt her to drink. If he succeeds he puts her in a very dangerous position and makes himself a social curse. It is almost impossible to protect girls from the hip pocket menace.

Young men seem to think that they can violate the constitution, trample the laws of the land under their feet, forget the amenities of life, repudiate the doctrines of morality, and violate every known rule of society.

Talk about a crime wave! The hip pocket flask menace is the incubator of the crime wave which is sweeping society, cursing the home, blighting youth, damning young men, and destroying young women. Cursed be the hip-pocket-flask-crowd of America.

Miss Eura Woodard is now working in the postoffice, taking the place of Miss Frances Leaverton, who expects to visit in Oklahoma in the near future.

Mrs. Sidney Boykin and daughter, Miss Bess, Mrs. Henry Richards and daughter, Miss Edith, and Misses Eva Gene Murchison, Esther Darsey and Lileene Brown came home from Huntsville to attend the Richards-Clewis wedding.

Uncle John's Ash

MAYBE A NEW BROOM'LL SWEEP CLEAN—BUT IT DOESN'T ALWAYS KNOW ALL THE CORNERS



WANETA NEWS

Waneta, July 2.—Mumps are raging in this community.

Albert Wilson entertained the young people of this place Friday night with a cream supper. A large crowd was present and everybody reported a nice time.

Charley Killgo and family of Slocum visited the week end among their friends of this community: Mrs. Joe Rich, Misses Estell Monk, Veda Hogan and Bertha Chambers.

Alth Wright is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Pat Wilson.

Van Goff and wife and Lorenza Goff, wife and little daughter, Joy, of Arkansas are visiting friends and relatives here.

Wallace Scoggin has returned home.

Misses Ora and Mary Killgo, Estell Monk and Leonard Monk spent Saturday night with Miss Allie Barnes.

Misses Veda Hogan and Bertha Chambers spent Saturday night with their aunt, Mrs. B. C. Monk.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hogan visited Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Barnes Sunday.

Mrs. Jones visited her daughter, Mrs. Albert Rich, Saturday.

Misses Pearl Dickey and Dollie Jones were dinner guests of Mrs. L. R. Hendrick Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton McKenzie of Palestine spent Sunday afternoon with the former's mother, Mrs. N. B. Hendrick, who returned home with them.

Henry Tyer of Liberty Hill spent Sunday with Randolph Dugger and family.

Bro. Durnell filled his appointment here Saturday night and Sunday with a large crowd attending.

Claude Leonard left Sunday for a few days visit at Rusk.

Louis Hendrick entertained the young folks Sunday afternoon with a singing.

Mrs. Alice Scarborough spent Sunday with Mrs. Mary Hendrick.

Mrs. Jessie Rich visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rich Sunday.

SALMON SAYINGS

Salmon, July 2.—Work on the new school building will begin pretty soon. Ben Wortham has the contract to wreck the old building and will begin work on it today. We learn that E. Walling of Grapeland has been secured to erect the new building. We like the plan of the new building fine, and think we will have one of the best rural schools in the county.

Rob Reed is reported to be very sick at this writing.

Will Shipper, Norman Lasiter, Ben Mosely and Jim Glenn and Misses Estell Shipper and Gracie Vance motored to Jones School House Sunday, where Mr. Lasiter conducted singing in the afternoon. Mr. Lasiter will begin a 15 day's singing school there the 16th. We learn that a number from this part of the country will attend the school.

On account of the meeting which is now in progress at Guiceland the singing was called off last night at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Brown and son of Blanco, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown of Hot Springs, Ark., spent last week end here visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown.

UNION DOTS

Union, July 2.—The meeting at Guiceland started yesterday. Bro. Parnell is doing the preaching.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Goodman spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herod.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ellisor of near Oak Grove spent Friday night and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hodges.

Misses Lura Keen, Fannie Bell and Ruby Weisinger spent Sunday evening with Misses Nella and Inez Caskey.

Edwina McKnight of Coolidge is here visiting friends and relatives.

R. E. Pennington, who has been sick for some time, is better at this writing.

Miss Grace Caskey spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Mae Bell and Inita Watson.

Miss Lura Keen spent a few days last week with Miss Effie Hodges.

Miss Irene Shipper visited Misses Katie and Velma Haltom Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Caskey are visiting relatives in Palestine.

Mrs. Sam Caskey visited Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pennington.

Mr. and Alton Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. John Mosely Saturday night and Sunday.

UNION CHAPEL NEWS

Union Chapel, July 2.—The singing Saturday night at the church was well attended and had some very fine singing.

Mrs. Omega Marshall recently had as her guests, Mr. and Mrs. Walter and Owens and children and Mrs. William Marshall and children, all of the Enon community.

Edell Shaver and family spent Saturday night with his brother, Sam Shaver and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Garrett of Coleman visited the former's mother, Mrs. A. W. Pelham, last week, returning to me today. This was Hayden's first visit home in several years.

Mesdames Buck Cutler and Josie Johnston and little daughter were the guests of Mrs. G. W. Weisinger Saturday night.

Miss Eula Mae Davidson spent Saturday night with Misses Nannie and Flora Marshall.

Mrs. A. W. Pelham spent the week end at Crockett with friends.

Mrs. J. S. Martin and children of Antrim recently visited at the home of R. E. Martin.

Mesdames S. J. Martin and Ed Skidmore spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Polly Brimberry.

MEETING AT EPHEBUS

The Baptist church at Ephesus will begin a protracted meeting Thursday night before the fourth Sunday in this month. An arbor will be erected near the church and a real good meeting is expected.

The preaching will be largely doctrinal, the doctrines that have been preached and practiced by Baptists for ages, and will be presented in a way that will not offend anyone. If you want to know what Baptists believe and why, come and we are sure you will not go away disappointed. Everyone is invited; come praying for the success of the meeting.

Deckart Anderson.

SOME TRADITIONS OF THE TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

(Henry Edwards, in Troup Banner.)

The Banner congratulates Hon. Sam M. Braswell of the Clarendon Chronicle and Hon. Albert H. Luker of the Grapeland Messenger upon their elevation respectively to the presidency and the vice-presidency of the Texas Press Association at its annual meeting in Galveston on June 9. It is the custom to advance the vice president of the body to the presidency. So in due time Albert Luker will become president.

The Association is composed of more than 500 newspaper publishers and journalists of Texas. They are as clean a bunch of people in every way you take them, we believe, as can be found in any occupation or calling. They are forward-looking, high-thinking, efficient citizens; and not a few of them hold, or have held, high official positions in the State. The present roster of the membership includes a Governor and a Lieutenant Governor of Texas—rather we should say members who have held these exalted positions, and who were members at the time they held these high public offices. It also includes Senators, Representatives and other members of the Fourth Estate who have held, or now hold, high positions of honor and trust in commercial, civic, religious and professional life. By the very nature of their calling no body or association of people within the State can be said to have a wider general knowledge of things of public concern, or a higher average of practical information.

Wherefore it is indeed an honor to be called to the presidency, or vice presidency, of the Texas Press Association. Furthermore, it is an unwritten tradition, or custom, or practice—whatever you want to call it—that no member who would deliberately seek, or solicit, or campaign for high office in the Association can be nominated for such high office. Service to the Association, fidelity to its interests, is the real test by which one's fitness and

worthiness for the high honors of official position are determined. It is the one organization of men and women in the State in which the rigid rule—or tradition—is adhered to that the office must seek the man; that the test of capacity to turn slick political tricks or a disposition to gather in votes by deliberate plans to court popular favor. This being done, it is indeed a great honor to be called to official position by the membership of the body. And that honor is added to by the further tenet of the Association that neither man's money, nor the size of the town, or the publication which he directs, influences the membership in the selection of their officers. Among the living ex-presidents of the Texas Press Association only three or four are from metropolitan dailies, or magazines. The others are from smaller towns, some of them representatives of papers published in mere villages.

BRIDGE ASSURED

The committee going to Centerville Monday to confer with the commissioner's court of Leon county regarding the new bridge to connect Houston and Leon counties over the Trinity River returned Tuesday evening. The committee got what it went after and the bridge is assured. An order for the steel to be used in construction of the bridge will be placed immediately and other preparations made looking to its early completion. As is known this bridge is owned by a stock company and will be a toll bridge—Crockett Courier.

NOTICE, TRANSFERS

All those who wish to transfer their children into the Grapeland Independent School District for the coming term, should do so before August 1st. See F. M. Boone or Wade L. Smith, who will attend to the matter.

STOP THAT ITCHING

Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet. For sale by WADE L. SMITH

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Local Happenings

Clewis represents one of the best dye works in the state.

Red top and amber cane seed cheap at Sewell's.

Dr. C. C. Officer left Sunday for Cleburne where he will spend some time visiting his mother.

Miss Mae Williamson of Weldon is here visiting her cousin, Mrs. A. A. Allen.

Mrs. S. R. LeMay of Athens visited relatives and friends here and at Crockett last week.

Tom and Edwin Scarborough are in Houston this week visiting their brother.

Mrs. Willis Goodson returned Sunday from a visit to Shreveport and Troup.

Miss Katie Berry of Crockett visited her sister, Mrs. J. W. Howard, last week.

Mesdames. A. H. Luker and Rena Dockery visited their sister, Mrs. J. M. Ellis, at Crockett Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Harry Trube and children of Crockett visited her sister, Mrs. Chas. Hill, several days last week.

FOR SERVICE

My registered Jersey bull at my place. Fee \$2.50.

Ed Keen.

FARM FOR SALE

166 acres, sandy land, 75 acres wood pasture, balance in cultivation, everlasting water, very good dwelling and several good out buildings, well of good water. For price and terms see 3t J. M. Garrison, Salmon.

LOST—Last week somewhere between Gaylon Skidmore's house on Belott road and town, or probably somewhere in town, navy blue bathing suit, size 44, yellow stripes around bottom of skirt. Suitable reward.

Tom Kent Jr..

Fate Craig, who has been in Coleman for the past three years, came in Tuesday with the intention of remaining here henceforth and forever, he says. In the immediate section from which he came, he says the grasshoppers and hail storms have completely destroyed the cotton crop.

Eugene Yarbrough and family spent a couple of days here last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yarbrough. They were on their way to Devers were on their way to their home in Devers from an auto trip to various sections of the state.

Crit Connonally, secretary of the Prison Commission, and Mr. Dean, one of the Commissioners, paid the Messenger office a short but appreciated visit Thursday of last week, while returning to Huntsville from Rusk, where they had been on business. Mr. Connonally is a former newspaper man, whom Governor Neff "sentenced" to work at the pen for the next two years.

Bargains for cash at Sewell's.

Minnehaha flour, best fancy patent \$1.75 at Sewell's.

Have your hats cleaned and reblocked. M. L. Clewis.

Perfection flour, guaranteed \$1.80 at Sewell's.

W. E. Carlton was a business visitor to Elkhart Tuesday morning.

666 quickly relieves Constipation, Biliousness, Headaches, Colds and Lagrippe.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Parker of Tamina are here visiting relatives.

D. N. Leaverton was a business visitor to Houston last week end.

FOR SALE

1000 slightly used brick. Will sell cheap.

M. L. Clewis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mangum of Alto were here Saturday night to attend the Richards-Clewis wedding.

NOTICE—POSTED

No hunting or fishing allowed in our fields. George Chabn. C. E. Brooks.

LOST—White Spitz dog, answers to name of Fido; was last seen Sunday night. Finder please return to Mrs. Julian Walling.

Mrs. W. E. Kerr spent last week end in Houston visiting her sisters, Mesdames. M. A. Lively and A. E. Kerr, and was accompanied home by her little daughter, Josephine, who had been visiting there several days.

Of course it isn't essential, but we would just like to know what the horse fly thinks of the flivver.—Mineral Wells Index.

No man can tell what the future may bring forth, and small opportunities are often the beginning of great enterprises.—Demosthenes.

MICKIE SAYS—

TH' GUY WHO BORROWS HIS NEIGHBORS PAPER IS TH' WORST CRICK AN' THE GREATEST KICKER TH' PAPER HAS, BUT WE DONT GIVE ONE L'L. GOSH-DARN FER HIS OPINION!



DO IT NOW

Society

RICHARDS—CLEWIS

The First Christian Church gave the setting for a pretty wedding Saturday evening at 8:30 o'clock when Miss Thelma Lee Clewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Clewis, became the bride of Harry Richards with the ceremony read by Rev. B. C. Anderson.

The church was attractively decorated with smilex and ferns and floor vases of Shasta daisies. Mrs. Sam Kennedy at the piano and Miss Dora Johnston, violinist gave a program of bridal music and Miss Eva Gene Murchison sang "I Love You Truly."

The bride had as her attendants Miss Dorothy Clewis, maid of honor; Misses Adabel Leaverton, Bess Boykin, Rena Ross Richards, Edith Brown, Melba Brock, Agnes Murray, Bess Howard and Edith Richards, bridesmaids. The flower girls were little Misses Sybil Mangum of Alto and Ruth Howard. The bridesmaids wore dainty taffeta frocks and carried bouquets of Shasta daisies and ferns. The flower girls wore dainty pink crepe de chine frocks.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her gown was of satin back crepe and silver lace and her coronet was of orange blossoms and she carried an arm cluster of white rose buds. Cone Richards was the groom's best man and the ushers were Arnold Clewis and Collin Lockfield of Crockett.

An informal reception followed the ceremony, at the home of the bride's parents. The decorations here were of Shasta daisies and fern and the bride's table held the tier cake, iced with pink rosebuds. An ice course was served. The bride's gift to her attendants were wrist-bands. The groom gave his attendants monogrammed handkerchiefs.

After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Richards left for an extended tour of California. They will be at home in Grapeland after August first.

SWIMMING PARTY

Last Wednesday afternoon Miss Melba Brock entertained with a swimming party at Crystal Lake in honor of the Richards—Clewis bridal party. After a delightful swim the party enjoyed a sumptuous lunch. The personnel included beside the hostess, Misses Thelma Lee and Dot Clewis, Elizabeth Leaverton, Mildred Haltom, Agnes Murray, Edith Brown, Rosie Lee Howard, Bess Howard; Messrs. Harry and Cone Richards, Otto Walling, Herman Murchison, Leroy Davis, Arnold Clewis, Chas. Wall, John Anderson and John Kennedy. The party was chaperoned by Mrs. J. M. Murray and Mr. U. M. Brock.

SHRINE DINNER

On Friday evening of last week, the Shriners of Grapeland were delightfully entertained by Mrs. M. E. Darsey with a six thirty dinner, complimentary to Mr. Harry Richards. The Shrine colors, red predominating, were used very effectively as decorations, and on the table, the Shrine motif was especially carried out. Small red Fezzes, with the emblem of the order and tied

with small pieces of rope, were used as place cards, and in the center of the table a Kewpie Shriner and his blushing bride, presided over the gay party. After the four course dinner, the party presented Mr. Richards with a seal grain pass case and purse, together with much "fraternal" advice on how to "manage a family." The hostess was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Leon Anderson and Mrs. Sam Kennedy. Those present and enjoy the occasion to the "fullest" were: Dr. W. D. McCarty, Dr. Sam Kennedy, Dr. Chas. C. Hill, Clarence McCarty, Leon Anderson, George E. Darsey Jr. and M. E. Darsey.

shower in honor of her approaching marriage. The guests were delightfully entertained with vocal and violin selections by Mrs. Smith and Miss Dora Johnston. Misses Rosie Lee Howard, Lena Clewis and Evelyn Logan presided over the punch bowls in the dining room, and Misses Ardis Murray and Grace Richards had charge of the recipe book. Miss Clewis received about a hundred of her friends and was presented with many lovely and useful gifts.

Tissue Gingham and madras; prices reduced at Sewell's.

Mrs. F. A. Faris of Lake Charles, La., is here on a visit to relatives and numerous friends.

SHOWER FOR MISS CLEWIS

The home of Mrs. Wade L. Smith was attractive in bridal adornment last Tuesday afternoon, when the attendants of Miss Thelma Lee Clewis entertained with a miscellaneous

Mrs. J. M. Murray and daughters, Misses Agnes and Ardis, left Monday for an extended visit with relatives in Mississippi.



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