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ROAD MAINTENANCE WORK ARRANGER FOR

Austin, Texas, Jan. 26.—One hundred and twenty-eight counties have signed up with the state highway commission for maintenance of state designed roads, according to Leo Ellinger, maintenance engineer.

In thirty five counties the department has its own equipment and organization and is doing the work directly in charge of the highway department. Contracts with local contractors to keep the roads in repair have been signed in eleven additional counties, making a total of 174 counties in which arrangements have been made with the department for maintenance work.

The state has been divided into sixteen divisions, each in charge of a division engineer, who arranges the maintenance work of the division.

Receipts of the department today reached the large total of \$2,417,209.80, according to J. F. Dupree, chief clerk of the commission. This month's disbursements will be one of the largest ever recorded by the department. Up to today the disbursements totaled \$1,230,656.60, all but about \$10,000 of which is represented by payments to counties for construction work.

Motor license registrations to date total 246,929 for all classes of motor vehicles, of which 228,418 were passenger cars and 16,651 trucks.

OUR HONOR ROLL

The following have our thanks for their subscription:

Grapeland—J. S. Hunt, C. L. Haltom, R. L. Pridgen, Alton Lively, M. E. Darsey, C. E. Lively, Burton Wallace, J. O. Edington, J. E. Hollingsworth, F. M. Boone.

Route 1—A. H. Denman, E. E. Brumley, Earle Smith, Mrs. Modelle Howard, Robt. Keen.

Route 3—Leonard Parker, R. J. Haynes, A. N. Edens.

Route 4—W. C. Lasiter.

Percilla—W. W. Sullivan, Claude Sadler, E. C. Johnston.

Elkhart—M. J. Baker.

Tyler—Wingfield Lively. (By C. E. Lively.)

Houston—Mrs. L. C. Sloan. (By Mrs. M. E. Darsey.)

Augusta—C. A. Moore.

Alto—W. L. Mangum.

Altus, Ok.—Mrs. J. W. Holdridge. (By Wade Adams.)

Colored—Tom Miller, Rte. 4.

DEATH AT ANTRIM

Mrs. Linnie Simpson, wife of Mr. Jasper Simpson, died at her home in the Antrim community Thursday, January 24, 1924. Her remains were laid to rest in the Antrim cemetery Friday. Rev. B. C. Anderson of this city conducting the services.

She is survived by her husband and six children, four girls and two boys.

Correct patterns in men's dress shirts at \$1.00 to \$7.50 at The Darsey Co. All Wanted materials.

LARGE COTTON CROP EXPECTED THIS YEAR

Washington, Jan. 26.—Estimates are being made that the South will plant as much cotton as possible during the forthcoming season, and even with a bad producing year may be expected to produce a crop equal to that of last year, which amounted to 10,081,000 bales. Undoubtedly the high price prevailing in recent months has stimulated the desire of planters to put in more cotton. In official circles here it is being pointed out that all of the estimates for the next year are based upon probabilities and conjecture, and the hope is being expressed that the South will not overdo the situation.

Students of cotton culture have predicted that the time would come when the world would call upon the Southern states for a crop of 30,000,000 bales, and that by intensive cultivation it would be able to meet the demand. That prediction, however, was made long before the boll weevil became such a widespread menace.

CHARGED WITH ASSAULT, MAN GETS 20 YEARS

Palestine, Texas, Jan. 26.—The jury in the case of T. J. Scroggins, 62 years old, charged with criminal assault upon a young girl, returned a verdict of guilty Saturday morning, assessing a twenty-year sentence in the penitentiary. Counsel for defense have filed a motion for a new trial, which will be heard by Judge L. D. Guinn on Thursday of next week. If the motion is overruled, appeal will be made to a higher court.

LIVING COSTS 73.2 PCT. HIGHER THAN IN 1913

Washington, Jan. 23.—Average living costs in American cities last December were 73.2 per cent greater than they were in the same month of 1913, the department of labor announced today. The costs were also greater by 1.1 per cent than during September, 1923, and by 3.7 per cent than in December, 1922. Furniture, clothing and housing showed the greater percentage of increases.

PRISON FARM PRODUCTION BRING OVER \$1,000,000

Austin, Tex., Jan. 26.—With the returns about all in, the state prison commission announces that its farm products have brought a little more than \$1,000,000 cash. The sugar cane sold for \$1,000,000, the cotton brought close to \$800,000 and the corn and other commodities make up the remainder. These figures were given today by Walker Sayles, a member of the prison commission.

Mr. Sayles said the commission has been using the money in paying its maintenance debts and that it will probably have enough money to maintain the system until June 1, after which it will again be on a deficiency basis.

I-G. N. WILL RUN AN ORCHARD TRAIN

Palestine, Texas, Jan. 26.—The International-Great Northern Railroad Company, in co-operation with the extension department of the A. & M. College of Texas and the State Department of Agriculture, will run an orchard demonstration train to various points on the I-G. N. Railroad, starting from Palestine on Monday, Jan. 28. J. V. Myers, local horticulturist for the American Refrigerator Transit Company, made this announcement.

The itinerary is: Palestine, Monday, Jan. 28; Jacksonville, Tuesday, Jan. 29; Troup, Wednesday, Jan. 30; Lindale, Thursday, Jan. 31; Grapeland, Friday, Feb. 1; Crockett, Saturday, February 2.

The special train will be under the supervision of Mr. Myers and W. B. Cook of Houston, agricultural agent of the I-G. N. Special lecturers and demonstrators have been announced as follows: A. L. Swallow of College Station, horticulturist for the extension department of A. & M. College; N. D. Zuber of Little Rock, Ark., horticulturist for the American Refrigerator Transit Company; F. P. Whitman of San Antonio, horticulturist for the I-G. N.; J. S. T. Wilson of Dallas, manager of the Barber Entomological Laboratories and G. J. Scholl of Austin, chief nursery inspector for the State Department of Agriculture.

KILLS INDIAN AND RESCUES BRIDE-TO-BE

Parson Roberts was one of the pioneer preachers of West Texas who rode his circuit horse-back and carried the Bible in his saddle bag. He could preach a sermon or shoot a carbine as straight as anyone. The Messenger will publish a story in its Magazine Section February 7th of how Parson Robertson helped to kill an Indian and rescue a bride-to-be, which the Indians had captured.

This is another good and true story among the many good stories which appear monthly in our Magazine Section. No fiction, just clean, wholesome reading for every member of the family. Come in and renew before your subscription expires or you may miss some of this good reading.

ROBBIN'S RESTAURANT

I am again engaged in the restaurant business here and invite all my old customers and others to call on me. Your business will be appreciated. Located in Whitaker building at rear of Clewis' Tailor Shop.

Will Robbins.

THE CRADLE ROLL

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy January 22, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Smith January 24, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Andy Turner January 26, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown Wednesday, January 23, a boy.

LADY WANTED HER MONEY RIGHT NOW

Austin, Texas, Jan. 26.—Railroad Commissioner Nabors is a very accommodating public servant, so courteous that one of the lady shippers of the State firmly advised him to send his check in settlement for a freight overcharge and she 'would appreciate it very much.' Of course, he did not do that, but the erring railroad company will make recompense. Mr. Nabors conducted a lengthy correspondence with the carrier in aiding the fair shipper to establish her overcharge claim and when he advised her, at last, that the indebtedness had been acknowledged and would be met, she replied that she would like to have his check come forward at once for the amount claimed.

ROCK HILL LOCALS

Rock Hill, Jan. 28.—Those who had not already done so took advantage of the cold spell last week and killed hogs.

Quite a crowd attended the singing at the church last Friday night and several visitors from other communities. Among them: Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Herod from Oak Grove, and Messrs. Spruill and J. A. Brimberry from Grapeland, New Prospect, Antrim and Myrtle Springs were also well represented.

Dr. Funderburk was called from Elkhart Saturday to see "Uncle" Ed Weisinger, who has been sick for some time. He is some better at this writing.

Mrs. Charlie Ray has been suffering for two weeks with a bonefelon, and came very near having blood poison. The doctor has lanced it twice.

Mrs. J. W. Taylor and daughter, Miss Lillie, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Bruce James and family near Walston Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Easley and children went to Palestine Saturday.

Mrs. Lucy Willis and children of Grapeland spent Saturday at A. H. Streetman's.

News comes from Tyler announcing the birth of Johnnie Randolph to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Willis, Jan. 16. Congratulations to the proud parents and many good wishes for the little man.

Mr. and Mrs. Maude Wilson of Rocky Mound have moved into our community and are living on R. F. Kolb's place.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Jasper Simpson at Antrim last Friday. She was a sister of Mrs. H. M. Streetman of this place. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved.

H. M. Streetman came in from Palestine Saturday, where he has been taking treatment, and was unable to return today.

Miss Alice Maude Baker from New Prospect is spending the week here.

We are having good attendance at our Sunday school and prayer meeting now, and much interest is being manifested. We have enrolled twelve new members in the Sunday school since the beginning of the new quarter.

Next Sunday is our regular preaching day. Let everybody go, and we might say again, "let's everybody go, especially so if we are athirst for the higher joy, and if not, why not? Hear David's cry: "Restore unto me the joys of thy salvation." That is the joy worth while, the joy that abides, the joy that makes one feel glad to be living. It is the joy of pardon, for it is

I-G. N. ORCHARD TRAIN COMING HERE FRIDAY

The I-G. N. orchard demonstration train will be in Grapeland Friday, February 1, and will spend most of the day here.

A demonstration in pruning and spraying fruit trees will be held at the orchard of Mr. M. P. Herod out on the Palestine road, some time during the day.

With the train will be several competent men to give lectures and advice about how to care for orchards, etc. Mr. W. B. Cook, agricultural agent for the I-G. N., and former demonstration agent for Houston County, will be in charge of the train. The object of this demonstration is to try to revive the fruit industry in this section of East Texas, which a few years ago, was so profitable.

All farmers interested are urged to come to Grapeland Friday and attend the demonstration.

infinitely sweeter to have the shackles struck from the soul and the sentence of the second death revoked than for a lifer to be set free from the penitentiary. It is the joy of safety, for in the cyclone of temptation there is a spot of calm in which we may safely rest if our lives are "hid with Christ in God." It is the joy of fellowship, for the richest and rarest fellowship in all the world is Christian fellowship. It is the joy of service; the keenest zest in life is felt by those who stretch forth the hand of help to the needy, cheering the faint, lifting up the fallen, setting wayward feet in paths of duty. It is the joy of hope, for all along the dark valley through which we journey here we look up to the gleaming heights where there is fullness of joy. There are two very easy steps downward: the first is neglect of known duty, and the second is the commission of known sin. He is on the road to lost joy who neglects his Bible, the throne of grace, the field of service, the sanctuary with its fellowship of saints and worship of God. Then what are we? A parasite in the church, a drone in the hive, an idler in the vineyard, or a slacker in the army? Kindle in your soul the light that never goes out and be glad you are living.

NOTICE

I will have a wagon load of pure bred Duroc, 12 weeks old pigs in town Saturday, Feb. 2nd, which I will sell for \$5.00, your choice.

A. N. Edens.

The Messenger received a pleasant call Monday morning from Jim Manning, who was on his way to Ratcliff to visit his sister, Mrs. Mary Payne, whom he has not seen in a number of years. He had been out to Liberty Hill visiting friends. For the past few years Mr. Manning has been living at Lubbock. He was reared in East Texas, near Alto.

SHOATES FOR SALE

We will have 25 shoates in town Saturday, February 2, weight 40 to 75 pounds; all from a thoroughbred sire and good grade sows. Price 6c.

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SOME SMILES

Caller—Is the editor in?
Office Boy—No.
Caller—Well, throw this poem in the waste basket.—Awgwan.

"That Miss Gabbins is as bad as a parrot."
"Worse, my dear. A parrot doesn't hunt you up and compel you to listen."

Mrs. Albertson—My husband certainly does enjoy smoking in his den. Has your husband a den?
Mrs. Goldie—No, he growls all over the house.—Purple Cow.

"Why do you keep that hideous hat around? And priced at \$200. You will never sell it."
"We don't try to sell it. But the other hats look like great bargains by comparison."—Kansas City Journal.

Papa—Why did you permit young Gaybird to kiss you in the parlor last night?
Daughter—Because I was afraid he would catch cold in the hall.—Boston Globe.

Tom and Bill were late for school and were called to account for it. "What made you late, Bill?" asked the teacher.

"I was dreaming I was going to California, and I thought the school bell was the steamboat I was going on," answered Bill.

"You did?" said the teacher. "And now, Tom (turning to the second boy), 'what have you to say for yourself?'"

"I—I was just waiting to see Bill off."

Green—Did you see Jones when he came in from fishing?
Brown—Yes, I was pretty close to that boat.

"Were there any fish lying about him?"

"No, but Jones was lying about the fish."—Judge.

Cole Black had fallen afoul of the law and was having a preliminary conference with his attorney. "Can you prove an alibi?" asked the latter.

"Al—says which, boss?"

"Alibi. Can you prove where you were at the time the offense was committed?"

"Lawdy, boss, dat's jes' what Ah's skeered dey's gwine to do!"

THE FUTURE OF RADIO

C. Francis Jenkins of Washington predicts as a development in the near future the sending of photographs by radio so that they will be reproduced in the receiving end as clearly as "cuts" printed in newspapers and magazines.

The use of radio is still in its infancy but new and marvelous uses to which it may be put are crowding hard and fast on the wings of time and the end is not yet.

Luther Lively left Sunday in his car for Dallas. He was accompanied by Misses Ora Gainey and Mabel Boykin. Miss Boykin will spend some time in the wholesale millinery market purchasing the spring stock of millinery for The Darsey Co.

Big Returns from Fertilizer

Fertilizer properly used is an important factor in the farm program. W. E. Nisbet, county agent in Anderson county sends in the following returns of farms which should be interesting to our readers:

An average increase of eighty-four (84) percent in lint cotton was secured this year with commercial fertilizer. Records kept by a number of farmers representing every section of the county show by comparing the unfertilized cotton that such an increase was obtained. The largest increase obtained by any individual was 128 per cent and the lowest was 46 per cent. Of the group of farmers reporting only one used a low grade fertilizer and he reported the smallest increase. A larger increase was obtained in seed than in lint. One farmer reported an 83 per cent increase in lint and 94 per cent increase in seed.

The average yield of lint cotton per acre on the unfertilized land was one-fourth of a bale per acre and the average yield per acre on the fertilized land was 45 per cent of a bale or nearly one-half bale per acre, an increase of one-fifth of a bale per acre due to the use of fertilizer. Most of the farmers reporting used 200 pounds of a high grade fertilizer per acre. For each 100 pounds of fertilizer used an increase of 50 pounds of lint cotton and 75 pounds of seed cotton was produced.—Extension Service Farm News.

There is not a particle of doubt as to what Dr. Cook discovered in Texas—Chicago News.

What we need is not people who will re-write the Bible, but people who will re-read it.—New York Tribune.

The Business Man



To be successful in handling your business affairs, no matter how extensive or how limited they may be, you must handle them in a businesslike manner. Paying all bills by Check is one of the first steps, since it gives you an absolute record of receipts and expenditures.

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This year winter buying for immediate delivery has been more active than ever before—and in addition 200,000 orders have already been booked through the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan for spring delivery.

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THE FARMER AND HIS CAR

It will cause caustic comment in some quarters that the farmers of the United States as a class should head the country in the possession of automobiles. Supposedly, the farmers suffered after the war the worst reverse in their history, in some sections of the country failing to pay expenses and in others barely breaking even. How does this theory fit in with the announcement that a survey of the Atlantic Coast section revealed 58 per cent of the agriculturalists as automobile owners?

The answer is that the automobile, which in towns is usually more or less a luxury, in the country has become a necessity. When the farmer moves to town and retires he might as well sell his old car and walk to the post-office. It represents, if he keeps it, only a needless expense. A majority of the people who live in cities and who could better afford automobiles than the average farmer do own them because they have no great distance to travel and the streets are too congested to make a machine a comfortable conveyance. Driving your own car in New York City may promote comfort, but it does not insure rapid transit. Surface traffic is left far behind by the subway.

But a farmer must walk, hitch up a team or drive a car when he goes to town. A team is quite as expensive as a car and much slower. As a result he buys a car when he can and uses it not one season but until it collapses.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Davis and Mrs. E. W. Davis and daughter, Miss Eula Mae, left Sunday via auto for Dallas to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Zimmerman.

COTTON OR FEED?

There is much talk of cotton carry-over, and many claim that 15,000,000 bales or more can readily be absorbed by an active demand. It would seem that the acreage planted in cotton will be larger than in 1923, and if all cotton growing States produce a normal yield a new record will be made. If a normal yield is produced and the next crop goes to 15,000,000 bales or more, Farm and Ranch predicts that it will not net the producers so much money as did the short crop of 1923.

Of one thing we may be sure: There will be a smaller feed carry-over than for any season in many years, and Farm and Ranch is of the opinion that there will be profit for those who grow feedstuffs near marketing places, and who store their products for late demand. There has never in the Southwest been an overproduction of feed except in limited areas distant from consuming markets.

Farm and Ranch never ventures to suggest to any farmer how to manage his business, but it has found that those farmers who "carry over" from season to season are financially the most successful.—Farm and Ranch.

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R. B. Edens recently made a business trip to Velasco.

SOME CIVIL SERVICE FACTS

The law establishing the United States Civil Service Commission was enacted January 16, 1883.

In 1883, approximately 120,000 persons were employed in the executive civil service of the United States. The number of such employees on December 31, 1923, was 548,506. The greatest number employed at one time was 917,760, on November 11, 1918, the date of the armistice.

In 1883, 13,924 positions were classified under the civil service law, and therefore, subject to competitive examination. The number of such positions on December 31, 1923 was approximately 400,000.

In the forty-one years of its life, the Commission has given competitive examinations to 4,713,305 applicants, 1,412,007 of whom have been appointed.

The Commission is represented in approximately 4,000 cities and villages of the United States by local boards of examiners having a total membership of more than 10,000.

Local board members are attached to other branches of the service and give a part of their time to the work of the Civil Service Commission, for which they receive no additional compensation.

The Commission gives examinations for more than a thousand different kinds of occupations, ranging from ordinary unskilled laborers to the highest grades of technical, scientific, and administrative positions.

The members of the present Civil Service Commission are William C. Deming, president, George R. Wales and Helen H. Gardener.

Mrs. Gardener is the only woman who ever held the office of United States Civil Service Commissioner.

Theodore Roosevelt was a member of the Civil Service Commission from May 13, 1889, to May 5, 1895.

The fundamental principle of the civil service law is to maintain in the parts of the service covered by its provisions a merit system whereby selection for appointment shall be made upon the basis of demonstrated relative fitness, without regard to political, religious, or other similar considerations.

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A scientist has revealed that a blonde has 90 miles of hair. He must have made his inquiry before the bobbing epidemic.—Milwaukee Journal.

Our All-Star Team for the Whole Year

The sporting editors have been very busy lately delighting the eyes of their readers with all-star teams on which every man is a fielding demon and a hitting hero, says the Dallas Times-Herald. These teams are for the time being but we should like humbly to present for consideration a team that's good for the year round and that never quits hitting the ball, whether the weather be fair or whether it be foul. Our team is composed of:

- Pa, field captain, who brings home the bacon.
- Ma, playing manager, who cooks the bacon.
- Oldest daughter, who washes the dishes.
- Youngest daughter, who wipes 'em.
- Oldest son, who mows the

lawn and also holds down a steady job.

Youngest son, who considers school days opportunity days.

Grandma, who distills the cheering home brew of serene old age.

Grandpa, who thinks his daughter-in-law is the salt of the earth.

Oldest daughter's steady, who has already paid the first installment on that home.

Here's a team whose members don't get their pictures in the paper, but every one of them hits .300 in the league of Useful Living.—Ex.

Mme. Curie, the discoverer of radium, is living in poverty in Paris. She has devoted every franc she possessed to scientific research. The French parliament has granted her a state pension of \$2,200 a year.



"Oh boy!" "Why the joy?"

"The home town paper's come."

"Let's see"—After me"—

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BADGE OF SERVICE

Say, Sam Miller, are the wrinkles in dad's brow his service stripes?—Grapeland Messenger.

Yes, they are his stripes of service and badge of sacrificial service to his loved ones. That is if they are acquired in the service of his family. Wrinkles sometimes come and clutter up a man's brow when he's trying to hide some devilment he's been doing or think up some excuse or story his wife will believe. Then, instead of being "service stripes" they become sorrow stripes fathered by remorse.

What made those wrinkles in your brow, Albert?—Sam Miller, in Mineral Wells Index.

You are too blamed inquisitive.

PLACE OF RECORD

If the reader desires to find out all the good points about several gentlemen who are running for governor this year he can do so by calling at The Messenger office and going through the waste basket most every day. It is all there, in endless quantity—Grapeland Messenger.

If all the money and time now being wasted in an endeavor to put across a lot of free publicity in behalf of political candidates, could be turned into the treasury of the State, the high taxes about which they are all howling would be materially reduced. There would be some sense in the effort if even a small per cent of it got across, but as stated by the Messenger, the waste basket gets it. We file most of it without reading, in the basket beside our desk and to one persistent candidate who tried thru a friend to get a supplement thru with us, we politely referred him to our regular advertising rates. We have no free space for any candidate and will use their names in our columns and will mention their race and aspirations for office only to the extent in which we consider them of news value and reserve the right to write it ourselves. Honest, if we had read carefully, all we have received within the present month we wouldn't have had time to get out a paper.—Mineral Wells Index.

To Pay Interest Quarterly

Hereafter the postoffice department will pay interest on postal savings certificates quarterly instead of annually. Under the former plan depositors received no interest if they withdrew their savings in less than a year, the government not allowing any interest for fractions of a year. Under the new arrangement interest will be computed every three months and the rule will apply to all money now on deposit.

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This is a mercerized wash fabric most appropriate for making women's and children's dresses, children's rompers, men's and boys' shirts and blouses, draperies, furniture coverings, etc. Our showing includes the following twenty fast shades:

Light Blue, Aurora
Bermuda, Dark Pink
Pongee, Green
Veronica, Black
Nile, Roseleaf
Crane, Coral
New Blue, Honey Drew
China, Nut
Gold, Copen
Brown, Butterscotch

36 in. Everfast Gingham 65c yd

Four inches wider than most wide ginghams and suitable for every purpose, a fine, smooth gingham is needed. Everfast ginghams are shown here in the following dozen fast shades:

Light Blue, Peach
Copen, Helio
Gold, China
Pongee, Roseleaf
Nut, Opal
Dark Pink, White

36 in. Everfast Voile 65c yd

Voiles promise to be one of the most favored wash fabrics for this season in the lighter materials. The sheer quality and durability of these fabrics makes them extremely popular in the following eight fast colors:

White, Tile,
Gold, Vervain
Aurora, Taffy
Green, Light Blue

36 in. EVERFAST creaseless linen, per yard\$1.25

36 in. EVERFAST sateen per yard90c

36 in. EVERFAST basket crepe, per yard75c

36 in. EVERFAST check-weve, per yard65c

Each of these fabrics come in a number of popular fast color shades that are sure to delight you.

Sundour Everfast Draperies

Like the wash fabrics, Sundour draperies may be relied on as to their fastness of colors. These materials are shown in a number of charming patterns, many suitable for frocks, in several grades, at per yard75c to \$1.25

Throughout the Store

In every department at this store you will enjoy seeing the new things for spring that are arriving most every day. Lack of space prevents us from giving a detailed description of the arrivals in every instance, and we urge you to come and examine the remarkable values offered in the following lines:

New curtain goods, per yard10c to \$1.00
Wide sheeting, per yard50c to 60c
White Goods per yard10c to \$1.00
Fine Organdies, per yard25c to \$1.00
Dress Ginghams, per yard15c to 65c
New silks, suitings, crepes, wool materials, and other wanted fabrics for spring in our dress goods department.

Wearing Apparel

Smart styles are shown here at this time for spring in a shipment of new dresses received Tuesday.
New styles on display in our Millinery Department.

THE DARSEY CO.

GRAPELAND'S CASH DRY GOODS STORE

That big noise heard downtown this week was caused by that big shipment of wool and silk socks at The Darsey Co. at 50c to \$1.50 a pair.

W. E. Kerr and family left last week for Jacksonville to make their home, Mr. Kerr and W. B. Newman having purchased a merchantile business in that city.

WANTED—Sawmill workers to work at mill east of Grapeland; will furnish houses; work the year around. See me here in Grapeland. J. S. Hunt.

4 residence lots for sale. Apply at the Messenger office.

Trouser crease oxfords are the thing for men. Get them at The Darsey Co.

Turkish towels, 22x40, extra at 50c per pair.
Henry Dailey & Co.

W. G. Darsey and Henry Dailey spent several days last week in Fort Worth on business.

For that next cold snap, get your heavy apparel at The Darsey Co.

The Baptist parsonage has recently been repaired and made ready for the arrival of the pastor, Rev. L. T. Grumble, and family, who are expected to arrive within the next few days.

I have some town lots and farms for sale. See me for price and terms.

R. B. Edens.

You won't find the cheapest line of work clothes at The Darsey Co., but the best. Buy Test and Sweet Orr and you'll get more for your money. Overalls \$1.50 to \$2.50.

Having leased his building to Will Robbins for a restaurant, I. N. Whitaker is erecting a small house at the rear of Clewis' tailor shop which he will occupy with his jewelry repair shop.

MEAL AND CHOPS

I am prepared to furnish you with pure home ground meal and chops. Give me your order.
J. M. Sullivan.

FOR RENT—38 acres of fresh land with good house and barn, third and fourth 3 3-4 miles southeast of town.
S. J. Shaver.

Locals

666 for Colds and La Grippe.

New garden seeds at Howard's. 5c per package.

Khaki pants, best grade, \$1.75 Henry Dailey & Co.

Rhold Island Red eggs for sale. Mrs. R. B. Edens.

Red Rust Proof seed oats at Howard's. Also feed oats.

Big Yank blue work shirts \$1.00. Henry Dailey & Co.

Wingfield Lively has gone to Tyler to attend a business college.

LOST—Red shoate, weight about 80 pounds, under-half crop in each ear. W. R. Morris.

Kill your ants in February. Don't wait until they scatter. Plenty of carbon at Smith's Drug Store.

666 for Headaches, Colds, etc.

Plenty seed potatoes. Henry Dailey & Co.

Pure ribbon cane syrup at Howard's. 95c per gallon.

For fresh milk, fresh butter and eggs see Mrs. C. L. Haltom.

SOWS FOR SALE
I have several good, bred sows for sale. J. W. Howard.

FOR SALE—Milch cow with young calf.
Carl Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. M. Ellis and little daughter of Crockett spent Sunday here with relatives.

If you need sawed oak posts, well curbing or heart fencing see us. Murchison Bros.

I'LL TRADE YOU
A good automobile for young work mules. R. L. Pridgen.

Good overalls and jumpers \$1.00 each.
Henry Dailey & Co.

666 for Malarial Fever.

666 prevents Colds.

Buy your work shirts and overalls at Howard's.

Three good work mules for sale. Cash or good note.
R. B. Edens.

FOR SALE
Two milch cows and one heifer; all registered. Also Overland car.
J. O. Edington.

Have your car washed, polished and greased at the Grapeland Motor Co.

Now is the time of year to rid your place of ants. Get your carbon at Smith's Drug Stoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nelson of Palestine spent Sunday here with the latter's sister, Miss Mabel Berryman.

Be sure your shoes are leather. Buy them at The Darsey Co. A good brown Army Shoe for men (welt sole) for \$4.00.

PEAS WANTED
We are in the market for speckle peas. See us if you have any to sell. J. W. Howard.

Kill your ants in February. Don't wait until they scatter. Plenty of carbon at Smith's Drug Store.

Let us show you our new line of paints; all shades and colors for \$2.25 per gallon. T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Henry Richards came home from Huntsville this week to spend a few days with his family.

FOR SALE
4 year old Jersey milch cow now fresh.
J. P. Adams, Route 1.

Did you know that you could buy a guaranteed paint for \$2.25 per gallon at T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co's.?

Turn your kitchen scraps and other waste into dollars by buying one of those pure bred pigs from A. N. Edens.

Kill Them Now!

If you will kill your ants now before they scatter you will save expense and part of your crop

DO IT NOW!

We can supply you with

CARBON

A Graduate in Pharmacy Here

SMITH'S DRUG STORE
Everything a Good Drug Store Should Have

They Are Here! Seasonable Goods

SHOES—Spring shoes for every member of the family in all the new styles and colors. Be sure to see the new grey and brown low shoes for ladies. Hose to match.

NEW GINGHAMS—Have you been in to see our new gingham? We have a most complete line in all the new spring colors, including the crepe effects. And we are asking no more for our gingham this year than we did last year. It will pay you to see our gingham and get our prices.

Just received a case of new spring PERCALE.

SEED POTATOES—cheaper than they have been in quite awhile. We also have a complete line of Garden Seed, Onion Sets etc. It is time to start a garden. Come in and get what you need at **right prices**.

McCORMICK-DEERING IMPLEMENTS ARE HERE!

Our stock of plow time needs is complete. We have anything you may need in plow tools and farm necessities.

Try us on your Farm needs

We can fill your entire work time needs

Henry Dailey & Co.

Where the Price is absolutely right

Public Debt Reduced

Official figures from the treasury department show that during 1923 the U. S. public debt was reduced almost \$400,000,000. At the beginning of 1924 the total outstanding obligations of the nation were \$21,589,160,000. The secretary's report declared that the great mass of the national obligations which were contracted during the war, are now in "manageable shape." The refunding operations of the last two years, said the report, have left the government in a position to take care of all maturities in the future without impairing the program of gradual retirement of the debt.

There's much talk of permanent waves for men, but most of the old boys would be satisfied with permanent hair and let the wave go.—Albany News.

Also we have some great men who could settle everything between the French and the Germans but who can't make their own children take castor oil.—Dallas News.

Political Announcements
These announcements subject to action of democratic primary in July.

For Commissioner Prec. 1: S. W. Duitch.

For Commissioner Prec. 2: C. A. Story (Re-election.)

For County Treasurer: Frank H. Butler

Window shades, 75c to \$1.35.
Henry Dailey & Co.

Now is the time of year to rid your place of ants. Get your carbon at Smith's Drug Stoe.

CARS FOR SALE
Fords and other cars for sale at a bargain on fall time.
C. C. Officer.

If you expect to do any painting see T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co. We have a guaranteed paint at \$2.25 per gallon.

J. A. BRICKER
GRADUATE OPTOMETRIST
GLASSES FITTED
Optical Supplies, Watch and Clock Repairing
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED
Crockett, Texas.
2nd Door East of Postoffice

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

CATARRHAL DEAFNESS
is often 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. Unless the inflammation can be reduced, your hearing may be destroyed forever.
HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh of Deafness caused by Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE has been successful in the treatment of Catarrh for over Forty Years.
Sold by all druggists.
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

New Merchandise Daily

We are receiving
NEW DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, SHOES
and, in fact, everything carried by an up-to-date dry goods establishment.

Remember that we have lots of
FURNITURE, HARDWARE, GROCERIES
and all kinds of
FEEDSTUFF

Call and see our re-arranged and enlarged stocks of everything needed

WE SATISFY IN QUALITY AND PRICE

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The people that keep the price down

ECONOMICAL SCHOOL FOR COLORED

The St. Luke church colored, of Crockett was blessed last night Jan. 29th, with the presence of Mrs. Norris and Judge A. A. Aldrich. Mrs. Norris spoke to the colored people on social service work and the morals of the race. Among many things she said, she advised the colored people to clean up around their flowers and especially keep things neat and clean, and such things would be essential to good health. She further advised that they should raise the standard of morals and recognize the value of virtue and pure homes. She also stated that the school to be directed at Latexo in possession of two hundred fifty-eight acres of land of which Rev. Jim Johnson is President, is the proper school for the colored people of the South. She hopes to see the school succeed, and thought that the following objects as stated by Jim Johnson could not be improved upon, which are as follows:

1. The science and art of politeness.
2. How to obey law and respect for public sentiment.
3. How to resist temptation and be virtuous.
4. That idleness is sin—all labor is honorable.
5. That a good character is the greatest wealth.
6. That the white people in the South are the negro's best friends.
7. That Christianity means love and service.

Judge Ardlich spoke on citizenship and advised that the

colored people make good citizens and said one particular thing that constitutes good citizenship is to help enforce the law. That if any man would be a good citizen, he could not afford to bootleg whiskey nor buy it from a bootlegger and furthermore, if he knew of any violations of the law and kept the same concealed he would be as bad as the bootlegger himself.

I feel that if the colored people would accept such advice coming from such good white friends as Mrs. Norris and Judge Aldrich, the negro problem of the South would be solved I think. If we would as colored folks, candidly consider conditions in the South as they exist, it would promote harmony among the two races. The Republican party in part, I think, has played too much upon race prejudice in order to obtain votes. It has advocated laws dealing with the race question in the South as they would not deal with it in the north under similar conditions. This causes race antagonism. Some of our own leaders have aggravated the situation by encouraging the colored people to take up too much time with politics instead of cultivating character and owning homes. The white man and the black man are here to stay, and since that is true, they should exchange services and co-operate with each other for the welfare of all.

On the 26th of October, 1923, I closed a contract with Mr. R. L. Raither of Austin, Texas, for 258 acres of land including the colored town site bordering on the west boundary of the public

highway leading from Grape-land to Crockett at Latexo and 100 acres known as the school tract with one two-story frame building. I am planning to put in a truck farm at once, also to erect a two-story frame building. By so doing, I will be able to begin the school proper next fall. I am trying to raise money enough to put up this new building.

I appeal to the colored voters of this county to take special interest in the building of good roads, as it will mean much to our interest as well as to the whites. I'm praying that you will not let an opportunity pass in helping in the good road system.

Jim Johnson, President, Home Economical, Agricultural & Mechanical Institute.

Nothing Like It on Earth

The new treatment for torn flesh, cuts, wounds, sores or lacerations that is doing such wonderful work in flesh healing is the Borozone liquid and powder combination treatment. The liquid Borozone is a powerful antiseptic that purifies the wound of all poisons and infectious germs, while the Borozone powder is the great healer. There is nothing like it on earth for speed, safety and efficiency. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by

WADE L. SMITH

ANTRIM NEWS

Antrim, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Allie Little spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Edens.

Miss Mamie Durnell spent Saturday with her grandmother, Mrs. W. M. Durnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Drake, have moved to near Elkhart.

Mrs. S. J. Martin, who has been visiting in this community for quite awhile, returned home Friday in the Union Chapel community.

We had preaching Saturday night and Sunday, which is our regular preaching day.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. Tony Wood Sunday afternoon.

Sam Blackwell visited John Martin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nichols visited at the home of John Kiser Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Crawford visited at the home of Tony Wood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martin spent Friday night at the home of J. L. Nichols.

A. W. Brinson spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Tony Wood.

Mrs. Linnie Simpson, wife of Jasper Simpson, died Thursday night, January 24. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved ones. Her remains were laid to rest in the Antrim cemetery Friday afternoon.

Mrs. A. W. Brinson and children visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lusky Gray last Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Gray returned home Thursday from Tyler, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Willis.

IT ISN'T YOUR TOWN— IT'S YOU

If you want to live in the kind of a town

Like the kind of a town you like,

You needn't slip your clothes in a grip

And start on a long, long hike. You'll only find what you left behind,

For there's nothing that's really new;

It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town;

It isn't your town—It's you.

—The Aberdeen, S. D., Growler.

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



The sign spelled "A Poke's Store"; a spider read, and then he said, "Homeseeking days are o'er." His silken web he spun across the door, and nevermore was roused by any one. "Why should I advertise? Gosh! I've been here nigh twenty year with this same line of ties! If folks come down this way, they all can see that here I be." Thus Merchant Poke would say. But on another street, a dealer true advises you of wares and prices meet. The shoppers strain his doods and with their scads he runs more ads, and builds up two more floors! Then to this tale give heed—and if you'd nurse a well-lined purse just emulate Hi Speed. For in this very space he tells folks all, both short and tall, of bargains in his place.



WE GIVE YOU Prompt - Service



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Wait for Moline

If you have to buy anything in plow goods wait until you see what we have to offer in the way of

PLOWS STALK CUTTERS PLANTERS HARROWS AND CULTIVATORS

The Moline Line

IS SECOND TO NONE AND SUPERIOR TO MANY

Be sure to see what we have before you buy

DUE THIS WEEK:

A CAR OF FRESH CARNATION FLOUR; ALSO A CAR OF FEED—OATS, BRAN, SHORTS, CHOPS

We want your business and will leave no stone unturned to merit same

HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR CHICKENS and EGGS

W. A. RIAL

DEPENDABLE MERCHANT

POULTRY ON EVERY FARM

Farms without good poultry are more common in the Southwest than they should be. Notwithstanding the fact that it is estimated that the number of chickens and turkeys in the Southwest has more than doubled since the 1920 census, there are yet many farms that either have no poultry or are stocked with scrubs. Every farmer with purebred poultry cannot become a successful breeder, but every farmer should have a flock of purebred poultry to provide his family with eggs and meat, and perhaps, a slight surplus production, depending upon the availability of good markets. Well selected purebreds are more apt to be good producers. Attention to culling will reduce the number of boarders and make any flock profitable to the family.

The number of successful breeders of poultry is increasing. Those who have made a study of the business are enlarging their plants and meeting the ever increasing demand. Many have had obstacles to overcome, but patience and study have put them over the top. It takes time, patience, attention to details and constant study and watchfulness to make the poultry industry a success. Few farmers who have spent a lifetime in crop production or in livestock raising are able to get down to doing the detail work of poultry raising. Generally, however, some member of the family will supply this deficiency to the extent that a good flock can be maintained as a side line to other farm ventures. At any rate, every farmer who becomes interested in purebred poultry will find that it pays even though the industry is not developed to a standard where chickens are in demand for breeders or eggs sold for hatching. Let those who are best fitted in temperament do the breeding and hatching. If most farmers produce for their own needs with a little surplus for pin money, all will be well.—Farm & Ranch.

The scandal-monger as well as the flatterer is always sure of an audience.

Yes; Let's Have The State Inspect Our Cordwood

We are all howling about high taxes—and most of us, when there is anything else to howl about, howl for the State to do for us some things in addition to that it is already doing. Now comes Commissioner Chas. E. Baughman of the Warehouse and Marketing department of the State government, and proposes that we have an inspector of cord wood. He is serious. Of course dealers in cord wood do sell short measure sometimes. We are not a dealer, but we have bought some that way. It did not occur to us to run to the State for relief and ask a new law. If a fellow beats us once, we are our own blame fool if we give him another chance to beat us. Under an Austin date line of Dec. 19, the following appeared in the press of the State:

Announcement was made Wednesday by Chas. E. Baughman, commissioner of markets and warehouses, that he would ask the next Legislature to pass an antiprofitereering law as relates to the sale of wood, and still another law that would require the sale of wood to be made based upon the cord or fractional part thereof.

Commissioner Baughman asserted that he had personally, in the city of Austin measured wood that cost the purchaser at the rate of \$32.50 per cord, and that wood has been delivered in Austin this week at the rate of \$24.45 per cord.

"If I never do anything else in the way of suggesting legislation, I expect to do all in my power during the next session of the Legislature to have a law enacted that will forever stop such practices," said Mr. Baughman. "Austin is not the only city where we find these practices; it seems that the purchaser of small quantities of wood is hit pretty hard everywhere in the state."—Troup Banner.

The busy farmer shocked his corn,

And shocked it with a vim.

He sent it on to market and

The price he got shocked him.

—Washington Herald.

Mother's Cook Book

Not to the swift the race; not to the strong the fight;
Not to the righteous perfect grace; not to the wise the light;
But often faltering feet come surest to the goal;
And they who walk in darkness meet the sunrise of the soul.
A thousand times by night the Syrian hosts have died;
A thousand times the vanquished right hath risen glorified.
—Henry van Dyke.

COOKIES FOR THE FAMILY

THE cookie jar at this season of the year, to be at all popular, must be always full. Here are a few to help replenish it:

Imperial Cookies.

Take one-half cupful of butter, one cupful of sugar, two eggs, one tablespoonful of milk, two and one-half cupfuls of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Mix the butter and sugar, add the beaten eggs, milk and the dry ingredients sifted together. Roll very thin and bake in a hot oven. This foundation may be used for filled cookies if desired, doubling the amount. For the filling, take one-half cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of raisins, two tablespoonfuls of flour, two tablespoonfuls of lemon juice and the grated rind of the lemon, one-fourth cupful of boiling water and two tablespoonfuls of butter. Rub the butter and flour together, add the boiling water and cook, then add the raisins, lemon juice and rind and cook until smooth. Cool before using. Roll out, cut, then place a spoonful of the mixture in the center, cover with another cookie and bake as usual. Dates, currants, figs or a combination of two or more may be used for this filling.

Hermits.

Take one-third of a cupful of butter, two-thirds of a cupful of sugar, one egg, two tablespoonfuls of milk, one and three-fourths cupfuls of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one-third of a cupful of raisins cut into small pieces, one-half teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, the same of mace, and nutmeg. Cream the butter; add the sugar, raisins, egg well beaten, and the milk. Mix the dry ingredients and add to the first mixture. Roll the cookies a little thicker than for plain ones. Bake in a slower oven.

Cream Cookies.

Take one-third of a cupful of butter, one cupful of sugar, two eggs, one-half cupful of thin cream, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one teaspoonful of salt, two teaspoonfuls of ginger, and flour to roll. Mix and bake as imperial cookies.

Nellie Maxwell
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YOUR HAND

How to read your characteristics and tendencies—the capabilities or weaknesses that make for success or failure as shown in your palm.

CARRIAGE AND MOTIONS OF THE HANDS

WHILE the characteristics, tendencies, propensities, etc., of a person may be read best from the lines, the mounts and the signs of the hands, all taken together and to each assigned its proper significance, much may also be learned from the manner in which the subject carries his or her hands and moves them. Of course, this must be studied when the subject does not know that he is under observation, since otherwise he may hold his hand, or move it, in a strained, unnatural manner.

For example, when the person is of an open, frank nature, he will have little to conceal, and will open his hand or palm freely to the gaze. The hand of one whose thoughts and life need concealment will close more or less tightly, and the fingers will endeavor to hide the palm, as it were. Note, therefore, whether the subject seems bent on hiding his palm, even before he knows that he is under observation, and deduce therefrom a secretive nature.

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ABSTRACTS

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

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

J. W. YOUNG
Crockett, Texas

How to Rid the Corn Crib of Rats

Where one hasn't a rat-proof corn crib some method should be adopted to get rid of rats or they will destroy many bushels of corn during the winter. One can use a dog, cat and traps to advantage, but probably the best method is to poison them. Barium carbonate is probably the best poison. It is inexpensive and quite effective.

In order to induce the rats to eat as much of it as possible, see that no food other than the corn is about the barn except that which is on the poison bait. Mix the poison with different kinds of food, vegetables, fruit, etc. It seems the rat is especially fond of a variety of food. Some of the best materials to be used are cheese, bacon, sausage,

sweet potatoes, sliced apples, rolled oats, cornbread and corn meal.

In mixing the poison, use one part of it to four of the food. It is also important to keep the food fresh, because rats will not readily eat stale food. As a rule, after eating this poison, they will leave the crib before dying.—The Progressive Farmer.

FOR WORKING PEOPLE

The best of workers get out of sorts when the liver fails to act. They feel languid, half-sick, "blue" and discouraged and think they are getting lazy. Neglect of these symptoms might result in a sick spell, therefore the sensible course is to take a dose or two of *Herbine*. It is just the medicine needed to purify the system and restore the vim and ambition of health. Price 60c. Sold by Wade L. Smith

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When you need:

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GOODRICH TIRES AND INNER TUBES

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REPAIR DEPARTMENT

We are putting in a first-class repair shop. Mr. Carl Bridges will have charge of the repair work. If your car needs overhauling let Carl figure with you. We will appreciate anything you can give us, and assure you we will try to please you.

GUICE'S FILLING STATION AND GARAGE

LET'S START A BANK ACCOUNT

Banks in a way serve the same purpose as an implement storage barn. Did you ever think of that? Implements stored under good shelter are protected and preserved, we know where they are, can check them up or inspect them at any time and they are ready for use at any time we have need for them. It is the same way with money depositors in a bank, and there is one additional and very great advantage. This comes from paying all bills by check—the check being a receipt for all payments thus made and no money is paid by the bank until the receipt is given by the endorsement on the back. Our obligations are discharged, recorded, and receipt taken when we pay by check. Then when we can check up at the end of each month and see where our pennies, dimes, and dollars go, we naturally are more careful to see that we get full value in return for all we pay out.

Having started a checking account, it becomes a much easier matter to then start a savings account. Every man feels just a little prouder of himself when he has a bank account and pays bills by check. That very fact takes him out of the ranks of the unprogressive and puts him in the class with the real business men.—The Progressive Farmer.



If you have a want of any description, use a little want ad and get rid of it.

NEW PROSPECT NEWS

New Prospect, Jan. 29.—Rev. McMillan filled his appointment at this place last Sunday.

Mrs. Defee of Corrigan, and her daughter, Mrs. Alexander, spent several days with the family of W. J. Kyle, returning home Tuesday.

Bill Kyle visited at Reynard Saturday and Sunday.

E. F. Musick, C. W. Brooks, S. P. Wilcox, Miss Straughn, Frank Caskey, W. W. Finch and daughter, Miss Zelma, and Earle Musick motored to Crockett Saturday.

Leslie Bridges and family visited at the home of Irwin Keen in the Rocky Mound community last Sunday.

J. D. Baker and wife of Grapeland attended church here Sunday.

Frank Caskey and Miss Zelma Finch went to Slocum to a box supper Saturday night.

Miss Birdie Baker entertained several of her friends with a "42" party last Friday night.

Woodrow Newman has been sick several weeks. He has a stubborn case of bronchitis, but is better at this time.

NEWS FROM LIVELYVILLE

Livelyville, Jan. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnson spent Sunday with their son, Elvin Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Brumley went to Crockett Saturday.

Jess Bishop of Huntsville spent Saturday and Sunday with home-folk.

Bill MacDonald spent Sunday with Howard Denman.

Several from here went to the dance given by Joe Franklin. All report a lovely time.

May Etta Adams spent Saturday night with Lura Mae Jones.

Miss Mamie Ferguson is visiting her mother, Mrs. Victoria Ferguson, this week.

Miss Ruth MacDonald and her mother, Mrs. G. W. Garner, spent Saturday with Mrs. Bud Elliott.

Miss Vina Howard spent Saturday night with Miss Ruby Johnson.

Interscholastic League Meet

The directors of the Interscholastic League met in the County Superintendent's office Saturday, January 19, with only two members absent.

It was voted to divide the county into three groups for the purpose of basket ball elimination. Each school participating in the elimination is to be placed in the group most convenient to Lovelady, Grapeland and Crockett. These eliminations are to be held March 1.

The Interscholastic League Meet is to be held in Crockett March 7 and 8. Special prizes are to be offered for first place winners, and ribbons for second place winners.

A complete program has been arranged and will appear later.

We are looking forward to an entertaining and educational meet, and hope every school will join the league and become actively interested in the work. Mrs. Gertie Sallas, County Superintendent.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met in regular session Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Kennedy. Mrs. B. C. Anderson led the devotional and gave a most interesting and helpful talk on "service."

During the business session plans were perfected for the Valentine entertainment to be given at the home of Mrs. Chas. Hill on the afternoon and evening of Friday, February 15.

Several business matters were discussed and much interest shown among the ladies in doing their bit toward the new church, which we hope to have started in the near future. During the social hour the hostess served a delicious refreshment plate. Several visitors were present, as well as a good attendance among members. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12th.

Reporter.

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a.m.

There will be no preaching service as I will be out of town. Neither will I go to Reynard in the afternoon. B. C. Anderson, Pastor.

FOR SALE

At a bargain, 10-room house, 1 1-2 acres of land, close in; cotton platform 70x160, 2 pairs cotton scales. For price and terms see C. E. Lively. 2t

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If you have a few Spanish peanuts to sell bring them in; will ship a car Thursday.

J. W. Howard.

S. J. Goodson was in Henderson this week attending court as a witness in auto theft case. Three boys were recently arrested here at the Goodson Hotel, charged with stealing a car in Henderson.

The "Rialto" is shown at The Darsey Co in black and tan. This is the popular Florsheim oxford for young men for spring.

PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Willie Wright, age 74, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charlie Daniels, Thursday after a lingering illness, and the remains were laid to rest in the Evergreen cemetery Friday, Rev. Arthur Hyde of Grapeland conducting the services. Deceased was a Miss Sullivan prior to her marriage to Mr. Wright, and was one of the pioneer women of this section of the county. Besides a husband, she leaves a number of children and grandchildren, and brothers and sisters, and host of relatives and friends to mourn her loss. The bereaved husband, we understand, has gone to make his home with a son, Arthur Wright, of Houston, who was in attendance at the funeral.

Rev. B. C. Anderson of Grapeland filled his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon.

Misses Mary Abbie Langham and Lola Belle Dickey are visiting friends in Palestine this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cuin Barnes and baby girl of Waneta visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sullivan here Sunday, and attended church.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrington and son of Waneta visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Lively here Sunday.

It continues to rain here and it is almost planting time and not a furrow plowed yet. The farms and roads are almost impassable. It seems as though we might have to macadamize some of our farm land before we can get the mules on it to plow.

GRAPELAND WINS TWO

Grapeland High School basket ball team has won two games recently. The first from Lovelady last Friday afternoon, score 34 to 3. The second from Union Monday afternoon, score 19 to 18. Crockett was due here Wednesday for a game and a return game will be played at Crockett Friday. The team will go to Union next Monday for a game. The date for the return game with Lovelady has not been set.

Mrs. M. L. Clewis was called to Crockett last Friday to see her daughter, Mrs. Collin Lochfield, who was reported to be ill with an attack of appendicitis.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Pearl Love by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House of said Houston County, in the town of Crockett, on the 4th Monday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 24th day of March, A. D., 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 19th day of September, A. D. 1923, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 8371, wherein Will Love is plaintiff, and Pearl Love is defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were married in Houston County, Texas, October 20th, 1906, and lived together as husband and wife until October 15th, 1912, since which time they have neither lived or cohabited together; that more than ten years have elapsed without cohabitation on the part of plaintiff and defendant; that plaintiff is a bona-fide inhabitant of the County of Houston and State of Texas; that the residence of defendant is unknown to plaintiff. Plaintiff sues for divorce.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, A. B. Smith, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this the 29th day of January, A. D. 1924. A. B. Smith, (SEAL) Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

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