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Poultry Association Held Second Meeting

The second meeting of the Grapeland Poultry association was held at the school Auditorium last Saturday with a fairly good attendance. About ten new members were added to the growing list of members and a number of others who were unable to attend sent their names.

To anyone who desires to join this association, please write Jno. R. Owens, secretary, Grapeland Texas and instruct him to enroll your name.

Better poultry and better markets for the products of Grapeland poultry raisers are the objects of the organized efforts of those interested.

Another meeting will be held Saturday at the Court House on the East side of the railroad and everyone interested is urged to attend.

Meeting will be held at 2 o'clock p. m. sharp.

OUR HONOR ROLL

The following have our thanks for their subscription since last week:

Grapeland—Mrs. A. O. Riall, Dick Murchison, W. P. Davidson, Hadie Gilbert, Vernon Courtney, R. L. Kennedy.

Route 1—Walter Brumley.
Route 2—Ike Allen, J. I. McCarter.

Percilla—John Daniels, M. S. Welch.

Augusta—T. S. Cook.

Elkhart—Alton Baker, W. J. Kyle.

Burkburnett—J. W. Lively. (By W. B. Moore.)

Lone Oak—J. H. Bynum. (By J. D. Bynum.)

Houston—J. H. Leaverton.
Malvern—J. W. Jones.

OUR ADVERTISING SERVICE

The Messenger is ever on the lookout for aids to its advertisers, that they may get full benefits for the space they purchase in Messenger columns.

Did you know, local merchants, that the Messenger pays the sum of \$40 per month for illustrated advertising matter that can be used to fit any kind of business? This service carries cuts of the exact articles you may have to offer to the buying public, every ad is timely and everything seasonable. This service is free to our advertisers and it is our pleasure to go into details and help you select just the ad you desire, when you want to look over the service. We buy it for you and want you to feel free to use it.

MOVING TO HUNTSVILLE

Mrs. Henry Richards and family leave this week for Huntsville, where they will join Mr. Richards, who has been working there for several months. They have purchased a home in south Huntsville and will make that city their permanent future home. They have been residents of Grapeland for many years, in fact, were born and reared here and while Grapeland has lost one of its best families, Huntsville is honored by the addition of this family.

Their many friends wish for them every happiness in their newhome.

What's the use in trying a fertilizer that you don't know anything about, when you can buy the Virginia Carolina Fertilizer at Geo. E. Darsey & Co's. a car this week.

Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Houston County Man Killed; Son Surrenders

News has been received here of the killing of Tom Franklin, who lives in the Hagarville community in the southern part of the county, which occurred Sunday.

Soon after the shooting, his son, Joe Franklin, age 25, surrendered to officers and was placed under light bond. It is reported, that officers investigating, stated that according to the evidence at the inquest, the elder Franklin had been away from his home several hours and returned home in an intoxicated condition and began abusing his wife, whereupon the son grabbed a shotgun and killed him.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY ENTERTAINED

On Feb. 12th the Woman's Missionary Society of M. E. Church met at the home of Mrs. Wade L. Smith for a most interesting program from the yearbook. About eighteen members answered to roll call, each giving her missionary resolution for 1924.

During the second hour Miss Dorothy Darsey gave several vocal selections which were enjoyed very much. For refreshments the hostess served brick cream and cake.

The next meeting will be next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Geo. E. Darsey. Mrs. Fisher will lead the program.

LIBERTY HILL LOCALS

(Delayed)

Liberty Hill, Feb. 11.—Walter McAnally and family were week end visitors in this community.

Garrett Holcomb of Alto made a business trip over here last Wednesday.

Miss Ruby Lee Young of Weches and Jim Holcomb of Alto were week end visitors in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rush and Mrs. D. E. Holcomb visited in Alto Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wright entertained the young folks with a party Friday night.

Alvina Moore and family visited in Ponta last week.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. Editor:

Please allow me space in the Messenger to thank the good people of Livelyville for being so good as to put us in a phone. I just can't express my thanks. It sure makes me feel like they are glad we are their pastor. It makes me feel like doing more for the Lord. I hope and pray this will be one of the greatest years for the Lord that has ever been. May God's richest blessings rest upon those people and help them in everything they do for the Lord, is my prayer.

Mrs. J. H. McMillan.

WORK ON NEW MILL PLANNER PROGRESSING

Messrs. Lee McPhaill and son, Hendrix, contractors from Trinity, who have the contract for the construction of the J. S. Hunt mill southeast of town and their planing mill in the north part of the city, have completed about half of their work at the saw mill site and began construction of the planing mill here Tuesday of this week.

W. T. Pridgen Is Made Postmaster

Sunday's Daily papers carried the announcement from Washington that Mr. W. T. (Wright) Pridgen of this city, had been appointed postmaster here to succeed Mr. Frank Leaverton.

Due to the large number of applicants for the place here under the new administration, there has been long delay in choosing from the list of applicants, hence the announcement at this late day.

Mr. Pridgen's many friends will be glad to learn of his appointment and the many patrons will be assured of courteous and efficient service.

Mr. Leaverton, who has for several years filled the position with entire satisfaction, will be engaged in the gin business here in the future.

MARVIN GILBERT IS WINNING BIG LAURELS

Marvin Gilbert, a former Grapeland boy, who has been in the employ of a large department store in Beaumont for some time, as window artist, is creating much favorable comment and excitement with his window decorations, according to a write-up of his work recently in one of the Beaumont daily papers.

His many friends here who know what a tireless worker he has always been, will receive the news of his success with great pleasure and hope for his continued success and achievement in the work he is following.

Christian Church Launches Pre-Easter Campaign

The Pre-Easter evangelistic campaign of the Christian church was formerly opened at the church banquet held on Thursday evening of last week. It was a pleasant and inspiring occasion in every respect. The ladies of the church had prepared amply for the physical needs of the hungry crowd that assembled. Yes, amply, and no charges of admission were made. Not a money-getting scheme this.

We had assembled for a purpose—a real purpose—one that is above material levels. Things of a vital spiritual nature were predominant in the program that was presented. In fact the whole affair was just a means toward the end of evangelizing the unsaved of the community.

The immediate aims of the Church are twofold: first, a hundred per cent increase in church attendance—at all services; second, a fifteen per cent increase in church membership—this as a minimum. Forces are being organized and set to work at the task before us. No room in our ranks for moss-covered loafers. If you want to work—to serve the Lord and not be served—you will enjoy our company and we yours. "Come and see."

Arrangements for a revival meeting just before Easter, led by Rev. Frank Adams of Atlanta, Ga., have been perfected—the exact date of opening will be announced later. Suffice it to say, we are expecting another real revival, equal if not superior to the one of last year. Get in tune for good things and you will not be surprised at their appearing.

DELINQUENT SCHOOL TAX

Those owing school tax in this district are given till March 1st. to pay same without penalty. After this date the collector will force collection with penalty. Grapeland School Board.

Local Citizen Gets Automobile Damaged

Charlie Wall happened to the misfortune of getting his Ford coupe badly damaged last week, on the hard surfaced road north of Trinity. Four men coming in the opposite direction in another car at reckless speed crashed into his car and completely disabled it for the balance of the trip. He was forced to place it in a garage and hire a jitney to bring him back to Grapeland.

Charlie says if you're going to drive on that Trinity county hard road you better have your eyes open and ready to take the ditch if you have a lighter car than some of those speed demons use, or have a heavy car and stand "pat" in the required side of the highway.

FIELD TRIALS AT JACKSONVILLE POSTPONED

In a telegram Monday morning to Mr. W. H. Long of this city, R. E. Truett, of Jacksonville advised that the field trials, which were to be held in Jacksonville on the 28th and 29th of this month, had been postponed to a future date.

All fanciers of bird dogs who had planned to make entries in this event will please be governed accordingly.

PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, Feb. 18.—The bad weather continues and no gardening or farming has been done here yet. We can not hope for anything short of a late start again this year. This will mean another short corn crop.

In the election here Saturday for schoolhouse bonds and tax there was a large vote polled and the entire vote went in favor of the bonds and tax. So you see the people of Percilla are one hundred per cent for bonds and tax when it comes to the comfort and education of their children. We have one of the best schools in the country and now we are going to have one of the best schoolhouses in the country. Our school is progressing along nicely and the regular Sunday night singings are getting better all the time.

Mrs. Cason Bush and baby of Palestine are visiting Mrs. Bush's mother here, Mrs. Owen Sullivan.

Charlie Dickey and Miss Della Hobson of Palestine visited here yesterday.

Mrs. Bill Livelyl has gone to Maydelle, Cherokee County, to attend the bedside of her sick mother.

Mrs. M. E. Dotson, accompanist for Palestine this morning for panied by her son, Luther, left medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lively and son, Henry, visited kinfolk in the Waneta community Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Jap Sheffield of the Muse community visited Mrs. Will Lively here the past week.

Miss Annie Mae Oliver of Union spent the past week here visiting her brother, Den Oliver.

Miss Erma Lou Elliott is visiting in Palestine this week.

NOTICE—FOR SALE

One of the oldest and best equipped blacksmith shops in Houston county; doing a good business; plenty of work for two men; reason for selling, other business. For price see me.

A. B. Guice.

You can get a load of that good Virginia Carolina fertilizer Friday or Saturday.

Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Members of Christian Church Enjoy Banquet

At the High School building last Thursday night, the membership of the Christian church entertained with a banquet, the occasion being a get-together meeting of the entire membership.

Rev. Arthur Hyde, in his own spirit moving way, addressed the gathering, stating that the real purpose of the entertainment was to arouse more interest in the spiritual work of the community. He especially urged members, whose interest has slackened somewhat, to be "up and at work for the Lord." Teams of workers, with Captains, were organized and a real working program outlined.

W. A. Riall, in that careful convincing manner, always characteristic of his best oratory, also addressed the guests and suggested several methods by which the membership working solidly, together, could "move mountains" in the work for the Church and how, through the Church, could achieve greater visible results for the betterment of the entire community.

Several vocal and instrumental selections were rendered by the ladies, which added much to the enjoyment of the occasion, and refreshments were served.

MASONS WILL OBSERVE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

Members of Grapeland Lodge No. 473, A. F. & A. M. will observe Washington's Birthday next Friday night, Feb. 22nd with an appropriate program. All members and their families, members of the Eastern Star and Order of De Molay for boys will be guests on the occasion. The ceremonies will commence promptly at 7:30 P. M.

LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, Feb. 18.—Farmers are very busy plowing their land and getting things in shape for another crop. If the weather continues favorable there will be some corn planted this week.

Marvin Caskey, Odelle Gaines, Jack Masters and Elizie Johnson spent Sunday afternoon with W. C. MacDonald and J. G. Garner.

Ruth MacDonald visited Mrs. J. F. Fulton Saturday afternoon.

Raymond Garner and Will Anthony of Eustace spent Sunday and Monday with G. W. Garner.

Mrs. Elmo Keen and daughter, Dorothy, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tyer at Palestine.

Mrs. Viola Denman is spending a few days with Mrs. Howard Denman.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howard and family spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Basel Thornton of Friendship.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnson visited their son, Elvin Johnson Sunday.

Miss Corine Adams visited her sister, Mrs. Mack Wilkins Sunday.

Miss Cora Ferguson has been on the sick list but is better now.

Most any kind of fertilizer is good, but why not buy the Virginia Carolina and get something that has been tried and you know is good. A car this week.

Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

CRADLE ROLL

A girl was born this week to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown, who reside on Route 2.

THE MESSENGER

A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

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THURSDAY, FEB. 21, 1924

REPRESENTATION WITHOUT PROPER REMUNERATION

Just so long as the body politic expects the best qualified men of the country to sacrifice their individual interests and business in order to gain the little honor that is linked with the job of serving the people's interests in governmental affairs, just so long will there be disappointment.

Rational, sober minded people cannot reasonably expect first class business administrations of satisfactory nature in the affairs of State with third class financial remuneration. Business men of the larger caliber, who have succeeded and are succeeding in their various lines of business in private life cannot be expected to sacrifice a big financial loss in their own personal affairs just for the mere honor of having the title of "Honorable" prefixed to their names.

The type of representatives and other public officials who hold responsible places in affairs of State should be the same type of men who have achieved success in the management of their personal interests, and who possess those qualities of character which stand for the justification of every act committed when the interests of their fellow-men are involved.

The Governor receives smaller financial remuneration than a County Clerk of a good sized Texas county. State Representatives at present receive less than their actual living expenses while in the State Capitol.

The pay of representatives is fixed by the State and if the present pay cannot be increased by amendment, then there seems to be but one course left—that is to choose a good business man for representative and by private subscription, pay him a good salary for his time and replace any loss that is incurred in his serving.

The State of Texas is a gigantic corporation and business brains are greatly needed in conducting the State's business and lightening the tax burden that is thrust upon the people, much of it coming from incompetency and the failure of those serving to eliminate much of the "overhead."

We hasten the day when Texas will pass out of the hands of the "good politician" and poor business man into the hands of the good business men and "poor politician." Then, and not until then, will come more real economy and lower taxes than will ever be brought by the grand and glorious promises made to "the dear people" by the politicians.

BUY A TRACT OF LAND

Young Americans of Houston county who desire to enjoy the fruits and blessings of liberty should lose no time in providing themselves with a few acres of agricultural land. It need not be a large tract, because a few acres, when properly cultivated, will bring in revenue enough to support a family. The land owner is a fixture and feels that he is a permanent institution. He is not like the rolling stone, going from place to place, trying to live by his wits or by renting out his land to some one.

The land owner has an interest in the country and feels it increases his own sense of im-

portance, makes of him a better citizen and makes him feel this country is his home. No greater heritage can be left a young man than a farm, and the most valuable knowledge that can be obtained from all the schools and colleges and universities is that which enables him to handle the land and make it productive and profitable.

The land of this country is drifting year after year into the hands of a few. Of a surety where wealth accumulates men decay, and where these conditions prevail the land is a prey to hastening ills. Tenant farmers are increasing at a rapid rate right here in Houston county when their numbers should be decreasing. Good land can be purchased now at a very fair figure; as the country develops land will naturally go higher. So now is the time that this matter should be given serious consideration by the non-land owners, who are capable of looking a little way into the future.

BACK TO THE HOME

In considering the influences that tend to disintegrate the home, joy-riding, jazzing and movies are sometimes mentioned, but never the radio.

Radio brings the family together around the fireside and even brings the neighbors together to listen to KDL and PDQ programs.

The moral influence of the radio is to conserve the home and the family life of the nation, with better music, better spoken theatre plays and opera.

A premium is placed on better song artists and the better enunciation of the spoken language, which the American people are sometimes careless in using.

As far back as 1874—50 years ago—the people of Texas were wrestling with the tax problem. Governor Coke in a message to the legislature suggested measures for liquidating the state's indebtedness and urged that the state's finances be put on a cash basis. We hear the same thing today. The state is running in debt millions of dollars, in spite of the fact that the legislature has taxed almost everything in sight to raise more revenue. The best remedy is to cut expenses, just like a business man does, when he finds his overhead becoming too heavy. But business in government is an unknown quantity. Where is the Moses that will lead us out of the wilderness?

An appropriate monument, and one true to life, to place upon one's grave would be carved like an automobile with the deceased down underneath with a monkey wrench in his hand.

President Coolidge says that we should not have war taxes in peace times. Doesn't Mr. Coolidge know that war taxes of the father are visited upon his children; aye, even unto the third and fourth generations?

An operation upon the appendix is not infrequently an operation at the same time upon the bank roll.

Texas has substituted electrocution for hanging. Nevada gasses 'em to death, but the quickest way for a politician to shuffle off seems to be the oil route.

Unless McAdoo is able to perform a miracle in his testimony before the senate committee investigating the Tea Pot oil scandal, the democrats might as well hunt another leader if they expect to win the presidency. Even if Mr. McAdoo's connection with the Doheny interests was legitimate and honorable, which we do not doubt, the oil taint is there. Politics and oil do not mix.

It was probably the escaping fumes from a "Teapot" that caused the illness of Mr. Fall.

Pronunciation of the word "Tutankhamen" sounds more like the sneeze of a hay fever victim than anything else.

The excitement caused by the lifting of the lid that sealed the tomb of King Tut was a mere "ripple" compared with what ensued when the lid that sealed the history of Teapot Dome was lifted.

The old fashion father who developed strong lungs swearing at a balky mule in the new-ground field now has a son who gets the same results with the "college yell", but which has a different "kick."

Question: If the Washington investigation finds many more guilty of crookedness and bribery, there will not be enough investigators left to conduct the investigation.

Our candid opinion is that when the Senate investigates the Rio Grande Valley land, they will find that it produces the best grape fruit and oranges in the whole wide world.

"Rum Runners Adopt Smoke Screen", says a headline in a daily paper. The runners perhaps took "a snoot" of their rum and could not prevent the smoke, which is a natural product of fire.

THE OTHER FOLKS

Besides yourself there are about a hundred million of other folks in the United States and each of them has the idea that he is of some importance. He thinks he has rights, and he thinks he ought not to be interfered with in his business and

his pleasure. But there are a lot of fellows who go around with the notion that the population of the country consists of one, and that they are it. You can't get past that way—long. The only way a hundred million of folks can live together even in a roomy country without knocking each other's heads off, is to have a little consideration. If you have a right, so has the other fellow. Every right is modified by the obligation to make use of it so that you don't damage anybody else. When two trains try to use the track at the same time there's a wreck. No. The only way to live is by a willingness to stand on the side track once in a while to wait for the other fellow's train to go by.—American Boy.

WANTED—A MAN

I want a man to work on my farm. I don't give dancing lessons. I have no piano. I can't serve plank steak three times a day. I do give three square meals, a real bed, fair wages. If any man who knows a cow from a talking machine, can hear an alarm clock, get up at 5 o'clock wants the job, I will agree not to treat him like one of the family, but a darn sight better. Apply at the Steve Wiggin place, Intervale Road—Advertisement clipped from the Rome (Kansas) Record.

MAKES GOOD PROFIT FROM CHICKENS

Starting with 25 hens and 3 roosters, a 12-year-old poultryman in Washington County, R. I., Norman Lewis, has developed a profitable business. He began in the spring of 1922 by joining the poultry club which the agricultural extension worker was organizing in his community. That year he hatched and fed 113 broilers so that they were ready to sell while the market price was high. He kept 25 of the best pullets as a foundation flock for the next season. Norman found his work so interesting that he studied more about poultry at the club members'

State camp and short course in 1923. Here he learned to caponize and this season developed a good market for his capons. An important part of his club work is the keeping of records of all expenditures and receipts. Recently he finished his 1923 accounts and according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture, finds that he paid out \$79 and received \$319, leaving him \$237 for his year's work.

Agriculture crushed to earth is rising again. The farmer's dollar will buy more today than at any time during the last three years.

It is not astonishing to hear that in the South Sea Islands the neighbor women arrange for all marriages. The neighbor women of this land of the free would like to.—Toledo Blade.

Reports from Mexico seem to indicate that the revolution is proceeding along routine lines.—Indianapolis News.

A slowpoke is anyone whose car we can pass; a speed maniac is anyone who succeeds in passing us.—Newcastle Courier.

Insert in daily prayer: "While my hand is on the steering wheel and my foot on the gas, let me not forget the right of my pedestrian neighbor to live."—Houston Post.

HIS PASSING FANCY

There was a man who fancied that,
By driving good and fast,
He'd get his car across the tracks
Before the train came past;
He'd miss the engine by an inch,
And make the train hand sore.
There was a man who fancied that
There isn't any more.—Puppet.

AN "INTERESTING CASE"

To relieve a Missouri patient of intense suffering his physicians cut out his tonsils, had his teeth removed and then removed a needle from his heel, where the pain was located.—Toledo Blade.

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VOTE
This Election Year
Of Every Thrifty Farmer
On
MOLINE IMPLEMENTS
We don't worry about how
you will vote in the future
once you try
The MOLINE WAY
HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR CHICKENS and EGGS
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF HOUSTON COUNTY, GREETING: You are hereby commanded to summon Lura Belle Weisinger by making publication of this Citation once in 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 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 9th day of February A. D. 1924 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No 8428, wherein Horace R. Weisinger, By next Friend, Paul Weisinger Is Plaintiff, and Lura Belle Weisinger is Defendant, and said petition alleging Suit for divorce, Plaintiff alleging that Plaintiff and defendant were married in Houston County, Texas November 29th, 1922, and lived together until December 28th, 1922, when Plaintiff caught defendant in the act of adultery and immediately abandoned her. That Plaintiff is a bona-fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and for more than six months preceding the filing of this suit, has resided in Houston county. That defendant's place of residence is unknown.

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 9th day of February A. D. 1924.

(SEAL) A. B. Smith, Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

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.

(SEAL) A. B. Smith, Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

C. M. T. C. CAMPS
THIS YEAR IN AUGUST

The necessary preparations to insure the success of the four Citizens Military Training Camps to be held this summer in the 8th Corps Area have been completed. It is believed that the careful attention given to every detail that the Camps this year will be the best ever held in this Corps Area.

From August 1st to 31st four Citizens Military Training Camps are to be held in this Corps Area, one at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, one at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, one at Fort Logan, Colorado and one at Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

Provision has been made for 3100 students to receive the splendid training to be given at these Camps, this large number to be drawn from applicants from the States of Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico, and each State having a certain quota based upon population. This will give every live, wide-awake young man between the ages of 17 and 24 an opportunity to gain admittance to the camps.

The Government will as usual pay all transportation expenses and all other necessary expenses from the time the student starts to the camp until he returns home, including the issuing of a complete uniform and first class standard equipment.

It is the intention this year as in the past, to show the public by actual demonstration that camp instruction of the kind contemplated will be the liking of the young men will develop them physically, mentally and morally and will teach Americanism in its true sense.

Much attention will be given to athletics and the Army's best coaches will be detailed to the Camps. The general all round system of physical training has been indorsed by the leading athletes of the country in all branches of sport and every young man should avail himself of this wonderful opportunity to take this training.

Applications should be sent in early to 1st Lt. J. A. Gilruth, C. M. T. C. Officer, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to insure gaining a place in the camps. These Camps are the Citizens' own and any information desired will be promptly given upon request.

KEEP ON ADVERTISING

"If a public utility, like a gas or electric light company, is carrying all the load it can, should it continue to advertise? By all means, not only to increase the demand for its service, but to keep the interest of the public in the company alive.

"To increase business is one of the essential purposes of advertising. To keep alive the public's interest in the store or concern is quite as valuable an end and result of advertising as to increase public demand for the store's or concern's wares and products.

"There is no store or business worth advertising at all, but which possesses many relative facts that would be good news to tell the public through advertising space in the newspapers, whether more business is desired or not."—Henry L. Daugherty, New York.

A SPLENDID FEELING

That tired, half-sick, discouraged feeling caused by a torpid liver and constipated bowels can be gotten rid of with surprising promptness by using Herbine. You feel its beneficial effect with the first dose as its purifying and regulating effect is thorough and complete. It not only drives out bile and impurities but it imparts a splendid feeling of exhilaration, strength, vim, and buoyancy of spirits. Price 60c. Sold by

Wade L. Smith
RYAN'S DRUG STORE

TERRELL ANNOUNCES
FOR RE-ELECTION

In an address to the people of Texas, Hon. George B. Terrell announces that he will be a candidate for re-election as Commissioner of Agriculture.

Some time ago Mr. Terrell stated that he would be a candidate for governor, provided his friends would aid in financing his campaign. It is to be presumed that this financial aid was not forthcoming.

In his statement, among other things, Mr. Terrell says:

"After careful consideration I have decided to stand for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Agriculture. My candidacy is based upon the record I have made for efficiency and economy. I am profoundly grateful to the people for the splendid support given me in the past and will endeavor to merit such support in the future by honest, efficient and economical service."

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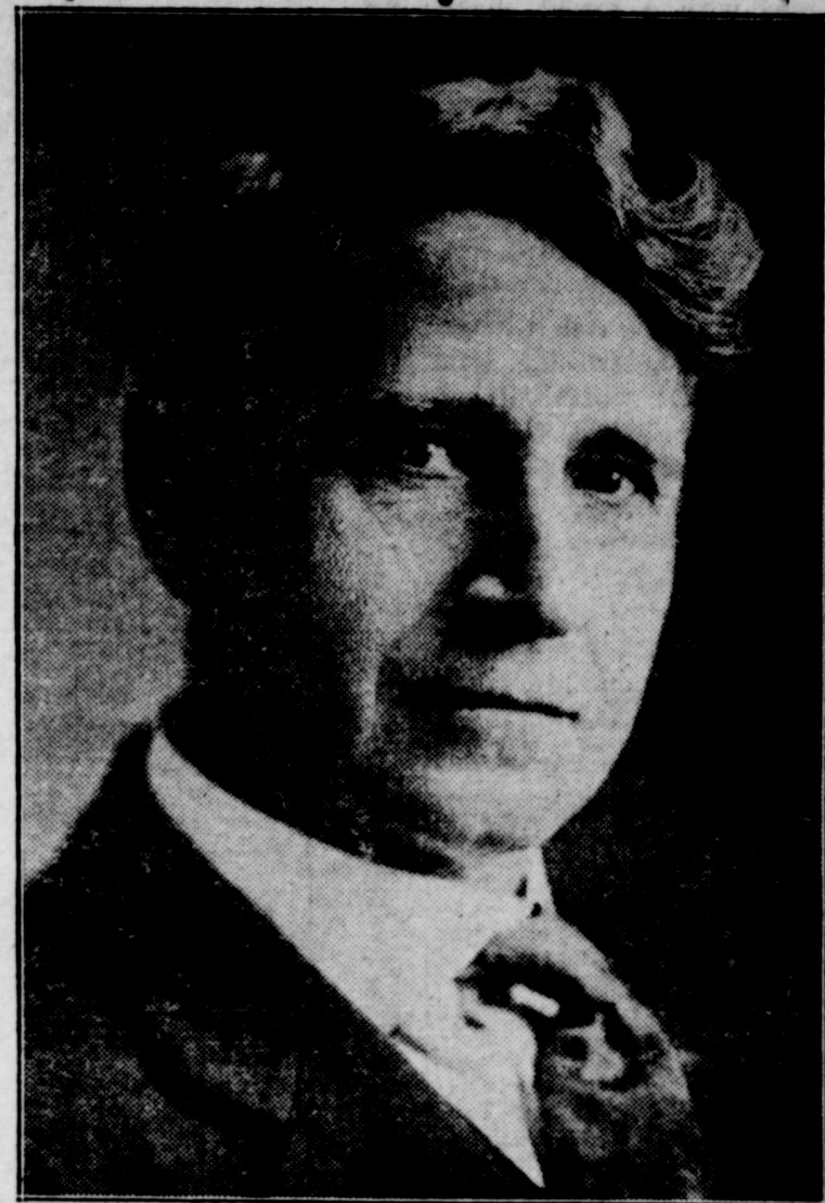
Recently a woman depositor entered a Boston bank to make a deposit. She had some bills and checks to deposit, so she procured a deposit slip which required the listing of bills, specie, and checks. She listed her bills and checks in their respective places, but was somewhat in doubt as to what to list under specie. After a few moments' thought she wrote after the word specie "Female" and turned in her deposit.—Forbes Magazine.

An Occasion For Tact

The goose had been carved, and everybody had tasted it. It was excellent. The minister, who was the guest of honor, could no longer restrain his enthusiasm.

"Dat's as fine a goose as I ever set ma teeth in, Brudder Bilyums," he said to his host. "Whar did you get such a fine goose?"

"Well, now, parson," replied the carver of the goose, exhibiting great dignity and reluctance, "when you preaches a speshul good sermon, I never axes you whar you got it. I hopes you will show de same consideration."—Lawyer and Banker.



HON. THOMAS D. BARTON

of Austin, Candidate for Governor.

In offering himself for Governor of Texas, among other things Mr. Barton says:

"I offer myself as an American; a Texan bred and born, for this high office. I desire no man's vote under false colors. I invite close investigation of my entire life of 49 years in Texas, from boyhood up to this day, both private and public. If I am elected Governor I will do exactly what I say I will do. I will not be owned by any man or set of men. Every hour I live will be dedicated to serving the people of Texas. I will bow to no politician, great or small. I will organize, in so far as my power extends, each State department retained, into an efficient business organization. I shall labor day and night to put the State upon a cash basis. It is a crying shame for our State warrants to be banded about at enormous discounts. As a remedy I promise to veto any legislation which tends to create a deficiency. I will appoint men to office because of their value to serve Texas and for no other reason. I expect to make a complete campaign, in every portion of Texas, telling the voters in detail my ideas of Government. If my ideas reach a response from you I desire your vote and your assistance; if they do not I shall not expect your vote, because I plant myself firmly upon my convictions; by them I shall rise or fall."

The man who hasn't time for public work does the most kicking because somebody else runs the town.—Robert Quillen.

The girl who wishes to economize this spring is planning to cut off two inches of the bottom of her earrings.—Minneapolis Journal.

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

A SPLENDID EXAMPLE



Washington, so biographers relate, was a thrifty youth. At the age of sixteen he had a job as surveyor and had opened a Bank Account in his own name to take care of his savings.

What a splendid example for the youth of today! And we will venture that Washington did not enjoy the privileges which this Bank is ready to offer to help you save systematically.

Most great fortunes have had modest beginnings. Start a Savings Account today.



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

"Our government is one of checks and balances," declares a Virginia Democrat. Our observation is that whenever the government gets our check our balance disappears—Houston Post.

Save Money At Keeland Bros.' Sale

Get These Prices Firmly Fixed in Your Mind

- Palmolive soap7c
- Fairy soap5c
- Shinola7c
- Spring Clothes pins, doz.5c
- Bayer's Aspirin 25c size for 13c
- Silver King Wash Board39c
- Extra good lead pencils for .2c
- Mavis Talcum powder 25c size for19c
- 10 lbs sugar\$1.00
- 5 cans good corn95c
- 7 large size tomatoes95c
- 10 large size Lye95c
- 20 bars best white laundry soap for95c
- 5 cans Pink Salmon89c
- 12 boxes Matches49c
- Men's work socks9c
- Nice towels9c
- Light patterns percale, yard 9c
- New plaid dress gingham, per yard13c
- Baker's Perfect Barb Wire, large size wire, per roll\$4.75

RUGS! RUGS! RUGS!

See our new line of rugs.

Authentic Styles

SOMETHING NEW

Cadet Full Fashioned, all silk guaranteed hose for ladies are shown in the following best spring shades; at only \$2.00 a pair.

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| PEACH | AIREDALE |
| NICKEL GREY | CORDOVAN |
| GUN METAL GREY | OTTER |
| WHITE | MANDALAY |
| BEIGE | AFRICAN |
| BLACK | AUTUMN |

Other popular grades at 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.50

CHIC HATS

When you come down to look at the new dresses today, be sure to try on some of the charming, new styles in Spring headwear. Each hat is an individual style and added charm is brought about by the artistic combination of colors or the addition of a jaunty trower or ornament. They're bound to compel attention.

ALSO CORSAGES

PRINTED SILKS

A glance through the new numbers in our dress goods department will reveal to you fashion's latest decrees in fabrics. In addition to all wanted plain silks, you will find attractive new designs in prints and figures.

NEW DRAPERIES

Many of our customers are already putting a new dress on the house for Spring and Summer. A great change can be made in the interior of your home at a small cost if you let us help you plan and select your draperies. We have most all grades and materials.

KIRCH GUARANTEED FLAT RODS

TRY ONE ON

The best way to judge the charm, fit and comfort of a Nelly Don Wash Frock is to just try one on. We buy this line because we believe it offers greater value than any other line on the market. And we are not alone in this belief, for leading department stores in every city feature it. See how they are made

NEW TRIMMINGS

Daintiness itself is expressed in some of the new trimmings received this week. Whatever kind of trimming is best suited for your new Spring Frock, can be selected from our assortments. We also have all colors in beads.

HAND MADE ARTICLES

We have at most all times in our cases, real attractive handmade articles for infants, for the home and for grown folks. These articles are made by and sold for our customers and are often rare bargains.

SWEATERS

We are expecting a shipment of the new sweaters the latter part of the week. And of course, this means skirts and blouses. We have new blouses and skirts in the new materials at a price range that make them appealing to everyone.

COME OFTEN

At this time, with so many new things arriving, it is impossible for us to mention them each week. The best way to keep up with them, is to come and see them. We are always glad of the opportunity to show you and appreciate a visit. Command us if we can serve you, and remember

WE SHOW THE NEW THINGS FIRST

Special Showing Today

of the newest of the new in

Women's Spring Apparel

Mr. Jack Harris, whom most of you are acquainted with, will be at our store today (Thursday) with a complete line of pretty things you'll like to wear. Come to this showing and get first choice of the

DRESSES COAT SUITS COATS

YOU SAVE MONEY EVERY TIME YOU BUY AT THIS STORE

And besides saving you money on your purchases, there are other advantages to trading here. You will find our merchandise to be of a superior quality, our stocks most complete in every detail with the newest fabrics and styles, and a guarantee of satisfaction with every purchase. We invite you to compare our every day values with those offered at other places.

- 27 in. Fast Color Check Ginghams, per yard15c
- 27 in. Lady Jane Dress Ginghams, per yard20c
- 32 in. Liberty Dress Ginghams, per yard25c
- Other 32 in. Ginghams, per yard29c to 50c
- 36 in. Bungalow Cretannes, per yard25c
- 36 in. LL Sheeting, per yard15c
- 36 in. Bleached Muslin, per yard15c
- 36 in. Festival Bleached Muslin, per yard20c
- Men's and Boys' Percale Dress Shirts\$1.00
- Men's Blue Work Shirts as low as65c
- Ladies and Men's silk fiber hose50c
- Boys Overalls in all sizes to 15\$1.00
- One lot men's khaki pants at\$1.75
- Men's athletic Union suit up from50c
- Men's and ladies handkerchiefs5c
- Men's small flat shoe strings5c
- Men's and Boy's Spring Caps up from50c
- The biggest line of embroidery, crochet and sewing threads in town. All wanted shades.

Our entire store is resplendent with values equally as resplendent as those mentioned above. A visit will convince you.

GENUINE EVERFAST WASH FABRICS

Backed with the strongest kind of guarantee against fading from any cause, it's no wonder that the genuine EVERFAST fabrics are in such popular demand, made even more so, for the price is no more than has to be charged for ordinary suitings and similar fabrics. We'll be glad to have you visit our EVERFAST Department and see the beautiful shades in

- Genuine Everfast Creaseless Linen\$1.25
- Genuine Everfast Suiting50c
- Genuine Everfast Voile65c
- Genuine Everfast Basket Crepe75c
- Genuine Everfast Gingham65c
- Genuine Everfast Sateen\$1.00
- Genuine Everfast Kindercord75c
- Genuine Sundour, the Everfast Drapery,75c to \$1.50

All Everfast Fabrics stocked here are a yard wide. To be sure you get the GENUINE, buy it at The Darsey Co., the only store in GrapeLand that sells EVERFAST Wash Fabrics.

THE DARSEY CO.

GRAPELAND'S CASH DRY GOODS STORE

Senator Reed a Candidate

Another entry, on the Democratic side, has been made for the big 1924 race. Senator Reed of Mo. announced his candidacy for president. His campaign will be managed by E. A. Glenn, of St. Louis, who managed Champ Clark's campaign in 1912.

The senator stands for reduced taxation and soldier bonus, improvement of waterways, abolition of useless government boards and bureaus, readjustment of railroad rates—especially for agricultural products—and for less government in business. He is against "fraudulent and corrupt transfer of public oil lands to private corporations," and wants general prosecution

of graft and bribery in public service.

Senator Reed has been in the senate since 1911. He was one of the most determined and active opponents of the league of nations, and in that way antagonized President Wilson and other Democratic advocates of the league. He was re-elected to the senate in 1922 by a big majority.

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

The radio has certainly increased the crop of eavesdroppers.

Japanese People Grateful

As a "mark of gratitude" from the Japanese people the United States received a book of extraordinary size containing the signatures of many thousands of Japanese. A letter sent with the book declared that 50,000 persons in Japan had signed their names in the book and took that method to "manifest the feelings they all entertain" and to "symbolize the boundless gratitude" to the people of the United States for what they did during the earthquake tragedy last fall.

Another difference between the sexes is that a luncheon engagement requires more preliminary telephoning than a \$100,000 deal—Ohio State Journal.

BUSINESS ON THE FARM

The Illinois Grange recommends that farmers advertise their products as one method of solving "farm problems."

The telephone and the classified advertising pages of the newspapers used with discretion and the same faith and understanding which business men display in advertising their products, could be of inestimable value to the farmer who had the courage to use them.

Why should a farmer not utilize modern selling methods in disposing of his products direct to consumers? The automobile makes delivery or farm gate sales profitable and rapid. Business methods will do more than political methods to solve the farmer's problems and the Illinois Grange is to be commended for its progressive action.—The Manufacturer.

Locals

666 for Colds and La Grippe.

Garden seed, Seed potatoes, and onion sets at Darsey's.

Plenty of maize and corn. For prices see J. W. Howard.

All wool blue serge 3 piece suits \$19.50 at The Darsey Co.

Used Fords, \$50 and up. Grapeland Motor Co.

4000 new spring samples just arrived at Clewis'.

Wingfield Lively, who is attending school at Tyler, came home for the week end.

Virginia Carolina Fertilizer is good fertilizer. Sold by Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

A few more sows and a bunch of shoates to sell at once. J. W. Howard.

FOR SALE
Single buggy and half and half cotton seed. Pat Taylor.

Buy your winter underwear, blankets, comforts and heavy cotton goods at The Darsey Co.

WANTED—Good milch cow for feed.
Tucker Campbell,
1t Salmon, Texas.

Cooking stoves, bedsteads, mattresses, bed springs, tables, chairs, kitchen safes and complete house keeping outfits. Get our prices. We will save you money.
Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

666 for Headaches, Colds, etc.

Get your fertilizer distributor at Darsey's.

Cars washed and greased. Grapeland Motor Co.

Buy your wedding gifts at Ryan's.

Why waste fertilizer? Buy a distributor at Darsey's.

Old hats made new. Have Clewis to clean and reblock them.

Plenty of carbon at Ryan's Drug Store.

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

New Spring Suits for men \$15 to \$45 at The Darsey Co.

Swift's Red Steer Fertilizer—analysis—12-2-2 at Long's Cash Store.

Seed oats, feed oats, bran, shorts, hay, ear corn and sweet feed at Geo. E. Darsey & Co's.

Chester Owens, who has been in Port Arthur for several weeks has returned home.

Just received a big shipment of ground Oyster Shell, a 100 pound sack for \$1.50.
Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

If you want your hens to lay more eggs, feed the meat scraps—sold at Long's Cash Store.

Kelly cultivators, Kelly plows, Kelly middlebusters, Kelly planters, Kelly beams, Kelly handles, Kelly plow wings, Kelly Points, Kelly land sides, and bolts for Kelly plows.
Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

666 for Malarial Fever.

Buy it at Ryan's.

666 prevents Colds.

Biggest and best shoe values in town at The Darsey Co.

Miss Lileene Brown came home from Livingston to see home folk last week end.

If its anything in the Kelly plow goods line you will find it at Darsey's.

Boys and girls basket ball and athletic tennis shoes at The Darsey Co.

A car load of Virginia Carolina Fertilizer to arrive about Friday.
Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

A. A. Allen has returned from Belott, where he has been for the past ten weeks building a nice home for Mr. J. W. Lockey.

RADIO TUBES
You can now buy Vacuum Tubes for your Radio at Darsey's.

LOST—Red barrow, long tail, marked smoothe crop and crop under crop. Notify Henry Dailey.

FOR SALE
Good work horse and single buggy; cash or good note. Robt. Montgomery, Route 1.

Mrs. Tom Copes of Port Arthur, spent last week end here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Patton.

This week, you can buy a 50c bottle of MOONSHINE, the polish that dyes, for 35c, at The Darsey Co.

Overstocked on Toilet Articles

Note these Bargains

25c Grecian Girl Talcum 2 for	25c
35c Mary Garden Talcum 2 for	35c
25c Lazelle's Talcum 2 for	25c
\$1.00 Nyal's Face Powder each	25c
50c Nyal's Face Powder each	25c
50c Nyotis Face Powder each	25c
50c Soul Kiss Face Powder each	35c
25c Nyotis Cold Cream each	15c
50c Soul Kiss Face Cream	25c
50c Nyotis Cold Cream each	25c

And many others at greatly reduced prices.

A good assortment of Valentines.

A Graduate in Pharmacy Here

SMITH'S DRUG STORE

Everything a Good Drug Store Should Have

PEAS WANTED
Will ship a car of peas between now and February 24th. Those having peas to sell had better dispose of them now. Will pay \$2.25 per bushel cash. J. W. Howard.

Another shipment of Dr. Le Gear's Stock Powders and Poultry Prescription just received direct from the factory at Ryan's Drug Store.

Frank Allen of Palestine was a business visitor here last Thursday.

W. D. Dyal returned Friday from Dallas, where he spent a few days on business.

Meridan Fertilizer is the best—we have it. Better get what you will need right now.
Kennedy Bros.

JUST ARRIVED VIRGINIA HART



Our Gingham and Percale dresses have just arrived. You will find our Virginia Hart dresses above the average of style and quality and when you see them and see the great variety of style and trimmings used in their make up, you will wonder why you ever gave so much time and worry to the making and trimmings of your own dresses, especially since they are so modestly priced. We have them in Misses sizes from 16 to 20 and Ladies sizes from 36 to 46 and at the very low price of

1.25 to 2.25

Be sure to see these dresses.

While you are in don't fail to see our complete line of shoes and hosiery.

SPRING Clothing and Shoes FOR MEN

Our Clothes and Shoes Fit You While the Price Fits Your Purse

Men! We are receiving new wearing apparel every day. Our men's shoe stock is very complete in work shoes and dress shoes, both high and low. Just let us show them to you.

Big shipment of Dutchess trousers from ...\$3.50 to \$7.00 10c a button \$1.00 a rip. Ask to see them.

Everything in work clothes and postively at money saving prices. We've received since 15th of January over 4000 yards of gingham. We bought it and are selling it absolutely right. Nobody undersells us on gingham. Some and see. New Spring goods arriving daily.

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



ROTHSCHILD Dent Caps



We guarantee Sweet-Orr work clothes to outwear any other make on the market. Satisfaction or your money back. The Darsey Co.

Mrs. W. P. Davidson, accompanied by her brother, Tom Polk, of Elkhart, left Friday for Texarkana, having been called there on account of the death of their father, V. C. Polk, who died Thursday, February 14.

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

"COLD IN THE HEAD"
is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Those subject to frequent "colds" are generally in a "run down" condition. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a treatment consisting of an Ointment, to be used locally, and a Tonic, which acts quickly through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, building up the System, and making you less liable to "colds". Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Robbins Restaurant
In Whitaker Building
Back of Clewis' Tailor Shop
Short orders cooked right and served quick

Oysters fried, dozen	35c
Chili	15c
Big order sausage	25c
Big order steak	25c
Ham and eggs	35c

Eat with me and save money
Good Apple Cider on Tap

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



HON. W. E. POPE
of Corpus Christi, Candidate for Governor

Mr. Pope is at present a member of the state legislature and has rendered conspicuous service to the state in that capacity.

Mr. Pope enumerates thirty-two specific things he would try to accomplish if governor, all of which tend to lower the tax rate and make for more economical government. His slogan is "No more taxes—no time—no place—against nobody nor nothing."

The divine mind is as visible in its full energy of operation on every lowly bank and mouldering stone as in the lifting of the pillars of heaven, and settling the foundation of the earth.—Ruskin.

She—Isn't it a nuisance dear? Mother sent me a recipe for some wonderful floor polish, but I've mislaid it.

He (tasting soup suspiciously)—Are you sure you mislaid it, darling?—London Passing Show

HIS FAVORITE READING

My bank book is my favorite reading, I confess. I do my work for the love of it because my heart is in it. But a bank book can be thrilling—the best literary thriller in the world. The edition of the bank book is too limited. Every man should have his copy. And he should keep it for private circulation—very private. No other one in the world should know what is in that precious bank book. The Scots have a proverb: "Aye keep something to yourself ye scarcely tell to ony!" That's your bank book. On every page there should be something nicer than on the page before. And every bank book should have a happy ending. On the last page the end should be: 'Continued in our next.' The bank book should be the foundation of the family library. People open the check book too often and the bank book not often enough. The check book's too full of reading matter! —Sir Harry Lauder.

JOHN SPENCE

Lawyer

CROCKETT, TEXAS

Office up stairs over Millar & Berry's Store

PREVENTS INFECTION

The greatest discovery in flesh healing is the marvelous Borozone, a preparation that comes in liquid and powder form. It is a combination treatment that not only purifies the wound of germs that cause infection but it heals the flesh with extraordinary speed. Bad wounds or cuts which take weeks to heal with the ordinary liniments mend quickly under the powerful influence of this wonderful remedy. Price (Liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by

WADE L. SMITH

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

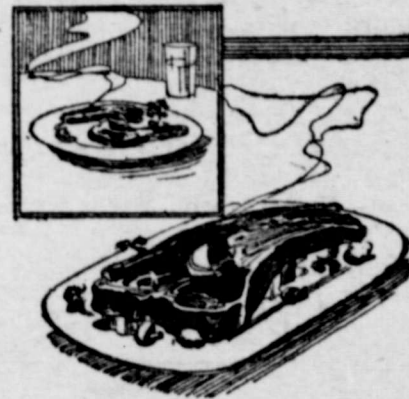
Have A Business Home

Call at our bank today and let us start you on the road to prosperity.

We not only accept your deposits keep your money safely and render you every possible accomodation that the best banks in the country can render, but we will take care of your valuable papers and give you our assistance in any business transaction free of charge.

We invite you to make our bank your business home.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK



EVERYTHING
A GOOD
Steak
Should Be

That's what you will say when you serve one of our special Steaks for dinner.

We can send you the cut you prefer—simply phone us and we will send it right up.

GOOD GROCERIES

Include with your order some of our fresh staple and fancy groceries. We have a nice line—all new and fresh stock.

Our prices will please you

SHAVER'S MEAT MARKET

WILLIS SHAVER, Proprietor



Buy Your Ford Now

WITH spring almost here thousands of families, anticipating the demand that is certain to exist for Ford Cars and Trucks are placing their orders for immediate delivery.

Sales now are far ahead of sales at this time last year. Advance orders calling for delivery under the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan have already reached a total of 255,758 Cars and Trucks.

The prospect of securing prompt delivery is daily becoming more uncertain. We cannot urge too strongly, therefore, the necessity for placing your order immediately, if you are planning to drive a Ford Car this spring.

See the nearest Authorized Ford Dealer

Ford Motor Company
Detroit, Michigan

It is not necessary to pay for your car in full in order to secure delivery. You can get on the preferred list for early delivery by making a small payment down. Or, if you wish, you can arrange for delivery under the terms of the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan.

WE GIVE YOU Prompt - Service



CLEANING PRESSING
ALTERATIONS
TAILOR MADE CLOTHING

M. L. CLEWIS

The Development of Our Railway Net in Texas

By Walter Splawn, R. R. Commissioner of Texas.

Texans early recognized their need for adequate transportation facilities. As early as 1836, the first year of Texas' Independence, the Congress of the (infant) Republic proposed the Texas Railroad, Navigation, and Banking Company. Its capital was to have been five million with possible increase to ten million dollars. All through the Forties there was constant talk of railroads. A number of railroad companies were chartered during that decade, but Texas was too poor to build the desired railroads.

It was not until 1853 that twenty miles of railroad track were completed and put into operation near Houston. By 1861 there were about 500 miles of railroad completed in Texas, and about four-fifths of this mileage was built out from Houston.

The following summary of railroad construction in Texas before 1861 has been made:

Buffalo Bayou, Brazos and Colorado, Harrisburg to Alleyton, 80 miles.

Houston and Texas Central, Houston to Millican, 80 miles.

Washington County Railroad, Hempstead toward Brenham, 21 miles.

Galveston, Houston & Henderson, Galveston to Houston, 50 miles.

Houston Tap and Brazoria, Houston to Columbia, 50 miles.

Texas and New Orleans, Houston to Orange, 111 miles.

Eastern Texas Railroad, Sabine Pass to Beaumont, 25 miles.

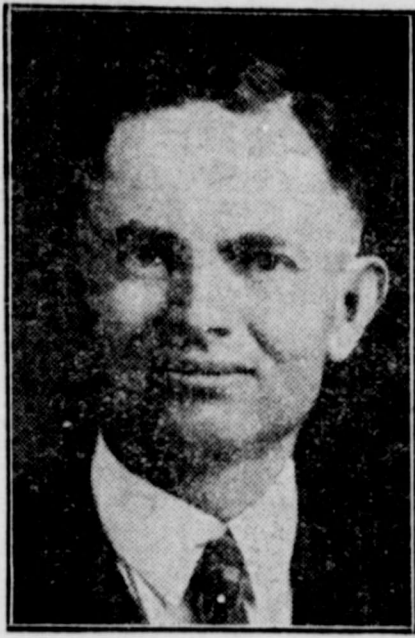
San Antonio and Mexican Gulf, Port Lavaca to Victoria, 28 miles.

Indianola Railroad, Indianola to Junction Point, 15 miles.

Southern Pacific, Marshall State Line, 27 miles.

Memphis, El Paso and Pacific, 5 miles.

Total mileage 492 miles.



WALTER SPLAWN

These railroads, built before the Civil War were located in the cotton and sugar lands. They furnished more dependable means of transportation than the Texas rivers.

MRS. SALLAS ANNOUNCES

In the announcement column of the Messenger this week appears the name of Mrs. Gertie Sallas for re-election to the office of County School Superintendent.

Mrs. Sallas is serving her first term now and has made an accommodating and efficient officer. She asks for re-election at the hands of the voters in the coming democratic primaries with the promise of the same enthusiastic and efficient work in a second term that it has been her pleasure to give in her first term. Her candidacy is commended to the voters of this section for their just and careful consideration.

INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE MEETING

The following prizes will be offered to winners in the Houston County League Meet which will be held Friday and Saturday, March 7 and 8th.

A loving cup will be presented to the school in the county winning the highest total number of points.

A banner goes to the one winning the second greatest number of points.

Pennants are to be given first place winners in basket ball, also first place winners in both tennis doubles and singles.

Purses will be given first place winners in debate and declamation.

A fountain pen goes to the winner in essay writing.

First place winners in track and field events are to be given dependable merchandise.

First place winners in music and little folks' games are to be given ribbons.

Ribbons go to all second place winners.

Judges from out of the county are to be used.

We are looking forward to an unusually good meet, and hope the schools over the county are making thorough preparations for same. Mrs. Gertie Sallas.

Sickly, Peevish Children

Children suffering from intestinal worms are cross, restless and unhealthy. There are other symptoms, however. If the child is pale, has dark rings under the eyes, bad breath and takes no interest in play, it is almost a certainty that worms are eating away its vitality. The surest remedy for worms is White's Cream Vermifuge. It is positive destruction to the worms but harmless to the child. Price 35c. Sold by Wade L. Smith

Avoid a constipated habit, it breeds disease in the body. An occasional dose of Prickly Ash Bitters will keep the bowels healthy and regular. Men use it and find it good for that purpose. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith Special Agent.

"That was a very good likeness of the editor which appeared in The Messenger last week,"

stated N. V. Streetman, "and I want to congratulate The Messenger upon its 25th anniversary. A wonderful change for the better has taken place in the country and the town since I came here 18 years ago from Florida," continued Mr. Streetman. To see the town then and as it is today, one wouldn't recognize it as the same place, stated Mr. Streetman.

Well Cooked Food Means Health
Our efforts to please you don't cease until you are pleased. We appreciate your patronage.
CITY CAFE, E. L. FRISBY PROPRIETOR.
on Second Street
Cleanliness and Quick Service is our Motto



It's a Fact

No better workmanship can be found anywhere than the kind we give you here.

Our constantly increasing business is positive proof that people appreciate and are pleased with the service we give them.

If you have any kind of car trouble let us fix it. Prices reasonable.

GAS ACCESSORIES OIL
Norman's Garage
J. C. NORMAN, Proprietor

YOU WILL ALWAYS Save Money

BY TRADING AT OUR STORE

Our Dry Goods Department is Complete in Staple and Fancy Merchandise.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE OUR LADIES' TRIMMED HATS---They are redolent with the breath of Paris, charming with the touch of London and perfect with a profusion of American ideas, we invite your inspection.

EXTRA SPECIALS IN OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT FOR SATURDAY

10 lbs. granulated cane sugar \$1.00
4 lbs. best ground coffee \$1.00
Pure Ribbon cane syrup (country made) \$1.00
3 bottles Rooster Snuff for \$1.00
3 bottles Garrett Snuff for \$1.00
2 cans No. 2 Tomatoes for 25c
2 cans No. 2 Jersey Cream corn for 35c
No. 2 cans Golden Red corn per can 15c
2 cans No. 2 Van Camps Porkand Beans for 25c

2 cans No. 2 Empson's Stringless beans for 35c
No. 2 Empson's Columbine Sugar Peas, per can 19c
No. 3 Empsons Sauer Krout per can 15c
No. 3 Prattlew Apricots per can 35c
No. 3 Prattlew Pears per can 35c
No. 3 Prattlew Yellow Cling Peaches per can 35c
Minnesota Triumph Seed Potatoes per bushel \$2.25
We have a big stock of 5c garden seed.

BRING US YOUR PRODUCE. WE PAY THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICES

Long's Cash Store

"Hello, Mose; how long you-all in jail fo'?"
"Three weeks."
"What did you do?"
"Jest killed ma wife."
"An' you-all only got three weeks?"
"Dat's all. Den dey's gwine ter hang me."—Lawyer and Banker.

Read every ad.



Pure Gasoline Full Measure

Getting the mileage you expect from your Gasoline depends principally upon two things: Pure Gasoline and Full Measure. You get both here—so why not make it a practice to stop when you go by and let us fill your tank? Courteous service always.

Let us sell you your
SPARK PLUGS TIRE CHAINS
LIGHT BULBS VALVE CORES
FENDER BRACES HUB CAPS, FAN BELTS
GOODRICH TIRES AND INNER TUBES

Guice's Filling Station

LADIES AID SOCIETY ENTERTAINED TUESDAY

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church entertained at the pretty home of Mrs. J. B. Lively Tuesday afternoon from 3 until 6 o'clock, the honoree being Mrs. Henry Richards, who will move this week to her new home in Huntsville. The occasion carried the spirit of a miscellaneous shower, expressing the love and esteem in which this good lady and her estimable family are held, and she was the recipient of many useful gifts. Several guests of the society were present and delicious refreshments were graciously served by the hostess. Except for the pangs of regret in saying good-bye to Mrs. Richards, who is loved by all who know her and so greatly appreciated for her tireless work in the church and it's auxiliary society, the occasion was enjoyed to the utmost. Mrs. Richards and her family will always remain in the hearts and memories of her innumerable friends, all of whom wish her and hers much happiness in their new home.

A Guest.

To combat flies, mosquitoes, and other insect pests, about 550,000,000 square feet of wire screen cloth are consumed annually in the United States, according to recent estimates.

Political Announcements

These announcements subject to action of democratic primary in July.

For Commissioner Prect. 1:
S. W. Duitch.
C. B. Lively

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

For County Treasurer:
Frank H. Butler

For Sheriff:
O. B. (Deb) Hale (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:
Will McLean (Re-election.)

For District Clerk:
A. B. (Poor Albert) Smith
(Re-election)

For Tax Collector:
John L. Dean (Re-election.)

For County Superintendent:
Mrs Gertie Sallas (Re-election)

LIBERTY HILL LOCALS

Liberty Hill, Feb. 15. The Liberty Hill basket ball team met the Union team on Waneta's court for a final game of this season's games. More or less the Liberty team was somewhat afraid to play their opponent as two of the Liberty Hill players had been sick the week before. But at any rate, both teams felt that they must play, as that was the day to play off the tie. Before the game started Coach Stanley told his team that if they didn't win that game, he would not claim them as his students, much less his ball team. They assured him that the game was theirs if fighting would win it. The score was 25 to 15 in favor of Liberty Hill. The Union team played a good game and naturally wanted to win, but they took their defeat with the best of sportmanship. Both teams were supported by their teachers and friends from home and at Waneta. The Liberty team wishes to thank the Union team for the three games played this season, and in fact, that Liberty won two of those games, they hope that Union will win all other games with other teams played this year.

Coach Stanley says that Union has a good honest team, that they play the fairest games of any team he knows of.

Liberty will play at Grapeland March 1st.

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

Scott Yarbrough returned last week end from Ft. Worth, where he spent some time visiting his daughters.

Get the genuine Oliver plow—the only kind to farm with. Come see our line and let us sell you the plow you need.

Kennedy Bros.

WANTED—1000 boys, ages 16 to 99 years to look over my new spring samples. Clewis.

The Messenger's subscription list is growing so fast that we can hardly keep up with the new names. It is an encouraging sign that our efforts to improve the paper are appreciated.

NOTICE

There will be a meeting at Hill Huff's store at Daly's Saturday, February 23, at 4 o'clock p. m. All interested in dipping their cattle will please be there to decide on some plan.

B. E. Dailey,
Hill Huff.

Clewis will fit you best.

Plenty of ear corn at Kennedy Bros.

If you are not able to buy a new suit, Clewis will have the old one dyed

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

CARS FOR SALE

Fords and other cars for sale at a bargain on fall time.

C. C. Officer.

LOST—White hound bitch, black spot on back, hip and ears, with blue specks over body. 11 months old. Her name is "Poodle." Finder please notify Elwin Smith or Hill Huff.

LOCAL NEWS

FROM ANTRIM

Antrim, Feb. 18.—We are fortunate in not having any measles in our midst. Although we have had a few cases of flu, they seem to be very light and are not hurting anyone.

The singing at W. M. Durnell's was well attended Saturday night. Visitors from other communities were present. We were glad to have them with us and welcome them back gain. We have been having singing at the

church every Sunday night but as our organ is torn up, we can't have them any more until we get a new organ. We intend to have our singing some where in the neighborhood at least once a week. Every one come and help us sing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kiser spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Tony Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haynes visited the former's parents, in the Hays Springs community Sunday afternoon.

Miss Jennie Lucas visited friends and relatives at Augusta Sunday.

Next Saturday and Sunday

night is our regular church day. Bro. Anderson has not been able to be with us his last two appointments but we are expecting him this time. Every one come Saturday night. We should try to attend our Saturday night meeting as well as the Sunday service. It is just as much trouble for our pastor to prepare his sermon for Saturday night as it is for Sunday, but sometime we fail to show our appreciation for his efforts by not going when we could easily go, if we wanted too bad enough. So let's all go and hear Bro. Anderson. You won't regret it.

We are glad to see

THE ORGANIZATION OF

The Grapeland Poultry Association

Which we feel sure will enable the members to realize greater profits from their flocks

A Great Step Forward

This is a great step forward and we feel sure the movement will be encouraged and will have the cooperation of every citizen of north Houston County.

If we can serve you in any way call on us.

WE ARE HEADQUARTERS FOR DR. LE GEAR'S FAMOUS POULTRY PRESCRIPTION. WE CARRY A FULL LINE OF THESE FAMOUS REMEDIES



Ryan's Drug Store

Prescriptions Filled by Registered Pharmacist
Quality, Service and Fair Price

KEEP YOUR FORD A FORD

You can depend upon your Ford rendering the high standard of service which has made it "THE UNIVERSAL CAR" if you will keep it "fit".

Trained Ford Mechanics using genuine Ford parts and working with specially designed equipment, under the highly standardized service policy effective throughout the entire Ford dealer organization, is your assurance of safety and satisfaction.

That's why we are always preaching "USE ONLY GENUINE FORD PARTS." We want you to get the best of service from your car—for that means that you'll come to us for your next car purchase.

And the surest way to play safe on this Parts Proposition is to come to our Authorized Ford Service Station for your service work. As we are part of the Ford Motor Company's Organization, you can rest assured that we use only Genuine Ford Parts, made by the Ford Motor Co., and employ only trained Ford workers in our shop. Let us co-operate with you. Consult us when you need Ford help.

In conclusion we wish to urge all Ford owners to buy all parts needed for their car themselves from Authorized Ford dealers regardless of where they have the work done.

We carry a complete stock at all times and can take care of your needs.

You will also find here a stock of

- SHOCK ABSORBERS
- BUMPERS
- LIGHT BULBS
- TIRES & TUBES
- FENDER BRACES
- BLOWOUT PATCHES
- TUBE PATCHING
- MUD CHAINS

WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY

Grapeland Motor Co.

YOUR NEAREST FORD DEALER

New Things

If it is novelties and new things that you are looking for, come to KENNEDY BROS. for them.

New Bags and Purses

In the latest styles and designs

NEW COLLAR AND CUFF SETS

In embroidered linen, plain linen, and in embroidered and plain organdy---just the thing for your suiting and linen dress.

NEW COMBS AND BARRETT'S FOR THE HAIR

NEW BEADED BRACELETS FOR THE GIRLS

ALSO PLAIN ONES FOR THE LITTLE GIRLS

EAR RINGS IN THE VERY LATEST STYLES

Come around and see all of these new things

Kennedy Brothers

The Store for Everybody - Grapeland, Texas