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From Oak Grove.

April 25.—Since the weather clerk has opened up the weather we have been planting our second crop of cotton, plowing corn and making preparations for the Old Soldiers' re-union. We expect to be there in full force.

The prospects for a crop is looking gloomy, but we haven't given up hope of making something for you know the Bible says we must eat bread by the sweat of our face and when I think of that passage I take new courage and go on as though I have nothing to fear.

I attended the county farmers' union at Red Prairie last week and it was one of the best that I have attended since last June. The farmers up there are wide awake to the union cause and I want to say that the non-union people took a liberal hand in entertaining the delegates from the different parts of the county. We didn't have time to visit Waneta but learned that Mart Howard was doing the principal part of the business. We learn from the members over the county that the union is in better working order than it has ever been. The good news comes from the southern part of the county that Lovelady will have a cotton warehouse ready for this year's crop and the members at Holly are putting up a co-operative gin and expect to gin their own cotton. This county will have one or two students in the cotton school at Dallas this summer and educate themselves so they can weigh, sample and grade cotton for the two warehouses.

Since the bucket shop bill will become a law in ninety days from April 10, let us all rejoice that there will be no gambling on farm products. We notice that our Senator Stokes voted against this bill after promising to stand by it and support it. We hope that Mr. Stokes will remember that his support come mostly from the farmers and they are the ones who produce the wealth of this country.

The local union at this place is going to have an open meeting in the near future and hope that all will come and let us have a good time. Look out for the program in a few days.

We see from the papers that there was great consternation among the cotton gamblers in New Orleans when they learned that the bucket shop bill had passed. I guess they were afraid they would be knocked out of a job.

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Ladies, all of you who are interested in the Grapeland Cemetery please meet me at the Christian church Friday, May 3, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of organizing our cemetery association again. Kittie Yarbrough.

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Our shoes are made by Robert, Johnson & Rand Shoe Co., St. Louis, Mo. Each of these shoes are stamped with the star on the heel, which is your guarantee that this shoe is the very best in quality and is as low in price as the workmanship and leather market will allow. Our line of shoes is complete in price, style and size from a 25c baby shoe to a \$5 man shoe. We especially call your attention to our ladies' low cuts in patent leather, gray and white canvas. Prices are from \$1.50 to 3.00. We also have a nice line of childrens' slippers from 1.00 to 1.50. Our 3.00, 3.50, 4.00 and 4.50 men's low cuts can't be beat. We walk on stars, so can you.

The clothing we sell is made by I. & S. Bing, Cincinnati, Ohio. These patterns were submitted to us in early spring and we had the suits made to the best styles, comfort and durability. These suits are made without vests, coat and pants only. These patterns are snappy ones; come in gray, gray plaids, both check and shadow plaids, blue serges; coats are made one half and quarter lined. Style of these coats are three and four button sack, with or without vents. Pants are cut high waist, full in the seat and large legs which are most comfortable. Prices on these suits are \$7.00, 8.00, 10.00, 12.00. These suits fit perfectly and are great values.

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Not only do we look out for something for everybody to wear, but find it necessary to take care of the inner man. We sell everything to be had in the Grocery line, such as Sugar, Coffee, Snuff, Tobacco, Soap, Soda, Extracts, Bacon, Lard, Hams, Starch, Bluing, Washing Powder, Tangle Foot, Crackers, Canned Goods, Meal and Flour. We sell Pioneer Flour which is noted for excellent bread, delicious biscuits and fine pastry; price is \$1.10 per sack; 4.50 a barrel in wood. Should you buy your flour and other groceries from us we know you will be satisfied with our values.

## J. G. SHIPPER AND SON.

### The Re-Union.

The old soldiers reunion was pulled off in Grapeland last Friday and to say it was a howling success would be saying too little. Our people had been making preparations for this event for several weeks and not a man was known to skirk from his duty.

Early in the day crowds began pouring in from every section of the country, and the noon trains brought great crowds from Palestine, Elkhart, Crockett and Lovelady.

All the exercises for the day were held in the Christian church. At 10 o'clock the church was overflowing waiting for the commander to call the house to order. In the mean time the Grapeland Orchestra was entertaining the crowd with excellent music. After prayer by the Chaplain, Prof. A. W. Cain was called forward to extend a word of welcome in behalf of Grapeland and vicinity to the old veterans and visitors. To this address commander Barbee responded and beautifully eulogized Grapeland and her people. About 100 old soldiers answered to the roll call, however about 120 are enrolled in Crockett Camp.

After this the crowd repaired

to the grove where dinner was made ready. Several large tables were filled to overflowing with barbecued meats, hams, chickens, cakes, pies and every thing that is calculated to satisfy the longings of the inner man. Along the dinner line, Grapeland did herself proud and there was plenty left for supper, which was spread in the grove late in the afternoon.

After dinner the crowd reassembled at the Christian church, and Congressman A. W. Gregg spoke for several minutes, alluding beautifully to the old and new times and the war between the states. Then a program was rendered by the High school consisting of songs, recitations and concluding with a quartette of "Old Folks at Home."

At 4:30 everyone hastened to the ball ground to witness the conflict between Crockett Team and Grapeland Sluggers. It proved a battle royal, but Grapeland won the game by a score of 14 to 7. Grapeland's battery was composed of Sory and Leaverton, while Beasley of Crockett and Bowden of Palestine twirled the pig skin for Crockett. Grapeland's motto is now: "The 1907 pennant for Grapeland Sluggers or bust."

Early in the evening the second nine played Crockett Juniors, the score resulted in victory for the Juniors.

There was something doing every minute in the day and we have yet to hear of anyone complaining.

From Mr. Cain.

Grapeland, Texas.  
May 1, 1907.

To the Public:—

If any one has any claim, financial or otherwise, against me, please come forward at once and let us adjust matters. I can satisfy every just claim against me or Mrs. Cain. Now speak right out or let your self be forever among those who 'hold their peace.'

Also I would ask any and all friends to whom I may be of any service in any way to come to see me Thursday or Friday as I shall soon leave town for awhile.

With the editor's permission, I shall speak to you through these columns next week.

A. W. Cain.

Mr. Cook of Crockett has assumed control of the Grapeland Telephone Exchange, having purchased it from Dr. McCarty. Miss Idell Kennedy of Crockett is the new operator.

### Will Not Heed McDonald's Threat

To the tax payers of Houston county:—As the question has been asked me a number of times as to what would be my position in regard to the instructions given me by the state revenue agent, Capt. W. J. McDonald to raise the taxable values in this county. I have this to say, that I do not agree with Capt. McDonald on this proposition and will ignore his instructions as to raising the values for the following reasons:

First—That Houston county, in my judgment, has always been paying more than her share of state taxes.

Second—That it has been the custom of our commissioners court and the state legislature to place a high rate of taxation and and to make the values low. Therefore to leave the rate high as it now is and make values high, would mean an increase in the amount that each tax payer would have to pay to nearly double of what he has heretofore been paying. The rate for 1906 in Houston county was ninety eight cents on the hundred dollars. The rate fixed for 1907 is one dollar eleven and two-thirds cents on the hundred dollars. This increase was voted on us in the last general election as a jury tax.

Third—I do not think it just or right to increase the taxes in this county and place an additional burden on the tax payers in the face of the gloomy prospects for a good crop this year. As to Capt. McDonald's threat to stop my salary warrant if his instructions are not carried out, I believe that after I have sworn each and every tax payer to his rendition and our commissioners court has passed on the same and certified that my rolls are correct, that Mr. McDonald nor even the Governor of the state can keep me from getting my salary. I believe that I am better acquainted with the market values of Houston county than Capt. McDonald or any other man stopping in the big house in Austin, and when I shall have assessed the property of the tax payers at what I think is reasonable market value I feel that I have discharged my whole duty and when my rolls shall have been approved by the commissioners court, whose duty it is to pass upon the correctness of the same (including values), all of the requirements of law will have been met and I will take chances on getting my salary. Respectfully,

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Mr. R. H. Wherry, who formerly lived in this community, but now of Vernon, came in last week and is visiting his many friends who are glad to see him again.





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**FAILURE PROPHETS.**

A farmer remarked the other day that the rot being used as argument by some people against a good crop year only stimulated his disgust for the stupidity of some folks and added as his opinion that the man who worked and managed always had something. The gentleman was eminently correct.

Some people are simple enough or rather haven't got any more sense than to believe that because we had a good crop last year it naturally follows that we must have a failure this year. With that as a central argument they have already grouped around it forty signs and indications. There is just as much reason in arguing that because you had a square meal to day you must go hungry tomorrow; or because the last baby was a girl the next one is bound to be a boy to make up for the misfortune. Don't charge us with making an imaginary man for just such loonies are in existence. We heard a fellow say the other day that just as sure as it thundered on the first day of February it would rain on the 28th. Isn't it a fact that an illiterate old rake can come along and fool a lot of folks into following him? Indeed, we have heard it said that you could bell a red calf and somebody would follow it off. Hasn't Mrs. Eddy got thousands of followers and didn't John Alexander, the self styled prophet, build a city? There is the endless prayer with a threat to break you neck if you break the chain, and folks fall over themselves and spend the last cent for postage to send the pesky little thing along and thus ward off a horrible calamity. Did you ever hear of a fellow who wouldn't begin a piece of work on Friday for fear he could not finish it and bad luck would swallow him up? Did you ever see a grown man pawing up the ground like a mad bull and expectorating like he had swallowed a June bug before going back after a forgotten article? You may think we are digressing from the subject but no. If there is not a general similitude between the old guy who swears it is going to be a bad crop year

because it was a good one last year and fortifies it with his signs and imaginations and the motley gang we have been talking about then you can stick our head in the sand. What is the similiary? It is the startling and deplorable, complete and profound lack of common gump-tion that makes them look alike.

What's the matter with them? Not a thing under the shining sun only they need the water drawn from their craniums and supplanted by grey matter. This is plain talk but the unvarnished truth.

Failures, no doubt, there will be this year, but don't hunt out the elements to find the why. You may find the cause of the milky way in that direction, but never the reason for crop failures. Like a dog on a back trail you will have to retrace your steps and as old Tray trees the coon in a hollow tree so you will tree the why in a hollow head.

'Tis with a feeling of sadness we follow such people through a life of successive failures and the sight of a much needed patch to hide their shining bosom only adds a degree of contempt.

It is refreshing to turn from such and view the products of sense and industry. Cosey farm houses, groaning barns, verdant fields and lowing herds seem to whisper that success is not chained to the seasons. The inspiration and consolation is akin to that which comes when we think of the immortal Webster and Lincoln forging their way to the front regardless of difficulties and forever refuting that damnable doctrine that circumstances make the man.

Wanted: a polite appellation for that self-satisfied solon who walks the streets grinning, while he chatters as he goes to show some man how to do it. He was born with a monopoly on brains and his knowledge ranges from how to create a universe to the best way to keep your shirt tail in, and believes in that admirable doctrine, "it is more blessed to give than to receive." Laying all jokes aside, don't he put your vitals to stirring and make you want to cuss? A mental picture of his face calls forth a string of adjectives that we wont put in this article. A born idiot we can tolerate and the poor fellow who has lost his mind we certainly pity, but the afore-mentioned thing somebody name it and take it.

After spending a few hours on the Darwinian theory, and walking down the street musing on what you had read, did you ever have a sneaking inclination to hoist a coat tail and look for the last requisite? And "thereby hangs a tale."

Some folks are inoculated with pure cussedness. For instance: they gang all the bumble bees together and refuse to look at any thing but their business end.

Now, really, laying all jokes aside, without prevaricating or soiling the truth, don't you think we could get along very well for the next decade without a legislature?

Get it into your head that merit puts you there and keeps you there. Brass might put you there and a No. 10 might put you away. Insure yourself with common sense and see if it is not a good policy.

In this issue is a call to the ladies of Grapeland to meet and re-organize the cemetery association and we hope every lady who can will respond and take an active part. All cemeteries should be kept in good condition and the ladies have proven that they are the only ones who can do it.

Gov. Campbell is said to be grooming for the U. S. Senate to succeed one Chas. Culberson. We don't know so much about this for Col. Tom seems to have torn his political shirt in many parts of the state, and by the time the legislature adjourns he may come out with just a plain undershirt on. Sometimes these political dreams turn out to be a horrible nightmare.

If you put a sign over your door you are an advertiser. You intend for that sign to advertise your business to the passer-by. An advertisement in a reliable paper is many hundred signs spread all over the country. You can't carry everybody to your sign, but the newspaper can carry your sign to everybody, and a new one every week. Had you ever thought about it that way?

**School Trustee Election.**

There will be an election held Saturday, May 4th, to elect three trustees to succeed B. R. Eaves, J. M. Selkirk and Geo. E. Darsey, whose terms as trustees expires this year. Jno. N. Parker is appointed manager of said election. Geo. E. Darsey, Pres. W. D. McCarty, Sec'y. Board of Trustees.

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J. J. Brooks returned Tuesday from Tyler where he had been to accompany his sons, Ben and Edgar, who will take a business course in Tyler College.

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Mr. J. M. McClelland is confined to his bed this week on account of sickness.

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See Geo. E. Darsey for hog fencing and barb wire. A solid car to arrive next week.

Miss Cammie Thompson of Ioni was the guest of Mrs. Birdie Lively from Friday until Sunday.

No better flour sold than Red Cross and Keystone you will find it at F.A. Faris'.

Messrs. Walter McMeans and Eugene Brooks of Palestine were in the city Sunday afternoon.

Due to arrive this week car of flour, chops, meal and bran, at F. A. Faris'.

Morning Glory and Clifton Lilly flour, chops, bran and meal Car just unloaded. M. L. Clewis.

Miss May Holland returned to her home in Dodge Sunday after spending a few days with Mrs. J. C. Cameron.

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W. J. Bridges was down from Elkhart Tuesday.

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Bring us your chickens and eggs at Howard's.

Miss Lucile McCarty has gone to Porter Springs to visit relatives a few days.

Lee Clewis wants your beef hides and bees wax. He will pay spot cash.

Mrs. Ida Totty came down from Palestine Tuesday to visit relatives a few days.

A solid car of barb wire and hog fencing to arrive next week at Darsey's.

Mrs. L. C. Allison and children of Alto are visiting the family of Mr. J. B. Cunningham of San Pedro.

F. A. Faris has just received one of the prettiest lines of ladies patent leather slippers in Grapeland at \$2.50

#### Shingles For Sale.

See Geo. E. Darsey if you want to buy shingles, big lot on hand.

Dr. W. B. Taylor, wife and baby of Oakhurst visited relatives here a few days this and last week.

The Misses Wright, Mrs. Hatchell and Mrs. Brown were the guests of Miss Lucile McCarty last Friday and Saturday.

A. L. Brown has completed the remodeling of his new home in east Grapeland and moved into it last Monday.

Miss Brownie Collins of Crockett visited her little friends, Misses Ora Sue and Arline Howard, this week.

Mrs. Earle Singletary returned to her home in Alto Sunday after spending a few days with relatives in and near Grapeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Covington of Augusta left Sunday for Palestine where Mrs. Covington will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Guice spent a few days in Leon county this week visiting Mrs. Guice's sister, Mrs. Jno. Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Singletary came over from Rusk last week and spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Oliphint. They returned home Sunday.

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### News From Daly's.

April 29.—A great many of our neighborhood attended the old soldiers' re-union in Grapeland and were well pleased with the hospitality and good time shown them, and the dinner, O, my! it was grand and in such an abundance.

Rev. W. H. Whitescarver, an old time citizen and friend, is now making his home with his daughter, Mrs. W. P. Kyle.

We are glad to see our good friend Bob Wherry of Vernon, with us again.

Daly's was well represented at preaching at Hays Spring yesterday.

Mr. H. W. Huff has been right sick. We are glad to state he is now much better.

Misses Dora Kyle, May Belle Hill and Etta Pridgen are spending awhile in Grapeland.

Our farmers are preparing to dig potatoes in a few days. They are fine this year although there has been too much rain.

We are still looking for that comet the devil wrote about, but can't tell it from any other star. Guess we are not in love enough to "star gaze" well.

Some talk of a party this week. CHARLOTTA.

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Arthur Owens, who is taking a business course in the Tyler Commercial College, came in last Thursday to attend the picnic and commencement exercises of Grapeland High School. He returned Sunday accompanied by Edgar Brooks, who will take a business course in that college.

#### Good for the Blues

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Preston Stowe, who has been employed in Wylie Caskey's barber shop for the past several months, left Monday for Crockett where he has a position with J. D. Friend. Preston has made many friends during his stay in Grapeland who regret to see him leave.

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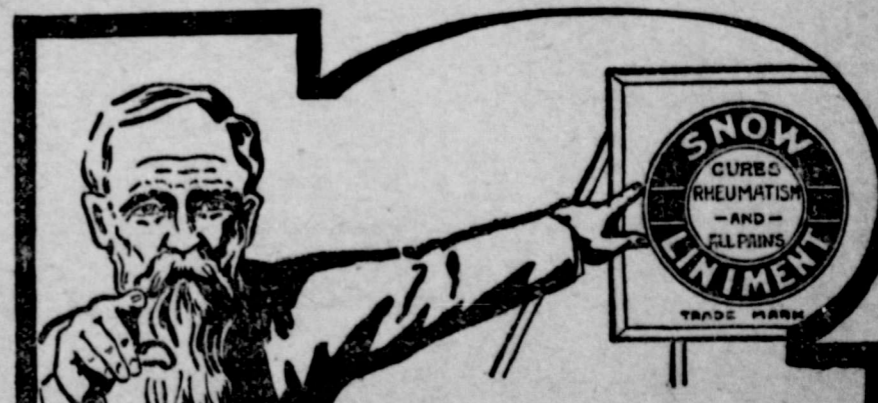
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#### Augusta News.

April 28.—Quite a number of Augusta people attended the old soldiers' re union last Friday and enjoyed the day very much. We must say hurrah for Grapeland and that was one time they had plenty of nice dinner. The surrounding country furnished a great many baskets.

The exercises in the afternoon were very good. We enjoyed the music so much.

Mrs. Gus Richardson is very ill at present.

Mr. Albert Gainey, who has been attending school at Grapeland, has returned home.

Mr. Preston Lively of Palestine came down and attended the re-union at Grapeland.

#### AUGUSTA.

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#### Commencement Exercises.

The commencement exercises of the Grapeland High School began last Friday night and closed Saturday night.

The Friday night program was filled up mostly by the pupils of the Intermediate and Grammar School departments, and consisted of recitations, dialogues, songs, drills and tableaux.

On Saturday night the primary pupils and the graduates made up most of the program. The little folks never fail to attract attention and this time they seemed to be at their best.

Dudley Eaves and Sam Herod were the only two graduates at this time, but it will be remembered that five other students graduated last Christmas. Seven graduates in a year is no insignificant number for a town the size of Grapeland.

We are told that there was a hard race for leadership between Dudley Eaves and Sam Herod. Sometimes the one would be ahead and at other times the other would be in the lead. The final result was that Dudley Eaves won by one-half of one percent and was, on that account valedictorian of the class.

The subject of his essay was: "Scientific Progress of the United States." He handled this subject with no feeble hand. Following this essay was the valedictory address which all admitted was excellent.

Sam Herod delivered the salutatory address, which was followed by an essay on "The Crusades" Both these were delivered in a pleasing and interesting manner.

Promotion cards were next delivered to all students who had won passes to a higher grade. The class leaders in each grade were as follows: Ninth, Balis Dailey; Eighth, Porter Fulton; Seventh, Mollie Fulton; Sixth, Maud McCarty; Fifth, Annie R. Hollingsworth; Fourth, Fannie Scarborough; Third, Winnie Davis; Second, Clarence McCarty First, George Scarborough.

Prof. Cain delivered the diplomas, after which a special choir sang: "Now the Parting Hour Has Come" and the audience was dismissed.

The Grapeland Orchestra furnished instrumental music for the occasion and received the heartfelt thanks of all concerned.

The exercises were held at the Christian church as this is the largest hall in town, but even this was not sufficient to accommodate the large crowds of people that gathered here to witness these interesting exercises.

Taken as a whole, these exercises formed a fitting close to another successful year's work of the high school.

#### La Texo News

April 29.—The cold weather the past month has damaged cotton and will make it some later as a great deal will have to be planted over. Corn is looking very well and will come around alright provided we have good seasons. Potatoes are damaged some by rain.

The county union will meet at this place at its next meeting in July and if the crops are not a failure we expect to do the nice thing for them. President Calvin has been invited to attend and other state speakers are expected. LaTexo local union will have an open meeting for the public at its next meeting. A nice program is being arranged and a good time expected. This



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