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ADDRESS OF COL. D. A. NUNN

TO THE CONFEDERATE VETERANS OF HOUSTON COUNTY—PAYS TRIBUTE TO SOUTHERN WOMEN.

Confederate Soldier Marched to the Conflict in Obedience to the Laws of His State—Honors of the Contest.

Daughters of the Confederacy and Comrades of the Lost Cause: The occasion is well calculated to excite in our minds a recollection of events of the past, around which, for four long years of doubt and uncertainty, clustered the hopes, prayers and patriotic efforts of a struggling people who, by their unaided efforts, sought to maintain a cause they believed to be just; and for which they risked their all, freely sacrificing their lives whenever and wherever duty called.

Into this period is crowded more of history and human destiny than is ordinarily shared by man. It was not a war between independent nations over some disputed question of national policy, or conflicting boundary; but a struggle between people of a common ancestry, living in a common country, divided on fundamental questions affecting the administration of their common government; and because of differences that were believed to be such as to render further living together in peace an impossibility. Whether the view then taken of the question was correct or not, it was honestly entertained; of which no higher evidence will be required than the sacrifices freely made in the war that followed.

This struggle came to us not of seeking, but as the logical result of long standing political controversies, having their origin at a period in our national life before the birth of the oldest of us, even at the beginning of our government; at first dividing the people according to mental bias and education, without reference to geographical lines, but at last, owing to peculiar circumstances and conditions, over which we had no control, assuming the form of a sectional issue, whereby a common country was rent in two grand divisions, known as the North and the South, culminating in secession and coercion, with result of four years of bloody and devastating war.

Thus divided, the people of the Northern States espoused their side of the contest, fighting in the name of the Union; and the people of the Southern States espoused, with equal zeal and energy, their side, fighting under the confederate government, created of their own choice. To the men of the North, their side of the struggle represented their country. To the men of the South, their side

represented their country, with all this involves, in the blessings of liberty and free government.

On each side the appeal was made to the patriotism of the respective sections. Those elements of a common nature, that fit us for the highest social blessings, were called into requisition, for the redress of public grievances and the defense of natural rights. The tocsin of war was sounded from one end of the land to the other. The patriotic heart of our Southern country was aroused for the defense of home, with all its rights, privileges and glorious blessings; and to maintain rights of person and property, under constitutional guarantees, which were believed to be broken, menacing our social and political existence with dangers that could not be endured.

When our liberties, our rights, our civilization and social order were threatened with danger from an intermeddling, dictatorial and unwarranted spirit dominating the Northern half of this union, then in possession and control of the government itself, the Southern people, unarmed and unprepared as they were, thought the time had come to strike for their altars and their homes, and without counting the cost or taking note of the possible consequences, fully comprehending the nature and danger of the struggle into which they were embarking, deliberately and freely decided to stand or fall in the assertion of their rights as they understood them.

Inspired by an ennobling patriotism, our people took up arms, such as they could get, and at once voluntarily transformed themselves from citizens, surrounded by peace and plenty, into soldiers, to meet danger and death and to endure the privations, hardships and sufferings inseparable from a soldier's life. Not only were the men of the South aroused, but the mothers, wives and sisters came forward, and, with their prayers and blessings, bid us good cheer and gave us every mark of approval, thus evincing how thoroughly they appreciated the common dangers, and how heartily they joined in the common effort for the defense of our country's cause.

Those of us who participated in the stirring scenes of forty-two years ago, when our citizen soldiery was organizing and taking departure from peaceful and love-

ly homes for the conflicts and carnage that loomed up before us, can never forget the patriotic gatherings of men and women who came together all over this Southern land to present a flag, to deliver an address, or in some other mode to express sympathy and approval; and how the patriotic heart throbbed in response to our country's call. What thrilling scenes were presented upon our streets, in our churches and other places appointed for public meetings, when a flag, (the stars and bars), the accepted emblem of our national life, was presented by some fair maiden as a token of woman's love, in an address made eloquent by an appeal to the deepest emotions of the human heart, when there was not a heart unmoved or an eye undimmed with tears that flowed from common sympathy!

These were not pageants of pomp and gaily show; but were the touching scenes of patriotic devotion, born of a nation's throes, in the resolve to do and to die for one's country, because of the universal feeling of patriotic devotion that swept over our dear Southland. This sentiment, thus kindled and impelling to action, is the sure foundation of all governments, and is the chief reliance of every free State. All the blessings of liberty and a progressive civilization, the boast of the 19th century, owe their origin to this spirit. It is the palladium of liberty, the safety of States, the reliance of all governments; and its existence in vigorous development is the harbinger of national growth and progress in all those social conditions that elevate and bless mankind.

Patriotism can not err, because it is that God-given principle of abnegation and self sacrifice for the public weal. Human judgment may err and may misguide the patriot, but the sentiment of patriotism, implanted in our bosoms by an all-wise Creator, inspires to the noblest of deeds; and the nation or state sharing it most largely, is most largely blessed.

It is a sad epoch in national life when the evidence of its decay may be seen or felt. Historic events but too truly show the early fall of every state and nation after the decadence of this sentiment is observed. It is this sentiment that we honor and commemorate today; and, notwithstanding the cause we espoused did not succeed, we can well afford to accept the results, leaving to an overruling Providence to shape our destiny as in His inscrutable wisdom it may seem fit, trusting, as we may, that the humiliation of defeat, so keenly felt by all at the time, may prove in the end a blessing. We know the principles by which we were governed were pure; and the sacrifices we made, in deeds of valor and patriotism, are imperishable evidence of our sincerity and devotion.

It was the lot of those of us who were upon the stage of action forty-two years ago to pass through the grandest struggle that has ever marked this continent, and in many respects it is without a parallel in ancient or modern times. Ours was the weaker side in numbers and mate-

rial resources. This fact was as well known then as now, and to us of the South as well as to those of the North; yet we present the grand spectacle of a patriotic people, engaging in deadly conflict, for the maintenance of their rights, without being deterred by the disadvantages of their situation or the possible consequences that might follow.

It is not uncommon to see men engaged in individual combat and taking great risks of danger, from motives of personal gain and to gratify aspirations of a sordid and selfish nature; but to see a nation rise, as by one common impulse, with the disposition and the will to sacrifice the individual for the common weal, and each and all vying in eagerness to press to the front, where danger is thickest, is no common sight; and history fails to record many such examples, as were witnessed in this country in 1861.

The struggle began at Ft. Sumpter, on 12th day of April, 1861, assuming warlike proportions at the battle of Bull Run on July 21, 1861, and was continued with increasing vigor and destruction till 600,000 soldiers on the side of the South and 2,800,000 on the side of the North were marshaled in deadly conflict. The fortunes of the war varied, each side taking courage with every success, and the South especially buoyant and hopeful, till the fall of Vicksburg on July 4th, 1863, which involved a heavy loss in men and munitions of war, and the more serious because it rent the Confederacy in twain and put us in position to be attacked in detail, on either side of the great river, with concentrated forces, as it might suit the convenience of the adversary. Up to this period in the war the South was confident and the North had grown discouraged under the repeated failure to make speedy subjugation of the South. It is a part of the history of the times that gallant soldiers were sent from the Union army to encourage their people at home and to revive their flagging spirits. But the fall of Vicksburg, followed by the battle of Gettysburg, with its terrible losses and failure to accomplish its purpose, so far as our side was concerned, with the further fact, well known both North and South, that we had called out all our available men, while the North had vast resources yet untouched, brought conviction to the minds of many that defeat for the South was inevitable. Notwithstanding such state of affairs the struggle was continued for two years longer, in loyal devotion to the cause we had espoused, with some sort of hope that something might occur to give us relief; feeling that it would not be honorable to surrender as long as we were able to muster forces to defend our country. And after this many battles were fought around Richmond, Chattanooga, Atlanta, Franklin, as also our own campaigns in Louisiana and Arkansas. Our victories at Mansfield, and Pleasant Hill, and Jenkin's Ferry, and the terrible fighting at Yellow Bayou, with continual daily engagements for forty days during the hasty retreat of Gen. Banks, attest how well we of the trans-

Mississippi department performed our duties to the last and held up the cause to which we had pledged our lives and sacred honor.

There was yet one resource of the South which might, possibly, have furnished the needed succor to our failing strength, but it was never tried. We had a slave population of four millions which, under favorable conditions, might have supplied us one-half million of soldiers. Had it been possible for the South to have divested itself of its peculiar notions upon this subject, and to have incorporated this class of our population into our military strength, adopting a policy that would have enlisted their sympathies and promoted their efficiency as soldiers, a change in the aspect of affairs might have been produced and possibly a different result attained, for it will be remembered the enemy enlisted 300,000 of them in their armies. However, the change in sentiment required was too great and, besides, the institution of slavery was too intimately connected with the policy of the South in adopting secession, to make such a course easy, if at all practicable. The most that can be said of it is that it was an untried experiment. Be it said to the credit and honor of the Southern people that they took upon themselves the responsibility of the issue and stood by their cause till forced by sheer exhaustion to surrender.

A new generation has come upon the stage since the stirring scenes to which I have adverted, and they can have only a traditional and historical account of the deeds done in those days. We who participated in and helped to make that history will be allowed to dwell, with patriotic pride, in the contemplation of the same.

(Concluded next week.)

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Style 1, 5-strap patent leather sandals, French heels, kid lined, all sizes, at....\$3.00
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Foley's Honey and Tar cures colds, prevents pneumonia.

Ratcliff Rumbings.

ED. COURIER.—At present the health of our community is very good with a few exceptions which we will give as follows:

Mrs. S. D. Ratcliff has been very sick for several days, but is reported to be some better at this writing.

Mrs. A. E. Hamner has been sick, but is now convalescent.

Miss Mary Stubblefield has been very sick with the mumps, but we are glad to see "Miss Mary" up again.

Our school is progressing very nicely under the management of Miss Evelyn Ratcliff. Prospects are good of her securing an assistant, so Madam Ramor says, and of course she knows.

Mr. and Mrs. Holcomb are visiting relatives and friends in Augusta this week.

Mr. Gary Mahony, lately from Corsicana, who is visiting relatives at Tadmor, was in our town this morning.

Mesdames R. Payne and Cora John and Misses Jessie Payne and Libbie Sherman left Monday for Galveston where they will spend quite a time with Mrs. A. J. Weeks.

Miss Jerry Belle Stark, who has been in Crockett for some time taking a course of music from Miss Sallie Hardin, has returned. Of course we are glad to have her with us again.

A series of meetings is being held at this place this week.

Dr. Hayes, Miss Lena Woodley and little Jimmie Hays of Weches were the guests of Miss Evelyn Ratcliff last week.

We hear that Miss Vivian Glick is going to Oklahoma real soon and likely to make that her future home, but we hope 'tis all a

mistake, for Miss Vivian will be greatly missed by all.

For fear this will find its way to the waste basket we will ring off. Long live the COURIER.

POTSEY WOTSEY.

Dallas Club at Home.

Dallas, Tex., May 16.—The Dallasites left Pittsburg Saturday morning at 6:30 o'clock, a great number of the hosts accompanying them to the train. The next stop was at Mount Pleasant, where the excursionists were received with open-handed hospitality.

Here they stayed for an hour and a half before leaving for Mt. Vernon which was reached at 9:45. Mt. Vernon proved hospitable also and efforts were made to have the party stay longer, but at 1:40 they left for Sulphur Springs, where a welcome of royal nature awaited them. Commerce was reached at 2:40 and left an hour later after a most enjoyable visit and many exchanges of good will upon the part of guests and hosts, and at 4:10 or shortly after that hour, the train rolled into the depot at Greenville with its assembled crowds of welcoming Greenville-ites. Three hours were spent here, and every hour was enjoyed by the party. The start was made for Dallas at 7:10 o'clock and Dallas reached in safety and congratulation by the tired but happy travelers at about 9 o'clock. All report one of the most enjoyable trips ever taken.

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Answer: It is made from a prescription of a leading Chicago physician, and one of the most eminent in the country. The ingredients are the purest that money can buy, and are scientifically combined to get their utmost value. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Items From Plain.

EDITOR COURIER.—We all know the old saying "Happy is the miller boy that dwells by the mill." But now we can say happy is the farmer that dwells on the farm, for we have had a good rain and crops are doing fine.

We are sorry to say that our school is nearing a close; and we regret it very much, for we think Prof. Herbert has taught us the best school that was ever taught in these parts, and we think the citizens would do well to secure him for next term.

Misses Hopper and Collier were the guests of their sister, Miss Pauline Hopper, last week. Come again, girls, and we will take another mayhaw hunt.

We would like very much to know what is the attraction for Mr. Tom Sherman in these parts. Some may say it's mayhaws, but if that is true we have had them ever since January.

Miss Houston Ratcliff and Mr. Gary Mahoney of Tadmor visited our little town last Sunday evening and received a warm welcome.

Miss Hannah Conner is on the sick list, but we hope ere long she may be able to return to school. Messrs. Collier, Luker, Sneed and Anderson attended the singing convention at Alto last Sunday and said they would return by way of Plain; "but did you ever get left, girls?"

With best wishes and success to the COURIER.

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THE WEEKLY PANORAMA

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WILLIAM PICKENS

all the citizens as stockholders. All the land titles and franchises will be vested in the state. There will be no penitentiaries or jails, but all criminals will be provisioned and sent adrift at sea to seek other shores. Mr. Pickens is the Yale negro student who captured the Ten Eyck prize for oratory in February of this year. The suggestion that he lead a movement against Hayti comes from N. L. Musgrove of Sturgis, Ky.

Architect's New Idea.

"If a man of wealth wants to build a house these days all he has to do is to go to a prominent architect, tell him just what he wants and how he wants it, and before a spade is stuck in the ground the prospective house owner can see exactly how his ideas have been carried out by looking at a perfect model of the proposed structure," said F. B. Vincent, a New York architect, to a Washington Star man at the New Willard. "Many a man is absolutely disappointed in his house when it has been completed from a set of plans on paper that have met his approval. He did not know how this or that would look, and such changes as he desires may be impossible on account of the construction. The consequence is the man is never satisfied. In order to obviate this architects who are up to date have undertaken to model in plaster when it is the wish of the man who wants the building erected. The entire exterior of the house is moulded after the plans approved by the applicant, and if the finished house (in plaster) does not suit him it can be entirely remodelled until it does, and the cost is not so very great. Of course, the interior can be changed at will."

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BENSON WOOD

the civil war he graduated from the law department of the old University of Chicago. He ranks high as a lawyer and three years ago was elected president of the State Bar association. He has been mayor of Ewingham, member of the legislature and member of congress.

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Shake into your shoes, Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or New Shoes feel Easy. Cures Swollen, Hot, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

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The chronic borrower is usually out on a strike.

I find nonsense singularly refreshing.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

A coke plant is to be operated at McCurtain, I. T.

Frank Reed a Frisco brakeman, lost a hand at Monett, Mo.

Gov. Pennypacker of Pennsylvania has signed the child labor bill.

Calm prevails at Valparaiso, Chile, and it is thought that rioting will not be resumed.

Dr. A. L. Blesh of Guthrie has been elected president of the Oklahoma Medical association.

Mitchell Woods, breaking a wild horse to ride, at Sunset, was thrown and his leg broken below the knee.

The Security Oil company has been organized at Beaumont with a capital stock of \$3,000,000 for the purpose of operating the refinery built by Geo. A. Burt.

Martin Rowald has filed suit at Beaumont against the Texas and New Orleans railway for alleged damages in the sum of \$15,000 for personal injuries.

The Chickasaw per capita payment of \$40 for each Chickasaw Indian started yesterday at Tishomingo by Indian Agent Shoenfelt who will distribute \$200,000.

The council of the Western Missouri diocese of the Protestant Episcopal church voted in favor of changing the name to that of the "American Catholic Church."

Lieut. General Miles has requested Secretary Root to inform him what portions of his reports were given to the press, by whom made public and to whom furnished.

Haines & Baines of Kingfisher, Ok., will build an up-to-date elevator at Stigden, I. T. The citizens are building bridges and roads, so people can have good roads to town.

Monitor Amerson, a young man about 20 years old, was killed at Hartsborne, I. T., while attempting to get on a moving train, his head being completely severed from the body.

At a special meeting of the city council an order was made to proceed at once to call an election to vote on the issuance of \$75,000 in bonds to build school houses at Muskogee.

Ethel Clarke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper W. Clarke of Baltimore, who was kidnaped twenty-three years ago by a tramp is once again in the home from which she was stolen.

A woman about forty years of age, believed to be Mrs. Claude Guernsey of Philadelphia, died from the effects of carbolic acid taken with suicidal intent at the Hotel Navarre, New York, Tuesday night. A bottle with a Pittsburg label lay on the floor in her room.

Henry Williams, formerly a brakeman on the Katy in Texas, and whose brother, Pope Williams, lives at Hillsboro, was killed in a freight wreck on the Illinois Central at McCombs City, Miss.

The Hong Kong Telegraph reports that the Japanese government has instructed its representatives at Hong Kong and Shanghai and in the Straits settlements to purchase quantities of provisions and supplies for the Japanese troops.

After being in session two days, the Oklahoma Dental association elected: F. H. Coulter, Oklahoma City, president; R. P. Pendleton, Norman, vice president; Theo. P. Brinkhurst, Shawnee, secretary and treasurer.

The British tug Mida, which arrived at Gibraltar from Tetuan, reports heavy firing occurred at the latter place Monday night, and that many houses were burned. Communication abolishes the incorporation of San Angelo.

Mrs. Chas. Newbold, of the United States army, has been relieved from duty in the department of Texas, to take effect about June 15, when he will proceed to his home to await retirement from regular service.

Generals Benjamin Viljoen and Snyman have completed arrangements with the Mexican government by which 12,000 acres of the best land of that country has been secured for a home for immigrants from South Africa.

THE CONFEDERATE REUNION.

Visitors Are Pouring Into New Orleans by the Thousands--Veterans Well Cared For.

New Orleans, May 19.—The city of New Orleans was last night crowded with thousands of old soldiers, sons of veterans and their sponsors and maids, who gathered here to attend the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, which opened today. The city was brilliantly illuminated and every building is bedecked with flags and bunting in honor of the old soldiers. The attendance will eclipse all previous records, and when General Gordon rose to deliver his annual address he looked down upon the greatest assembly of Confederate soldiers since the surrender of Lee at Appomattox, when the flag of the Confederacy was furled forever.

It is estimated that 100,000 visitors have already arrived and every incoming train is adding to the throng.

Texas ranks third in the number of visitors sent to the reunion, the Lone Star State being surpassed only by Louisiana and Mississippi. The Texans have opened headquarters at the St. Charles Hotel, where all of the leading men of the delegation are stopping.

General John H. Reagan arrived last night and was met at the depot by a committee of old soldiers and leading citizens and escorted to the headquarters of his state at the St. Charles Hotel, where he received an ovation from the old veterans and their sons who crowded the corridors and filled the surrounding streets.

The reunion proper commenced at 10 o'clock today, when memorial services were held in Christ church in honor of Jefferson Davis by the Confederate Southern Memorial Association. Two hours later the delegates were called to order in the convention auditorium at the fair grounds. It is expected the business sessions of the convention will continue until 6 p. m. Tonight there will be concerts for the visitors and displays of fireworks at the fair grounds.

Canal street is ablaze with crimson bunting, festooned, grouped, twined, flung loose in streamers and reveling in countless tossing banners. All the side streets are also decorated, as are most of the residences in the city, but the especial effort has been made along Canal street, and the effect is most beautiful. The old stars and bars form, as a matter of course, the predominant feature in the scheme of decorations, but the Stars and Stripes are seen on every hand, and on the peak of the auditorium the banner of the republic that lives floats two to one for the banner of the republic that died. The last finishing touches were put on the great auditorium yesterday and it is now ready for the opening of the

convention at 12 o'clock today. The decorations are exceedingly handsome and arranged in such a manner that from no part of the hall do they obscure the view of the speaker's rostrum, and yet the entire hall is filled with streamers and blue-crossed flags in endless profusion. Outwardly the arrangements seem perfect and there is no reason to doubt that they will all appear when the actual test comes today.

The Boll Weevil Needs No Food. Austin, Texas: Mr. John S. Ward of the treasurer's department exhibited yesterday a boll weevil which teaches a lesson. Mr. Ward picked this weevil from a window in the office, April 29, and put it in an envelope and sealed it, and placed the envelope in a desk. When taken out yesterday,

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after seventeen days' confinement, without food or water, it seems as lively as a cricket, showing no bad effects whatever from its long confinement and promises to exist for seventeen days longer.

Minneapolis, Kan.: Robbers wrecked the safe of the Culver State Bank at Culver yesterday and secured \$3,000, escaping on a handcar.

of Manchuria is checked the United States will be deprived of a most promising market for cottons within a few years.

The Bridgeport Strike. Bridgeport, Conn.: In view of yesterday's serious rioting the officials of the Connecticut Railway and Lighting Company made no effort to start cars on their lines in this city early today, preferring to wait until the question of police protection was decided. The company started the cars on the line to Stratford, but did not attempt to open any other lines. It was announced, however, that Barnum avenue line, on which the rioting occurred yesterday, would be reopened for work this afternoon.

Brought Religious Exiles. New York: The French liner steamer La Champagne, which arrived yesterday from Harve, brought sixty-four religious exiles from France, four sisters and sixty brothers, the latter, with two exceptions, being young students. Forty-six of the latter go to Montreal, N. J., and the others will go to Montreal.

Well Caved in on a Negro. Mexia, Texas: Jesse Douglas, an old colored man, met an awful death yesterday while cleaning out a well near Prairie Grove, in this county. The well was ninety feet deep and while Jesse was at the bottom the walls caved in on him.

King Edward's Leves. London: King Edward held the third of his reign at Buckingham palace yesterday. Ambassador Choite and other members of the United States embassy were present.

Death by Asphyxiation. Fort Worth, Texas: O. Hammond, an employe of Swift & Co.'s packing house, lost his life yesterday morning after he had gone to work. He was found dead in a gas tank, having been asphyxiated.

President's Quick Trip. Berend, Cal.: President Roosevelt broke all records for Yosemite Park travel yesterday when his coach came from Yosemite to Raymond, sixty-nine miles, in ten hours of actual travel.

Dangerously Ill. Indianapolis, Ind.: The condition of Booth Tarkington, who is suffering with typhoid fever, was much more serious last night, and his temperature was 103. He has been unable to take solid food for several weeks and is very weak.

Small Loss at Austin. Austin, Texas: Fire this evening caused a \$200 loss at the Bachman Iron foundry, covered by insurance.

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The Umbria Searched.

Liverpool: When the Camard line steamer Umbria arrived here she was searched by detectives, but no arrests were made. Her passengers were not aware of the dynamite affair until they reached Queenstown.

Verdict Set Aside.

Trenton, N. J.: Judge Kirkpatrick, in the United States circuit court yesterday, rendered a decision setting aside the verdict of \$500 awarded Henry T. Johnson, a colored preacher, in his suit against the Pullman Company. Johnson sued because he was refused a seat in a parlor car while en route from Richmond to Washington. The suit was brought under the Federal act of March, 1897, which Judge Kirkpatrick said had been declared unconstitutional. This act related to interstate commerce.

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CHINA IS COERCED.

Cannot Open Manchurian Ports on Account of Russian Opposition.

Pekin, May 19.—China, in reply to further representations of the United States and Japanese ministers, has again pointed out the impossibility of including in the commercial treaties the opening to trade of Manchurian towns, on account of Russian opposition. The American minister proposes that China open Harbin, Mukden and a small port at the mouth of the Yalu river.

C. C. Baldwin of New York, a representative of the Southern cotton mills, who has been investigating the trade conditions in Manchuria, reports that the American cotton trade was increasing enormously recently, when the Russians began to exert pressure upon the Chinese amounting to coercion for second orders for Russian firms amounting to \$60,000 bales of goods which otherwise would have gone to America. Mr. Baldwin says the foreign firms complain bitterly of the difficulty of conducting business under Russian administration. He believes that unless Russian absorption

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Ambitious men are not always wise men.

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It is always the safest plan to take a firm grip on the present.

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When it hurts a man to tell the truth his only remedy is silence.

The evasive man seldom knows exactly where he stands himself.

A woman's vanities are always excusable; a man's merely insufferable.

Give the devil his due, of course, but not until he verifies the account.

One night of foolish carousal may destroy the result of a year's intelligent labor.

Woman is man's solace, and man—well, man is rather an uncertain quantity, at best.

People who live double lives are apt to discover in the end that neither is to be commended.

The man who depends on his friends and neighbors is never depended on by them, and for reasons that are obvious.

REVISED PROVERBS.

It's never too late to spend.

Fine words butter no margarine.

Spare the rod, if you cannot fish.

It's no use crying over watered milk.

Where there's a will there's a way.

Silence is the wisdom of fools; speech the instinct of after dinner.

As the twig is bent the boy inclines.

Necessity was the invention of mothers.

Don't count on chicken—you may get hash.

Clerks from the treasury department, Washington, have completed their task of counting the many tons of money in the vaults of the United States treasury in Wall street. The cash was found to be correct.

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ALL OVER TEXAS.

Rip Johnson was hanged at Huntsville for the murder of Mose Washington last June.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to wreck the Houston and Texas Central train near Brenham.

The Farmers' and Merchants' National bank of Henderson has been capitalized with a capital of \$25,000.

Thomas Conley, living near Deport, was thrown from his wagon by a runaway team and sustained a broken leg in two places.

John Hamm has been arrested at Pauls on an affidavit from Sherman charging criminal assault upon a twelve-year-old girl.

A negro woman, whose name could not be learned, was found beaten into an unconscious condition in the rear of Pythian Temple at Fort Worth.

In a dispute at Dawson between W. J. Matthews and H. A. Burt the latter was struck with a baseball bat and dangerously hurt. Matthews was arrested.

The Armour Packing company will put in warehouses at Sherman to cover an immense district. The contract awarded necessitates an expenditure of about \$30,000.

Will A. Kendall, who was burned by a gasoline lamp explosion Saturday evening at Denton, died Monday afternoon as a result of the injuries inflicted.

Mrs. Annie Nelson of Sherman has filed suit against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway for damages in the sum of \$50,000 for the death of her husband.

J. W. Griffin was bitten by a mad dog at Texarkana. After having the wound cauterized at home, he went to Greenville and used a mad stone, which adhered.

Willie Miller, the 14-year-old son of W. M. Miller of Eighth street and Ewing avenue, Oak Cliff, was run over by an interurban car Thursday afternoon and seriously injured.

Judge A. A. Kemble, a pioneer settler of Waxahachie, died Thursday. He was a native of Kentucky, seventy-six years old, an able practitioner and the master of Ellis County Bar association.

After a difficulty with the police at Manila, C. Thomas Fortune, a negro labor commissioner, appointed by the war department to visit the Hawaiian islands and the Philippines, has left Manila for home.

District Judge J. C. Wilson of Victoria gave his decision in the Bailey-Fly Judgeship contest case, declaring Ben. W. Fly, the present incumbent, elected by one vote, making Fly's vote 929 and Bailey's 938.

A negro barber in Waco made a sort of trap door between his shop and an adjoining store and systematically stole musical instruments, pistols etc., from the store to the value of several hundred dollars.

The murder case of Sam Lockin was affirmed by the court of criminal appeals. Lockin killed R. F. Rowntree ten years ago, disappeared and was arrested about six months ago. He was convicted on circumstantial evidence and given a life sentence.

A can of gasoline became ignited in the home of Ed Robinson at Weatherford, and the flames were smothered out by Mrs. Robinson throwing a heavy quilt over the can, preventing a conflagration.

The penitentiary board held its regular monthly meeting Wednesday morning. The report of Supt. Baker shows the total number of convicts on hand to be 3370. The report of the financial agent shows a balance on hand of \$77,076.

The Whaley Mill and Elevator company of Gainesville is preparing to erect a large elevator at Justin, Tex. Work will begin at once and be pushed to completion in order to be ready for the coming wheat crop.

The finding of the body of an unknown man floating in the Monongahela river near Pittsburg will probably develop a murder mystery. A handkerchief had been forced into the man's mouth, and there were several wounds on the back of the head.

Taylor's new \$10,000 Methodist church is being finished and will be ready for occupancy within the next thirty days. The seats will cost upward of \$1500, a donation by the ladies of the congregation.



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LUNATIC'S CRIME

PATIENT IN INSANE ASYLUM KILLS ANOTHER.

SPIKE CAUSED INSTANT DEATH.

Persuaded His Victim to Remove His Straight Jacket, after Which He Performed the Bloody Deed.

Mexico City, May 18.—A horrible tragedy occurred at the San Hipolito insane asylum Sunday. Ambrosio Samano Campa, one of the most dangerous inmates of the asylum, succeeded in evading the vigilance of the guard and induced another inmate to remove his straight jacket. When this was done, he asked his companion to don it, which he did without protest. Then throwing the victim to the floor, Samano proceeded to drive a large spike through his head and into the floor. With a shoemaker's knife, which by some means he had contrived to secure, he tried to shave the victim, but, finding his position inconvenient, he removed the spike and nailed his head to the floor in a different manner. The operation was repeated four times. The spike penetrated the brain, causing death.

The dead man was a brother of Lawyer Manuel Marron, prosecuting attorney of the Balem criminal court and a well known literateur. When the news of the tragedy was conveyed to the lawyer, he was summing up a case in the trial of Jorge Lesama, who was finally sentenced to death for murder. As the attorney asked for the terrible penalty for Lesama tears were streaming down his cheeks.

Samano, who has been in the asylum for nine years, is a most powerful man. His hallucination is that he is the god of the earth. Once he grappled a man by the throat who refused to worship him and struck the victim against the wall, fracturing his skull. Two years later, in a fight with another inmate of the asylum who claimed to be the god of heaven, Samano secured a club and beat the head of his opponent into a jelly.

VETERANS ASSEMBLING.

Number of Prominent Officers Have Already Arrived.

New Orleans, La., May 18.—A number of prominent officers of the Confederate organizations were here last night, including General West of Georgia, General George W. Gordon of Tennessee and Dr. D. B. Cowen of Forrest's cavalry. General John B. Gordon, commander in chief, and members of his staff, visited the fair grounds today, and General Gordon said that the arrangements for the reunion were the most admirable that he had ever seen. The auditorium is large, convenient and cool, being splendidly ventilated, and will seat more than 12,000 people. The arrangements for cooking meals for the veterans and serving them are the most elaborate ever seen at a reunion; and it is expected that about 10,000 will be fed every day.

State headquarters for every division have been located in the city in addition to the State headquarters near the auditorium at the fair grounds. At the latter the people will register, boxes being provided to receive slips with the name and organizations represented which will be deposited in the proper State division headquarters and entered on the books later. This will save them and avoid confusion. The big rush will begin early today. Special trains will come from all directions and by 10 o'clock at night a large majority of the people will have arrived. It is estimated that there will be 150,000 people here, as reports from all points indicate the largest attendance ever seen at a reunion. The crowds recently have been too big to permit much business being done, and something on the line of arranging a separate business meeting may be decided at this meeting.

The parade will probably be the largest ever held.

New Orleans will be prepared to take care of everyone who comes, both with food and lodging, and special efforts are being made to see that all sorts of comforts are assured.

General Gordon, in an interview, has said that the organization will gladly make New Orleans the permanent headquarters if the people invite such action.

It is expected that a Louisiana man will be elected commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans, according to a tacit understanding at Dallas; last year, though no fight has been started for it.

Collins Died of Wounds.

Nacogdoches, Texas: Milton Collins, who was shot by T. B. Hardeman on the 15th instant, died last night about 12 o'clock. His remains were taken to Chireno this morning for interment. John H. Collins, the father of Milton, who is now past 80 years of age, came over from San Augustine county and was at the bedside of his son when he expired, and accompanied the remains to their last resting place.

T. B. Hardeman was rearrested this morning, and his preliminary trial will be set tomorrow.

A boy was stabbed to death in a difficulty on a Queen and Crescent train near Harriman, Tenn.

Work on the T. and B. V.

Cleburne, Texas: The camp of Messrs. Hurley & Denton has been moved just south of the city limits and the work on the Taylor and Brazos valley line is being pushed rapidly cityward. Work is at present being done about a mile and a quarter from the court house and theroad will, it is thought, come up Hillsboro street into Cleburne.

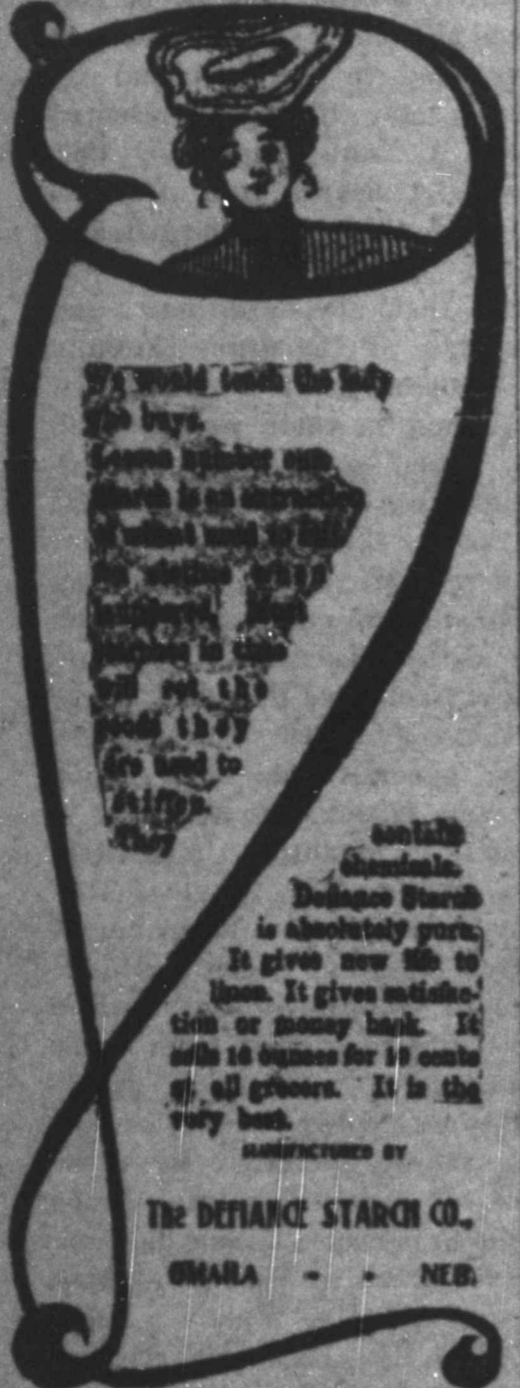
Killed by a Woman.

Fort Worth, Texas: A fatal shooting occurred near Arlington, this county, this afternoon, resulting in the killing of a farmer named J. D. Coke by Mrs. L. C. Lane. The difficulty arose over a dispute about a cow. When Coke came near the Lane home the woman opened fire on Coke, killing him instantly. Mrs. Lane was arrested and jailed at Arlington. She will be brought to Fort Worth tomorrow.

San Antonio Man Killed.

Glidden, Texas: Staton Williams of San Antonio, about 18 years old, was killed here at 2 o'clock this afternoon, while attempting to catch an eastbound freight train, falling between cars. His head was severed from his body.

The attempt to run trolley cars with non-union labor at Bridgeport, Conn., was prevented by the precipitation of a riot in which fifteen persons were injured.



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To prove the healing and cleansing power of Paxtine Toilet Antiseptic we will mail a large trial package with book of instructions absolutely free. This is not a tiny sample, but a large package, enough to convince anyone of its value. Women all over the country are praising Paxtine for what it has done in local treatment of female ills, curing all inflammation and discharges, wonderful as a cleansing vaginal douche, for sore throat, nasal catarrh, as a mouth wash and to remove tartar and whiten the teeth. Send today; a postal card will do.

Sold by druggists or sent postpaid by, etc., 50 cents, large box. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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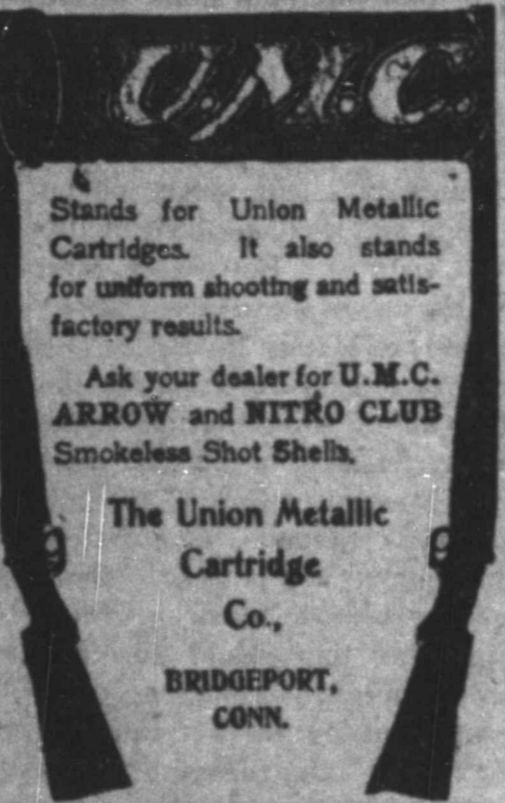
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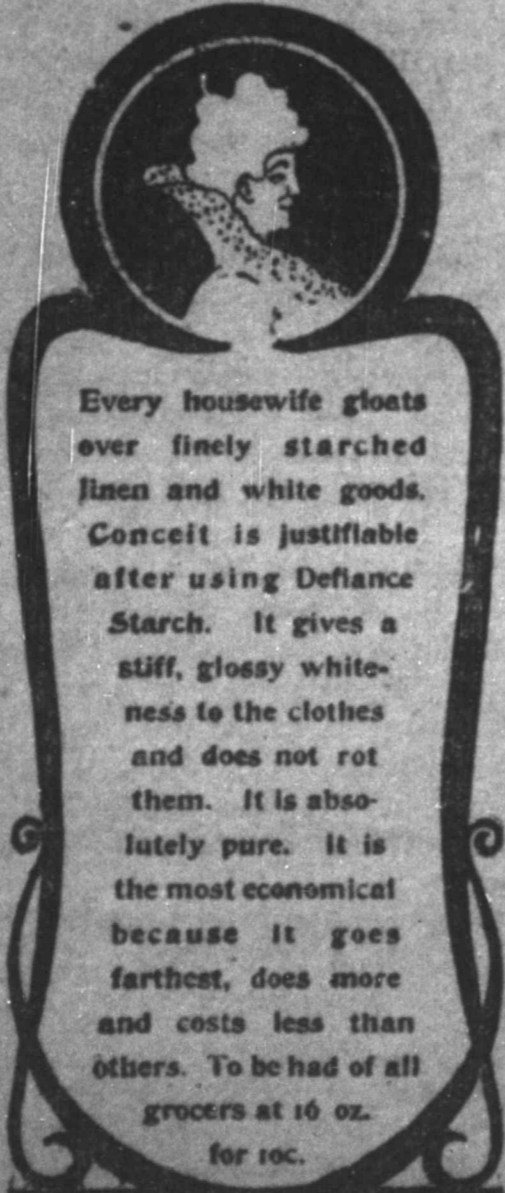
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Local Items.

Jas. S. Shivers and mother are in Marlin.

Let the Big Store give you prices on Furniture.

That line of Cluney lace at the Big Store can't be beat.

Oo-long, a fine grade of imported tea, at Billy Lewis & Co's.

A big reduction on all dress goods at the Big Store this week.

When it comes to good goods cheap, the Big Store leads them all.

Ice cream salt—something new in Crockett—cheap at Billy Lewis & Co's.

"Billy" says, "Don't go hungry while he has so many good things to eat."

Mr. W. E. Hail is seriously ill at the residence of his son, Mr. J. W. Hail.

Buy your can goods at the Big Store. They are fresher and cheaper.

Rev. V. L. Graves of Oakwoods will preach at the Christian church Sunday.

Go to the Lumber Yard for all kinds and sizes of screen doors and windows.

If you want good and cheap work see Yates & Hulsey, R. B. Rich stand.

As a breakfast dish, try that sliced breakfast bacon at Billy Lewis & Co's.

For Rent.

New 5 Room House. Apply to C. L. Shivers.

A. J. McLemore of Kennard and D. M. Gantt of Lovelady were here this week.

John R. Foster can fix your buggy or carriage, let be broke what will. Try him.

Let Yates & Hulsey do your blacksmithing and wood work. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Miss Lena Bromberg is at home from Beckville, where she has been teaching school.

The New Drug Store serves a greater variety of cold drinks than any other place in the town.

Dudley Woodson and Will Ike Kennedy are attending the Confederate reunion at New Orleans.

Buy you a potato digger from the Big Store and save time and money in gathering your crop.

We keep a clean and up-to-date drug store, and solicit your patronage. THE NEW DRUG STORE.

The Big Store's Millinery department has the most stylish mid-summer hats yet shown in Crockett.

The Lumber Yard is the place to get the best bargains for your money—come to see us.

T. R. DEUPREE, Mgr.

Billy Lewis & Co.

Make a special effort to keep a clean store and a clean, fresh stock of groceries.

The Big Store has some real bargains in furniture. You should visit them and secure a bargain before it's too late.

When you go fishing, call on Billy Lewis & Co. for your lunch, and get something out of the ordinary.

If you want the purest and freshest drugs used in your prescriptions take them to the New Drug Store.

W. V. Berry informs us that he has sold both of his large farms near town to a man from Pennsylvania who will locate a colony on them from his state.

Your Favorite Soda Drinks.

We serve all the favorites, phosphates, plain sodas, and all the old standbys as well as many new drinks.

We did the biggest soda business in town last year and we expect to do a great deal bigger this year.

Our chocolate is the finest drink that was ever put up. You can't beat it anywhere. You can get it at—

B. F. Chamberlain's, The Druggist.

Mrs. A. H. Wootters returned Sunday evening from a visit to her mother at Huntsville.

J. E. Monk sold over 200 acres of land near town last week at \$15 an acre. The buyers were Bohemian farmers.

Rain and bad roads over now, buy buggies, carriages, etc., from John R. Foster. He has a complete stock and prices to suit.

The Big Store carries the best cook stove, sewing machine, plow, saddle or shot gun in Houston county and sells 'em cheaper.

"Primrose Flour"

The best in the world, has stood the test. We guarantee it.

BILLY LEWIS & CO.

Ice Cream, Ice Cream Soda, Orangeade, Limeade, and a number of other nice drinks served at the fountain of the New Drug Store.

Buy your buggies, carriages, etc., from John R. Foster. He has more than he wants, consequently he wants to sell and will sell cheap.

The Houston Co. Lumber Co. have a complete stock of everything in the building line, and prices the lowest. Satisfaction guaranteed.

The season for ice tea has arrived. In making this beverage none but best grade of tea should be used. Oo-long is the best, sold by Billy Lewis & Co.

Notice.

I desire to offer my service as interpreter to parties having land for sale to Bohemians. Inquire at F. & M. Bank. F. SUCILLA.

Trade Stimulators.

Soda 15 lbs for 25 cts.
Rice 30 lbs for \$1.00.
"The Black Cat" keeps things moving. 4t JIM BROWN.

Something New.

Billy Lewis & Co. have something that has never been carried in Crockett before—a special grade of cheap salt for freezing ice cream.

J. T. Collier and family of Ratcliff were in town Thursday evening and Friday morning of last week doing their trading. Mr. Collier was a caller at this office while here.

We would like to see the ladies' improvement league take up the matter of a public library with Mr. Carnegie. By writing to him he would name the conditions under which he would contribute.

The following delegates to the Confederate reunion at New Orleans left Sunday night: W. B. Wall, F. M. Campbell, Jerry West and W. H. Shaw; and perhaps others whose names we failed to get.

Tobacco! Tobacco!

Just a small amount of my crop of Havana tobacco left. Those wanting any will be able to get it for a short time only.

W. B. PAGE.

In our report of the county court proceedings last week we were in error in saying that Elbert Burrell, one of the negroes convicted for violating the local option law, was convicted in only one case. He was convicted in two cases and sent to jail for forty days in all, besides being fined \$50 and costs.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Hon. Commissioners' Court of Houston county will convene in called session on the 2nd Monday in June, to sit as a Board of Equalization. By order of said court.

N. E. ALBRIGHT, Co. Clerk.
By J. L. JORDAN, Deputy.

Up to Tuesday six cars of potatoes had been shipped from Crockett and the seventh car went out Tuesday evening, going to Kansas City. This car brought 90 cents per bushel for first grade potatoes and 60 cents for the smaller ones. It is estimated that the crop will average about twenty-five cars.

The COURIER is glad to state that a movement to organize a Commercial Club is on foot. We have been pointing out the necessity of such an organization for a long time and it is gratifying to know that our efforts have at last availed something. A meeting will be held at 2 o'clock June 2 to perfect organization.

Miss Ethel Wootters, sponsor for the Confederate Veterans from Crockett, and her maids of honor, Misses Jessie Sheridan and Hortense LeGory, accompanied by Mr. J. W. Young, left Sunday night for New Orleans by way of Houston and the Southern Pacific. A through sleeping car was run from Palestine.

Barber Shop Moved.

John Howard has moved his barber shop to the north side of the square, where he has a more desirable location—more room, more breeze and better light. Call on him for a stylish hair-cut, a smooth shave, a shampoo, sea-foam, or anything to be had at a first-class barber shop.

Number 900 got the first prize at Aldrich & Newton's furniture store; No. 300 got the second prize and No. 782 the third. If you hold either one of these numbers and have not yet got your prize, you can get it by calling at the furniture store. The first prize was a \$15 rocking chair and the second and third prizes rocking chairs of \$5 value each.

The Houston County Coal and Manufacturing Co. has secured a contract from the state for supplying the penitentiaries at Huntsville and Rusk and the state sugar farm at Harlem with fuel for two years. The fuel is the lignite mined by the above company at its mine on the railroad south of Crockett. These institutions have been using Beaumont oil, but are now changing back to coal.

A caboose was shot into as it passed the electric light plant Friday night, the bullet barely missing the conductor and brakeman, who were riding in the cupola. The train was going south and when it stopped at the depot a search was made for the miscreant, but nothing could be found that would indicate who he was or what his motive could have been. The only logical conclusion is that his motive was murder. One side of the brakeman's face was severely injured by breaking glass.

Customer 10 to 50 acres Wants within 2 miles of town

WHAT HAVE YOU TO OFFER?
LIST YOUR LANDS WITH

Houston County Land and Abstract Co. CROCKETT.

U. D. C. Entertainments.

On Saturday, May 9, the D. A. Nunn chapter of the U. D. C. was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Frank Craddock in her beautiful new home. There is no place in Crockett more adapted for entertaining or one that gives a prettier view of Crockett. Pausing for a moment before entering the well kept grounds, we look back and gaze with pride on our dear old town lying so peacefully below. Tall brick buildings, spires of beautiful homes and churches beyond rise majestically, telling us we are not far behind our sister cities in modern buildings. These with a background of beautiful forest trees, with their ever varying tints of foliage, make a beautiful picture, and we feel we have reason to be proud of our little city of four thousand souls. From this point of view, Crockett is at its best. We are too far away to have the beauty of the picture marred by the rubbish and unsightly things that constantly offend the eye and that are continually forced upon us. But we see Miss Effie Hardin in the doorway greeting and receiving guests, so we hurry in and receive from her the same winning smile that has made so many friends for this dear little lady. Decoration day is the all-absorbing theme. Committees made reports and it was the thorough, systematic work of these committees that made the day such a success and one long to be remembered by the veterans and their friends. One pleasant feature of the afternoon was a visit from Commander N. B. Barbee and Mr. E. M. Hill. Their suggestions were of valuable assistance. A committee of ladies was appointed by president to wait on Col. D. A. Nunn to see if he would deliver the memorial address. Refreshments and beautiful music from the Lind Harmonics gave a most enjoyable close to a very charming afternoon. We shall all gladly respond to a second invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Craddock. New members enrolled at this meeting, Mrs. W. A. Norris, Mrs. W. H. Kent, Miss Stella Sheridan, Miss Carrie Clark, Miss Fannie May Hassel, Miss Lizzie Pritchard. Honorary members, Mrs. A. Craddock, Mrs. Will Pritchard. Mrs. Earl Adams invited chapter to meet with her Saturday, May 16, 1903.

MRS. CORINNE N. CORRY,
Cor. Sec. D. A. Nunn Chapter, U. D. C., Texas Division.

Another charming afternoon was given the U. D. C. last Saturday, May 16, by Mrs. Earl Adams, Sr. The two lovely daughters, Mrs. C. C. Stokes and Miss Denny, gracefully assisted their mother in dispensing hospitality. This beautiful colonial home has kept open house ever since it was built and even before it was finished friends were invited to share its pleasures and hospitality. Notwithstanding we have been busily engaged and all felt a little tired, there was a

full attendance. Meeting was called to order by president, prayer by chaplain and chapter, report called for and given. Committee on credentials. Mrs. Nunn, chairman, read names of those who had joined since first organization and what she had been able to secure concerning their status as to eligibility. Committee on program reported several bills to be collected and paid. The Confederate flags used in the hall and on graves, May 12, were presented the D. A. Nunn chapter by Col. Nunn. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered him for the gift, also for his splendid address. It was voted that the proprietor and publisher of CROCKETT COURIER be tendered thanks for the U. D. C. column in their paper, which Mr. Aiken so kindly reserved. Thanks were also tendered Mr. Mayes for the use of building for dinner; to Mr. DeDaines for loan of his organ and to Mr. Newton for use of his chairs. It was resolved to observe President Davis' birthday, June 3rd. This, "Davis' Day," generally has open session for any friends who may wish to attend. Committee appointed, Mrs. Nunn, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Mayes, Mrs. Bayne, to make research regarding names and members of companies who were in the Confederate army from Houston county.

Business being disposed of, and adjournment declared by president, all repaired to the dining room to partake of some delicious punch which was served by Mrs. Stokes and Miss Denny. Music from the Lind Harmonics received repeated cheers and encores. In after years we will think of these chapter meetings as a very pleasant part of our lives and we will perhaps long for "the tender grace of a day that is dead." Next meeting will be with Mrs. Jeff Sims, May 23, 1903.

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A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. It not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment and will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, P. O. Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists. Smith & French Drug Co., Crockett.

CROCKETT, TEX., Jan. 30, 1903.

This is to certify that one bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cured me of kidney and bladder trouble and I can cheerfully recommend it to others suffering in same manner.

Respectfully,
J. A. BRICKER.

BANNER SALVE
the most healing salve in the world.

THE COURIER.

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Publisher



THE COURIER'S remedy for the Boll Weevil.

CONVINCING ARGUMENT.

Sales at the "Big Store" for April 1903 were \$2,628.92 greater than April 1902. Increase per day of \$101.11

The above, which appeared in the COURIER last week as a local, affords a fine text for a sermon on advertising. While it is true that the increase of sales is due in a large measure to individual merit, it is also true that the increase is due in a large measure to judicious advertising. It makes no difference how large and select a stock a merchant may carry or how cheap he may sell his goods, if he fails to get those goods with their saving in price before the public, he will fail in increasing his sales, and the history of the merchant who did not advertise is that his wares became shelf-worn and unsalable. The store above referred to is the largest advertiser in Crockett and the figures speak for themselves as to its increase in business over last year, while it is a known fact that its sales for last year were large. The enormous figures that the big merchants in the cities set aside for newspaper advertising is uncontrovertible evidence that such publicity pays. After spending seemingly incredulous sums for space, they are now buying their own type and placing it in the printing offices for their exclusive use, so that their ads. will appear different typographically from the others. They hunt a face of type that no other merchant uses and adopt it as their own, thus giving their ads. an individuality that appeals to the reader. There is no question in the mind of the writer but what newspaper advertising pays. It has been our observation that a half-page ad. carried the year through brings better results than a full page run for six months during the year and a quarter-page the year through better results than a half-page for six months, thus demonstrating that keeping everlastingly at it—keeping your business before the public—is what tells. Successful merchants tell us that money spent in advertising through the proper mediums is their best investment. Of course, money can be unwisely spent in advertising through poor channels—newspapers without prestige—which at first seem cheap, but in the end prove unprofitable. A newspaper that puts a poor value on its space will have a poor value put on it by the public and vice versa. An editor helps to make the space in his paper valuable and his readers do the rest.

The business man who expects a newspaper to continually pull for the town while he withholds his patronage is the same man who wants something for nothing and it is invariably those who contribute the least to the support of a newspaper who expect the most of it along that line.

A merchant from Grapeland remarked to the writer this week, while discussing the business outlook: "Those of your merchants who do not advertise are standing in their own light. That is the secret of drawing trade to a town and is the secret of Grapeland's drawing trade from Crockett during the past season. Take our

Grapeland paper and look at it and will see that our merchants are all advertisers. In Crockett it is different. Only a few advertise. A newspaper that is well filled with the advertisements of the merchants of its town always proves a drawing card for trade." Such is the opinion of a Grapeland merchant and it is a correct one.

That man who does not take the COURIER, but who dropped us a note asking us to advise him by letter what potatoes were worth is the nerviest yet.

LOVELADY NEWS.

Town Recovering From Recent Fire—Closing of School—Other Items.

ED. COURIER:—Our little burg is slowly recovering from the effects of the recent conflagration. I trust it will not be many months until every vacant lot will be filled with large frame buildings, if not with brick houses. Some are wanting to rebuild with brick, while others say they are so badly crippled that they are not able to build a brick house. Three new wooden buildings are already complete and occupied—one by a restaurant, another by an ice cream parlor and the other by a barber shop and ice cream parlor.

Crops throughout this section are somewhat improved and are growing nicely, now that we are having some warm weather. Truck farming is almost a failure this year, owing to the continued rains and cold weather in the early spring. We have shipped one car of potatoes and will have one or two more about the first of June. Tomatoes are fruiting nicely, but the acreage is small. Gardens are somewhat late, but are so far advanced that we are all living at home and boarding at the same place.

The Lovelady News will be resurrected and will live with us again. Mr. R. E. Parker is putting lumber on the ground to build an office for it. We have felt as though we had lost a friend for the past three weeks owing to the absence of the News' weekly visits.

Mr. R. E. Parker has just completed and is now occupying a nice residence just east of the school building. Bob says he wanted to be near the school so his children can get there on time. School is now out for the term.

The commencement exercises will be held Wednesday evening. The school turned out nine graduates this term.

Mr. John L. Moore was visiting friends in Lovelady Sunday.

Mr. V. E. Harrison, once a resident of Lovelady, but now a knight of the grip, was here last week visiting friends and relatives and incidentally taking a few orders.

Hello, Central is now the talk of the town and will soon be a reality. Mr. Harring of Crockett is putting in a local exchange and will soon have it in operation. Madam Rumor says Mr. Cook is going to extend his local telephone from Crockett to Lovelady, and if he does we will then tell you the news over the phone, provided we both patronize his phone. We can then give you the news weekly, as we are fond of talking.

MORE ANON. ROMEO.

A Lesson In Health.

Healthy kidneys filter the impurities from the blood, and unless they do this good health is impossible. Foley's Kidney Cure makes sound kidneys and will positively cure all forms of kidney and bladder disease. It strengthens the whole system. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

The Proberbial "Peck"

It is said that everybody "eats a peck of dirt." No one is anxious to get more than their share, yet a few people still buy soda crackers in bags. Crackers sold from a can or barrel are likely to collect dust and other things in the cleanest of groceries. The store must be swept; boxes and barrels moved and the cracker box uncovered now and then for a thoughtless buyer. If you don't want to eat a peck of dirt buy **Uneeda Biscuit** in the airtight, dust-proof, moisture proof In-er-seal Package, identified by the famous red and white trade-mark design. Baked and packed in perfect cleanliness they reach you in the same condition. Whether bought at the general store in the country or at the great city grocery, they are equally fresh, and good, and wholesome.

Uneeda Biscuit above all

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

5¢

COMPOSITION.

How Crockett May be Made a Prettier, Cleaner Town.

It will be impossible for Crockett to ever be a pretty town until the people take some pride in keeping the streets nice and clean. The first thing that should be done is to widen, straighten and grade the streets, and pave the principal sidewalks. Filth should be burned instead of being placed out on the streets as unsightly objects. A system of waterworks and sewerage would be invaluable to the town. It would do so much toward cleaning and beautifying the town. The sewerage system would carry off so much filth that would accumulate and cause sickness and disease. Shade trees, vines and shrubs should be planted and kept trimmed up. They would give more comfort and beauty than any one thing that could be added to the town, and will not only give beauty, but will increase the value of property. Citizens should go to work to clean up or remove dirty objects from the town. All negro cabins should be kept very nice and should be painted and kept clean. I think it would be a good idea to buy the negro property and have a piece of land put aside for them. Land could be sold to them cheap, and they could be to themselves and away from the white population. The court house should be kept clean, and now it is very dirty. Vines could be planted around the walls and shade trees planted out. The yard should also be kept clean. It would be a great benefit to everyone if lights were placed at each cross street or along the streets inside the corporation limit. The cemetery should be cleaned up and shrubbery trimmed. An iron fence around the cemetery would add greatly to its looks and would be a credit to the town. If the people would enclose a plat of land to bring their teams in to hitch, and have places for hitching it would keep horses away from the court house yard. Indeed a great deal is to be done before we have a pretty town.

CARRIE LOCKET, 8th Grade.

For a Cleaner, Prettier Crockett.

At one of the recent meetings of our Civic Club several articles on Civic Improvement, written by pupils of the eighth and ninth grades of the Public School, were sent by Prof. Phillips to be read and "passed upon" by the ladies of the Civic Improvement League. These articles were so thoroughly enjoyed and pronounced so good and appropriate that permission was asked to have them published. Where each one is so excellent it is difficult to make first or even second choice. Miss Albertine Wilson gave a pretty idea for ivy decoration of the outside walls of the Court House and other brick buildings in town.

It was decided by the club to ask Mr. Aiken to publish in the COURIER one of these articles each week. Also, it was resolved to tender Prof. Phillips a vote of thanks for the interest he has already awakened among the school children on the subject and to suggest that he organize among the pupils a "Betterment Brigade," the work of which shall be to improve and beautify the public school grounds and building. It was voted, too, that trash cans be purchased for use on the grounds—one on each side—each boy and girl in every grade contributing. That these cans be kept in place, and that the children be trained to deposit in them all waste paper, trash, etc.

The habit of cleanliness should be a very important part of the training of every child, both at home and at school. It is truly gratifying that the young people are becoming interested and are willing to unite with us in this good work, for it is only by united effort that any good can be accomplished. REPORTER for Civic Improvement League.

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