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NEW BANK.

FARMERS AND OTHERS

Who think of borrowing money for 1907 might do well to wait till New Bank opens, not later than January 15th.

STATE BANKS CAN LEND
On Both Real or Personal Security.

W. B. PAGE, - - - For NEW STATE BANK.

HON. J. H. RATCLIFF

STRIKES THE KEY NOTE—WANTS A MASS MEETING AT ONCE

To Instruct Representative and
Senator to Vote Against Bailey.
Voices the Sentiment
of Many.

EDITOR COURIER:

I have been reading both sides of the Senator Bailey question and I have tried to give it a fair consideration, although I never was a Bailey lover, more especially since he quit his job in the house to root out one of as pure men as Texas ever had, in my opinion—Horace Chilton. When a man gets to thinking as much of himself as does Mr. Bailey, and believing, as he stated in one of his speeches, that he holds the vote of Texas in his hand, and when it is so plain that he has used his influence to befriend corporations that he should have been fighting, I think it time to cut his political head short off. Why did his name appear on the primary tickets of each county in the state? He surely must have seen through a shaded glass that there might be a curtain lifted revealing his conduct. Now, I am in favor of supporting the nominee as a principle, but when it is so plainly proven that this gentleman is not worthy, then I think we should look for another man and I believe that our legislators would make no mistake in putting Horace Chilton in Bailey's place.

I think our county ought to have a mass meeting at once to instruct our representative and senator in this matter, and by so doing we would untie their hands, as the matter now stands. Unless otherwise instructed, I don't see how they could keep from supporting Bailey whether they wanted to or not, as he was voted for by a majority in the primary. Perhaps I have said too much, but it seems to me that somebody ought to say something. I know that I voice the sentiment of a great many people in this part of the county. Why not our county chairman call a meeting at once? Yours for honesty,
J. H. RATCLIFF.

DR. HARVIN C. MOORE,

Skin, Genito-Urinary and Rectal
Diseases.
HOUSTON, TEXAS.
1010½ Capitol Avenue.

COMANCHE COUNTY ELECTION.

Bailey Won By a Vote of 979 to 370
—Little Interest.

Comanche, Tex., Dec. 29.—Senator Bailey was successful in the Comanche county primaries today by a vote of approximately 979 for him to 370 against him. Returns were received by telephone tonight from twenty-two of the twenty-nine boxes in the county. Of these he carried nineteen and lost three. In the other seven boxes three did not hold an election and three made no report. There are two boxes in the town of Comanche, but only one was used exclusively for this contest, and the other to decide the question of a school bond issue. In four of the boxes which he carried no votes were cast against him. The boxes which he lost are: Gustine, which polled a total of 40 votes; Hasse, which had 34, and Downing, with 52.

G. A. Bruton, chairman of the Bailey committee, said tonight: "The Bailey men are well satisfied. Bailey's greatest opposition was in the populist districts. Gustine, Hasse and Downing, which went against him, have always been solid for the populists."

J. R. Eanes of the anti Bailey committee said:

"Out of 4,000 democratic voters in the county there were only 1,400 votes polled. Out of these Mr. Bailey got 1,000, or a little less. Although he put in six days in Comanche county working as he never did before, the democrats refused to be interested in an election at this time. Bailey put in four days in the town of Comanche alone, where he polled 1,000 votes at the last primary election, and he got only 317 votes today. The people simply refused to be interested—that is, the democratic voters. Bailey has carried the county by a ratio of about 2½ to 1. Everything considered, the result is not at all surprising. When a man of Bailey's ability and personality comes into a county and devotes six days to a campaign when there is no organized opposition to him, today's result was to have been expected."

In the democratic primaries which were held here July 28, the following votes were cast for governor: Campbell 620, Bell 644, Colquitt 191 and Brooks 218, a total of 1,673. In the same primaries Senator Bailey received 1,120 votes. The total vote cast in Comanche county today, according to the returns in hand, is 1,366.

DR. NELSON ACQUITTED.

HE WAS CHARGED THIS TIME WITH
HAVING KILLED MRS. ALEX-
ANDER.

WAS ON TRIAL NINE TIMES

Claimed That Mrs. Alexander Was
Killed by Accident During Trou-
ble Between Her Husband
and Nelson.

Special to the Galveston News.

Palestine, Texas, Dec. 22.—The jury in the celebrated murder case of the State vs. Dr. Henry Nelson of Weldon, Houston County, after deliberating twenty hours over the evidence reported this afternoon at 3 o'clock with a verdict of not guilty. This is the second acquittal of the defendant, first tried for the killing of Bob Alexander, and this last trial charged with the murder of Mrs. Alexander, Dr. Nelson having stood trial nine different times during the past six years in connection with the killing of Alexander and his wife on Aug. 26, 1901.

The State was ably represented by the best legal talent of the commonwealth and the case was vigorously prosecuted throughout all the trial. The defendant was represented by able lawyers of east Texas who have gained a signal victory for their client. The defense claims that the killing of Mrs. Alexander during the pistol duel between the men was purely accidental and that no man defending the good name of his sisters or a woman would be guilty of taking the life of a woman.

The case has been in progress here since last Monday and was given to the jury last evening after 5 o'clock at the conclusion of the charge of District Judge B. H. Gardner of the third judicial district of Palestine.

The trouble arose over slanderous statements made against sisters and nieces of the defendant, Dr. Henry Nelson, a prominent physician of Weldon, who, it is shown by the evidence adduced, both at the former and the present trial, went to the home of Robert Alexander, near Weldon, on August 26, 1901, for the purpose of having a settlement with Bob Alexander. Shortly after arriving at the Alexander home and during the argument a Winchester and pistol battle followed between Alexander with his Winchester and Mrs. Alexander, his wife, assisting him with a six-shooter on the one side, while Dr. Henry Nelson, Esau Nelson, Ellis Nelson and the two Crowson brothers were on the other side.

After the battle was over both Bob Alexander and his wife were dead. This is the ninth trial that Dr. Henry Nelson has stood in connection with the tragedy, he having first been charged with the killing of Alexander, and stood trial five times on this indictment, being once convicted at Crockett on the charge of killing Mrs. Alexander, but the court of appeals

reversed the finding of the jury, and the next trial occurred at Crockett last November, resulting in a hung jury, and a change of venue was taken to this county in which the defendant is now being tried for the ninth time.

The case was called in the district court in this city Monday morning with Judge B. H. Gardner on the bench. The state is represented by Hon. J. E. Yantis of Waco, first assistant attorney general; T. J. Harris, district attorney-elect of Palestine, and Attorney Sallas of Crockett, while the defendant is represented by Hon. Earl Adams and Hon. John I. Moore of Crockett and Judge Ned B. Morris of Palestine.

The attorneys in the case are among those of the most notable lawyers of the state and both sides are contesting every phase of the case and fighting every inch of ground for their respective sides.

Monday was devoted to the selection of a jury and the case was formally opened late Monday afternoon.

The state rested its case Tuesday evening, after producing a large number of witnesses to prove their theory that Dr. Henry Nelson had killed Mrs. Alexander during the night.

The defense is that Mrs. Alexander was slain by a stray bullet, and therefore purely accidental, although Mrs. Alexander was an active participant in the fight, being armed with a six-shooter with which she was assisting her husband.

Dr. Henry Nelson made an admirable witness for himself and in detailing the causes which led up to the morning of Aug. 26, when the fight occurred, said in part:

"I went to see Alexander to have him explain or retract slanderous statements made by him against my sisters and nieces. On reaching the Alexander home, I was promptly covered by a Winchester in the hands of Bob Alexander, and during the discussion, Esau and Ellis Nelson, in company with the Crowson brothers, came up whereupon both Alexander and his wife opened fire on all of us."

When Dr. Nelson was cross-examined, he stated that he was on his way to see a sick child, and stopped en route to talk with Alexander.

Nelson was then asked how he came to be armed and carrying a six-shooter. He replied that he always carried his fire arms.

Mr. Yantis then asked if he was in the habit of taking a six-shooter when going to see a patient, or if he treated with the six-shooter?

Nelson was subjected to a vigorous cross-examination, but the prosecution was unable to shake his testimony in any degree.

Cured Lumbago.

A. B. Canman, Chicago, writes March 4, 1903: "Having been troubled with lumbago at different times, and tried one physician after another, then different ointments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more, and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it, and will add my name to your list of sufferers." Murchison & Beasley.

MOVING AROUND AT GRAPELAND.

Some Citizens Are Leaving While
Others Are Coming In.

Grapeland, Dec. 31, 1906.

EDITOR COURIER:

Mrs. Nannie Boykin of Lorane, Texas, formerly of Grapeland, is in the city visiting relatives.

Miss Geneva Saddler, who is teaching in the public school at Palestine, spent a few hours in the city yesterday, on her way to visit her parents at Ioni.

Mr. T. B. Keen is lying very low now from an accident. His horse ran away with him and ran under a large limb of a tree, which knocked him from his horse seriously injuring him. At this time it is thought doubtful of his recovery.

Mr. W. W. Gainey of San Pedro is at present very low with black jaundice.

Mr. W. A. Dunnam brought into town day before yesterday a large gray eagle, which he killed at the Dunnam lake, three miles east of Grapeland. It created quite a sensation, it being the first eagle ever seen in Grapeland.

The exercises of the graduating class of the Grapeland high school, at the Christian church last night, was something out of the ordinary. A graduating class in the middle of the session was never witnessed before. After the exercises Prof. Cain delivered an address, in which he explained the why and wherefore to the entire satisfaction and gratification of the patrons and citizens not patrons alike. The president of the school board, Mr. Geo. E. Darsey, made a short talk in the interest of the high school and then proceeded to deliver the diplomas as follows: Carl Sory, Warner Eaves, Harold Leaverton, Arthur Owens and Miss Anna Belle Davis.

Odell Faris, proprietor of the Bon Ton, has sold his entire stock to Mr. Wade Spruill. Mr. Spruill has already taken charge and will continue the business at the same stand.

The Christmas holidays are now about over. This has been the most quiet Christmas that Grapeland has experienced for a number of years. No "scraps," assaults or accidents have taken place during the entire holidays. The trade has been better with the merchants than in any previous year. Things are now about returned to the ordinary.

There have been but few changes in business circles so far, except that Messrs. Wherry have bought out the general merchandise stock of Tims & Sheridan, are taking the invoice and will take possession Monday.

Monday all the merchants will begin taking inventories to see how the cash balance stands for the past season.

Quite a number of changes have been made in the residence portion of the city. Mr. Howard Anthony has rented the Totty hotel for 1907. Mr. Ran Wherry will occupy the residence of Mr. Tims. Mr. Tims has moved back to his farm. Mr. Robert Wherry will occupy the residence formerly occupied by Mrs. White. Mrs. White has moved to the residence of Mrs. B. S. Gray. Mrs. Gray has moved to Palestine. Rev. W. H. Caldwell will occupy the residence of Mrs. Ann Garrett. Mr. Polk Taylor will occupy the residence of Mr. Whitman Faris. Mr. Faris has moved to Crockett.

Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.,

Of Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first arising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm which produces a cough and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat and lung trouble." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Pleasant and Most Effective.

T. J. Chambers, Ed. Vindicator, Liberty, Texas, writes Dec. 25, 1902:

"With pleasure and unsolicited by you, I bear testimony to the curative power of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it in my family and can cheerfully affirm it is the most effective and best remedy for coughs and colds I have ever used." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Anti-Bailey Club Organized.

On Thursday, December 20, 1906, at 11 o'clock in the morning, a meeting was held in the office of Messrs. Nunn & Nunn in Crockett for the purpose of forming an organization to contest the return of Senator Joseph W. Bailey to the senate.

The meeting came to order. Mr. George B. Lundy was elected chairman and J. H. Painter secretary.

The purpose of the meeting was then stated by Col. D. A. Nunn, Judge A. A. Aldrich, Judge W. B. Wall, Hon. N. B. Barbee, Geo. W. Crook, W. V. McConnell and others to be for the purpose of forming a club or organization for the purpose of protesting against the re-election of Senator Bailey to the United States Senate.

A motion was made and carried to name the organization the "Anti-Bailey Club."

It was then moved and carried that petitions be drafted and circulated throughout the county to secure the signatures of the democratic voters asking our senator and representative to vote against the re-election of Mr. Bailey.

Moved and carried that a committee be appointed to prepare a brief statement to be printed and circulated throughout the county, the same to state the reasons for the opposition to Bailey's re-election. The chair appointed the committee as follows: Col. D. A. Nunn, Judge A. A. Aldrich and Mr. N. B. Barbee. On motion Judge W. B. Wall was added to the committee.

It was the sense of the meeting that all anti-Bailey men throughout the county were eligible to membership in this club and were earnestly requested to join the club and assist in the campaign.

Geo. B. LUNDY, Chairman.
J. H. PAINTER, Secretary.

A Bailey Petition.

Some of those who are championing the cause of Senator Bailey in Houston county have circulated the following petition for signatures:

"To the Straight Democratic Voters of Houston County:

"Whereas, a recent circular has been promulgated in this county by the opponents of U. S. Senator Bailey, seeking to prejudice the minds of the democratic voters against his re-election by the incoming legislature, and calling upon and urging the senator and representative of this county to cast their votes accordingly; we, as democrats, having the interests and welfare of our common country as much at heart as those who signed that circular, would respectfully ask our senator and member of the house of representatives to remember that the few men who signed such circular do not reflect all the democratic sentiment of Houston county; hence, believing in the honesty and integrity of Senator Bailey, respectfully ask our representatives in the next legislature to cast their votes for Senator Bailey unless they are instructed otherwise in a legal primary held by the democratic voters of Houston county."

(Signed) S. T. Beasley, E. B. Hale, J. W. Young, W. O. Lockey, W. N. Sheridan, J. R. Sheridan, H. Durst, Earl Adams, Sr., and twenty-six others.

Imperfect Digestion

Means less nutrition and in consequence less vitality. When the liver fails to secrete bile, the blood becomes loaded with bilious properties, the digestion becomes impaired and the bowels constipated. Herbine will rectify this; it gives tone to the stomach, liver and kidneys, strengthens the appetite, clears and improves the complexion, infuses new life and energy into the whole system. 50 cents a bottle. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Crockett's New Bank.

The First State Bank of Crockett has been organized and its capital stock paid in. Bank fixtures and supplies have been bought and the work of remodeling the building will soon begin. We are informed that a corner entrance will be made to the building, which was purchased of S. L. Murchison, and large plate glass put in on both sides. The bank will be ready for business by the 15th of January, as appears from its ad. in this issue of the COURIER. The officers of the bank have been elected as follows: J. T. Crysyp, president; W. I. Kennedy, vice-president; W. H. Denny, cashier. Directors elected are as follows: W. B. Page, J. T. Crysyp, W. I. Kennedy, W. H. Denny, W. A. Norris, Geo. W. Crook, C. C. Stokes, J. W. Shivers, J. G. Matlock.

Baptist Notes.

New Year's greeting to all the people and may you be happy and prosperous this year in material things and above all in spiritual things. Preaching at the Baptist church Sunday, in the morning and at seven at night. Roll call and reading the covenant. We beg for every member and the presence of every friend. Come and let us worship together. The gospel without pretention, preached in love of the truth, and for the people. We seek you, not yours. The devil will tempt you to stay away from service if you will but listen to him. We invite every business man, lawyer, doctor, in fact men of all professions to meet with us next Sunday. This means you, come.

Pastor.

To My Friends and the Public.

As we are now entering a new year, I want to thank you for your liberal patronage in the past. To say that I have been well pleased with my business, is useless, for the year just passed has been by far the best in my eleven years experience in the drug business. I intend in the future, as in the past, to run a first-class, up-to-date drug store in every particular, using in my prescription work the very best drugs and pharmaceuticals that money can buy, and I want your business.

Wishing you a prosperous New Year, I am yours truly,
J. T. CRYSYP.

Miss Corrie Newman was married to Mr. J. M. Sheridan on the afternoon of Wednesday, December 19. The marriage was very quiet, only the relatives and a few close friends being present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. F. Tenney of the Presbyterian church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Newman, one of the most prominent and highly respected families of the county. The groom also comes from one of the county's oldest and most respected families. The marriage was at the home of the bride's parents in this city and the couple took the train for their future home at Grapeland.

The Grip.

"Before we can sympathize with others, we must have suffered ourselves." No one can realize the suffering attendant upon an attack of the grip, unless he has had the actual experience. There is probably no disease that causes so much physical and mental agony, or which so successfully defies medical aid. All danger from the grip, however, may be avoided by the prompt use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy, not one case has ever been reported that has resulted in pneumonia or that has not recovered. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

Views of Bailey.

The pro-Bailey argument has narrowed down in Texas to what every man with a head on his shoulders all the while has known it must come to, namely, that, even if Bailey is as bad as his critics say he is, he is intellectually too strong a man to be retired from the senate.—Monterey (Mex.) News.

Senator Culberson said in an interview: "Although he (Bailey) needs no defense from me, still it is not improper for me to say at this juncture that the people of the great State we represent in the Senate, whose opinion I share, have absolute faith in his personal integrity and honor. His probity is such that an inquiry into his personal affairs to discover dishonorable conduct is absurd, and the suggestion is repulsive to the gentlemanly instincts of any who know him."

The average voter regards all public men as dishonest and he is ready to say, and does say, that whatever wrongs Senator Bailey has been guilty of, any other man with his opportunities would have acted the same way.—Tyler Courier.

Mr. W. W. Gainey died at his home at Augusta Tuesday. Mr. Gainey was one of the best men we ever knew, was universally loved, and his memory will be cherished by all who ever came in contact with him. Those who have at times shared the hospitality of his home are unstinted in their praises of him. His worth as a citizen was beyond the bounds of calculation. The loss that his family has suffered is irreparable. Many hearts are made sad by the passing of this good man.

Mr. Geo. O. Clinton will build a magnificent home on the place opposite Mr. T. E. Fisher's and which he bought of Mr. A. LeGory. Mr. C. W. Shepherd of Joliet, Ill., has arrived to lay off the grounds for him. Mr. Shepherd established Mr. Fisher's electric park at Joliet and his work is said to be unsurpassed, which is a guarantee that Mr. Clinton will have one of the prettiest homes in the south. The location is ideal and is surrounded by a fine orchard of peach and pear trees.

The many friends in this city of Mrs. Ruby M. Decuir will find pleasure in the following from the Washington, D. C., News, appearing in the Times Democrat, a New Orleans daily, of date December 2: "A very attractive new piece of music now popular in Washington is the work of a Louisiana woman, Mrs. Ruby M. Decuir of Erath. The composition is a song, 'Pansy,' with a swinging refrain and a patriotic sentiment. The music was published in New York."

News reached Crockett Sunday morning of the death of Mr. J. D. Patrick at his home near Porter Springs. Mr. Patrick died of pneumonia and had been seriously ill for several days. He is survived by a large family, most of whom are grown. Mr. Patrick had lived for many years a consistent member of the Methodist church. He was one of the best men of his community and will be greatly missed. The passing of this good man is universally regretted.

Dangers of a Cold and How to Avoid Them.

More fatalities have their origin in or result from a cold than from any other cause. This fact alone should make people more careful as there is no danger whatever from a cold when it is properly treated in the beginning. For many years Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been recognized as the most prompt and effectual medicine in use for this disease. It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Obituary.

On Friday morning, the twenty-first of December, at the hour of eleven o'clock, the sweet spirit of little Annie Lee Shupak quietly passed away and wafted its way heavenward, tenderly borne by the angels, to forever dwell in the realms of bliss where sorrow and suffering never enter. She came on the eighteenth day of August, 1906, as a "bright ray of sunshine," to bless and make glad the home of her parents.

She was a little invalid and loving hearts and hands ministered unto her by night and by day. Her life was brief, being only four months long, but long enough for her to gently twine herself around the hearts of those about her.

Grieve not, dear ones. Your precious babe is not dead but in heaven, where she will never know pain and suffering any more. Remember our kind Master has said: "Suffer little children to come unto Me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

I wish that His hands had been placed on my head,
And His arms had been thrown around me,
And that I might have heard His kind voice when He said:
"Let the little ones come unto me."
A FRIEND.

The senatorial fight in Texas is growing spirited. Attorney General Davidson submitted to Senator Bailey certain questions touching the payment of money to the senator by H. C. Pierce of the Waters-Pierce Oil company. In reply Senator Bailey admitted having borrowed money of Mr. Pierce on several occasions, the total amounting to thousands of dollars. He claimed, however, the loans had all been repaid. He then asked the attorney general to furnish him with all the records that showed that he (Bailey) had received money from Pierce or the Waters-Pierce company. The attorney general declined, but said he would do so if Senator Bailey would say he had not received any money from Pierce. Senator Bailey said this was an impossible condition as he had publicly stated that he had served Mr. Pierce as an attorney in many transactions for which service he had been remunerated. Attorney General Davidson then submitted to the public a statement accompanied by the documentary proofs in his possession. One voucher is on the Waters-Pierce Oil company to H. Clay Pierce, debtor, for demand loan for \$3,300 to Joseph W. Bailey and is endorsed "account Texas cases." Another voucher was for \$200, amount paid by Pierce to Senator Bailey, "account Texas cases," other documents is a note for \$8,000 signed by Senator Bailey and payable to H. C. Pierce, and a letter signed by Joseph W.

Bailey to H. C. Pierce requesting the latter to send the former \$1,750. Accompanying this letter is one from Pierce to Secretary Gruett of the oil company instructing him to send draft for \$1,750 to Senator Bailey and charge to legal expenses account of Texas cases. Mr. Pierce says in an accompanying letter that he had already advanced the amount to Senator Bailey, who had returned it, and should therefore be reimbursed. It is conceded now that Mr. Bailey has a fight on his hands for re-election.—Bryan's Commoner Dec. 21, 1906.

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Men's Span of Life Lengthening. According to Sir Lauder Brunton, writing in the Lancet, the average length of life has rapidly become greater.

English Duke's Patriotism. The British nobleman responds to the demands of imperial patriotism when they are called to his attention.

Dr. Morrison, the well-known correspondent of the London Times at Peking, went to see the recent maneuvers of the modernized Chinese army in the neighborhood of Changtufu.

The development of Alaska is continuing at a phenomenal rate. Direct proof of this is furnished by the report showing the operations of the government telegraph system in the territory.

WAHALAK RACE RIOT

SIX KILLED, SEVERAL WOUNDED SINCE ROW STARTED SUNDAY.

TEN LIVES LOST AT SCOOPA

Gov. Vardaman Ordered Troops Sent-Negroes "Lost in the Swamps"-While Being Brought to Town.

3 Meridian, Miss.: The soldiers sent to Wahalak returned empty handed and without firing a shot. While, after their arrival, no disturbances occurred, it is understood that three of the negroes, including George Simpson, who started the trouble on the train Sunday morning, out of which grew the later troubles, were lynched by the people just before their arrival.

The citizens, while not admitting the fact, state that the men were captured by a posse, but were "lost in the swamps," while being brought into town.

M'GREGOR'S WHISKY BILL.

If it Becomes Law it Means Death to Neighborhood Joints. Houston, Tex.: Hon T. H. McGreggor, one of the Harris county representatives to the legislature, has prepared a whisky bill which he hopes to have made into a law during the session of the legislature.

WILL REBUILD AT ONCE.

Nacogdoches Fire Sufferers Will Reconstruct Destroyed Buildings. Nacogdoches, Tex.: The spirit of "get up and grit" was demonstrated in Nacogdoches Monday by the business men who were burned out.

The loss of Sunday morning will aggregate \$300,000, with about one-half insurance. Some of the buildings were new and modern in every detail.

Foot Smashed by Car.

Nacogdoches, Tex.: Sunday morning W. T. Wilson of Jacksonville, a brakeman on the Texas & New Orleans had the misfortune to have his right foot so badly mashed under the wheel of a box car that it was necessary to amputate the foot just below the ankle.

Says He Recovered \$10,000.

San Antonio, Tex.: Capt. Jas. E. Lucy of Austin, who rearrested W. G. Anderson, the alleged defaulting cashier of the First National Bank of Kansas City, while the latter was at Austin, is in the city. Capt. Lucy says he recovered \$10,000 of the stolen money, which was on deposit in a San Antonio bank.

JAPS FOR MEXICO.

Females Are Imported With Male Immigrants to Work in Cane Fields. City of Mexico: Mr. Warren Garrett, general agent of the Transoceanic Emigration Company of Tokyo, Japan, for the Republic of Mexico, has just returned to this city from a trip to the Pacific Coast, followed by another to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec.

The experiment is now being made of bringing out Japanese women with the men, as it is thought that they will be more contented if they have their wives with them.

BROWNVILLE AFFAIR.

ENGINEER AND FIREMAN ON COAST LINE SAW SHOOTING.

Was in the Saloon-Martinez Saw the Soldiers Jump the Wall at Fort Brown.

Brownsville, Tex.: Up to Saturday afternoon forty witnesses had been examined by Assistant United States Attorney General Purdy in the negro soldier outrage inquiry.

Mrs. C. S. Moore of the Miller hotel, which was fired into several times. C. B. Chase and Joe Borden engineer and fireman of the St. L. B. & M. railway, guests at the Miller hotel on the night of Aug. 13, who from their windows saw the soldiers in uniform shooting.

Nicolas Alanis, silversmith, who was at Tillman's saloon when it was fired into, jumped behind a box at the back door just before the bartender, Frank Natus, was killed, and saw the boy fall dead ten feet from the back door as the negroes shot him through the open gate in the brick wall.

Paulino Preclado, publisher of a Mexican paper, who was shot during the raid.

G. T. Porter, general agent of the St. L. B. & M., who lives half a block from the Starck house and saw the soldiers shooting.

Jose Martinez, pharmacist, who lived just opposite the post, 30 feet from the wall, who was sitting up reading, testified that he saw the soldiers shooting and saw them come over the wall into town.

Nation's Greatest Post.

San Antonio, Tex.: It now develops that as a result of Secretary Taft's personal interest in Fort Sam Houston due to his recent visit here, this post is to be made the largest and most important in the United States. The government has just concluded paying out \$112,000, which includes the land for the addition to the post to the north, a small arms target range of 3,000 acres and the great maneuver grounds at Leon Springs of 17,000 acres.

PURDY TAKING DEPOSITIONS.

Only Four Witnesses Examined in the Brownsville Affair.

Brownsville, Tex.: Milton D. Purdy, assistant United States attorney general, accompanied by Maj. Augustus P. Blockson of the Inspector General's Department and W. W. Mischler, are here to make legal investigation into the facts of the negro soldier outrage. Only four witnesses were examined today. Examinations are conducted privately under oath.

Concession for Short Line.

Laredo, Tex.: It is reported here that the Mexican government has granted a concession for the building of a branch road from the Mexican National at La Jarita Station, fifteen miles from Laredo, to the town of Colombia, opposite the Minera coal mines in Texas, twenty-five miles from Laredo.

Three Fingers Blown Off.

Galveston, Tex.: On Wednesday John Graft, 3928 Avenue H, was conveyed to the John Sealy Hospital suffering from the effects of the explosion of a giant firecracker in his hand. The ends of three fingers were blown off. The man suffered quite a loss of blood, several arteries having been ruptured.

Bitten by a Big Rattlesnake.

Lampasas, Tex.: Late Friday evening a young son of Mr. William Hutton, living near Lake Victor, ten miles south of this place, was bitten twice on the hand by a rattlesnake. The services of a physician were secured, and at last accounts the boy was doing as well as could be expected.

Big Timber Deal.

Liberty, Tex.: One of the largest timber sales ever made in Liberty county was closed by C. M. Votaw and W. D. Myers of Beaumont to the Kirby Lumber Company. The timber sold is that south of Cleveland and contains 14,356 acres and the consideration was \$155,000.

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The Nashville (Tenn.) American thinks that a man who mortgages his house to pay for his automobile has wheels in his head.

Kentucky's man and woman who had a plighted troth for 44 years would not require a trial marriage to determine their felicity.

Veteran English Soldier Dead. Harry D. Williams, whose death has occurred at Stourbridge, England, was a crimean and Indian mutiny veteran.

Little Advancement Made. Sir F. Trevas recently told a health society meeting in London that as regards the treatment of our meat before we eat it we have no advance on the habits of our ancestors, the cave dwellers.

The parrot appreciates music more than any other of the lower creatures.

A bachelor is forced to wear skirts in Korea and can not don trousers until he marries.

Although the coal man was not elected to anything he is gathering good things right along.

Maybe there is still hope for the captains of industry. J. Pierpont Morgan has just paid \$25,000 for a Bible.

An English paper says Lord Strathcona won't tell how rich he is. He possesses untold wealth, so to speak.

Looking glasses are going up in price. What is the difference? All the girls know they are pretty without consulting a mirror.

Of all European cities, Rome has most frequently been in the hands of enemies. It has been entered or sacked more than 40 times since 390 B. C.

The consumer has a right to know how much milk-the quart bottle contains that is left at his back door, but the cream will always remain an uncertain or minus quantity.

People in Germany and Austria who eat meat, or those who at least would like to do so, think they have some rights which the governments of those countries should take into consideration.

S. B. STOKES, M. D. J. S. WOOLTERS, M. D. STOKES & WOOLTERS, PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS, CROCKETT, TEXAS. Office in the rear of Murchison's Drugstore.

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We wish you a happy and prosperous New Year and return you our sincere thanks for patronage in the past, and ask for a continuance of your favors.

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Local Items.

J. H. Painter is at Galveston.
Bunk Barbee was at home for the holidays.
Oliver Aldrich has gone to Fort Worth.
Billy Barbee has returned to Pennsylvania.
R. L. Waller renewed for the COURIER Monday.
Frank Edmiston was at Dallas Christmas week.
Mose Bromberg was at Galveston last week.
Edgar Arledge of Trinity was in the city Tuesday.
Porter Newman made a trip to Shreveport last week.
George Miller spent the holidays at San Antonio.
Blum Wootters returned from Waco for Christmas week.
C. S. Lackey of Lufkin was a visitor to Crockett last week.
Miss Minnie Balthorp visited at Palestine during the holidays.
Prof. Godbey of Rusk spent Christmas with his family here.
Dr. H. C. Moore of Houston was in Crockett during the holidays.
Austin Woodal spent Christmas with the home folks at Huntsville.
Walker King of Palestine was in Crockett during the holidays.
Jack Smith and Harry Castleberg were at home for Christmas.
Miss Nannie Breitling was at home from Lovelady Christmas.
The COURIER wishes a happy and prosperous New Year to all.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Parker of Rosebud spent last week in this city.
W. P. Gribble of Houston was a visitor to Crockett Sunday and Monday.
Oscar Goodwin has accepted a position for the year with H. J. Phillips.
Douglass Cater was at home from the State University Christmas week.
Miss Lizzie McCord of Cameron was the guest of Miss Evie Hail last week.
Miss Gertrude Hathaway of Palestine was a visitor to Crockett last week.
B. F. Chamberlain and family have moved back to Crockett from San Angelo.
W. R. Wherry has moved his family from Porter Springs to Grapeland.
Miss Gillespie Boyer of Palestine is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. D. Friend.
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Clark of Westville were visiting in this city last week.
Miss Emma Fulgham of Palestine was the guest of Mrs. Sue Smith last week.

Mr. R. S. Harvey of Eldon, Mo., one of the promoters of the new bank, was in Crockett last week.

D. A. Nunn, Jr., has been in the Panhandle on business for the past two weeks.

Mr. Chas. Long has returned from Calvert and will again make Crockett his home.

Miss Albertine Wilson was at home from the Sam Houston Normal Christmas week.

Mr. Scurry of Wichita Falls visited Prof. Sebring's family during the holidays.

Miss Mary Jennie Davis, who is teaching in Walker county, was at home for the holidays.

Mr. S. S. Tenney of Elysian Fields, Texas, made a short visit to Crockett the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Denny Collins of Groveton were the guests of Crockett relatives last week.

Mr. S. H. Storey left Saturday night preceding Christmas for a visit to the old home in Tennessee.

J. T. Crysap and W. H. Denny left Saturday night for St. Louis to buy fixtures for the new bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stokes spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Deupree at Oakhurst.

Leroy Moore was at home from the Southwestern University at Georgetown during the holidays.

Guy Gilder, a student of A. & M. college, was at home with Crockett relatives for the holidays.

Mr. Lee Peters of Houston and sister, Mrs. H. C. Moore, came up to Crockett to spend the holidays.

Henry Dudley of Kennard and W. C. Cook of Porter Springs were callers at this office Tuesday.

FOR SALE—The Van Clark homestead, also a good 2nd hand piano. Apply W. E. Mayes. 6t

Dr. L. P. Tenney and family of Stoneburg, Texas, have been visiting relatives in Crockett the past week.

Miss Martha Tenney, a teacher of Montague county, has been at home in Crockett for two or three weeks.

If you want your sewing machine put in first-class order see Ike Lansford at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's. 2t

Miss Marguerite Groce of Dallas was the guest of Mrs. Chas. Edmiston Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Miss Alwilda Baker, who is teaching a music class at Groveton, spent Christmas with the home folks.

W. G. Creath of Belott was in to see us just before Christmas and said put him down as an anti-Bailey man.

L. E. Hearn of Palestine and Oscar Reynolds of Lufkin were among those visiting the COURIER office last week.

T. J. Patton of Kennard, J. M. Arnold of Arbor and J. R. Estes were callers at this office Monday of last week.

A Prosperous New Year

TO OUR

CUSTOMERS and FRIENDS

G. L. MOORE,

THE DRUGGIST.

Mrs. Hyman Harrison of Palestine visited her parents in this city last week.

"Golden Gate" and "Sabo" is the coffee—everybody wants it. F. P. Parker has it.

Mrs. Ruby Decuir of Erath, La., is expected to arrive soon for a visit to her parents.

To all our friends and patrons we wish a happy, prosperous New Year. **ARLEDGE & DEUPREE.**

A happy and prosperous New Year to all our friends and customers. **MURCHISON & BEASLEY.**

Tod Robinson, a student of the State Medical College at Galveston, is spending the week in this city.

The Daughters of the Confederacy kept open house New Year's at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Newton.

Miss Nannie D. Smith, now a resident of Beaumont, is spending a two weeks' vacation with relatives in this city.

Tom Sherman of Kennard was in Crockett Saturday on his way to Morenci, Arizona, where he will make his home.

Paul P. Cooper, of the Ogburn-Cooper Lumber company, has returned to Dallas where he will again make his home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Arledge of Groveton spent the holidays with Crockett relatives. Mrs. Arledge was quite ill while here.

Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Denman of Manning were the guests of Mrs. Denman's mother, Mrs. J. H. Wootters, Christmas week.

Miss Ethel Fitchett of Percilla and Miss Blanch Murchison of Lovelady were visitors at the home of Ike Murchison last week.

Mr. Samuel Sims of St. Louis made a short visit to his sister, Mrs. Maud Pence, and other relatives in Crockett the past week.

W. H. Hall of Belott and Chas. W. Miller of Route No. 5 were among those calling at the COURIER office just before Christmas.

If you want a tombstone or monument ask me to call on you with my samples. Telephone No. 174. **J. C. LANSFORD.**

W. E. Cannon, who has employment in the Panama canal service, was at home with his family here during the holidays.

Albert Smith, who has a grading contract on the Texas Southeastern railroad near Lufkin, spent Christmas with his family in this city.

Miss Ethel Wootters, teacher of music in John Tarleton college at Stephenville, spent the holidays with her mother and family in this city.

WANTED—To buy a mare from five to seven years old. Must be good brood and work mare. See Frank Shupak at the tailor shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Campbell of Kilbourn, Wis., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. O. Clinton at their country home near Crockett last week.

W. O. Lockey of Belott, T. C. Lemay of the same place and J. T. Simmons of Porter Springs are among those who have remembered the COURIER since last issue.

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The firm of Millar & Shupak has dissolved and Shupak will go into business for himself in the Page building, Millar remaining at the old stand. Brown & Sims have sold out to George Berry, who will move the stock to the west side of the square.

Billy Lewis & Co.

Have moved their stock of groceries to the Crook building, next door to Kennedy's, where their customers and the public generally will find them ready to serve them with the best of groceries, etc., at lowest prices. They ask for your trade and will appreciate it.

Special Notice to Tax Payers.

I will be at Grapeland Monday, Jan. 21st, 1907.

Kennard Mills Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 23rd and 24th.

Lovelady Saturday, Jan. 26th.

For the purpose of collecting taxes. **A. L. GOOLSBY,**

Tax Collector.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shupak have the heart-felt sympathy of the entire community in the death of their infant, Annie Lee, which occurred on the morning of the week preceding Christmas. The funeral services were held at the family residence Friday afternoon and interment followed in Glenwood cemetery.

The churches in Crockett are expecting to observe the week of prayer, in concert with Christians throughout the world, by union prayer meetings beginning Monday, January 7th, at the Methodist church at 1:10 P. M., Tuesday night at the Christian church, Wednesday night at the Baptist church, Thursday night at the Presbyterian church, and Friday night at the Methodist church.

Mr. W. N. Sheridan of Grapeland, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of the county, was a caller at the COURIER office just before Christmas. He is the father of Mr. J. R. Sheridan of our city. Mr. Sheridan called to renew his subscription and to take issue with the COURIER in its opposition to Senator Bailey. The COURIER has the greatest respect for its subscribers who differ with it, but who do not fall out with it.

Miss Eva Bayne and Mr. Ass Bynum were married at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Tom Bayne, on the evening of Dec. 26. Only the relatives and a few friends were present. The bride is one of Houston county's prettiest girls and is popular among the younger set, among whom she was reared. The groom is a son of Mr. J. E. Bynum who lives near Crockett. The COURIER wishes them long life and happiness.

For any disease of the skin we can recommend Chamberlain's Salve. It relieves the itching and burning sensation instantly and soon effects a cure. This salve is also invaluable for sore nipples. **Murchison & Beasley.**

WANTED—Gentleman or lady with good reference to travel by rail or with a car. \$250.00 capital. Salary \$100.00 per year and expenses, salary paid weekly and expenses advanced. Address with name, sex & age to I. B. Lansford, Crockett, Texas.

Due to arrive on or about Jan. 10th, another car of Brown Wagons at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.

F. P. Parker extends thanks to his customers for last year's trade, hoping to share a fair part this New Year.

The Big Store carries all kinds of plow goods such as plow lines, trace chains, plow points, land-sides, etc.

Billy Lewis has moved his store to the Crook building and the one vacated by him will be occupied by Steve Allee.

W. W. Lively of Grapeland called at the COURIER office Christmas eve. He is a strong anti-Bailey man.

When you get ready to rig up for plowing remember that Jas. S. Shivers & Co. has everything you need in this line and the best quality at the lowest prices.

Nat Patton and Miss Mattie Taylor were married in this city Tuesday evening by County Judge Spence. The COURIER extends congratulations and well wishes.

Mr. Wilson, the drayman, tied his mules to a box car recently and a freight train came along and hitched to the car. The result was a smashed wagon, but the mules were uninjured.

J. W. Manning of Route No. 1, J. H. McDougald of Creek, K. J. Smith, J. B. West of Kennard, Wade Sims, J. F. Leathers and G. W. Allbright were some of our subscribers who called just before Christmas.

A cutting affray occurred in the northern part of the county on Sunday afternoon preceding Christmas in which Jim Grounds was stabbed, it is said, thirteen times by Sank Hearn. Grounds is Hearn's father-in-law.

Dr. Perry Bromberg of Nashville, Tenn., was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bromberg, in this city last week. The Doctor has many friends in Crockett who are glad to know of his success in the medical world.

Some of the young men of the town gave their annual Christmas dance on Friday evening of last week. On Saturday evening following, Miss Margaret Foster entertained some of her friends in her usual graceful and pleasant way.

Mr. Ben Wolfley of Porter Springs, who had been ill at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. John Goolsby, in Crockett, died Monday and the remains were taken to Porter Springs for burial Tuesday, accompanied by a number of sorrowing relatives and friends.

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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

The COURIER is in receipt of the following instructions and declaration from a fellow-citizen at Belott:

"Please stop my copy of the COURIER. I cannot endorse a fight on any man that is based on destroying his good name when I believe him honest. I scratched Bailey's name in the primary because I thought him out of place in meddling with other men's races for office, but I am for him all the time when he is fighting for his good name. Yours truly, E. L. MILLER."

It is evident from the above that Mr. Miller thinks as does Bailey, that the country press can be bought for a dollar a head. Bailey recently stated from the stump that Chilton bought up the country press for a year's subscription each, which is too absurd to deny. Many of the editors today opposing Bailey were not editors six years ago. Mr. Miller reasons that if a year's subscription will buy an editor's support, as Mr. Bailey has charged, the withdrawal of a year's subscription will have a tendency toward suppressing his honest convictions. Mr. Miller is right. The editor who can be bluffed can be bought. This editor can be neither. Mr. Miller's paper has been stopped and he will have to borrow his neighbor's paper to read this.

Senator Bailey has done more toward bringing reproach to his name than has any other man. He alone is responsible for his dickering with the president of the oil trust. The COURIER is in no wise responsible for that. If the COURIER has ever uttered a false syllable against Bailey and it can be pointed out and proven we will cheerfully publish a correction.

The witness should not be blamed for the acts of the accused. As it is Bailey's own acts that have brought reproach to his name, Mr. Miller, to be consistent, should be opposed to Bailey. Senator Bailey has contributed a great deal more toward his own destruction than has the COURIER.

Mr. Miller says that he scratched Bailey's name in the primary when there was no other name on the ticket and gives as his excuse for doing so that Bailey had meddled in other men's races for office.

He was not much concerned in Bailey's good name then, for he scratched him and voted for no one. The primary was held in July, and two months after, when the attorney general of Missouri had instituted proceedings against the Waters-Pierce Oil company for being a trust, and the case was on trial at St. Louis, and the attorney general of Texas had gone there to get information to use in prosecuting a like suit in Texas, and Pierce had testified, and the attorney general had learned of the papers and vouchers in the possession of Gruet, the former secretary of Pierce, said papers relating to the Bailey and Pierce transactions, Mr. Miller became very much concerned in Bailey's good name, all because Bailey had received the endorsement of the democratic party before the facts and the truth were known. In fact, we all became concerned in Bailey's good name. All democratic party members should have been concerned in Bailey's good name.

done to the satisfaction of all democrats, and those who are dissatisfied with recent developments have a right to be heard. When the COURIER is convinced that a majority of the democrats endorse Bailey's course, as brought out at St. Louis in September, two months after the primary, and at Austin in November, four months after the primary, its editor will support him as strongly as he has always supported every other nominee. Mr. Miller denounces Bailey for meddling in other men's races, but upholds him for meddling with the state government in its attempt to throttle the most grasping and soulless corporation that ever menaced the people of Texas. When the COURIER denounces the things to which the democratic party has always stood opposed, it challenges any Baileyite to say that his democracy is better than ours. We put no man above party principles and teachings.

AN APPRECIATED COMPLIMENT.

The COURIER is in receipt of the following complimentary letter and endorsement from Mr. A. W. Cain, principal of the Grapeland high school, which is very much appreciated. The letter is dated Grapeland, Texas, December 27, and reads as follows:

"Mr. W. W. Aiken, Crockett, Texas:

Dear Sir:—I trust you will pardon me for handing you this dollar on my subscription which is almost a year behind. I like your paper because the editor will venture to express an opinion of his own occasionally. His virtue is becoming all too rare among the brotherhood of 'pencil pushers.' Yours very truly, A. W. CAIN."

Such words of endorsement, coming at a time when certain individuals are threatening and advising a boycott in their efforts to restrain a free press and free speech, is refreshing indeed. It is made all the more so by the fact that it comes from one of the ablest educators of the county, a true Southerner and a gentleman. There is a certain influence in Crockett that is exerting itself to suppress the honest convictions of the press of the county, but the COURIER editor has found out that the scheme has not the endorsement of the better class of democrats. One of the fundamental and basic principles of democracy is an untrammelled press and free speech, and those who would suppress it are undemocratic, though they may blindly run after some erring party leader.

Don't get away from the text. It is this: "That no legislative or judicial officer of the state or nation should befriend, or represent as agent or attorney, or receive emoluments from—whether loans or fees, any public service corporation or trust." That is in accord with sound democracy.

A friend (we do not call those who differ with us "our enemies who should be driven into the gulf or annihilated") writes us as follows: "Your position on the Joe Bailey controversy is distasteful to sound democracy." There is nothing more harmful to the principles of sound democracy than the public policy of Joe Bailey, which the COURIER, as a democratic newspaper, cannot help but stand opposed to. There has not been a democratic platform written during the life of the party that has not stood opposed to corporate greed and influence. To denounce trusts and unlawful combinations in restraint of legitimate trade has been the slogan of the democratic party from time immemorable.

When the COURIER stands for the principles of democracy it claims to be as good a democrat as are those who are supporting a nominee who has not kept the faith. Joe Bailey departed from democratic teachings and doctrines when he became the confidential friend and adviser of the indicted and convicted president of the oil trust, accepting a loan of \$3,300 from him "as a favor" on their first meeting, and paying it back by making a note for a larger amount. Senator Bailey admits these things and adds that he asked the president of Waters-Pierce for a loan of \$156,000 at one time and got it. A democratic senator should keep free from contaminating influences.

The Farmers' Union of Nolan county, according to a recent dispatch in the daily press, has adopted the following resolution: "We deplore the unfortunate complication of the Standord Oil company, the Waters-Pierce Oil company and other trusts which have caused the withdrawal of the confidence within and without the state that has heretofore been reposed in Senator J. W. Bailey, and we demand of our members of the legislature a choice of our citizens who is friendly to labor, that he may put the standard of senatorship alongside of Houston, Rusk, Coke and their compeers."

It was to be expected that some narrow-minded bigots would discontinue their subscriptions to the COURIER and advise others to do so because of its stand in the present controversy. The boycott and suppression are the weapons of the egotist who can see no right of expression except his own. The COURIER does not expect all of its subscribers to agree with it, but it does claim the right to be heard. Those four subscribers who have discontinued their subscriptions have put themselves on record as opposing the right of public expression—a free press and free speech. Not a line has been written in defense of Bailey and submitted to the COURIER for publication that it has refused.

Houston County Teachers' Institute.

EDITOR COURIER:

The Houston County Teachers' Institute met at Crockett, Texas, Dec. 17, 1906. The first business transacted was the election of new officers. Mr. J. F. Mangum was elected president and Libbye Box secretary-treasurer. A suggestion was made that a committee be appointed to ask Judge Spence to make the welcome address in the absence of Judge Newman. A motion was made to that effect.

Messrs. Oliphant, Zimmerman and Hartt were appointed as a committee to place substitutes on the program as was necessary. A committee was also appointed to look into the matter as to having a summer normal to be held in Houston county next summer. Adjournment.

Monday afternoon session—Meeting called to order at 2 o'clock. Song, "America," sung by the institute. Discussion as to whether we, the teachers of Houston county, should pay the state superintendent's expenses to this place. Upon motion it was decided that the members of the institute be assessed 25 cents to defray the necessary expenses. A class of eight was selected to stand a written lesson on history; ten minutes was given in which to stand this written lesson, then a committee was appointed to grade those papers. The papers were read; some were excellent, others very good. This an interesting discussion followed as to the grading of



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pupils' papers, which must have been beneficial to each. Adjournment.

Tuesday morning session—Meeting called to order by the president. Roll was called. "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was sung by the institute. Mr. Hartt then took charge of the institute, and from it he selected five to recite a lesson on the principles of percentage. Problems were given them to be solved on the board; each did his work and explained it well. This was followed with a paper written by Mr. J. N. Herbert, one of Houston county's most competent teachers. The applause was the evidence of the appreciation of his audience. Adjournment.

Tuesday afternoon session—At 2 o'clock the institute met in the primary department of the Crockett public high school. A very interesting illustration was given by Miss Craddock on primary work. Special attention was given to reading by the sentence, word and phonic methods. We then had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Pence give some of her ideas on third grade work. Quite an interesting discussion followed as to how the teachers of the ungraded schools could teach some things, that are very necessary, as the teachers of the graded schools do. Roll was called. Adjournment.

Wednesday morning session—At the tap of the bell the whole house came to order, and all joined in singing "All Hail the Power." Prayer by Mr. Sebring. Roll was then called. Six minutes was given to discuss as to whether the institute have a session of five days or three meetings of two days each. Motion was made and carried that the institute meet hereafter once during a school year with five successive days. A few minutes was given to discuss at what time of the school year the institute should meet. Next Mr. Kennedy conducted a lesson on grammar. He called his class forward; each of them was very attentive, and I hope that the class and the entire institute gained something through his instructions on the subject given. A general discussion followed the lesson on grammar.

In regard to the summer normal question, the committee reported that they thought it would be necessary to have one at Crockett the succeeding summer, but it was left to the institute to decide the question. Motion was made and decided that we, the teachers of the institute, are interested in a "summer normal." It was then suggested that a committee be appointed to investigate as to how many would, perhaps, attend. Adjournment.

Wednesday afternoon session—At 2 o'clock the institute assembled for another meeting. Mr. Sebring was called upon to take Mr. A. W. Cain's place to talk on the subject of literature. A very short discussion followed on the subject. We then listened attentively to the reading by Miss Bromberg, namely, a selection from the literature of today, which was appreciated and enjoyed by all. This was followed by an instructive discussion on the subject of reading. Roll was called. Adjournment.

Thursday morning session—Promptly at 9 o'clock the institute opened by singing "Old Folks at Home." This was followed by prayer by Mr. Nichols. Next the roll was called. Mr. Nichols was then asked to take charge of his class. He called his history class forward. All had well prepared their lesson, therefore they did nicely. After the recitation had closed a general discussion arose as to the different methods of teaching history, which was interesting and valuable. Upon motion we were given ten minutes recess. After recess the discussion was continued on the subject given above. Adjournment.

Thursday afternoon session—At the regular time the meeting was called to order. Roll was called. Mr. Sebring was then asked to please come forward and take charge of his class in physical geography, which he immediately did. The lesson was very interesting and well illustrated. This was followed by a discussion of the same subject. Adjournment.

Friday morning session—At the usual time the institute met and was opened by all singing "Annie Laurie." Prayer by Mr. Goodwin. Roll was called. Minutes of the previous meetings were read by the secretary. Upon motion it was decided that the treasurer pay the school board of Crockett school for things that were necessarily used during the institute. The short discussion on the responsibilities of the teacher, by Messrs. Snell and Cook, was very much appreciated. Following this was a discussion on attendance, tardiness and punishment by Messrs. Goodwin and Zimmerman. Upon motion it was decided that the institute elect a conductor for the normal school. Mr. J. N. Herbert was elected. It was also decided that the faculty consist of three additional teachers exclusive of the conductor. The following were elected: Miss Lena Bromberg and Messrs. R. R. Sebring and J. F. Mangum, and provided any one of these be absent Mr. A. W. Cain will take their place.

It was decided that the paper which Mr. Herbert read during the institute be published in the Texas School Journal and county papers. We, the teachers of Houston county, extend our many thanks and appreciations to each one that helped in the evening programs.

LIBBYE BOX, Secretary-Treasurer.

A Jamaican Lady Speaks Highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mrs. Michael Hart, wife of the superintendent of Cart Service at Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies Islands, says that she has for some years used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, croup and whooping cough and has found it very beneficial. She has implicit confidence in it and would not be without a bottle of it in her home. Marchison & Beasley.