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"BONE DRY" MEASURE A LAW.

Governor of Oklahoma Fails to Sign Bill; Also Anti-Cigarette Act.

Oklahoma City, Ok., Feb. 24.—The Ferguson "bone dry" bill, passed in the legislature Feb. 19, became a law today without the signature of Governor Williams. No explanation of the reason for the governor failing to sign the bill has been made. The anti-cigarette bill also became a law today under similar circumstances.

The "bone dry" measure prohibits the shipment of liquor by common carrier into the state, and makes mere possession a misdemeanor. The anti-cigarette bill as amended and passed licenses dealers, who forfeit their business privilege by selling cigarettes to minors.

Our Agricultural Fair.

The recent announcement that the Houston county fair was to be resurrected, with the agricultural department the most prominent feature, and an earnest effort made to place this organization, that should mean so much for the welfare of the county, on a permanent basis, has created a good deal of favorable comment, and the preliminary steps have been taken which, if properly supported by the public, will result in an exhibition this fall that will reflect the agricultural resources of this particular section of east Texas and make us all feel that we have helped to do something really worth while.

It should be explained, for the benefit of those not already advised, that the Houston County Fair Association is not an organization for profit in the sense that the ordinary business firm or company is created and conducted. The purpose was to inspire a greater interest in agriculture with a view of helping the farmer, and through his increased prosperity to benefit the community at large. The stockholders invested their money without any expectation of receiving interest on the same, except through the general improvement in which all would share. The most that is hoped for on their part is that their efforts will be appreciated to the extent that these exhibitions shall become self-supporting and thereby avoid the necessity of their contributing prorata to a regular annual deficit.

With a hearty co-operation of the farmer this project can be made a gratifying success, and this assistance to be most effective must be given with a clear understanding and belief that the association was organized and is being conducted primarily for his benefit, and not to exploit his resources for the direct pecuniary benefit of the stockholders.

Now, let us consider this point settled and proceed with the serious work of getting things started.

The agricultural department, as stated in a previous article, is to be placed in charge of W. B. Cook, our county agent, with the support of the Crockett Commercial Club and other similar county organizations, with a view of making it what its name implies, county wide in its influence. In support of this feature, farmers from every section of the county will be placed upon committees upon the activity of which will largely depend the suc-

cess of the department.

Now, let us clearly understand that the officers of the fair association have turned over to us farmers the handling of the most important features of the fair, and it is clearly up to us to show that we can make good.

We are assured that the amusement and other essential features of a popular and successful county fair will be provided in a manner far superior to any previous exhibition, which, translated, means that the fair this fall is to clearly outstrip not only all former efforts of this association, but those of any other county in east Texas.

H. A. Fisher.

For City Marshal.

The Courier is authorized to announce Mr. T. R. Deupree as a candidate for the office of city marshal of Crockett, subject to the white man's primary of March 20, 1917. Mr. Deupree is well and favorably known to all of our people. It is only at the solicitation of friends that he has entered the race, but, having decided to enter, he asks the support of all good citizens, not only before the election, but after, should he be elected. He promises to administer the affairs of this office impartially and in a way that will give satisfaction to all concerned. He solicits your support.

BIG AMOUNT OF WHISKY SEIZED.

Sheriff at Denison Seizes Three Wagon Loads.

Denison, Texas, Feb. 24.—Three wagons, driven by young white men, were halted here today while their teams were drinking from a city water fountain. From the average citizen the wagons attracted no special notice. Officers decided to take a peep into the contents of the wagons and discovered that each was loaded with packages neatly wrapped in brown paper. Each package contained six quarts of whisky, totaling 648 quarts. The men were arrested and placed in jail, while the cargo of whisky was stored in the office of the sheriff.

A Time of Refreshing.

Showers of rain is a favorite figure with the inspired writers to express the spiritual benedictions of God. We read in the Psalter, "He shall come down like the rain upon the mown grass as showers that water the earth." Ezekiel exultantly exclaims, "There shall be showers of blessings." Hosea promises the repenting and returning sinners, "Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord; his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and the

former rain unto the earth." Peter spoke of "The times of refreshing" from the presence of the Lord. The periodic downpours of spiritual rain are thus emphasized.

God has always used revivals. Sometimes they have been accompanied by mighty thunders and vivid lightnings; but when they have passed by, the atmosphere everywhere has been purer. More frequently they have come like the April shower, but the mountains shouted loudly, the little hills clapped their hands for—very joy, the valleys laughed in gladness, and an abundant harvest followed. Just as the "latter and former rain" vitalizes the earth, causes the birds to sing, the flowers to bloom and the great heart of nature to rejoice, so these spiritual showers make the heart of the christian to thrill with a new life and bound with a new joy. Every place where the Lord has planted his vineyard must be regularly watered. Each body of believers must have spiritual showers of refreshing in order to flourish and to bear fruit.

A good old brother, praying for rain, said: "Lord, we don't want any of your little old showers, but we want a big rain; a gully washer, a root soaker and a chunk mover." This is the kind of revival Crockett needs. So many things need to be swept out of our lives, out of our homes and out of our community.

Every earnest Christian in our city is praying for a great revival.

Revival services begin at the Methodist church Sunday the 4th instant. Rev. J. Ed Morgan, presiding elder of Navasota district, whom God has graciously blessed in conducting revivals, will do the preaching—reaching us on Monday. Rev. Terry Wilson, a singing evangelist and preacher, will be in charge of the singing. We hope to have one of the largest chorus choirs ever seen and heard in Crockett. Every Christian in Crockett is earnestly invited to cooperate in this meeting. Every person, saint and sinner, is invited to attend. Come and let's seek the Lord "till he come and rain righteousness upon" us. Chas. U. McLarty.

Peanuts and Other Things.

An active demand for seed peanuts has already developed; one party wanting 150 bushels. Farmers having seed to sell should notify the dealers handling them, and in case you have more than you want let us know and we will try to help you out.

In this connection it is pertinent to say to the numerous farmers who have recently expressed a desire to plant an increased acreage this year, provided they could be assured of getting them threshed, that while there are a number of threshing outfits doing custom work in the county, the safe plan is to organize a company in each school district and buy a \$200 threshing outfit. Until this is done the farmers will not receive the full benefit from raising this most important crop.

How many responses by mail do you think the secretary has received to his urgent request to hear from the enterprising citizens of the county on the packing plant? Not one. Several farmers and some of our town people have casually remarked that a packing house plant would be a great thing for the county, but did not suggest ways and means of securing it. Just expected, we imagine, that in sailing around it would like the looks of this place and light here and make us additionally prosperous in spite of our indifference. No, gentlemen, such things don't happen that way. If we want this important industry we must make an effort in proportion to the value of it, and that calls for concerted action of the most effective character in this instance. Shall we go after it? The parties making the offer of assistance are thoroughly reliable.

Most of the members of the club that was formed to buy a hundred pounds of Rhodes grass seed have responded to the request that they call and deposit the money necessary to pay for their order. Soon as the others call the order will go forward. H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

Prohibition scored rapidly in the closing hours of last week. The senate passed a "bone-dry" bill for Alaska, and the house promptly gave its sanction to the measure. Oregon's "dry" law went into full effect; the Indiana senate passed a state-wide prohibition bill that had already passed the house, but with an amendment that is yet to be acted upon, and the governor of Tennessee signed the bill which puts an end to the shipment of liquor into that state.

CARLETON & BERRY



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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

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In case of errors or omissions in legal or other advertisements, the publishers do not hold themselves liable for damage further than the amount received by them for such advertisement.

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"BONE-DRY" RIDER

APPROVED IN HOUSE.

Forbids Liquor Shipments—One-Third of Continental United States Added to Prohibition Territory.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Absolute-prohibition legislation took its longest forward stride in the nation's history today when the house after two hours of uproarious debate approved by a 4 to 1 majority a senate measure which would raise an ironclad barrier against importation of liquor into prohibition states. It is expected to receive the approval of President Wilson within a week, adding immediately to the "bone-dry" territory about one-third of continental United States.

The provision is regarded as the most far-reaching that could be enacted by the federal government and as sweeping as would be possible under any method short of a national prohibition amendment. It would cut off entirely not only importations amounting to millions of dollars annually into the large number of states which have forbidden manufacture or sale but have permitted importation for personal use.

Advocates of prohibition divided among themselves over the expediency of the step, some friends of the cause declaring so drastic a law would have a reactionary effect. In the same way those who have opposed prohibition were not unanimous in opposition when the vote was taken. The roll call brought cheers and cries of "bone-dry" from all parts of the house, however, and the result was greeted with a noisy demonstration.

The vote as officially announced was 321 to 72, but a recheck of the roll changed it to 319 to 72. Party lines were completely broken and numerous representatives from prohibition states were recorded in the negative. So large a vote seldom is recorded on any measure.

A provision barring liquor advertisements from the mails in states that prohibit such advertising is included in the measure which came

before the house as a rider to the annual postoffice appropriation bill inserted by the senate last week on motion of Senator Reed by a vote of 55 to 11. Although the appropriation will go to conference because the house disagreed to other senate amendments there is little possibility that the prohibition amendment, concurred in without change, will be altered.

The Newspaper Courage.

Once in a while somebody gets the idea that the reason the newspaper does not report every scandal that comes to the public knowledge is because the publisher is afraid. That is not it. The reputable newspaper, especially in a small town, where everyone is a neighbor to everyone else, takes no delight in publicity of those things that have brought disgrace to some family or heartache to some wife or mother. It is much more pleasant to record the good things that happen, to tell about things that tend to make life more durable and that lift rather than tear down, that bring joy rather than sorrow, pride instead of heartache. So if you don't always find in this paper the delectable gossip that would doubtless make "good reading," and if you are inclined to blame the editor because he doesn't "print all the news," consider that some home has had enough to worry over unfortunate happenings, and that scandal mongers of the community can and will gladly and ghoulishly give sufficient publicity to the details to satisfy the lowest tastes. Incidentally it might be remarked here that the most complaint of censored news comes from people who have now or had in their lives some things they are very glad were not given newspaper publicity. There come times of course when it is the definite business of the local newspaper to speak right out in meeting, to tell what happens, to give publicity to conditions that are a reproach to the community and for which the light of publicity seems the only cure. Tolerance is not lack of courage.—Port Arthur Record.

Attention Automobile Owners

We have decided to put a Vulcanizing Plant in Crockett, under the management of Mr. Kelly Willis. All work strictly cash, but guaranteed.

Tubes Vulcanized from 10c Up

Casings from 50c Up

U. S. Vulcanizing Co.

At Crockett Motor Co's. Garage

High Prices of Cotton and Other Things.

The Enterprise man, in talking with a well-informed and practical farmer, a few days ago was given some valuable pointers that he had not thought seriously about before. The subject of discussion was the high prices lately paid for cotton and farm products generally. The p. f. argued that the present price of the staple was calculated to make the average farmer go "cotton wild" to the detriment and neglect of "living crops." He contended that cotton was unreasonably high, higher a few months ago than it has ever been except directly after the civil war, and he was afraid that this would have a tendency to cause not only all the farmers on the farm, but a large number residing in towns who will return to the farm, to plant the largest acreage to cotton this year that the South has ever known; and naturally this will mean low prices of this high-priced cotton, the farmers being forced to pay for their general supplies of every kind bought at prices based upon the 20-cent cotton of last season. When we view the subject and conditions as they are at present we believe the farmer we talked with is about correct in his reasoning; and if he is, the financial condition of matters in Texas will get "all balled up" again like they did in 1898 and also in 1914, when cotton brought only from 5 to 6 cents per pound, and money matters were so close that you could scarcely draw your own funds from the banks, except in small amounts. Confronted with these indisputable facts and common-sense reasoning, we are forced to the conclusion that it behooves the wise and provident farmer to "go a little slow" on an all cotton crop this year. First grow your own living and plenty feed for your livestock, and then give your attention to raising all the cotton you choose to. This is the surest and most logical plan we know of. Let home-living be the slogan the coming year. "Safety first."—Livingston Enterprise.

Wonderful!

Charles Wark, a young man of youthful appearance, slight in build as compared to the woman and gray as to hair, was at the piano.

He understands perfectly how best to accompany the prima donna. He knows what volume is required, what shading is desirable, how much of it, and he follows every motion of the singer to detect her next requirement in the matter of piano support.

He not only knows these things, but he does them. That is why he is such an accompanist.

He wore evening clothes. The piano was finished in black, one of the low concert type of instruments, with a little outward turn, on the top of which the singer rested an arm occasionally.—Oshkosh Northwestern.

A True Gentleman.

The Georgetown Commercial defines a true gentleman in the following few lines:

"The man who is clean inside and out, who neither looks up to the rich or down to the poor, who can lose without squealing, win without bragging, who is considerate of women and children and old people, who is too brave to lie, too generous to cheat and too sensible to loaf, who takes his share of the world's goods and lets others have theirs, is a true gentleman."

For Crockett People.

Simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler-i-ka, the appendicitis preventative, drains so much foul matter from the body that one spoonful relieves sour stomach, gas and constipation at once. The quick action is astonishing. The Bishop Drug Co.—Adv.

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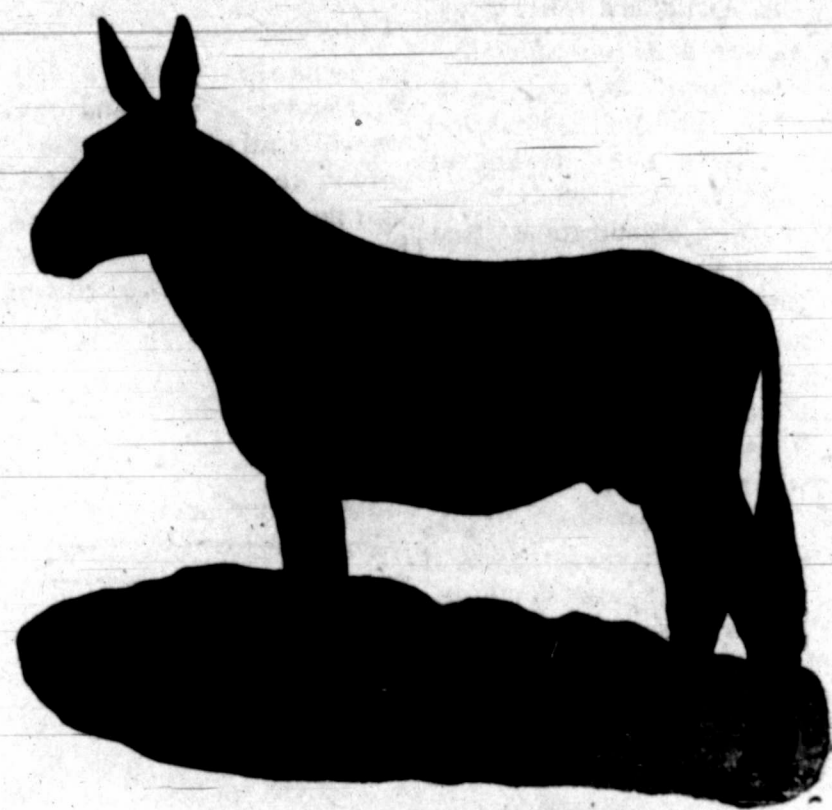
Our representative in your territory is Mr. E. C. Moore, postoffice box No. 424, Tyler, Texas.

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We have purchased the Tom Tunstall jack and he will make the season at Crockett. We believe this jack to be the best in East Texas. Call and see him.

Terms, \$12.50

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John D. Morgan T. R. Deupree

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KEEP YOUR WORD

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

You can make your Word with every man as good as your bond. It is said of Grover Cleveland that when he gave his Word a man could build on it. If you keep your Word once given you become a magnet that will draw strong men your way.

Keep Your Word.

You who are a Parent—keep your Word with your Children; you who are an Employer—keep your Word with your Employees; you who are an Employee—keep your Word with your Employer; you who have Friends—keep your Word with them and you will keep them.

Keep Your Word.

When you have an Appointment—keep it promptly. When you say you will Pay a man—Pay him. Never give your Word unless you are certain that you can keep it.

Keep Your Word.

The most important thing you can do is to keep your Word with Yourself. Never think or say to yourself that you will do a thing without going ahead and doing it. Do but this and you need have no worry about other people taking you at your Word.

Keep Your Word.

SECOND WIND

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

The race of Success is won just like any other race—on Second Wind. Second Wind is nothing more or less than reserve power responding and carrying one through to the end.

Be a Second Wind Performer.

Some people never put forth the necessary effort to enable them to draw on their reserve lung space. But the reserve is there just the same.

Be a Second Wind Performer.

The successful man goes through all the little processes of failure and discouragement and defeat—then he gets his Second Wind—pushes all the setbacks aside, and, carrying great momentum, he goes on and on. This is always the story of the one who has the courage and stamina to press on until the Second Wind is reached.

Be a Second Wind Performer.

If you want to experience the delight and power that result from the acquiring of your Second Wind, you have but to do more than you are told to do—more than you have to do. Second Wind comes through Initiative, Enthusiasm and Determination.

Be a Second Wind Performer.

Cause for Hilarity.

"Jim Simpson was sitting at a table near me the other day with another man, who was telling the most tiresome stories, and Jim nearly laughed himself into convulsions."

"No wonder. The man was his rich uncle."

HASTE IS WASTE

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

If Love is the greatest good thing in the world, then Hate is the greatest evil thing in the world. For Hate is the opposite of Love. Love warms, Hate freezes. Love attracts, Hate repels. Love is Life, Hate is Death.

Hate is the worst Waste that can possibly enter a Human Soul.

Love fills, nourishes and prospers both the Lover and the Loved. But Hate tears and Wastes everything—that it touches in the life of the Hater and the Hated. Hate is Poverty—impoverished. When you think about Hating anyone, pause long enough to feel its poisonous sting creep through your own being and then THINK. The chances are then that you will chase it from your life.

Hate always hurts the Hater most—for in many cases the Hated is big enough not to let the Hater in.

Don't let Hate get to you today. And if you have sent it out at any day to anyone, go and find where it went and take it back and bury it.

STEP BACK

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

Our big Ideas come about through Perspectives by Stepping Back far enough to see, in its entirety, the thing of which we are required to offer judgment.

Step Back.

History is written from Perspective. A man has to die in order that the complete measure of his work may be calmly viewed and taken. It is then that the trifles and the unimportant points lose and give way to the bolder outlines of his Career. It is then that the rugged features that made his life Dominant stay and stick, and form, as it were, on the Horizon of History, clear-cut marks.

Step Back.

Look at the things from a distance. Judge your Friend not by his eccentricities and failures and trivial sins, but by his Whole Life, his Formulated Plans, his Visioned Ideals and his Loyalty.

Step Back.

If your Work seems to accord to you nothing but dull monotony and uninspired routine, Step Back. Perhaps you are emphasizing the little details and are working too near your tasks to see the big points that should spur and arouse you. Pause now and then—Step Back. View your Work calmly by getting a new Perspective, and then enter into it afresh.

Step Back.

YOURSELF

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

You are the most interesting, the most helpful, the most harmful, the most inspiring person in the world to Yourself. You are your own best friend and your own worst enemy. Self-dominated you create your own power of choice—you take what you want and you sweep away what you do not want.

Get acquainted with Yourself.

It is well to take long walks with Yourself—to get often alone—to think over and to mentally debate over the important affairs of life. Many people are as unacquainted with themselves as they are with the majority of people they meet.

Get acquainted with Yourself.

Get on good terms with Yourself, for you will never have a companion such as Yourself. Of what value can you be to Yourself or to the world if you are constantly bickering with Yourself, debating with Yourself, uselessly, criticizing or pitying what you are and where you are, while others sweep past you.

Get acquainted with Yourself.

And get Enjoyment out of association with Yourself—not selfish Enjoyment—but the kind of Enjoyment that makes a man glad of his power and ability because of what he is able to do with them for the benefit of other people. Trust yourself. Be square with yourself—be loyal to your highest ideals—and others will want to get acquainted with You.

STOP

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

There is a wealth of Power to be gained in learning just When and How—to Stop. It seems a part of human activity to travel too Fast at times. Also, it has been a Fault of Nations. History tells all about it.

Stop. Pause and Think—then Go Ahead.

It is comparatively easy for Forceful and Energetic characters to keep going ahead, working and willing their way along. But the ability to Stop at the right time, no matter under what circumstances you may be placed, becomes a distinct mark of Decision and Control.

Stop. Pause and Think—then Go Ahead.

How many a time the busy man or woman learns the value of this little word too late! How many a giant enterprise has been snuffed out, like as a candle is snuffed out, for no other reason than that the little lesson of knowing just When and How to Stop had never been learned.

Stop. Pause and Think—then Go Ahead.

Measure your steps as you go. View your Work calmly and with satisfaction. Stop to take invoice and to meditate on the meaning of what you propose to achieve. Stop to gather and accumulate Strength and Nerve and Accidents. Stop—that you may learn to Go Ahead.

FARM LOAN ACT.

III. Amortization—How Loans Under the Farm Loan Act Are Designed to Be Helpful to the Borrower.

(By Frank R. Wilson, federal loan bureau, Washington, D. C.)

It has always been recognized that the most effective aid one can get is that which enables him to help himself.

Some critics of the federal farm loan act have charged that this act makes it too easy for farmers to get into debt, and that there will be a tendency to overborrow.

A careful reading of the bill will show that this objection is met by very carefully limiting the use to which the borrowed money may be put and by the requirement that farmers gradually each year must reduce their indebtedness.

The farm loan act was designed to be helpful to the farmer of average operations who has heretofore been denied adequate credit. It wisely limits the loans to 50 per cent of the appraised value of the security, because this limitation makes the security of a high character, thus satisfying the investor, and therefore results in a lower rate of interest.

The use of the money is carefully limited to the purchase of land, to pay off existing indebtedness, to purchase live stock, or to make any productive improvement such as fencing, drainage, buildings and machinery.

Is Really an Investment.

When money can be borrowed cheaply for productive use, a mortgage becomes an investment rather than a handicap. The farmer is enabled to get money to put his land to better use, so that the profits of his investment will pay off his indebtedness. Hereafter judicious borrowing on the part of the farmer will be regarded as business enterprise, just as it is now considered beneficial for large commercial institutions to borrow.

The farm loan act creates a form of indebtedness which peculiarly fits the farmers' needs. It recognizes that the farming business is one of slow returns.

So, it provides that a mortgage made under the act be paid on the amortization or installation plan through a long or short period of years. The mortgages may be made to run from five to forty years, at the option of the borrower, and they must be paid off, interest and principal, in equal installments through the period of the loans. Permission is given to pay all of the loan or any part of it on any interest-paying date after it has run five years.

Table of Payments.

To give the prospective borrower an exact idea of the size of the payments required annually to wipe out a mortgage in a given period, amortization tables have been prepared. The following table shows the amount of annual payments required to extinguish, in the period indicated, a thousand dollar loan bearing interest at 5, 5½ and 6 per cent:

| Term (yrs.) | Rate of Interest. | | |
|-------------|-------------------|----------|----------|
| | 5 Pct. | 5½ Pct. | 6 Pct. |
| 10 | \$129.50 | \$132.67 | \$135.87 |
| 15 | 96.34 | 99.53 | 102.96 |
| 20 | 80.24 | 83.88 | 87.13 |
| 25 | 70.36 | 74.53 | 78.22 |
| 30 | 63.78 | 68.31 | 72.46 |
| 35 | 59.07 | 64.97 | 68.37 |
| 40 | 55.28 | 62.32 | 65.46 |

So it will be seen that the farm loan act, in addition to providing a way for the farmer to borrow to the limit of safety, provides that he must put his borrowed money to productive uses, and furnishes the machinery to get him out of debt in an honorable and businesslike way. The farm loan act helps the farmer by placing within his grasp the means to help himself. It makes for business initiative and independence.

Masurian Lakes.

The Masurian lake region lies in Masurienland, a gently rolling region of East Prussia marked by hundreds of lakes of various sizes connected by channels and a canal system more than 100 miles long. Roughly, the area of the district is covered by the circles of Sensburg, Oletzka, Osterode, Allenstein, Roessel, Ortelsburg, Lyck (capital), Loetzen and Neidenburg. The lakes are of different shapes, some being rounded and others basins, with numerous radiating branches; others are long, narrow channels widening into pools at intervals like beads on a string. The largest, Mauer and Splrding, cover 40 square miles. The lakes form a very effective barrier for Germany against Russia, as was evidenced several times during the early part of the war, when the Russian armies were trapped there or forced to retreat. This bore out the wise opposition of Von Hindenburg and others against draining the lakes, a project considered by the German government several years ago.—Philadelphia Evening Ledger.

STEP LIVELY!

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

There is a deal of valuable life philosophy in the famous phrase of the Street Car Conductor—"Step Lively, Please!"

He knows. He is "on the Job." Schedules must be met. The crowds must be kept moving. The minutes must be counted. And so it is—Step Lively.

The life of each of us is but the snap of a finger after all. There could be no better motto for anyone than to Step Lively. Step Lively. Do your work so well today that the one who follows you tomorrow may be able to pick it up where you left off and because of your good work as creditably to pass it on to the one who follows him. Step Lively, though. Life lasts but a little while.

Step Lively.

When an Idea crops out from your Brain, Step lively, put it to some use, or else tomorrow or a minute later some other Brain will have hatched the same Idea, mayhap. If a noble, unselfish impulse stirs you, Step Lively, enact it. Is your Eye set upon things higher up? Do you see the figures outside your Pay Envelope expanding? Step Lively. Step Lively. The whole world is fond of those who Step Lively, who do not "fall asleep at the switch" and who do not block the Crowds, but who move on, and ever—Step Lively.



MEASURE UP

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

A very large number of people measure their abilities downward instead of upward. These are the sort of people who, when they do attempt something that they hardly think they can do, surprise themselves. If you want to grow—

Measure Up.

That is, say to yourself that you are actually capable of doing things bigger than you at first believed you can do. The faster a man finds out that he is not ordinary in ability and power to do things, the faster he makes things come to pass. So—

Measure Up.

The sincerely earnest man or woman grows in a Job—and with it. And so does the Job grow! The reason why there are so many people just "keeping" their jobs is that they just see its present boundaries. Some just fill the Job—no more; some fill it just a little—less. In your Job—

Measure Up.

Keep your eye beyond the limits of your work, as well as within it. See in your Job what the one before you did not. Continually prepare and fit yourself to be bigger than your Job and you will be continually "found out" for Jobs bigger than you are. And you will make good in them, for you will have learned to—

Measure Up.



June Days and March Days.

Stude (facetiously)—This steak is like a day in June, Mrs. Borden—very rare.

Landlady (crustily)—And your board bill is like March weather—always unsettled.—Punch Bowl.

Too Willing.

Tom—I wonder why Harry broke his engagement with Miss Peckem?

Jack—According to my information, her father offered to lend him money enough to get married on.—Indianapolis Star.

Giveaway.

Elderly Sister—So, Mr. Goodcatch said I had teeth like pearls. And what did you say?

Kid Brother—Oh, nothing, 'cept that you were gradually getting used to 'em.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Sometime.

"I told him he couldn't kiss me."

"Well?"

"Nothing. It's rather pleasant to have people differ with you now and then, don't you think?"—Cleveland Denier.

More Pleasure to Give.

Baker—How did that box of cigars I gave you affect you?

Egerton—Made me generous.

"How so?"

"I gave all of them away but the first one I smoked."

COBWEBS

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

Cobwebs are the result of inattention. The Housewife who is careless in her home duties soon has a lot of Cobwebs looking at her and her guests from the corners and little out-of-the-way places.

Cobwebs are regular little confessors—silent though they be—of neglect.

Though you may be unable to see them, Cobwebs get into people's Brains. And they come there—for the same reason that they come everywhere—while nobody is around they come in. And they stay until cleared out.

The idle and listless and complaining are living examples of people where Brain Garrets are choked with Cobwebs.

There is but one remedy for those whose Brains are Cobwebbed. Here it is—Think, Work, Get Busy. There is no room for Cobwebs where a man's Brain Cells are flashing real THOUGHT here and there and everywhere.

If you feel that Cobwebs are clogging your Thinking Machine, find that your efficiency is being impaired—here's a quiet little tip—Sweep out the Cobwebs.

JUDGE NOT

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

Did ever Human live that loved to be hurt at Heart? And yet how wildly and with what insanity we many times let out our Brains in thoughts and acts. Without any "taking heed" whatever we Judge and of course, nearly always Mis-Judge.

Lightly Judge—but best Judge not at all.

The greatest moments that you ever pass are those you spend alone in serious and earnest meditation over your own Abilities, Shortcomings, Ideals, Ambitions, Sorrows, Joys, or Disappointments. Many of the greatest thoughts that were ever thought are never revealed. You may have thought some of them. And the one you may have judged or misunderstood may have thought some of them too. With a mind clear from all Judgment or Enmity toward others your whole life will take firm root and grow.

Lightly Judge—but best Judge not at all.

About every mistake or wrong or even crime, that is committed in this great world is but the act of someone akin to you, someone merely carrying out the act that you would probably have carried out had you been placed in the same situation. None of us is very good, after all. And we can all well afford to freely give of every possible power at our command for the increasing of Smiles and Happy Faces in this world. There are enough now that are Sad and Unhappy. So, it is a big plan to—

Lightly Judge—but best Judge not at all.

GROUCHERS

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS.

Who is it that are the Hinderers and Obstructors of the Race—Thieves? No. Anarchists? No. Idlers? No. Grafters? No. Who then? Just these—the Men and Women with a Grouch.

Be too Busy for a Grouch.

For the Fellow with the Grouch is the Fellow with a glass of Poison in his hand who will pour it down your throat if you let him. But you will Escape him if you will only—

Be too Busy for a Grouch.

A Grouch never helped anything or anybody. And it never failed to do Harm. The Big Man with a Grouch becomes at once a Little Man. The Little Man without a Grouch immediately becomes a Big Man.

Be too Busy for a Grouch.

Suppose the Grouch does irritate you, suppose he does try to get you off your Guard, suppose he does try to make you "Look Cheap," suppose he does attempt to "Get your Goat." Look him in the eye. Then knock him into smithereens with a 60 h. p. City Bred Smile—and Pass On to your Work and your business.

Be too Busy for a Grouch.

Think!

The biggest successes in the business field today---the men doing the most business and making the greatest profits---are the fellows who are going after business most vigorously. It is a case of energy with "pep" in it. In a word, successful men keep everlastingly at it in seeking business and this, coupled with efficient service, begets more business, like unto the accumulation of the rolling snowball. Do you know of a marked success among your business acquaintances who sits around and waits for something to turn up? Do they not all work, work, work to obtain supplies and do they not repeat the same intelligent effort at the selling end? If they have something to sell do they not go after the buyers?

To go after business means to advertise, to let your customers know what you have to offer. Are you out after 1917 business in advance, are you in the ranks with the great procession of aggressive, successful men with an end in view, with a well defined policy marked out not alone for the present but especially for the future; or are you drifting aimlessly with the driftwood down the stream?

Now Is the Time!

The Courier Is the Medium!

WHAT FARMERS WHO KNOW SAY ABOUT

MERIDIAN FERTILIZERS

Bale to the Acre on Poor Land

"I used Meridian Home Mixture at the rate of 225 pounds per acre on poor, sandy upland and made 18 bales on 18 acres. R. E. L. Wharton, Ethelville, Ala.
"I made better than a bale of cotton per acre on poor red upland with 200 pounds of Meridian Home Mixture. The land would not have made more than a half bale without fertilizers." W. B. Richardson, Newton, Miss.

Sixteen Bales to the Acre

I made 110 bales of cotton on my place with seven mules this year. I used 200 pounds of Meridian Home Mixture per acre." S. A. Lowe, In Meridian Star.

400 Per Cent Increase

"I made 2,700 pounds of seed cotton per acre the last season by the use of Meridian Home Mixture. The last time the land had been previously cultivated it made 700 pounds per acre with a fertilizer made by another company." Floyd Loper, Lake, Miss.

These are only a few of the many thousands of endorsements of Meridian Fertilizers. The best testimonial is the fact that more than one-fourth of the fertilizer used in the territory in which we operate is the Red Bag kind. Look for the Red Bag on the back of every sack.



BRANDS

Meridian Home Mixture: This is the most popular cotton and corn fertilizer on the market today. It is the best suited as a general fertilizer for all ordinary farm crops.

Meridian Union Special Phosphate: It is the best Acid Phosphate of similar grade.

Meridian Blood and Bone: This brand is made of slaughter house material. It contains potash.

Meridian Perfect Guano: It contains a very large percentage of available Phosphoric Acid and Nitrogen. Being a very highest grade fertilizer, it is found the most profitable fertilizer for intensive farming.

Meridian Ham Bone: This popular brand is made from bone, tankage and blood, and is a very strong fertilizer.

Meridian Meal Mixture: It is best suited for general staple crops.

Meridian Vegetable Grower Caddo Cotton Texas Special

We make fertilizers to special formulae. Ask your dealer for Meridian Fertilizers. If he doesn't handle Meridian, write us for full information.

Meridian Fertilizer Factory,
Addresses,
Meridian, Miss., Hattiesburg, Miss., Shreveport, La.

SOLD IN CROCKETT BY

Jas. S. Shivers & Company

SPRAY THAT GARDEN.

San Jose Scale is Destroying the Orchards of Houston County.

Formula for lime-sulfur spray for San Jose scale: Sulfur, 15 pounds; lime, 15 pounds; water, 50 gallons.

Slack the lime in an iron kettle, using enough water to prevent the lime from burning. "Puddle" the sulfur in water and then mix it with the lime. Add enough water to make fifty gallons and boil the mixture vigorously for one hour. The cooked solution should be a clear amber-colored liquid. Draw off this solution and leave the sediment in the bottom of the container. See that every limb on the tree is covered with the spray.

San Jose scale is prevalent generally all over Houston county and has already taken toll of some of the best orchards in this section. This is a very serious pest and drastic measures must be taken if we should expect to control it. We have as good fruit producing country as there is in the state, but we must take the necessary precautions that any other fruit producing country has to take to insure a crop of fruit. Spraying must be done in order to eradicate the enemies of the fruit trees, and until we do this our efforts toward making this a profitable fruit growing section are in vain.

San Jose scale is caused by a minute sucking insect which fixes

itself to the bark of the tree. It spreads very rapidly over the tree and will kill a tree in a few years if no steps are taken to kill out the insects. The killing of these insects is not at all an easy matter. The adult insect protects itself by an encrustment which it forms over itself once it has become attached to the limb of the fruit tree. The insect can be killed, however, by a caustic spray. The lime-sulfur spray is the one most generally used. This spray has to be used in a concentrated form in order to be caustic enough to kill the insects. This makes it necessary for the trees to be sprayed while they are dormant in order that the foliage may not be killed.

The seasons for spraying for San Jose scale are in early spring before the trees have put out leaves and in the late fall when the leaves have fallen off. This spring's spraying should be done immediately. The spraying can be done with the ordinary barrel spray. If there is not a sprayer in the community it would be well for small orchard owners to club together and purchase one. The cost will be about \$15, and the sprayer will come in handy in subsequent spraying in the garden, orchard and potato crop.

I shall be glad to give any further information to any one desiring to know more in regard to spraying for San Jose scale.

W. B. Cook,
County Demonstration Agent.

Potato as Legal Tender.

Monroe, Wis., Feb. 23.—A potato passed as legal tender for two glasses of beer here Friday.

The customer, having drained his glass, drew from his pocket a genuine white potato about the size of a hen's egg and deposited it regretfully on the bar. The bartender rang up the cash register, deposited the tuber, and then turned to the customer:

"I haven't a bit of small change; better drink the rest of it up," he suggested.

The customer agreed and thus the entire potato was squandered.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—A newspaper reporter using a basket as a purse and potatoes as money had little difficulty today in getting about and in making purchases. The potatoes were from Idaho and valued at retail at 3½ cents each.

The girl in the ticket window of a moving picture show accepted three of them for a ticket.

A taxicab chauffeur took six for a ride of two blocks. At a 5 and 10-cent store the reporter bought two "diamonds" and a picture frame with his tubers.

Shingle your house just once during your lifetime. Washington Red Cedar shingles are the kind. We have a new car of extra fine quality and invite you to inspect them. Also have a large supply of Cypress Clippers. Prices lowest obtainable.

tf. Brooke-Morris Lumber Co.

Attention

Mr. Business

Man

Are you out after your share of the Spring and Summer business, or are you wallowing in the mire of mental despondency over the high cost of living?

Did it ever occur to you that there are over 40,000 people in Houston county who must be clothed and fed every day?

They are going to be supplied from some source by somebody. Do you want to get in on this big job, or are you going to indulge in mental anguish over what might have been had there been no high prices?

Now Is the Time for Action!

Now Is the Time to Advertise!

The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from the Courier Building.

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 bills.

In case of errors or omissions in legal or other advertisements, the publishers do not hold themselves liable for damage further than the amount received by them for such advertisement.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Courier will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the management.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Courier is authorized to make the following announcements subject to the White Man's Primary to be held on Tuesday, March 20, 1917. For City Secretary

J. Valentine (re-election)

For City Marshal

T. R. Deupree

SOME SPLENDID ROAD WORK.

In company with Messrs. G. Q. King, W. H. Denny, J. W. Madden and C. C. Warfield, the Courier editor went over eight miles of splendid road Wednesday morning. Beginning at the city limit, a mile from the court house, the road known as the Centralia road has been worked for seven miles under the personal supervision of Mr. C. C. Warfield, a member of the Crockett road district advisory board. While Mr. Warfield has donated his time as superintendent, he gives the credit to the two road overseers and the other citizens of that section for what has been accomplished. The overseers under whose direction the work was done are J. R. Turner and I. W. Tatum. There is no better piece of road in Houston county and, as Mr. Warfield says, too much credit cannot be given those overseers and the other citizens along the road who worked with them. By a spirit of community co-operation, this splendid road of seven miles has been accomplished with an expenditure of something over \$1400, or a little over \$200 a mile. The work, with the exception of some hill grading done by A. W. Ellis, was done by the citizens living along the road.

FAITH IN THE PEOPLE.

We have not lost our faith in the American people. Beneath the surface of a national life which seems to be growing fatally indifferent to all high moral ideas under the corrupting influences of great wealth and prosperity, there still abide the latent forces that though they slumber do not die. Before our civil war there were many who affirmed that the nation was sunken in selfishness and the lust for gold. How magnificently it rose, however, when the great call came and a holy cause demanded sacrifice and service! War is not the only instrument in the hands of Him who guides the destinies of men to rouse them from their shameful self-indulgence and ease. By the summons to some sublime service to humanity the national heart, we believe, will yet be stirred till it reveals the hidden depths of its moral strength and devotion. After all, it is relatively only the few among us who have succumbed to the demoralizing influence of wealth and luxury. These are not the nation. The average man is still sound at heart.

Thoughtful men and women have all along down the ages been exhorting, admonishing and adjuring

mankind to be careful of their thoughts. The vital, one might say infinite, importance of right thought habits can not be overestimated. Over and over again comes to one's mind when dwelling upon this matter the great, fundamental truth so concisely stated by the Psalmist when he said in speaking of men, "As he thinketh in his heart, so is he." This statement is absolute. It can not be disputed with reason. It is demonstrated in the sight of us all each day that he whose thoughts are vile becomes vile in word and deed, and that he whose mind dwells on the good and the truth and the beautiful manifests these things in his daily walk. It is thought which governs, and it necessarily follows that if one's thought be bad, he is bad, whereas if it be good, he is good. This result is as certain as the law of gravitation. Just as surely as the needle points to the pole does one's mental gravitation incline him in the direction he thinks.—Galveston News.

A newspaper's best friends are its readers. By serving and pleasing its readers the best it can, the newspaper, if it gains their confidence, merits their outspoken approval. The reader is the living advertisement—the bearer of the truth—for the newspaper, good or bad, as the case may be. If the Courier has pleased or helped you, will you not tell your neighbor about it?

A Missouri editor has refused to publish obituary notices of people who failed to subscribe for his paper, giving as a reason that people who do not take their local paper are dead anyway and their simply passing away has no news value whatever.—Polk County Enterprise.

Governor Brough has signed the Arkansas "bone dry" prohibition bill, which becomes effective at once. The law stops the shipment of intoxicating liquors into Arkansas for beverage purposes, also prohibits the shipments from one point in the state to another.—Vernon Call.

White Man's Primary.

In response to the request of a large number of citizens, presented to me by petition, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as chairman of the White Man's Association of the city of Crockett, I hereby call a White Man's Primary election for said city of Crockett, to be held at the court house in said city, on Tuesday, March 20, 1917, at which only white men, who are qualified voters in said city, will be permitted to vote, for the purpose of nominating the following city officers: Three aldermen, a city marshal, a city attorney and a city secretary.

I hereby appoint A. C. Collins as manager of said election.

A. A. Aldrich,

Chairman White Man's Ass'n.

Bible Society Meeting.

The Houston County Bible Society met at the Baptist church last Sunday night. The following officers were elected for the year:

Hon. I. A. Daniel, president.

Dr. John S. Wootters, vice president.

Mr. E. C. Arledge, corresponding secretary.

Mr. John F. Baker, depository and treasurer.

Mr. Baker has an assortment of Bibles and Testaments to be sold at cost, at the McLean drug store.

This County Society has been in existence sixty-two years. It is auxiliary to the American Bible Society which is a little more than one hundred years old and has its headquarters in the Bible House, New York City, where the scriptures are printed in many languages and sent out over the world.

Cadman Club.

The Cadman Club met in regular session February 21 with Mrs. C. L. Edmiston. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The president, Mrs. Dudley Woodson, gave Mrs. J. P. Hail's request for transference from active to associate membership. This will be a distinct loss to the club. We were glad to have Mrs. Hal Lacy back again and she will entertain at the time Mrs. Hail was booked for. The treasurer, Mrs. Kiessling, read her report and called upon delinquent members to pay fines. This ended the business phase, so then Miss Kathleen Hail took charge of the program for the afternoon. The first item was a selection from the opera, Tosca, on the piano by Miss Bella Lipscomb. Mrs. T. G. Morris read and discussed Act II of the opera. The club enjoyed a piano solo from Tosca and also another musical selection from Miss Bess Long. Interspersed through the program was Victrola music conducted by Miss Mary Aldrich. Miss Wall gave "Tosca's Prayer" in her usual delightful, artistic style, and Mrs. Morris a beautiful production from the opera on the piano. Miss Clarite Elliott gave a lovely solo, "Irish Love Song."

The next meeting will be March 7 with Mrs. A. H. Wootters.

Bella Lipscomb,
Secretary.

A Colorado editor, who has a penchant for big figures, declared that his state produced \$20,000,000 worth of potatoes last year. A Missouri editor came back with: "Gee; they must have had nearly a carload."

Plums to Pull at T. D. Craddock's

Twelve pounds best Granulated Sugar for.....\$1.00
Sixteen pounds best Blue Rose Head Rice for.....\$1.00
Crusto Compound Lard, per pound.....15c
Best White Cooking Oil, per gallon.....\$1.00
Five pounds bulk Chase & Sanborn's Coffee for.....\$1.00
Good Flour, per sack.....\$2.25
Fancy Patent Flour, per sack.....\$2.40
Extra High Patent Flour, per sack.....\$2.50

Shoes of All Kinds at Bargains

Headquarters for Dry Goods, Ladies', Children's and Men's Hosiery and Underwear—Plows and Planters to suit—Fertilizer to make your potatoes, corn and cotton grow—blood and bone or meal base, with potash. SEE US.

T. D. CRADDOCK

Crockett is making an effort to secure a meat packing plant to handle the hogs that will be fattened on peanuts. If hogs can be shipped out of the country, butchered and shipped back and the meat sold at a profit, why could they not be butchered at home and the meat sold at home and save paying freight both ways?—Conroe Courier.

500 Farms

\$6 to \$10 Per Acre
Fifth Cash, Balance 10 Equal Annual Payments, 6 Per Cent.
50 Million Acres
\$1 to \$5 Per Acre
J. D. FREEMAN
LOVEDADY, TEXAS

Fertilize--Beat a Weevil

Every farmer in Houston county ought to make a good crop, and we have a double reason why we want him to. We want to sell the fertilizers to enable him to do it and we want the cotton seed to work. Get your cotton up early—use Davy Crockett Fertilizers—because it is the best you can buy, and perhaps at less money—to push it to early maturity, beating the weevil to maturity.

College Station says it is "best to use HIGH GRADE FERTILIZERS." Cheap grades are costly. Don't be led away by that human weakness to believe that just because the goods are manufactured away-off-yonder they are bound to be better. Only three ingredients are used in making up fertilizers—Acid Phosphate, Nitrogen and Potash. All fertilizer factories use the same ingredients mostly, except nitrogen. Some use the blood and bone for nitrogen, fish scraps, etc., or cotton seed meal. The main difference, and about the only difference, in fertilizers of equal analysis is that they use either cotton seed meal or something else for nitrogen.

Cotton seed meal is the best form of nitrogen, besides it contains about two per cent of phosphoric acid and about two per cent of potash. On account of the war potash cannot be obtained from Germany, consequently by using the fertilizers composed of cotton seed meal you get the benefit not only of its nitrogen but also its potash, which figured at the prevailing price of muriate of potash (\$700.00 per ton), it makes the potash in meal worth about \$15.00 per ton of meal. In fact, on account of the high price of potash, we would encourage those careful people who can do their own mixing to use only meal and 16 per cent acid phosphate. By doing so you can appropriate the proper amount to each kind of land or crop.

We can sell you Mixed Fertilizers at as low price as any one and give you better goods. We can sell you acid phosphate and meal. Remember, always, we have the best.

We had some trouble the first of this season keeping our meal up to the standard because of taking off of the seed so much lint, but we have installed an air separator and can now give you first-grade meal.

Ask us or your merchant for DAVY CROCKETT BRANDS and get the best at the lowest prices.

Made in Crockett—Money Kept at Home

Houston County Oil Mill & Manufacturing Co.

Special Showing of New Spring Styles

Every Train Brings Something New for This Store, and It Will Only Be a Few Days Longer Before We Have All of Our Spring and Summer Goods on Display

New Spring Millinery

New hats are received every few days, and they are nobbier this season than ever before and, as usual, our prices are always just a little lower than you will find anywhere else.

Visit Our Ready-to-Wear

And you will find we have taken great care in selecting this merchandise.

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| Skirts priced up from | \$1.50 |
| Shirtwaists priced up from | 50c |
| Ladies' Suits priced up from | \$15.00 |
| Ladies' Dresses up from | \$3.50 |
| Middy Blouses priced up from | 50c |
| This week we will receive another big shipment of Coat Suits—prices up from \$18.00 | |

Men's Furnishings

We are ready for business in our men's furnishing goods department.

NEW HATS
NEW SHIRTS
NEW NECKWEAR
NEW BELTS
Underwear and Sox

Give Us a Try and You Will Always Find Us Glad to Show You

Crockett
Texas

C. P. O'BANNON
Millinery and Everything Else You Wear

Crockett
Texas

Local News Items

Miss Mary McLean attended the wedding of her cousin, Miss Jennie Mae Dick, in Austin last week. The bride, who has visited Crockett on several occasions, became the wife of Mr. George P. Martin of Houston. Numerous Crockett friends are extending best wishes and congratulations.

New Corn Meal Mill.

I have a new Williams stone buhr mill, on my place two miles west of Crockett on the Huntsville road, that makes the finest grade of meal possible to obtain. Grind every day but Sunday before 9 A. M. and after 5 P. M.

2t. H. A. Fisher.

Shingle your house just once during your lifetime. Washington Red Cedar shingles are the kind. We have a new car of extra fine quality and invite you to inspect them. Also have a large supply of Cypress Clippers. Prices lowest obtainable.

tf. Brooke-Morris Lumber Co.

You can save money by patronizing those business people who are liberal enough to advertise for your business through the county newspapers. By reading the ads. in the Courier every week you get valuable buying information that will mean the saving of many a dollar to you when you go about supplying the necessities of life.

Mr. Walter Taylor arrived from Lancaster Sunday night with his bride, who was Miss Maggie Andrews. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were married Friday evening at the home of the bride, who was one of Lancaster's most popular maids. They will make their home in Crockett for awhile, Mr. Taylor being an assistant to the engineer in the road improvement work. While he has lived in Crockett only a few months, he has lost no time in accumulating friends, who wish him and his most estimable companion a full measure of success and happiness.

Stock Farm Changes Hands.

Web Goolsbee has bought the C. L. Mansfield farm on the Rusk road a short distance from Crockett. Mr. Mansfield will return to Indiana,

the state from which he came several years ago, and re-enter the business of stock farming. During his residence near Crockett he built up a model stock farm and dairy, and Mr. Goolsbee has acquired a valuable piece of property. The amount involved in the transaction is private, and we are not informed as to what disposition of the property it is Mr. Goolsbee's intention to make.

Tax Laws to Be Enforced.

People who are due taxes in Houston county are earnestly requested to pay their taxes before April 1, 1917, to avoid embarrassment and extra cost to the taxpayer, as the laws of the state of Texas compel the respective collectors throughout the entire state to exercise every effort in their power to collect taxes due the state and county, and as the delinquent list will be compiled on the above mentioned date I earnestly request those who have not yet paid their taxes to assist me by paying same at once. C. W. Butler Jr.,
It. Tax Collector.

For City Secretary.

The Courier is authorized to announce Mr. J. Valentine, the present city secretary, as a candidate for re-election. Mr. Valentine has lived among us for a long time and is well known to all of our people. That he is capable, honest and efficient will not be denied. Since becoming city secretary he has inaugurated a system of clerical work that is a great aid to the council and taxpayers in supplying information. The city's records are accurately and systematically kept by him as the result of close, personal application and untiring zeal. His candidacy is subject to the white man's primary of Tuesday, March 20.

Don't Put Off

Getting that hair-cut any longer. Maybe you have put it off too long now. If it isn't a hair-cut, perhaps it is a good, clean, smooth shave that would make you feel better. Let us fix you up.

THE MAGNOLIA BARBER SHOP
G. D. McCLAIN, PROPRIETOR



HOUSTON, TEXAS
for CUT FLOWERS
WEDDING BOUQUETS
FUNERAL OFFERINGS
SERVICE PLUS COURTESY

AUCTION SALE!

At Mitchell Satterwhite's Store
Lovelady, Texas, Beginning
at 9 a. m. Saturday, March 3

After being confined to my bed with a broken leg for six weeks, I have decided to sell at auction my entire stock of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes. Everything will be sold

At and Below Cost on That
Day for Cash

And owing to the advanced price on shoes especially it will pay every one to come and see the shoes sell. Some of the latest styles and best qualities will be sold at rock bottom prices. Be on hand at 9 o'clock and be sure not to miss the best bargains.

Mitchell Satterwhite
LOVELADY, TEXAS

A Complete News Stand

Style show and millinery news, current history, movie show weeklies and monthlies, dailies, popular fiction and news from the world of sport.

The Rexall Store
PHONE TWO-FOUR FOR YOUR CHOICE

An Iron Tonic That Will Brace You Up For the Spring Days

You will feel better all year if you take a good tonic at this season.

NYALS IRON TONIC

PROVIDES just the elements needed to put iron in the blood, gives you nerves like steel, an appetite like an ostrich, and power to perfectly digest what you eat.

Take it Now and Feel at Your Best This Spring

Phone 47 or 140

Bishop Drug Company

THE PROMPT SERVICE STORE

Local News.

Flower seed at the Rexall Store.

Mrs. J. T. Harrison is visiting in Houston.

Lots of new Mazda lamps at the Rexall Store. 1t.

For pretty, snappy styles, see Hail & Wakefield. 1t.

Jas. S. Shivers & Co. have a few more mules for sale. 1t.

Break your cold or la grippe with a few doses of 666. 50-13t.

"Buddy" Gardner of Palestine was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. Herman Howard is visiting in Augusta for a few days.

A complete, up-to-date abstract tf-adv Aldrich & Crook.

Rub-My-Tism — Antiseptic, relieves rheumatism, sprains, neuralgia, etc. 50-13t.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Scott left Sunday afternoon to visit relatives and friends at Laredo.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Self and Mrs. S. E. Marshall were visitors in Houston the first of this week.

For Rent.

All or part of a nine-room house. tf. J. G. Beasley.

Mrs. M. W. Armstrong of Alto is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. C. Goolsbee, and family in this city.

Cooking stoves—Buck's and Darling—complete line. Sold only in Crockett by Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

The city has purchased some new road drags that are doing effective work in keeping the ruts out of the streets.

Dr. W. S. Miles of Pennington and J. M. O'Neill of Groveton were transacting business in Crockett Tuesday.

The Oil Mill is now making horse feeds—better and cheaper than corn chops—"Milo-Mix" (Maize and Molasses.) 3t.

Miss Gladys Scaling of Fort Worth was the guest of Miss Mildred Collins in Lovelady this and last week.

Hail & Wakefield cordially invite you to attend their showing of smart spring hats next Thursday, March 15. 1t.

For Sale—A \$275 piano, practically new, for \$150, a third cash, the balance in installments. See Berker Tunstall. 1t.

Mrs. Kate Newton Slaughter is among those who have remembered the Courier with their subscriptions since last issue.

Mr. H. A. Fisher returned Wednesday afternoon from Alto, where he addressed the commercial organization by invitation.

For Rent—Furnished rooms in Page flat. Electric lights and lavatory in each room. Also two office rooms. Phone 343. 1t.

Attorney John Spence paid the Courier a visit Monday and, as a result, the Courier Press Club has another member.

Wanted.

Five hundred hogs at once—to weigh 80 pounds and up. 2t. A. B. Burton.

J. F. Cook and Harry Richardson were at home the first of the week from Center, where they have a road grading contract.

For Rent.

A nice cottage, opposite J. H. Smith's residence. Apply to 2t. A. M. Decuir.

Mebane Cotton Seed.

Get them now. Most profitable seed to plant. Three bushels to the sack. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Wanted.

Five hundred hogs at once—to weigh 80 pounds and up. 2t. A. B. Burton.

Mule Lost.

A black mare mule, about 14½ hands high, weight about 900 or 950, branded G on right jaw. Phone or write W. B. Newman at Augusta, or notify Cleon Goolsbee at Crockett. 1t.

WATCH HOSPITAL

Cleanliness is true economy in a time piece.

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Mrs. J. R. Foster, Mrs. J. D. Woodson, Master Jacob Dudley Woodson and Miss Otice McConnell were visitors to Lufkin from Friday until Monday.

Herman Howard has gone to Lake Charles, where he has accepted a position as card writer and window decorator. He will be joined later by Mrs. Howard.

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Complimentary Afternoon.

One of the pretty hospitalities given by Mrs. C. N. Corry, for Misses Willie Wortham, Bess Long and Pauline Durst, was an informal tea.

Large baskets and vases of snowy brindal wreath and ferns adorned the home.

A Shirt-Waist Romance afforded pleasure and merriment for entertainment.

Handsome souvenirs were awarded and a delicious repast served after the contest, chocolate being formed in the prettily appointed dining room by Misses Bettie Davis and Evelyn Wall. Guest.

Austin Woodall of Sour Lake was here Saturday and Sunday to visit Mrs. Woodall and the young baby girl whom he had not seen. Finding the youngster and its mother all right, he returned to his business at Sour Lake.

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