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## PRESIDENT WILSON EXPRESSES KEEN DISAPPOINTMENT.

### GIVES HIS IDEAS FOR BASIS OF LASTING PEACE AT WHITE HOUSE LUNCHEON.

### Hopes for Better Results if Passage of Armed Neutrality Bill is Attempted Again.

Washington, March 6.—President Wilson expressed in forceful language his disappointment over the senate's failure to pass his armed neutrality bill and discussed at length his conception of the underlying basis of permanent peace in an informal talk today at a White House luncheon to the members of the democratic national committee.

The president declared he was "mad" over the attitude of the senators who held up the bill and indicated that he hoped for better results if he tried again to secure its passage. The present, he said, is no time for partisan or fractional considerations in international affairs, because the need that America prove united in efforts to safeguard its interests is imperative. He decried bitterness in public discussions of the situation.

The underlying principles of democracy were declared by Mr. Wilson as the only principles on which governments can endure and on which permanent world peace can be maintained. He said the consent of the governed must be behind governments.

The president referred to the condition of Alsace-Lorraine as typical of causes of war which must be avoided if permanent peace is to be achieved. Reiterating his hope that the United States will play a part in building up a structure for the maintenance of permanent peace after the present war, he declared that such a peace can be founded only on just principles meeting the aspirations of the people of the world.

No stenographer was present during the president's speech and its text was not made public. The lunch was given in honor of Vance McCormick, chairman of the democratic national committee, and the other members who assisted in Mr. Wilson's re-election.

### MONDAY'S FREEZE DAMAGED TENDER VEGETABLES.

The Citrus Buds Probably Suffered and Onions, Lettuce, Broom Corn and Maturing Cabbage.

San Antonio, Texas, March 5.—As a result of the freezing temperature of early Monday morning over south and southwest Texas, immense damage was done to such garden truck as cabbage, spinach, onions, etc. Peach and other fruit trees also suffered. Brownsville alone reports damage estimated at \$300,000 to early crops. It is not believed the onion crop in Laredo suffered, because Major Allen Buell sent out warnings both Saturday

and Sunday. Citrus buds probably will suffer.

The freezing line extended from Del Rio to Brownsville and from San Antonio to the Rio Grande, with the thermometer making 28.8 degrees at 7 o'clock Monday morning as the lowest here. In other sections, however, the temperature dropped to 24 and 25 degrees.

Reports from local gardeners are that practically all crops will have to be replanted. Heavy damage also was done to rose bushes. Many San Antonions said their rose bushes were loaded with buds and the killing frost nipped the tender shoots to such an extent that whole limbs will have to be cut off.

March, according to Major Allen Buell, local weather observer, is a month of moods. It may be hot one day and freezing the next. "Killing" frosts are common, or, rather they often occur, in March. The records show the temperature dropped to 29 degrees on March 22, 1915, and to 21 degrees on March 1, 1890.

### Hogs Worth \$17,850.

Houston Post Special.

Crockett, Texas, March 2.—Since November 15, 1916, Crockett has shipped 14 cars of hogs, valued at \$17,850; 13 cars of cattle of the value of \$12,350; four cars of sweet potatoes, totaling \$1600; three cars of ribbon cane syrup of the value of \$2700. Shipments of ribbon cane syrup in less than car lots amounted to \$1200.

Grapeland has shipped eight cars of hogs valued at \$10,200. Lovelady has shipped 18 cars of hogs valued at \$22,950. Shipments of potatoes and syrup from Lovelady and Grapeland have amounted to \$2000.

This gives Houston county shipments of live stock since November 15, 1916, amounting to \$63,350; potatoes and ribbon cane syrup amounting to \$7500.

### Ready for Investigation.

Austin, Texas, March 6.—Indications tonight are that the first sitting of the house committee clothed with powers of a district court to investigate charges against Governor James E. Ferguson, as a predicate for impeachment proceedings, will begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, though postponement may be necessary.

The governor in a statement to the newspaper correspondents late today reiterated his former declaration that he was ready and anxious for the investigation to proceed.

## AUSTRIA'S SUBMARINE REPLY TO WASHINGTON LEAVES DOOR OPEN FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS.

In Very Friendly Terms Assurance is Given That Dual Monarchy Undersea  
Boats Are Operating Solely in Adriatic and Mediterranean  
Waters and Encroachments on American  
Waters Therefore Not Feared.

Washington, March 6.—Austria's reply to the American request for a clearer definition of her attitude in the submarine situation was stated officially here today to leave the door open for further negotiations, delaying temporarily at least the break which has been regarded as inevitable since the severance of relations between the United States and Germany.

Although in substance the long communication upholds and defends the unrestricted warfare waged by Germany, it is couched in most friendly terms and points out that "Austrian submarines solely are operating in the Adriatic and the Mediterranean and therefore an encroachment on American interests hardly is to be feared."

There will be a reply to this note, and unless an overt act precipitates the rupture both sides appear trying to avoid, the United States probably will not be inclined to force the issue for the present.

The truth is that Germany is credited here with trying to force Austria to a step which that country does not wish to take. Germany naturally wishes, it is pointed out, to have the complete moral support of her allies to the submarine campaign and is using her great influence with Austria to that end.

Austria therefore is placed in the delicate position of either sacrificing the manifest benefits she receives from the continuance of diplomatic relations with this country or of appearing not to fully support her ally. As a result it is believed that she has made her reply to this country as strong an endorsement of Germany's position as possible without at the same time making it impossible for the United States to continue the negotiations.

This opinion is based not only on

dispatches from Ambassador Penfield at Vienna, but on the whole length and spirit of the Austrian note.

Officials here have felt throughout that a break with Austria would serve little purpose and do much harm. America's protest against Germany's illegal submarine warfare is thought to have been fully enforced by a severance of relations with that government.

A break with Austria probably would be followed by one with Bulgaria and Turkey, jeopardizing American interests in those countries; would lead to many diplomatic readjustments by the belligerents this country represents in Austria, and would endanger the million or more prisoners for whom this country has been caring, as well as cut off a line of communication from Berlin.

### MANY TEXAS CITIES ARE COVERED BY SNOW.

Temple, Austin and Other Points Reported Light Fall.

San Antonio, Texas, March 4.—Saturday's snowfall, that visited many points in North Texas and extended over a wide section of the Panhandle and Central West Texas, extended well into Saturday night when its area was widened to include much of East and Central Texas, light mantles of white being noticeable as far south as Temple and Austin, though in the latter place the snow melted almost as fast as it fell.

Palestine was surprised to find the ground covered with white when it awoke Sunday morning, and a half inch of snow was reported from Ennis, Waxahachie and other points in that section of the State.

Below the snow line freezing weather prevailed at many places.

Fredericksburg, Cuero, Elgin and other points report hard freezes that will play havoc with young tender vegetables and other young plants, but at Flatonia practically all the gardens were protected in advance by wrapping and the vegetables were saved.

Near freezing weather is reported from Gonzales, Edna and other points to the southeast, while from Carrizo Springs word comes of serious damage to the strawberry crop, which was almost ready for the market. The damage to the strawberries will be offset, somewhat, it is believed, by the damp, misty weather of the past few days, this serving to break the force of the cold. The onion crop in Dimmitt and adjoining counties is unhurt by this spell.

Waxahachie and Ennis reported a half inch of snow. It had melted by noon Sunday.

### Visitors Complimented.

Mrs. Corry entertained, March 2nd, for Misses Bess Long of Ohio, Willie Wortham of Lancaster and Pauline Durst of Leona. It was a gloomy day outside, but the house, with its cheery fire, beautiful decorations of cut flowers, growing palms and ferns, gave a pretty background and setting for the handsomely gowned and beautiful young ladies who are ever ready to accept Mrs. Corry's invitations, feeling sure that a good time is in store for them.

As the guests arrived, they were met at the door by Misses Elizabeth Adams and Etta May Cone. These young ladies saw that wraps were removed, and then escorted them into the drawing room to receive, first, cordial greetings from Mrs. Corry and Miss Annie Williams. Mrs. Nunn came in to give her usual greeting and was most affectionately greeted in turn.

"A Shirt Waist Romance" was given the contestants; Miss Opal Johnston winning the prize—a shirt-waist set of solid gold pins. Each of the honorees received a box of lovely correspondence cards.

After the contest, guests were invited into the dining room, where they found Misses Minnie Wall and Bettie Davis presiding over the chocolate table. Mrs. Sydnor Murchison also received in the dining room and assisted in serving the refreshments.

The Victrola furnished inspiring dance music and thus came to an end a most enjoyable afternoon.

Participant.

### Big Egg Shipment.

Grapeland, Texas, February 25.—One hundred and three cases of eggs containing thirty dozen to the case were shipped from this place by last night's express. This shipment of three thousand and ninety dozen represents the quantity of eggs sold here yesterday at a price averaging 25 cents per dozen and does not include eggs bought during the week. There are some eggs still on hand among the dealers on account of a shortage of cases.

A good business was also had with other lines of produce, including chickens, butter, etc.

The produce shipments from this place are increasing and have been bringing good prices all the year. Chicken raising is a paying pastime with the farmers in the north end of Houston county.

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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

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### For Greater Food Products.

The present year undoubtedly offers greater inducements for the farmers of this country, and especially of the south, to grow more foodstuffs than any year in a generation—an opportunity for the profitable cultivation of every available acre of ground.

The world's surplus supply of food is exhausted, and the most urgent demand of every nation, including our own, is for an immediate increased supply.

The European war has withdrawn millions of men from productive labor, but they must still be fed. As forcibly presented by the press, our State Industrial Congress and all other educational institutions of the country: "Poland is desolated; the people of Belgium and Northern France, partially supported by charity, are starving; Germany, Austria, France, Italy, England, are all on short rations. With more than one-fourth of the world's population engaged in battle and with productive agriculture at a standstill, Europe is facing famine and for an indefinite time must look elsewhere, and chiefly to the United States, for its food supply."

The high cost of living, that is being so acutely felt in this country, has become an actual burden to thousands of our people. No relief can be expected until this year's crops are harvested, and not even then unless our farmers bend all their energies to a greater production of foodstuffs.

Statistics show that Texas led her sister states last year in agricultural products. This year she can greatly increase that lead, much to the relief of the world at large and greatly to her own pecuniary profit.

Here is the important feature of this unusual situation: The very first concern of every citizen should be to assist in every way his influence can be exerted the increased production of food-crops to the greatest extent possible. Encourage the farmers, first of all, to provide for a living at home, and next, to produce as great an excess of feed

crops as his land can be made to yield; this excess for a shipping market that the merchants will promptly provide. In other words, the farmer should not stop when he has provided enough to feed his household and his livestock, but keep right on planting with a view of producing a surplus to help supply the world-wide deficiency, with absolute assurance that a ready cash market at profitable prices awaits his efforts.

In an editorial of the 3rd instant, the Galveston News says, among other good things, on this subject: "Texas farmers start out with the possibility of making bumper crops, and with the practical certainty that only bumper crops will satisfy the needs of the world. Whether it is cotton, foodstuffs or feedstuffs, there is apt to be a demand for all that can be produced and more. This is a practical assurance of high prices, and it should incite the energies of the farmers to the utmost. But while the prospect is that the world will be ready to take a big cotton crop at a stiff price, it would be folly to stake all on cotton. The prospect for food and foodstuffs is even more roseate than it is for cotton; and there is a greater certainty that food and feedstuffs will command high prices than it is that cotton will."

To boil the subject down so that every farmer can appreciate its importance, we think it is conservative to say that the year 1917 should prove to be a genuine mortgage lifter and bank account starter, a decided step forward in the general uplift of the entire country, and no section is better equipped with natural resources to handsomely profit by such a course than our home county.

If the merchants of Crockett and all other business centers in the county will start the practice of visiting the farmers at their homes, which has been often suggested in this department, to impress upon the managers of these farm factories, upon which we depend for our very existence and well being, the importance of this movement, a much greater degree of success would be obtained.

H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

### School Trustees Election.

Public notice is hereby given that an election will be held in each common school district within this county on the first Saturday in April next, being the 7th day of said month, to elect one county school trustee at large, and one county school trustee for commissioner's precinct No. 4.

Election to be held in all common school districts in the county for said purpose, and managers appointed to hold election for local school trustees are managers of this election.

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## RELEASED THE LADY.

But the Ungallant Judge Did It in His Own Peculiar Way.

There are many interesting references to Lord Chief Justice Campbell scattered about in the memoirs and biographies of his contemporaries. He was a man who inspired strong likes and dislikes. The famous Dr. Kenealy hated him. He declared that Campbell found luxury in the infliction of torture and had a ratlike, cruel look on his face, which settled immovably as the judge got older. The following reminiscence of Dr. Kenealy is remarkable:

"I remember an incident which shows, although only in a slight degree, his natural lack of courtesy and consideration. A number of ladies crowded into one of the passages of Westminster hall for the purpose of getting a glimpse of the lord chief justice, who was then a celebrity of some note. As he passed his button caught in a beautiful lace bertha worn by one of his fair admirers. After a vain struggle to disengage himself Campbell deliberately took out his penknife—everybody thought for the purpose of cutting off his button and releasing the lady. Not at all. He coolly cut a hole in her handsome lace and passed on with his sweetest smile."—Law Magazine and Review.

## THE OLD HURDY GURDY.

Crude Musical Instrument That Led Up to the Hand Organ.

The early type of hurdy gurdy originated in Germany during the ninth century and under the name of bauren leyer (peasant's lyre) attained great popularity throughout Europe, falling into a decline only at the beginning of the last century. Even today a slightly modernized type of this instrument may be seen upon the streets of the smaller towns of Savoy.

The instrument consisted of a violin-like frame and sounding board, provided with from three to six strings. The music was produced by a small crank actuated wooden wheel, whose resined edge bore against the strings. The two outer strings were keyed in unison and when the wheel was revolved gave forth a bass note which served as a musical background. The remaining strings were attached to keys, by which their tension and their tone might be varied. This adjustment was the only control possessed by the player.

Needless to say, the hurdy gurdy was suited only to the most elementary of selections. While originally much used at fetes and celebrations, it later was used only by itinerant street musicians, a position now occupied by its successor—the hand organ.—Pittsburgh Times.

### Earliest Cold Storage.

In Macaulay's essay on "Lord Bacon" he points out that in 1626 the subject of his memoir tried the experiment of stuffing a fowl with snow to prevent it from putrefying and in carrying out the work caught cold, from which he died. Macaulay adds: "In the last letter that he ever wrote, with fingers which, as he said, could not steadily hold a pen, he did not omit to mention that the experiment of the snow had succeeded excellently well." If, however, we turn to nature there are instances in Siberia of mammoths preserved in ice so that their flesh is still eatable from a period probably coeval with the first appearance of man on this globe. If the Romans brought to their banquets the dainties of the known world, had they not some knowledge of cold storage?—London Spectator.

### Fat Men Popular in Japan.

In this country when a man of average height takes on girth until his weight runs up to 300 pounds or so his friends have grave doubts about his condition and advise him to diet in order to bring back a slim elegance of figure. In Japan the contrary is true. If a man can carry 300 pounds of flesh with any agility he is of the material from which heroes are manufactured, and if he can work up to the 400 or 475 pound notch and becomes a wrestler he is in the running for the championship. Wrestling is to the Japanese what boxing is to us and more. The populace goes crazy over it, and the magnates of the big game handle great sums in the way of gate receipts.—Wide World Magazine.

### Willing to Be an Ex-Convict.

An attorney and a judge were discussing the apparent lack of ambition on the part of some of the young men of today.

"Why, I know a man," declared the justice, "whose greatest ambition in life is to be an ex-convict."

"You do?" said the lawyer in surprise.

"Yes. He's a life term in the penitentiary."—San Francisco Chronicle.

### A Famous Cemetery.

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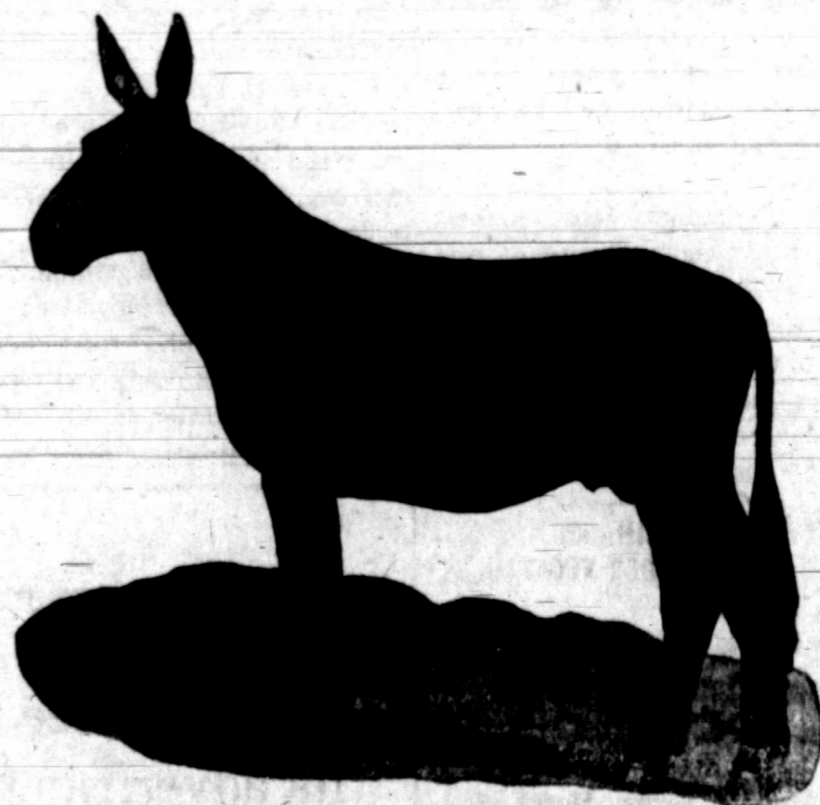
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## CADDIES OF THE LINKS.

Their Originals Were Messenger Boys  
In Old Edinburgh.

Originally the caddy of the present day golf links appears to have been quite another individual, engaged in another line of activity. Caddies in the remote past were messenger boys in old Edinburgh. Gathered around the famous Edinburgh cross, where all important messages were read and many public ceremonies were held—the cross which was the very center of the old city—the caddies in their ragged clothes waited to be employed.

The chief merchants of the city, the leading official persons, the men of learning and of talent, the nobles, the lairds, the clergymen—all clustered about the cross during certain hours of the day, and very often some one wished to send a parcel or message to another part of the town, or a stranger to Edinburgh wanted to be directed.

Here was where the caddies were appealed to. These boys might be trusted with any duty with which they were charged. They were veritable street directories. A visitor to the town would often engage a caddy to be wholly at his bidding, as the boy's knowledge of the place was invaluable.

But, unless this visitor were most cautious, he would suddenly discover that his caddy, in addition to his vast knowledge of Edinburgh, knew also all about his employer—where he came from, what was his business in Edinburgh, his family connections, his tastes and preferences.—Exchange.

## LIVING AEROPLANES.

Wherein Birds Differ From Flying Machines Made by Man.

It would be a mistake to suppose that the bird's wings enable it to fly. If wings spelled flying any of us could attach a pair and soar into the air.

The hollow bones of the birds make light bodies, but they are attached to a rigid backbone, which forms the main feature of the bird's body. This gives the central firmness, and the

muscles do the rest. The wings balance their owners, and the tail acts as a rudder for steering. Often enough the bird seems to use its tail as a sort of brake.

It is interesting to compare the bird with the product of man's skill—the aeroplane. To begin with, there is no aeroplane made which copies the up and down motion of the bird's wings, all our machines having fixed wings, or planes.

But naturally man tried to copy the living fliers around him. He made wings of feathers, etc., connected them with his shoulders and legs and found that his muscles could not raise him an inch.

The muscles, or motors, which now drive him through the air are as strong as 200 horses, so no wonder he fell at first. Even the bird, with a body so perfectly formed for flight, has flying muscles equal in weight to all its other muscles put together.—Pearson's Weekly.

## BEDS IN COLONIAL DAYS.

The Settee, a Link Between Settle and Sofa, Was Sometimes Used.

Toward the close of the seventeenth century the bed increased in importance. A list of the household furnishings of a Salem merchant in 1690 included "1 great oaken bedd, 1 truckle bedd of maple, 1 large sack bottom bedd, 6 Camblett bedd curtains, 2 calicoe bedd curtains, 8 blanket sheets, 1 paire silk bedd curtains."

The settee, which was a link between the settle and the sofa, was sometimes used as a bed. This piece of furniture was both of imported and domestic make. The back and seat were usually incased in turnkey work. With the exception of the arms and braces the entire frame was concealed. The construction of the colonial settee was identical with one type of the renaissance seat. From Italy it passed into France and from France to England. Holland had no part in its development.

From the Italian palace of the sixteenth century to the New England home of the seventeenth was a far-away cry, and yet, barring crude workmanship, the colonial bench was a faithful copy of the renaissance design. The Dutch settlers were unfamiliar with this settee, as they also were with the New England settle.—Argonaut.

## A Summer Without Nights.

To the summer visitor in Sweden there is nothing more striking than the almost total absence of night. At Stockholm, the Swedish capital, the sun goes down a few minutes before 10 o'clock and rises again four hours later during a greater part of the month of June. But the four hours the sun lies hidden in the frozen north are not hours of darkness. The refraction of his rays as he passes around the north pole makes midnight as light as a cloudy midday and enables one to read the finest print without artificial light at any time during the "night."

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Thus it had always been. Except individually there had never been a protest. When indignant Virtue lifted the club of the law, the silent sisterhood of shame sneaked away in the cold, drab dawn following the hectic, noisy night. So it took leave of Montana, marking another milestone in the evolution of the golden, roisterous, woolly, into the sober and eminently respectable West.

And San Francisco the unregenerate expected a similar exodus. Three years ago when the law dance halls of the world-renowned Barbary Coast were closed by the withdrawal of the liquor privilege, the women had obediently moved away. But they had not gone far. Now a minister, incensed by the encroachment of vice almost to the doors of his church, had started a "crusade" to clean up the City of the Argonauts. The hue and cry had been raised, pages of spicy "reform" copy were lifting the street sales of the papers championing the cause of repression, the authorities were under constant fire—had they not failed to enforce the plain-spoken statutes?—a great mass meeting was called and another exodus of the rouged sisterhood—whence no one cared—was in prospect when the worm actually turned.

One sunny morning in January three hundred women of the tenderloin confronted the crusading pastor in his church. They did not come to plead. They came to state their side of the case, to air their grievances. Not meekly, penitently did they come. They laughed at the minister, stamped their feet in unison, interrupted him, asked him many questions which he could not

answer. When they left the ancient problem was still unsolved. Nothing, absolutely nothing had been accomplished, but the wind of blind enthusiasm had been taken out of the crusader's sails. The zeal of the reformers waned. The campaign slowed down. The old reliable whitewash pot of outward respectability came to the fore.

What is to be done about it? "Here we are," said Mrs. R. M. Gamble in substance, "products of conditions we did not make. You tell us 'go and sin no more'—with the emphasis on the go. If we would only go—out of sight—you do not care about the sinning part. Where shall we go? What shall we do? Will your congregation help us? And if we go, others will come to take our places. The system that dragged us down is still in working order, untouched by your crusade. Leave us alone! Turn your attention to the cause instead of doctoring the symptom."

Mrs. Gamble was the leader and the mouthpiece of the three hundred women. She spoke fluently, intelligently, and she knew whereof she spoke. She demonstrated to the minister's satisfaction that his crusade was no cure, not even a palliative, that it produced merely a shift of commercialized vice from one locality to another.—Victor Willard in Sunset Magazine.

**Sunday School Movement.**

Houston, Texas, March 1.—A great forward movement in the Sunday schools of the Texas Methodist conference is under way, under the direction of the field secretary of the Conference Sunday School Board, Rev. Walter G. Harbin. In the 57 counties in east and south Texas, in the Texas conference bounds, are 556 Methodist Sunday schools with 4946 officers and teachers and 57,997 pupils. During 1917 a great effort is to be made to enlist many thousands more pupils and to put the schools upon the most efficient working basis possible. It is estimated that over 500,000 white persons in the Texas conference bounds do not attend Sunday school. To interest this million in the study of the Bible is the big job the Sunday School Board has entered upon.

The field secretary, Mr. Harbin, has travelled over 2500 miles since conference and conducted twelve Sunday school institutes. More than 2,000 pieces of literature have been mailed from his office. He has enlisted the services of W. W. Thomas, a rural Sunday school specialist, who has travelled 1,000 miles, made over twenty-five addresses, organized twelve Wesley classes and a number of Workers' Councils, Cradle Rolls and Home Departments. Rev. R. E. Ledbetter of Houston has been appointed superintendent of teacher training. Twenty-five classes for training Sunday school teachers have been formed and a number of individual students enlisted. Other departments for increasing the efficiency of the Sunday schools are to be added as rapidly as possible.

**List of Petit Jurors.**

The following named persons are to appear Monday, April 23, 1917, to serve as petit jurors: Jeff Maples, L. O. Goodrum, S. E. Baker, T. W. Goolsbee, Dan Baum, W. D. Collins, W. M. Bumgarner, Jim Harrison, R. E. Morris, J. H. Sharp, J. D. Woodson, Roland Shaw, O. M. Rials, A. B. Spence, Sidney Boykin, J. B. Westerman, J. H. Bobbitt, E. E. Drennan, W. H. Loug, R. T. McComb, John F. Gilbert, Ed Halcomb, O. W. Ellisor, J. W. Arledge, Walter West, Tom Tunstall, S. M. Monzingo, Ben Hatchell, Shultz Jones, George H. Denny, L. A. Finch, Lee Hiram, Dudley Hester, H. J. Castleberg, B. L. Satterwhite, J. B. Stanton, J. W. Markham, Sam Lucas, Henry Dailey.

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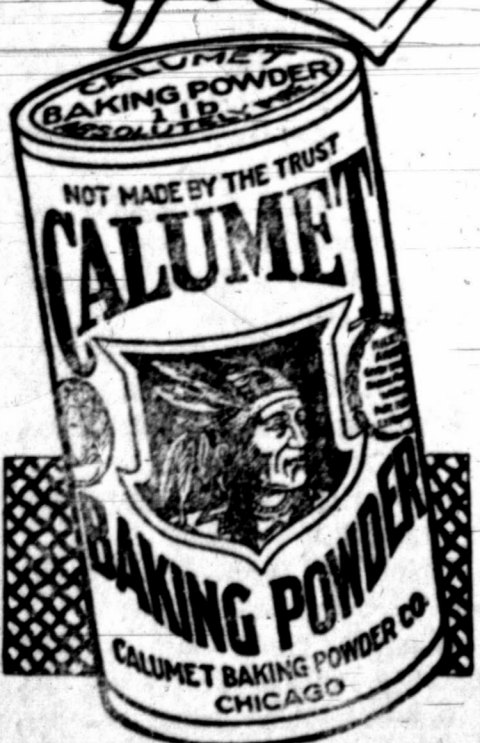
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**Here's the Perfect Girl.**

The following are the attributes of the perfect girl as seen through Harvard eyes, some fifty bachelor graduates having, recently, and after considerable discussion, agreed on them for the "girl that's worth while."

She is attractive, graceful and healthy, but not necessarily pretty.

She can dress tastefully and entertain any one and make him feel at ease.

She can make bread as well as fudge, and cake as well as a "rarebit."

Her dancing is not necessarily the latest, her tennis is not necessarily up to the standard, but she is appreciative of the dance and of the sports.

She is broad-minded, sympathetic, tactful, unselfish, optimistic, thrifty, of good disposition and moderate in all things.

She can stand reverses without worry.

She is gentle to children and kind to older people, especially to her parents.

She has a broad education, but not necessarily a college one.

She is modest and true and home loving.

She has good social standing, is of a religious nature and is not "too proud to pray."—Baltimore Sun.

**Dehorning the Demon.**

Rum problems of various kinds are occupying the attention of almost every legislature in the eleven

Far Western capitals. In Salem, the center of the Oregon hop belt, the legislators are endeavoring to put the "dry" lid down so tight that not even the echo of a suspicious smell can cross the state line. The proposed law would authorize the officials to search even private houses and seize the brandy sauce on the plum pudding. To make this law effective it is proposed that the state aid the county and municipal authorities in its enforcement. An appropriation of \$5000 is to be made for a state constabulary to prevent smuggling. Any one breeding booze hounds should find a profitable market in Oregon.

In Utah the legislators are preparing to make good their pre-election pledges. In less than a year the state's 314 saloons will be closed, the five thousand persons depending upon the liquor business for a living will be seeking other occupations and a liquor revenue of some \$350,000 a year will have to be raised from other sources. On the principle of complete prohibition the Utah legislature is practically unanimous; it disagrees only on the proposal to create a few state jobs for the proper enforcement of the statute.—Sunset Monthly.

**List of Petit Jurors.**

The following named persons are to appear Monday, April 16, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., to serve as petit jurors:

E. T. Ozier, E. W. Little, Carl

Gainey, S. H. Higginsbotham, C. W. Bowdoin, T. J. Patton, B. L. Jordan (Pennington), W. B. Baker, L. J. Knox, B. D. James, T. D. Craddock, A. J. Patton, G. B. Connaway, R. A. Bradley, R. E. Ivey, D. C. McCarty, J. K. Elliott, Andrew Douglass, J. A. McLean, J. T. Breeze, E. S. Dawson, Earnest Barnhill, B. W. Kilgore, J. M. Creasy, J. A. Grounds, G. H. Allen, J. D. Baker Jr., G. F. Bartee, F. J. Krenek, Roy Brewton, Hugh Adams, A. S. Moore, S. T. Allee, G. S. Bynum, W. A. Douglass, J. E. Marsh, J. L. Beard, R. T. Bobbitt, Claud Taylor, Ed Butler.

**List of Petit Jurors.**

The following named persons are to appear Tuesday, March 27, 1917, to serve as petit jurors:

H. Z. Collier, J. W. J. Rains, J. T. Bruton, J. R. Hinson, E. B. Arnold, J. D. Woodward, S. Z. Huntsman, Chas. T. Browne, George Woolley, W. H. Cook, J. L. Childers, G. R. Cook, W. A. Bradley, P. O. Graves, D. R. Baker, L. H. Arnold, T. A. Fuller, J. D. Caskey, M. B. Ellis, N. A. Grounds, John W. Eddy, John Prestidge, W. O. Durham, W. T. Dauphin, Douglass Beasley, Charley Curry, W. D. Dear, Claud L. Monk, Euke Kennedy, J. C. Etheridge.

A. Foy is a colored teacher and subscriber at Ratcliff who believes that more of his people should take the county newspapers. Those who do take them have very little business with the courts.

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1 Lot 18x33 Plain Bath Towels, each	12½c
1 Lot 22x42 Plain Huck Towels, each	21c
1 Lot 17x36 Plain Huck Towels, each	12½c
1 Lot 16x32 Plain Huck Towels, each	9c

### Hosiery

1 Lot Ladies' Black Hose, sale price	8½c
1 Lot Ladies' White Hose, sale price	12½c
1 Lot Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, 3 pair for	\$1.00
1 Lot Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, per pair	48c
1 Lot Ladies' Silk Hose, assorted colors, per pair	89c
1 Lot Ladies' Silk Hose, assorted colors, a pair	\$1.48
1 Lot Misses' Ribbed black Hose, per pair	12½c
1 Lot Misses' Ribbed black Hose, per pair	25c
1 Lot Misses' Ribbed White Hose, per pair	25c

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The Celebrated line of W. B. Corsets, the best line made, the kind that is made to Fit and Fit to wear. We have a full line of these in the \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50. No advance; the same old prices, but all new Corsets. Also one clean 'em up lot at

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A complete assortment of the latest Sport Hats and Straws in prices from 50c each to \$1.50. A complete line of Ladies' Collars, and Collar and Cuff Sets from 25c to \$1.75. Novelties in Beads, Combs, Vanity Boxes, Purses, etc., all at sale prices.

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1 Lot of Negligee Shirts in lot Nos. 1075, 1063, 51246, 51070, 51069, 41073, all go in this sale at	\$1.35
Lot Nos. 3950, 4812, 4700, 4811, 4813, 5703, 4706, 827, 5705, 1828, these go at, each	98c
Lot Nos. 5451, 4414, 2450, 1412, 4404 and 516, each	60c
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1 Lot with collars at	65c

### Men's Underwear

1 Lot Elastic Seam Drawers, per pair	50c
1 Lot B. V. D. Union Suits, per suit	\$1.00
1 " B. V. D. Shirts and Drawers, per garment	50c
1 " Athletic Union Suits, per suit	50c
1 " Men's Balbriggan Shirts, each	25c
1 " Men's Balbriggan Drawers, each	25c
1 " Men's Poros Knit Shirts, each	25c
1 " Men's Poros Knit Drawers, each	25c
1 " Boys' Poros Knit Union Suits, each	50c

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1 Lot of Misses' and Children's White Canvas Pumps and Oxfords, per pair	98c
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1 Lot Misses' Pumps and Oxfords, per pair	\$1.50

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In our Shoe Department you will find a complete line of Queen Quality low cut Shoes in all the new styles for Spring and Summer; also Boots for Spring. A complete line of Canvas Sport Shoes in both low and high heels. These are all marked in plain figures and defy competition.

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## 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 Attorney

Earle Porter Adams

For City Secretary

J. Valentine (re-election)

For City Marshal

T. R. Deupree

## QUACK DENTISTS AND

## QUACK SPECTACLE VENDERS.

The Texas senate has passed a law designed to prevent the operation of quack dentists. If there is not already such a law, the Texas senate should pass a law that would effectively prevent the operation of quack spectacle vendors. A dispatch to the daily press states that a party of spectacle vendors has been busy in the Lagrange section and that the party found a fairly profitable field to operate in in that section. Also that a vender was arrested in Schulenburg a few days ago for selling worthless spectacles. The dispatch further states that a well known farmer paid \$135 for a pair and a woman \$95 for another pair.

This Courier hears of worthless spectacle vendors operating in Houston county. They are itinerant peddlers, selling glasses direct and taking orders. Their plan seems to be not to deal with men, but to go into the homes and deal exclusively with the women. It is said that they examine the eyes of all in the house, but find only one with defective vision. If the family is poor, they recommend inexpensive glasses, get the money and go. If the surroundings indicate that the family has plenty, they secure a cash order for costly glasses to be delivered later, but use a cheap pair for temporary use. The purchaser, who has already paid her money, may have her order filled and she may not. If it is filled, the glasses are cheap and valueless, in some cases.

While the Courier believes there is already a state law designed to prevent the practice of quack spectacle vendors, the law is slow of operation and there is a better way to deal with these quacks, as with all other quacks. The best way is to quit patronizing them. If the eyes are bad, consult your family physician or your home oculist or some oculist of well-known reputation. If glasses are needed, buy them of the home man whom you can return them to if unsuited, or buy them of some other well-known oculist or dealer whom you can get in touch with if the glasses are unsatisfactory. Quit patronizing the stranger. Buy nothing except from men who are known to you for their reliability and honesty. Besides the local opticians, there are some

good opticians who make regular visits to Crockett and have hitherto established good reputations. It is best to be safe, and the safest plan is to patronize the people of known reputation and professional standing.

## CLEARING LAND.

Gilmer Mirror: A good deal of land has been cleared and will be put in cultivation in Upshur county this year.

That is good news. Sometimes it seems as if the people had almost forgotten how to clear land, to fell trees, blast out stumps, burn logs and make productive "new grounds" where sticks grew before. The old-timers were great hands for clearing lands. They had a poetic pleasure in subduing the forest and widening their fields with their axes and saws. But few men today can be induced to work in the woods. They hate to chop trees, pile brush, dig up stumps and build fences. Otherwise, all the good land in east Texas would be in cultivation. Otherwise, there would be fewer men and women rioting for bread in the big cities. Otherwise, there would be fewer impoverished farm renters dragging around on the prairies. Otherwise, there would be fewer foaming orators atop of soap boxes demanding free homes for themselves and their friends when neither themselves nor their friends would keep a free home if the keeping involved a reasonable amount of hard work.—Galveston News.

## Crockett High School Visited.

The Crockett high school is housed in an old building in which about every expedient to provide more room has been resorted to. A new building will be constructed within the next year and in it numerous items of equipment now needed will be provided for.

The Visitor enjoyed the day spent in the schools. Much good work by the pupils was observed and good teaching was the rule in all classes.

The English work was excellent. The work in history was strong. The mathematics was of a high order.

The Visitor does not know German well enough to pass adequate judgment on this work, but the classes were enthusiastic and the teaching seemed strong. An additional unit of credit in German is sought.

The class in physiography seemed to be well taught and the interest of the pupils was live and active.

A class in botany was doing its first work in the analysis of flowers and was making successful progress with it.

The class in agriculture was doing field work. The class interest was splendid and the work seemed to be well handled. Credit is sought in agriculture.

Miss Leonard is a well-qualified and experienced science teacher and the Visitor was impressed with her intelligent teaching and tactful handling of her classes.

Credit is sought in English history. This work was well taught by Mr. Thomas and the Visitor feels that work of affiliation standards is being done.

A few source books have been provided for all history classes, but better maps and charts are needed.

The laboratory equipment of each of the sciences is adequate for all of the needs of the various classes and kept in excellent condition in glass cases.

This is a well organized school doing excellent work. The following recommendations are made:

1. If the work submitted in English history be found satisfactory, the Visitor will recommend

that a unit of credit be granted.

2. If the papers submitted in German be found satisfactory, the Visitor will recommend the granting of an additional unit of credit.

3. If the papers submitted in agriculture be found satisfactory, the Visitor will recommend that one unit of credit be granted.

4. It is recommended that general science be substituted for the physiology and physiography now offered.

E. C. Phillips, Visitor.

The above is the official report of the affiliated visitor of the University of Texas.

## A JOKE THAT FAILED.

Tried on "Stonewall" Jackson, It Acted the Wrong Way.

"Major Thomas J. Jackson, later the famous 'Stonewall' Jackson, was our instructor in mathematics and drilled the students in artillery tactics," said General Armistead, an antebellum graduate of the Virginia Military Institute. "Old Jack," as the students called him, with his worn uniform, faded cap, usually perched at a ridiculous angle upon his big head, rusty old cavalry saber and ungraceful gait, was in appearance far from our beau ideal of a soldier. Nevertheless it was possible even then to guess at the real greatness of the man.

"The guns we used in our artillery drills were pulled by hand. As the drill would proceed our instructor would become transformed into the very semblance of Mars himself as, with form erect, waving sword and flashing eye, he would give the command 'Fire!' in a voice that rang over the campus like the blast of a bugle. "One day in a spirit of mischief the students who were drawing the gun pretended to lose control of it as it moved rapidly down a gentle incline directly toward Major Jackson. But the commander, instead of scuttling out of the way, as the boys had gleefully anticipated, stood sternly erect and immovable right in the track of the gun."

"I tell you there was some lively hustling and just in the nick of time, too, to keep Old Jack from being run over. That was our only attempt to play a practical joke at Major Jackson's expense."—Youth's Companion.

## FAMILY DINNERS.

In England They Flourish Mainly at Weddings and Funerals.

Family dinners are rare in England. They flourish only at weddings and at funerals, especially at funerals, for mankind collected enjoys woe. But other occasions—birthdays and Christmas—are shunned. Christmas especially, in spite of Dickens and Mr. Chesterton, is not what it was, for its quondam victims, having fewer children and being less bound to their aunts' apron strings, go away to the seaside or stay at home and hide.

That is a general change, and many modern factors, such as travel, intercourse with strangers, emigration, have shown the family that there are other places than home, until some of them have begun to think that "east or west, home's worst."

There is a frigidity among the relations in the home, a disinclination to call one's mother-in-law "mother." Indeed, relations-in-law are no longer relatives; the two families do not immediately after the wedding call one another Kitty or Tom. The acquired family is merely a subfamily, and often the grouping resembles that of the Montagues and the Capulets, if Romeo and Juliet had married. Mrs. Herbert said charmingly in "Garden Oats," "Our in-laws are our strained relations."—W. L. George in Harper's Magazine.

## On the Contrary.

"What a lot of mail you've got this morning!" exclaimed the poet's wife. "But then, of course, this is your birthday, and those are 'Many happy returns of the day' from all your friends."

"No," said the poet, pushing aside a heap of rejected manuscripts. "These are unhappy returns of the day from the publishers."—New York World.

## Not Much.

"There should be a national holiday called junk day, when every house, barn, shed, garage, etc., should be relieved of all its junk."

"That's right, old man, but do you realize how little there would be left of many a happy home?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## Between Girls.

"She says she wishes she could see herself as others see her."

"That's just an excuse for spending a lot of time in front of a mirror."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Only deeds give strength to life; only moderation gives it charm.—Jean Paul Richter.

# 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
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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

## Court "Fined" W. H. Kiser.

When Commissioner W. H. Kiser appeared to attend the session of the commissioners' court Monday, he found that "the law" had been invoked by the court to "punish" him for his absence last Monday. He was handed a copy of an alleged order passed by the court fining him \$10.

However, Mr. Kiser was given an opportunity to explain and when he declared that his absence was caused by reason of the fact that he was on a honeymoon trip, it was

accepted as sufficient reason and the "fine" remitted. His bride was formerly Miss Jack Eaves of Grape-land. Mr. Kiser was the recipient of hearty congratulations from the members of the court.—Houston Post.

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.

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**Crockett Courier Ad Space Brings  
Results Every Issue.  
If Not a User, Start Now.**

# Forging Ahead

¶ We definitely owe our rapid progress to the loyal customers who started with us and stayed with us and to the new ones who are being constantly added.

¶ Appreciation of our methods of modern drug retailing has made it possible for our business to grow in the remarkable manner that it has.

¶ At our store immense size and elaborate adornment are always subordinate to purity of drugs, quality of merchandise and excellence of service.

## CROCKETT DRUG COMPANY

its arrival Crockett will have a machine that is capable of reviving life after medical science and other human agencies are exhausted. This machine has been successfully used in cases of pneumonia, heart failure, electric shocks, gas asphyxiation, new-born infants and still-born, and in case of lung or heart affection. If life remains in the body the lung motor has a chance and its use is universally approved. All branches of the government service use it and all hospitals of the larger cities find it a very necessary adjunct.

Deupree & Waller have gone to considerable expense to place this modern instrument at the call of every one in distress, but there will be no charge for its use. Day or night Mr. Tom Waller or Mr. S. M. Monzingo will respond immediately to any call for help, from any soul and at any hour, after the arrival of the machine. They ask the Courier to say further that all rural physicians and neighboring city physicians will be invited to see it on its arrival and also to call for it at any time that its use is needed.

# We are Now Open for Business

And will appreciate your patronage, extend to you courteous treatment, and all accommodations consistent with good banking.

## Lovelady State Bank

Lovelady, Texas

"A Guaranty Fund Bank"

### Local News Items

#### Automobile Registrations.

No. 343, E. D. Foster, Crockett, Ford roadster.

No. 344, O. W. Davis, Grapeland, Ford touring.

No. 345, F. G. Edmiston, Crockett, Chandler.

No. 346, Billy Parker, Kennard, Ford touring.

A light snow fell Sunday morning, followed by a big frost and heavy freeze Monday morning. These were followed by a warm wave Tuesday and a torrential rain Tuesday night. There is difference of opinion as to what damage was done by the freeze, although it is agreed that early fruits and vegetables were injured.

#### New Bank at Lovelady.

Announcement of the opening of a new bank at Lovelady is made in the advertising columns of the Courier this week. This new financial institution will be known as the Lovelady State Bank, capitalized at \$25,000. Its officers are: K. D. Lawrence, president; W. E. Elkins, vice president, and W. V. Henson, cashier. Messrs. Lawrence and Elkins are well-known business men of Lovelady. Mr. Henson, who was formerly with a state bank at Henderson, comes with the best of recommendations as a citizen and banker.

#### The Methodist Revival.

Are you attending the revival services at the Methodist church? Perhaps you have not done so yet, but intend to do so later. These services are refreshing to the mind, the soul, the heart. The music is an inspiration to better things, the sermons full of spiritual instruction. If you have not been attending these services, remember that the

choir is calling, the revivalists are pleading and the whole church is inviting your attendance. With one voice they say, come now—now is the time!

The music is under the direction of Rev. Terry Wilson, an evangelist and singer. To begin with, you will like the music. And then you will like the preaching. The preacher is Rev. J. Ed Morgan, who speaks with plain and forceful words, but in charity. His sermons are for the masses, and the masses—from the lowliest to the highest—are invited to hear him. The pastor says "come to-night!"

#### For City Attorney.

Earle Porter Adams announces this week for re-election to the office of city attorney of Crockett. Mr. Adams is serving his first term as city attorney. He is a young and vigorous prosecutor, fearless in his zeal to uphold the law, forceful and effective in his methods. It is democratic usage that when an officer does his duty, a second term is given as a measure of public reward. Mr. Adams feels that he has discharged and is discharging his whole duty as he sees and understands it, and he therefore seeks reelection at the hands of the white voters in the white man's primary election of Tuesday, March 20.

#### Crockett to Have Lung Motor.

The enterprising firm of Deupree & Waller has added a lung motor to its business. Last week the physicians of Crockett were invited to the store of this firm to witness a demonstration by Dr. Wilber, a specialist in the use of the lung motor. Mr. Wilber gladly received the doctors, explaining every feature of the machine in detail, and the doctors were so enthused over its work and record that Deupree & Waller placed an order for a machine to be shipped at once. Upon

#### Mrs. N. B. Latham Dead.

Mrs. N. B. Latham, wife of William Latham, died at her home in this city Monday night at 9 o'clock. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the residence of Dr. W. W. Latham. Interment followed in Glenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Latham was in her eightieth year. She had been a resident of Houston county for the last ten years and a resident of Texas practically all of her life, coming to Texas from one of the older southern states when very young. She came with her husband from Panola county to this county, first locating at Porter Springs, but moving later to Crockett.

Mrs. Latham was the mother of Dr. W. W. Latham of this city and of two daughters, one living at Marietta and the other at Gary, Texas, both of whom are married. She was a member of the Christian church from early girlhood.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Chas. U. McLarty and Rev. M. L. Sheppard.

Mrs. Latham is spoken of only as a kind-hearted and good woman—generous in her views, charitable in deeds, religiously devoted to her God and church. Thus her passing is not only deeply felt by relatives, but by the community at large.

#### Lovelady Ships \$36,000 Worth of Hogs.

Stock-raising is a very profitable business, which has been proven by the fact that about thirty carloads of hogs have been shipped from Lovelady this winter at a price on an average of \$1200 per car, Goodrum Brothers having shipped seven of these cars. Several carloads of cattle have also been shipped from Lovelady.—Trinity Tribune.

Try Courier advertisers.

#### CONTRACT FOR \$40,000 SEWER SYSTEM IS LET.

City Council, in Session Tuesday Night, Lets Contract for Sewer System for Crockett.

At a session of the city council held Tuesday night the contract was let for a complete sewer system and disposal plant for Crockett. The contract goes to Trueheart & DeBruin of San Antonio for the installation of the sewer pipes. The Dallas Lime & Cement Company gets the contract for the disposal plant. The amount involved in both contracts amounts to about \$40,000 in the aggregate.

The sewerage disposal plant will be located on the land recently bought of Rev. S. F. Tenney for that purpose. This land lies along the town branch and east of the railroad tract in northwest Crockett.

#### List of Petit Jurors.

The following named persons are to appear Monday, April 9, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., to serve as petit jurors:

Hill Huff, J. T. Bowman, F. A. Story, Albert Seaman, R. C. Stokes, W. P. Childs, A. B. Hallmark, T. J. Hart, J. D. Richardson, Silas Morgan, V. Streeter, Henderson Hallmark, N. A. (Newt) Smith, Wesley Cook (Porter Springs), J. L. Corder, A. L. Bitner, Dan McConnell, Matt Matchett, C. L. Pyle, Marshall Ivie, C. W. LeGory, T. F. Frizzell, W. A. Dowdy, Tom Kent Jr., L. D. Anderson, J. A. Parish, Walter Pennington, J. W. Hobson, J. W. Hooks, C. E. Updegraff, Dave Allen, W. E. Gallant, H. A. Anglin, W. E. Bennett, J. S. Cook, T. E. Callier, H. J. Berry, A. H. Bynum, A. L. Meeks, P. D. Austin.

#### Census Trustees and Patrons.

This is the month in which the scholastic census of the state must be taken, and it is hoped that we shall be able to get as perfect a census as can be. This can be done if the patrons of the schools will cooperate with the census trustees of the various districts. Bear in mind that every child who is within the scholastic age, that is, whose age is not under seven and under eighteen on the first of September, 1917, is supposed to be enumerated. The child is to be enumerated in the district in which it was a resident on the first day of March. The failure to enumerate a child causes the county and the school to lose the per capita apportionment of that child for the ensuing school year. It is a fact that a good many children of this county have been

left off the rolls in the past. This constitutes a loss to the various districts of the county.

Let every parent or patron see to it that his children are enumerated before the first of April. If the census trustees fail to see you, call on me or send the names of your children in by mail or otherwise. I shall take pleasure in putting them on the roll of the district in which they live.

J. N. Snell,  
County Superintendent.

#### Lovelady Interscholastic Meet.

The morning of March 2 dawned "foul and furious," but despite this fact, the people of Lovelady and the adjoining districts spent a pleasant day at the school house. Pleasant, yet strenuous, for the minds of the people were tossed from alternate hope to despair. For each one present was very much interested in the efforts of their children, friends, or pupils striving to win first honors in the different contests. But a relaxation came when the snowy tablecloths, neatly folded, came to view from the baskets, and were spread on brown wooden benches, and then covered with puffy buns, chocolate-colored and shiny-topped cakes, juicy hams and prickly pickles. A happy smile lighted up the faces of the school children and all went merrily. The afternoon was an hour of pleasure.

They were four schools represented in the meet, and many others would have participated had the weather permitted. Below are the names of the winners in the different events of the day:

Declamation, Senior Boys—Win Lundy, 1st; Smith Kimble, 2nd.

Declamation, Senior Girls—Audrey Lewis, 1st; Thelma Wills, 2nd.

Declamation, Junior Boys—Haldine Traynham, 1st; Herman McNeely, 2nd.

Declamation, Junior Girls—Virgil Elkins, 1st; Marie Barnes, 2nd.

Essays, Senior Girls—Evelin Tigner, 1st; Velerie Standley, 2nd.

Essays, Junior Girls—Bulah Toler, 1st; Ollie Atkinson, 2nd.

Senior Spelling—Grace Jones, 1st; Pearl Sanders, 2nd.

Junior Spelling—Ernest Kennedy, 1st; Hugh Tigner, 2nd.

Ciphering Contest—Euke Kennedy, 1st; Grace Jones, 2nd.

Senior High Jump—Edgar Lewis, 1st; Guy Hairston, 2nd.

Junior High Jump—Edgar Brantley, 1st; Bill Brown, 2nd.

Fifty Yards Dash—Elmer Atkinson, 1st; John Millikin, 2nd.

Hundred Yards Dash—Edgar Brantley, 1st; Charlie Stevenson, 2nd.

One Mile Run—Jessie Brantley, 1st; Wert Lawson, 2nd.

Fifty Yards Dash, Girls—Grace Brantley, 1st; Ethel Lewis, 2nd.



FRIDAY  
MARCH NINTH  
1917

SPRING is first revealed to the eye by the advent of the new Spring Bonnet. Cock Robin must take a back seat, for the new herald of Spring has beat him to it in 1917.

The first GAGE Spring Bonnets are now here. The variety is to be marveled at, the styles are to be adored, the materials are flawless. Just call and inspect them. SPECIAL SHOWING MARCH THE 9TH

VOGUE MILLINERY

## You Can't Play Well or Work Well Unless You Feel Well

Spring is a season of new life. It is a time for cleaning up generally. Don't clean house and neglect your blood. Many people are run down in general health and don't seem to realize just what the trouble is.

You should renovate your entire system in the early spring so that you may be able to work and play without exertion.

We have all of the good

### Blood Purifiers, Tonics, Etc.

which may be needed in the process of cleaning and building up your system. Ask us about a good remedy for any special ailment.

Two Phones—Either 47 or 140

## Bishop Drug Company

THE PROMPT SERVICE STORE

### Local News.

For plumbing see Ike Lansford. Phone 223. 2t.

Guaranteed paint, \$2.50—at the Rexall Store. 1t.

Wanted at once—100 geese—by Johnson Arledge. tf.

Flower seed and fishing tackle at the Rexall Store. 1t.

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

Thirty-two names are registered in the Courier Press Club.

Let Ike Lansford figure on your next plumbing job. Phone 223.

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

Rape, Sudan — Mangel Wurzel beet seed—for sale by Johnson Arledge. tf.

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

Mr. E. Wilcox of Augusta Rt. 1 remembered the Courier with his subscription Friday.

Miss Theopa Whitley of Elkhart was the guest of Mrs. T. B. Monk Saturday and Sunday.

Wanted.

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

B. M. Murphy is a colored subscriber at Ash who called Tuesday to renew his subscription.

Arthur Thomas has located in Waco for the purpose of engaging in his work as an architect.

I Want Your Hide.

Will pay top prices for green or dry hides. Johnson Arledge. tf.

Dr. Harvin Moore of Houston spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother and family here.

For Rent.

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

Misses Augusta Beavers and Myrtle Routledge returned the first of this week from a visit to Lovelady.

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

Misses Eula Mae and Lucretia Riial of Grapeland and Helen Murphy of Pine Bluff are visiting Miss Mary McLean.

If 140 is busy at Bishop Drug Company, ring 47—two separate phones—for your convenience and our better service. tf.

For Sale.

Two fine boars, one Duroc Jersey and one Poland China, subject to registration and will weigh 300 pounds. Price, \$25.00 each. 4t. J. G. Matlock.

Mr. R. G. Morgan of Kennard Rt. 1 is among the Courier's good friends who called Saturday to renew subscriptions.

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

Wanted.

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

Read the Crockett Courier for trades day bargains. The advertisements of Crockett's live business people are found in this paper.

Service is the Thing

With Bishop Drug Company. Telephone 47 or 140, two separate phones, for your convenience. tf.

Bring me your chickens and eggs. Will pay you top prices, and sell you groceries as cheap as anybody. tf. Johnson Arledge.

Wanted.

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

Mrs. James W. Motley of Overton is visiting Mrs. James W. Shivers. Mrs. Motley is pleasantly remembered as Miss Ora Barksdale and as having once lived in Crockett.

Money to Loan.

We have clients who have money to loan on real estate security. Call on us for details. 4t. Madden & Denny.

Messrs. H. F. Moore, Dan McLean, A. M. Carleton, George McLean and H. F. Moore Jr. went to Houston Sunday and returned Monday, going and returning by automobile.

Lost—Two black Poland China hogs, sow and barrow, will weigh about 100 pounds each. Will pay reward for their recovery. 1t. Tom Jordan.

Mrs. E. T. Ozier and children returned last week from Groveton. While in Groveton Mary Katherine, six years old, had the misfortune to fall from a fence and break an arm.

The Crockett Dry Goods Company announces the arrival this week of new coat suits for ladies and misses. They are beauties, and must be seen to be appreciated. 1t.

Oliver Typewriter Agency.

I have the agency for the Oliver typewriter in Crockett. If interested, see me at the Crockett Motor Company's garage. tf. E. C. Satterwhite.

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. tf.

St. Patrick's Tea.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society will give a St. Patrick's Tea at the residence of Mrs. Hal Lacy Tuesday afternoon, March 20, from 3 to 6 o'clock, to which the public is cordially invited. 2t.

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.

People coming to Crockett over the public roads tell us that the roads have been greatly improved under the supervision of Mr. C. C. O'Neal, the Houston county road engineer. Mr. O'Neal will go to Angelina when through with his work in this county and, if it has not already beaten him over there, the endorsement of our people will go with him.

## Real Estate and Loans.

We have real estate for sale and we would like to examine any vendor lien notes you may have for sale.

CALL ON US AT OUR PLACE OF BUSINESS.

## Warfield Bros.

Office North Side Public Square.

CROCKETT, TEXAS

## Paint

Lots of Good Paint

## The Rexall Store

PHONE TWO-FOUR

Misses Otice and Maude McConnell were in Lovelady Thursday and Friday to attend the announcement dinner-party given by Mrs. Herman Rich to announce the coming marriage of Miss Reba Rich to Mr. W. H. Collins on Wednesday evening, May 16.

L. A. Berry of Mexia, who was visiting relatives and friends here last week, remembered the Courier with his subscription Saturday. Mr. Berry said the Courier is his best means of keeping up with Houston county and that it is worth \$1.50 a year to him.

Crockett's Latest Move.

When it comes to reaching out for business, is a trades day—Saturday, March 31, 1917. Big things that day, friends; something in the way of a style show! Visit our store—every courtesy shown. tf. Crockett Drug Company.

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Some Style Show

Is what the merchants of Crockett intend to pull off on Saturday, March 31, 1917, and a trades day, too, along with it. Looking for every one to come our way—plenty of ice cream, soda waters and Bevo. Look us up.

tf. Crockett Drug Company.

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tf. Brooke-Morris Lumber Co.

Try Courier advertisers.

For Plumbing  
SEE  
IKE LANSFORD  
PHONE 223

## Easter



The demand of the season requires that you be costumed accordingly at Easter time. It is expected that you don new clothes. Here on display will be found a wonderful range of beautiful fabrics, all the season's latest colors to select from. Hand-tailored into a suit to your individual measure they will please the man who aims to be well dressed, and yet permit the practice of economy.

For tailoring like this means greater wear and better appearance. So you can see why hand-tailored clothes means more for less money.

## John C. Millar

TAILOR AND MEN'S OUTFITTER

Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing

## EXTRA SPECIAL

### COMPOUND LARD

We have 25 cases of ten-pound buckets of compound lard which we want to move in a hurry. Others get \$1.60—our price, while it lasts—

**\$1.45**

Limit, Two Buckets to a Customer

## THE CASH GROCERY STORE

WHERE SERVICE IS A PLEASURE

J. D. SIMS, JR., MANAGER