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SOIL SURVEY FOR HOUSTON COUNTY

Mr. D. A. Nunn, Crockett, Texas. My Dear Mr. Nunn: There appears to be a very marked and growing demand in Texas for soil surveys with especial reference to the determination of the adaptability and productivity of soils of various characters in agricultural development, and it occurred to me that perhaps Houston county would be interested in securing such a survey.

I first took the matter up with the United States Department of Agriculture and was referred by it to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, which carries on such survey work in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture.

I am inclosing herewith copy of letter just received from Mr. B. Youngblood, Director, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Agricultural & Mechanical College of Texas, which is self explanatory, and if from your knowledge of the situation you feel that the agricultural interests of Houston county desire such a survey, and that the prerequisites indicated by the Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station can be readily complied with, I shall be only too glad to further assist in any way that I can in aiding to secure such a survey.

With best wishes, I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours,
Clay Stone Briggs.

Hon. Clay Stone Briggs, Member of Congress, Washington, D. C. Dear Mr. Briggs: Replying to your letter of December 11, I had planned to spend ten days in Washington and to see you while there. I reached Washington on Thursday, and on Saturday I found it necessary for me to return to Texas instead of spending the time there that I had planned. I regret, therefore, that it was not possible for me to look you up.

If the people of Houston county are interested in a soil survey, it will be necessary for them to first conduct a county-wide campaign of education so that they may know the nature and purpose of a soil survey in order that they may know what they are petitioning for when they sign the forms which are presented them. Immediately following the educational campaign, petitions should be presented, but in fairness to both state and federal funds, no one should be allowed to sign these petitions who cannot certify to the fact that he knows what he is doing.

Conducting the educational campaign and circulating the petition forms would merely put that county in line for a survey when new assignments are to be made. It would not assure such a survey's being made within the next year or two, but if the people there wait a year to throw themselves in line for a survey, they will, at that time, find possibly fifty counties ahead of them. So if the Houston county people are really concerned about a survey, they should not be unwilling to put themselves in line for it and then to await the time when work can be begun.

More specifically, therefore, I would suggest the following:

1. Educational campaign.
2. Petition carrying 725 names of farmers who understand what they are petitioning for.
3. To be willing to wait possi-

bly until the spring of 1925 for the survey to be begun.

If, therefore, circumstances should permit our beginning earlier than it now seems probable, it would serve merely as a pleasant surprise to those who desire the work.

With all good wishes, I remain,
Yours very truly,
B. Youngblood, Director.

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Regardless of the bad weather of the past week, the Courier's list of subscription renewals is two names larger than it was last week. The list this week contains thirty-four names—count 'em. We are not bragging about it, although we believe we have a right to brag—just giving the plain facts as they happen. Last week's list was a good one, also.

The weather has cut all kinds of capers during the last week—some snow flurries, some sleet, some ice, some sunshine and some rain. It is needless to say the roads are again in a bad fix.

Among the number calling to renew or subscribe, or sending in their renewals and subscriptions, since last issue are the following:

- J. H. Jones, Lovelady.
- C. H. Barbee, Lovelady.
- R. L. Turner, Crockett Rt. 2.
- G. W. Allbright, Lovelady.
- J. W. Reynolds, Kennard Rt. 1.
- M. B. Creath, Crockett Rt. 8.
- Milton Thomas, Dallas.
- R. F. Hall, Crockett Rt. 1.
- H. E. Bitner, Lovelady Rt. 2.
- V. L. Word, Lovelady.
- C. H. Hanson, Italy.
- J. L. Arledge, Crockett.
- Mrs. E. F. Rigsby, San Antonio.
- Miss Willie Wortham, Dallas.
- Mrs. C. A. Hale, Huntsville.
- B. A. Maxwell, Palestine.
- James L. Beason, Crockett.
- M. L. Thompson, Crockett Rt. 7.
- Miss Louise Denny, Dallas.
- J. D. Wallace, Crockett Rt. 8.
- Mrs. Mayes Hale, Palestine.
- Bud Tunstall, Crockett Rt. 2.
- M. J. Turner, Huddleston, Va.
- Mrs. Willis Higginbotham, Stephenville.
- Mrs. Byrde E. Wootters, Crockett.
- Mrs. Bruner Smith, Longview.
- J. O. Monday, Longview.
- W. F. Grounds, Crockett Rt. 1.
- D. A. McDougald, Creek.
- P. E. Smith, Crockett Rt. 5.
- E. L. Brown, Timpson.
- J. L. Lipscomb, Dallas.
- Ed Story, Grapeland Rt. 4.
- Mrs. H. A. Lacy, Long Beach, Calif.

Bank Holds Election.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank, held last week, the following were elected to serve as directors during the coming year: H. F. Moore, Arch Baker, Donald G. Moore, H. F. Moore Jr., Jas. S. Shivers, John LeGory and F. A. Smith.

Following the meeting of the stockholders, a meeting of the directors was held and the following officers were elected for the year: H. F. Moore, president; Arch Baker, active vice president; Jas. S. Shivers, vice president; D. G. Moore, cashier; H. F. Moore Jr., assistant cashier, and J. L. Burton, assistant cashier. The surplus was increased from \$150,000 to \$175,000. The bank is capitalized at \$100,000.

NEXT TUESDAY IS ROAD ELECTION DAY

Tuesday of next week is road bond election day in Crockett. All property owners residing within the Crockett road district will be entitled to vote, both men and women, if qualified voters otherwise. What is meant by "property owners" is such voters as pay more than a poll tax within the road district. Those who pay only a poll tax will not be affected by a bond issue, and consequently are not permitted by law to vote in a bond election. But those who pay a property tax will be affected and should vote, if qualified voters otherwise. There is no question about favoring good roads. We all want better roads. The only question among voters is how best to get them. If we do not favor the bond issue, then we are left under the burden of finding some better way to get them. There may be a better way than through an issue of bonds, but no other way has been suggested. The plan now is to vote new bonds, pay off the old bonds and use the difference, about \$150,000, in improving the roads in the district. The old debt to be wiped out is about \$90,000. The bonds to be voted on next Tuesday will not be in addition to the old debt, as some seem to think, but will cancel the old road bond debt and leave about \$150,000 for road improvement. The advisory committee of the Crockett road district, headed by Mr. G. Q. King, who has given the road question much of his time and thought, have formulated the plan for submission to the voters in Tuesday's election. None of the committee have any personal interest in the matter further than the improvement of the roads in the Crockett district. The plan is the result of careful thought on the part of the committee, and the Courier is of the belief that it should carry. All loyal friends of this plan to improve our roads will be expected to rally to its support next Tuesday.

HOUSTON TO HAVE NEW COTTON MILL

MILLION DOLLARS WILL BE RAISED BY FEBRUARY 1, CLAIM.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 14.—Money for a \$1,000,000 cotton mill for Houston will be raised by Feb. 1, according to an announcement made Friday afternoon by C. S. E. Holland, president of the Chamber of Commerce. Practically all the money is in the hands of the organization backing the proposition, Mr. Holland stated. The mill plant will cost \$750,000.

The additional \$250,000 will be a surplus cash reserve on which the mill will start operations and run until financially established. The money has been raised entirely in Houston. It is presumed the plant will be located on the ship channel, but definite announcement has not been made.

May Be Filling Station.

The lot sold by Mrs. Maude McConnell, mention of which was made in the Courier last

week, was bought by Dr. W. A. Beaty. Dr. Beaty will not erect a large building on this lot at the present time, but will hold the lot as an investment and for a larger building later. However, a filling station is an early probability on that corner, as the doctor has had several applications for the lot to be used for that purpose. The location is at the northwest corner of Main and Church streets.

ANOTHER STOLEN CAR RECOVERED

On telegraphic information from Henderson, a stolen car was recovered recently by Crockett officers and three young men in possession of the car, Pete Davis, Bill Barker and Rube Barker, were taken into custody. It is said that the car was stolen from in front of a hotel. The young men were held in jail pending the arrival of the Risk county sheriff, George Hays. The sheriff conveyed the young men and the car back to Henderson. The officers say that many automobiles have been stolen and disposed of in other counties during the fall and winter. The crime wave, including everything from theft to murder, has not yet reached Houston county, but no county should consider itself immune from an attack of the disease. The only sure preventative of such an epidemic is the strict enforcement of all laws, regardless of who those laws affect, and the swift and sure punishment of the first to violate any law. Houston county officers are co-operating in law enforcement. No man should be elected to office who does not stand on an all-law enforcement platform.

From Ephesus School.

Editor Courier: Our school is progressing nicely and everybody seems to be co-operating with the teachers and pupils to make this the banner school term for Ephesus. We as teachers deeply appreciate this spirit of helpfulness and co-operation, because without it we would not be able to give you value received for the investment you are making.

Our attendance has been fairly good, considering the conditions; and, parents, here is hoping that you continue to make it a point to see that your children are at school every possible day.

Our basket ball teams were hosts to the Latexo teams on Friday afternoon, January 11. A large crowd was present and we had two fair games of ball despite the fact that the boys' game was a practice affair for the Latexo team. This game came out 14 to 6 in favor of the visiting team. The girls' game was far more interesting, owing to the fact that the teams were more evenly matched. When the timekeeper's whistle ended the game the score was 14 to 12 in favor of Ephesus. Latexo, we appreciate your spirit of fairness and your sportsmanship, and will endeavor at any possible time to again engage in a few practice games with you.

Come on, Ephesus! We believe in you.
The Teachers.

The elevation to the peerage of Earl Robert Cecil serves as a reminder of the fact that for more than 300 years a Cecil has sat in the house of lords.

WANT THIS ROAD RE-DESIGNATED

The people of Crockett, Kennard and Ratcliff, and along the highway and byways between, have been very much exercised over the discovery that the road from Ratcliff and Kennard to Crockett, and in fact from the bridge over Neches river to Crockett, had been discontinued as a designated highway by the state highway commission. The Courier has found no one in Crockett who had previous knowledge of this discontinuance, not even the county judge or any member of the commissioners' court. The commissioners' court was in session at Crockett this week, and the court authorized County Judge L. L. Moore to make a trip to Austin and exert his best efforts in having this road re-designated. The court acted on its own initiative and also on a petition circulated by County Commissioner Beathard and numerously signed. Since the abandonment of the Eastern Texas railroad from Lufkin to Kennard, the people of that section of Houston county have no other means of communication with the outside world than over a highway reaching to Crockett. Mail, express and freight to and from Kennard and Ratcliff and Crockett are hauled by automobile and truck over this road. Beyond Ratcliff the road leads to a steel bridge over the river and on to Wells and Lufkin. It is, in fact, the most important highway in Houston county, we will venture to say, from the standpoint of real service to the people. No effort will be spared by the people of Crockett and the rest of the district affected in having this road re-designated as a state highway.

GRADE CROSSINGS MAY BE ELIMINATED

The Courier is informed that the Paris to the Gulf highway will follow a new line from Elkhart to Salmon, the southern terminus of the Anderson county road from Palestine toward Grapeland, Crockett and Lovelady. This new line has already been surveyed and designated along the east side of the railroad to Salmon, we are told. We are also told that this highway will probably be brought down the east side of the railroad from Salmon to Grapeland and that it may also continue down the east side of the railroad from Grapeland to Crockett. There is the possibility, we also hear, that this highway may continue down the east side of the railroad to Lovelady and on to the Trinity county line at Red Branch. These changes are no doubt contemplated with the view of eliminating railroad crossings, of which there are two between Crockett and Palestine and two between Crockett and Lovelady. This plan would necessitate the building of a tap road to Lone Pine, now being served by the present Crockett and Lovelady road.

Cedar, which was hauled long distances, was used extensively by the ancient Egyptians for such general purposes as we employ white pine.

In France, medical tests are necessary before a driver of a motor car can get a license.

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Tom Dawes has returned to Hull.

For Virginia-Carolina fertilizers, see R. L. Shivers. tf.

John Baker Jr. visited relatives in Trinity last week-end.

J. C. Millar and J. G. Beasley were at Port Arthur the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Porter Adams are visiting relatives and friends in Houston.

Try Meridian Fertilizer this year and notice the difference. For sale by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Oliver plows, discs, harrows, cultivators and repairs are sold in Crockett by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Rooms for Rent.

Furnished rooms for light house-keeping. Apply to Mrs. J. L. Burton. 2t.

Just arrived—a car of fine young mules, cash or terms. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Oliver plows, discs, harrows, cultivators and repairs are sold in Crockett by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

W. E. Bennett and his aunt, Mrs. Nettie Tunstall, visited J. S. Sturgis and family in Trinity Saturday.

Car of ear corn just arrived at C. L. Manning & Co's. feed store at the depot. Get our prices before buying. It.

Mrs. Y. O. Shook of Houston is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Taylor, at Belott.

Increase your yield this year by using a good fertilizer. If you want the best try Meridian—sold by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Harvey McCarty is at Rochester, Minn., where he will have a stomach operation performed in the hospital of Mayo Brothers.

Crockett Lyceum.

Irene Bewley, Reader, Impersonator, Entertainer, School Auditorium, January 22. Admission, 25c and 50c. It.

Have you tried our Cream, Whole Wheat, Graham and Raisin bread? It's fine—fresh each day at the Peerless Bakery. It.

Meridian Fertilizer has stood the test thru good and bad years and has always paid the user a handsome profit. Sold by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Oh, Boy! Those hot rolls and bread are delicious. Have you tried them? Right out of the oven at 11:30 each day—at the Peerless Bakery. It.

Among the improvements noted are a new awning for the R. L. Shivers store and a concrete floor for the Crockett Grocery and Baking Company.

For Rent February 1st.

Nice, 7-room cottage, all conveniences, close in. 2t. Jno. R. Foster.

A pleased customer is our best advertisement. That's why we ask you to talk to your neighbor about Meridian fertilizer, for no doubt he used it last year. Sold by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Just Unloaded.

A car of farming implements, stalk cutters, cultivators, disc harrows, guano distributors, Kelly planters and middle bursters. See us for prices before buying. R. L. Shivers. tf.

Lost.

Extra casing and rim from rack on rear of car—lost between Crockett and five miles out on Pennington road. Is a Gates cord tire for Chevrolet. Will pay liberal reward. Notify A. Buller, Rt. 5, Crockett, Texas. It.*

Last year a customer took two acres of land and used four hundred pounds of fertilizer on it and made a bale of cotton weighing 516 pounds. On another two acres of the same land under the same conditions, not fertilized, he made 520 pounds seed cotton. Easy to see which plot paid the greatest dividend. He used Meridian. Sold by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Buys Into Lumber Company.

Mr. George W. Rogers of Henderson, prominent in the timber and lumber business of east Texas, has bought the stock of a number of stockholders in the Crockett Hardwood Lumber Company. Mr. Rogers informed a Courier representative that a son of his would come to Crockett to represent him in the interests which he has taken over.

Paving Progress.

The concrete has been poured on South Church, East King, a block on South Houston, two blocks on Young and the full length of South LeGory streets, and these streets will soon be opened to traffic. The asphalt will not be laid on these streets until the concrete work is completed. The mixer is now pouring the concrete from where the brick pavement terminates on West Main street to the residence of A. W. Ellis.

Will Build Home Here.

Mr. G. L. Murray of Lovelady has bought a valuable residence location in South Crockett with the view of building a home here. Mr. Murray's immense plantation investments and holdings on the Trinity river west of Crockett bring him frequently to this city and he has decided to make his home here. For the present he and his family will reside in Lovelady, where he has a general mercantile business and other interests. His Crockett residence, which will be located in front and west of B. T. Jordan's house, at the south corner of Houston and Young streets, will be erected in time for occupancy next year. Mr. Murray and family will be gladly welcomed by Crockett.

FORMER MEMBER OF CONGRESS AMONG 74 PERSONS INDICTED

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 12.—Former Congressman Fred Essen, known as the republican "boss" of St. Louis County, late today stated he was one of the seventy-four persons indicted this afternoon for alleged election irregularities in connection with the 1922 August primary. Mr. Essen said his indictment was a "malicious plot" of his political enemies and that he would demand a speedy trial to expose the "plot."

In returning the blanket indictment against the seventy-four persons, the grand jury made its final report, which severely censured law enforcement conditions in the county.

Roadhouses, gambling dives, blind tigers and resorts operate openly the report asserts and the "occasional raids" are "always preceded by underground notice."

Names of those indicted were withheld at the order of the circuit court pending arrests, but Mr. Essen volunteered he was one of the seventy-four.

He asserted the indictment "means nothing," as the jury was selected at the "behest of political adventurers." He said he would expose the "malicious plot" "in all its hideousness" at his trial.

Mr. Essen is a member of the republican state committee.

The alleged election frauds were said to have been the most notorious in the history of the county. Ballots were said to have been thrown away. Some later were found in a cess pool. Nonresidents of the county were said to have been stationed at the polls as challengers, and repeaters were alleged to have kept voting all day.

To the Voters of Houston County.

I take this means of announcing my candidacy for the office of county treasurer of your county. Two years ago I made the race for county treasurer, and was defeated by a small majority of twenty-two votes. Taking everything into consideration, I accepted the vote as complimentary and appreciated it. I had no ill-conceived impulses to

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ward my opponents or their friends. I considered it a decision of the people and not a personal difference between us.

My occupation prior to the preceding campaign caused my acquaintance to be rather limited in the county, being engaged in the noble profession of teaching school, and as the term did not expire until in the month of May, naturally delayed my initiating an active campaign from the beginning; therefore I, unfortunately, missed seeing quite a number of the voters, but have my business arranged now so that I can devote more time to the interest of my race during this campaign, and I assure you that I shall endeavor to see every voter in the county prior to election day, and present my claims personally; but in the event I should fail to see any voter, I shall request you to please give my candidacy your serious consideration before casting your vote.

As I made the race for this office in the preceding campaign, I feel that it is not necessary for me to refer to my qualifications or citizenship in Houston county. In this campaign I have no issue to urge except my own merits and ambitions, and if you find these such as to commend me to the office of county treasurer, I certainly will appreciate your vote and influence; and if elected to the responsible and important office of county treasurer, I shall endeavor to repay you for the confidence intrusted in me by rendering you efficient service and being courteous on all occasions. However, if I am defeated I am still your friend.

Yours very truly,
Adv. 1t. Frank H. Butler.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

The State of Texas, County of Houston.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston County, on the 3rd day of January, 1924, by A. B. Smith, Clerk of said District Court, for the sum of Four Thousand, Two Hundred, Fifty-One and 60-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment in favor of Robinson Loan & Mortgage Company, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 6059, and styled Robinson Loan & Mortgage Company vs. Lang Smith, et al, said judgment also being in favor of I. H. Kempner, D. W. Kempner, R. Lee Kempner, Stanley Kempner, and J. Seinsheimer, acting trustees, under a declaration of trust denominated H. Kempner, against E. L. Rainey for the sum of \$3471.98, and in favor of I. H. Kempner, D. W. Kempner, R. Lee Kempner, Stanley Kempner and J. Seinsheimer, acting trustees under a declaration of trust, denominated H. Kempner, against J. M. Smith and M. N. Baker, for \$705.00, and in favor of the Second National Bank of Houston, against W. L. Dishongh, for the sum of \$4867.20, and in favor of the Second National Bank of Houston, against E. A. Cooper for the sum of \$455.84, which order of sale has been placed in my hands for service, I, O. B. Hale, as Sheriff of Houston County, Texas, did on the 3rd day of January, 1924, levy upon the following described real estate, situated in Houston County, Texas, to-wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Houston County, Texas, being a part of the John Forbes League, southeast of and near the town of Lovelady, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the S. E. corner of 12 1/2 acres conveyed by N. Y. & Texas Land Co., limited, to J. O. Monday, on December 10th, 1903.

Thence S. 88 W. 159 vrs. pass S. W. corner of said 12 1/2 acres, at 365.2 vrs. to the S. W. Corner of 17 acres conveyed by said Land Company to H. B. Cox on December 19th, 1902.

Thence N. 89 1/4 W. with S. line of 17 acres conveyed by said Land Company to Henry Cox on June 26th, 1895, at 221 vrs. to the S. W. corner thereof on E. line of 80 acres conveyed by Barnes & Wetmore, Trustees, to D. M. Gantt on January 23rd, 1888.

Thence S. O-30 W. with Gantt's line 459 vrs. to his S. E. corner.

Thence S. O-55 E. with E. line of 11.94 acres conveyed by said Land Co., to D. J. Cater on March 11th, 1904, at 239.5 vrs. S. E. corner of said tract in south boundary of the property of the N. Y. & Texas Land Co., Limited, being the N. line of 320 acres of said league conveyed by Daniel Lacy prior to August 28th, 1872.

Thence N. 83-39 E. 915 vrs. to N. E. corner of said 320 acres.

Thence S. 966.3 vrs. to the S. E. corner of said 320 acres.

Thence E. 475 vrs. to N. E. corner of 50 acre tract conveyed to J. M. Smith on February 14th, 1917.

Thence S. 594.3 vrs. stake at the S. E. corner of said J. M. Smith 50 acre tract.

Thence W. at 235 vrs. cross branch at 475 vrs. stake for corner the S. W. corner of said J. M. Smith 50 acre tract and the S. E. corner of a 47 acre tract conveyed to Lee F. Perry on April 6th, 1917.

Thence West with the S. line of said 47 acres 443 vrs. to E. boundary line of a tract of 66.81 acres conveyed to Henry Williams.

Thence S. O-15 E. 357.1 vrs. to the S. E. corner of said 66.81 acres, being the N. W. corner of 693.56 acres conveyed by N. Y. & Texas Land Co., limited, to D. A. Nunn and G. Q. King on February 24th, 1904.

Thence E. 1428 1/2 vrs. to corner on the N. E. corner of said Nunn & King tract and the N. E. corner of block 11 of sub-division of the East half and S. W. quarter of said Forbes League, between James H. Starr and the I. & G. N. R. R. Co.

Thence N. O-23 W. 930.8 vrs. to the N. E. corner of block 6 and N. W. corner of block 5 of said sub-division.

Thence N. 89-31 E. 680 vrs. to the N. line of said block 6 and to the S. E. corner of 787 acres of this league, conveyed by W. H. Cundiff to the H. & G. N. R. R. Co., on August 28th, 1872.

Thence N. O-12 with E. line of said 787 acres 1184 vrs. to the S. E. corner of 85 acres conveyed by the N. Y. & Texas Land Co., limited, to D. A. Nunn & G. Q. King on December 16th, 1902.

Thence West 872.4 vrs. to the S. W. corner of said 85 acres.

Thence N. O-12 W. 550 vrs. to the N. W. corner of said 85 acres in sand of town branch on North line of said Forbes League and South line of the J. J. Thomas League.

Thence West with said league line 1100.4 vrs. to the corner in East line of said Monday 12 1/2 acres.

Thence South 2-11 W. with said line 51 1/2 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 684.2 acres of land.

I will sell said land as follows: I will first sell all of said tract of land except the following tracts taken out of same, to-wit:

East 10 1/2 vrs. a black jack stump brs. 56 1/2 East 6 7-10 vrs.

Thence North with East boundary line of J. D. Freeman tract 966 1/2 vrs. to his Northeast corner, a rock from which a bending P. O. mkd. X brs. North 51 1/2 West 7 vrs. a Hickory 8 in. dia. mkd. X brs. North 8 3-4 West 17 8-10 vrs.

Thence East 584 1-10 vrs to a rock for corner, from which a Post Oak 20 in. dia. mkd. X brs. West 16 1/2 vrs.

Thence South 966 1/2 vrs. to a rock for corner from which a Hickory 10 in. dia. mkd. X brs. North 82 1/2 East 7 4-10 vrs.

Thence West 584 1-10 vrs. to the place of beginning.

Second Tract: Containing 5 acres of land, and described by field notes as follows:

Beginning at the Northeast corner of the said Lee F. Perry 47 acre tract and J. M. Smith 50 acre tract Northwest corner and the Southeast corner of the J. D. Freeman 320 acre tract; a Black Jack stump brs. South 6 1/2 East 6 7-10 vrs. an Ash stump 5 feet high brs. North 84 1/2 East 10 1/2 vrs. mkd. XX.

Thence South with Perry and Smith line 188 2-10 vrs. to corner a Black Jack 6 in. dia. brs. South 28 West 4 4-10 vrs. a Post Oak 3 in. brs. West 2 vrs. mkd. X.

Thence West 150 vrs. corner a Post Oak 8 in. dia. brs. South 35 deg. West 1 1/2 vrs. a Post Oak 3 in. dia. brs. North 35 East 7 vrs. both mkd. X.

Thence North 188 2-10 vrs. to a corner on Freeman and Perry's line a Pine brs. East 15 8-10 vrs. a Red Oak 18 in. dia. brs. South 35 1/2 East 11 3-10 vrs. both mkd. X.

Thence East with Freeman and Perry's line 150 vrs. to the place of beginning.

52 86-100 acres of land designated as Block Three of a 684 2-10 acre tract on the John Forbes League of land about 1 1/2 miles Southeast from the town of Lovelady, and described as follows:

Beginning at their east corner, being the Northwest corner of Block No. 5 of the original sub-division of the East 1/2 of the Forbes League known as the Starr land, a Post Oak 14 in. dia. mkd. X brs. East 3 6-10 vrs. a Do. 16 in. dia. mkd. X brs. South 5 deg. West 9 4-10 vrs.

Thence South with the said line of blocks Nos. 5 and 6, 579.3 vrs. a stake for corner a Post Oak 10 in. dia. mkd. X brs. North 88 1/2 West 13.7 vrs. a Red Oak 6 in. dia. mkd. X brs. South 13 deg. West 3 vrs.

Thence West 509 vrs. to J. M. Smith's 50 acre Southeast corner an Elm 6 in. dia. mkd. X brs. North 74 deg. West 9 vrs. a Post Oak 4 in. dia. mkd. X brs. North 40 deg. East 2 2-10 vrs.

Thence North with J. M. Smith East boundary line 594.2 vrs. to his Northeast corner, a Post Oak 8 in. dia. mkd. X brs. South 9 3-4 East 6 1/2 vrs., a Post Oak 16 in. dia. mkd. X brs. North 74 deg. East 9 2-10 vrs.

Thence East with South boundary line of block No. 4, sold to E. L. Rainey 125.4 vrs. to the corner of block Nos. 4 and 5.

Thence South 87 3-4 East with the line of blocks Nos. 3 and 5, 380 vrs. to the place of beginning.

101.36 acres of land, about 1 1/2 miles Southeast of the town of Lovelady out of and a part of the John Forbes League, and described as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of a 12 1/2 acre survey made by the N. Y. & Texas Land Co. to J. O. Monday a B. J. 8 in. brs. S. 89 E. 4.7 varas mkd. X.

Thence South 88 West 365.2 varas a corner of the two Cox surveys a B. J. 10 in. brs. N. 6 1/4 E. 5.6 vrs. a P. O. 14 in. brs. S. 21 E. 18.4 vrs.

Thence North 89 1/4 West with Cox's South boundary line 221 varas Southwest corner thereof on the E. boundary line of M. O. Gantt's 80 acre tract a Red Oak 10 in. dia. brs. S. 56 1/2 E. 33 vrs.

Thence S. 1/2 W. with Gantt's line 459 varas to the Southeast corner of his 80 acre tract and the Northeast corner of D. J. Cater's 11.94 acre tract now owned by D. M. Gantt a B. J. stump brs. N. 26 1/4 E. 4.6 varas a P. O. stump brs. 50 1/4 W. 7 vrs.

Thence South 55 East with E. boundary line of said Cater tract 239.5 vrs at Southeast corner of said tract and the North boundary line of J. D. Freeman 320 acre tract a rock for corner.

Thence North 89-39 East 800 varas with the North boundary line of the J. D. Freeman 320 acre tract to a rock for corner.

Thence North 755 varas to corner in the North boundary line of the Forbes league.

Thence West with said league line 212 varas the East line of the above mentioned J. O. Monday's 12 1/2 acre tract.

Thence South 2-11 West 51 1/2 varas to the place of beginning, containing 101.36 acres of land.

That certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being situated in Houston County, Texas, about 1 1/2 miles Southeast of Lovelady, being 50 acres of land, designated and described as block No. 8 of the Smith and Perry sub-division of that certain 684.2 acre tract of land out of the John Forbes league, which was conveyed by Lang Smith and Lee F. Perry to E. A. Cooper.

And afterwards I will sell all of said land in satisfaction of said judgment, the same levied upon as the property of Lang Smith, Lee F. Perry, E. L. Rainey, J. M. Smith, M. N. Baker, W. L. Dishongh, and E. A. Cooper, and that on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1924, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door of Houston County, in the City of Crockett, Texas, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m. by

DRY AGENTS USE AX TO SMASH DOOR OF ANCIENT HOTEL

New Orleans, La., Jan. 12.—The internationally known Old Absinthe House, one of the landmarks of New Orleans, where, according to repute, Jean Lafitte planned his piratical forays and boasted of what he and Napoleon Bonaparte ultimately would do to Messieurs Les Anglais, appeared today as if a tornado had wandered through the various nooks and crannies of the buildings that from 1752 to July 1, 1919, purveyed absinthe and liquors to the thirsty. Prohibition agents did it all last night for one quarter of an ounce of absinthe, according to their official report.

In the old courtyard, a door, priceless relic of the Old St. Louis Hotel, the hostelry with a slave block in its lobby and where notables from all the world for half a century put up, is smashed. An ax in the hands of one of the agents was responsible. The ancient door from the front of the counter in the barroom—the counter set up in 1826, the counter whose marble facings are deeply pitted and scored by the slow dripping of waters through nearly a century in which absinthes were dripped and frapped—that door was ripped from its fastenings and crashed upon the floor.

The sacred book in which authors, statesmen, actors, pugilists, musicians and greater or lesser notables have signed their autographs through the years was cast carelessly upon the wreckage-littered floor.

Because of the few drops of absinthe found in the place charges of possession and sale of intoxicants were filed against the proprietor.

No Free Delivery For Him. The postoffice department has given Honey Grove city mail delivery and the service was inaugurated last week, but according to the Honey Grove Signal, but few citizens are expected to avail themselves of the government's generosity. The good old Democratic custom of going to the postoffice when a mail arrives and discussing politics and the weather while the postmaster distributes the let-

virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell the above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Lang Smith, Lee F. Perry, E. L. Rainey, J. M. Smith, M. N. Baker, W. L. Dishongh and E. A. Cooper. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English Language once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper published in Houston County. Witness my hand this the 3rd day of January, 1924. O. B. Hale, Sheriff, Houston County, Texas.

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PAZO OINTMENT instantly Relieves ITCHING PILES and you can get restful sleep after the first application.
All druggists are authorized to refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to Cure any case of ITCHING, BLIND, BLEEDING or PROTRUDING PILES. Cures ordinary cases in 6 days, the worst cases in 14 days. 50c

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The Economy BAKING POWDER
the next time you bake—give it just one honest and fair trial. One test in your own kitchen will prove to you that there is a big difference between Calumet and any other brand—that for uniform and wholesome baking it has no equal.
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THE WORLD'S GREATEST BAKING POWDER

ters and newspapers is not going to be lightly forfeited by the Honey Grovites. The editor of the Signal has been going to the Honey Grove postoffice for his mail for the past fifty years or more, and it is one liberty he is not going to allow the Government to take from him, unless, perchance, he should lose it by a constitutional amendment as he was deprived of another cherished liberty a few years ago.—Leonard Graphic.

Hitherto unknown coal deposits have been discovered near the eastern shore of Advent bay, in Greenland.

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FRESH MEATS AND PACKING HOUSE PRODUCTS
Will appreciate a share of your patronage and guarantee you prompt and efficient service.
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No. 3, Local Passenger 9:40AM
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Rare beauties and distinctions in lines, finish and upholstery—and the great mechanical luxury of an engine that actually improves with use! The wonderful Willys-Knight sleeve-valve engine is the same type of engine used in the finest cars of Europe. See the Willys-Knight—go for a good ride!
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RAILWAY PLANNED TO SERVE VALLEY OF TRINITY RIVER

HOUSTON MEN INTERESTED IN PROJECT; I. C. C. PERMIT SOUGHT.

Houston, Jan. 9.—Preliminary steps in the development of a new main line railroad which will serve the rich agricultural regions of the Trinity river valley, cut across the heart of the East Texas pine belt, and afford Central Texas shippers direct access to the ports of Beaumont and Port Arthur were completed Monday at Trinity, Texas.

The Waco, Beaumont, Trinity and Sabine Railroad company, owned by R. C. Duff of Houston and several associates, formally took over the line of railroad extending from Trinity to Colmesneil, Texas, across Trinity, Polk and Tyler counties, a distance of 67 miles. This road, together with the company's main line, extending from Weldon in Houston county across Walker, Trinity and Polk counties to Livingston, gives the company 115 miles of road.

Extension Approved.

Plans for extending the latter line from Livingston to Beaumont and thence to Port Arthur, a distance of 101 miles, were approved at the meeting of stockholders and directors at Trinity. An application to construct this road has been pending some time before the interstate commerce commission, and a protest and contest have been filed by the Kansas City Southern with reference to the section between the two port cities. A hearing on protest will be held before the State railroad commission, to which the matter has been referred, some time in February.

The company plans to make the 101-mile extension this year. A little later it expects to start at the opposite end of the main line and build from Weldon northwest to Waco. Ultimately an extension of the Sabine division, taking it farther into

East Texas, will be made, according to Mr. Duff.

The company will have ample capital to complete these projects and make other extensions, under arrangements approved at the meeting. An old bond issue of \$830,000 against the Beaumont and Great Northern line will be taken over from Mr. Duff and retired, and a bond issue of \$1,340,000 formerly outstanding against the Trinity and Sabine road will be treated in the same manner.

New First Mortgage.

In place of these bond issues a new first mortgage for \$20,000,000 will be executed to the Central Union Trust company of New York, as trustee, and bonds totaling \$330,000 will be issued soon under this mortgage. Bonds in the sum of \$1,110,000 were authorized and will be issued as they are needed. The rest of the \$20,000,000 of bonds issuable under the terms of the mortgage will be utilized to make other extensions, acquire new lines and port terminals and purchase equipment.

The two roads were a part of the Katy system during the time it was in receivership. They have been operated by Mr. Duff since April 1. The technicalities incident to the receivership just now have been cleared so that the new company can acquire title to the property.

The \$20,000,000 mortgage is of the new type which centralizes the indebtedness and allows the debtor to use whatever amount is needed. Mr. Duff is the principal stockholder in the company.

Other officers, all of whom attended the meeting, are W. W. Smithey, assistant to the president, and Judge William A. Vinson, general counsel, both of Houston; W. H. Bradley, treasurer; N. L. Barnes, secretary; A. M. Acheson, vice president and general manager, and E. H. Kitcher, traffic manager, all of Trinity, and L. O. Jackson, a director, who resides at Livingston.

CAPTURED CANNON FOR LOVELADY

Washington, D. C., January 10, 1923.

Editor Crockett Courier, Crockett, Texas.

My Dear Sir: I am inclosing herewith copy of a measure recently introduced by me which I feel will be of general interest.

With best New Year wishes, I beg to remain, Sincerely yours, Clay Stone Briggs.

In the House of Representatives, December 17, 1923, Mr. Briggs introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed:

A bill authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Lovelady, Texas, one captured German cannon or fieldpiece, with carriage, for decorative and patriotic purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the Secretary of War of the United States is hereby authorized and directed to donate to the town of Lovelady, Texas, one captured German cannon or fieldpiece, with carriage, for decorative and patriotic purposes.

Stop Paying Rent and Buy You a Farm.

Let the money you pay as rent buy you a home. The Crockett National Farm Loan Association will make the first payment for you. The payments on each \$1,000.00 borrowed is only \$65.00 per year.

I have several splendid improved farms listed for sale. If interested call or write to John H. Ellis, Sec'y.

Eat your favorite dish—German.

ULTIMATUM ISSUED TO BOOTLEGGERS

Marion, Ill., Jan. 10.—Withdrawal of three companies of national guard who were rushed to Williamson County following a controversy over law-enforcement will not be asked until tomorrow at least, according to Sheriff George Galligan.

The sheriff's statement was made early tonight, shortly after he had issued an ultimatum to alleged bootleggers whose activities are said to have resulted in the present situation, to give up their illicit traffic and engage in some legitimate business.

Both sides to the controversy today remained adamant, Sheriff Galligan asserting that he would approve removal of the troops only after citizens would assure him "cooperation," while followers of S. Glenn Young, dry worker, declared that "cooperation for law enforcement would be forthcoming any time the sheriff gave honest proof that he wanted it."

Despite the orders of Division Chief W. W. Anderson of the general prohibition agents that all raids in the county should cease, and that hereafter all raids should be conducted by federal agents only, Young in a statement stated that "with or without federal aid, we're going to lead them."

The situation today developed into a verbal war between the opposing forces, Sheriff Galligan declaring that "Young and his gunmen must go," while Ku Klux Klan leaders, who have played a prominent part in the situation, asserted that "Young is going to stay."

Affidavits concerning one hundred alleged attacks upon Italian residents of the county, chiefly at Herrin, were obtained today by John Picco, Italian consul at Springfield, who asserted that if his investigation yielded competent proof, legal action would be taken against the Ku Klux Klan raiders.

Alex Ruggeri, Herrin baker,



Hold Back anything needed Here

and it shows Here

A Cow can give milk to her fullest capacity only when fed the right proportion or balance of milk-making materials. Milk is made up of Protein, Carbohydrates, Fat, Minerals and Water, in proportions that, practically speaking, can't be varied. Instead of making imperfect milk, a poorly fed cow gives less milk.

Feed Purina Cow Chow

and your cows will get all the Protein and Calcium needed to balance your Carbohydrate roughness.

All we ask is that you give Purina Cow Chow a trial and let your milk scales show you why you should keep on feeding it.



ARNOLD BROTHERS

Groceries and Feed

the last man interviewed by the Italian consul, said the raiders entered his home at 3:30 a. m. last Sunday morning, tore all of the bed clothes off him and ordered him to the cellar. He alleged that they took all his wine, permitted him under a federal ruling, and said that ten raiders sat down, drank a bottle of the wine each, and ate a great part of his cheese. When they left, he asserted, he discovered that \$77 was missing. Ruggeri told the consul that he had observed all the regulations authorized in the federal permit.

Receipts and Shipments.

Crockett ships half the cotton crop of Houston county as one will notice from these figures. There have been more than 17,600 bales of cotton received at the Crockett ware house. It is estimated that 250 bales are yet to come in. The railroad agent stated that the station had shipped 17,256 bales. Thus it will be seen that the good prices have tended to cause the growers to place their cotton on the market early.

—No. 774—
Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the

First Guaranty State Bank

AT WELDON.

State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1923, published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed and published at Crockett, State of Texas, on the 17th day of January, 1924.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$75,865.48
Loans, real estate	1,500.00
Overdrafts	909.44
County Warrants	506.12
Real Estate (banking house)	2,695.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,900.00
Due from other banks and bankers and cash on hand	61,572.52
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,436.60
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,887.08
Other Resources	4,655.65
Total	\$152,927.97

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$ 10,000.00
Surplus Fund	4,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	149.91
Individual Deposits, subject to check	115,324.80
Time Certificates of Deposit	15,241.72
Cashier's Checks	1,411.44
Other liabilities	800.00
Total	\$152,927.97

State of Texas, County of Houston: We, Alex Thompson, as president, and W. H. Mangum, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALEX THOMPSON, President.
W. H. MANGUM, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of Jan., A. D. 1924.

(Seal) B. E. GOODRUM,
Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:

W. D. JAMES,
MRS. W. H. MANGUM,
W. H. BRADLEY,
Directors.

Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Looking Ahead

LAST Spring a total of 350,000 people were disappointed in not being able to obtain deliveries of Ford Cars and Trucks, as orders were placed faster than cars could be produced.

The demand for Ford Cars and Trucks this Spring will, according to all indications, be far greater than last Spring.

Winter buying has been increasing at a greater rate than ever before.

Actual retail deliveries the past 60 days totaled 308,170 Ford Cars and Trucks, an increase of 1,961 a day over a year ago.

Over 200,000 people have already ordered Ford products on our purchase plan, the majority of whom will take delivery in the Spring.

The above facts are given with the suggestion that you list your order promptly with a Ford dealer if you contemplate the purchase of a Ford Car or Truck for use this Spring or Summer and wish to avoid delay in delivery.

Ford Motor Company

Detroit, Michigan

You need not pay cash for your car. You can arrange to make a small deposit down, taking care of the balance in easy payments. Or, you can buy on the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan. This puts you on the preferred order list and insures delivery of your car at a time to be determined by yourself.

See the Nearest Authorized Ford Dealer

SCHOOL BUILDING FOR COLORED PEOPLE

Editor Courier:

Since writing about the proposition to build a good brick school house for the colored people, I have been informed by one of our prominent white citizens who is much interested in the success of this project, and who is in a position to know, that there are other forcible reasons in favor of this building that I did not think of, such as the following:

1. The building now in use is old, having served for many years for the white school before it was turned over to the colored people. It is a wooden structure and so much decayed that it would not do to attempt to repair or remodel it—would be a waste of money.

2. The present house is, as my friend expressed it, a "fire trap," exceedingly dangerous to the lives of the pupils and teachers. Also dangerous to the property of white citizens in that vicinity, as well as the colored people. The school board has bought and paid for a large and desirable lot, in a good location, west of the railroad, where many of our colored people have homes.

3. The well known white citizen I have referred to, (and I think he is a member of the school board, and a good business man), says the proposed

new building is not only a matter of justice to the colored people, but in a sanitary point of view, and for humanity's sake, is a necessity.

4. If there should be a fire or storm, resulting in the destruction of the present school building, and the loss of lives, it would not only be a calamity but one which would reflect upon our white citizens for not taking steps in time to prevent such. In fact I am informed that the present building will be condemned by the authorities as no longer safe and fit for use.

5. The good name of our community dictates that we should have such a building as Crockett will not be ashamed of, and such as would be a credit to the business judgment of our white citizens.

6. The colored people have been patient, and have not been clamoring for such a building, and I learn that the tax paying colored people have by their taxes been helping to pay for our white people's school building. So it is but right and generous that our white citizens should by their taxes help to erect this building, which would be substantial enough to last for a generation, to the credit of Crockett. Not only this, but the present school house is not large enough for the number of colored pupils.

In view of these facts I hope all my friends and the voting population of Crockett, men and women, will remember the day of this election, and cast their votes for the issuing of the bonds necessary for this enterprise. We will then do ourselves honor, and act for the interests of the whites as well as the negroes. The cost in increased taxation would be a small matter, as it would be spread out over a number of years, being very little for any one year.

S. F. Tenney.

CROCKETT THEATRE

First Night Show Starts at 7:15 P. M. Promptly

PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 21 TO 26

MONDAY, JANUARY 21

"ITCHING PALMS"

With Virginia Fox, Tom Wilson and Others

A smashing comedy-drama-mystery picture with a thrill that will make you tingle.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

Hoot Gibson in

"DOUBLE DEALING"

Smashing thrills! Lightning action! Romance in the saddle—a lovely girl—a lively lad—a load of laughs!

Also Baby Peggy in

"TAKING ORDERS"

Matinee at 3:30.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23

"THE FOG"

With An All Star Cast

Including Cullen Landis and Louise Fazenda, Mildred Harris and Edward Phillips. How the fog of life disperses and gives way to the sunshine of love.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

Alice Brady in

"THE SNOW BRIDE"

A Paramount Picture

Want action? Thrills? Romance? Mystery? It's all here—filmed amid the exquisite, snow-draped regions of the Canadian Northland.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 AND 26

"THE ISLE OF LOST SHIPS"

With An All-Star Cast Including Milton Sills, Anna Q. Nilsson, Frank Campeau, Walter Long.

Here is a tale of the sea and treasure ships, with the kind of adventure you've always wanted to live!—always longed to see! Shipwrecked!—Cast up on this strange floating empire of ghost ships!—And now she was marrying this man who had fought for her possession and had won!—Could she obey the cruel law—could she learn to love him? Admission 20c and 40c. Matinee Saturday at 2:30.

SCANDAL UNEARTHED COUNTRY'S DISGRACE

Washington, Jan. 12.—Attorney General Daugherty was assailed in the house today by Representative Larsen, democrat, Georgia, for not bringing about the arrest of Charles R. Forbes, former director of the veterans' bureau, and others who were charged in testimony before the senate veterans' committee with conspiring to defraud the federal government.

Declaring the senate investigation had unearthed a "scandal that is a disgrace to the people of this country," Mr. Larsen said the "guffty parties" were known and that as yet nothing had been done. He demanded to know why Forbes had not been arrested, and also why proceedings had not been started against the Thompson-Kelley Company of Boston, which purchased from the veterans' bureau several million dollars' worth of supplies of the Perryville (Md.) depot—a sale which President Harding finally stopped.

"Do you know who the Thompson-Kelley Company is?" asked Mr. Larsen. "Those men up in Boston and other places are supposed to be rather insignificant, but in point of fact they themselves and their associates are among the most prominent and influential men in the entire country."

"They ought to be arrested. Yes, and I am satisfied of one thing, and that is that if you arrest them and get them to talking you will find out that there is somebody else in this country that is as crooked as Forbes, and you will find out that he is a big man, too."

"That is the reason why they are not proceeding. I am fearful but that is the reason they should proceed. If he were a

bootlegger or a postmaster he would be arrested before he could go three blocks."

Who Comes Here?

I have destroyed more men than all the armies of the world. I am more powerful than the combined armies of the world.

I am more deadly than bullets and I have wrecked more homes than the mightiest siege guns.

I lurk in unseen places and I do most of my work silently. You are warned against me, but you heed me not.

I massacre thousands upon thousands of wage earners in a year.

I steal, in the United States alone, over \$300,000,000 each year.

I spare no one, and I find my victims among the rich and the poor alike, the young and the old, the strong and the weak; widows and orphans know me.

I loom upon such proportions that I cast my shadows over every field of labor from the turning of the grindstone to the moving of every train.

I am relentless, I am everywhere, in the home, on the streets, in the factory, at railroad crossings, on the sea.

I bring sickness, degredation and death, and yet few seek to avoid me.

I destroy, crush, maim, take all and give nothing.

Who am I?

I am CARELESSNESS.

Basketball in Colleges.

In the southwestern conference basketball got away to a surprising start last week. T. C. U. gave the fast Rice team two trouncings, 18 to 13 and 16 to 9. She then went to College Station and broke even with the champion Aggies, A. & M. winning the first game 27 to 26, and the Horned Frogs the second, 15 to 14. Oklahoma A. & M. gained the lead, however, by giving S. M. U. team two lickings, 25 to

Your Health

depends on the purity of drugs used and the care employed in compounding the prescriptions given you by your doctor. Sometimes it is even a matter of life and death.

Our stock of drugs is the best and freshest we can buy and we use the utmost care in compounding all prescriptions, as your doctor will tell you.

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Drugs and Jewelry

19 and 29 to 16. Baylor, Arkansas and Texas had not entered into conference tilts.

Texas defeated Southwestern twice, 20 to 16 and 21 to 17. Southwestern is a strong T. I. A. A. team. Two games with possible bearing on the T. I. A. A. championship were played at Huntsville. Sam Houston won each of these games from Austin College, the scores being 19 to 17 and 30 to 19. Reporter.

Parry, the British explorer, was the first to negotiate the open passage between Greenland and the Bering sea.

WHEN "EVIDENCE" DISAPPEARS IN THE JURY ROOM

New Orleans, La., Jan. 10.—Federal prohibition agents were scratching their heads because the jury trying a liquor conspiracy case in federal court today retired to the jury room with sandwiches and a quart bottle of whisky, produced as evidence and returned with a verdict of acquittal but without the "evidence." Dry agents later reported they found the bottle hidden away in the jury room, and that only a "thimbleful" of liquor was left in it.

The jury was trying the case of John Benino, Joseph Oddo, Joseph Mandello, Isidor Leblanc and Tony Bosson, charged with conspiracy to violate the eighteenth amendment. The case grew out of the seizure of the motor boat World with 496 sacks of liquor in Lake Pontchartrain on the night of March 21, 1922.

To the Taxpayers of Lovelady Independent School District.

I am desirous of saving every taxpayer any extra expense possible; therefore, I am calling upon each of you to come forward and settle your school taxes before Feb. 1st, as after that date a penalty will be added.

Please heed this call, because duty demands that I take other steps, if you fail.

You will find me at the First National Bank on Wednesdays and Saturdays until Feb. 1st.

Respectfully,
W. T. Ham, Collector.

A widespread superstition in the theatrical profession is the belief that it is lucky to take the same route each night to the theater. To vary is to invite misfortune.

A new false bottom to keep vegetables from burning in cooking utensils can be used as a strainer.

Do You Want to Keep Up?

SUBSCRIBE NOW

Or will you let the others get ahead of you in the election news?

Inasmuch as this is election year Take time to subscribe for your county paper.

Now is a good time to start as the election has just started

Or you may lose interest in the race and

Who is it that does not like to see his man win?

THE CROCKETT COURIER

PARKING SPACE IN NEW BUILDINGS

To the Houston Chronicle:

It goes without heralding that parking our cars in the streets has become a very serious problem. I recently drove around seven or eight blocks in the business district, and was compelled to park five blocks from Main Street.

The tremendous popularity of the motor car the last few years has apparently surpassed the dreams of our city fathers and chambers of commerce, whose business it is to make adequate provision for the city's industrial developments, and accommodation of its patrons, the business men and the public.

Inasmuch as our original surveyors and engineers who laid out our streets failed to make necessary provision for parking space, it is up to you to do so. We believe the time has come for some immediate steps to be taken to fill this long felt want.

It has been suggested that underground space be made in our public parks, but that is impracticable for many reasons.

Permit me to say, if I may be permitted to make a suggestion, I have a good workable, sound and practical plan which, if adopted, will go a long way to help in part to digest the parking problem, and confer a lasting and far-reaching benefit to the city and public at the present time, as well as making provision for the city's future growth. Here is my plan:

The city is about to start the erection of a new public library, and repair the auditorium. Why not arrange for parking space in both? Both of these buildings are admirably well located for this purpose.

The plan is to add one story to the building by raising it one story, making the basement and ground floors parking stalls. No change in the original plans necessary. Plans should be made when the foundation is made.

It is a very simple engineering problem, and if properly managed can be made to pay its cost by a moderate charge. I venture to say that nine out of 10 business men would gladly pay to have their cars under cover from bad weather, and protected from theft and fire.

Again, there is the new Sam Houston hotel, and several other large buildings to be erected in the near future. If these plans should be adopted before their foundations are laid, it would solve a large part of the problem.

Los Angeles, Calif., has adopted this plan and has completed a large 10-story office building, and has made the first two floors into parking space with room for 200 cars, and a garage.

It costs nothing to go higher, and we would simply add one or two floors under the original plans—say 8 or 16 feet as the case requires. It's an easy matter to make a side entrance, and not affect the appearance of the front. The only cost would be the material and labor for one story, which is by no means prohibitive, and in a short time it would repay the original cost and upkeep.

Mr. Mayor and Council, Chamber of Commerce and business men: If there is merit in this plan—and we know there is, for Los Angeles has made a good success of it—it's up to you gentlemen to make the necessary arrangements and use it in the library and auditorium, and bring pressure on the owners of the Sam Houston Hotel and other large buildings to adopt the same plan.

Let's boost Houston by providing inside space for our splendid big cars instead of parking them out in the streets in all sorts of bad weather.

Parking. Parking. Everybody wants parking space and there is no valid reason why the first two floors in the new library should not be used for parking which, with a good manager,

will pay the city a good income revenue and materially aid the police in the traffic department. W. J. Donaldson. R. F. D. 3, Box 322.

MAINTENANCE TAX IS IN FULL FORCE

In reporting the election last week The Messenger overlooked to state that the 15c maintenance tax, which was voted on at the same time with the proposed bonds, carried by a handsome majority. It only requires a majority vote, and not two-thirds to vote a maintenance tax. Therefore, the road district on the east side of the railroad, No. 6, has now a 15c maintenance tax. Also the new territory, that was not in a road district, will also pay a 15c maintenance tax, but it does not affect the road district on the west side of the railroad, which already had the 15c tax.

Citizens in Road District No. 6 are planning to use their part of the money in maintaining their roads, and have called a meeting for Friday afternoon at 2:30 at Long's Store to select a citizens committee to be appointed by the commissioners court. However, the funds will not be available until the next tax paying period.

In that part of the territory not in a bonded road district, the money will be apportioned by the commissioners court.—Grapeland Messenger.

The reputed earthquake warning efficiency of pheasants, which are known to be peculiarly sensitive to feeble tremors, is being tested by an eminent seismologist of Japan.

ELECTROCUTIONS IN PENITENTIARY RESET

Warden to Be Given Time to Learn Mechanism of Death Chair.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 10.—In order to allow time for a new warden to learn the mechanism of the new electric chair at Huntsville prison, four executions scheduled for Jan. 16 and Jan. 18 were reset for Feb. 8 today by Governor Neff. No one has yet been appointed to succeed Warden R. A. Coleman, who resigned rather than send the four men to their deaths.

"It would not be fair," said Governor Neff, "to compel a new warden to electrocute men within a few hours or a few days after taking the position. He must have time to get acquainted and learn his duties."

Warden Coleman's term expires Jan. 15. Governor Neff said he thought by that time a new warden would be appointed.

Execution of Newell Morris of Victoria County has been set for Jan. 16 and that of George Washington, Melvin Johnson and Mack Mathews, negroes, for Jan. 18. This is the third respite for each of the negroes, other postponements having been caused by delay in installing the electric chair authorized by the last legislature.

Cattle Shipments. Cook & Arrington shipped four cars of cattle last Wednesday to their pasture at Catarina, in southwest Texas. Houston coun-

ty has much more cattle than most people realize, so much, in fact, that many carloads have to be shipped to other pastures for grazing and fattening.

Road Bond Election.

The commissioners' court, in session last week, canvassed the result of the recent election held at Belott, Weches and Creath. The vote was as follows:

Belott, for the bonds, 19; against the bonds, 25.
Creath, for the bonds, 3; against the bonds, 19.
Weches, for the bonds, 47; against the bonds, 23.

Total, for the bonds, 69; against the bonds, 67.

Although there was a majority of two votes for the bonds, the law requires a two-thirds majority to carry such a measure.

666 for Colds and LaGrippe.

Quality Meats

No matter what your wants may be in the meat line we can meet them, and we meet them always with first quality meats—the only kind you would buy or serve on your table. Our experience places us in a position to know your wants and we are prepared to supply them. Free delivery to any part of the city.

STAR MEAT MARKET

JOHN CALLIER, PROPRIETOR



New arrivals

You will want to see the new advance styles in early spring millinery, just arrived. The new shapes and trimmings, so chic, yet so different, make selection easy. Drop in today while there is still time to find the very hat you've dreamed about.

MRS. A. B. BRICKER

CROCKETT, TEXAS.
Germol, for indigestion, is sold by your druggist. **tf.**
Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.
666 for Headaches, Colds, etc.

Invoice Your Supply of Printing

Take an inventory of your supply of printed forms and determine the forms which are running low. And before your supply is exhausted give us an order for more of them. You may not need the printing for two or three weeks yet—so much the better. It will give us time to turn out a top-notch job for you before you need it—not after you need it.

- Do you need Candidate Cards?
- Do you need Letterheads?
- Do you need Envelopes?
- Do you need Statements?
- Do you need Ruled Forms?
- Do you need Shipping Tags?
- Do you need Circulars?

Do you need Printing of any kind—or, rather, are you going to need any within the next few weeks? If so, phone us and we will come for the copy, or bring it to the office, as you desire.

We have plenty of time just now to devote to your printing. We can give you good work on every job. It takes time to do printing right and for this reason we urge you not to wait until we have to "rush" your job through in order to deliver it when you need it.

The Crockett Courier

PHONE 22.

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Germol is guaranteed. tf.
666 for Malarial Fever. 15t.
Miss May Johnson has returned to Marlin.

For Virginia-Carolina fertilizers, see R. L. Shivers. tf.
Durward Allbright has returned to school at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. Matte Satterwhite has about recovered from a serious attack of illness.

Try Meridian Fertilizer this year and notice the difference. For sale by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Save money on your feed bill by buying at C. L. Manning & Co's. feed store at the depot. 1t

Just arrived—a car of fine young mules, cash or terms. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayes Hale of Palestine visited relatives in and near Crockett at the end of last week.

Oliver plows, discs, harrows, cultivators and repairs are sold in Crockett by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Mike McCarty left Friday to visit in Dallas, after which he will go to California for an extended trip.

Mrs. Sidney Johnson will visit relatives in Huntsville before returning to her home at Long Beach, Calif.

Increase your yield this year by using a good fertilizer. If you want the best try Meridian—sold by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Buying in large quantities enables us to sell you feed cheaper. Make us prove it. 1t. C. L. Manning & Co.

Meridian Fertilizer has stood the test thru good and bad years and has always paid the user a handsome profit. Sold by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Our cakes and pies are just like mother makes at home—at a price cheaper than you can bake them yourself—at the Peerless Bakery. 1t.

Lost Dog.

Medium sized, trim built pointer bitch, liver spots, had on collar with no name. Finder return to J. E. Dickey at Manning's store and receive reward. 1t.

Oliver plows, discs, harrows, cultivators and repairs are sold in Crockett by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Turner will leave this week for Huddleston, Va., to make their home. They take the best wishes of our people with them.

Heater for Sale.

Used heater, good as new, for sale at a bargain. Address C. H. Hanson, Italy, Texas. 1t*

Farm for Rent.

Two miles from Crockett. Apply to Smith Murchison at Smith-Murchison Hardware Company's. tf.

Misses Florence Satterwhite, teaching in Anderson county, and Ola Satterwhite, attending school in Huntsville, were at home with their parents in this city for the week-end.

Many farmers are finding it profitable to buy their feed at our warehouse at the depot. A hint to the wise should be sufficient. 1t. C. L. Manning & Co.

Wanted.

A middle-aged white woman of good character to cook and assist with house work. References required. Apply to Mrs. R. L. Shivers. 1t.

We buy, sell and repair furniture. Also handle all kinds of musical instruments and supplies. We are located in the building formerly occupied by Chas. Fuller in the Patton block. We can save you money on furniture—new or second hand. 2t. Tunstall & Green.

Automobile Registrations.

Up until Saturday morning there had been 1197 automobiles registered at the tax collector's office. There had been, in addition, 109 trucks registered, making the total number 1306. If you have not registered your automobile it is advisable that you do so before February 1.

Another Brick Building.

The Courier is informed that Mr. I. A. Daniel will soon begin the erection of a brick building on the corner lot south of and opposite the Highway Filling Station on North LeGory street. We are not informed as to what use the building will be put to. This and other buildings contemplated furnish all needed proof of our city's growth in all directions.

Property Changing Hands.

S. A. Fain has bought the residence now occupied by J. G. Beasley, on South LeGory street. Mr. Beasley is building a handsome new home on Young street, which he will move into when completed. Mr. Fain has sold his present residence in Bruner addition to William McConnell, so the Courier is informed, with the view of vacating when the Beasley residence is accessible.

Edmiston Buys Lot.

C. L. Edmiston has bought the lot on West Main street directly opposite and south of the store of M. Younas. This is a corner lot and was formerly the property of M. Bromberg. Mr. Edmiston will put a brick building on this lot to be used for automobile purposes. He will install a filling station on the corner, which will be used in connection with an automobile storage room and garage.

Indications Are Good.

The Courier is glad to see load after load of fertilizer being hauled out to the fields. It means that something is going to be doing again on the farms of Houston county this year. The feed that is also being hauled out indicates that the livestock will be fed and kept in good, workable condition. These things, together with the mules that have been bought, indicate that something is going to be doing in the way of farming.

Was a Misprint.

In last week's paper it was stated that a penalty would be added on all unpaid taxes January 1. As that date was already past, it is evident that this was a misprint. No penalty will be added until February 1, when a ten per cent penalty will be placed on unpaid state and county taxes. Also, a penalty of twenty-five per cent will be placed on unpaid automobile registration fees when the automobile has been run for thirty days prior to date of paying such fees.

Announcement Rates.

The Courier's rates for announcing for office will be the same this year as two years ago, which are as follows:
For justice of the peace, constable and public weigher, \$5.00.
For county offices, including commissioner, \$7.50.
For the judicial district and state senator, \$10.00.
For congress, \$15.00.
These rates are lower than the rates charged by the newspapers of some counties north of us and no higher than the rate charged in any county. The time for announcing is now at hand.

For County Treasurer.

Mr. Frank H. Butler breaks the ice this week and starts the political ball to rolling in Houston county. Mr. Butler announces for county treasurer, subject, it should be needless to say, to the action of the democratic primaries in July. The Courier will not consume the reader's time with a lengthy introduction of Mr. Butler—he is too well known for that. It will be remembered, however, that Mr. Butler was a candidate for this office two years ago and that he was defeated by the small majority of only 22 votes. Following the primaries two years ago he announced that he would be a candidate again, and here he is. You know him and you know of his qualifications and fitness. He wants you to know, also, that he is your friend, whether in success or defeat.

The family of Harriet Beecher Stowe existed on bacon and bread for one year in the famine of 1839.

* Tribes of interior Brazil have a mania for laying curses on their neighbors.

Give Us a Trial

When in need of Gasoline or oil, come to see us.

When in need of air for your tires, or water for your radiator, come to see us.

In fact when you need anything in our line, we are more than glad to serve you. Give us a trial.

PHONE 313

Crockett Filling Station
"Service With a Smile."

Farm Loan Election.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Crockett National Farm Loan Association was held Tuesday, at which the following board of directors were elected: P. D. Austin, F. A. Smith, Geo. L. Richards, E. C. Arledge and L. H. Sharpe. Following the stockholders' meeting, the directors elected the following as officers to serve during 1924: P. D. Austin, president; F. A. Smith, vice president; John H. Ellis, secretary and treasurer. The association has closed loans to the amount of \$789,800 and has \$83,600 ready to close, making a total of \$873,400 loaned to Houston county farmers. The secretary was instructed to mail checks to all borrowers for their annual dividend due them on their stock.

Dies as Result of Poisoning.

Murph Mullin, a prominent young man of Tatum, died Sunday morning at the home of his parents in Tatum as the result of poison received in drinking "Wine of Colchicum" in his father's drug store on last Friday night. The medicine is used for rheumatism and is given only in small doses. It is claimed that it possesses a high percentage of alcohol. Three other young men, Albert and Tate Menefee and Forrest McNeese, also partook of the patent medicine and for a time were in critical condition. The remains of young Mullin were laid to rest Monday in the Tatum cemetery. —Rusk County News.

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"GET IT HERE"

"Turnover"

We want the greatest turnover during 1924. With the smallest percentage of profit we expect to accomplish this. Will you do your part? Will you help and cooperate with us? You owe it to yourself and to your own family.

You understand, of course, the smaller the TURNOVER the bigger the per cent of profit the merchant has to make in order to keep up with the overhead. Our overhead during 1923 was one-third of average store's overhead expenses.

- 10 pounds Sugar ----- \$1.00
- 4 1/2 pounds Coffee ----- \$1.00
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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 for office, subject to the action of the democratic primaries to be held in July:

For County Treasurer

FRANK H. BUTLER

WHEN IT COMES TO DYING.

A celebrated New York physician, accustomed to ministering to the wealthy sick, was asked for an opinion regarding a man high up and this, in substance, was his answer.

"I deal with life and death. I know nothing of finance. But I have observed that men come into the world pretty much alike, and they die on the same footing."

He might have added:

When it comes to living, men are pretty much alike also. But it is only when death knocks that full acknowledgement of this is made.

After all, the primitive needs and pleasures of the human animal are simple and few in number: Food, clothing, warmth and shelter. Beyond these there is little that money can buy that will add materially to anyone's welfare.

When it comes to dying, the plutocrat becomes one of the bourgeoisie. It is not an exaltation over accumulated dollars that he enjoys. If he feels a parting satisfaction, it is with the contribution that he has made to his fellow men rather than with the totals in his bank book. The honest producer of anything—be it food, fiber, machinery, or literature—is pretty likely to be a great deal richer in mind and soul, when the end comes, than he who has spent his life in taking rather than in giving.—Farm and Ranch.

LINCOLN ON OBEDIENCE TO LAW.

"Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity swear by the blood of the Revolution never to violate in the least particular the laws of the country, and never to tolerate their violation by others. As the patriots of '76 did to the support of the Declaration of Independence, so, to support the Constitution and the laws, let every American pledge his life, his property, and his sacred honor; let every man remember that to violate the law is to trample upon the blood of his fathers and to tear the character of his own and his children's liberty.

"Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap. Let it be taught in schools, in seminaries, and in colleges. Let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs. Let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. In short, let it become the political religion of the nation.—Abraham Lincoln.

NEGRO FAIR HELD AT GRAPELAND

Editor Courier:

Houston county's first Negro Annual Fair exceeded surmises, in point of interest, attendance and profitable results.

Each of the three days was largely attended, the crowd ranging from one to five thousand interested participants and spectators.

The formal opening occurred at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon, December 21, staged with a parade of decorated automobiles, wagons, floats, horseback riders, vehicles and walkers, reaching business section of the progressive town and finding several hundred people lining the streets, waiting for activity the great meeting was pleased to give. Four county high schools, viz: Crockett, Grapeland, Hopewell and Mt. Zion, rendered some yells, appropriate choruses and laughable stunts that brought vociferous applause.

The programs throughout were interesting and profitable. Canning lectures, followed by demonstrations, elicited much of our time and attention. Mrs. Maggie Lee, county home demonstration agent of Grimes county, came as a special of the government and gave demonstrations in canning sweet potatoes, chickens and beef. More than 400 cans were prepared by students and their respective teachers from several schools in the county.

The following schools were represented: Crockett High, Center Hill, Cedar Branch, Beria, Daly, Grapeland High, Hayes Springs, Fordice, Germany, New Salem, Oakland, Mt. Herman, Mt. Zion and Shiloh.

County fairs, their advantages, the great indispensable mission they serve, the awakening and interesting activities they create, the advanced ideas and modern conveniences that they place in reach of our people; all clearly indicate and go to show plainly that that teacher who fails to marshal his community forces, to group, organize and lead in representing his school and community in bringing forward specimens of skill and faithful work, in swapping ideas and getting modern and better ways to live more easily and completely; he is almost a failure to start with; he is not making hay while the sun shines, he is not exerting his or herself in trying to keep his people up with the industrial awakening, with the shortcuts to making home-life more to be admired, with the saving of man-power and putting more bread and meat into our needy homes. Sentiment will whip into line those lethargic teachers. Modern demands for service will press them into rendering service of that kind or will relegate them to service not so important and, too, that they are able, no doubt, to better perform.

The programs occurred in the largest negro church in Grapeland, which was far too small to accommodate the interested mass of humanity. Experience has taught us already that for these annual occasions, when worked up properly in this progressive county, big tents will only answer for comfort. The programs, however, in the house that was overcrowded, packed and jammed at every performance, were listened to with keen interest, for so many profitable, modern and interesting devices, constructions or productions were explained and shown by experts.

The open-air sports were side splitters; the horse bucking contest was pleasing, amusing and interesting to every spectator. The \$2.50 prizes were won by D. Johnson, Grapeland, and Mike Moore, Grapeland.

The big, fat turkey promised as a result of the turkey shooting contest was won by the Mt. Zion community, the fatal shot

being fired by Lipscomb Williams.

Some very fine specimens of the different thoroughbred standards of poultry were placed on exhibition.

Some poultry contestants, however, did not make proper entries, or carried their pen away before judges' time came for inspection, hence fell out of the race, or better said, did not ever get into the contest.

The swine department was worthy of inspection, several registered hogs being in evidence. C. F. Benson, Palestine, Texas, did signal work as director of this department.

The sewing exhibition rooms were tastily prepared, each teacher having a six-foot sign prepared, which had in large type the name of their community and teacher, and under his respective sign displayed needle and art work that impressed the large masses of colored and whites with this fact, viz: Negroes are trying to keep pace with the daily industrial campaign of activity. Mrs. Maggie Lee, extension agent of Navasota, Texas, having experience in this special line of activity, passed on the best of everything as the premium catalogue stated.

The agricultural department housed its exhibits in a special building. Many varieties were up for inspection and exchange of ideas, many of which were educative, informative and, all in all, the procedure was far-reaching in portraying the diversification advantages our progressive county affords.

Broom and mattress making consumed a profitable share of our time. The factory for making each was transferred from the Crockett High School to the fair grounds in Grapeland, Texas, and brooms and mattresses skillfully constructed by the Crockett High School class, each step being fully explained as construction went on. Too much encouragement cannot be given to Prof. J. H. Johns for his introduction, into his busy school, of these very necessary trades. He is supplying many families, white as well as colored, with brooms and mattresses at most reasonable prices and at the

same time learning many boys the trade. Our hat is off to Prof. Johns.

The appointment of the fair at Grapeland meant much to the Grapeland colored citizenry. It aroused the lethargic interest formerly had on the part of the school patrons to the extent that their efficient principal, Prof. F. J. Grant as leader, fenced in their school property, purchased a school piano, made some necessary repairs on their dilapidated school building and I understand are now completing plans to paint the little school building.

All in all, the fair carried the largest continuous three-day delegation of negroes this county has ever witnessed together at any place in Houston county, and the proceedings were systematically and peacefully car-

ried out. No friction whatever from any source was heard of by the agent.

At a special meeting the fair promoters and general negro body decided to make the annual fair permanent, and the county agent was asked to early call a county meeting for a permanent organization.

Too much praise cannot be given to the good white people of Grapeland for their generosity displayed in policing the town and especially in furnishing all the money to make it possible to give away \$150.00 in prizes and take care of \$50.00 other running expenses.

Cooperator.

Mme. 'Paulette Duval, Parris' most popular dancer, gave Norma Talmadge a headdress worth \$5000.

Start the Spring Right By Keeping Your System Right

If you have a cold, or an ache or pain, or are feeling sluggish and "off your feed," remember that there is a simple remedy at this drug store that will put you right, and preventatives that will keep you fit.

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