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## Road Supt. Talk.

Editor Courier:

If you will give me space in your paper I will say a few words to the voters of Houston county. I did not intend to say anything in this election for the office of road and bridge superintendent, though I see so much misrepresentation in our papers I feel it my duty to say so. The first thing I want to say is, if you will study the papers close you will see they are working for the interest of a few they claim a few citizens of Crockett to be the people of Houston county. I think the people on the 20th day of May will show them better. They say that the office of road and bridge superintendent will not increase the tax rate one cent. This is a misrepresentation; it will increase the tax rate. The superintendent or his deputies will have to be paid a large salary and the taxpayers will have to pay the expenses. They say the Luce law provides one hundred days for the commissioner to ride the road a year. I say this is absolutely false, and the man that wrote it knew it. Beware of a man that will misrepresent the truth to carry his point. I am in favor of good roads myself, though I do not think a superintendent without money to back him up can build them, and when we pay the money for roads let us have things fixed so we can get the benefit of our money. If the county papers would have given the new road law and asked the voters of Houston county to study it close and vote for the best interest of the people, I think it would have been alright. They did not do this, it seems like they are afraid the law cannot stand the test. This new law says the hands shall work ten days each year, or where two sections of road meet at the creek the road hands shall build the bridges up to 50 feet. I have got no self interest in this, what I

say is for the benefit of the people. Study this close, and on the 20th of May come out and vote for the best interest of all the people. There is many things I would like to say in regard to this, though I cannot get space in the paper.

Yours to serve,  
J. A. Harrelson.

## Who is the Happy Man?

A New Yorker, celebrated for his many millions, declares that the rich are not as well off as the poor, who have not such heavy responsibilities to worry them.

Many other rich men, perhaps most of them, hold in their hearts somewhat the same opinion.

And every poor man believes exactly the opposite.

To the man without money his responsibilities seem heavy indeed, while thought of wealth is like a dream of glory.

Is it a deep question? No; not even skin deep.

The commonplace fact is that everyone of us is more or less dissatisfied with his lot, and jealously thinks the other fellow has the best of it.

In youth we yearn for maturity, and in maturity we yearn for the happy days of childhood again.

Every thin woman wishes she was fat. Every fat woman wants to get thin.

Nearly every farmer looks forward to the time when he can afford to quit the farm and move to the town and take life easy. And nearly every city man longs for the time when he can retire to the quiet of the country.

There is no particular reason for it all, except that we are just built that way.

We have noticed the donkey leave his own grass to hang his own head over the fence, with drooping ears and drooling mouth, and look longingly upon the next field where the grass, though precisely like his own, seems ever so much sweeter.

Well, the extra sweetness is all in the fence.

And not all donkeys drooling over the fence stand on four legs.—Shreveport Times.

The happy man! Why, he's the man that's too busy to be jealous and too sensible to be a donkey.—Orange Leader.

## Creamery Proving Valuable Investment.

Dispatches from Waxahachie state that the creamery recently established in that city is proving a decided success and the increase in the output of that enterprise since beginning operations has been remarkable. During the first month the creamery was in operation about forty pounds of butter was manufactured weekly; at this time the weekly output is more than one thousand pounds.

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## Sidewalks.

Away back in early days of town-building there was some excuse for the absence of sidewalks in a settlement that purported to be a town. There is absolutely none today for a town that purports to be a city.

In those early and more strenuous and less enlightened times people paid less attention to civic improvement than now—gave it practically no thought, as many of our modern worries over town-building attest.

There was no cement; brick were made by hand or later by a slow producing machine. There were few factories producing even cinders for sidewalks, and the locomotives burning coal were few.

Thus it was that the sidewalk was a real luxury and people walked in the mud cheerfully, appreciating it much when some good citizen had made a dry walkway of ashes before his door.

Today some very small towns have a splendid array of solid sidewalks, unbroken stretches of them for miles in some cases, and these sidewalks are up-to-date for the reason that up-to-date sidewalks are not only a great advantage, but are far cheaper than the old-time sidewalk of planks.

As a general thing the walks need not be wide, and may be flanked with grass, making a most attractive appearance. And as a further reason why every town should have a complete system of sidewalks it should be remembered that these be days of competition, and the town that doesn't compete with its neighbors in progress is absolutely certain to be left behind.

There can be no halfway measure about it. If one horse moves slowly and another fast, the fast horse will get there first. If one stands still and the other moves even slowly, the moving horse wins.—Dallas News.

## Serious Hog Shortage.

The Commercial Secretaries' Association has been gathering data on our live stock industry with a view of supplying the Texas farmers with accurate information on market conditions, and the association gives out the following advance statement on hogs:

"The hog shortage in Texas is a serious menace to our prosperity. The shortage on home consumption and in our trade territory amounts to 250 cars per week at an average farm value of \$3500 per car. This is approximately \$50,000,000 per annum. These figures do not include competitive territory on the Continent or foreign markets which the Texas farmer can easily master as he can raise hogs more cheaply than in any other state and he has the packing houses in easy reach."

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## Wesley Chapel News.

Mr. Walter Scott of Oakwood was over here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lawson of Redland were visiting Mrs. Ekword Hollingworth and Mrs. Will Temple last week.

Mr. John Price and Miss Mollie Price of Hayes Spring visited Misses Dora and Anna Clines Sunday.

Tommie and Albert Alexander attended the school concert at Latexo Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Moffitt entertained quite a number of their friends with a tacky party Saturday evening in honor of Mrs. Henry Rye of Nogalus. Miss Laura Smith and Mr. Phinis Story were the prize winners. Mistress Grover Wiesinger, C. W. Willis, R. A. Hancock, W. H. Clines and Miss Mollie Price assisted Mrs. Moffitt in serving refreshments. Music was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clines of Grapeland were visiting relatives last week.

Misses Beadie and Minnie Gossett attended the concert at Latexo and also Mr. Samie Green.

Justice.

## Holly Items.

Messrs. Brent Driskill and Tim Newton of Lovelady were visitors here Sunday morning.

Miss Epsie Baker has returned from Lovelady, where she has been clerking for the past week.

Mrs. Clyde Satterwhite of Crockett is visiting her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Satterwhite.

Little Miss Bessie Allen, who has recently moved to Lovelady, is visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Baker.

Messrs. Dwight Morrison and Sherwood Howell of Westville were visitors here Sunday.

Misses Emma Baker and Ora Lucas are visiting relatives in Lovelady this week.

Correspondent.

## The Modern Educator.

The newspaper plays an important part in modern education as it should. Progressive teachers recognize the fact that familiarity with at least the chief events of the day is essential to training for intelligent life work, and that to learn the news it is necessary to read the newspapers.

The Washington board of education gives formal notice that normal school and high school teachers are expected to keep in touch with current events by perusing the newspapers, and the assistant superintendent of schools notes that this duty has been neglected, saying: "I am sorry to say that our teachers do not seem to have the faintest idea of what is going on in the world at the present time. The intelligent teacher should keep pupils in touch with events of importance. The work in the debating societies this year will be devoted mainly to live issues to accomplish this result."

It is quite likely that Washington teachers are somewhat behind their contemporaries in other localities in this respect. Teachers pretty nearly everywhere else are giving more or less attention to the newspapers as the means of supplying information as to "live issues."—Ex.

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## Local Items.

### Automobile Number Nine.

The ninth automobile for registration in the county clerk's office at Crockett arrived Tuesday and is the property of Eli Elkins, mine superintendent for the Houston County Coal and Manufacturing company.

### The Business College.

Drayton's Crockett Business College opened Monday morning with an attendance of thirty-three, three more than necessary for the opening of the school. When the promoters of this college came to Crockett they said they would establish one of their schools here if they could get thirty scholars. The school will run four months.

### Notice, Members of M. B. A.

State manager, F. E. Keith of Dallas, will speak in the interest of The Modern Brotherhood of America, at the court house in Crockett at 8 p.m. Friday night, May 19th. Mr. Keith is a forceful and entertaining speaker, and the public generally is invited to attend.  
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### Large Mail Average.

The Crockett postoffice is now closed during the preaching hour on Sunday morning and during the latter part of the afternoon. The first mail is distributed early

Sunday morning and the noon mail in the early afternoon. It will be surprising to some to know that an average of 3000 pieces of mail are handled through the Crockett postoffice daily. If this is not handled on Sunday it means 6000 pieces to handle on Monday. It seems absolutely necessary that some of the mail should be handled on Sunday.

Editor J. A. Webb of the Trinity Tribune was in Crockett Friday evening. Mr. Webb used to teach school at Kennard and feels yet an interest in Houston county. He had just driven from Kennard to Crockett and said that he could not see how any one could oppose a change of the system of working public roads in this county. He thought the superintendent plan a good one and one at the least worthy of a trial.

### A Card of Thanks.

We take this method of thanking all who were so kind and attentive to our beloved husband and father during his illness; and as we cannot personally meet each of those who assisted us during the sickness of John A. Ragland, we sincerely thank those who rendered aid to us, and words are inadequate to express our appreciation. Sincerely,  
Mrs. F. J. Ragland  
and Children.

FOR SALE—My home place at Crockett, containing 35 acres of land all under fence, orchard, two wells, stock tank, wind mill, tank waterworks, nine-room house and out houses. Also a place adjoining the above, containing 20 acres of land, a four-room house, all under fence, a well of water on this place. Will sell for cash or on terms, address me at Trinity, Texas, if interested in either of the above places.—G. M. Waller, Trinity, Texas. 4t

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### Teachers Elected.

At a recent meeting of the Crockett school board, the following teachers were elected for the next term of the city schools (white): Superintendent, Donald McDonald; teachers, Miss Pegram, Miss Faris, Miss Hallie Aldrich, Miss McKee, Mrs. A. R. Spence, Miss King, Miss Bunnie Arrington, Miss Annie Stokes and Miss Minnie Craddock. The principal and one teacher are yet to be elected.

### Crockett Schools.

Mr. C. W. LeGory is now taking the school census and every man and woman in the school district should see him and have their children enrolled. Do not wait for him to come to see you, but phone him and hunt him up so that not a single child may be left off. See that your neighbor's children are enrolled. The work will be ended on June 1st. Please help us.  
J. W. Hail,  
2t President School Board.

### That Lock and Dam.

R. B. Gillette, Jr., of Dallas, civil engineer for the national government, has been spending the past week in the western part of Houston county looking for gravel to be used by the government in the construction of the lock and dam at Hurricane Shoals. He failed to find a sufficient quantity, and he told the Courier that he thought it not improbable that the government would build a temporary rail line from Crockett to the shoals over which to haul the gravel and other necessary material. An appropriation having been made, the work is soon to begin.

### Mr. J. A. Ragland Dead.

Mr. J. A. Ragland died of pneumonia on Thursday evening of last week at 6 o'clock. He was buried on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in Glenwood cemetery. He leaves a wife and a number of children, several of whom are grown.

In his early life Mr. Ragland farmed and taught school in Houston county. He later moved to Crockett and studied law, also conducting a small farm near town. He became a practicing attorney and practiced in the courts of Houston county for a number of years. He had been serving as city attorney up until a few days before his death, having been appointed to that office by the city council after the resignation of J. H. Painter.

### Automobile Number Eight.

Seven automobiles are now registered in the county clerk's office in Crockett and the eighth one has arrived to be registered as required by law. No. 7 was registered by S. M. Monzingo, who received a Brush runabout at Dallas last week and is now touring central Texas in it. Mr. Monzingo is a travelling salesman living here and had his machine registered by mail. His machine is bearing a tag reading "Crockett No. 7." The eighth car to be registered here is the property of Dr. E. B. Stokes. It is a 1912 model Brush roadster with all the latest improvements. While this is the eighth car to be registered here, the Courier hears of two more that are soon to arrive, increasing the number to ten.

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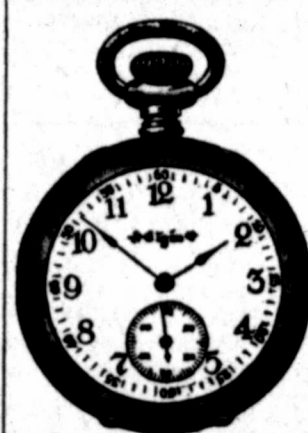
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To be entitled.

An Act to Create a More Efficient Road System for Houston County, and Declaring an Emergency.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That the office of Superintendent of Public Roads and Bridges be, and the same is hereby created in the County of Houston, State of Texas. And the Commissioners Court of said county shall at their first regular term of court after this law shall have taken effect appoint a superintendent of public roads and bridges. Said superintendent shall be a person who shall have had experience in the construction and building of public roads and bridges, and shall be a person of good moral character, and who shall at the time of his appointment be over twenty one years of age, and who shall be a resident of the State of Texas. He shall then hold the appointment until the following February term of the Commissioners' Court, unless otherwise removed for causes hereafter stated.

Said Superintendent shall be appointed for one year, at a salary not to exceed \$1200.00 per annum, said salary payable monthly out of the Road and Bridge Fund upon warrant issued by the County Clerk and approved by the Commissioners' Court.

Said Superintendent shall take the oath of office as other county officers, and shall make a bond payable to the County Judge and his successors in office in the sum of \$5,000.00, with at least two good and sufficient sureties, unless said bond is made by a surety company, conditioned that such Superintendent will faithfully and efficiently discharge all the duties as defined by this act and by the general road laws of the State of Texas. And in the event there is any recovery had upon said bond for any violation thereof, or any money collected upon said bond, the same shall be paid to the County Treasurer of Houston County, and by him credited to the Road and Bridge Fund of said county.

Sec. 2. The Superintendent shall have charge of all roads (public) and bridges, and shall supervise them. He shall also have control of all the overseers and all teams, tools and other property belonging to the public roads and bridges, and shall advise the Commissioners' Court in appointing overseers and appointing hands, and in opening up new roads or discontinuing old ones. He shall account for all money and property belonging to the public road and bridge fund that may come into his possession.

Sec. 3. When it becomes necessary said Superintendent may, with the consent of the Commissioners' Court, appoint one or more competent assistants, who shall be paid \$1.50 per day for their services, which sum shall be paid out of the Road and Bridge Fund. The Superintendent shall be responsible for the acts of his assistants.

Sec. 4. The said Superintendent of public roads and bridges shall have full power and authority, and it shall be his duty to adopt such system for working, laying out, draining and repairing the public roads of said county as he thinks best for the public good.

Sec. 5. The Superintendent shall have power, with the consent of the Commissioners' Court, to purchase such teams, tools and camping outfits as may be necessary for the working of the roads.

Sec. 6. The said Superintendent may with the advice and consent of the Commissioners' Court of said county, when there are road and bridge funds in the treasury, to hire hands, to be paid not more than 15 cents per hour for actual work and hire teams, with wagon and driver, at not to exceed 25 cents per hour actual work, without board, and to take the county teams and tools and work such roads as may be needed for the benefit of the public without regard to the special benefit of any section of the county.

Sec. 7. In case the Superintendent lets out the building of any bridge or the improvement of any roads by contract, he shall let it out by sealed bids, and to the lowest responsible bidder—reserving the right to reject any and all bids—who shall make a bond in double the amount of his bid, which bond shall be made payable to the County Judge with two or more good and sufficient securities, to be approved by the Commissioners' Court, conditional for the faithful performance of his contract. Provided, however, that no contract for the building of any bridge or other improvements upon the county roads in excess of \$50.00 shall be made by said Superintendent unless said contract is first approved by the Commissioners' Court. Said bond if forfeited shall be payable to the road and bridge fund and said Superintendent shall receive and accept, for the Commissioners' Court, all public work of any kind let by contract.

Sec. 8. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to have the hands, where there are as many as ten on one section of the road, build all bridges not over thirty feet long; but the county must pay for all the lumber and nails or other necessary material required to build all bridges that are built by road hands, and when two sections of a road meet at a creek or any place where a bridge has to be built, and there are as many as 15 hands on both sections of road and bridge to be built is not over fifty feet long, then it shall be the duty of all the hands of each section to meet and build the bridge. If the Superintendent cannot look after the building of the bridge, he shall designate

an overseer to superintend such building, who shall have the same authority over hands as a regular overseer has; and any hand failing to obey such overseer shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than one dollar and more than five dollars; such fine when collected to go to the credit of the road and bridge fund.

If any bridge shall be over fifty feet long, the Superintendent shall let the contract to build same to the lowest responsible bidder, reserving the right to reject any and all bids; provided, all such contracts so made shall be first approved by the Commissioners' Court.

Sec. 9. All contract work done on the public roads and bridges of Houston County shall be paid for by the County Treasurer out of the road and bridge fund, on the voucher of the County Superintendent of public roads and bridges only, which voucher shall be audited and approved first by the County Superintendent, and then passed on and approved by the Commissioners' Court.

Sec. 10. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to inspect the roads and bridges once every six months, make a written report to the Commissioners' Court at the February and August terms of the court, and to the Grand Jury at each regular term of the District Court of Houston County. Said report showing the service rendered by each overseer, and the Judge of the court of the Third Judicial District shall, at each term of his court in Houston County, give this act specially in charge of the Grand Jury of said county. If any road overseer, or if the Superintendent of roads and bridges has failed to comply with any of the requirements of the road law, or if the Superintendent fails to make a true and correct report as hereinbefore required, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than \$20.00 nor more than \$200.00, said fine to go to the Road and Bridge Fund.

Sec. 11. The Superintendent of Roads and Bridges shall have power to order overseers, call out hands and work the roads at any time he thinks necessary. The overseer shall have full power and control over all hands, teams and tools assigned to him, and all hands shall work as directed by him, and the overseer shall summon or have summoned to work all hands assigned to him, and each hand shall take an axe, shovel, pick, spade, or any other tool that he may have as directed by the overseer. Each hand shall be summoned at least 12 hours before he begins work. The overseer may give a hand not more than one day of time to summon the hands to work.

Sec. 12. The overseer and all hands assigned to him shall work the road at least five days from the first day of January to the thirteenth day of June; and five days from the first day of July to the thirty-first day of December; eight hours actual labor shall constitute a day's work.

Sec. 13. The Commissioners' Court shall as soon as the enactments of this law as is practicable, and as soon after the selection and qualification of the County Superintendent, re-classify all of the roads of Houston County into the following classes; that is to say, roads of the first, second and third class. All first class roads shall be at least 45 feet and not more than 60 feet wide in the clear. All second class roads shall be thirty-five feet wide in the clear, and all third class roads shall be 25 feet wide in the clear.

Sec. 14. Each hand shall do a reasonable good day's work of eight hours, and if a hand fails to work when summoned or refuses to obey the orders of the overseer, he may be exempted from working by paying \$1.00 for each day he is summoned to work. If he refuses to pay \$1.00 for each day he is summoned to work or obeys orders, then he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and the overseer shall report the hand to any court of competent jurisdiction, and upon conviction he shall be fined in any sum not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$5.00 for each day he refuses to work or obeys orders, said fine to be paid into the road and bridge fund.

Sec. 15. If any hand subject to road duty pays to the Superintendent or County Treasurer \$4.50 by the first day of February, he shall be exempted from road service for the entire road year, and shall be given a receipt showing for what time he is exempt. If the exemption money be paid to the Superintendent, he shall report said money in the name of the party to the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall keep a book showing who are exempt and for how long. All exemption money shall be paid into the Road and Bridge Fund.

Sec. 16. The Commissioners' Court shall furnish to the road overseer blanks on which to make reports to the Superintendent as to the number of hands on his road, and the number of days each hand has worked, and as to the condition of the road as to the amount of money he has received from any hand or from any other source and what disposition has been made of the money; and also report as to all teams, tools and everything else he may have at his disposal, and also as to how long he has used them, and what disposition he has made of them. He shall swear to all reports he makes. The Superintendent is hereby authorized and empowered to administer the oath for this purpose, for which he is to receive no fee. All reports of overseers must be made semi-annually, by January 1st and July 1st, and said report must be turned over to the Superintendent with all the money in overseer's possession belonging to the road and bridge fund.

Sec. 17. The Superintendent shall compare all reports of overseers and must go before the Grand Jury with a full and complete report, which he may swear to as being full and complete, and if said road and bridges are not in good condition, his report must show wherein they are not, naming the overseers responsible for same. Said report must show the names of all hands who have failed to do their duty as road hands, and whether or not said hands had been indicted and tried. Failure on the part of the County Superintendent to make said report as above shall constitute a misdemeanor, and upon conviction therefor the County Superintendent of roads and bridges shall be fined in any sum not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$200.00. If the Grand Jury believes from the report of the Superintendent any overseer has failed to do his duty, it shall indict him, and if found guilty he shall be fined not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00, and any hand failing to do his duty on the road shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction be fined not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$5.00.

Sec. 18. It shall be the duty of the Commissioners' Court to furnish all necessary blanks to the Superintendent for making his reports as provided.

Sec. 19. If any overseer fails to accept commission as overseer without lawful excuse, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be fined not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$25.00.

Sec. 20. Any person who serves one year shall be exempted from services from the next year's overseer.

Sec. 21. Every male person of sound mind and not an invalid or disabled who is twenty-one years of age and under forty-five years of age, and who is not exempted from road service by the general laws of Texas, shall be subject to road service, except ministers of the gospel actually discharging their ministerial duties.

Sec. 22. All teams, tools and machinery used by the Superintendent shall be the property of the county, and shall belong to the county.

Sec. 23. The funds arising from any county road tax or from the sale of any road bonds of the county issued and provided for under the provisions of Chapter 7, General Laws, First Called Session of the 31st Legislature of Texas, 1909, shall be levied between the commissioners' precincts of Houston County according to the taxable values of the several commissioners' precincts as shown by the last preceding assessment. All funds arising from the sources above mentioned shall go to the credit of the road and bridge fund of each commissioners' precinct, and shall be paid out by the County Treasurer on the voucher only of the County Superintendent after all claims against such funds have been sworn to by the parties presenting same and properly audited by the County Superintendent, and approved by the Commissioners' Court.

Sec. 24. If under the provisions of the general Road Laws of Texas the Commissioners' Court of Houston County shall create a road district for the purpose of issuing bonds and levying a tax to pay the interest and create a sinking fund for liquidating such bonds, the proceeds from the sale of such bonds to be used for constructing public roads within the limits of said district, as provided in Chapter 7 of the General Laws of Texas, of the First Called Session of the 31st Legislature, said act approved April 8th, 1909. The proceeds from the sale of the road and bridge fund of the aforesaid road district created by the Commissioners' Court, and shall be paid out by the County Treasurer in the manner provided for in section 9 of this act.

Sec. 25. All funds derived from any road tax or from the sale of any road bonds of county or road precincts, or from other sources, shall go to the credit of road and bridge fund, and shall be pro-rated in the manner provided for in Sec. 23 of this act, and paid out by the County Treasurer in the manner provided for in Sec. 9 of this act.

Sec. 26. It shall be the duty of the County Superintendent to protect all thirty shade trees along the public roads, and to erect and keep in order a substantial sign post at all crossings of first and second class roads; said posts showing the direction and distance of the next most important place on such roads. And the Superintendent shall erect on all first class and second class roads mile posts and boards showing the distance of the county seat.

Sec. 27. The County Superintendent may call to his assistance in surveying any first class road and any material for construction or improving same, the service of a civil engineer, one thoroughly competent and equipped to do such work, and said engineer shall be paid for his services by the Commissioners' Court of the county out of the road and bridge fund in the precinct in which such an engineering work was done.

Sec. 27a. And after the creation of such road districts and the issuance of said bonds, the Commissioners' Court shall, upon the petition of thirty (30) of the property tax paying voters in such district, appoint a competent experienced road superintendent for such districts, who shall have the same powers and duties and be governed by the same provisions as herein provided for the County Superintendent. Said superintendent shall have charge of the construction of all roads and bridges in such district. Shall with

the advice and consent of the Commissioners' Court make contracts for the construction and maintenance of all roads in such districts.

Sec. 28. The Commissioners' Court of Houston County shall have power to condemn and pay for any gravel bed pit or rock quarry or other material useful and necessary in the construction and improvement of public highways, and the Superintendent shall not use such material until the same has been bought or a sum in compensation has been agreed upon for same between the owner and himself, or between the owner and the Commissioners' Court.

Sec. 29. As far as practicable all roads in Houston County, especially first class roads, shall be thoroughly graded and drained, and all bridges and culverts shall be of durable material of such as heart pine timber, cement or steel and cement.

Sec. 30. This act shall be taken notice of by all courts in the same manner as are the General Laws of the State on the subject of roads and bridges.

Sec. 31. This law shall be held and construed to be cumulative of all general and special laws of this State, applicable to Houston County, except in cases of conflict or unconstitutionality, or when the act prescribes a different method, manner, power or right, and in such case this act shall govern as to Houston County, Texas.

Sec. 32. It shall be the duty of the Commissioners' Court whenever petitioned to do so by as many as 200 voters in said county, all of whom shall be resident owners of real estate in said county, to order an election to be held by the qualified real estate owners of said county, to determine whether or not the office of Superintendent of road and bridges in said county shall be discontinued and abolished; provided, however, that no person shall vote at said election unless he is otherwise qualified to vote in the general election of said county, and is also the owner of real estate in said county assessed for taxation, and the taxes thereon paid up to January 1st next preceding date of the election. When the Commissioners' Court upon the petition provided for herein shall order the election as herein provided for, it shall be the duty of the said court to order such election to be held at the regular voting place or places of said county upon the day not less than 20 nor more than 40 days from date of said order, and the order thus made shall express the object of such election, and shall be held to be prima facie evidence that all the provisions necessary to give it the validity or to clothe the court with jurisdiction to make it have been fully complied with.

Sec. 33. And if the result of said election is favorable to the system of County Superintendent of roads and bridges, such result shall be so declared by the Commissioners' Court. And there shall be no other election on that question until the expiration of two years from the date of the last one, when another may be ordered as in the manner provided for in section 32 of this act.

Sec. 34. The clerk of the County Court of said county shall post or cause to be posted at least five copies of said order at different places within the county for at least 12 days prior to the day of election, which election shall be held and the returns hereof made in conformity with the provisions of the general laws of the State, and by the officers of election appointed and qualified under such laws for such service by the clerk of the court. He shall pay out of the general fund of the county the sum of \$25.00.

Sec. 35. At said election, those who favor the abolishing and discontinuing of the office of County Road Superintendent shall have printed or written on their ballots or tickets the words "For the abolishment of the office of Superintendent of Roads and Bridges," and those who oppose it shall have printed or written on their ballots or tickets the words, "Against the abolishment of the office of Superintendent of Roads and Bridges."

Sec. 36. The officers holding said election shall in all respects as herein specified conform to the existing laws regulating elections, and after the polls are closed, shall proceed to count the votes and within ten days thereafter make due report of said election to the aforesaid court.

Sec. 37. Said court shall hold a special session on the eleventh day after the holding of said election, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of opening the polls and counting the votes, and if a majority of the votes are "For the abolishment of the office of County Road Superintendent," said court shall immediately make an order declaring the result of said vote and discontinuing and abolishing the said office.

Sec. 38. If a majority at said election shall vote "Against the abolishment of the office of Superintendent of Roads and Bridges," the court shall make an order declaring the result and have the same entered of record.

Sec. 39. There being no adequate road law for Houston County, an imperative public necessity exists that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this act take effect from and after the passage, and it is so amended.

(Copy of Dr. J. B. Smith's Houston County Road Law, made this 8th day of March, A. D. 1911.)

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## A Business Proposition.

Many people seem to mistake the mission of the newspaper. It's a business that men engage in for a living, and as such should be treated.

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No one else is called on for so much as the newspaper man, declares the Marietta (Ohio) News; he is expected to give publicity to everything, whether of interest to the public or not; he is expected to build up an interest in the schools, the churches, the road improvements, the making of better crops, to make popular the views of politicians, boosting them because they ask it; advertise their meetings as "pieces of news," give a half column to aid societies—things good in themselves—but the editor has to make a living and it costs him on an average a round silver dollar to get a column of type in the newspaper with a matter that cannot possibly bring him an iota in cold cash.

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We readily give place to almost all notices, but must draw the line occasionally on matter that has no news value.

## Suggestions to Farmers.

We suggest that you do not have your crop too thick. One good stalk of corn or cotton will produce more than two poor stalks. When your corn is fifteen inches high, the small hairlike roots will almost meet between the rows. You should therefore cultivate as nearly level as possible. If you go deeper than two inches, you will cut thousands of these roots and greatly damage your crop. Use a sweep or a very short-toothed harrow that is narrow enough to go well between the rows. Pull up all weak plants, and destroy all suckers and weeds. These parasites suck the life blood from the plant, just as vermin do from live stock.

Plants like animals must have a balanced ration with an abundance of nutritious food, if you expect the best results. The larger the plant, the more food it will need to assist it in its life work of producing and perfecting its crop. It is a very great mistake to lay by and leave the crop when it is one-half or two-thirds grown, and allow it to live on short rations, fight dry weather, suckers and weeds, at the most vital period in its career.

To get the best and most profitable results, shallow mulch cultivation should continue until the grain and cotton are fully matured. If it is possible to do so, well-rotted manure, cotton seed meal or any other good fertilizers that are easily soluble, should be spread between the rows of corn

and cotton and worked into the soft top mulch a short time before the crop begins to fruit. A cotton seed planter with fertilizer attachment set to run very shallow, does this work fairly well, or you can do it by hand.

If you cannot apply these fertilizers you certainly can destroy the suckers, weeds and weak plants, and by constant shallow mulch cultivation, keep the earth from cracking and thereby conserve its moisture, warding off to a great extent the damaging effects of hot winds and a dry season. The dryer it is, the more unpromising things seem to be, the greater necessity for constant work. Keep the weeds down, suckers out, the top of the earth soft, and you will raise a crop any way.

Guard against damage to land from washing, by terracing and contour plowing, going around rather than up and down a slope.

Henry Exall,

Pres't Texas Industrial Congress.

## Cotton Seed Meal for Hogs.

College Station, Tex., April 26.

—John C. Burns, professor of animal husbandry at the A. and M. College of Texas, says: "The danger that lies in feeding cotton seed meal to hogs largely depends upon the amount of meal fed and the length of time it is fed. Large quantities may be fed from twenty-five to thirty days without very much risk, and small quantities may be fed for a very much longer time without very much risk. With corn and wheat shorts I would not advise making a ration over one-seventh cotton seed meal, particularly if the feeding is to be kept up for three or four months. The following proportions by weight will make a well-balanced ration for fattening: Four parts corn (shelled or chops), two parts wheat shorts and one part cotton seed meal. These feeds should be thoroughly mixed together and soaked in water for about twenty-four hours and then fed in the nature of a thick slop. If it is desired to push the pigs they should receive about all of this mixture they will clean up readily two or three times daily."

## Slocum Defendants Granted Bail.

From Palestine Herald.

Attorney N. B. Morris, representing the Slocum men held on a charge of murder in connection with the race troubles at Slocum last year, and who have been in jail since their arrest several months ago, received a telegram from Austin this morning advising him that the court of criminal appeals had granted the men bail, each in the sum of \$1500. Judge Morris carried the case before the court at Austin last week, following the refusal of the district court here to grant the defendants bail. The men effected by the decision are Jim Spurger, Curtis Spurger, B. J. Jenkins, Steve Jenkins and Ison Garner. It is understood all of the defendants will be able to make the necessary bond, but it is not known at what time they will be released.

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When the electric telegraph was shown to us we brushed it aside as a toy and laughed its inventor to scorn when he offered to sell us his rights for a few thousand dollars.

We put into jail as an impostor the first man who brought anthracite coal to market. We broke to pieces Howe's sewing machine as an invention calculated to ruin the working classes, and we did the same thing to the harvester and the binder. We scorned the typewriter as a plaything.

We gathered together in mass meetings of indignation at the first proposal to install electric trolley lines, and when Dr. Bell told us he had invented an instrument by means of which we might talk to one another across the town we responded with accustomed ridicule, and only the reckless among us contributed it its being.—Atlantic Monthly.

## Opera in Dumb Show.

The late Clara Novello in her reminiscences tells how Mallbrun once appeared in "Sonnambula" without uttering a note. She had taken cold and was prevented from singing at the last moment, though crowds of early comers already filled the house. "On the manager telling her, in despair, that, besides loss of money, these disappointed people would be dangerous she said, 'I can't speak above my breath; I should have to do it in dumb show!' Bunn at once caught at this outburst as if seriously meant and on his knees begged her to try this, and she, fired by the novelty, did so. The grateful public raved in praise of this surprising tour de force, and the sensation it made filled the papers."

## Bathing Machines.

Somebody has inquired why "bathing machines," the comfortable privacy of which for ocean bathing has never attracted bathers in this country, are called machines, remarking that there is nothing of a machine about them except the horse which draws them to the beach. The answer has been found in the new Oxford Dictionary. It appears that a "machine" was originally a "structure of any kind, material or immaterial," and has nothing to do with machinery, a later word. Ships were called machines, and it would have been proper to speak of a pulpit as a machine.—Argonaut.

## A Joke on the Artists.

Some years ago there was a colony of artists painting in a Maine village some twenty miles from Prout's Neck. All were enthusiastic admirers of Winslow Homer, and all, having had a go at the painting of rocks and sea and realizing how difficult was the task, bethought them of Homer, only twenty miles away. How refreshing it would be to have a glimpse of the man's work in his studio! Fully aware that it was not his custom to admit strangers, they ventured upon the pilgrimage to that shrine. They counted on his waiving the rule where it concerned a group that contained at least one full fledged national academician and several associates of that august body. They all went to Scarborough (Prout's Neck), put up at the hotel and sent him a joint note, signing their names and begging that he would receive them. When the messenger returned they read with dismay that Winslow Homer presented his compliments and begged to be excused from receiving "art students." The joke was so good that the story was given out in artistic circles.—Arthur Hoeber in World's Work.

## Mock Suns.

Mock suns are similar in point of origin to the mirages of the desert, only they occur in the arctic circle. As the long winter night of the polar region wanes once every twenty-four hours a slight glow is seen at some point on the horizon. Often accompanying this glow is seen the phenomenon of the mock suns. Several degrees up in the heavens as many as five of these spectral orbs have been seen at one time. Invariably they are all connected in a geometric figure, the suns seemingly bound together with circles and arcs of light. Often when only one appears it is mistaken for the real god of day, and natives rejoice at the early end of the long winter night only to be disappointed as the image disappears. The explanation of the phenomenon is given by physicists as refraction and reflection of light from the real sun below the horizon on the mists in the upper atmosphere.—St. Louis Republic.

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## By the Wayside

SKETCHES AND NOTES

### MOUNTAIN, PLAIN AND BATTLEFIELD

BY W. B. PAGE

There is no phase of the late civil war which persuades the reader or the student of the events of that period to linger over it with thrilling pleasure as episodes in the career of the recognized leaders of that great conflict, the personæ dramatis, so to speak. There are personal happenings, personal traits of character, personal peculiarities and other elements of the personal equation figuring so conspicuously as to command interest and applause in some instances and to arouse indignation and disgust in others. However these episodes may have been reviewed at the time, they afforded then as they do now an inside glimpse, a sidelight reflection on the character of some of the South's and the North's great marshals and leaders. Happily situated was the writer for observing many of the stirring scenes of the imposing military pageant as it came upon the stage of action and passed out. Small and young though he was, little of interest occurred within the radius of his observation, hearing or reading, that did not appeal to his memory and cling to it with ineffable impressiveness. The personal appearance of many of the chief actors of that time is as fresh and clear in mind now as then and the scenes in which they played leading roles troop out of the chambers of memory today, manifesting all that vivid, dramatic spirit of realism as when Jackson went thundering down the Shenandoah valley on the heels of Banks, Shields and Fremont. Speaking of events in the official careers of some of the South's leaders, all have heard of Lincoln's tender to Colonel Robert Edward Lee of the command of all the forces on the Union side—a commercial argument as some have thought, to induce Lee to remain loyal to the Union. But it was spurned. But how many know that President Lincoln promoted Lieutenant Colonel Lee, of that crack cavalry regiment, the Second, to a Colonelcy of the First. This promotion came soon after Lincoln's inauguration in March. Lee accepted it and filled the position for two months out on the Texas frontier. But as soon as his native state passed the ordinance of secession he tendered his resignation as Colonel of the First Cavalry and offered his sword to his native state. Jefferson Davis, Secretary of War under President Pierce, had made Albert Sydney Johnston Colonel of the Second Cavalry, R. E. Lee Lieutenant Colonel—Thomas, Major. Sydney Johnston was a native of Kentucky and actively engaged as Colonel of the Second Cavalry out in California when the war opened. He at once sent in his resignation and barely escaped being captured by a troop of cavalry acting under orders from Washington. Sydney Johnston was not a brother of Joe Johnston as many have thought. The former was a Kentuckian while the latter was a Virginian. Both were graduates of West Point. Measuring the two men by the stern standard of military merit and greatness as displayed on the field of battle or on the conception of great campaigns, there is no comparison between

them. There are those, and not a few, who look on Albert Sydney Johnston as the greatest military genius and the highest, most brilliant type of commander which the civil war brought forth on the stage, not even excepting Lee. His career from the day of graduation at West Point to his death at the head of a charging column on the field of Shiloh is one of exceptional interest, especially to Texans. Those Fatal Sisters, three, who preside over the destinies of men were directing the course of events on the bloody field of Shiloh as they had done on other fields when Jackson and Hill and Longstreet and Stuart had been stricken down.

The career of Sydney Johnston was a brilliant one and as we have said one full of interest to Texans. He had become a citizen of Texas, owned property in the State and during Sam Houston's term as President accepted office as commander of one of two brigades of troops, constituting the army of the Republic. General Felix Huston commanded the other brigade. Johnston's appointment as Senior Brigadier gave mortal offense to General Felix Huston and a challenge followed. Sydney Johnston accepted and they met next morning at 7 o'clock. Felix Huston buttoned his coat closely to present as small an object as possible for Sydney Johnston's aim. Johnston, observing this, removed coat and vest, thus making his person as conspicuous as possible. Then Huston, smarting under the reflection which his own conduct had put on himself, removed his, too. They were stationed at ten paces apart and on a given signal began firing. After the sixth round Johnston fell. Huston then went to him and extended his hand, remarking "General Johnston, you are the bravest man I ever saw. I hope you will recover. I shall acknowledge your superior rank and serve under you." Sydney Johnston was Secretary of War under Lamar. In the war with Mexico he was on Taylor's staff. After this war he went to Galveston where his family was, from there he went to his ranch on the Brazos below Houston. After an experience of several years on his plantation he again went into the military service of the United States. It was about this time that Congress provided for two additional regiments of cavalry, the First and the Second. Both were considered crack regiments and were assigned to duty on the Texas frontier. In 1857 Sydney Johnston commanded an expedition against Brigham Young. Brigham Young tried to bribe Johnston. After smashing Brigham Young's rebellion, Sydney Johnston was sent to the California Department. Here he was in command 'til 1861, when the secession of his adopted state, Texas, caused him to forward his resignation. He left for Los Angeles where he remained 'til he heard of the order from Washington for his arrest. He organized a company of frontier scouts, passed through lower California, Arizona and New Mexico to Texas. From Texas he went to Richmond and reported to President Davis, who esteemed him so highly as a soldier and statesman that he had made him a full general, ranking Lee and others. Davis was in his office talking to some callers when Sydney Johnston approached unannounced. Davis remarked, "I know that step; it is Sydney Johnston's." President Davis had such an exalted opinion of Sydney Johnston's ability as a statesman

that he expressed himself as willing to step down from the post of president and let Sydney Johnston be installed. President Davis assigned Sydney Johnston to the command of practically all the West. His first appearance prominently on the field of action was his order to Buckner, Pillow and Floyd at Donaldson: "Hold your position at all hazards." They proceeded to follow instructions by surrendering next day to Grant. These disasters did not affect Johnston's buoyant, confident spirit in the least. Then it was that he, while in camp at Murfreesboro, Tenn., predicted that a great decisive battle, marking the success or failure of the confederacy would be fought near Corinth, Miss. Johnston began to assemble all the forces within the territory under his command at Corinth: Polk's, Bragg's, Van Dorn's, Walker's forces all had orders to concentrate at Corinth. Grant was at Pittsburg Landing with 50,000 men. Buell with 40,000 men was hurrying to unite with Grant. Sydney Johnston's plan was to smite Grant hard and crush him before Buell could reach him. Johnston decided not to await the arrival of Van Dorn's force of 17,000 men and directed Hardee's corps to take the left, Bragg the center, Polk the right and Breckenridge the line of reserves. Johnston's plan was to strike at once, but on arriving found that Bragg's corps as usual was not in line and ready. Johnston waited and waited. Finally he sent one of his staff to say to Bragg that "such dilatoriness was not war, but child's play." At last worn out by the delay, Johnston went in person to learn the cause of the trouble, and found the division of Ruggles which Bragg said was the cause of all the delay lying down on the roadside. Johnston and his staff got them up and moving to their places in line of battle. It was then nearly night and one whole day had been lost, and for all Johnston knew the entire program of assault had been revealed to Grant and his Lieutenants. There was a council that night of Johnston and his corps of commanders. Beauregard, second in command, was present and stoutly opposed any attack. His contention was that the only chance for success had been forfeited by the slow movement of Bragg. Johnston replied to Beauregard, saying that a retreat would demoralize the men more than defeat and that he did not believe Grant was expecting an assault and concluded by saying: "Gentlemen, we will move against the enemy at daylight; I shall expect each of you to have your commands ready to move at that hour promptly." Later he said to General Polk: "I am going to fight them if they are a million." The first gleam of daylight saw Hardee's corps moving on Sherman's corps. The clash was terrific. At all times and seemingly at all places on the field Johnston was to be seen, urging and appealing to his men and leading in the charges. His presence was an inspiration and nothing could stand up against the furious onsets of his seasoned veterans. Johnston's men soon routed the Federals from their breakfast, captured their batteries and by 2 o'clock nearly the entire front of Grant's line was shattered and fleeing for safety to the banks of the Tennessee. There was one point on his line which had not yet yielded to the fierce and furious assaults of the Confederates. All but this one point were in flight or shivering in base, abject terror under the

banks of the river, a mob without a leader, without arms, without colors, expecting every minute to be smashed or driven into the river and drowned. The one point which had not yet given away was a place called the "Hornet's Nest." And that was a battery of 20 guns being served in the presence of some of Grant's staff. All had given away and fled but this. Johnston ordered Zollicoffer's brigade to charge it. One regiment flatly refused to move. Governor Harris of Tennessee who was present drew his pistol and told them to follow him. The regiment was repulsed. The Supreme hour for the fatal twirl of the die of destiny had struck.

The star of the great Albert Sydney Johnston had passed its culmination and was hastening to its setting. Leaving the immortality of this life which his stout, keen rapier had carved out for him he is face to face with the immortality of another, and streaks of the coming dawn are falling on and around him.

Following the repulse of Governor Harris and his regiment there appears on the field in front of Zollicoffer's brigade a superb figure on an iron-gray horse. He sits on his horse with the easy grace and dignified pose of a Knight of the Temple. He was the Prince of Knightly horsemen—the courtliest of the courtly and like Bayard "Sans peur et sans reproche." The man riding in front of Zollicoffer's veterans with flowing plume and flashing blade was Sydney Johnston. He knew that of Grant's army of 50,000 men, all but a few had fled in wildest disorder, and were at that very moment trying to crawl into a hole somewhere under the banks of the Tennessee. One small point of Grant's curving line was intact. At that point there was a battery of 20 guns and they were being served with death-dealing rapidity and aim under the expert direction of members of Grant's staff. This man on the iron-gray horse, this moving picture of horsemanship incarnate, calls out: "Attention, soldiers!" Every man was instantly alert. The brigade formed into three lines of battle, every line dressed as if for review. These two words spoken, Sydney Johnston points with his sword to the battery of 20 guns and gives the command to charge. Sydney Johnston leading, the brigade is off with a yell, that same old rebel yell that carried terror and dismay into Federal ranks on a hundred fields. They swing off in perfect alignment as if dressed to a straight edge. But it is no dress parade these men are going up against. They move on faster and faster, the grape and canister from the Hornet's Nest playing havoc with their lines. But on they press, the same grim determination, the same stubborn valor, the same stern resolution to do or die as moved the Immortal Six Hundred at Balaklava. Every gun is shot and every bayonet fixed. They sweep across the intervening space and up the hill and to the guns with a dash and intrepidity that moved the on-looking multitude to shouts of applause. They are at the guns and all around them and could be seen using the cold steel as "Old Stonewall" used to speak of it. The point has been carried, the guns captured and those working and supporting them in flight or prisoners. But the price paid for all this success was the sovereignty of thirteen states, the independence of a Republic. Sydney Johnston had been shot in this storming assault. At first it was thought that the wound was not serious. He was seen to reel in his saddle and Governor Harris went to his support. He was taken from his horse and a surgeon summoned. He was bleeding profusely from a wound in the leg, and before aid could be had the great soul of Sydney Johnston had taken its flight. It was a great battle and great victory, but the South had paid for it a price too great to be calculated or weighed. The agonizing trials attending the birth of a new nation had been arrested, and all from this day on were to be in vain. The consequences of this day can not be estimated. The tragic trend of events after the fall of Sydney Johnston but added more woe to an already overflowing measure.

Grant's army was almost annihilated and Grant himself would have been captured if Johnston could have lived to direct fulfillment of his plans. He would have been captured with his army if there had been a man on the ground capable and worthy to pick up the order of battle which the genius of Sydney Johnston had mapped out. As already stated the entire Federal force were panic stricken and had outdone Bull Run in a desperate effort to find safety. The banks of the Tennessee river for miles were lined with thousands of Union soldiers shivering and prostrate from fear as though they were expecting some terrible monster, some awful Chinese Dragon, to appear and devour them bodily. The battle had been fought and won, and the crisis pregnant with momentous results cried out for a master hand to gather in the fruits of Sydney Johnston's brilliant stroke of strategy. He alone had assumed responsibility for the plan of battle. All his corps commanders, including Beauregard, second in command, had opposed it. So far, events had worked out as he insisted they would. He had routed and driven them to the banks of the river.

There was one move, a final stroke to be applied, and the entire Federal force with its leader would have surrendered or been rushed headlong into a river too wide and deep for crossing. They were expecting it and were disappointed that it didn't turn up. And why didn't it? Why this rich harvest which the genius of Sydney Johnston had wrought out at the cost of his life was thrown away, was lost? This was not the first time that the constructive genius of a military chief had worked out great, incomparable results, opportunities. And they have been thrown away time after time, due to stupid, gross, malign incompetency. Some one certainly deserved to be shot for permitting the glorious fruits of the Shiloh campaign to be dissipated to the winds and that which at one time was a magnificent triumph was turned into a shameful, scandalous disaster. And all that was needed to place a crowning chapter on the work of the day was to press on after the fleeing mob. Shivered into a scrambling, disorganized mob by the impetuous shock of Sydney Johnston's yelling legions they were making with vain, fatuous purpose to the river, and to escape the impending doom, were ready to jump on or beg for the privilege of surrendering. Just a little pressure all along the line and what a glorious victory would have been achieved! But it was not to be. That consummate flirt, that exquisite jade of a Divinity, who watches the cast of the dice as they affect the fortunes of men was busy again on the field of Shiloh. She had been quite meddlesome on other fields and later on was very conspicuous. But on no field of battle previous or subsequent to Shiloh had this Divinity's rattling of the cubes been followed by the long, tragic scenes of disasters that flowed from the Shiloh intermeddling.

#### In the Wake of the Measles.

The little son of Mrs. O. B. Palmer, Little Rock, Ark., had the measles. The result was a severe cough which grew worse and he could not sleep. She says: "One bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound completely cured him and he has never been bothered since." Croup, whooping cough, measles cough all yield to Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. The genuine is in the yellow package always. Refuse substitutes. Will McLean.

Foley Kidney Pills take hold of your system and help you to rid yourself of your dragging back-ache, dull headache, nervousness, impaired eyesight, and of all the ills resulting from the impaired action of your kidneys and bladder. Remember it is Foley Kidney Pills that do this. Will McLean.

A touch of rheumatism, or a twinge of neuralgia, whatever the trouble is, Chamberlain's Liniment drives away the pain at once and cures the complaint quickly. Sold by Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.



## CULBERSON WRITES ON LORIMER CASE

GIVES EXPLANATION OF \$25,000  
EXPENSE EPISODE.

Senator Declares Item Was Never  
Discussed in His Presence at  
Any Committee Meeting.

From the Galveston News.

Donie, Tex., May 5.—Believing that Representative Dies' letter in the Houston Post of several weeks ago was misleading and did Senator Culberson an injustice, I wrote Senator Culberson in regard to it. You may keep the enclosed letter, as I have a copy. Yours truly,  
B. F. Martin.

United States Senate, Washington, April 23.—Mr. B. F. Martin, R. D. Route No. 2, Donie, Freestone County, Texas: Dear Sir—Your letter of the 16th inst., though postmarked the 20th, is received, in which you ask me, in effect, to state my connection with the item of \$25,000 to reimburse Senator Lorimer for expenses in defending his title to his seat in the Senate.

I am a member of the Committee on Appropriations, and was a member of the subcommittee which considered the bill on which this Lorimer item of \$25,000 was placed. I was present at every session of the subcommittee which considered the bill and this item was not presented or even referred to at any meeting of the subcommittee at which I was present. I was also present at the only session of the full Committee on Appropriations when the bill as prepared by the subcommittee was presented, and this Lorimer item was not referred to at this session of the full committee. Shortly afterward, when the bill was printed and ready to be reported to the Senate, I examined it, and, to my astonishment, found the item of \$25,000 on it. The Senate was not then in session, but I went at once into the Democratic cloakroom and called the attention of the several Democratic Senators to it who happened to be there, and stated to them that the item was never presented to the subcommittee, and that I should attack it. Soon afterward the bill was reported by Senator Hale, chairman of the committee. While the bill was being read for committee amendments, and before this \$25,000 amendment was reached in its order, a number of Democratic Senators conversed about it, some of them with me. One of them came twice to my seat in the Senate chamber and said to me, presumably in view of my expressed purpose to oppose the item, that, while it ought to go out, Senator Lorimer wanted to make the motion. I replied substantially each time that, while it was the smaller matter who made the formal motion, yet the item must either be stricken out or the question would be put before the Senate and a vote upon it had; and that, regardless of who made the motion, I intended to make a statement to the Senate that the item was never presented to the subcommittee at any time when I was present, and had it been done I should have protested against it. As Senator Lorimer made the motion to strike out the item when it was reached, I contented myself with making the statement shown in the record, my only purpose having been accomplished.

The statement which you en-

close me that "This motion (to strike out) was made by Mr. Lorimer before Senator Culberson even knew that the item was in the bill" is beyond any respectful characterization. Yours very truly,  
C. A. Culberson.

Thoroughbred and Standard Bred.

"What is a Thoroughbred Horse?" is a question which has been asked of John C. Burns, Professor of Animal Husbandry at the A. and M. College of Texas. Professor Burns replies as follows: "Thoroughbred" is the name of the English breed of running horses. The breed derived its origin from the union of Arabian, Barb and Turkish blood with the lighter type of English horses. From this amalgamation came great stamina, remarkable speed, unusual endurance, and great symmetry of form.

The American Standard Bred Trotter, which is the name given our American breed of trotting horses, derived its origin largely from thoroughbred blood imported to this country. The old rules as to what constituted a standard bred trotter were not as strict as at the present time. In other words, the foundation stock of the breed, tho eligible under the old rules, would hardly be eligible for registration under the present rules of the American Trotting Register Association. The trotting standard at the present time is as follows: When an animal meets these requirements and is duly registered, it shall be accepted as a standard Bred Trotter:

1. The progeny of a registered standard trotting horse and a registered standard trotting mare.
2. A stallion sired by a registered standard trotting horse, provided his dam and grand dam were sired by registered standard trotting horses, and he himself has a trotting record of 2:30, and is the sire of three trotters with records of 2:30 from different mares.
3. A mare whose sire is a registered standard trotting horse, and whose dam and grand dam were sired by registered standard trotting horses, provided she herself has a trotting record of 2:30, or is the dam of one trotter with a record of 2:30.
4. A mare sired by a registered standard trotting horse, provided she is the dam of two trotters with records of 2:30.
5. A mare sired by a registered standard trotting horse, provided her first, second and third dams are each sired by a registered standard trotting horse.

Sanitary and Advisory Codes.

The State Health Department now has on hand an abundant supply of copies of the Sanitary and Advisory Codes. These can be had upon request. Already the Department has mailed out about 2000 copies of the Sanitary Code Law recently enacted. It is perhaps unnecessary for us to state that the Sanitary Code was enacted into law by the Thirty-second Legislature, and became operative March 23, 1911. The Advisory Code, as its name implies, is not law, but may become such by suitable action of city administrations.—State Health Bulletin.

Do You Have the Right Kind of Help?

Foley Kidney Pills furnish you the right kind of help to neutralize and remove the poisons that cause backache, headache, nervousness, and other kidney and bladder ailments. Will McLean.

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**Operated Upon for Appendicitis.**  
London, May 12.—Lady Deceis, who before her marriage to Lord Deceis was Miss Helen Vivian Gould, underwent an operation for appendicitis. The surgery was done at the residence of her mother-in-law, Dowager Lady Deceis, and according to subsequent announcement the result was most satisfactory. It now appears that Lady Deceis has been suffering from more or less severe attacks of appendicitis for some time and among intimate friends of the family it had frequently been stated that she was about to submit to an operation. These statements were always denied and only yesterday in reply to inquiries concerning the condition of his wife, Lord Deceis wrote that while she had experienced some trouble from the cause reported, an operation was unnecessary. It is now explained that a more acute attack occurred last evening and a resort to surgery was suddenly decided upon.

**Ash Stock Law Election.**  
Whereas, on this 8th day of May, A.D. 1911, the court takes under consideration a petition of the citizens and the freeholders of Ash Public Free School District No. 3 in Houston county, Texas, asking that an order be made by the said court to grant an election within the said Common School District No. 3 to determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall be permitted to run at large within the following described territory, to wit: Beginning on the corner of the J. H. Cummings league on Big creek; thence down said creek to the southwest corner of the J. J. Estrade league; thence with said Estrade league north to its corner on the A. Henry survey; thence east with the Henry survey to J. Murphy's southwest corner; thence north with Murphy's line to his northwest corner; thence west with Chamar labor to its southwest corner; thence north with the line of same to its northwest corner; thence east with the line of same to its northeast corner; thence north with B. Davis survey to its northeast corner; thence west with the N. B. line of Davis and Arch Henry surveys to the line of the Del Valle grant; thence northeast with the Del Valle line to the Crockett and Alabama road; thence east with the said road to a point opposite the J. H. Cummings northwest corner; thence south with Cummings line to the place of beginning. And it appearing to the court that the said petition is in all things in compliance with the law, the same is hereby granted, and ordered that the said election to be held at the Ash school house on Saturday, June 10th next, A. D. 1911, and J. B. Ash and T. A. Fuller are hereby appointed managers of the said election.  
E. Winfree,  
County Judge.

**DAYS OF DIZZINESS**  
Come to Hundreds of Crockett People.  
There are days of dizziness; Spells of headache, sideache, backache; Sometimes rheumatic pains; Often urinary disorders. All tell you plainly the kidneys are sick. Doan's Kidney Pills cure all kidney ills. Can Crockett residents doubt this statement? Mrs. W. B. Rose, 11 Fulton St., Palestine, Texas, says: "Since using Doan's Kidney Pills, I have enjoyed good health, and I therefore gladly recommend this remedy. For a long time I was rarely free from backache and I knew that it was caused by disordered kidneys, as their secretions were unnatural. I was also subject to spells of dizziness and pain in the back and top parts of my head. Upon taking Doan's Kidney Pills, procured from the Bratton Drug Co., my troubles soon disappeared. I firmly believe that this preparation will prove of equal benefit to other kidney sufferers. For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. Watson's Fly-Proof Healer. For barb wire cuts, saddle and collar sores. Heals quickly and leaves no scar. Does not irritate. 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed. Sold by Haring Drug Co.

A Torpid Liver is a fine field for the Malarial Germ and it thrives wonderfully. The certain result in such cases is a spell of Chills.

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It puts the liver in healthy, vigorous condition and cures the chills by destroying the disease germs which infest the system. Herbine is a fine anti-periodic medicine, more effective than the syrupy mixtures that sicken the stomach; because it not only kills the disease germs, but acts effectively in the liver, stomach and bowels, thus putting the system in condition to successfully resist the usual third or seventh day return of the chill. Herbine is a cleansing and invigorating medicine for the whole body.

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## Local News.

For rock salt see Billy Lewis.  
See N. E. Allbright for feedstuff.

For flour, meal and chops see Billy Lewis.

Fresh mackerel, Woodson's. Phone 1-5-1.

For flour, meal and chops see Billy Lewis.

Shirts, shirts, shirts of all kinds at John Millar's.

B. V. D. Union suits and athletic underwear at John Millar's.

Chops, chops, chops, just a little cheaper at Billy Lewis'.

Before buying your jewelry get prices from J. A. Bricker. 2t

A complete, up to date abstract. Aldrich & Crook.

Chops, chops, chops, just a little cheaper at Billy Lewis'.

Get prices on feedstuff from N. E. Allbright before buying.

For rock salt see Billy Lewis.

Speckled peas, clay peas and Spanish peanuts at Moore & Shivers'.

Mrs. H. A. Fisher of Joliet, Ill., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Lee.

If you are in a hurry for your groceries phone 1-5-1. — J. D. Woodson.

Ask to see those special patterns at \$15, \$16.50 and \$17.50 a suit at John Millar's.

Nice dress goods, laces, embroidery, etc., with prices right, at W. R. Rogers'.

R. J. Dominy of Pennington was in Crockett Monday and paid the Courier a visit.

J. D. Sims is attending the undertakers' and embalmers' state convention at Waco.

We make no charge for hanging Mosquito Bars.  
Deupree & Waller.

W. V. Berry shipped a carload of potatoes Saturday and was loading another car Monday.

Our speciality is cleaning, repairing, alterations and pressing.  
Arledge Tailoring Co.

Our entire stock of figured lawns, dimities and organdies at 5 cts per yard. Moore & Shivers'.

Watson's Colic-Medico cures colic in horses and mules. Guaranteed. Sold by Haring Drug Co.

Daniel & Burton have a fine line of men's high class, tailored pants, and can fit you. See them.

Let every farmer in the county try for some of those fair premiums published in the Courier last week.

### Notice.

Before you get prices on any work in the jeweler's line see J. A. Bricker. 2t

The Courier has heard of another family being kept away from Crockett because of a lack of residences.

Edgar Bennett is supplying the local market with some very fine strawberries and is getting good prices for them.

Just received at Daniel & Burton's a fine lot of men's nobby, two-piece suits, which are being sold at very low prices.

Daniel & Burton carry a large stock of snappy low quarter shoes for men, women and children. See them before you buy.

Those children's wash suits at Daniel & Burton's are just the thing for spring and summer, and they are going very cheap.

He who has the will, can make a corn crop still, if he will only plant Mexican Dwarf June corn. You can get it from Moore & Shivers'.

E. Winfree, Jo Ed Winfree, Wade Sims, Andrew Sims, Wooters Smith and others are attending the Confederate Veterans' reunion at Little Rock.

Do you want to exchange your old furniture for new? If so phone 17, we will trade with you.  
J. D. Sims,  
The Furniture Man.

Don't ask if we have it, just phone us to send it. We always have it, and won't ask you to take something else instead. Groceries, Phone 1-5-1.—J. D. Woodson.

J. D. Freeman and G. W. Broxson of Lovelady were here Monday. They expressed themselves as being in favor of a county superintendent of roads.

Those interested in good horses will find J. W. T. Second at Spence's stable Friday and Saturday each week.  
E. C. Satterwhite.

### For Sale.

Cotton press, two gin stands, boilers and engines, and blow mills.  
J. C. Stockton,  
R. D. No. 5, Crockett, Texas.

For rock salt see Billy Lewis.  
Neat, light night shirts at John Millar's.

For flour, meal and chops see Billy Lewis.

Call on N. E. Allbright for groceries.

For flour, meal and chops see Billy Lewis.

Seed speckled and clay peas at N. E. Allbright's.

Plant speckled and clay peas. N. E. Allbright has them.

Chops, chops, chops, just a little cheaper at Billy Lewis'.

Buy your speckled and clay seed peas from N. E. Allbright.

Newest things in shirts, special sleeve lengths, at John Millar's.

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Phone 159, we do it right.  
Arledge Tailoring Co.

For rock salt see Billy Lewis.

Fresh keg pickles—both sour and sweet—at Woodson's. Phone 1-5-1.

N. E. Allbright has a complete line of tinware. See him before you buy.

For bargains in hats, shirts, gloves and underwear call at W. R. Rogers'.

Mrs. Barnes of Trinity is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bayne.

Everybody likes Diana "stuffs." You'll find only at Woodson's. Phone 1-5-1.

The best and freshest of everything in staple and fancy groceries at N. E. Allbright's.

Tom Murray of Porter Springs and S. T. Allee were callers at the Courier office Friday.

Lawn swings, porch swings, hammocks of all descriptions. Try us. Deupree & Waller.

For bath or shave go to Friend. Best equipped shop in Houston county. Cleanliness our hobby.

When your clothes need cleaning and pressing, phone 159.  
Arledge Tailoring Co.

Everything in the furniture line for less money.  
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### For Sale.

Two good pigs, weigh 100 lbs each. Apply to Douglas Simpson.

W. E. Meriwether of Kennard was in Crockett Friday. He is in favor of a county superintendent of public roads.

A. R. Thomas, of Detroit, Mich., is again in the city demonstrating the merits of the Brush automobile.

George Shaver of Grapeland and Dr. L. Meriwether were visitors at the Courier office on Wednesday of last week.

### For Sale.

A thousand-gallon galvanized water tank in good condition. Apply to J. D. Sims.

Don't bundle that baby boy up in an old winter suit. Go to Daniel & Burton and get him one of those pretty wash suits.

Just received a nice assortment of Rugs and Art Squares which we offer at prices that defy competition.  
Deupree & Waller.

Ladies, we can save you money on your low cut shoes and give you the best to be had at any price.  
Daniel & Burton.

J. W. Reynolds, a prosperous farmer living east of town, told the Courier editor Friday that he was in favor of a county superintendent of public roads.

Watson's Stagger Remedy cures Blind Staggers in Horses and Mules. \$1.00 guarantee. Sold by Haring Drug Co.

## Money to Loan.

We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate.

## Warfield Bros.

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Mrs. Phil Nolan of Taylor, formerly Miss Maud Bruner of this city, who has been visiting Mrs. G. Q. King, left Monday for home.

Mrs. F. H. Lee and Mrs. H. A. Fisher have gone to St. Louis and Joliet for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher will come to Crockett next fall to take up a permanent residence.

Those men's pants at Daniel & Burton's are cut in the latest style out of the highest grade woolsens, and are tailored by the best tailors in the country. We know they will please you.

Try a bottle of Golden Star furniture polish and make your old furniture look like new. Price 25c and 50c a bottle.  
J. D. Sims,  
The Furniture Man.

Go to Daniel & Burton for your children's wash suits at a bargain. Sizes 2 years to 10. The \$2.50 and \$2.25 kind are going for \$1.85. The \$2.00 kind for \$1.65. See them before they are gone.

Prevent sickness by using Mosquito Bars. We have just received a shipment of the famous Dixie and Climax brands, which are, without a doubt, the best made.  
Deupree & Waller.

The low quarter shoes you get at Daniel & Burton's are strictly high quality, late style and finish, and are made of the best solid shoe leather that can be had. Try them and get the best in footwear.

Just received a shipment of chairs in all the newest designs. We have chairs in mahogany, quartered oak, weathered oak and willow.  
J. D. Sims,  
Furniture and Undertaker.

How is this? 2 in. continuous post vernis martin beds for \$8.25. The same bed that you paid \$16.50 for before we started in business.  
Deupree & Waller,  
House Furnishers & Undertakers.

Those men's suits at Daniel & Burton's are right up to now in quality of material, style and workmanship. The finish is above the average, and we are selling these cheaper than others sell inferior stock.

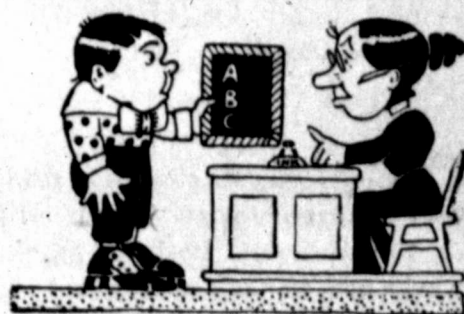
J. W. Young left Tuesday night for Austin to confer with the attorney general in regard to the bond issue in the Crockett road district. He took all the papers with him and will be away until some time next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Worthington and child of Houston were guests of relatives in this city Sunday. Mr. Worthington has returned to Houston, but Mrs. Worthington is spending the week with Mrs. Jas. S. Shivers.

Don't try to go through the summer without a refrigerator. Our refrigerators are sold under a guarantee of satisfaction. We are refrigerator headquarters.  
J. D. Sims,  
Embalmer and Undertaker.

### Notice.

Dr. W. R. Rucker, Veterinary Surgeon of Palestine, has located in Crockett with office at Smith Bros' Stables, and is prepared to treat diseases of all domestic animals. Hog cholera, black leg, and all other infectious diseases promptly eradicated. Milk cows tested for tuberculosis.



**As Simple as A. B. C.**

To understand why this drug store is so popular. We give the best drugs, best service and best prices. Don't forget the name—

**McLean's Drug Store**

Do you need an art square? We have them in Axminsters, tapestry body Brussels, crex and matting squares. A new lot just received. We sell them cheaper than any house in Houston county.  
J. D. Sims,  
Furniture and Undertaker.

The revival at the Methodist church closed Thursday night. There were between seventy-five and eighty accessions to this church as a result of the revival and some accessions to the other churches. It was pronounced the greatest revival in years.

### Crockett Schools.

Patrons of the Crockett schools living outside of the district should transfer their children to this district if they desire the benefit of this school. Hereafter six months free tuition will be allowed all children transferred to this district. Do not forget to transfer. Those who do not transfer will pay tuition for full term of nine months.  
J. W. Hail,  
12t President of Board.

Watson's Liniment relieves aches and pains in man or beast. 25c and \$1.00. Guaranteed. Sold by Haring Drug Co.

## Crockett Bakery

**F. B. WEBB, Proprietor**

Besides keeping a line of good bread, cakes and pies, we expect to keep a line of canned and bottled goods of highest quality—"not much quantity," but "big quality"—so when you want a change just drop in at the BAKERY. Everybody treated like a

**"BROTHER."**



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### PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

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

### A COMPLETE ANSWER TO COMMISSIONER HARRELSON.

In another place in this week's Courier will be found a letter from Commissioner J. A. Harrelson. Mr. Harrelson is not a subscriber of this paper, and if it was left to him there would be no newspaper of the Courier's kind published in Houston county. He not only does not subscribe for the Courier, but he has joined with some of the others of the commissioners' court in effecting against the Courier as complete a boycott as was ever waged by any organization against any institution. For fourteen months, beginning with the campaign early in last spring, Mr. Harrelson and his cohorts have attempted to crush and put out of their way by means of an unholy boycott the Courier, all because the Courier saw fit to publish a certain grand jury report and the controversy between members of the commissioners' court and the grand jury that followed. All matter coming to the Courier from both sides of the controversy was published, including at least one letter from Commissioner Harrelson. The Courier took no active part in that controversy, not because the contentions of the grand jury report were not without merit, but because the report was being ably defended and there was no necessity of the Courier taking part. During that campaign it was told from the stump and elsewhere that the controversy was the outgrowth of the Courier's failure to get the county's printing, a statement which the Courier at the time deemed unworthy of notice or at least too ridiculous to demand contradiction. The Courier always tries to be fair and therefore published all articles submitted to it bearing on the question. But a part of the commissioners' court was not satisfied with this and immediately set in motion that unholy weapon known as the boycott, thus disproving by their own action their statements about the Courier being mad with the court because of the county's printing. Up to that time the Courier had been getting a part of the county's printing. Now we have had about all the business we could handle during the past year and have not missed the county's patronage to any great extent and do not cherish any feeling of animosity toward the county commissioners. We would not speak of this boycott on the Courier by the commissioners but to show the "nerve" or "gall" of Commissioner Harrelson in now seeking the columns of the Courier as a vehicle in which to reach his constituency. It is true that last week the court sent an election notice to this paper for publication, the first of the county's patronage extended the Courier in fourteen months, but if any of the commissioners thought that action would in any wise influence the policy of this paper they will realize their mistake. With the above explanation the reader will readily see that Commissioner Harrelson could not now endorse anything the Courier stands for. But we are glad that Commissioner Harrelson sent us this letter and we are glad that we are able to

publish it. As above stated, the Courier holds no ill feeling toward any member of the commissioners' court. Commissioner Harrelson has given us an opportunity to speak of a condition that we have not had before.

As to Mr. Harrelson's letter we are unable to find much of anything in it. He speaks of misrepresentations in the newspapers and says they are working in the interest of a few people, but he is not specific, and the newspapers are left to wonder what it is they have misrepresented and who the few are they are working in the interest of. He does say something about the increase in taxes. The new Houston county road law creating the office of road and bridge superintendent, the subject of Mr. Harrelson's communication, does not provide for the assessment of a cent of extra taxation. It provides for a road and bridge superintendent to be paid out of the road and bridge fund. The four commissioners are under the old law allowed 100 days each at \$2 a day for "supervising" the roads. The new law takes this away from the commissioners and pays it to the superintendent, which makes up \$800 of his salary of \$1200. It is believed the superintendent will more than save the difference to the road and bridge fund. The superintendent will have charge of all overseers and they will act with him and as his assistants, assisting in the warning and management of all road hands. We fail to see any material increase of cost and there ought to be a saving.

In its effort last week to show where the superintendent's salary would come from without imposing any further burdens on the taxpayers, the Courier said that "under the old law each of the four county commissioners is allowed pay at \$2 a day for riding the roads 100 days in each year." We will now use the word "supervising" instead of "riding" and the result is unchanged—the superintendent will receive the same \$800 that the commissioners were entitled to under the old law. One word is as good as the other for the purpose in which it was used. Mr. Harrelson characterizes the before quoted statement as absolutely and wantonly false. Why is he so "touchous" on this "road riding" subject? Why is he so sensitive about it? Perhaps it is because his memory runs back to that grand jury report, the publication of which he yet holds against the Courier. The fourth paragraph of section three of the old road law of Houston county, referred to by Mr. Harrelson as the Luce law, reads as follows:

"The county commissioners, who are hereby declared to be ex officio road supervisors, shall receive for their services as road supervisors \$2 per day for not more than one hundred days in each year. Such compensation to be in addition to what is now allowed by law for their services as commissioners; provided, that in order to receive this compensation they shall actually superintend and direct the road hands in their work on the public roads, for as many days as their accounts are drawn for, and they shall at the end of each road year make a complete and itemized account of all the work they have done, and the money they have expended, and said account shall be sworn to and filed as a part of the permanent records of the commissioners' court; provided further, that a complete record shall be kept and all votes cast authorizing the expenditure of any money for road and bridge purposes shall be recorded, and the public shall be allowed to inspect the same."

The Courier has no further comment to make on this feature of Commissioner Harrelson's communication. The commissioner complains of the newspapers not having published the new road law so that the people could see for themselves

what it was. If Commissioner Harrelson is no better informed about the law itself than he is about its publication in the newspapers of the county, the Courier is not surprised at his opposition to it. The law was published in full more than a month ago by three of the newspapers of the county. The friends of the new law are not afraid of giving it a trial, which cannot be said of the opposition.

The Courier does not desire any further evidence of Commissioner Harrelson's unfairness toward this paper than his closing complaint about not getting space in the paper. The Courier has never refused a hearing to Commissioner Harrelson or any other commissioner. Can a man with such bias act with unbiased in the awarding of bridge and road contracts? Now, in closing, the Courier agrees with Commissioner Harrelson on one proposition, and that is: "Study this close and on the 20th of May come out and vote for the best interests of all the people." Which is to say, vote against the abolishment of the office of county superintendent of roads and bridges. Remember the election is on Saturday, now at hand.

It has been told in sections of Houston county outside of the Crockett road district that the people of this road district wanted a superintendent at the expense of the whole county. This misstatement was either wilfully or ignorantly made. The law permitting districts to vote bond issues provides for a superintendent of each district so voting. A county superintendent of public roads is thus relieved of any responsibility in the bond issue districts and can devote all of his time to the roads outside of such districts. The county superintendent plan is in the interest of the whole people of the county and not in the interest of any section or persons. Can this be said of the old law?

The new Houston county road law is published in full in this week's Courier for the second time and there is no excuse for any voter not understanding it. The election on the county superintendent feature of this law will be held Saturday, now at hand. The tickets will have printed on them "Against the abolishment of the office of superintendent of roads and bridges" and "For the abolishment of the office of superintendent of roads and bridges." Draw your pencil through the words "For the abolishment," etc., and your ticket will read "Against the abolishment," etc. Then vote it. Only real estate owners are permitted to vote.

Do you want to stay in the old rut, in the middle of an ugly bog-hole, or do you want to get out on high, dry ground, and join your neighbor in the march of progress? If you want to get out, then vote against the abolishment of the office of county superintendent of public roads. This office is the creature of a massmeeting, was enacted into law by the state legislature, bears the signature and sanction of the governor, and ought to receive the sanction of the people on Saturday, May 20.

It is a lamentable fact that home institutions are never appreciated as they should be. If we want to build up the town of Crockett and secure new industrial enterprises, we must patronize the enterprises and institutions that we now have. We must buy as much as possible from our home people, for it is among them that we have to live and

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make a living. This policy should be applied to every business institution in the county, not excepting the printing offices.

The farmers of Houston county are losing more money and religion on their bad roads than on all other things combined. It is an established fact that our present system of working the public roads is a complete and absolute failure. Then why not try the superintendent plan? The time of the county superintendent will be spent largely if not wholly outside of the Crockett road district.

The localities in the state where good roads have been built are becoming richer, more prosperous and more thickly settled, while those which do not possess transportation advantages are either at a standstill or are becoming poorer and more sparsely settled.

Good roads have been the glory of the nations of the past and will add to the greatness of our present generation and make us powerful in commerce, industry and in learning, and are the most beneficent power that ever blessed progressive humanity.

Good roads ameliorate the condition of the farmer, promote social intercourse, encourage school attendance and relieve farm life from monotony.

Good roads contribute to the glory of the country, give employment to idle workmen, dis-

tribute the necessities of life, the products of the fields, the forests and factories, encourage energy, and make mankind better, greater and grander.

People generally are beginning to realize that road making is a public matter and that the best interests of agriculture demand the construction of good roads and that money wisely expended for this purpose is sure to return.

Every farmer in Houston county is urged to try for some of the prizes on agricultural products offered by the Houston County Fair Association, a list of which was published in the Courier last week.

The haphazard way of attending to the road interests of the different counties is fast disappearing and is superseded by order and system under the supervision of the county highway engineer.

Good roads cost money, but if the roads are properly constructed and the money honestly expended, the investment will prove more than satisfactory and profitable.

Good roads make the consumer's dollar go farther and they put into the farmer's pocket a greater portion of that dollar.

Let's have that race course at the county fair and not less than four days of the fair.

Farmers are taking advantage of every minute the sun shines.

## Economical Vehicle Luxury

Carriage hire counts up. Why not own your own vehicle? It will soon pay for itself and give you pleasure and satisfaction all the time. We have a line of new ones that leaves little to be desired. Every one stylish and worthy. If you knew how little we asked for a really good buggy, road-wagon or surrey, you would become a vehicle owner. Let's get together and talk it over.

T. J. Waller

