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## Trinity River Ripples

Reynard, Texas, Oct. 12.—Two weeks of nice weather has made quite a change in the cotton fields and our big farmers on the hill are about through.

Our gin steamed up again at 9 o'clock Tuesday evening and runday and night until Saturday morning just as smooth as a clock and is making a fine sample; a large number of bales are on the yard now.

Had a big white frost Saturday morning but nothing killed.

W. C. Laster and family spent Sunday with G. B. Kent, and P. L. Fulgum and family with C. H. Beazley; also Mr. and Mrs. W. F. West, Pledger and Miss Mary Kate Chiles hied away to Crockett Saturday to mix with the town folk a few days.

G. B. Kent was in your town Saturday.

Quite a number have received invitations to attend the marriage of C. R. Taylor to Miss Edna Gilbert of Oakhurst. He is one of our once neighbor boys and wish for him all kinds of happiness.

We had a right good Sunday school yesterday.

C. H. Beazley is our grand jurymen and Oran Rials and J. L. Chiles petit jurors.

Something is wrong in either the county officers or the editors in regard to court news; have not seen anything definite in either the Times or Messenger. Guess we will find out by waiting.

Zack.

## In New Quarters.

We take pleasure in announcing to the general public and our customers that we have moved our stock of drugs, sundries and school supplies to new and more commodious quarters. We now occupy the Walling building, next door to J. J. Brooks, and have got everything straightend out and want you to call on us for anything in our line.

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Mr. Dave Walling is progressing rapidly on his brick building. The old Masonic building—which was one of the oldest buildings in Grapeland—has been removed, a large quantity of brick have been placed on the ground and hands are at work making mortar. In a few days dirt will be broken for the foundation. The building will be a two story, the upper part to be used as a Masonic hall.

Just received by express 24 suits of tailor made clothes in fancy colors and latest styles. It is a snap. Come and see them at F. A. Faris'.

The annual association of the Primitive Baptist was held with Shiloh church, a few miles east of Grapeland, from Friday until Sunday. Large crowds from Grapeland and Elkhart attended the Sunday services.

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The man who does not advertise because he tried it and failed should throw away his cigar because the light went out.

The man who does not advertise because he doesn't know how himself ought to stop eating because he can't cook.

The man who does not advertise because somebody said it did not pay ought not to believe that the world is round because ancients said it was flat.—Indiana Retail Merchant.

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Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mobley of Daly's were in the city shopping Saturday.

### Bryan Campaign Fund.

With this issue of the Messenger we close the Bryan campaign fund and have remitted the amount collected to Hon. Herman Ridder, national treasurer. The editor wishes to extend thanks to those who have contributed their money so cheerfully.

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| S. E. Miller.....     | \$1 00       |
| J. W. Caskey.....     | 50           |
| A. H. Luker.....      | 1.00         |
| A. S. Porter.....     | 1.00         |
| T. D. Zackary.....    | 50           |
| T. S. Kent.....       | 1.00         |
| S. W. Duitch.....     | 1.00         |
| W. D. Granbury.....   | 1.00         |
| W. G. Darsey.....     | 1.00         |
| Murdock Darsey.....   | 1.00         |
| Odell Faris.....      | 1 00         |
| Geo. Mobley.....      | 50           |
| Mrs. Geo. Mobley..... | 50           |
| T. F. Dailey.....     | 1.00         |
| Henry Dailey.....     | 1 00         |
| F. A. Faris.....      | 1.00         |
| W. H. Lively.....     | 25           |
| Cash.....             | 75           |
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F. A. Faris.

A plant for the manufacture of snuff has been planned by members of the Planters' Protective Association in the south. The plant will be erected by a company having a capital stock of \$500,000.

### School Tax Amendment.

The proposed amendment to the state constitution that is to be voted on this fall is one that should have the favorable consideration of every citizen. It provides for the improvement of the rural schools by allowing the people concerned to make better school houses, employ better teachers, increase the school term, and, in short, provide for better equipment of the schools. It simply provides that the people of the country districts may do these things if they so desire. The amendment is a vital one and one that means much to the schools of the rural districts. It should pass by a large majority and will do so if the voters of the state will simply inform themselves as to the real meaning of it and consider what effect it will have.—Terrell Transcript.

### Hard Roads Fleeting.

Attend the hard roads meeting to be held in Grapeland next Tuesday evening at 2 o'clock. The citizens ask the co-operation of our farmers who are in favor of plating some of our roads with clay. Ways and means will be discussed at this meeting and plans formulated to begin work at once.

Miss Annie Lou Browning visited at Crockett a few days last week.

## Two Pioneers Dead.

Lovelady, Texas October 10.—Mr. William Hooper, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of Houston County, fell dead of heart disease at his home on Nevils prairie, six miles south of here, this morning at 8 o'clock. His death was quite a shock to every one, as he seemed to be in fine health only a few days before when he was in town. He leaves a widow and seven children, all grown and married, also twenty three grandchildren and four greatgrand children, besides a host of relatives and friends. Mr. Hooper was an old soldier and drew a pension.

"Uncle Billy" Starnes of a few miles east of this place also departed this life on the night of the 9th. He was known as the old mail carrier from Lovelady to Creek.

### Married Man in Trouble.

A married man who permits any member of his family to take anything except Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung trouble, is guilty of neglect. Nothing else is as good for all pulmonary troubles. The genuine Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates and is in a yellow package. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

### Oak Grove Dots.

Oct. 12—Our school opened this morning with a larger enrollment than we have had for several years, and we expect to have one of the best sessions ever taught here. By request S. T. Parker made a few very appropriate remarks which were appreciated, and we hope they will bear fruit among the children in years to come.

Mrs. Rafe Parker is improving slowly.

Herod Parker is on the sick list this week.

S. T. Parker's children visited the family of J. W. Ellis yesterday.

Stokes Pelham was visiting in this community yesterday.

Cotton is about all out in this neck of the woods, and some are thinking of plowing under the stalks.

There was a light frost Saturday morning. Old Timer.

### Slightly Colder With Snow.

When you see that kind of weather forecast you know that rheumatism weather is at hand. Get ready for it now by getting a bottle of Ballard's Snow Lintment. Finest thing made for rheumatism, chilblains, frost bites, sore and stiff joints and muscles, all aches and pains.

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We are requested to announce that Rev. Bowman will preach at the San Pedro church on the fourth Sunday night in this month. All are invited.



**A VERY MODEST MAN.**

A modest man was Cyrus Bean, a modest man indeed; His form was long and lank and lean, his whiskers ran to seed; An alderman at first, he went next to the Legislature, And then became a Congressman, but kept his modest nature; We called him "Cy" as we had done before he went away To take a house in Washington at twice his yearly pay.

Most modest man I ever saw; he served a term, and then, There bein' nothin' else to do, we sent him back again; And so it went; he moved ahead a little every season, Not for the things he done or said, or any startlin' reason; But out at home we called him "Cy."

Just as we'd done before, Although he was distinguished by the tall silk hat he wore.

We made him Senator at last, not that his deeds were great, We merely took the plum and passed it his way on a plate;

He didn't set no streams aflame nor cause much agitation, He simply took the things as they came and smiled with moderation;

Most modest man I ever met; although we'd raised him high We hadn't caused him to forget he was the same old "Cy."

His name was mentioned now and then for the speeches that he made, Or for his bein' present when some cornerstone was laid;

When "Cy" at last was mentioned for Vice President he never professed to be in insulted or made any kick whatever; He didn't seem to feel too great to run as number two— Most modest men, I wish to state, the country ever knew.

**REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.**

When a man is in love with a girl it's a sign she convinced him of it.

The bigger an armful a woman is, the more she expects you to call her your little pet.

The more any particular fashion shocks a woman, the surer she is she has to wear it.

A very embarrassing thing about being married is to how many people you have to pretend you are glad of it.

From the tone of voimw . . .

From the tone of voice in which a woman says some other woman hasn't called on her, you'd think she ran a baby murder farm.—New York Press.

**AN EASY WORD.**

This is what happened to a

Glasgow workingman when he tried to make his wife's home life happy by reading the police news to her as contained in his evening paper. In due course he reached an interesting trial for assault, the report of which concluded as follows:

"This case was held over until tomorrow, as the presiding magistrate said he found considerable difficulty in pronouncing sentence."

"Dear me," commented the reader's wife, "he canna hae been a man o' muckle edication, surely, or he wouldna hae found any difficulty in pronouncin' an easy wee word like that."—Dundee Advertiser.

**A BIT OF ADVICE.**

This is a bit of advice offered by the Gunison Gazette.

Young man, if you should come across a girl who, with a face as radiant as a sunflower, says as you appear to the door, "I will be busy for half an hour yet, for the dishes are not washed," just squat right down on the doorstep and wait for her, because some other chap may come along and secure the prize and right there you will have lost an angel.

**HOW TO PRESERVE EGGS.**

Dissolve four ounces of beeswax in eight ounces of warm olive oil. Dip the tips of the fingers into the solution and anoint the egg all over. The oil will be absorbed and the shell and pores filled up with the wax. Pack in bran or sawdust and put away in a cool place. Eggs treated in this way will keep two years.

**SO IT IS.**

Teacher—If a vehicle with two wheels is a bicycle, what is one with only one wheel?

Scholar—A wheelbarrow.—Illustrated Bits.

**A SPORTING EVENT.**

Mrs. Peck—Henry, do you see anything in the paper about Blinker running over his mother-in-law? Mr. Peck—Not yet. I haven't come to the sporting news.—Puck.

**A FEAT FOR BLONDIN.**

"Why don't you Republicans walk on the straight and narrow path in this tariff revision business?" asked Representative Champ Clark of Speaker Cannon.

"Champ," the Speaker replied, "that question reminds me of a story about a man I knew in Chicago who stayed very late at a dinner at the club. When he came out he started to walk in the middle of the street.

"Hey, John," said a friend who met him as he was making the best of his way along the car tracks, 'why don't you walk on the sidewalks?"

"Walk on the sidewalks?" snorted John. "Do you think I'm

**Blondin?"**

What but the organized holding movement of the planters prevented cotton from going down to its old famine price of 5 cents during the panic? What but this prevented bank after bank in the South from breaking? What but this so quickly not the whole country? The cotton planters have done a magnificent work, a work of which the whole South should be proud. It would be little short of treason and dishonor in the Southern people to desert the planters now when the brunt of the fight is over, now when the men who have been most loyal to the cause have most cotton to market, now when the rest have quietly loaded at the fairer prices made possible by the loyalty of the few. If, I say, these most loyal men are to be the chief sufferers and are compelled to surrender ignominiously to low prices, with faith in themselves, faith in organizations, faith in the Southern people shaken as never before, then are we Southerners traitors and false to ourselves, to them and to our own best interests.

**Fourteen Mistakes.**

An English paper gives a list of what it terms "the fourteen mistakes of life." While there are undoubtedly other mistakes than those mentioned, the list is a fairly comprehensive one.

It is a great mistake to set up our own standard of right and wrong and judge people accordingly, to measure the enjoyment of others by our own, to expect uniformity of opinion in this world, to look for judgment and experience in youth, to endeavor to mold all dispositions alike, to look for perfection in our own actions, to worry ourselves and others with what cannot be remedied, not to yield in immaterial matters, not to alleviate all that needs alleviation as far as lies in our power, not to make allowances for the infirmities of others, to consider everything impossible that we cannot perform, to believe only what our finite minds can grasp, to expect to be able to understand everything.

And the last and greatest mistake of all is to live for time alone, when any moment may launch us into eternity.

**LEST THOU FORGET.  
UT NE OBLIVISCARE.**

My Love, My Life, although we part,  
I would not give thee back thy heart.

My 'Star' is set;  
Yet would I seek thy form and face

And hold thee in one long embrace

Lest thou forget.

I would not, could not make thee free,

Ut ne obliviscare.

How can I doubt a love like thine?

How can I doubt thy heart is mine?

And yet—and yet,  
I'd follow thee through frozen lands,

Or, o'er the desert's torid sands,  
Lest thou forget.

I'd trek the earth, I'd swim the sea,

Ut ne obliviscare.

ening throes,  
Thy soul shall sink to mute repose,

Without regret,  
Dear Love, I'd bear thee company,

In death and all eternity,  
Lest thou forget.

I fain would give my life for thee,

Ut ne obliviscare.

—W. K. Morris.

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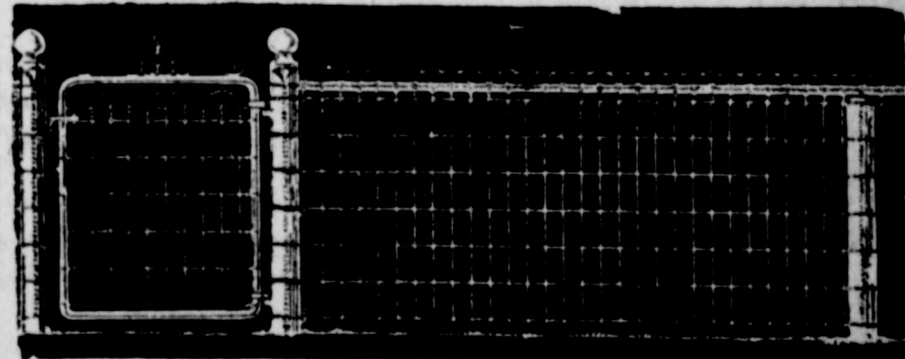
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## Dairy Worth Whiles.

It is estimated that the cost of keeping a cow is about \$35 a year.

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If you don't know how to run a dairy it is a good plan to attend an institute, or become associated with a practical dairyman.

A good cow should average 300 pounds of butter a year. Governor Hoard's cows averaged 425 pounds of butter each last year.

Dairy farming is the most profitable, and when there ceases to be money in it, it is the fault of conditions and not of the dairy nor the farm.

Probably there never was a better time for dairying than now. Prices are good, the demand is unmet. There is plenty of room for good stuff.

Butter keeps better if it is kept from exposure to the air. The cooler and less exposed to the air the longer it will keep, and the fresher it will taste.

Boys cannot do some things that men can, but are very helpful in their place and in their way. If managed right, they can be made very useful.

Cow-pea vines are one of the most valuable feeds on the dairy farm. They are easily raised, and while producing some of the best feed, they make the soil better upon which they grow. While growing the vines for hay, it will pay to reserve some for seed for planting and for sale.

Prices of dairy products have been advancing from year to year, until now choice dairy butter is retailed at 35 cents, and quoted at 30 cents wholesale. A good cow will make 300 pounds of butter a year, or more. This would amount to \$90 for butter only. There should be a fine margin in this.

There is great difference of opinion as to whether cream should be sweet or sour when churned. A writer before me says: "Churn as soon as the cream is sour, and properly mixed. Some, no doubt, will differ with me in this idea, i. e., that butter is better, and will keep better if the cream has become sour before churning, than if churned sweet."

## Southwest Texas-- A Homeseekers Paradise.

By Jno. Richey.

Nowhere else in the United States are such inducements offered the homeseeker as in Southwest Texas. Nowhere else except Southern California does the climate and soil permit such a diversity of crops. With a healthful climate, tempered summer and winter by the Gulf breezes, fertile low-priced lands, ready markets, Southwest Texas invites both the investor and the homeseeker.

Many will ask why, if it is possible to grow such a diversity of crops, many of these yielding a return of several hundred dollars per acre, these lands are so cheap, when lands in Illinois, Iowa and many other States sell readily at from \$100 to \$150 per acre, and only one crop can be produced each year. The explanation of this: Since the control of this country was wrested from Mexico by force of arms, it has been the home of the cattle grower. The country is still very largely in their possession, and is owned and fenced in large tracts, generally of many thousand acres in extent. Only in certain sections are these large tracts now being subdivided and sold to homeseekers, and this is rarely done by the original land owner. Approach one of these and suggest that you would like to purchase a section within the boundaries of his pasture, and you would be almost invariably met with the response that if you purchased any of his pasture, you would have to buy it all, whether it comprised 10,000 or 50,000 acres, and in some cases the reply would be that his ranch was not for sale—possibly it might be in the future.

But conditions have changed within the last two years. The speculator and real estate agent has been abroad in the land. Many large ranches have been purchased by the speculator and the work of subdivision is progressing rapidly. Very soon the great herds of cattle and the cowboys will be a thing of the past. The cattleman and large land owner will have reaped their reward and will be enjoying the results of their past efforts.

Now, then, with the passing and dismemberment of these great pastures comes the "man with the hoe" and with his coming the prairie sod is turned, the mesquite brush disappears and in their place, white fields of cotton, ripening fields of corn, rice, alfalfa, sugar cane and oats appear. Immense crops of onions, cabbage, Irish and sweet potatoes, tomatoes and many other vegetables are grown in the winter and early spring months and bring from \$100 to \$500 per acre, and in some instances more. Sugar cane is grown in large fields that yield from \$100 to \$200 per acre. Alfalfa will return from five to eight tons per acre, selling readily at \$15 per ton. Rice land can be purchased for \$20 per acre, where this year's crop on adjoining land yielded returns of from \$60 to \$75 per acre.

Now, right here, we wish to correct a prevailing opinion that rice is grown on low, submerged lands, subject to annual overflows. Such is not the case in Texas. It is generally grown where the water for irrigation is pumped from wells or from streams on the land.

The fruit grower has also put in an appearance and orchards of oranges, lemons, figs, peaches, pears and pecans are being planted, some of which are already bearing and producing satisfactory profits. Strawberries are shipped from some sections in carload lots, and some growers last year sold as high as \$800 worth per acre. Canning factories for figs are being established, and ere long Texas canned figs will be shipped to Northern cities in trainload lots. They are grown with the utmost ease and certainty, and begin bearing the second year from planting. The California grape grower has put in his appearance in the Brownsville country and has commenced planting large areas of the finer varieties of table grapes, with the expectation of placing them on the market several weeks earlier than from California. Oranges are being grown as far north as Houston. This year, in nearly every part of the beautiful city of Victoria, might be seen orange trees loaded with their golden fruit. Old-timers, always skeptical, are now planting orchards or orange trees.

## Taft and His Texas Breeches.

"A pair of pants made from a billy goat." That is the offering Texas sends to Secretary William Taft, son of destiny, and possible future President of the United States. These trousers were made from cloth manufactured out of mohair or goat wool, a six months' growth weighing ten pounds, clipped from the finest Angora billy ever bred. Last week these trousers were presented to Secretary Taft by Colonel Cecil Lyon, leader of the Republican party in Texas, as a token of esteem in which the Republican nominee for the Presidency is held in the Empire State of Texas.

The story of those trousers, "made from a billy goat," is an interesting story of Texas industry and energy. The mohair was cut from "Admiral Togo," a Texas three-year old, bred by Frank O. Landrum of Montell, in Uvalde County, not far from San Antonio. Frank Landrum is one of the famous Angora breeders of the world. "Admiral Togo" was sired by "Dick," who was imported from South Africa, and won first prize at the St. Louis Exposition. His mother was "Lady Holmes," who won the Kansas sweepstake

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This gift was chosen by the Texans as especially typical of their State, being both large, useful and beautiful. Southwest Texas, of which San Antonio is the center, is the greatest Angora goat country in the world, more than two thirds of the goats raised in America being in that section. Angora breeding is essentially the poor man's business, requiring a small outlay of capital, but many poor men who started at it not so many years ago are now well off.

Most of the goat raisers in the hills of Texas are protectionists and many of them are Republicans. The Angora industry is yet comparatively in its infancy and is practically unprotected. According to Government statistics the importation of Angora goat skins has risen from 53,968,000 pounds in 1895 to 111,079,000 in 1906, an increase in import value from \$10,954,000 to \$31,773,000. In short, the value of goat skins imported is about equal to the value of those raised in the nation. The Angora goat breeders are anxious to have their industry protected.

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### DIVERSIFICATION.

The following is an extract from an article in the Galveston News, by F. A. Briggs, staff correspondent:

"Diversification is doing more for Crockett and Grapeland than a season or two of 15c cotton. What has been accomplished in the last five years has done more to attract the attention of the land buyer to this section than all that was done in the ten years previous. When the land buyer from other states reaches Houston county and finds the farmer with a pecan orchard, with a fine field of corn, with another field of ribbon cane, with a fruit orchard, a strawberry patch, with a few acres of tomatoes, several acres of potatoes—both Irish and sweet, and numerous other crops besides his cotton crop, and in his yards and pastures his hogs and cattle, the country looks good to him, and with plenty of cheap land just as good as the farms which attracted him, if he has any notion of settling in Texas, here is where he will locate."

The little town of Taft, in the Philippine Islands, was destroyed by a cyclone last week. We know of another Taft that will be destroyed after the 3rd of November.

One of East Texas troubles is our people get a good start and go out west to get rich, but instead go broke and return empty handed to take a new start. They don't know a good thing when they see it.

It is little use for a local editor to waste his lungs and sprain his spine in trying to boom a town when the citizens all stand round with their hands in their pockets and indifferently wait for something to turn up. If the capitalist or business men do not put their shoulders to the wheel and do a little boosting it is useless for the editor to try and boom things. He can write "boom" articles till he gets bald headed, but if the citizens do not take hold and push, the town will forever stick in the mud.

Of what use is it for the local paper to suggest improvements and new enterprises if the suggestions are never acted upon? One man cannot boom a town. It requires the concerted action of the citizens. When one man shoulders a town and attempts to carry it there are always some trunky kickers ready to jump on top of the load. Unity is what counts.

Don't forget the fact that there are two amendments to be voted on in the coming election, relative to our schools. They are very important and have the strong indorsement of all friends of education. The state democratic platform, in session at Dallas, endorsed them as follows:—"The Democratic party believes that ignorance is a mis-

fortune and that education is a blessing, and we, therefore, favor a wise and liberal financial support of our public schools and all our State educational institutions. We favor the adoption of the pending amendment to section 3, Article VII, State Constitution, relating to public free schools and commend the support of said amendment to the voters of Texas.

The recent decision of the Supreme Court in the Beard independent school district case invalidates outstanding bonds of such districts to the approximate amount \$3, 500,000. These bonds are held by the States permanent school fund and other innocent purchasers. There should be no repudiation of any public debt in Texas. We, therefore, favor a Constitutional amendment validating said bonds."

Buy yourself a Leopard Brand Hat from F. A. Faris.

R. R. Claridge was in town Tuesday on business.

See those tan shoes at F. A. Faris'.

Will Dunham informs us that he contemplates moving west.

Gloves! Gloves! For gloves call at Howard's.

Dailey Murchison has returned home from Livingston, where he has been for several months.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harmon Tuesday night, an eleven pound girl baby.

The best box calf men's shoe for \$2.00 in Houston county. F. A. Faris.

Miss Loyal Darsy went out to Hays Springs Sunday afternoon. Her school opened Monday.

Attorneys Whitley of Palestine and Moore of Crockett were attending justice court here last Saturday.

WANTED:—Every boy between 15 and 75 years old to buy a suit of tailor made clothes from Clewis. He will suit you.

Ducks are coming in to some extent, and hunting parties report some large droves at Myrtle lake.

Just received a fine lot of nuts, fruits, cakes, candies and cream loaf bread at the New Restaurant, Howard Anthony, Prop.

Corn and wheat are both in better condition than they were a year ago, everywhere except on the Chicago Board of Trade.

B. R. Eaves of this place and W. F. Murchison of Percilla are in Crockett serving on the grand jury.

Rev. J. C. Cameron was sick Sunday and unable to fill his appointment at the Methodist church.

Howard Anthony has received an appointment as delegate to the Waterways Convention, which will be held at Corpus Christi next month.

Don't forget that we have oil cans sold on guarantee, if not what you want money cheerfully refunded. S. E. Howard.

J. H. Pennington, a former citizen of this community, but who has been living near Vernon for the past year, is here on a visit to friends and relatives.

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We want to sell you your entire bill. Cold weather will soon be here and is the time to prepare for it. We have one of the best lines of Shoes carried in Houston county, in all the latest styles and lasts, at prices that defy competition. We have 75 pairs of pants, bought less than manufacturers' cost, which we will sell for the next 30 days at prices this quality of goods have never been sold for before. Get you a pair of breeches. This space is too small to enumerate all our bargains in dry goods, staple and fancy dress goods, which are beautiful lines.

Have just received a car of New Wheat Flour, made from selected high grade wheat, and is the best grade of flour—it is RED CROSS, and BELL COUNTY'S BEST. Every sack is guaranteed or your money back. Don't forget that we sell JACK and JILL, the best line of HOSIERY in the county. Come to see us, price our goods and we will thank you for your trade. Respectfully,

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The editor is in receipt of a letter from A. M. Woodell, who is living at Roganville. Among other things he says: "Grapeland is still home for me, and will be home sometime." There are many of us here, Sy, who are ready to extend you the glad hand.

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I am in the market for Cotton Seed, and it will pay you to see me before you sell. Top prices always paid.

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Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs quickly, strengthens the lungs and expels colds. Get the genuine in yellow package. Sold by Carleton & Porter.



## In the Twelfth Century.

IN VENICE the "Banch" was organized, the word meaning bench, to give the people a central point where notes might be made, money borrowed and deposited for safe keeping or for transfer to distant points.

THE PRESENT day bank came into existence in 1649, when the present Bank of England was established in London.

PRIMITIVE banking was simple, the advantages given the people were few. Banking to-day is also simple but the people receive many benefits not dreamed of in its early history.

BANKS ARE organized by several men putting their money together in the shape of bank stock and opening a place for business. These men not only put their money into the business, they also include their standing. Thus the bank is stronger than any one of them; as strong as all of them together.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

Buy your flour at Faris' and get the best.

Joe Bob Oliphint was up from Creek Saturday.

Best flour in town at F. A. Faris'.

New good and better goods at Howard's.

Buy your entire bill from F. A. Faris—he will treat you right.

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

The best shoes in the city at F. A. Faris'.

Swell post cards at the Bon Ton.

Miss Corine Anthony visited at Crockett Sunday.

Fish and oysters at Howard Anthony's restaurant.

See those tan work shoes at F. A. Faris'.

Bring your laundry to the Bon Ton.

Read the bank ad this week. It will interest you.

You will find me at Howard Anthony's Restaurant.

Carl Sory went up to Palestine Monday on business.

First-class, high grade, 10 year guaranteed jewelry at F. A. Faris'.

Hot drinks will be found at the Bon Ton this winter. A new outfit to arrive in a few days.

Mrs. J. B. Calvert of Warren is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sory.

75 pairs of imported worsted and cashmere pants to go at sacrifice prices. F. A. Faris'.

I can save you money on tailor made clothes; guarantee a fit and satisfaction. Look at my samples and see for yourself. Mark Anthony, at the Bon Ton.

The BIG SHOW IS OVER, so the place to eat is Howard Anthony's Restaurant on back street.

See a fine line of Elgin and Waltham watches at Howard's.

Charlie Kennedy of Augusta was here on business Tuesday.

Wherry sells notions and hardware, too.

Old hats made to look new at the Bon Ton.

Mack Martin went to Lovelady Tuesday.

Buy your flour from F. A. Faris'.

Bring Howard Anthony your butter and get the cash.

Don't forget to look at those post cards at the Bon Ton.

The best flour is at F. A. Faris'.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Faris announce the birth of a boy baby.

New wheat flour at F. A. Faris'.

Don't forget the choice fruit and candy at the Bon Ton.

Cleveland Saddler has accepted a position at the depot.

A dollar saved is a dollar made. Try Wherry.

Mrs. B. H. Logan and Miss Oris Sue Howard went shopping in Crockett one day last week.

If your appetite is bad, try the new Restaurant. The latest fad. Howard Anthony, Back street.

Miss Irene Harris visited homefolk at Lovelady Saturday and Sunday.

If you have an old hat that needs cleaning, or a suit to be dyed, bring them to the Bon Ton.

We are getting in new shoes every week at F. A. Faris'—the shoe man.

Mrs. Jodie Wagner of Fort Worth is here on a visit to Mrs. Jas. Leaverton.

Happy Day is the best high patent flour in town. If you don't believe it try a sack. W. R. Wherry.

I want to buy all the hides, furs and skins in the country and will pay spot cash. Now is the time to bring them in. M. L. Clewis.

FOR RENT. The O. C. Hickey building on 2nd. street. Apply to J. F. Martin or F. M. Owens.

The hard road question has been revived, and a meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Your presence is very much desired.

## Wanted.

100 boys to call and have their measures taken for a suit of clothes. Satisfaction guaranteed. M. L. CLEWIS.

## PRODUCE!

Bring me what you have to sell and get a FANCY PRICE for it.

Chickens and Eggs are in good demand now.

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**Jno. L. Guice**

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**Another Car of Studebakers**  
Our second car of Studebaker wagons was shipped last week and are due to arrive the last of this or the first of next week.

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For Sale.

Over 300 acres of well improved land, 3 1/2 and 4 1/2 miles west of Grapeland; in three settlements, will sell all together or separately. See or write A. B. Spence, Grapeland, Texas.

Why pay repair bills when you can buy a new Studebaker wagon? This is the way Darsey sells them: Cash or easy payments.

See Odell Faris today for a Suit of Tailor-Made Clothes. Lots of samples to select from

Why not sell that old wagon and buy a Studebaker from Darsey for cash, or part down and easy terms?

George Allen and Mrs. Anson Smith of Reynard were quietly married at the Methodist parsonage Wednesday at noon, Rev. J. C. Cameron officiating. We extend best wishes.

Last Thursday was the birthday of Mr. H. H. Walton, he being 73 years of age. Mr. Walton always renews his subscription to the Messenger on his birthday, and this year was no exception to the rule.

### A PASSING CLOUD.

"My dear, the pie that mother used to make—  
"You brute!"  
"—couldn't hold a candle to these delicious ones of yours."  
"You old darling!"—Baltimore American.

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Miss Cora Woodard left Sunday for Daly's where she will teach this fall. Miss Ida Woodard is teaching at Union, and her school opened Monday.

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Are unquestionably the most popular Shoes made for boys and girls, and their popularity is justly merited by the high quality of material and artistic workmanship.

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Boys', 13 1-2 to 2, . . . 2.00  
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## GENERAL NEWS.

A Brief Summary of Happenings in the State, the Nation and the World.

### STATE.

**Houston.**—John O'Neill and his sister, Miss Lucy O'Neill, are painfully hurt in an automobile accident. Mrs. John O'Neill and Miss Mabel Jackson were slightly injured.

**Dallas.**—As the result of the trip of the Dallas County Business Men's Association to the coast country, they thoroughly endorse the inland waterway enterprise.

**Marlin.**—President Harrington of the Agricultural and Mechanical College is thoroughly exonerated of all charges by the investigating committee.

**Paris.**—The "Frisco" passenger train meets with an accident at Wester, Okla., and goes in the ditch. Five men are hurt.

**Waxahachie.**—State Rangers are investigating alleged violations of the Local Option law. No results have yet matured as the result of their work.

**Dallas.**—Charles A. Walsh, National Secretary of the Hearst Independence League, made a statement that he is visiting the South in order to secure recruits for the Hearst party.

**Greenville.**—Mrs. Lunetta Holtman dies from burns received by the firing of her clothing from a gasoline stove.

**Fort Worth.**—The Cattlemen of Texas, through the State Association, will submit the following for incorporation in the Denver platform: (a) amending the law to appropriately regulate furnishing cars and transportation service; (b) to prevent advances in rates except on the Commissioner's approval; (c) the enactment of laws regulating the control of the public range; (d) the amendment of the tariff laws so as to extend our foreign trade and to leave a reasonable amount of protection on cattle, sheep, wool and hides.

**Stamford.**—Wallace Putnam falls from train while attempting to make flying switch and dies from injuries received.

**Corpus Christi.**—The Caldwell gin turns out the first bale of 1908 cotton.

**Hemphill.**—Two Negroes are lynched as the result of the killing of Hugh Dean by a Negro at a dance. The section is aroused and some fears of a race war are entertained.

**El Paso.**—A Mexican posse from Casa Grande runs suspected Mex-Paso. Horses were stolen from the Corralites ranch by the alleged revolutionists.

**Bay City.**—Many oil companies have commenced operations on the new oil field in this vicinity and several leases have changed hands during the past few days.

**El Paso.**—The trial of J. F. Mitchim of the 'El Paso Evening News has been postponed until the September term of court. Mitchim is charged with the death of M. M. Harrell, who was shot May 20.

**Corpus Christi.**—Arrangements are being made to put a steamboat line in operation between Corpus Christi and Galveston.

**Victoria.**—Dredging operations are in force on the Guadalupe, and it is thought the river will be open for navigation by January 1, 1909.

**Dublin.**—Lee Mims, an eighteen-year-old son of the Rev. Mims, is drowned while in bathing.

**Gonzales.**—One hundred bales of cotton are shipped to European buyers.

**Hondo.**—The Fourth of July will be celebrated on a large scale at Hondo. Baseball, horse racing, dancing and sports of all kinds are on the program.

**Wharton.**—The crops in the vicinity of Wharton are exceptionally good and the cotton yield will be large.

**Sherman.**—Forty-eight white men quit the Interurban gang owing to a Negro having been made foreman.

**Cuero.**—The Cuero case is progressing very slowly and over one hundred witnesses are yet to be examined.

**Houston.**—The body of Alice Connors is found in a trunk floating in the Ship Channel.

**Del Rio.**—The Del Rio Fair and Stock Show opens with a large attendance.

**Cleburne.**—James Holloway is found dead at Ramsay's Crossing on the Brazos River.

**Austin.**—The Barber Act is declared unconstitutional by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

**Gonzales.**—Tom and Boone Hunter escape from the County Jail. Both men have been indicted in connection with a killing.

**Karnes City.**—The Karnes City Waterworks has been purchased by M. W. Strange of San Antonio, who will take charge July 1.

**Dallas.**—The Fry Building on Main Street is badly damaged by fire.

**Brady.**—Bonds to the amount of \$20,000 are to be issued by the city for the purpose of improving the city paving.

### DOMESTIC.

**Denver, Colo.**—The annual convention of the National Association of Credit Men is in session.

**Duluth, Minn.**—Navigation has been opened on the Great Lakes to the copper country. This means an immense yearly saving in transportation.

**Rapid City, S. D.**—The Missouri River & Northwestern Railroad is sold at receiver's sale.

**New Haven, Conn.**—Both Secretary Taft and President Roosevelt will attend the Yale-Harvard boat races.

**Cleveland, O.**—J. S. Sherman, the nominee for Vice President, is seriously ill.

**Washington, D. C.**—President Roosevelt has received an offer from the publishers of Collier's Magazine for articles on his proposed hunting trip in Africa. The offer amounts to \$100,000.

**Cincinnati, O.**—Secretary Taft has announced that he will make an extremely active campaign this summer in the interest of his election to the Presidency.

**Lincoln, Neb.**—W. J. Bryan attacks the modified injunction plank in the Republican platform and denounces it as a fraud.

**Paris, Tenn.**—J. D. C. Atkins, an old Civil War veteran, dies at the age of 84. He was the organizer of a regiment for the Confederacy at the outbreak of the war and during Cleveland's Administration was United States Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

**Washington, D. C.**—Frederick Hyde and J. H. Schneider are found guilty in the criminal court on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the Government out of lands in the West.

**New York, N. Y.**—Eleven persons are drowned at the bathing resorts near New York City in a period of twenty-four hours.

**New York, N. Y.**—Judge Hough, in the United States Circuit Court, fines twenty-four of the paper manufacturers concerns \$1000 each as fines for violating the Sherman Anti-Trust Law.

**San Jose, Cal.**—At a meeting of the Asiatic Exclusion League some impatience is expressed with the dilatory methods used by Congress in regard to the exclusion of Japanese immigrants. Congressman Hayes states to the League that President Roosevelt had assured him that if diplomacy failed to bring about the desired result, sterner methods would be used.

**Washington, D. C.**—The Secretary of the Legation at Caracas has been withdrawn and Senor Velos, the Venezuelan Charge d'Affaires, is waiting at Washington for instructions from his Government.

**Oklahoma City, Okla.**—There will be no opposition to Thomas P. Gore, the blind Senator, in his race for reelection.

**Los Angeles, Cal.**—It is believed that an organized gang with headquarters at Los Angeles, is successfully smuggling Chinese immigrants across the Mexican border. A special agent from Washington is investigating the matter.

**Spokane, Wash.**—The Warship Tennessee wins the Naval trophy as the ship attaining the highest final merit in the turret gun trials.

**Spokane, Wash.**—Herman Kahlen, on his deathbed, tells of \$15,000 which he had buried near Fruitland, and the entire surrounding population is madly digging for the buried treasure.

**New York, N. Y.**—The first bale of Texas cotton is sold on the New York Stock Exchange for 35 cents per pound.

**Memphis, Tenn.**—George Washington, a Negro, has been arrested on a charge of robbing the jewelry establishment of Taylor Bros. of Houston, Texas.

### FOREIGN.

**Saltillo, Mex.**—Mrs. Margareta Siller de Cabello, mother of the Mayor of Saltillo, dies after a short period of sickness.

**Mexico City.**—General Francisco Naranjo, one of the most esteemed officers in the military life of the Mexican Republic, dies from a tumor in the throat.

**Mexico City.**—General Franche the French aeronaut, makes a successful trial of his latest invention in airships. A special gold medal will be struck in honor of the occasion.

**Madrid, Spain.**—Another son is born to Queen Victoria of Spain.

**Havana, Cuba.**—Governor Magoon signs \$11,000,000 contract for the construction of a sewerage system in the City of Havana.

**Three Rivers, Quebec.**—Fire destroys over 300 buildings. Damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

**Mexico City.**—Pan-American Railway will be completed to Guatemala City inside of fourteen months.

**London, Eng.**—Half a million women suffragists held a mass meeting at Hyde Park as a climax to the vigorous fight put up by their organization this year.

**Monterey, Mex.**—J. R. Gomez, under sentence for assaulting Chief of Police, kills himself with a shoemaker's awl in preference to going to the penitentiary.

**Berlin, Germany.**—Reports come from Teheran, Persia, of the most bloodthirsty massacre of modern times. Eight hundred men, women and children were killed and mutilated at the order of the Shah, while massed on the public square. A reign of terror has spread over the entire country and hundreds are fleeing in horror from the country.

**Paris, France.**—A device patented by a French tailor photographs a customer life size, thus doing away with the necessity of taking measurements.

**London, Eng.**—Orders have been issued from the Admiralty Office for a review of warships.

**WANTED.**—To create a permanent agency in every town for the exclusive sale of Gill Mineral Water, "the world's greatest curative water; liberal contract. GILL WATER CO., General Distributors, Dallas, Texas.

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## Save Money Whatever else you do save some money

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This advice is for old and young, male and female, and those who neglect it will regret it more and more as they grow older. There is nothing so pitiful as a poor OLD man or woman, dependent possibly on friends only for support.

NOW, you spend easily and carelessly what it requires hard work to make. You work month after month, year after year and continue to spend all you earn.

The time will come when you will have forgotten the foolish pleasures for which you spend your money now—and the time will come when WANT and WORRY and DEPENDENCE ON OTHERS will weigh heavily on you.

If you do nothing else from now on, MAKE UP YOUR MIND TO SAVE A LITTLE MONEY. No matter how little it may be, make a start. Begin to live on less than you make. Begin to put a little capital in real estate which will one day mean FREEDOM and INDEPENDENCE. There is not a young man anywhere who could not save from \$5 to \$10 every month if he wished to do so.

## Buy South Houston Lots TODAY

In a few years you will be independent. This is just as sure as anything can be in this world. We know that we are going to make a tremendous success of South Houston, because we have the location and we have the resources with which to MAKE IT A SUCCESS. Be one of those who are free, WHO HAVE SOMETHING. Get a piece of real estate right away. It gives you a feeling of independence which nothing else will give.

Use your own judgment, investigate us, investigate South Houston, but don't delay one single day if you can help it. The present prices will not remain in force more than a few weeks. There is a great project on foot for the development of South Houston which will advance the prices of all South Houston lots at least \$50 each as soon as it is announced.

We will spend about \$300,000 in the development of South Houston—in making YOUR investment profitable. If we make you money, we make just as much for ourselves, because we have more land close by than the entire amount we have platted.

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## BOABDIL.

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#### CAST OF CHARACTERS

Boabdil—son of Muley Aben Hassen, King of Granada.  
 Hamet El Zegri, general.  
 Ali Atar, governor of Granada.  
 Astrologer—Josef Aben Connax, vizier of Boabdil.  
 King Ferdinand of Sp in.  
 Don Alonza de Aguilar.  
 Fernando de Talero, archbishop and confessor.  
 Don Diego de Cardena, officer of Queen Isabella.  
 Queen Isabella of Spain and Castile.  
 Morayma, wife of Boabdil, daughter of El Zegri.  
 La Horra, mother of Boabdil.  
 Fatima, youngest wife, Aben Hassen.  
 Many attendants and soldiers.  
 Cypsy.  
 Scene—Alhambra and a camp near it.  
 Josef Aben Comixa, Moorish general.

#### SCENE III.

Armed Moslems? Hamet El Zigri their leader. Multitude shouting: Long live Boabdil El Chico, long live the legitimate King of Granada! Death to all usurpers! Once more shall the banner of Boabdil float from the tower of Alhambra.

Boabdil—Who among you feels pity for the women and children in captivity and death? Whoever he is, let him follow me. Come hither whoever is ready to die as a Moslem for the relief of Moslems; necessity compels every one of us to prove a hero. Should we fly we are only preserved for hunger and slavery. Let us await the foes for better it is to die quickly by their steel than to perish piece meal in chains and dungeons.

Josef Aben Comixa, vizier of Boabdil—Your people performed deeds of immortal fame. I would not ask them to encounter further ills and perils in maintaining a hopeless defence. The constant succession of disasters which have attended our effort show that the sceptre of Granada is doomed to pass into the hands of the Christian Monarch, such as is the almighty will of Allah.

Hamet El Zegri—Who can tell when to rejoice in this fluctuating world! Every wave of prosperity has its reeling surge, and we are often overwhelmed by the very billow on which we thought to be wafted into the haven of hope.

Boabdil—For my part sweeter were a grave beneath the walls of Granada than the richest couch within the domains of the unbelievers.

Josef Aben Comixa—Do not deceive yourself. Death is not the least we have to fear. It is the plundering and sacking of our cities; profanation of our Mosques, the ruin of our homes, the violation of our wives and daughters, cruel oppression, bigoted intolerance, whips and chains, the dungeons, the fagots and the stake. Such are the miseries and indignities that you could prevent with an honorable peace. Do what is needful. Into your hands we placed and confided our common safety. You are the protector of our Kingdom and with the aid of Allah could make an honorable retreat. Of what avail is our defence when the enemy is determined to persist in the siege? What alternative remains but to surrender?

Boabdil—Leave off, best friend. These are idle lamentations of helpless women and children. We are men, with strong heart, determined to shed drops of blood instead of tears. I order to have everything in readiness for an attack.

Hamet El Zagri enter excited—The enemy is most upon us with an overwhelming force. Flee, flee to the mountains. There is no alternate for us. I implore you flee, flee. (Turning to a Moslem soldier, addressing him.) Come hither, thou know all the secret passes of the country. Now hearken to me. Ride by our side, thou seest this purse of gold and this scimitar. Take us safely to the border ad this purse shall be thine, deceive us and this simitar shall cleave thee to the saddle bow. (Turning toward Boabdil). I entreat you, my beloved son, be reasonable and go with us.

Boabdil (abrupt and deter-

mined)—No, I came here to fight and not to fly. Too long have I borne the sight of distress and sorrow. Flight is dishonorable and befits not a prince of noble blood. Let me die becoming to a soldier and a King, but not wither in a prison depending on the mercy of my most hateful enemy. (Christian soldiers attacking Boabdil, who defends himself bravely with a short simitar, whereby he strikes one soldier breathless to the ground.)

Boabdil—Begone ye Christian dogs!

Spanish Soldiers (shout)—Surrender ye traitor, ye deserter! (A hand to hand combat ensues, in which Boabdil is dangerously hurt.)

Boabdil—Never, never ere shall I die by my own hands (and to makemiserly an end he stabs himself.)

Hamet El Zegri—(Who has been defending himself, rushes toward Boabdil). Begone ye Christian vultures. Dare not touch with your polluted hands the sacred body of our god-like chief whom you were fortunate enough to capture in this lamentable condition. O horrors, there he lies gashed through and through with gory wounds. He whom we have crowned with laurel wreaths. Our hero god, our soldier chief. He sinks, he groans, he dies. O could I have received thy last command. Some loving words for thy mother, wife or land.

The stars had fault with their predictions

Of thy unfortunate, most too long existence,

The panorama of thy past life appears

Warm in my mind and melts it into tears.

How nations suffer by daring schemes oppressed

When vengeance listens to a woman's request,

The soul aspiring pants its source to mount

As streams meander level with their fount.

Sad dreams of care are wandering in my breast.

They haunt me and will not afford me rest.

Here we remain, right in the conqueror's grasp,

Abandoned, desolate and alone, we gasp.

Who shall protect our helpless infants, our beloved wives

From the rage of war, from the cruel hands that strive

To capture and carry them to some barbarous clime,

Where at the point of the victor's sword they are condemned to toil

For some inhuman lord.

(Addressing some Spanish soldiers I do not claim your pity; I know nough of it of old, but simply appeal to you to observe human law. With such a promise I shall deliver unto you him, who was only prompted by love for his faith and his country to commit the cruel, evil deeds that war and cause required. Award him Boabdil El Chico the last of the Moorish Kings, an honorable resting place within the walls of Alhambra.

Where tears of his country shall water his grave

Where memory tells of times,

Where memory repeats the chimes

That tolled from yonder tower high,

Memory that never fails

To tell of Moorish tales

Of greatness that's gone by.

I bid farewell to mine beloved land of Spain.

Land of beauty, of sunshine and fame,

Decayed lies thy glory with Alhambra to crown it.

Wherein all our hopes like our treasures lie buried.

THE END.

Written by Mrs. Ida Altgelt Schweppe, San Antonio, Texas.

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