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JUDGE J. S. PRINCE

of Henderson county. Candidate for District Judge

ONE OF DAN CUPID'S TRICKS

Dan Cupic let go an arrow last Thursday night and as a result two young people were made very happy.

Mr. Will Musick and Miss Pearl Lucas were the contracting parties. The marriage ceremony took place at the home of Mr. Musick's mother, in the New Prospect community, where Miss Pearl is teaching school. Rev. W. A. Craven officiated. A large crowd of the young people's friends gathered to witness the marriage.

Mr. Musick and his wife are well known by our people and are very popular. Miss Pearl formerly taught in the public school in this city and her friends are legion. Mr Musick has secured a residence here and when school is out he and his wife will make their home in this city.

The Messenger joins a host of friends in wishing that their future life may be one continuous honeymoon.

STEVE RATCLIFF FOR COLLECTOR

The Messenger this week presents the name of S. S. (Steve) Ratcliff Jr. for Tax Collector of Houston county, his candidacy being subject to the action of the July primary. Mr. Ratcliff is a young man of good character and ability. He is the son of J. F. Ratcliff, who represented this county in the legislature several years ago. His qualifications to fill the office are unquestioned and he promises, in the event of his election, to do his duty at all times. Messenger hopes you will consider his claims for the place very carefully.

IKE LANSFORD FOR COLLECTOR

Ike Lansford of Crockett wants to be Tax Collector of Houston County and is seeking the nomination in the July primary.

Mr. Lansford is a prominent citizen of the county, and has resided in the county for a number of years. He is thoroughly qualified to discharge the duties of the office and is worthy of the place.

He would appreciate your vote and influence.

ELLIS WANTS ANOTHER TERM

John Ellis authorizes the Messenger to announce his candidacy for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Houston county.

You know Mr. Ellis—you know what kind of an officer he has made, consequently there is nothing we can tell you about him that is not already known. He has been very faithful to his trust and we can expect the same good service from him in the future if he is re-elected. So far we have heard of no one who is going to try to get his job.

J. W. Canada, editor of the Southern Orchards and Farms, published at Houston, was in the city a day last week in the interest of his paper. During the next few months Mr. Canada will devote a great deal of space to East Texas, telling the home-seeker the resources and advantages this country has. In the near future an article will be published which will deal exclusively with the resources of Houston county.

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JUDGE ALDRICH HAS ANNOUNCED

The Messenger carries the announcement this week of Judge A. A. Aldrich of Crockett for judge of the third judicial district. Judge Aldrich is known by most of our people and his record as a man and lawyer is clean. He is well fitted to fill the office of district judge with dignity, is of good sound judgment, possesses a clear conception of fine points in law that few men have and is conservative. He has served his home county in the capacity of county judge and as representative and filled both offices with credit to himself and honor to his people. His home people love and honor him, as is evidenced by the strong endorsement we are publishing in this issue.

He is Houston county's candidate for the judgeship and his friends are going to see to it that he gets the job if possible.

DEATH ANGEL VISITS PERCILLA

Percilla, Feb. 23—There is quite a difference in the weather now and when we wrote before. We are having beautiful spring weather now and farmers are sure taking advantage of it, turning the soil preparing for another crop.

The grim reaper of death has made its appearance in our community and claimed one of our dear girls as its victim, Miss Jennie Hayes, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Hayes. Her death was quite a shock to the neighborhood, as but few thought she was in a dying condition until the end came. She had been in delicate health for some time, but was able to be up until about two or three days before her death. Death was caused by heart failure. From the every day life of Miss Jennie, we feel sure our loss is heaven's gain. She died Feb. 17, and the remains were shipped to Paris, Texas, for burial.

Washington's birthday was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Dennis with an apron and tie party. Miss Minnie Brumley won the prize for tying the nicest tie and Clarence Bush won the prize for hemming aprons.

Rev. Jim Lively preached two able sermons yesterday. Bro. Lively will preach every fourth Sunday and at night, and Bro. Craven every second Sunday at 3 p. m.

We have just one more week of school. We all regret very much that it closes so soon.

We regret to learn that Horace Bush is ill with meningitis in Ft. Worth.

Some are talking of planting corn pretty soon.

JAMES R.

There is one case of diphtheria in town, the patient being a negro child. Thursday evening Dr. Stafford administered the antitoxin and the child is now recovering. The house has been quarantined and there is no fear that the disease will spread.

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GOWNS—Button and slip over styles, long and short sleeves, from 50c to..... **\$2.00**
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 SKIRTS—Some with deep embroidery flounces, others daintily trimmed with lace, \$3.50 down to..... **50c**
 CORSET COVERS—Several pretty styles that will please you, 25c and..... **50c**
 DRAWERS—Good grade of muslin, trimmed with lawn flounces and linen lace, tucks and hemstitching, 25c and..... **50c**

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Three Very Special Values for Girls From 2 to 12 Years old

Misses' Drawers for 12 1-2c
 Made of fair grade of domestic with ruffle of same, a pair..... **12¹/₂c**
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 Made of fine material with ruffle of embroidery edging, a pair..... **25c**

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Waists at 98c
 Four styles of nice lawn in clever designs, low and high neck, full and three-quarter length sleeves **98c**
 Waists at \$1.48
 Four styles, low and high neck, trimmed with dainty lace and embroidery, one has wide side frill three quarter sleeves, each..... **\$1.48**
 Waists at \$1.98
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 Waists at \$2.48
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GROWING PEAS FOR PROFIT

Longview, Texas, Feb. 28.—R. R. Claridge, Agricultural Agent for the T. & P. and I. & G. N. Ry. Co., has issued the following bulletin:

"The growing of black-eyed peas seems a promising industry for East Texas farmers at present for several reasons, not the least of which are that they seem to be in unlimited demand at good prices; because they are grown upon our sandy lands with ease and certainty, and because our farmers are familiar with pea growing.

"More than 100 cars were shipped from the Athens section last season selling readily f. o. b. at \$2.00 and \$2.25 per bushel. Approximately 500 bushels will load a car. The commercial growers plant them thickly in 5-foot drills. Given more space the tendency is to make too much vine at the expense of fruit.

"Many of our best farmers grow peas of various kinds between wide corn rows, finding them profitable as feed, fertilizer and as a money crop. There is plenty of time to plant the black-eyed variety between corn. A row of thickly drilled peas between 7-foot corn rows would be about right, and it should be the aim to have them mature far enough ahead of cotton picking to avoid interference. As the black-eye is a quick maturing variety this would be easy.

"I will plant to ship a car from my own farm and they are contracted for at \$2.00 per bushel. If there is anything further I may do in helping to procure seed or find a market write me."

Bright's Disease is more dreaded by physicians than any of the serious disorders with which they have to deal because of its insidious and malignant character. If prompt action were taken when headaches, urinary disorders, digestive troubles first appear, much suffering and sorrow would be averted. Prickly Ash Bitters will quickly stop the spread of the disease, quiet the inflammation, heal the kidneys and bladder, strengthen and regulate the liver, and drive poisons and impurities out of the system. A. S. Porter, Special Agent.

Kennedy Bros. are erecting on their lots at the rear of their store a large shed in which they will store their stock of wagons, farm implements, etc.

The Sound Sleep of Good Health

Is not for those suffering from kidney ailments or irregularities. The prompt use of Foley Kidney Pills will dispel backache and rheumatism, heal and strengthen sore, weak and ailing kidneys, restore normal action, and with it health and strength. Mrs. M. F. Spalsbury, Sterling, Ill., says, "I suffered great pain in my back and kidneys, could not sleep at night, and could not raise my hands over my head, but two bottles of Foley Kidney Pills cured me." Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Do you know that more real danger lurks in a common cold than in any other of the minor ailments? The safe way is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a thoroughly reliable preparation, and rid yourself of the cold as quickly as possible. This remedy is for sale by all dealers.



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Our legislatures ought to encourage progress as well as restrain crime. Goodness and prosperity are boon companions and should be associated together in law. Building factories is as much a part of statecraft as putting shackles on criminals.

First La-Grippe, Then Bronchitis

That was the case with Mrs. W. S. Bailey, McCraery, Ky. "My wife was taken down with a severe attack of la-grippe which ran into bronchitis. She coughed as tho' she had consumption and could not sleep at night. The first bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound gave her so much relief that she continued using it until she was permanently cured. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

NEWS FROM TRINITY RIVER

Feb. 26.—Yesterday was preaching day with us and we had two sermons and hope some good was done and that we may be held in check to some degree at least.

There is not much sign of spring as yet, but we are not likely to have any hard cold again this winter. Gardening has been done pretty extensively and some corn will be planted this week and things in the way of farming are in very good shape.

Hope this cold weather will not damage the fruit as the trees are beginning to bud out.

Our little school is getting along nicely and will last a little over two months longer.

Gerdine Oliphint went to Grapeland Saturday to see the home folks.

Pledger Chiles and Ted Fox visited friends in Grapeland Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Beazley have moved to their new home over on the Crockett road.

Mr. Stevens, of Stevens-Butler ranch is here for awhile.

Mr. Butler was in Crockett a few days last week.

Mr. John Ellis of Crockett was here on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick of Porter Springs have moved here. ZACK.

Opportunity

Will not always strive with you. It may knock at your door, but you mustn't expect it to break the door down trying to get in. DO IT TO-DAY--NOW--come here and supply your wants at a great saving in price while the opportunity is yet yours. Nuf ced.

W. H. LIVELY
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WHEN YOU FEEL BAD

If you are bilious, languid, constipated, suffer from indigestion, sour belching, bloated feeling, bad breath, headache, wind in the bowels, dizziness, you need

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The Great System Cleanser and Regulator.

A few doses will open and purify the bowels, tone up the stomach, stimulate the kidneys and liver and impart a feeling of strength and vigor. It transforms a tired, nervous, half-sick man or woman into one of bright, ruddy good health, energy and cheerfulness.

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It relieves tickling in the throat, tightness in the chest, inflamed lungs, difficult breathing and wheezing in the bronchial tubes. Conveys a soothing, healing influence to the sore lungs, promotes easy expectoration and contributes to the enjoyment of a quiet night and restful sleep.

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Buy the Dollar size. It contains five times as much as the 50c size, and you get with each bottle a Dr. Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest.

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We are fixed for turning out work of this kind in double-quick time.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM

A reported case of meningitis in the city caused some uneasiness a day or two last week. The patient is Will Parker, who has been sick for four weeks at the home of Wyatt Driskell. The attending physician had some suspicions of the case, the symptoms being similar to meningitis. Thursday Dr. L. Meriwether, county health officer came up to examine the case, and in the afternoon he and Drs. Taylor and Stafford made a spinal puncture, removing some of the spinal fluid and administered the serum treatment. As a further precaution the house was posted with a "warning quarantine."

Specimens of the spinal fluid were sent to the state health officer at Austin and to a laboratory at Palestine for microscopic examination. In each analysis no meningitis germs were found, but puss cells were in evidence, and the diagnosis was meningitis but cannot tell positively whether it is of the infectious or non-infectious type. Mr. Parker is still considered to be in a very critical condition.

There should be no undue alarm over this case, for there is a doubt that it is meningitis of the infectious type, though it would be wise to take every precaution in a sanitary way to keep the disease out of the community.

A Warning Against Wet Feet

Wet and chilled feet usually affect the mucous membranes of the nose, throat and lungs, and la-grippe, bronchitis or pneumonia may result. Watch carefully, particularly the children, and for the racking, stubborn coughs give Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It soothes the inflamed membranes and heals the cough quickly. Take no substitute. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

George Calhoun has completed a telephone line from Grape-land to his farm seven miles west of town.

Itching of the skin anywhere on the body stops instantly when rubbed with Ballard's Snow Liniment. One or two applications cures permanently. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter.

FOR SALE—A scholarship in Draughton's Practical Business College at a discount. See or write the Messenger.

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XXII. ACTION

WHEN Demosthenes was asked to assign three reasons for his success in life, he replied: "First, ACTION, second, ACTION, and third, ACTION, and this marvelous Athenian is recognized as the most polished and powerful product of the human race. Since the dawn of history, men of action have moved the world and civilization owes its advances to men who by words and deeds have turned the wheels of progress. An hour of action is worth a lifetime of hesitation. Texas needs men of action to start a million plows, build factories, construct 50,000 miles of railroad, improve 140,000 miles of public highways and build a thousand cities.



DEMOSTHENES IN ACTION.

Let him who would make his life a message to mankind arouse thoughts from their dumb cradles and make them whirl like a potter's wheel; awaken ambition from its leaden slumber and make it surge and climb the towering heights of fame and power; stir nations unborn like a tremendous force moved by a divine hand and speak in accents yet unknown mighty words that sway and inspire the human heart as it leaps to glory. Texas Needs Great Men.

Grapeland Messenger

ALBERT H. LUKER, EDITOR.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 29, 1912

ABOUT OUR TOWN

"There is so much bad in the best of us, and so much good in the worst of us that it hardly behooves any of us to talk about the rest of us." These few words carry with them quite a lesson if we would but properly consider them. Do not be a chronic fault finder, continually registering objections to this, that and the other thing. If you have a legitimate kick, file it, but don't go around with a chip on your shoulder looking for trouble. You might find a fellow who can knock it off and that would start something.

The man who is forever casting about in the hope of finding something that is not exactly right will probably find more or less at which to grumble, but in doing so he fails to bring about a remedy.

There is much in our town and community for which all the people should be proud. If you have visitors tell them what a fine place it is. Do not lay stress on what the city would have been if so and so had not happened or if so and so could be done with certain industries or lines of business, but convince them that you are happy and contented as indeed you should rightly be, and you will soon find that "sour grapes" feeling wearing off, and you will be in a position to meet and greet your fellow man and be welcomed by him instead of being shunned by him.

Cheerfully point out to your fellow man that you have confidence in the future of your town and country and the first thing you know others will be preaching the same doctrine and the result will be astonishing.

Of course it is easier for some people to kick because they're used to it, but they can be lifted out of the rut and it is a task worth while. You know some people never smile because they were told in their early youth of the great danger of lock jaw.

The future of any city depends upon its own people and our town ten years hence will be exactly what we make it. You can do your share and you should do it.

Somebody wants Judson Harmon to be president, if the large amount of Harmon literature received at this office is any indication. Somebody has sprung a leak in the money barrel in his favor.

Simultaneously with the announcement from Hon. Morris Shepard that he had withdrawn from the senatorial race, came a word from Cone Johnston that "his hat was in the ring." Cone Johnston is one of the smartest men in Texas; he is brainy enough to represent this state in the highest branch of our government; he is an orator equal to any and his great heart throbs in unity with the masses of the people, but there is one thing about him that stands out very prominently and that is his inability to get votes. The Messenger fought valiantly through two campaigns for him and would like to do it again, but we are afraid Cone is chasing a rain bow.

SOME NEW FEATURES

The Messenger is "always on the job." We are always on the alert for articles that will please and be of benefit to our readers. This time it is a series of six articles on "Greater Farm Efficiency." They are:

How to Secure Better Crops Through Fertilizing.

How to Grow Larger and Better Corn.

How to Select Better Producing Cows.

How to Choose Best Types of Draft Horses.

How to Use Concrete on the Farm.

How to Keep Record of Farm Machinery and Repairs.

These articles are written by agricultural experts, and should be closely read by all farmers because they are vitally interested in the subjects treated. Most farmers today realize that scientific methods can be applied to farming the same as to other lines of industry, making possible greater profits than under the old methods. The writers of these articles are men of prominence in the field of agricultural scientific research—men whose advice can be followed with the assurance that it is not misleading.

The first of these articles—"How to Secure Better Crops Through Fertilizing"—appears in this issue. Be sure to read it. We are also publishing in this issue the story of the world's greatest ear of corn, which should interest you.

Grapeland's "temple of justice is looming up.

Grapeland needs to wake up and realize what opportunities and possibilities the future holds for this town and community.

A very small per cent of the people ever go to their local paper and commend the editor for the good things he says about the town and country, but let him through error say something that reflects upon the community and the entire population swoops down upon him like a hungry eagle.

READY FOR Your Spring Business

I solicit your trade on honest business principles, and promise to give you a square deal and give you the best goods for the least money. Come to see us. We will do our best for you. We have a big stock to select from. Car of chops and New Mexico hay due to arrive this week. We have one of the best lines of staple goods to select from in the city. If you want shoes we are the people to buy from, and we will give you values that can't be duplicated later on.

Yours for business,

W. F. MURCHISON.

The candidates are getting to be quite active all over the state and it is a source of much satisfaction to the citizen who is in possession of a poll tax receipt. There is not so much fun in voting for a fellow as there is in voting against him.

There are some good men in the state—eight in all—who are offering their services to the people for congressmen from the state at large. Messenger man gets quite confused when he tries to select the two he would like to support. There is one, however, that will have our support, and that is Hon. R. E. Yantis of the Athens Review. He has announced his candidacy on a platform that rings true. He is opposed to graft and garden seed; to other than actual mileage; to private pension frauds and franking privilege; favors a tariff only necessary to bear the expense of government; stringent laws against gambling in

farm products and laws to punish trusts; an income tax; to eliminate votes of illiterate foreigners; favors the election of United States senators by a vote of the people; adequate appropriations for the development of Texas waterways; favors abolishing the Fifteenth Amendment so as to "put the right of suffrage back in the power of the several states where it by right belongs." Messenger hopes he will get the nomination.

Incorporation for Grapeland would be a good thing if the right sort of officials were put in charge. We do not need an old antiquated sort of corporation with a set of officials who would burden the people with a lot of foolish ordinances, but a live, progressive bunch who would wake this town up and let the world know about us. We favor such a corporation as that.

When old methods have brought only failure it is time to try the newer methods. The young men from the agricultural colleges are nearly all doing well. There must be something to learn about farming. It is a poor business in which there is never anything new. If there were nothing to learn about farming—if there were nothing new—then it would be wise on the part of every forceful man to get into something else. But the enterprising, forceful men are succeeding. The other kind are not.—Farm & Ranch.

DR. J. B. SMITH FOR RE-ELECTION

The Messenger is authorized to announce the candidacy of Dr. J. B. Smith for re-election as Houston county's representative for the next two years. Dr. Smith has served his first term as our representative and his record is known. He wants a chance to see you and present his side of the case before you decide who you will support. The Messenger hopes you will give his claims a fair consideration.

I have a fine full blooded registered Jersey bull at my farm a mile west of town now ready for service. Service fees, \$2.50 for bull calf; \$5.00 for heifer.

FRANK LEAVERTON.

Messrs. Caskey and Moore are opening their confectionery and installing their new soda fountain. They have rented the building on Main street, formerly occupied by Manning's restaurant, and propose to give their patrons the best service ever offered in a town this size. The fountain they are putting in is one of the prettiest we ever saw outside of a city, and is the counter service kind. The Messenger hopes the young men will be successful in their venture.

For Rent

A good five room house, 1 1/4 miles from Grapeland on the Crockett road. For particulars apply to A. B. SPENCE.

COMMENTS ON OUR RECENT WEATHER



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LOCAL NEWS

Lively sells good shoes.

For good ribbon cane syrup go to Howard's.

Mrs. Mamie Sexton visited in Crockett Saturday and Sunday.

See Darsey's line of dress shirts before you buy.

FOR SALE--My store house and lot east side rail road.

GEORGE SHAVER.

Mrs. F. C. Woodard and children visited relatives in Lovelady this week.

Let your new spring suit be a Royall tailored shown only by Geo. E. Darsey.

Tom Straugh of Lovelady has accepted a position at Caskey's barber shop.

STRICTLY CASH

Remember that all feed-stuff is sold for cash only.

J. W. HOWARD.

Mrs. R. H. Lacy and children returned to their home in Crockett Sunday, after a few days spent in the city with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jot Wright and children of Palestine spent Sunday in the city, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lively.

Try protositis, mixed feed, 15 per cent cotton seed meal, and 85 per cent pure corn chops.

J. W. HOWARD.

Let Clewis order your suit. He represent five of the best tailoring concerns in the east. He will fit you better.

Over four hundred all wool Royall samples ready to be made into a suit to your individual measure on display at Darsey's.

Lively always has it first.

Plenty of chops, bran and hay at Kennedy Bros.

Oklahoma seed corn at Darsey's.

Miss Vilna Haltom visited friends in Palestine Sunday.

Anything you want in fishing tackle at Kennedy Bros.

Nice line of rugs and art squares at Darsey's.

Miss Maude McCarty is visiting relatives in Crockett.

Horse collars, wagon lines and bridles at Darsey's.

A full line of tinware just received at Howard's.

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Hog Lost

A black sow with a few white spots; marked split and under bit in right and crop in the left ear. If found notify

ILA BEAN, Route 3.

When you buy a cultivator, planter or fertilizer distributor at Darsey's you know that you have as good as is made for Darsey won't handle any thing but the best implements that he can buy.

Lively sells it for less.

Take your eggs to Darsey's.

Chops, bran, hay, flour, meal and bacon at Darsey's.

Take your chickens, turkeys and geese to Darsey's.

It will pay you to sell your produce to Darsey's.

Don't fail to see Darsey for stoves and furniture.

Brick, doors, windows and shingles at Darsey's.

Dental Notice

Dr. C. L. Moore, the dentist, is now in Grapeland. Those desiring dental work can find him at his office at the Denton hotel.

For the next few days we have on a very cheap rate in the Woodmen. If you ever expect to join a good fraternal organization you should do so now and get the benefit of the cheap rate. See me for application blanks and particulars.

M. L. CLEWIS.

Pictures framed at Darsey's. See him if you have one to be framed, any size or kind of frame that you like.

Riding Planters,

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Chilled Plows,

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Just any kind of plow you want at

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So far Geo. E. Darsey has shipped over 4000 bushels of peas and he wants to buy as many more before the season is over. If you have any to sell be sure and take 'em to Darsey.

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In fact, whatever is needed in the family will be found in stock and right up-to-date, even in these "strenuous days." Remember the above when "shopping bent" and it will be to save money

J. J. Brooks

Endorsements of Judge A. A. Aldrich of Houston County

We the undersigned citizens of Crockett and of Houston County, take pleasure in endorsing the candidacy of Judge A. A. Aldrich of this county for the position of District Judge of this Judicial District. Judge Aldrich has grown up from infancy among us and his life is an open book to us. He has lived an upright, sober and clean life, and his honesty of purpose and integrity of character have never been questioned. He has always stood for what was best in the affairs of our town and county, for the enforcement of the law and the betterment of morals. He is a careful, conscientious and successful lawyer, possessing a mind clear and analytical, and quick to grasp and comprehend a case, thus peculiarly fitting him for the position of a judge. He has also had experience as a judge, having served this county in the capacity of county judge. We believe there is no better material in our district for this position, and this endorsement is not made as a tribute only, of our esteem of Judge Aldrich as a man, but is the voicing of our conviction as to his qualification and fitness for the important position to which he aspires.

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Heifer Lost

One pale red muley heifer, 2 years old, marked swallow fork in the right and underbit in the left ear; on close inspection may find hack behind the underbit. Liberal reward offered for information that will lead to recovery. Notify B. F. HILL, Postmaster.



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Spring Goods Arriving on Every Train

And we will take pleasure in showing them to you any time you can spare a few moments to call and see us.

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Men's and Boys' Suits, Hats, Shoes, Shirts and Ties



In fact, furnishings in every department to make your wardrobe complete for spring. NEW HATS FOR MEN—the best assortment and greatest variety ever offered to any one at the prices we are making on first-class merchandise.

Some few patterns in dress goods, subject to your approval, such as—SERGES, PONGEES, SILKS, SATINS, FOULARDS, FLAXONS, LINONS, VOILES, MARQUETTES, and some few bordered effects, FLOUNCINGS and EMBROIDERY of all kinds. We invite your rigid inspection of these goods and ask that you call and allow us the pleasure of showing you our line and saving you money on your spring bill of DRESS GOODS.

Beacon Shoes For Men

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The WORLD'S MOST PERFECT EAR of CORN

The Unique Story of its Discovery

PLANS FOR THE GREAT NATIONAL CORN SHOW IN 1913

"Just a countryman—that's all," is the way the grower of this remarkable ear of corn, Mr. Fred C. Palin, styles himself. Though he is admitted to be one of the leading corn experts in the country—one whose services are greatly in demand as a judge of corn exhibits, Mr. Palin asks for no greater honor or distinction than to be known as a plain Hoosier farmer, and while he openly professes a reasonable pride in the achievement of growing the famous ear of corn which was adjudged the most perfect ever grown, it is without a shadow of ostentation.

"On the day the champion ear was found, I was at the house and at dinner time one of the men brought it in and laid it, with a number of other ears, upon the window sill in the well room for me to take and put in the seed house.

"Well," I said, "do you think you've got a good ear there?"

"It looks to me like a good ear," he said. "What do you think of it?"

"I picked it up and looked it over. 'Well,' I said finally, 'I think it is the most perfect ear of corn I ever saw. It's good enough to win the W. K. Kellogg

From the detasseled rows he picked for seed only the ears carrying the characteristics he wanted to reproduce, planting these in breeding plots, and maintaining careful selection, so that in nine years time he had developed a well-settled type.

The Palin champion ear was the first winner of the W. K. Kellogg National Corn Trophy, a handsome silver and enamel cup made by Tiffany of New York at a cost of \$1,000. Mr. Kellogg as the originator and manufacturer of Toasted Corn Flakes naturally has a deep in-



The World's Greatest Ear of Corn

VARIETY—Palin's Corn Flake Yellow. (Named after winning the W. K. Kellogg \$1,000 trophy.)

A HYBRID—The seventh year production.

PARENT PLANTS } Male—Reid's Yellow Dent.
} Female—Alexander's Gold Standard.

DIMENSIONS—Length, 10 1-8 inches. Circumference, 7 3-4 inches. Number of rows, 20. Length of kernals, 3-4 of an inch. Width of kernals, about 3-8 of an inch. Thickness of kernals, 1-6 of an inch. Arrangement, very uniform, kernals running in straight rows the entire length of the ear without a misplaced grain, holding their length well to the ends of the ear, tip being well covered with dented grains. Weight, 20 ounces. Estimated proportions, corn 92 per cent, cob 8 per cent.



The champion ear of corn was not an accident. There can be no greater lesson in the value of careful study and painstaking selection of seed and breeding than the experiences of this same Palin. The farmer who thinks he stands a chance to go into his corn field and by a piece of luck pick out an ear which nature has fashioned even more perfectly and with it wrest the honor from this Indiana man, cannot do better to disabuse his mind of this fallacious notion than to read the story of Palin and his champion ear.

In the first place, Palin knows corn. If there were no more proof of this fact than the bare story of the development and discovery of the champion ear, it would be enough. And in proof of this fact, here is the story as he told it himself:

"It was in November, 1910, and we were just harvesting our crop. The weather had been good, but we were a little late with the harvest. The men were going through the fields with the wagon in the usual way gathering the corn, and the harvest was a promising one.

"We have a sort of corn show at my farm all the time, and there is always an award for exceptionally good ears of corn—ears sufficiently true to type to permit of their being exhibited. There is a small box on every corn wagon in which the most perfect ears are thrown. These when properly selected, constitute the seed corn, and among these more perfect ears we occasionally find an ear that we are willing to exhibit in a contest.

\$1000 trophy this year at Omaha."

"And I was confident the moment I saw it and looked it over, that I held the trophy winner in my hand. So much so that when I left for Omaha to exhibit the ear, I took it out of my grip and showed it to the station agent with the words, 'That's the ear I'm going to win the \$1000 trophy with.'"

So there's the story of the champion ear as Palin told it himself. And on the strength of it who will say that Fred C. Palin doesn't justly merit the title, "The Man who Knows Corn?"

But that's not all of Palin's story. He tells it willingly, though modestly, for he knows that his story whenever told is a source of great encouragement of the thousands of farmers who never had a better chance than he had himself. Palin was born and brought up on a farm near Newtown, Ind. He has never owned a foot of farm land in his life, and the 360-acre farm on which the champion ear of corn which won the Kellogg Trophy was grown is a rented farm.

Mr. Palin's real experience as a farmer began about sixteen years ago. He had been on the road as a grocery specialty salesman, when he took a notion that he would rather be an agriculturist, so he took a few short courses at Purdue University and rented a portion of the farm he now occupies. Nine years ago he began carefully breeding this new variety of corn. For two years he planted two rows of Reid's Yellow Dent, then two of Alexander's Golden Standard.

terest in the development of the higher grades of corn, for the company of which he is president, the Kellogg Toasted Corn Flake Co., requires ten thousand bushels of corn a day for the making of its product. The Kellogg Trophy was offered to be awarded in annual competition for the best single ear of corn until won twice by the same producer. The fact that the Kellogg product is made only from selected white corn, while the winning ear was of a pronounced yellow type, was a peculiar feature.

The Kellogg trophy was won in 1910 at Columbus, Ohio, by R. A. James, of Chariston, Ill., with a magnificent ear of Reid's Yellow Dent, but not so perfect an ear as that which originally won the trophy and which has become known as "the best ear of corn ever grown."

The next award of this trophy will be made at the next National Corn Exposition, which will be held in February, 1913, at Columbia, S. C. It is planned to make this exposition much broader in scope than any held in the past, and consequently a longer time will be required for preparation. Special buildings are being erected for the exposition, the main building to be 400 by 167 feet, ground measurements. The show will last ten days. The state of South Carolina has appropriated \$40,000 for the expenses of the exposition and the prospect is that Dixie will "do herself proud" in an effort to make this exposition the greatest of its kind ever held.

For driving out dull bilious feeling, strengthening the appetite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, Prickly Ash Bitters is a golden remedy. Sold by A. S. Porter Special Agent.

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TO PREVENT BLIND STAGGERS

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 29, 1912

C. L. Haltom,
Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Sir:—

I am just in receipt of your favor of the 26th inst., writing about the terrible scurg among the horses in your locality. It is certainly too bad to think that so many valuable horses have died with this disease. The disease you describe is what is commonly known as "Blind Staggers" "Blind Staggers" is really "Cerebro Spinal Meningitis" and is a very fatal disease indeed.

Very little can be done in the way of curing. A prevention is about the only thing. This disease is caused mainly by the affected feed that was raised last season. Only the very choicest of feed should be fed to horses and mules. No damaged or inferior feed should be fed at all.

If you will give your horses large doses of Dr. LeGear's Stock Powders twice a day for ten or twelve days, then once a day for two or three weeks, then three or four times a week all during this season, you will prevent this disease to a great extent.

I practiced my profession for fifteen years in the state of Texas, and know from practical experience what our stock powders will do for this disease. I have seen hundreds and hundreds of cases of the disease.

Hoping you will be able to stop this disease from killing so many of your horses, and being sorry I cannot give you a treatment, and hoping you will be successful with preventing the disease, I remain,
Yours very truly,
DR. L. D. LEGEAR.

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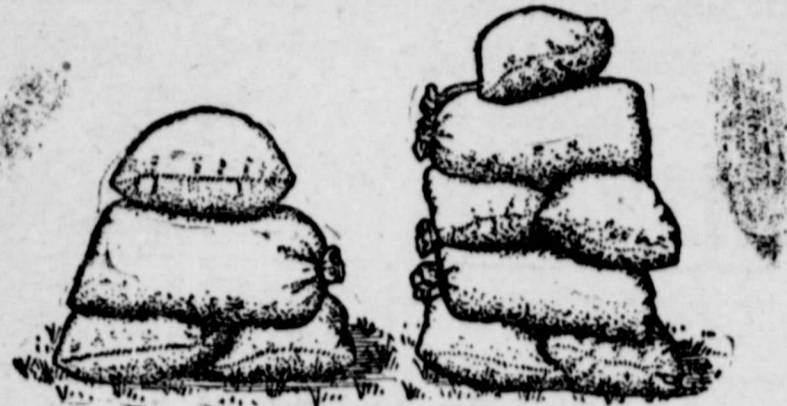
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By PROF. A. R. WHITSON, Wisconsin College of Agriculture



Manure vs. Manure With Rock Phosphate on potatoes. The Use of Rock Phosphate in Addition to the Manure increased the yield 47 per Cent.

The development of the use of fertilizers in the United States has increased at a very rapid rate within the last two or three decades. Their use in the eastern and southern states is extensive. Within this period, however, Wisconsin agriculture has gone largely in the direction of dairying and in this system of farming the fertility of the soil, as is well known, is more generally conserved than in systems where a large part of the product of the farm is sold in the form of vegetables or grain. For this reason, in part, the use of commercial fertilizers in this state has been very limited. Moreover, the agricultural press of the state and the teaching of the Agricultural college has been opposed to the use of commercial fertilizers largely because the emphasis was placed on the advantages of dairying in the conservation of soil fertility. The time has come, however, when it is not profitable for farmers of the state to longer overlook the advantages which may come from the proper use of commercial fertilizers. There is much land in the state not adapted to dairying, such as large areas of sandy and marsh soil, and some sections of clay loam where the topography is so rough that the necessary amount of corn for silage cannot be grown to advantage. On lands of this class, other products must be grown for the market and it is in the growing of such crops as cabbage, potatoes, sugar beets, peas and corn for canning purposes, and other special crops that the use of commercial fertilizers is needed.

The large yields of practically all farm crops produced in such European countries as England, Germany and France, are frequently mentioned in agricultural papers as an evidence of the possibilities of intensive cultivation. By far the most important factor making possible such increases is the use of commercial fertilizers. It would be a difficult matter to find a farm of any importance in any of these countries on which a considerable amount of commercial fertilizers is not used. Nearly one-half of the immense output of our own phosphate mines is shipped abroad and in addition to that, enormous quantities of phosphate are mined in Europe and produced in the form of Thomas slag in the reduction of British iron ore which runs high in that element. Germany possesses practically the world's supply of potash fertilizer and this is drawn on heavily by that and adjacent countries. In addition to this, the growth of green manuring crops, practically always of the legume family, adds to the nitrogen supply, although enormous quantities of special nitrogen fertilizers are also used.

Without desiring in the least to underestimate the importance of dairy or other stock farming in its effect on the fertility of the soil, we feel that we can no longer afford to neglect the use of commercial fertilizers where they are called for.

Contrary to a rather common opinion, the kind of commercial fertilizers called for depends more on the character of the soil to be treated than on the crops to be grown. The amount to be used will depend to some extent on the kind of crop grown since some crops remove much larger quantities of the mineral elements from the soil than do others, but the particular kind of fertilizer needed is determined almost exclusively by the character of the soil. Much can be learned regarding the feeding of crops from experience gained in the feeding of animals. Just as it is well known that a certain balance among the ingredients of feed for stock should be maintained, so should there be a balance in the different elements of fertility available to growing crops. When crops are to be grown on marsh land which is extremely high in nitrogen but just as extremely low in phosphorus, and often in potash, these deficiencies must be made good in some way. Sandy soils, on account of their coarse texture and generally low content of all the essential elements, must frequently be supplied with practically

apt to be largely lost in the case of heavy rains falling on the sandy soils. However, there are frequently cases where the use of a light dressing even of nitrogen salts is profitable. This would ordinarily be in the growing of certain special crops that have a high gross return per acre. It is along this line that there is considerable possibility in the development of the various forms of nitrogen containing fertilizers. The new form of coking oven makes possible the saving of practically all of the nitrogen in coal undergoing the coking process and this by-product is being put on the market in increasingly large amounts. The manufacture of nitrogen-containing salts by electrolytic methods is also increasing. A number of plants for this purpose have been installed recently in European countries and one or two in this country.

Clay soils are ordinarily abundantly supplied with potassium and on account of their good water-holding capacity, grasses and other plants which will add organic matter can be grown for supplying this substance and consequently nitrogen, and the only direct fertilizing element usually needed is phosphorus, but probably more than half of the clay loam soils of this country under crop could be fertilized with phosphate fertilizers profitably under present conditions. Heavy clay soils in the northern part of Wisconsin which have been under crop but a few years have shown increases in yield running from 15 per cent. to 50 per cent. as a result of supplementing barnyard manure with rock phosphate.

But even on farms where practically all of the crops grown are fed, there is a possibility of considerable loss in fertility. Only where large amounts of concentrated feed stuffs are fed is the supply of phosphorus maintained. Probably the greatest loss on such farms takes place in the leaching of barnyard manure and there is certainly a great possibility in the direction of conserving fertility by protecting barnyard manures from leaching and also from too rapid heating in the process of composting. It is just as important that a thoroughly good practicable system of housing and hauling the manure on the farm be worked out as that the stock be properly housed and cared for. The use of peat for bedding, by which its nitrogen is added to that of the manure, is another method which may add greatly to the nitrogen in use on the farm. This material contains in the condition in which it would be used for bedding from two to three per cent. of nitrogen or more than clover or alfalfa hay would contain, and twice as much as barnyard manure. It occurs in enormous quantities in this state and it only needs a little encouragement in its use to develop the industry to the extent to which it exists in European countries.

Another matter which ought to be recognized at once in the development of agriculture is that it is very much easier to maintain the fertility of soil than it is to reproduce it after it has once been lost by an exhaustive system of farming. This applies particularly to the sandy soils, but is also true in the case of the clay loam soils. Sandy soils frequently show good producing power for the first two or three years and no special care is given to maintain the fertility until the farmer suddenly finds that his crops have become very much less and it is then very much more difficult to reproduce the fertility than it would have been to adopt proper methods at the start.

Those who are planning to use commercial fertilizers should make it a point to become thoroughly familiar with the different forms of fertilizers containing the elements which they desire to add to their soil and with the basis on which the price for the same is figured. It is customary for the fertilizer manufacturers to prepare mixed fertilizers containing all the essential elements in varying proportions. These are recommended to the farmer under trade names such as Tobacco

all the essential elements for plant growth. The nitrogen may be added either directly in artificial fertilizers or indirectly through the growth of leguminous plants which have the power of fixing that element from the atmosphere. The nitrogen can be gathered in this way much more cheaply than it can be purchased and moreover, when added in the form of vegetable matter it decomposes and becomes available to growing crops slowly so that there is little danger of its loss by leaching from the soil, while nitrate of soda or sulphate of ammonia are extremely soluble and

special, Potato Special, Corn Special, etc., thus implying that they have some particular advantage for those particular crops. As previously stated, this is not the case and the farmer is usually obliged to buy in such mixed fertilizers elements which he does not need and is often obliged to pay higher prices for those he does want than if he were to buy them in a pure form. Buying a fertilizer containing a single element is to be recommended. It will occasionally be desirable to mix phosphate and potash fertilizers, but this can be done on the farm to good advantage.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING PROGRAM

The fifth Sunday meeting of the Neches River Association will be held at Trinity, beginning Friday night, March 29th.

The following program will be carried out:

Introductory sermon—A. J. Cockroft, alternate J. L. Kee.

SATURDAY

9 to 9:30 a. m.—Devotional, C. A. Campbell.

9:30 to 10:30 a. m.—Our duty to Home Missions, W. A. Reagan and W. L. Atkinson.

10:30 to 11:30 a. m.—Our duty to Foreign Missions, L. T. Grumbles and H. E. Harris.

11:30 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Colportage, J. D. Kee and N. S. Herod.

2 p. m.—Associational Missions, C. A. Campbell and W. H. Caldwell.

2:30 to 3 p. m.—Who should partake of the Lord's supper? L. F. Jeffus.

3 p. m.—Woman's Home Mission Union, program prepared by the ladies.

7 p. m.—Devotional, H. E. Crawford.

7:30—Preaching, L. T. Grumbles.

SUNDAY

9 to 10 a. m.—Song service, W. R. Campbell and D. J. Childress.

10 a. m.—Sunday school, Jno. B. Peyton, superintendent.

11 a. m.—Preaching, W. A. Reagan.

2 p. m.—Men's Forward Movement, Hayne Nelms and O. C. Payne.

3:30 p. m.—B. Y. P. U. Rally, conducted by T. B. Satterwhite.

7:30—Preaching, O. C. Payne.

A meeting of the Executive Board will be called by the president during the meeting, and all members of the board are especially requested to be present.

The following named brethren constitute the board: L. T. Grumbles, president, Crockett; H. E. Harris, secretary, Love-lady; J. A. Bricker, treasurer, Crockett; J. J. Kennedy, Love-lady; J. Y. Renfro, Trinity; A. H. Holly, Pennington; W. A. Reagan, Groveton; Hayne Nelms, Groveton; W. J. Hiser, Latexo; T. R. Cook, Porter Springs.

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A. S. Porter has installed in his drug store a large glass wall case in which he has an elaborate and pretty display of jewelry, watches, clocks, etc.

There is no better medicine made for colds than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions, aids expectoration, and restores the system to a healthy condition. For sale by all dealers.

THE MESSENGER'S MARKET REVIEW

Houston, Texas, Feb. 25.—The generally bad weather of the week-end has served to advance cotton prices, on the belief that crop preparations are two or three weeks late over a large section of the cotton belt. The recent decline of three dollars per bale has somewhat dampened the ardor of the bullish element, but despite this cotton has some strong friends who yet believe the staple will go to

12c. Big spot houses have been buying. The recent great fire in Houston and the destruction of over 50,000 bales of cotton in that fire had some effect on the weeks market, inspiring somewhat the bullish side.

In the Houston produce market a marked feature has been the light receipts of chickens and eggs. Hens are quoted at \$5.25 to \$6 and their scarcity has buoyed the market for turkeys. Young chickens have disappeared from the row.

Trade conditions in Houston were little changed during the week, but in the country trade has been lighter on account of the bad weather.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets, after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by all dealers.

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Do you want to know whether you are in danger of LOSING your home?
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Do you want to get the best bargain in buying or selling land?

If you desire or need any one of these "wants," just call at the office of the undersigned and we believe we can "fit you out" to a "T" and on terms to suit you. Our facilities are first-class to give you entire satisfaction. We fully understand the business and have a complete abstract of land titles of the entire county in course of preparation. We can furnish a full and reliable abstract of the title to any tract of land in the county, so far as shown by the records, and can tell you "on short notice" whether the title to your land is GOOD or whether it is BAD. If it is bad, we can tell you how to make good—if it can be done—and can MAKE IT GOOD for you. We shall be glad to have you call and see us.

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of Henderson county

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of Houston county

For County Attorney:

B F DENT (Re-election)

For County Clerk

O C GOODWIN (Re-election)
G R (ROSS) MURCHISON

For County Treasurer

NEY SHERIDAN
W H BAYNE (Re-election)

For Sheriff

A W PHILLIPS (Re-election)

For Tax Collector

GEORGE H DENNY
JAMES J COOK
H I (OLLIE) LUCE
A S MOORE
S S (STEVE) RATCLIFF JR
IKE LANSFORD

For Representative

JOHN R LUCE
J B SMITH (Re-election)

For County Judge

E WINFREE (Re-election)

For District Clerk

JOHN D MORGAN

For County Superintendent of Public Instruction:

G V LOLLAR

For Tax Assessor:

JOHN ELLIS (Re-election)

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1

S H LIVELY (Re-election)
W R BROWN

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2:

R A PARKER

For Justice Peace Precinct No. 5

J F M (FRANCE) HALTOM
JNO A DAVIS (Re-election)

For Justice Peace Precinct No. 2

T C LIVELY (Re-election)

How Cold Affects The Kidneys

Avoid taking cold if your kidneys are sensitive. Cold congests the kidneys, throws too much work upon them, and weakens their action. Serious kidney trouble and even Bright's disease may result. Strengthen your kidneys, get rid of the pain and soreness, build them up by the timely use of Foley Kidney Pills. Tonic in action, quick in results. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

See Darsey for wagon and buggy harness.

Early amber, red top and orange cane seed at Kennedy Bros.

Alfalfa and bermuda hay at Darsey's.

Full Blood Jersey Male

I have in my pasture a full blood Jersey male, three years old. Service fees \$2.50.

CLAUD SADDLER.

Early Amber, orange and Red Top cane seed at Darsey's.

Bank No. 768 Official Statement

OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

Guaranty State Bank

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 20th day of February, 1912, published in the Grapeland Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 29th day of February, 1912.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$25,303.01
Loans, real estate	878.15
Overdrafts	None
Real estate, (banking house)	3,338.23
Furniture and Fixtures	1,622.00
Due from approved reserve agents, net	6,837.33
Due from banks and bankers, subject to check, net	1,607.01
Cash Items	38.95
Currency	2,839.00
Specie	802.53
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	450.00
Other resources as follows: Collections	1,336.00
Total	45,052.21

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	\$15,000.00
Undivided profits, net	1,289.31
Individual deposits, subject to check	28,757.15
Cashier's Checks	5.75
Total	45,052.21

State of Texas, }
County of Houston. }
We, J. R. Pennington as president, and U. M. Brock as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. R. PENNINGTON,

President.

U. M. BROCK, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 27th day of February, A. D., nineteen hundred and twelve. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

JNO. A. DAVIS,

Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
C. W. Kennedy, }
J. E. Bean. } Directors
J. B. Thomas }

Notice to Ladies

If you want a nice tailor made suit or skirt see M. L. Clewis. He represents the Metropolitan Tailoring Co. of Chicago for ladies tailor made suits and skirts.

In buying fertilizer examine the state's analysis and see who has the best fertilizer. "Davy Crockett Brands" will stand the test.

J. W. HOWARD,
Agent.

The man who was "born tired" should use Prickly Ash Bitters. It makes work a necessity to give vent to the energy and exuberance of spirits generated by functional activity in the system. A. S. Porter, Special Agent.

Are you thinking of buying an improved plow of any kind we have just what you want.

KENNEDY BROS.

E. J. Lanagan and E. C. Johnson of Crockett have purchased the Buckalew restaurant on back street and have assumed charge of the business. It is the intention of the new owners to install a bakery some time in the future and otherwise improve the service. Mr. and Mrs. Buckalew have not as yet decided what they will do. For the present they are at Percilla with relatives.

I still have a few bushels of that good shucked ear corn left. If you want any you had better speak at once. J. W. Howard.

Official Statement

Of the Financial Condition of the

Farmers & Merchants State Bank

At Grapeland, State of Texas,

at the close of business, on the 20th day of Feb., 1912, published in the Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 29th day of Feb., 1912.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$47,521 16
Loans, real estate	5,215 24
Overdrafts	695 60
Real estate (banking house)	2,983 03
Furniture and fixtures	2,660 40
Due from approved reserve agents	\$11,303 17
Due from other Banks and Bankers subject to check	11,303 17
Cash Items	151 36
Currency	2,863 00
Specie	2,516 70
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	556 42
Total	\$ 76,466 08

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000 00
Surplus Fund	7,500 00
Undivided Profits	4,536 94
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	000 00
Individual Deposits, subject to check	48,187 98
Time Certificates of Deposit	1,003 06
Cashiers' checks	238 10
Total	\$ 76,466 08

State of Texas, }
County of Houston. } ss

We, George E. Darsey, as President, and W. D. Granberry, as Cashier of said Bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

GEO. E. DARSEY, President.

W. D. GRANBERRY, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 26th day of February A. D., nineteen hundred and twelve. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

J. R. RICHARDS,

Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
W. F. MURCHISON }
W. G. DARSEY } Directors
T. S. KENT }

An Epidemic Of Coughing

is sweeping over the town. Old and young alike are affected, and the strain is particularly hard on little children and on elderly people. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a quick, safe and reliable cure for all coughs and colds. Contains no opiates Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

LOCAL NEWS FROM WELDON

Weldon, Feb 26.—The members of the White Ribbon Social gave their first annual ball on last Thursday evening at the new building on Main street. The ball was very well attended and all the surrounding towns were represented. The evening was perfect and the dancers felt no inconvenience in dancing. The ball was such a success and everybody expressed themselves as having had such a good time it was requested that if possible they would like to have the good time duplicated sometime in the near future, and a committee was appointed to take it under advisement. This committee will report shortly and if it is at all possible the folks that attended will be invited to another treat as they had last Thursday evening.

The Tennis Club of Weldon is now organized and the grounds are being put in shape. They will start practicing as soon as the courts are fixed and the weather will permit.

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All kinds of Groceries and feed stuff, fresh turnips, cabbage, apples and keg pickles always on hand

DIAMOND H is the best high \$1.30
patent flour, per sack

Plenty of seed corn and sorgum seed.

All kinds of farm implements and leather goods.

New stock of Walkover Shoes for Ladies and Men. All the newest styles to arrive next week.

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Baby Cough Syrup

You must be particular—exacting, when choosing a remedy for baby's cough. There are so many remedies containing habit-forming drugs that baby's health will be impaired unless you know absolutely just what the remedy contains and the action of each ingredient, so you can be sure it is harmless.

Nyal's Baby Cough Syrup is sold by us under a strict guarantee

We know the contents and the action and know that it will do as represented. It breaks up a cough in short order, protects the membranes of the throat against irritation and infection, rids the throat of all injurious deposits and prevents further accumulations. Contains no habit-forming drugs and can be given with perfect safety.

PRICE 25c PER BOTTLE

A. S. PORTER

If you have dizzy spells, attacks of momentary blindness, with ringing noises in the ears it is an unfailing sign of a torpid liver; a condition which brings on some serious sickness—if neglected. Herbine is a powerful liver tonic. It puts strength and activity into the liver, purifies the bowels and restores a feeling of health, vigor and cheerfulness. Price 50 cents. Sold by A. S. Porter.

Don't Fall Dead

at the meningitis scare, but bring along your clothes and have Clewis to clean press them and you will be out of all danger of microbes.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and paves the way for the more serious diseases that so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

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Below S. E. Howard's.

Chest pains and a dry, hacking cough should be treated with Ballard's Horehound Syrup taken internally, and a Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster applied to the chest. Buy the dollar size Horehound Syrup; you get a Porous Plaster free with each bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter.

Sterling Wilkins of Lovelady will open a tailor shop in this city within the next few days, on the east side of the rail road. He is a married man and has rented rooms from Mrs. Woodard.