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LOCAL NEWS FROM CROCKETT

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Deer and daughter, Mrs. T. S. Adcock, of Belott, passed through Crockett last week enroute Palestine, where they attended court as witnesses for the state vs Jno. Mosier, charged with false swearing.

A meeting of County Teachers Institute was held at Lovelady Friday and Saturday of last week. The attendance was good and the program a most interesting one. The citizens of the town entertained them royally.

Dr. W. B. Collins of Lovelady, the new State Health Officer, recently appointed by Gov. Ferguson, was tendered a banquet by the citizens of his home town Friday night. It was an enjoyable occasion and a fitting tribute to one of the town's most prominent citizens. The refreshments were the choicest that could be obtained in the market, and were most tastefully prepared. County Attorney Dent of this city acted as toast master.

Representative John LeGory came home from Austin the latter part of the week, suffering from an aggravated case of la-grippe. He is still confined to his home, being threatened with pneumonia.

Misses Beulah Ford, Lizzie Rice and Mary Fifer of Latexo and Miss Julia Spence of this city attended the meeting of the Teachers' Institute at Lovelady Saturday.

Mesdames Ed Davis and C. E. Lively of Grapeland were Crockett visitors the latter part of the week, guests of their sister, Mrs. Ney Sheridan.

Hon. Earle Adams, jr. has returned from Palestine where he acted as special counsel for the state in the John Mosier case. Mosier was convicted and given four years, but on recommendation of the jury, sentence was suspended and he was released. Sol Hopkins and his brother,

Clemon, were lodged in jail Saturday by Sheriff Spence and Constable Mortimer, charged with theft of four hogs. Officers claim to have found the meat on the premises. Both parties are colored. No date for an examining trial has been set.

Tax Collector Denny kept open house Sunday in order to give people an opportunity to pay their poll tax. This was not compulsory by law, but in accordance with a recent opinion of the Attorney General of Texas, entirely optional with the Collector. At six o'clock Sunday evening, there had been issued for the year 1914, poll tax receipts 3000; exemption certificates 15. For the year 1913, there was issued 3800 poll tax receipts and 50 exemption certificates. On Saturday, January 30, Mr. Denny collected the neat sum of \$35,000 in taxes.

The Crockett Bottling Works, A. M. Carlton, Prop., has been sold to a company of business men of this city, among whom are G. Q. King, W. A. R. French and C. L. Edmiston. The firm will be incorporated later. A one story brick building is being erected near the wholesale house of Edmiston Bros. on the I. & G. N. Railway. New and up-to-date machinery will be installed and all kinds of soda and mineral waters, bottled. Plant will be in operation within sixty days.

NOTICE FARMERS

We have been requested to announce another meeting for Saturday afternoon at 1:30 at the Cozy theatre, as the last two meetings were rained out. It is important that every farmer who intends to plant peanuts for the market be on hand and turn in the number of acres to the secretary. We must get busy and get some system into this thing, otherwise there is no use to waste our valuable time meeting and "chewing the rag" about nothing. Be prepared Saturday to pledge your acreage.

LIBERTY HILL LOCAL ITEMS

February 1.—We are having some sickness since so much bad weather has set in, but there is a sweet to every bitter and the snow was actually enjoyed by many, especially the school children, instead of causing a frown as all other bad weather does.

The people here are preparing for an early crop. A great many are making hot beds for early vegetables. We wish that one of those A. & M. boys, who have been sent out over the state to organize canning clubs, would come over to this country and tell us about some of those interesting things he knows and about something everyone here would enjoy at this time. (Write to Clarence Ousley, of the extension department of the A. & M. College, College Station, Texas, and if possible he will send a man to your community.—Ed.)

This church here, as well as the whole circuit, is delighted to have Rev. Ed Prather back with us. He was our pastor several years ago. He has improved so much in his sermons and has always been loved by his people and we feel sure he will do a great deal of good here this year.

Randolph Kellum got the contract for the bridge in this community. From the last year the muddy roads we wish would make a continual bridge over them all instead of just over the creeks and branches.

George Moore made a business trip to Alto last week, but says he expects to stay in this country until the roads get better.

A. S. McLeod and Joe Holcomb made a business trip to Crockett last week.

Master Marshall Moore has been real sick, but we are glad to know he is better.

Mrs. Henry Holcomb is gradually improving.

Miss Ruth Johnston, who has been visiting here, has returned to her home in Palestine.

BILLY.

GROCERIES

GIVE US A TRIAL

Just a test order. We can fill your bill in Groceries and feed.

We can supply you with BETTER GROCERIES for LESS MONEY.

We are anxious to serve you.

Highest market price for Butter and Eggs.

Speckle peas, \$1.50 per bushel in trade. Bring us your peas.

THE CASH GROCERY COMPANY

FREE DELIVERY

Phone us Your Orders



Shoes

Shoes

WE FEEL that it is unnecessary to say more than we will have a shipment of shoes this week. Everybody knows that the name "DITTMAN ASSURES THE QUALITY. ... COME IN AND SEE OUR LINE.

McLean & Riall

THE HOME OF DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE
BOTH PHONES FREE DELIVERY

We'll Be Glad To See You

For we have been looking for you to pay us a visit when in town and look over our complete stock. The highest grade of merchandise for the least money.

Wanted

Everybody that is in need of a pair of good work shoes will do well to try a pair of LION BRAND SHOES. They have always been

Found

to give entire satisfaction. You will not be Dead on your feet when night comes, if you walk all day in a pair of these soft and good flexible sole shoes.

In

a pair of shoes bought at our store, there is comfort as well as service. See our line before you buy.

Kennedy Brothers

The Store for Everybody

The Grapeland Bargain House

Gov. Colquitt said that Woodrow Wilson had failed to reduce the high cost of living. If you have more time than money, come to my store and I will reduce the high cost of living for you. Prices for the next 30 days, subject to change.

\$1.00 bucket coffee	75c
\$1.30 worth of roasted peaberry coffee	\$1.00
25c can of coffee	20c
11 bars of Woodchuck soap	25c
Best quality White cooking oil, per gallon	60c
Swift's Jewel Lard, per lb.	8 3 4c
8 packages of Celluloid Starch	25c
Corn meal, per sack	75c
Swift's Dry Salt Bacon, per lb.	13 1 2c
Swift's Smoked Bacon, per lb.	14 1 2c
Karo Syrup, per gallon	40c
Wire Grass Ribbon Cane Syrup	60c
Fresh cabbage, per lb.	3 1 2c
Fresh turnips per bunch	4c
Eupion oil, 5 gallons for	70c
Headlight oil 5 gallons for	55c
Bran and shorts mixed, per sack	\$1.00
Kiln dried corn chops, per sack	\$1.00
Texas Red Oats, per bushel	64c

Shoes, Dry Goods, and Notions, going at a bargain.

My Motto is: "Spot Cash and Small Profits."

W. R. WHERRY

SUFFERED AWFULLY NOW QUITE WELL

**A Lady's Suffering Was So Intense,
That At Times, She Was Unable
To Straighten Her Body.**

Walnut, N. C.—"About 12 years ago," says Mrs. S. W. McClure, of Walnut, "I began to fail in health, getting worse all the time. I wasn't able to do my work, suffering awfully at times with pains in sides, especially the right side, and none of the time was I well.

Sometimes I could not straighten up my body for the intense suffering. I suffered more or less all the time, and was irregular.

As Cardul had helped others, I started trying it. I bought six bottles, and after using two or three bottles, I commenced improving, getting better all the time, until I was entirely well.

I became strong and healthy, gained flesh, weighing 120, being just a shadow when I commenced taking Cardul. My work is a pleasure, and I feel like doing my work since, for the cure was permanent, and I have been well and strong ever since.

Cardul is a fine medicine for suffering women, and I recommend it to all my friends who have womanly trouble.

Thousands of women have written to tell of the help Cardul has been to them. Cardul is a mild female tonic, acting especially on the womanly organs. It has shown itself of great value to sick, weak women. It is surely worth a trial.

Begin taking Cardul today.—Adv.

Proverb Didn't Apply.

Mrs. Brown was in the kitchen helping Nora, the cook, prepare supper. "It's an old saying," she remarked to Nora, "that too many cooks spoil the broth." What do you think?" "Sure, mum," she replied, "there's nothing to worry about. There's only one cook here."—National Monthly.

NO BAKING POWDER MORE WHOLESOME THAN ALUM POWDERS.

Washington, D. C.—Alum baking powders are no more harmful to a person than any other baking powders.

Such is the conclusion of the referee board of consulting scientific experts of the department of agriculture as the result of experiments to determine the influence of aluminum compounds on the nutrition and health of man. The report gives the results of three sets of extensive experiments on human subjects conducted independently by members of the board and was in response to questions put to it by the department of agriculture. The board's report was unanimous and was signed by Ira Remsen, president of Johns Hopkins university, Chairman; Russell H. Crittendon, professor of physiological chemistry in Yale university and director of the Sheffield Scientific school; John H. Long, professor of chemistry in Northwestern university; Alonzo E. Taylor, professor of physiological chemistry in the University of Pennsylvania; and Theobald Smith, professor of comparative pathology in Harvard.

Quite Obvious.

Tramp—It is needless to ask the question, madam. You know what I want.

Lady—Yes, I know what you want badly, but I've only one bar of soap in the house, and the servant is using it. Come again some other time.—London Tit-Bits.

HAIR OR NO HAIR?

It is Certainly Up to You and Cuticura. Trial Free.

Hot shampoos with Cuticura Soap, followed by light dressings of Cuticura Ointment rubbed into the scalp skin tend to clear the scalp of dandruff, soothe itching and irritation and promote healthy hair-growing conditions. Nothing better, cleaner, purer. Sample each free by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. XY, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

In the Trenches.

"In the old days when a soldier went to war he stood some chance of being covered with glory."

"Quite so, but nowadays he merely gets covered with mud."

Hicks' CAPUDINE

CURES HEADACHES AND COLDS
—Easy To Take—Quick Relief.—Adv.

Rather Mixed.

"I don't like that deal you're in."
"Don't worry; you won't be answerable if it's questionable."

Obstinate sores should be cured by Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

There were only two sympathy strikes in Canada last year.

PROCEEDINGS OF TEXAS LEGISLATURE

**BOTH HOUSE AND SENATE BUSILY
ENGAGED OVER PROBLEMS
NOW BEFORE THEM.**

THE REDISTRICTING MEASURE

**Many Bills Have Been Introduced,
Some Acted Upon Favorably, While
Others Have Met With Disfavor.
Much Debating.**

New Bills in the Legislature.

Austin, Tex.—The full crew bill was sent back to committee Monday in the senate and two bills were passed finally.

The Lattimore bill, regulating sale of narcotics, was passed with slight amendment. It reduces the amount of narcotic drugs that may be sold on prescription and forbids physicians to fill their own prescriptions in towns of more than 2,000 population. The original provided that physicians owning drug stores might not fill prescriptions for narcotics in towns or cities of more than 5,000 population.

A bill to regulate pipe lines and creating a petroleum commission was introduced by Senator Bailey of Harris, who offered also the Texas Company bill.

By Mr. Wiley: Requiring the census takers to include all persons between the ages of 7 and 21 years in school districts.

By Messrs. Wiley and Hall: Authorizing the decrease of capital stock of railroads.

By Mr. Hudspeth: Diminishing the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the county court of Sterling county.

By Mr. Hudspeth: Creating Bushel county out of a part of Brewster.

By Mr. Henderson: Two bills exempting flag stations from requirements that railroad stations shall be heated and lighted at stated periods.

By Mr. Robbins: Regulating hotels and apartment houses.

By Mr. Nugent: Providing for the revocation of unsold road bonds by popular vote.

By Mr. Bee: Relating to bonds of county tax collectors.

By Mr. Johnson: Increasing civil jurisdiction of courts of Collingsworth county.

The following bills were introduced in the house:

By Mr. Bruce: Validating all city charters and amendments adopted under the home rule enactment of the thirty-third legislature.

By Mr. Metcalf: Exempting Tom Green, Schleicher and Irion counties from that section of the irrigation law which penalizes persons who allow Johnson grass to go to seed on an irrigation ditch.

By Mr. Vanney: Creating Groesbeck independent school district in Limestone county.

Saturday's House Proceedings.

Austin, Tex.—The following bills were introduced in the house Saturday:

By Mr. Mendell: Revising the sanitary code; similar to the Wiley bill, already in the senate, increasing the number of inspectors to ten.

By Mr. Roach: Permitting the issuance of county road bonds to mature "in serial installments" to be fixed by the county commissioners court.

By Mr. Bryan: Making irrigation district taxes due at a date different from that when state, county and city taxes become due.

By Mr. Beason: Changing the open season for deer from November and December to July 15-Sept. 16.

By Mr. Dayton: Permitting the shooting of doves north of parallel 32 north from Oct. 1 to Jan. 1.

By Mr. Dayton: Permitting the shooting of doves in Cooke county from Oct. 1 to Jan. 1.

By Mr. Dayton: Amending the suspended sentence law so as to make it applicable only to minors.

By Messrs. Bryan and McFarland: Appropriating \$10,000 for the reappraisal of 293,209 acres of school land in Western Texas.

By Messrs. Bryan and McFarland: Permitting the subdivision of state lands now sold in whole sections in Loving, Pecos, Reeves and Ward counties.

Saturday's Senate Proceedings.

Austin, Tex.—Bills were killed quickly Saturday in senate judiciary committee No. 1. A total of ten measures were considered and five adverse reports were returned. There were no hearings and the committeemen acted as soon as they had learned the purposes of the measures.

The bill by Senator Bee regarding the submitting of special issues which has been the subject of several bills was killed because others along the same line had already been given favorable reports.

The Harley bill requiring that the adverse person be represented at the

taking of deposition was given an unfavorable report and notice was given of a favorable minority.

The Johnson bill requiring notices of sale to be published and further regulating public sales was reported adversely.

Senator Connors' measure, increasing the number of causes in which railroads may be required to pay attorney's fees, was given a favorable report.

A bill by Senator Bee relating to taxation of museums and side shows was held out of order, on the ground that as a revenue measure it should have originated in the lower house.

The Redistricting Bill.

Austin, Tex.—Mr. Haney of Wichita county and Mr. Griggs of Runnels, chairman of the house committee on congressional districts, have prepared a congressional redistricting bill that seems to give satisfaction. A remarkable feature is that the committee reported the Haney-Griggs substitute favorably by a unanimous vote, whereas in the last legislature and the one preceding neither the members of the committee nor those appearing before it could reconcile antagonistic ideas of apportionment.

The Haney-Griggs bill makes the following congressional districts:

First—Bowie, Red River, Lamar, Delta, Hopkins, Franklin, Titus, Camp, Morris, Cass, Marion.

Second—Kaufman, Van Zandt, Wood, Upshur, Smith, Gregg, Henderson, Rusk, Harrison.

Third—Panola, Shelby, San Augustine, Sabine, Newton, Jasper, Orange, Jefferson, Hardin, Tyler, Angelina, Nacogdoches, Cherokee.

Fourth—Fannin, Grayson, Collin, Hunt, Rains.

Fifth—Dallas, Ellis, Rockwall.

Sixth—Hill, Navarro, Freestone, Limestone, Robertson, Brazos, Milam.

Seventh—Galveston, Chambers, Liberty, San Jacinto, Polk, Trinity, Houston, Anderson, Leon, Madison, Walker.

Eighth—Harris, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Austin, Waller, Grimes, Montgomery.

Ninth—Fayette, Colorado, Matagorda, Jackson, Lavaca, Gonzales, Guadalupe, De Witt, Victoria, Calhoun.

Tenth—Washington, Burleson, Lee, Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, Williamson.

Eleventh—Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Bosque, McLennan, Falls.

Twelfth—Comanche, Erath, Hood, Somervell, Johnson, Tarrant, Walker.

Thirteenth—Cooke, Denton, Wise, Montague, Clay, Jack, Palo Pinto, Young, Archer, Wichita, Wilbarger, Baylor, Throckmorton.

Fourteenth—Burnet, Llano, Mason, McCulloch, San Saba, Lampasas, Mills, Brown, Coleman, Taylor, Callahan, Eastland, Stephens, Shackelford, Jones.

Fifteenth—Aransas, Refugio, San Patricio, Goliad, Bee, Karnes, Wilson, Bexar, Comal, Kendall, Kerr, Real, Gillespie, Blanco.

In Southwest Texas.

Sixteenth—Cameron, Willacy, Kleberg, Nueces, Jim Wells, Brooks, Hidalgo, Star, Jim Hogg, Zapata, Webb, Duval, Live Oak, McMullen, La Salle, Dimmit, Maverick, Valera, Frio, Atascosa, Medina, Uvalde, Kinney, Bandera.

Seventeenth—Andrews, Martin, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Coke, Sterling, Glasscock, Midland, Ector, Winkler, Loving, Ward, Crane, Upton, Reagan, Irion, Tom Green, Concho, Menard, Schleicher, Crockett, Sutton, Kimble, Edwards, Val Verde, Terrell, Pecos, Reeves, Culberson, El Paso, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Brewster.

Eighteenth—Hardeman, Foard, Haskell, Knox, Fisher, Stonewall, King, Cottle, Childress, Collingsworth, Wheeler, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts, Gray, Donley, Hall, Motley, Dickens, Kent, Scurry, Borden, Garza, Crosby, Floyd, Briscoe, Armstrong, Carson, Hutchinson, Hansford, Sherman, Moore, Potter, Randall, Swisher, Hale, Lubbock, Lynn, Dawson, Gaines, Terry, Hockley, Lamb, Castro, Dallam, Hartley, Oldham, Deaf Smith, Palmer, Bailey, Yoakum, Cochran.

Austin, Tex.—A constitutional amendment for the organization of a new sovereign state out of the four far western and Panhandle districts of Texas, to be called the State of Jefferson; a bill prohibiting certain office holders, such as judges, railroad commissioners, attorney general or comptroller, from becoming a candidate for another office without resigning the office he holds; a constitutional amendment signed by fourteen senators calling for the complete divorce of the University of Texas and the Agricultural and Mechanical College in direct antagonism to the governor's recommendation for a single board of control for both, and a favorable report on Senator Bee's bill giving the railroad commission an emergency appropriation of \$25,000 for the purpose of getting data and making necessary preparations to meet the movement of the railroads asking an increase in freight rates in Texas, were the four leading features of the senate session Thursday and Friday.

STEAMSHIP DACIA IS NOW "ON HER WAY"

**CASE OF THE DACIA HAS BECOME
INTERNATIONALLY FAMOUS
BECAUSE OF DECISION.**

THE CARGO IS FOR GERMANY

**British Admiralty Has Announced the
Steamer Will Be Taken into
Prize Court—Likely to
Be a Test Case.**

Galveston, Tex.—The steamship Dacia put to sea Sunday at noon. Telegraphic orders from her owner to go arrived during the morning and she put to sea a few hours later.

The next development in the case of the Dacia probably will come from the British cruisers reported to have been assigned to take her in tow. Captain McDonald said he would steer the usual course, and would make no effort to avoid anyone. He fully expects to be captured and taken before a prize court, however.

The Dacia will go by way of Norfolk, where she will be taken on a supply of coal sufficient to last for the round trip.

The Dacia carries a cargo of 11,000 bales of cotton, valued at \$880,000, and which has been sold for \$80 per bale, or 16c per pound, laid down in Bremen. The Dacia cleared for Rotterdam, from where the cotton will be transhipped. The cargo is insured by the United States government bureau at 5 per cent upon a valuation of \$750,000. The hull, upon which insurance was denied by the government, has been covered by a policy, understood to have been executed abroad, at 20 per cent upon a valuation of \$165,000.

The case of the Dacia has become internationally famous because of the recently announced decision by the British admiralty to stop the steamer and take her into a prize court, on the allegation that the sale of the vessel by the Hamburg-American line to her present owner was not a bona fide one. All preparations have been made by the owner of the vessel to protect his interests in a prize court. The hatches of the vessel were sealed by the collector of customs in Galveston, and Captain McDonald carries a certificate to the effect that the vessel carries no contraband of war.

Not only Great Britain, but France as well, have given the American government their views on changes of registry in connection with various phases of the questions that have developed since the outbreak of the war with the seizing of the Brindilla and the purchase of the Dacia, which sailed Sunday from Galveston on a test voyage with a noncontraband cargo for a neutral port. But in accordance with diplomatic usage the state department does not consider that anything that may have been said by foreign governments in special cases of transfer of flag or on the general subject applies to the purposes of the pending bill, because the United States government would be a party to the transaction, whereas, in all previous cases considered, private individuals alone have figured.

While no formal expressions have come from Great Britain or France or Russia, it is believed in many well informed quarters that an equal distribution of the American government's purchases among British, French, German and Austrian ships would not meet with serious objection by the belligerents.

The case of the Dacia, while different from that of purchases proposed by the bill in so far as the American government would become a party to the transaction in the proposed law, is nevertheless a test of the right of change of flag after the outbreak of hostilities.

Great Britain admittedly has declared many such changes as legal and her ruling in prize court on the Dacia case will constitute an important precedent on which other governments will argue in the future.

Kills Wife and Takes Poison.

Houston, Tex.—Mrs. Lorena Beresford Snyder was found dead early Thursday morning in her room at the Baptist sanitarium, where she had been a patient since Jan. 18. Her head had been nearly severed from her body; there were several deep knife stabs in her back and chest and one arm was badly cut. On the bed in the same room was her husband, Ward S. Snyder, oil operator of Pittsburg, Pa., and son of a wealthy man of that city. He had taken poison.

Italian Reserves Called to Colors.

Rome.—A royal decree has been issued calling to the colors the Italian soldiers of the first category, born in 1888 and belonging to the field artillery, and also the Alpine troops and the soldiers of the third category, born in 1891, 1892, 1893 and 1894, belonging to the Alpine troops.

FRUIT LAXATIVE FOR SICK CHILD

**"California Syrup of Figs" can't
harm tender stomach,
liver and bowels.**

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs" that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without gripping.

When cross, irritable, feverish, or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue, mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleaning" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Adv.

Requisite for Optimism.

"What are the qualifications for membership in your international optimist club?" asked the philanthropist's friend.

"Well, in the first place, you've got to speak English with an American accent."

RESINOL STOPS DANDRUFF AND LOSS OF HAIR

If you are troubled with dandruff, eczema or other scaly, itching scalp affection, try shampoos with resinol soap and an occasional treatment with resinol ointment. You will be surprised how quickly the trouble disappears and the health and beauty of the hair improves.

Resinol soap and ointment also heal skin-eruptions, clear away pimples and blackheads, and form a most valuable household treatment for sunburn, heat-rash, etc. Sold by all druggists. Prescribed by doctors for 20 years.—Adv.

It is a wonderful help to our education to pass on to others that which we have learned. There is no impression without expression.—E. Hovey.

Deep cuts should be healed by Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Somehow or other it is always easier to make a mistake than to own up to it.

Wall flowers are society girls who have been nipped in the bud.



Neuralgia

There is no need to suffer the annoying, excruciating pain of neuralgia; Sloan's Liniment laid on gently will soothe the aching head like magic. Don't delay. Try it at once.

Hear What Others Say

"I have been a sufferer with Neuralgia for several years and have tried different liniments, but Sloan's Liniment is the best Liniment for Neuralgia on earth. I have tried it successfully; it has never failed."—F. H. Williams, Augusta, Ark.

Mrs. Ruth C. Claypool, Independence, Mo., writes: "A friend of ours told us about your Liniment. We have been using it for 13 years and think there is nothing like it. We use it on everything, sores, cuts, burns, bruises, sore throat, headaches and on everything else. We can't get along without it. We think it is the best Liniment made."

SLOAN'S LINIMENT

is the best remedy for rheumatism, backache, sore throat and sprains.

At all dealers, 25c.
Send four cents in stamps for a TRIAL BOTTLE

Dr. Earl S. Sloan, Inc.
Dept. B. Philadelphia, Pa.

TEXAS NEWS

In Texas live stock can be grazed the year round.

There are 417,000 farms in Texas averaging 269 acres each.

Snow covered the ground at many points in Texas last week.

The cheese factory at Berclair, Texas, is meeting with great success.

The oil tug Thelma G was destroyed by fire at Orange a few days ago.

The South Texas Life Underwriters' Association was organized in Houston Friday.

Rice farmers of the Dayton (Texas) district have commenced their spring plowing.

The money order business has been resumed with nearly all Europe from Houston.

Fire at Mineral Wells a few days ago destroyed about \$26,000 worth of property.

The Italians in Texas have raised relief funds for the earthquake sufferers in Italy.

Hempstead watermelon growers plan to increase the acreage of that crop this year.

The State of Texas under a diversified system of farming will feed the entire country.

County roads are being improved in the vicinity of Palestine by the split log drag system.

Work has been started on the Velasco approach to the Brazos river bridge at Velasco.

The Texas farmer has an opportunity to sell something from his farm every week in the year.

D. A. O'Brien, secretary of the Brownsville chamber of commerce, has resigned that position.

Pork, beef, poultry, milk and eggs can be produced in Texas at less cost than in the Northern states.

Secretary of Commerce William C. Redfield visited Houston and several other Texas cities last week.

D. F. Snyder of Austin has been appointed state chemist in the pure food and drug department at Austin.

A hot water well has been brought in at Kennedy, Texas, with a temperature of 125 degrees Fahrenheit.

Filling a contract for 3,000 army horses is now on between a Greek commission and local dealers of Fort Worth.

Several hundred men and teams have resumed work on construction of good roads in the Temple (Texas) road district.

It is asserted that the club women of Texas are concentrating efforts to secure the passage of a compulsory education law.

One form of diversification which will be adopted by the Washington county farmers for 1915 will be cucumber raising.

Plans have been made for the formation of a permanent organization to stage yearly the Gulf Coast Midwinter Fair at Corpus Christi.

The Southern Pacific railroad has decided to extend its line from Beville to Fowlerton, whereby a through line to Mexico via Eagle Pass will be provided.

A \$100,000 varnish factory will be built at San Antonio and the varnish will be manufactured from a raw gum called litchyol found in the rocks of Burnet county.

The natural advantages, soil and climate in Texas are superior to the Northern states. More kinds of crops can be grown on Texas soil and greater yields obtained.

The American oil tanker Gulflight, flying the stars and stripes and with a full American or neutral crew, left Texas City Sunday with 10,000 bales of cotton for Bremen.

The "jitney" automobile service at Galveston has been declared a failure.

CALOMEL WHEN BILIOUS? NO! STOP! ACTS LIKE DYNAMITE ON LIVER

I Guarantee "Dodson's Liver Tone" Will Give You the Best Liver and Bowel Cleansing You Ever Had—Doesn't Make You Sick!

Stop using calomel! It makes you sick. Don't lose a day's work. If you feel lazy, sluggish, bilious or constipated, listen to me! Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you feel "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour just try a spoonful of harmless **Dodson's Liver Tone**.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store or dealer and get a 50-cent bottle of **Dodson's Liver Tone**. Take a

spoonful and if it doesn't straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. **Dodson's Liver Tone** is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it cannot salivate or make you sick. I guarantee that one spoonful of **Dodson's Liver Tone** will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of **Dodson's Liver Tone** will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

WHERE HE WAS HANDICAPPED

Good Reasons Why Smith Could Not Take the Advice Offered Him by the Father.

An amused smile floated over the features of Congressman James A. Hughes of West Virginia the other evening when reference at a dinner was made to the misunderstandings of married life. He said that he was reminded of the case of Smith.

The home life of the Smiths was not always one of roses and sweet singing. One afternoon the elder Smith on calling at his son's home found his daughter-in-law in tears, and on asking why was told the usual story.

"John," sternly remarked the elder Smith some time later, "why are you always quarreling with your wife?"

"Because," was the prompt response of son John, "she is always arguing with me."

"I see," returned father. "You make the mistake of getting angry. Why don't you explain to her in a calm, gentle tone of voice wherein she is wrong?"

"That's the trouble," answered John, with a prolonged sigh. "She is never wrong."

GIRLS! GIRLS! TRY IT, BEAUTIFY YOUR HAIR

Make It Thick, Glossy, Wavy, Luxuriant and Remove Dandruff—Real Surprise for You.

Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a "Dandarine hair cleanse." Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Dandarine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt and excessive oil and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair.

Besides beautifying the hair at once, Dandarine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp, forever stopping itching and falling hair.

But what will please you most will be after a few weeks' use when you will actually see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair and lots of it, surely get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Dandarine from any store and just try it. Adv.

Good Reason.
"Here's a new book called 'Cinders.'"
"I suppose the author wants to be in everybody's eye."

GROUND ITCH (THE CAUSE OF HOOKWORM) CURED

Also sweet sleep and quick relief from that itching, burning sensation by using **Tetterine**, a wonderful remedy for eczema, tetter, ground itch, erysipelas, dandruff and all other forms of skin diseases. It keeps the skin healthy. Mrs. Thomas Thompson of Clarksville, Ga., writes: "I suffered 15 years with tormenting eczema; had the best doctors to prescribe; but nothing did me any good until I got **Tetterine**. It cured me. I am so thankful." Thousands of others can testify to similar cures.

Tetterine at druggists or by mail for 50c by J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga. Adv.

Conquer thyself. Till thou hast done that thou art a slave; for it is almost as well to be in subjection to another's appetite as thine own. —Burton.

His Idea.

Bill—This paper says that the first electric locomotive ever used on an English railroad will be imported from Germany.

Jill—Perhaps they're going to carry it over in a Zeppelin and drop it.

QUIT MEAT IF KIDNEYS BOTHER AND USE SALTS

Take a Glass of Salts Before Breakfast if Your Back is Hurting or Bladder is Irritated.

If you must have your meat every day, eat it, but flush your kidneys with salts occasionally, says a noted authority who tells us that meat forms uric acid which almost paralyzes the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaken, then you suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach sours, tongue is coated and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To neutralize these irritating acids, to cleanse the kidneys and flush out the body's urinous waste get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acids of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize the acids in urine, so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure, and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink.—Adv.

Byplay Minstrels.

"Mister Interlocutor, can you tell me the difference between an Irish soldier and a Scotch soldier when fighting in the trenches with the allies?"

"No, Mr. Bones, I cannot. Will you elucidate the difference?"

"One says he is kilt with the cold and the other says he is cold with the kilt."

Home Medicine Chest.

Keep your medicines in one place, out of reach of children. Be sure to have Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh on hand for emergency use. It should take the fire out of burns, heal cuts, remove soreness and be worth many times over its cost. Adv.

Appropriate Name.

"What do you call this vine on your wall?"

"I call it the bouncer vine."

"Why do you give it such a name as that?"

"Because it is always throwing out suckers."

—Take CAPUDINE—

For HEADACHES and GRIPP. It's Liquid—Prompt and Pleasant.—Adv.

Made a Poor Choice.

Heck—in what state were you married?

Peck—in a state of mental irresponsibility.

Nothing equals Dean's Mentholated Cough Drops for Bronchial weakness, sore chests, and throat troubles.—5c at all Druggists.

England now has 1,500,000 surplus women.

ADOPTED THE IDEA AT ONCE

Proposed Change in Knitting Plans Met Enthusiastic Approbation of the Debutante.

A bud of the season who well deserved the name was puckering her pretty brows over a piece of gray woolen knitting. "What are you making, Dorothy?" a friend asked her.

"I don't know. It was going to be a scarf and I had 50 stitches on my needle to begin with and now there are 90. However can it go on getting so much wider? Now they tell me that I ought to make it two and a half yards long and I simply cannot carry the dirty thing around with me that long."

"Yes," said her friend sympathetically, "I can't bear those dirty gray things, so I made a darling little pink one."

"But that won't do for a soldier."

"I know it, so I sent it for some little Belgian child. It's far more entertaining than those awful things you're doing."

"What a perfectly lovely idea! I am going to throw this away and make a blue one for a little Belgian baby. Won't that be cute?"

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of **CASTORIA**, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. H. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Passed Up.

"How did the poker scene in the play go?"

"Never got a hand."

RUB-MY-TISM

Will cure your Rheumatism and all kinds of aches and pains—Neuralgia, Cramps, Colic, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts, Old Sores, Burns, etc. Antiseptic Anodyne. Price 25c.—Adv.

Some people are born polite and some acquire the habit of telling white lies.

WHY GRIP IS DANGEROUS.



It requires a good tonic laxative to keep the body of the patient as strong as possible to counteract the effect of the poisons created by the grip bacillus. An expectorant tonic with some laxative qualities is the safest remedy. Such is **Peruna**.

Mrs. Gentry Gates, 8219 First Ave., East Lake, Ala., writes: "I had a bad case of grip. I tried **Peruna** and it cured me. I can safely say it is a fine medicine."

Mr. George E. Law, 134 N. Franklin St., Bristol, Ind., writes: "I am satisfied that **Peruna** is a wonderful remedy for grip, and I do most heartily endorse and recommend it."

BLACK LEG LOGS SORELY PREVENTED by Cutter's Blacking Pills. Low priced, fresh, reliable; preferred by peddlers everywhere because they protect where other vaccines fail. Write for booklet and testimonials. 10-dose pkg. Blacking Pills \$1.00. 20-dose pkg. Blacking Pills 4.00. Use any injector, but Cutter's best. The superiority of Cutter products is due to over 12 years of specializing in vaccines and serums only. Insist on Cutter's. If unavailable, order direct THE CUTLER LABORATORY, Berkeley, California.

Texas Directory

GENERAL HARDWARE AND SUPPLIES
Contractors' Supplies, Builders' Hardware, Etc. Prices and Information furnished on request
PEDEN IRON & STEEL CO.
HOUSTON SAN ANTONIO

Ladies' Gloves

Cleaned for 10c a pair
Add 2 cents for return postage.
We are experienced cleaners, dyers and pressors.
We pay return charges on orders of \$1.00 or over.
THE PAINTBORER COMPANY, Inc., HOUSTON, TEX.

McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY

Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of male and female detectives in the South. 30 years' experience. No charge for answering questions or letters. Rates on application.

Sick Women Made Well

Reliable evidence is abundant that women are constantly being restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

The many testimonial letters that we are continually publishing in the newspapers—hundreds of them—are all genuine, true and unsolicited expressions of heartfelt gratitude for the freedom from suffering that has come to these women solely through the use of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound**.

Money could not buy nor any kind of influence obtain such recommendations; you may depend upon it that any testimonial we publish is honest and true—if you have any doubt of this write to the women whose true names and addresses are always given, and learn for yourself.

Read this one from Mrs. Waters:

CAMDEN, N.J.—"I was sick for two years with nervous spells, and my kidneys were affected. I had a doctor all the time and used a galvanic battery, but nothing did me any good. I was not able to go to bed, but spent my time on a couch or in a sleeping-chair, and soon became almost a skeleton. Finally my doctor went away for his health, and my husband heard of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** and got me some. In two months I got relief and now I am like a new woman and am at my usual weight. I recommend your medicine to every one and so does my husband."—Mrs. TILLIE WATERS, 530 Mechanic Street, Camden, N.J.

From Hanover, Penn.

HANOVER, PA.—"I was a very weak woman and suffered from bearing down pains and backache. I had been married over four years and had no children. **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** proved an excellent remedy for it made me a well woman. After taking a few bottles my pains disappeared, and we now have one of the finest boy babies you ever saw."—Mrs. C. A. RICKARDS, R.F.D., No. 5, Hanover, Pa.

Now answer this question if you can. Why should a woman continue to suffer without first giving **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** a trial? You know that it has saved many others—why should it fail in your case?

For 30 years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been the standard remedy for female ills. No one sick with woman's ailments does justice to herself if she does not try this famous medicine made from roots and herbs, it has restored so many suffering women to health. Write to **LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICINE CO. (CONFIDENTIAL) LYNN, MASS.**, for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.



You Look Prematurely Old

Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA OREOLE" HAIR DRESSING. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

Entered in the Postoffice at Grapeland, Texas, very Thursday as Second Class Mail Matter.

Subscribers ordering a change of address should give the old as well as the new address.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE—Obituaries and Resolutions of Respect are printed for half price—2-1-2c per line. Other matter "not news" charged at regular rates.

Our advertising rates are reasonable and quoted upon application.

OUR PURPOSE—It is the purpose of the Messenger to record accurately, simply and interestingly the social, intellectual, industrial and political progress of Grapeland and Houston county. To aid us in this every citizen should give us his moral and financial support.

SUBSCRIPTION — IN ADVANCE

1 YEAR-----	\$1.00
6 MONTHS---	.50
3 MONTHS---	.25

THURSDAY, FEB. 4, 1915

BREAKDOWN

Last Wednesday night while running out some large sales bills for J. J. Brooks, an accident happened to our press, which for the time being, put it entirely out of commission. But that did not interfere with us in delivering the circulars on time, for the form was placed on the train and sent to Crockett and the job finished on the Courier's press. Of course it was some extra expense and trouble, but we wanted to sustain our reputation for giving our patrons good service. The press has been fixed so that it will do for the present, but with a growing community like this, it is only a question of time until we will be forced to install a new and better press to care for increased business. In fact, we are figuring on putting in this new press now while times are quiet, so we will have plenty of time to install it and learn how to operate it and be prepared to take care of the business that is coming to us next fall when a great wave of prosperity is coming our way. We have faith in the future, and the little old panic that is now on does not scare us in the least, regardless of the fact that some of our advertisers and subscribers have quit us for the time being to "cut expenses." It's our policy to stay with the old ship, and we feel that when a business man stops his ad to cut expenses, or a subscriber stops his paper because he can't afford it, is doing the local paper a great injustice.

If a newspaper is worth anything to a community—and intelligent people admit that it is—then it is worthy of support of the people three hundred and sixty-five days in the year. In other words, no matter what happens, the local paper is always "on the job" boosting and working for the best interests of the community as a whole, and we believe it is the unbounded duty of every citizen to give it his moral and financial support.

The records of the post-office disclose the fact that during the month of January a total of \$1,400 left this community for other points, over one-half of the amount going to a certain mail order concern that has a branch house in Dallas. People have a right to spend their money where they please and they usually spend it where they can get the best bargains. They spend their money with mail order houses because they believe they are getting a bargain, when in fact, they could get a better class of goods right here at home from

GROWING SWEET POTATOES

BY W. R. DURNELL

Having had a number of requests for information in regard to the most suitable fertilizers for growing sweet potatoes, I will submit the following: As soils differ a great deal in formation, no set rule would apply to all localities. Potatoes are not very hard on land and a very good yield can be made on common soil without fertilizing, but we can't think it would be economy to put any kind of crop on poor land and give it the same cultivation that would be necessary to grow the same crop on soil that would produce possibly twice as much. Nothing yields to good soil treatment quicker than the potato and yet making the soil too rich is worse than too poor. Most of our soils here that have been in cultivation as long as four or five years needs vegetable matter more than it does plant food. Vegetable matter is a soil builder, while plant food only lasts until it is either used by the plant or drawn out by the action of heat and moisture and evaporates in the air. Therefore, we cannot expect to get results from plant food for a great period of time. The results of the experiments that I have carried out show that where land has been cultivated as long as five or six years that a liberal supply of stable manure well rotted (about 20 good loads to the acre) will give good results. A good plan for applying this is to break the land to a depth of about six inches in the winter and just before planting time list it pretty deep and apply about five hundred pounds to a row 70 yards in length. For better results there should also be added about five pounds of acid phosphate to each row. Placing the manure deep in the row is very important because the roots will naturally stay with the fertilizer and

should it be put shallow a few weeks drouth would prove disastrous to the crop. Another reason why this should be done is because the tubers will all be in the row instead of from middle to middle as is the case where the manure is put broad cast, and are easy to harvest, the only plow needed being a good big lister and something able to pull it. We do not agree with the advocates of high beds as they dry quicker and burst and expose the tubers worse than a flat bed. Potatoes should never be set just after a big rain but wait until the ground is dry enough that it won't bake around the plants and exclude the air from the roots. Most everyone has seen slips that had turned yellow after setting out which was caused by the ground being too wet.

Should it be necessary to cultivate potatoes after they begin to vine great care should be exercised and the cultivation should be very shallow. The place most people make serious mistakes is in handling them after they are made. They should be handled in such a manner as not to bruise them at all, as they begin drying from that time on and by spring most of them that are seriously bruised will be affected so much with dry rot that they will be of little value.

We believe that there is going to be more potatoes raised in Houston county in 1915 than has for many years past, but the big trouble will be securing a satisfactory market.

We wish to encourage the raising of such things as we can use, but we also want to sound a note of warning to the man who intends to go heavy on such crops as potatoes, that it's one thing to grow them and another to sell them.

their local merchants. But they do not know perhaps, they can do this, because a glance through our advertising columns reveals the fact that very few merchants in this town are carrying advertising. Those who do, however, are not complaining so much of hard times. The mail order house places a catalogue in the hands of their prospective patrons, profusely illustrated, describing the goods thoroughly and quoting a price. Of course it is out of the question for a local merchant to issue a catalogue and complete in this way, but they can and should advertise their goods thoroughly in the local paper, which covers their trade territory, and is the only medium through which they can head off the mail order houses, and just why so many merchants are indifferent to their own welfare is a thing we cannot understand. When we approach them for an ad the invariable reply is, "O, times are too hard to advertise. There is no money in the country." That is rot. There is money in the country, but the mail order houses are getting it because they are going after it and the local merchants are consuming their valuable time talking hard times. Better wake up, and take in the situation before it is too late.

Cleanse the bowels and strengthen the liver by using Herbine. It is a fine liver stimulant and bowel regulator. Price 50c. Sold by A. S. Porter, adv

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. Sold by all dealers. adv

CAR OF MILO-MAIZE

I have just received a car of Milo-Maize heads. If you want good feed see me at once, as the price is advancing and this will be cheaper than you can buy it later. J. W. Howard. adv

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 all dealers. adv.

We are requested to announce that Rev. J. E. Bean will preach at Hays Springs next Sunday at 11 o'clock. You are extended a cordial invitation to come out and hear him.

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. Sold by all dealers. adv.

SAN SILK

We have received our big shipment of San Silk and can fill your orders for any amount. We have a big variety of colors for you to select from. Our colors include

White and over a Dozen Different Shades

We also received a big shipment of colored machine thread, silk thread, buttons stickerei trimming, val laces, crochet needles, etc. We shall be glad to have you visit our store.

The Pupils of the Grapeland School

will find a complete line of High School Tablets, Scratch Tablets, Examination Tablets, Composition Tablets, Pencils, etc., at our store.

We have a complete line of Dress Gingham, Shirting, Calico, Cotton Checks and Stripes, Quilt Lining, etc. Pay us a call when you want anything in the Dry Goods Line.

GEORGE E. DARSEY

Arwine Skidmore Editor

Georgia Belle Richards and Beatrice Parker, Asst. Eds.

THE SCHOOL NEWS

Interesting Items of Grapeland's School

Another month has passed and we are still progressing in our school work.

Mr. Jackson attended the institute at Lovelady the latter part of last week.

The Girls' Basket Ball Team met last Friday afternoon and attended to some important business. They are preparing to play some other team. Also the Boys' Basket Ball Team is going to play Belott soon.

Our Society meets on the evening of February 12, and the following program will be carried out:

Recitation by Perlina Spence. Jokes by Georgia Belle Richards.

Society Paper by Ora Ward. Story by Arline Howard.

Debate: Resolved, that the execution of Mary, Queen of Scots was justified. Affirmative: Arwine Skidmore, Ross Brock and Beatrice Parker. Negative: Clarence McCarty, Lewis Riall Yarbrough and Mamie Kennedy.

Harry Richards was absent Monday and Tuesday. Also Lucile Hill and Sam Hague were absent a few days.

Little Miss Mary Sam Howard visited the primary grades Monday.

The ninth and tenth grades have charge of the chapel exercises this week, and we can assure you that we are going to do our best.

Misses Hollingsworth and Campbell are going to be with us Wednesday, during the

chapel exercises and we are going to practice on some new songs.

Open program for Feb. 19: Song by Junior Glee Club. Reading—Miss Campbell. Piano Duet—Misses Kent and Haltom.

Recitation—Lucindy Darsey. Song—Glee Club.

Debate—To be arranged. Society Doin's—Miss Arline Howard.

Robert Sadler and Balis Edens were absent Monday.

After Many Years

J. L. Southers, Eau Claire, Wis., writes: "Years ago I wrote you in regard to great results I obtained from Foley Kidney Pills. After all these years I have never had a return of those terrible backaches or sleepless nights. I am permanently cured." Men and women, young and old, find this reliable remedy relieves rheumatism, backache, stiff joints and ills caused by weak or diseased kidneys or bladder. For sale by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

GREAT NATIONAL EVENT

Celebration of Washington's Birthday and Fiestas, Laredo, Feb. 20-23. I. & G. N. Popular Low Rate Excursions. Tickets on sale Feb. 20, 21 and 22; return limit Feb. 25. For fares, schedules, etc. see ticket agent I. & G. N. Ry. adv

LOCAL NEWS

Groceries at Howard's. adv
New spring samples arrived. adv
Clewis.

C. H. Beazley of Crockett was a Grapeland visitor Monday.

Legal blanks on sale at the Messenger office.

Arthur Walton of Crockett was here Sunday.

See Clewis' new spring samples. They are beauties. adv

W. C. Vickers was a visitor to Lovelady Sunday.

Pure ribbon cane syrup at adv
Howard's.

W. H. Long of Augusta was transacting business here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gainey of the San Pedro community are the happy parents of twin boys.

Prof. J. L. Jackson attended the local teachers institute at Lovelady Saturday.

See Wherry for the famous PETERS SHOES. New stock just arrived. adv

Roy Brewton has purchased the Chas. Lively farm south-east of town, near Myrtle Lake.

Mrs. W. F. West, who has been visiting at Crockett, came in Monday and went to her home at Reynard.

FOR SALE—Best strain Banded Plymouth Rock eggs. \$1.00 per setting of 15.
adv. Mrs. C. L. Haltom.

Miss Rial Hollingsworth has returned home from Colorado City, where she has been visiting for several weeks.

Laney Johnston came in Sunday from points in western Texas, where he has been for several months.

Tab Sadler of Palestine spent Sunday here with his brother, Claude. Mr. Sadler is an old Grapeland boy who has forged his way in the world and made good. He is at present tax assessor of Anderson county.

BIDS WANTED

I want bids to build a bridge in the Rock Hill community by next Saturday, February 6. See me for specifications.

G. R. MURCHISON,
adv. Commissioner.

Colds and Croup in Children

Many people rely on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy implicitly in cases of colds and croup, and it never disappoints them. Mrs. E. H. Thomas, Logansport, Ind., writes: "I have found Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be the best medicine for colds and croup I have ever used and never tire of recommending it to my neighbors and friends. I have always given it to my children when suffering from croup, and it has never failed to give relief." For sale by all dealers. adv

Dr. W. D. McCarty went to Palestine Monday.

Call at Howard's for new garden seeds, onion sets, and seed Irish potatoes. adv

A WOMAN HUNG

Around her husband's neck and made him promise her he would buy his spring suit from Clewis. adv

The Messenger can save you money on your newspaper and magazine subscriptions. We take subscriptions for almost any magazine published. Give us your order.

How to Prevent Bilious Attacks

"Coming events cast their shadows before." This is especially true of bilious attacks. Your appetite will fail, you will feel dull and languid. If you are subject to bilious attacks take three of Chamberlain's Tablets as soon as these symptoms appear and the attack may be warded off. For sale by all dealers. adv

FOR SALE

What young man or young lady wants to take a business course in the Tyler Commercial College? We have a scholarship for sale, which we will dispose of at a discount. If interested see us at once. The Messenger.

Recognized Advantages

You will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has recognized advantages over most medicines in use for coughs and colds. It does not suppress a cough but loosens and relieves it. It aids expectoration and opens the secretions, which enables the system to throw off a cold. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. It contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. For sale by all dealers. adv

MUST HAVE HELP

Uncle Sam says he must have help. He wants stenographers for his office in Washington, and throughout many of the Southern States, at entrance salaries of from \$840 to \$1200 per annum. He has some vacancies in his Philippine offices and in Panama, for which he pays an entrance salary of \$1200 to \$1500 per year. He advances on merit, if you are competent you will soon draw a most attractive salary and only work from 9 a. m. until 4:30 p. m., with thirty days' vacation during the year with pay. Five different examinations were held here in our City during the past year by the Civil Service Department, to secure help for the Government. Special letters were received by our school, urging that our graduates take these examinations. We prepare students to pass examinations for several departments for Government work.

Owing to America being the great department store of the world during the European war, Uncle Sam will need far more help this year than ever before. Young men and women, ambitious to succeed should give this Civil Service work prompt and serious consideration. The position is certain, the salary good and the pay sure.

Business men desiring efficient office help, bookkeepers, stenographers, secretaries or operators, at salaries in keeping with the quality of service rendered, should phone or write us just the kind of help they want and we will take particular pains in selecting it, either from students just graduating or from former graduates who are desiring advancement. We have an enrollment of more than two thousand per year, and ten thousand former students from which to select just the kind of help you want. We have an expert in charge of our Employment Department who will take special interest in serving you without charge.

Those interested in preparing for either Government or Commercial positions, phone us at our expense, or write us for particulars. Catalogue free. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas. adv

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. adv

Five Cents Proves It

A Generous Offer: Cut out this ad, enclose with 5 cents to Foley & Co., Chicago, Ill., and they will send you our trial packages of Foley's Honey & Tar Compound for coughs, colds, croup, bronchial and lagrippe coughs; Foley Kidney Pills and Foley Cathartic Tablets. For sale in your town by D. N. Leaverton. adv

WHEN YOUR BACK ACHES

It is a sure sign that something is wrong with your kidneys, you should take

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

IT IS A POWERFUL KIDNEY REMEDY

It is a kidney tonic and liver stimulant of the highest order. It relieves the strain on the suffering kidneys, puts new life in the torpid liver, helps digestion, eases the aching back and makes you feel well and strong again.

Sold by Dealers in Medicine.

Price \$1.00 per Bottle

Prickly Ash Bitters Co., Proprietors, St. Louis, Mo.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS

A 20th Century Drug Store

Stands for PURE DRUGS, CHEMICALS and STANDARD PATENT MEDICINES

The best in TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUMES, CANDIES and CIGARS

Care in every detail in filling PRESCRIPTIONS by a careful and competent PHARMACIST

We take Pleasure in extending to you the SERVICE that the 20th Century Demands.

D. N. Leaverton

Prescription Druggist

NEW SPRING SAMPLES

In a wide range of varieties and styles. Let us show you the different lines. Prices reasonable.

M. L. CLEWIS, The Tailor

Hurry!

Time is fastly flying, and it waits for no one. Our great Sacrifice Sale is in full blast and it is to your advantage to grasp this opportunity to save

Money

J. J. Brooks East Side

Tightness in the Chest, Irritation in the Throat and a Dry Hacking Cough means a miserable night for the whole family.

BALLARD'S Horehound Syrup

Is An Effective Remedy for the Throat and Lungs.

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.

Put Up in Three Sizes, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per Bottle.

Buy the Dollar size. It contains five times as much as the 25c size, and you get with each bottle a Dr. Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest.

JAMES F. BALLARD

PROPRIETOR

ST. LOUIS, MO.

For Sore Eyes, Granulated Lids, Redness of the Eyeball, Weak Sight, Smarting Sensations in the Eyes, use Stephens Eye Salve. It is a remedy of proven merit.

SOLD AND RECOMMENDED BY

A. S. PORTER, DRUGGIST

"CASCARETS" ACT ON LIVER; BOWELS

No sick headache, biliousness, bad taste or constipation by morning.

Get a 10-cent box. Are you keeping your bowels, liver, and stomach clean, pure and fresh with Cascarets, or merely forcing a passageway every few days with Salts, Cathartic Pills, Castor Oil or Purgative Waters?

Stop having a bowel wash-day. Let Cascarets thoroughly cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour and fermenting food and fowl gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out of the system all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

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GOD ALWAYS IN HUMANITY

Impossible to imagine the Time When He Will Withdraw His Presence From Us.

So long as there be in the human heart one fiber to vibrate at the sound of that which is true and just and honorable, so long as the instinctively pure soul prefers purity to life, so long as there be found friends of truth ready to sacrifice their peace in the cause of science, friends of righteousness to devote themselves to holy and useful works of mercy, womanly hearts to love whatever is good, beautiful and pure, artists to render it by sound and color and words of inspiration—so long God will dwell within us.

It could only be when egotism, meanness of soul, narrowness of mind, indifference to knowledge, contempt for human rights, forgetfulness of that which is great and noble, invaded the world—it could only be then that God would be in humanity no more. But far from us be thoughts like these! Our aspirations, our sufferings, our very faults and terrors, are the proof that the ideal lives in us. Yes, human life is still something divine! Our apparent negations are often nothing more than the scruples of timid minds that fear to pass beyond the limits of their knowledge. They are a worthier homage to the Divinity than the hypocritical adoration of a spirit given over to routine. God is still within us, est Deus in nobis—Reman.

Not Wanted.

"I have a friend who would like to get in touch with you."
"Excuse me; my own friends' touch is about as much as I can afford."

OUR NATIONAL DISEASE Caused by Coffee.

Physicians know that drugs will not correct the evils caused by coffee and that the only remedy is to stop drinking it.

An Arkansas doctor says: "I was a coffee drinker for many years and often thought that I could not do without it, but after years of suffering with our national malady, dyspepsia, I attributed it to the drinking of coffee, and after some thought, determined to use Postum for my morning drink."

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The cost per cup of both kinds is about the same.

"There's a Reason" for Postum. —sold by Grocers

REPORT OF AERIAL RAID MAKES LONDON DARK

INHABITANTS OF ENGLAND'S CAPITAL KEEP THEMSELVES HIDDEN FOR HOURS.

NEWS FROM BATTLE LINES

The Russians Are Reported to Be Progressing at Many Points—German Submarines Sent to Bottom Several English Coasting Steamers.

Latest War News to Date.

The batteries protecting Dover opened fire Monday night on what is thought to have been another German raid, either by Zeppelins or submarines.

An early report from Dover said that five hostile airships were observed over that town, while a later report announced that they had been driven off by the gun fire of the forts.

Another Dover message declared that the fire had been directed at German submarines.

As a consequence the war department instructed the London police to make all preparations for an air raid. The city was soon in darkness and everywhere the news spread that a Zeppelin fleet was on its way to the metropolis. Telephone calls to Harwich, Cromer, South End, Kings Lynn, Yarmouth and other points elicited the reply that no air raiders had been seen. The report of submarines at Dover seemed to explain the gun firing there.

The toll taken by the German submarine U-21 in its raid Saturday in the Irish sea in the vicinity of Liverpool still stands at three ships—the steamers Ben Cruachen, Linda Blanche and the Kilcoan, the latter a small vessel. The crew of the Kilcoan was landed on the Isle of Man Sunday by a coast-wise steamer.

In addition, a German submarine also has torpedoed two British steamers in the English channel near Havre—the Tokomaru and the Icaria.

The Irish sea raider easily made her escape and shipping interests, confident that she has returned to her base, has ordered a resumption of normal traffic.

This underwater Emden is the same vessel which last September torpedoed in the North sea the British cruiser Pathfinder with a loss of 246 lives and later destroyed two British steamers off Havre. She found numerous vessels in the waters to which she has confined her activities. In addition to the three vessels she is known to have sunk, at least five other steamers were chased by her. These include the steamer Graphic with 100 passengers and a crew of forty and the smaller boats Atrous, Ava, Kathleen and Endymion. All these vessels escaped in zigzag flight.

The Graphic's captain had his passengers don life belts and sent all the members of the crew to the stokehold so that the steamer could keep up a full head of steam in flight. The captain also took the precaution to warn by wireless vessels from coming into the zone of the submarine's activity.

The Allan line steamer Scandinavian from St. John, N. B., Jan. 22, for Liverpool, with 500 passengers on board, learned of the raid of the U-21 and put into Queenstown. After remaining in Queenstown for a short time the steamer proceeded for Liverpool.

For the fourth time since the beginning of the war the Carpathian mountains between Dukla and Wyszok passes is the scene of a pitched battle. Previous battles were between Russian and Austro-Hungarians, but in that which is developing the Austrians and the Hungarians have the assistance of the German armies and are assuming a vigorous offensive.

Despite this the Russian reports assert that the preliminary fighting has turned to the advantage of Russia, and that prisoners and guns have been captured.

Simultaneously the Austro-Germans are concentrating armies in the mountains between Bukovina and Transylvania to prevent an attempt by the Russians to outflank them, and on the Roumanian and Serbian frontiers to check any effort of the armies of those countries to take a hand in the fighting, upon the result of which is staked much.

These forces are ready to pour into Serbia, but are prevented from moving by the floods.

The Russians are also pushing their offensive in East Prussia, while the Germans continue their attack on the Russian positions in Central Poland. These operations, however, are secondary to the battle in the Carpathians, the outcome of which is likely to have a marked effect on the future operations of the war.

No Compromise

You must conquer Stomach Ills at once if you would retain the controlling power in health matters. Such ailments as Poor Appetite, Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation, Colds and Grippe soon undermine your health. Help Nature conquer them with the valuable aid of

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Quick Work.
"Rome wasn't built in a day."
"That just goes to show how much more powerful than human agencies the forces of nature are."
"Explain."
"What it took man centuries to build, a little old earthquake can destroy in about forty seconds."

OUCH! BACKACHE, RUB LAME BACK

Rub pain away with a small trial bottle of old "St. Jacobs Oil"

When your back is sore and lame or lumbago, sciatica or rheumatism has you stiffened up, don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacobs Oil" at any store, pour a little in your hand and rub it right on your back, and by the time you count fifty, the soreness is gone.

Don't stay crippled! This soothing, penetrating oil takes the ache and pain right out and ends the misery. It is magical, yet absolutely harmless and doesn't burn the skin.

Nothing else stops lumbago, sciatica and lame back misery so promptly and surely. It never disappoints!—Adv.

Don't strike a man because you think he is a coward. He may be your equal—and then some.

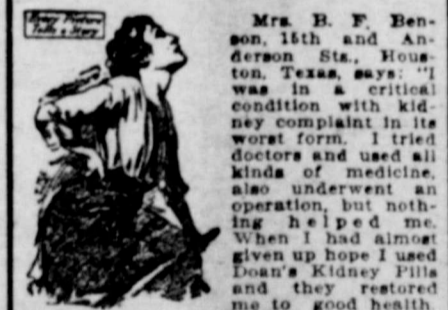
China will soon start to mint more than \$700,000,000 in silver.

Don't Give Up!

Nowadays deaths due to weak kidneys are 75% more common than 30 years ago, according to the census. Overwork and worry are the causes. The kidneys can't keep up, and a slight kidney weakness is usually neglected.

If you have backache or urinary disorders, don't mistake the cause. Fight the danger. More care as to diet, habits, etc., and the use of Doan's Kidney Pills ought to bring quick relief.

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Build Up With 50 year tested appetizer and tonic. The old reliable Wintersmith's Tonic, remedy for malaria, chills and fever, colds and grip. 60c.

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JESUS CARRANZA HAS BEEN PUT TO DEATH

WAS BROTHER OF VENUSTIANO CARRANZA, REVOLUTIONARY CHIEF OF MEXICO.

OTHERS ALSO MET DEATH

Carranza Issues Various Decrees, Abolishes Jefes Politicos and National Lottery—Attitude of Villa and Zapata.

Laredo, Tex.—An official messenger was sent to Laredo Monday by General Ricaut, commander of the Carranza garrison of Nuevo Laredo, to notify Mrs. Jesus Carranza that her husband and his nephew, Colonel Peraldini, were executed in San Geronimo Sunday morning by orders of General Santibanez, the recreant Carranza commander. Jesus Carranza, who was a brother of Venustiano Carranza, the revolutionary chief, together with his staff, were taken prisoners by Santibanez in San Geronimo on Dec. 31. Members of the staff were immediately put to death, only General Jesus Carranza and his nephew surviving.

General Santibanez made certain demands on Venustiano Carranza, with the threat that unless the demands were complied with in thirty days Jesus Carranza and his nephew would be executed, and the threat was made good. The official information received in Nuevo Laredo came from Venustiano Carranza at Vera Cruz. Mrs. Jesus Carranza and family are making their home in Laredo.

Mrs. Jesus Carranza, a refugee at Laredo, in giving out the information of the death of her husband, said General Venustiano Carranza, the first chief of the Mexican constitutionalists, had telegraphed her he would send troops to recover the body.

The father, mother, wife and other members of General Santibanez's family were recently reported captured in the state of Jalapa and sent to Vera Cruz, where constitutionalists said they would hold them pending disposition of Jesus Carranza.

Jesus Carranza was executed because General Venustiano Carranza refused to pardon Santibanez and receive him again as one of his generals.

Santibanez formerly was a general in the federal army, later joined the Carranza forces, finally leaving them and attaching himself and an unknown force of men, it was said, to Zapata's command.

Vera Cruz, Mex.—General Carranza's army is expected, beginning this week, to endeavor to bring to an early conclusion its offensive campaign against the Villa and Zapata forces.

The belief is expressed at the Carranza headquarters, which remains at Vera Cruz, that defections from the forces of Villa, Gutierrez and Zapata will make the approaching warfare comparatively easy. Large numbers of Zapata's men, it is said, have offered their services to Carranza.

Reports that Villa is losing a number of his minor leaders in addition to the one or two men of more importance, continue to be circulated.

Carranza and his counselors expect to be engaged during the next few days in issuing more decrees concerning promised reforms. One of these is expected to deal with the concessions granted by former administrations. Of the decrees issued last week the one that creates the widest interest empowers the government to appropriate any work done by private persons or corporations along zones paralleling waterways which are styled federal zones.

The Mexican railroad is intact between Vera Cruz and the City of Mexico, and it is expected that train service with the capital will be resumed this week.

Duval West, an attorney of San Antonio, has been tendered the detail by the Washington administration to go to Mexico as special agent of the government, and in the absence of an official announcement, it is understood that he will succeed much to the same duties that developed upon John Lind of Minnesota, who was sent to the war-torn country last year.

Washington.—Although the rapid changes in Mexican politics have brought the authority of General Carranza back to the City of Mexico once more, after a lapse of two months, the evacuation of the capital and redistribution of forces has resulted in no injury to foreigners, according to official reports thus far received.

Only meager advices have come to the state department of conditions in Southern Mexico, but it was established Saturday that General Obregon occupied the City of Mexico Friday with 10,000 men loyal to Carranza.

General Carranza has issued a decree declaring the municipalities autonomous and doing away with the Jefes politicos, heads of the cantons.

ENDS DYSPEPSIA, INDIGESTION, GAS

"Pape's Diapepsin" cures sick, sour stomachs in five minutes —Time It!

"Really does" put bad stomachs in order—"really does" overcome indigestion, dyspepsia, gas, heartburn and sourness in five minutes—that—just that—makes Pape's Diapepsin the largest selling stomach regulator in the world. If what you eat ferments into stubborn lumps, you belch gas and eructate sour, undigested food and acid; head is dizzy and aches; breath foul; tongue coated; your insides filled with bile and indigestible waste, remember the moment "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach all such distress vanishes. It's truly astonishing—almost marvelous, and the joy is its harmlessness.

A large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin will give you a hundred dollars' worth of satisfaction.

It's worth its weight in gold to men and women who can't get their stomachs regulated. It belongs in your home—should always be kept handy in case of sick, sour, upset stomach during the day or at night. It's the quickest, surest and most harmless stomach doctor in the world.—Adv.

Conservative Estimate.

Jem Snedeker, an East Tennessee farmer, would only admit that the sun had a bright side by speculating that the other side was probably dark. The preacher, looking over Jem's farm, said that the wheat crop looked fine and plentiful. But Jem put it this way:

"It's a pretty good crop, what there is of it—an' there's right smart of it, sech as it is!"

IF HAIR IS TURNING GRAY, USE SAGE TEA

Don't Look Old! Try Grandmother's Recipe to Darken and Beautify Gray, Faded, Lifeless Hair.

Grandmother kept her hair beautifully darkened, glossy and abundant with a brew of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Whenever her hair fell out or took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect. By asking at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," you will get a large bottle of this old-time recipe, ready to use, for about 50 cents. This simple mixture can be depended upon to restore natural color and beauty to the hair and is splendid for dandruff, dry, itchy scalp and falling hair.

A well-known druggist says everybody uses Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur, because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied—it's so easy to use, too. You simply dampen a comb or soft brush and draw it through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; after another application or two, it is restored to its natural color and looks glossy, soft and abundant. Adv.

Too Old to Learn.

"Sweet are the uses of adversity," quoted the confirmed quoter.

"I believe it," retorted the dissatisfied one, "but, somehow or other, I don't seem to be able to cultivate a taste for it."

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5 or 6 doses 666 will break any case of Chills & Fever, Colds & LaGrippe; it acts on the liver better than Calomel and does not gripe or sicken. Price 25c.—Adv.

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"Where there's a will there's a way."

"Yes, and the way is generally one how to break it."

For thrush, cleanse and dry the foot and make thorough applications of Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh. Adv.

Bad if He Couldn't Kick.

Church—How is your gout?
Gotham—Oh, I can't kick.
"Oh, is it as bad as that?"

Wounds cleansed by Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Obstinate.

"Did the dentist drill your teeth?"
"Yes; but he can't make them act right."

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Use Murine Eye Medicine. No Smarting—Feels Fine—Acts Quickly. Try It for Red, Weak, Sore Eyes and Irritated Eyelids. Murine is compounded by our Oculists—not a "Patent Medicine"—but used in successful Physicians' Practice for many years. Now dedicated to the public and sold by Druggists at 50c per Bottle. M. C. Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 5c and 10c. Write for Book of the Eye Free. Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicago. Adv.

The girl with the most cheek does the least blushing.

Parrot & Co.

By
Harold MacGrath

Author of
"The Carpet From Bagdad,"
"The Place of Honey Moons,"
Etc.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Warrington, an American adventurer, and James, his servant, with a caged parrot, the trio known up and down the Irrawaddy as Parrot & Co., travel along the road to the landing, bound for Rangoon to cash a draft for 200,000 rupees.

CHAPTER II—Elsa Chetwood, rich American girl tourist, sees Warrington come aboard the boat at the landing and, amazed at his likeness to her fiance, Arthur Ellison, asks the purser to introduce her. Conservative English passengers are shocked at her breach of the conventionalities.

CHAPTER III—The purser tells Elsa that Warrington, the outcast adventurer, has beaten a syndicate and sold his oil claims for £20,000. Warrington puts Rajah, the parrot, through his tricks for Elsa and warns her against acquaintance with unknown adventurers—himself, in fact.

CHAPTER IV—Warrington and Elsa pass two golden days together on the river. Martha, Elsa's companion, warns her that there is gossip.

CHAPTER V—In Rangoon Warrington banks his draft, pays old debts and while settling with James in his old lodgings overhears and interferes in a row over cards in the next room.

CHAPTER VI—Warrington finds that the row in the next room is caused by an enemy, Newell Craig, and threatens to shoot him unless he leaves town. Elsa goes for a walk with Martha, is annoyed by Craig and stabs him with a hatpin. Warrington bids Elsa good-by. She does not tell him that she is to sail on the same ship for Singapore.

CHAPTER VII.

Confidences.

That night Martha wrote a letter. During the writing of it she jumped at every sound; a footstep in the hall, the shutting of a door, a voice calling in the street. And yet, Martha was guilty of performing only what she considered to be her bounden duty.

My Dear Mr. Arthur: . . . I do not know what to make of it. His likeness to you is the most unheard of thing. He is a little bigger and broader and he wears his beard longer. That's all the difference. When he came on the boat that night, it was like a hand clutching at my throat. And you know how romantic Elsa is, for all she believes she is prosaic. I am certain that she sees you in this stranger who calls himself Warrington. If only you had had the foresight to follow us, a sailing or two later! And now they'll be together for four or five days, down to Singapore. I don't like it. There's something uncanny in the thing. What if she did forbid you to follow? There are some promises women like men to break. You should have followed.

Neither of us has the slightest idea what the man has done to exile himself in this horrible land for ten years. He still behaves himself like a gentleman, and he must have been one in the past. But he has never spoken of his home, of his past, of his people. We don't even know that Warrington is his name. And you know that's a sign that something is wrong. I wonder if you have any relatives by the name of Warrington? I begin to see that man's face in my dreams. I am worried. For Elsa is a puzzle. She has always been one to me. I have been with her since her babyhood, and yet I know as little of what goes on in her mind as a stranger would. Her father, you know, was a soldier, of fierce loves and hates; her mother was a handsome statue. Elsa has her father's scorn for convention and his independence, clothed in her mother's impenetrable mask. Don't mistake me. Elsa is the most adorable creature to me, and I worship her; but I worry about her. I believe that it would be wise on your part to meet us in San Francisco. Give my love and respect to your dear beautiful mother. And marry Elsa as fast as ever you can.

The day of sailing was brilliant and warm. Elsa sat in a chair on the deck of the tender, watching the passengers as they came aboard. A large tourist party bustled about, rummaged among the heaps of luggage, and shouted questions at their unhappy conductor.

She saw Hooghly standing in the bow. A steamer trunk, a kit-bag, a bedding-bag, and the inevitable parrot cage, reposed at his feet. He was watching without interest or excitement the stream passing up and down the gangplank. If his master came, very well; if he did not, he would get off with the luggage. How she would have liked to question him regarding his master! Elsa began to offer excuses for her interest in Warrington. He was the counterpart of Arthur Ellison. He had made his fortune against odds. He was a mystery. Why shouldn't he interest her? Her mind was not ice, nor was her heart a stone. She pitied him, always wondering what was back of it all. She would be in Singapore; after that their paths would widen and become lost in the future, and she would forget all about him, save in a shadowy way. She would marry Arthur whether she loved him or not. She was certain that he loved her. He was, besides, her own sort;

and there wasn't any mystery about him at all. He was as clear to her as glass. For nearly ten years she had known him, since his and his mother's arrival in the small pretty Kentucky town. What was the use of hunting a fancy? Yes, she would marry Arthur. She was almost inclined to cable him to meet her in San Francisco.

That there was real danger in her interest in Warrington did not occur to her. The fact that she was now willing to marry Arthur, without analyzing the causes that had brought her to this decision, should have warned her that she was dimly afraid of the stranger. Her glance fell upon the mandarin's ring. She twirled it round undecidedly. Should she wear it or put it away? The question remained suspended. She saw Craig coming aboard; and she hid her face behind her magazine. Upon second thought she let the magazine fall. She was quite confident that that chapter was closed. Craig might be a scoundrel, but he was no fool.

A sharp blast from the tender's whistle drew her attention to the gangplank. The last man to come aboard was Warrington. He immediately sought James; and they stood together chatting until the tender drew up alongside the steamer of the British-India line. The two men shook hands finally, Warrington added a friendly tap on the Eurasian's shoulder. No one would have suspected that the white man and his dark companion had been "shipmates," in good times and in bad, for nearly a decade. Elsa, watching them from her secure nook, admired the lack of effusiveness. The dignity of the parting told her of the depth of feeling.

An hour later they were heading for the delta.

Elsa amused herself by casting bits of bread to the gulls. Always they caught it on the wing, no matter in what direction she threw it. Sometimes one would wing up to her very hand for charity, its coral feet stretched out to meet the quick back-play of the wings, its cry shallow and plaintive and world-lonely.

Suddenly she became aware of a presence at her side.

A voice said: "It was not quite fair of you."

"What wasn't?" without turning her head. She brushed her hands free of the crumbs.

"You should have let me know that you were going to sail on this boat."

"You would have run away, then."

"Why?" started at her insight.

"Because you are a little afraid of me."

"She faced him, without a smile either on her lips or in her eyes. Aren't you?"

"Yes. I am afraid of all things I do not quite understand."

"There is not the least need in the world, Mr. Warrington. I am quite harmless. My claws have been clipped. I am engaged to be married, and am going home to decide the day."

"He's a lucky man." He was astonished at his calm, for the blow went deep.

"Lucky? That is in the future. What a lonely thing a gull is!"

"What a lonely thing a lonely man is!" he added. Poor fool! To have dreamed so far a dream for a single moment! He tried to believe that he was glad that she had told him about the other man. The least this information could do would be to give him better control of himself. He had not been out in the open long enough entirely to master his feelings.

"Men ought not to be lonely," she said. "There's the excitement of work, of mingling with crowds, of going when and where one pleases. Woman's lot is wondering and waiting at home. When I marry I suppose that I shall learn the truth of that."

Perhaps it was because he had been away from them so long and had lost track of the moods of the feminine mind; but surely it could not be possible that there was real happiness in this young woman's heart. Its evidence was lacking in her voice, in her face, in her gestures. He thought it over with a sigh. He felt sorry for the girl, sorry for the man; for it was not possible that a girl like this one would go through life without experiencing that flash of insanity that is called the grand passion.

He loved her. He could lean against the rail, his shoulder lightly touching hers, and calmly say to himself that he loved her. He could calmly permit her to pass out of his life as a cloud passes down the sea-riem. He hadn't enough, but this evil must befall him. Love! He spread out his hands unconsciously.

"What does that mean?" she asked, smiling now. "An invocation?"

"It's a sign to ward off evil," he returned.

"Are you expecting evil?"

"I am always preparing myself to meet it. There is one thing that will always puzzle me. Why should you have asked the purser to pick out such a tramp as I was? For I was a tramp."

"I thought I explained that."

"Not clearly."

"Well, then, I shall make myself clear. The sight of you upon that bank, the lights in your face, struck

me as the strangest mystery that could possibly confront me. I thought you were a ghost."

"A ghost?"

"Yes. So I asked the purser to introduce you to prove to my satisfaction that you weren't a ghost. Line for line, height for height, color for color, you are the exact counterpart of the man I am going home to marry."



Elsa Stared at the Vacant Doorway.

She saw the shiver that ran over him; she saw his eyes widen; she saw his hands knot in pressure over the rail.

"The man you are going to marry!" he whispered.

Abruptly, without explanation, he walked away, his shoulders settled, his head bent. It was her turn to be amazed. What could this attitude mean?

"Mr. Warrington!" she called.

But he disappeared down the companionway.

CHAPTER VIII.

A Woman's Reason.

Elsa stared at the vacant doorway. She recognized only a sense of bewilderment. This was not one of those childish flashes of rudeness that had amused, annoyed and mystified her.

She had hurt him. And how? They had been together three days on the boat, and once he had taken tea with her in Rangoon. She could find nothing save that she had been kind to him when he most needed kindness, and that she had not been stupidly curious, only sympathetically so. He interested her and held that interest because he was a type unlike anything she had met outside the covers of a book. He was so big and strong, and yet so boyish. He had given her visions of the character which had carried his manhood through all these years of strife and bitterness and temptation. And because of this she had shown him that she had taken it for granted that whatever he had done in the past had not put him beyond the pale of her friendship. There had been no degrading entanglements, and women forgive or condone all other transgressions.

And what had she just said or done to put that look of dumb agony in his face? She swung impatiently from the rail and began to promenade the deck, still cluttered with luggage over which the Lascar stewards were moiling. Many a glance followed the supple pleasing figure of the girl as she passed round and round the deck. Other promenaders stepped aside or permitted her to pass between. The resolute uplift of the chin, and the staring dark eyes which saw but inner visions, impressed them with the fact that it would be wiser to step aside voluntarily. There were some, however, who considered that they had as much right to the deck as she. Before them she would stop shortly, and as a current breaks and passes each side of an immovable object, they, too, gave way.

The colonel fussed and fumed, and his three spinster charges drew their pale lips into thinner paler lips.

"These Americans are impossible!"

"And it is scandalous the way the young women travel alone. One can never tell what they are."

"Humph! Brag and assertiveness. And there's that ruffian who came down the river. What's he doing on the same boat? What?"

Elsa became aware of their presence at the fifth turn. She nodded absently. Being immersed in the sea of conjecture regarding Warrington's behavior, the colonel's glare did not rouse in her the sense of impending disaster.

The first gong for dinner boomed. The echoing wall spoke in the voice of the East, of its dalliance, its content to drift in a sargasso sea of entangling habits and desires, of its fatalism and inertia. It did not bear one or excite hunger. Elsa would rather have lain down in her Canton lounging-chair. The dining-saloon held two long tables, only one of which was in commission, the starboard. The saloon was unattractive. A punka

stretched from one end of the table to the other, and swung idly to and fro, whining mysteriously, sometimes subsiding altogether and then flapping hysterically and setting the women's hair awry.

Elsa and Martha were seated somewhere between the head and the foot of the table. The personally-conducted surrounded them, and gabbed incessantly during the meal of what they had seen, and of what they were going to see, and of what they had missed by not going with the other agency's party. Elsa's sympathy went out to the tired and faded conductor.

There was but one vacant chair; and as she saw Warrington nowhere, Elsa assumed that this must be his reservation. She was rather glad that he would be beyond conversational radius. She liked to talk to the strange and lonely man, but she preferred to be alone with him when she did so.

She began as of old to study carefully the faces of the diners and to speculate as to their characters and occupations. Her negligent observation roved from the pompous captain down to the dark picturesque face of the man Craig. Upon him her glance, a mixture of contempt and curiosity, rested. If he behaved himself and made no attempt to speak to her, she was willing to declare a truce. In Rangoon the man had been drunk, but on the Irrawaddy boat he had been sober enough. Craig kept his eyes directed upon his food and did not offer her even a furtive glance.

He was not in a happy state of mind. He had taken passage the last moment to avoid meeting again the one man he feared. For ten years this man had been reckoned among the lost. Many believed him dead, and Craig had wished it rather than believed. And then, to meet him face to face in that sordid boarding house had shaken the cool nerve of the gambler. He was worried and bewildered. He had practically sent this man to ruin. What would be the reprisal? He reached for a mangosteen and ate the white pulpy contents, but without the customary relish. The phrase kept running through his head: What would be the reprisal? For men of his ilk never struck without expecting to be struck back. Something must be done. Should he seek him and boldly ask what he intended to do? Certainly he could not do much on board here, except to denounce him to the officers as a professional gambler. And Paul would scarcely do that since he, Craig, had a better shot in his gun. He could tell who Paul was and what he had done. Bodily harm was what he really feared.

He had seen Elsa, but he had worked out that problem easily. She was sure to say nothing so long as he let her be; and with the episode of the hatpin still fresh in his memory, he assuredly would keep his distance. He had made a mistake, and was not likely to repeat it.

But Paul! He finished his dessert and went off to the stuffy little smoke-room, and struggled with a Burma cheroot. Paul was a smoker, and sooner or later he would drop in. He waited in vain for his man that night.

And so did Elsa. She felt indignant at one moment and hurt at another. The man's attitude was inexplicable; there was neither rhyme nor reason in it. The very fact that she could not understand made her wonder march beside her even in her dreams that night. She began to feel genuinely sorry that he had appeared above her horizon. Just before she retired she leaned over the rail, watching the reflection of the stars twist and shiver on the smooth water. Suddenly she listened. She might have imagined it, for at night the ears deceive. "Jah, jah!" Somewhere from below came the muffled plaint of Rajah.

Next day, at luncheon, the chair was still vacant. Elsa became alarmed. Perhaps he was ill. She made inquiries, regardless of the possible misinterpretation her concern might be given by others. Mr. Warrington had had his meals served in his cabin, but the steward declared that the gentleman was not ill, only tired and irritable, and that he amused himself with a trained parrakeet.

All day long the sea lay waveless and unrippled, a sea of brass and lapis lazuli; brass where the sun struck and lapis-lazuli in the shadow of the lazy swells. Schools of flying-fish broke fan-wise in flashes of silver, and porpoise sported alongside. And warmer and warmer grew the air.

Starboard was rigged up for cricket, and the ship's officers and some of the passengers played the game until the first gong. Elsa grumbled to Martha. There was little enough space to walk in as it was without the men taking over the whole side of the ship and cheating her out of a glorious sunset. Martha grew troubled and perplexed. If there was one phase of character unknown to her in Elsa it was irritability; and here she was, finding fault like any ordinary tourist.

"Where is Mr. Warrington?"

"I don't know. I haven't seen him since yesterday." Elsa dropped her book petulantly. "I am weary of these namby-pamby stories."

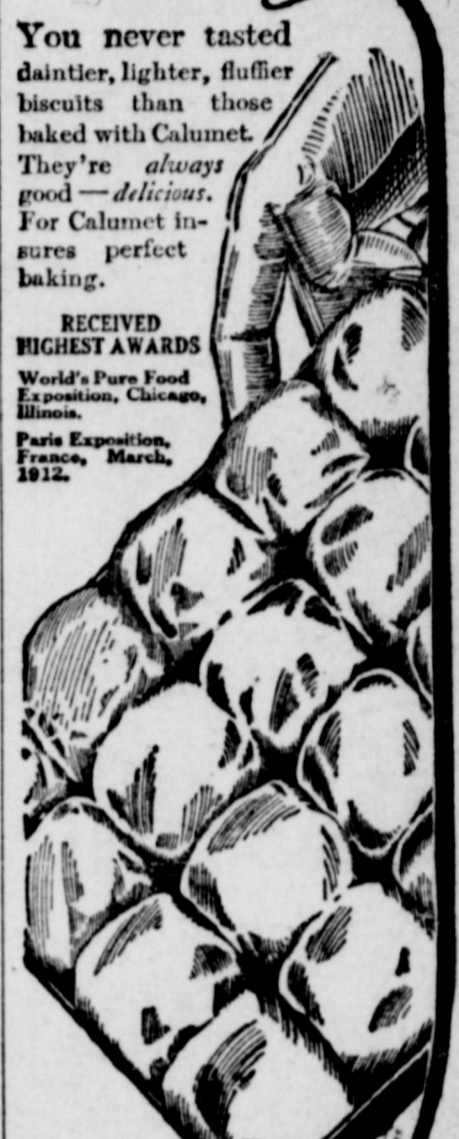
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A timid person is frightened before a danger; a coward during the time; and a courageous person afterward.—Richter.

Some persons are misunderstood because they do not know their own minds.



A good cigarette must be the purest of tobacco and most choice in leaf. Such is Fatima Cigarettes—the popular, mild Turkish-blend, now smoked universally in this country!

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"I have sold Chamberlain's Tablets for several years. People who have used them will take nothing else. I can recommend them to my customers as the best laxative I know of," writes Frank Strouse, Fruitland, Iowa. For sale by all dealers. ad

A CORRECTION

The Messenger was in error last week in saying that Joe Cook, Davis Cook and Wright Sullivan were bound over to the grand jury at an examining trial held at Augusta. They appeared at Augusta for the trial, but it was not held, consequently they were turned loose without bail. John Rawls waived examination and in default of making bond was placed in jail. We make this correction in justice to the young men and regret that the error was printed.

When Ballard's Snow Lintment is rubbed in for rheumatic aches and pains, it reaches the spot quickly and the relief is very gratifying. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold at A. S. Porter's. adv.

SPACE-KILLERS

By Jno. R. Owens

MAN

Most all have agreed
'Twas a very strange plan,
When the Creator decreed
The world needed man.

A man is a guy
Who can truthfully tell
An infamous lie
To his wife so well.

He's the very same "gink"
Tho' his wife doesn't know,
Who slips out for a drink
While she watches the show.

He comes home late,
Expecting to find
His home in nice shape,
For a weary, tired mind.

Sometimes he is grateful
For the pleasures of home;
Then again he is hateful,
And speaks in a harsh tone.

He wears his hair short,
And shaves every day;
He's an important sport,
So the papers all say.

He goes to the ball game
And yells himself hoarse;
Says the weather's to blame,
And it is—of course.

As strange as it seems,
They're all just the same,
But a girl always dreams
Of those who are "tame."

I've said it before,
And I'll say it again;
If you want troubles galore,
Fall in love with a man.

We imagine it takes a man with more back-bone than brains to be President of Mexico.

If "a word to the wise is sufficient," how many words do the ignorant require?

The strongest evidence that a baby brightens up the home, is the light bill at the end of the first month.

We are looking for the "suffs" in Austin to start a "hat-pin" brigade if those "horrid old legislators" do not grant their request.

Texas women and Texas weather are very much alike, can you tell us why?—Willis Star.

Because they are both so uncertain we suppose.

Another reason we would not like to live in Houston is because they "pinch" a fellow for making eyes at the ladies. No, give us the smaller town, where the "goo-goo" law doesn't exist.

The very reason so many people are going to hell is that "Satan" does not assume the attitude that so many business men do—of refusing to use the mediums of publicity and saying: "O, everybody knows the way to hell, and theres no use wasting time to show and tell them." Moral: Advertise.

A heavy wind and rain storm struck Grapeland Sunday morning about three o'clock, and we learn did considerable damage west of town, blowing down several houses, unroofing others and blowing away fences. From the papers we notice that considerable damage was done in several places in the state. Tyler suffered about \$15,000 damages, principally to the buildings in the fair ground.

I. N. Whitaker

WATCHMAKER and
PHOTOGRAPHER

You will find me at my office in Grapeland every Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

I repair watches, clocks, guns and sewing machines.

INSTITUTE MEETING

Local teachers institute to be held at Kennard on Friday and Saturday, February 12 and 13. Following is the program:

Welcome remarks—W. H. Spinks.

Response—R. G. Cyphers.
The Local Institute, Its Aims, etc.—R. L. Eaves.

More Practice; Less Form and Theory—W. M. Anderson.

Address to Institute and Patrons—Co. Supt. J. N. Snell.

SATURDAY

Teacher and Pupils at Recess—H. L. Burton.

Some Technical Primary Helps—Mrs. Graves.

Nature Study—Miss Pearle Ady.

Agriculture, How Best to Teach Without State Aid—Geo. McCullar.

What Assistance Should a Teacher Give a Pupil?—J. E. Dominy.

How to Make the Study of Geography Interesting—Miss Edna Baron.

Indications that Young People do not Know How to Study—John Halmark.

How to Secure Expression in Reading—Miss Mary Isbell.

Improvements we Need in Our Schools—Miss Willie Arledge, Miss Callie Lee McLain and Mr. Alvis Morgan.

Personality of the Teacher—Miss Eunice Miller.

Value of Seat Work—Eva Dell McLain.

Number Aids—Mrs. J. M. Jackson.

SATURDAY 7 P. M.

Physical Education, Ancient, Mediaeval and Modern—R. L. Eaves.

The University Interscholastic School League—R. G. Cyphers.

What Constitutes a Successful School Literary Society—Joe Driskell.

All teachers and patrons within easy reach of Kennard are earnestly urged to attend. Other teachers are invited.

There will be a basket ball game Saturday p. m. and debate Saturday night between Kennard high schools and visiting high schools.

Mrs. A. J. McLemore
Miss Esther Davis
Wade L. Smith

Committee.

If a better cough syrup than Foley's Honey & Tar could be found, we would carry it. We know this reliable and dependable medicine has given satisfaction for more than forty years; therefore we never offer a substitute for the genuine. Recommended for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, bronchial and lagrippe coughs. No opiates. For sale by D. N. Leaverton. ad.

A 15c ad in the Messenger made Charlie Haltom \$2.00 last week. He had been offered \$13 for a calf that he held for \$15, which he received for it after the ad appeared. And by the way, the calf was sold Friday morning following the day of publication, Thursday. Does it pay to advertise? Did it pay in this instance? If you have anything for sale, advertise it.

Hundreds of health articles appear in newspapers and magazines, and in practically every one of them the importance of keeping the bowels regular is emphasized. A constipated condition invites disease. A dependable physic that acts without inconvenience or griping is found in Foley Cathartic Tablets. For sale by D. N. Leaverton. ad.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cain left the Philippines in December for the United States. They will first visit Mr. Cain's old home in Georgia, and are expected to arrive in Grapeland sometime in April.

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

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There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

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CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women. Before I began to take Cardui, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardui today. Sold by all dealers.

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"Safety First"

When you buy a bill of drugs, be sure you get what you call for.

That is our business--to give you exactly what you call for, and to know that you are pleased with it when you get it.

We have just received a new bill of drugs and can now supply you. Call and see us and get the beet.

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THE ENEMY OF CHILDHOOD.

The greatest enemy of childhood is the tape worm and similar parasites. They are the direct cause of the loss of thousands of children who were so weakened by the pernicious action of these pests that they became easy victims of disease. The best protection against worms is to give the children an occasional dose of WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only removes worms, but acts as a general tonic to the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per Bottle. Jas. F. Ballard, Prop., St. Louis, Mo.

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