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THE LOW COST OF HIGH LIVING AT THE GRAPELAND BARGAIN STORE

Gladiola flour is the best flour in Texas.	4 string broom for.....	25c
Highest patent flour, sk..	Mill run bran.....	1.40
High patent flour, sack..	Pea Green Alfalfa Hay.....	55c
Pure cane syrup in cans..	Long Lake hay.....	35c
Majestic hams—"the best that am".....	Peters \$4 shoes for men..	3.50
Swift's best bacon.....	Peters 3.50 shoes for men..	3.00
Swift's Jewel Lard, 10 lbs. for.....	Peters \$3 shoes for men..	2.50
Snowdrift Lard, 10 lbs....	Peters \$2 Palm Beach shoes for.....	1.35
Best white cooking oil....	Peters 3.50 ladies shoes..	3.00
Louisiana bbl. syrup.....	Peters 3.50 Diamond slippers for.....	3.00
\$1 pail good coffee.....	\$2 men's pants for.....	1.50
15 lbs granulated sugar...1.00	1.50 men's pants for.....	1.00
	1.25 boys' pants for.....	75c
	Men's blue work shirts..	25c
	Goose-Neck Cane Syrup gallon can.....	40c

A full line of Dry Goods, Notions and Shoes at Prices that will Please you These Prices will hold Good until the Farmers can make a Crop
MY MOTTO: "SPOT CASH AND SMALL PROFITS"
W. R. WHERRY

PEBBLES FROM ROCK HILL

April 4.—After the rain the sun will shine. I suppose that you readily see that this saying is true.

Now the farmer has planted his corn and gone to fixing his cotton land.

There was an election held at Rock Hill last Saturday for the purpose of voting a tax on the Rock Hill school district. To our great surprise it resulted 17 to 1 for the tax. We are sure we will continue to have a good

school. The trustees were elected and were Messrs. Z. W. Weisinger, J. J. Willis and R. M. Brooks. We feel assured they will make good trustees and do the school justice.

There was preaching at Rock Hill Sunday night and there was a nice crowd present.

There was an Easter egg hunt Sunday evening at Mr. Z. W. Weisinger's, which we all enjoyed very much.

We liked the piece from Antrimite last week. **LITTLE JOE.**

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Allen of Houston are here for a few days visit to relatives.

HAYS SPRING NEWS ITEMS

April 5.—The weather has had us all guessing and hoping that every cold spell would be the last, but Easter is over and spring will soon be half gone, and I'll bet we have some warm weather after awhile.

It is getting dry in places in this sand and we need more moisture to bring up replanted corn, as lots of us are going to try replanted corn this year.

Attendance was good at church and singing this afternoon.

Hill Huff and family visited his father at Daly's Sunday.

Mrs. M. A. Herod is spending a week at Grapeland with relatives.

Earl Pennington and family visited his sister, Mrs. J. E. Spence, who has just returned home from Palestine, where she was treated for appendicitis.

Calhoun Mitchell visited friends at W. M. Brown's today.

Our school was out last Wednesday. We can boast of having had a fine and progressive school taught by Misses Jewel Turner and Bula Sheridan.

JIMMIE.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the Grapeland Independent School District at Grapeland on the first Saturday in May, 1915, the same being the first day of said month, for the purpose of electing three trustees to succeed J. J. Brooks, Jas. Owens and E. W. Davis, whose terms of office expire on said date.

This election shall be held in conformity with the law governing other elections.

J. E. Hollingsworth is hereby appointed manager of said election.

J. J. BROOKS,
President Board of Trustees,
Grapeland Independent School District.

Grapeland, Texas, April 6, 1915.
(Advertisement)

This Will Whet Your Appetite

This store is filled with the choicest groceries money can buy—with groceries entirely free from all adulterations—with groceries of the most absolute and unquestioned purity—with groceries that build up the system and instill that remarkable energy which insures success in life.

The prices charged for our groceries of purity and reliability are no greater than those often charged by some for a much inferior article. It is a relief to your household expense account, as well as to your mind. Others find it the better way. Why not you? Make the start today. Tomorrow never comes.

Remember we have a full line of feed

THE CASH GROCERY COMPANY
FREE DELIVERY Phone us Your Orders

Buy Everything Here!

There is a reason why you should buy everything here for your spring and summer wear. The reason will appeal to you because it is short and to the point—**WE HAVE THE GOODS AND WE MAKE THE PRICES**, in Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes and Hats.

Be sure to see our line of **STRAW HATS** before you buy.

Our **GROCERY STOCK** is complete.

WHY NOT BUY EVERYTHING HERE and get the best for your money? What's the use spending your time looking around? Better shake hands with opportunity when you meet it and do all your trading with us, for--

WE MAKE GOOD ALWAYS

McLean & Riall

THE HOME OF DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE
BOTH PHONES FREE DELIVERY

Wm. M. PATTON'S Cheap Prices

Fresh corn meal per sack.....	70c	Louisiana Ribbon Cane syrup in barrels per gallon.....	39c
Prairie Hay, large heavy bales.....	34c	22 1-2 lbs. good clean rice.....	1.00
12 boxes double dip matches.....	29c	10lb. boxes Brown Mule tobacco....	3.23
5 gallons best coal oil.....	49c	3 plugs Brown Mule tobacco....	24c
15 lbs. best granulated sugar.....	1.00	3 c's Prince Albert tobacco.....	24c
7 bars Clairette soap for.....	24c	2 bottles Levi Garrett Snuff.....	44c

Come to Crockett and stop at our Wagon Yard **FREE OF CHARGE.**

Wm. M. Patton
"The Farmers' Friend"
CROCKETT, TEXAS

WE HAVE A COMPLETE LINE OF DRY GOODS

YOU ARE SURE TO BE SATISFIED

What's the use wasting time and money allowing too many dealers to serve you? Buy Dress Goods, Millinery, Ribbons, Laces, Linens, Calico, Gingham, etc., here at lowest prices. A big general store--"the store for everybody"--for your convenience. **MAKE ONE JOB OF YOUR BUYING--GET IT HERE.**

Kennedy Brothers

The Store for Everybody

WOMEN FROM 45 to 55 TESTIFY

To the Merit of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound during Change of Life.

Westbrook, Me. — "I was passing through the Change of Life and had pains in my back and side and was so weak I could hardly do my housework. I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it has done me a lot of good. I will recommend your medicine to my friends and give you permission to publish my testimonial." — Mrs. LAWRENCE MARTIN, 12 King St., Westbrook, Maine.

Manston, Wis. — "At the Change of Life I suffered with pains in my back and loins until I could not stand. I also had night-sweats so that the sheets would be wet. I tried other medicine but got no relief. After taking one bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I began to improve and I continued its use for six months. The pains left me, the night-sweats and hot flashes grew less, and in one year I was a different woman. I know I have to thank you for my continued good health ever since." — Mrs. M. J. BROWNELL, Manston, Wis.

The success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, is unparalleled in such cases.

If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

The Wretchedness of Constipation

Can quickly be overcome by CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Purely vegetable — act surely and gently on the liver. Cure Biliousness, Headache, Dizziness, and Indigestion. They do their duty. SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE.

Genuine must bear Signature *Brentwood*

The Whole Truth. Magistrate—Why did you beat your wife so unmercifully? Prisoner—Well, yer honor, she aggravated me by sayin' she'd have me up before that baldheaded old fool, meanin' you, yer honor—Magistrate—You're discharged.

PREMATURE BALDNESS Due to Dandruff and Irritation, Prevented by Cuticura.

The Soap to cleanse and purify, the Ointment to soothe and heal. Daily shampoos with Cuticura Soap and occasional applications of Cuticura Ointment gently rubbed into the scalp skin will do much to promote hair-growing conditions. Sample each free by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. XY, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

When a man begins to go downhill his neighbors usually get busy and push.

An eccentric woman is one who prefers comfort to style.

For Sprains, Strains or Lameness

Always Keep a Bottle in your Stable

HANFORD'S Balsam of Myrrh

For Galls, Wire Cuts, Lameness, Strains, Bunches, Thrush, Old Sores, Nail Wounds, Foot Rot, Fistula, Bleeding, Etc. Etc. Made Since 1846. Ask Anybody About It. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. OR WRITE G. C. Hanford Mfg. Co., SYRACUSE, N. Y.

\$30,000,000 TO SPEND ON RIVERS AND HARBORS

Secretary of War Garrison Announces Details—Texas Projects Share Fairly Well.

Washington.—Rivers and harbors improvement projects to share in the \$30,000,000 authorized in a lump sum by congress for those public works deemed most desirable in the interest of commerce and navigation were announced Monday by Secretary Garrison. Congress left to the chief of engineers of the war department the cutting of the original estimates, which amounted to \$53,000,000.

The following projects, among others, and amounts to be expended upon them have been selected:

Southwest Pass, Mississippi River, \$400,000; South Pass channel, Mississippi River, \$50,000; Bayou Plaquemine, Louisiana, \$20,000; Bayou Teche, \$10,000; waterway Franklin to Mermentau, Louisiana, \$5,000; waterway Mermentau River to Sabine River, Louisiana and Texas, \$5,000; Calcasieu River, Louisiana, \$3,000; Bogue Falta, Bayou Manchac and Amite, Chefuncto and Tickfaw rivers, Louisiana, \$5,000; Bayou Vermillion and Mermentau River, Louisiana, including Bayou Plaquemine Brule, \$8,000; removal of water hyacinth in Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, \$20,000; Bayou Terrebonne, Louisiana, \$15,000; Atchafalaya River, \$20,000; Bayou Grossetete, Louisiana, \$3,000.

Galveston channel, \$100,000; channel from Galveston harbor to Texas City, \$50,000; channel to Port Bolivar, \$40,000; Houston ship channel, \$200,000; West Galveston Bay and mouths of adjacent streams, \$20,000; inland waterway on coast of Texas; West Galveston Bay-Brazos River section, \$15,000; Brazos River-Maratzorda Bay section, \$30,000; Aransas Pass-Cavallo section, \$30,000; Guadalupe River section, \$15,000. Mouth of Brazos River, \$30,000; Brazos River; Velasco to Old Washington \$10,000, Old Washington to Waco \$200,000; Port Aransas, \$180,000; channel from Aransas Pass to Corpus Christi, \$15,000; Sabine Pass and Port Arthur Canal, \$100,000; Trinity River, open channel work, \$25,000; completion of instrumental survey, \$12,000; Cypress Bayou, Texas and Louisiana, \$5,000.

Red River above Fulton, Ark., \$40,000; Ouachita River, Arkansas and Louisiana; Locks and dams, \$111,000; open channel work to Camden, \$25,000; Bayous Bartholomew, Macon, D'Arbonne and Corney and Boeuf and Tensas rivers, Louisiana, \$4,000; Arkansas River, Arkansas, \$193,350; White River, Arkansas, \$14,000; Cache River, Arkansas, \$3,000; Black and Current rivers, Arkansas and Missouri, \$24,000; St. Francis and L'Angeville rivers and Black Fish Bayou, Arkansas, \$8,000.

Mississippi River: Between mouths of Ohio and Missouri rivers, \$300,000; mouth of Missouri River to Minneapolis, Minn., \$1,000,000; St. Paul to Minneapolis, Minn., \$65,000; Brainerd to Grand Rapids, Minn., \$6,000; Warroad Harbor and River, Minn., \$2,000; Selkelpbay, Lake of the Woods, Minnesota, \$1,000; Missouri River: Kansas City to mouth, \$1,000,000; Kansas City to Sioux City, \$50,000; Sioux City to Fort Benton, \$50,000; Osage River, Missouri, \$7,500; Gasconade River, Missouri, \$15,000. Mississippi River commission, \$4,000,000; examinations, surveys, etc., \$500,000; amount reserved for contingencies, \$3,241,428.

GOVERNOR VEToes HOUSE BILL.

Says Measure Would Restrict Freedom of Press and Opposes Campaign Printing Provision.

Austin, Tex.—Because in his opinion it is a wholly unnecessary and useless restriction upon the freedom of the press, Governor Ferguson Friday vetoed house bill No. 196, to regulate the publishing, printing and circulation and distribution of campaign advertisements, bills and circulars or literature of any character.

The governor filed the following reasons in the office of the secretary of state for his veto:

"The within house bill No. 196 is by me respectfully disapproved for the reason that, in my opinion, it is a wholly unnecessary and useless restriction upon the freedom of the press. The question should be not who printed or had printed an article, but it should be a question of what was printed; is it true or false? This bill causes an additional expense to the legitimate publisher and provides no protection against the publications of the unscrupulous."

Justices Appointed by Governor. Austin, Tex.—The justices of the recently created ninth court of civil appeals at Beaumont, as appointed by the governor, are: John M. Conley of Beaumont, chief justice; V. E. Middlebrook of Nacogdoches, associate justice; A. C. Brooks of Carthage, associate justice.

TO BATTLE SOON NEAR THE BORDER

AMERICAN ARMY OFFICERS SAY VILLA WILL THIS WEEK OPEN ATTACK ON MATAMOROS.

FIELD ARTILLERY ASSEMBLING

Villa's Forces With Heavy Guns on Way to Matamoros, Repairing Railroad as They Advance—Situation Bad at Mexican Capital.

Brownsville, Tex.—Information that the time for the battle by Villa forces for possession of Matamoros is drawing near was received by American army officers at Fort Brown Tuesday. They were told that ten to a dozen flat cars carrying field artillery are at or near Camargo, about 100 miles to the west, and that repairs to the railroad between Matamoros and Camargo have been nearly completed. General Jose Rodriguez, commander of the Villa forces about Matamoros, said he expected the vanguard of his reinforcements this week. This vanguard of about 500 men carries at least one 3-inch field piece.

Frank Rabb, collector of customs, received word from Washington Tuesday to permit the passage of hay, corn and other supplies to the Villa forces from the American side opposite Las Rusias, the Villa headquarters.

Washington.—The United States government has renewed its representations to General Carranza to obtain respect for foreign flags recently violated at Manzanillo, asking that he instruct his officers there to afford protection to foreigners and their interests.

In the first note sent to General Carranza a consular report was transmitted, stating that the British and American flags had been violated by lawless Carranza troops.

A separate communication was sent to General Carranza Saturday, calling his attention to the indiscriminate firing by his troops on the oil tanks in the vicinity of Tampico, 150,000 barrels of oil already having been lost as a result of perforations made by bullets penetrating the oil tanks.

A statement from the American colony at the City of Mexico, in which it was declared that the situation was "more chaotic and helpless than ever," was brought to the border Saturday by Arthur Bullard Johnson, a delegate representing jointly the 2,000 Americans and the international committee of the capital district, the latter composed of seventeen different nationalities aggregating more than 10,000 persons. Mr. Johnson is on his way east to take up the matter with public men.

There was intermittent rifle firing all day Saturday from the Carranza trenches in Matamoros, Mexico, at Villa outposts. Major General Funston and party of American army officers witnessed part of this firing from the American bank of the river about 150 yards from the western end of the Carranza trenches, which were filled with men. The shooting apparently was without effect.

A report predicting that Mexico faces a serious situation respecting her food supplies has been made by a committee of Americans and other foreigners at Mexico City who have been investigating the situation.

Brownsville, Tex.—An aeroplane and a prospective river gunboat have entered the already somewhat complicated situation at Brownsville in connection with the impending attack on Matamoros. The aeroplane, after flying to the Villa camp outside Matamoros, broke a wheel, and is now in two sections, one large piece in the attacking Villa camp and one small piece on American soil, fully repaired but not permitted to re-enter Mexico on account of customs regulations. Furthermore, the machine is minus an aviator. H. M. Rheinhart of Dayton, Ohio, an American demonstrator for the Villa aviation corps, who flew the machine to Brownsville from Monterey, left for the North Friday, following a difficulty over financial arrangements. The Villa officers are now trying to hire another American aviator.

The Carranza authorities in Matamoros began negotiations Thursday to buy a fast motor boat, announcing they intended to arm her with a machine gun and prevent Villa troops from ferrying supplies across the Rio Grande above Brownsville. The Villa soldiers have been obtaining both food and ammunition on the American side.

Washington.—An official statement by the Villa-Zapata convention government in the City of Mexico, received Thursday by the state department, charged that Carranza officials during their occupancy of the capital removed from the national treasury government bonds and other securities valued at 16,000,000 pesos.

CALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK, UGH! IT'S MERCURY AND SALIVATES

Straighten Up! Don't Lose a Day's Work! Clean Your Sluggish Liver and Bowels With "Dodson's Liver Tone."

Ugh! Calomel makes you sick. Take a dose of the vile, dangerous drug tonight and tomorrow you may lose a day's work.

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 sluggish and "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 tonight and if it doesn't

straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous by morning 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.



HORSE SALE DISTEMPER

You know what you sell or buy through the sales has about one chance in fifty to escape SALE STABLE DISTEMPER. "SPOHN'S" is your true protection, your only safeguard, for as sure as you treat all your horses with it, you will soon be rid of the disease. It acts as a sure preventive no matter how they are "exposed." 50 cents and \$1 a bottle; \$5 and \$10 dozen bottles, at all good druggists, horse goods houses, or delivered by the manufacturers. SPOHN MEDICAL CO., Chemists and Bacteriologists, GOSHEN, IND., U. S. A.

Our Girls.

To bring up a girl in absolute dependence, goor-for-nothing, selfish in her aims and exacting in her demands, is a sin against her and against society. To begin at her birth and economize and retrench in every department for the accumulation of money in order that this monstrous perversion of her life may be accomplished and maintained is grotesque and heathenish. Girls thus trained will fail to attain a high order of womanhood. Their aims will be petty, their ideals low, and nothing satisfactory can be expected of them in wifehood or motherhood. While we carefully guard whatever is womanly in our daughters, let them be trained to more fiber and firmness. Educate them to self-denial, if pecuniary circumstances demand it, and not to self-indulgence. Accustom them to be of service in the household, to regard economy as praiseworthy and even heroic, and to add to their accomplishments a practical knowledge of work, and the possession of some lucrative vocation or industry by which they can support themselves. Such girls, when portionless, will carry to their husbands dowries in themselves. —Exchange.

The War Tax.

The traveler had just handed a bell-hop a 15-cent tip. "Excuse me," said the hop obsequiously, "but since the war tax went into effect there's one cent added to all tips of fifteen cents or over."

Just Turned It.

He—How old are you? She—I've just turned twenty-three. He—Oh, I see—thirty-two.

A good definition of a spendthrift is a man who deliberately eats strawberry shortcake in March.

THE WAY OUT

Change of Food Brought Success and Happiness.

An ambitious but delicate girl, after failing to go through school on account of nervousness and hysteria, found in Grape-Nuts the only thing that seemed to build her up and furnish her the peace of health.

"From infancy," she says, "I have not been strong. Being ambitious to learn at any cost I finally got to the High School but soon had to abandon my studies on account of nervous prostration and hysteria.

"My food did not agree with me, and I grew thin and despondent. I could not enjoy the simplest social affair for I suffered constantly from nervousness in spite of all sorts of medicines.

"This wretched condition continued until I became interested in the letters of those who had cases like mine and who were being helped by eating Grape-Nuts.

"I had little faith, but procured a pkg. and after the first dish I experienced a peculiar satisfied feeling that I had never gained from any ordinary food. I slept and rested better that night and in a few days began to grow stronger.

"I had a new feeling of peace and restfulness. In a few weeks, to my great joy, the headaches and nervousness left me and life became bright and hopeful. I resumed my studies, and later taught ten months with ease—using Grape-Nuts every day. I am now the mistress of a happy home, and the old weakness has never returned."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

A Wholesome Revision.

"The profligate son of wealthy parents. What else could you expect of him?"

"Nothing, 'tis true, but I was hoping he might be a throw-back to his hod-carrying ancestors."

—Take CAPUDINE—

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

An Impediment.

"I have a splendid idea for a magazine poem."

"Save it. You don't need it for a magazine poem."

Don't overstep yourself in trying to put your best foot forward.

Feel All Used Up?

Does your back ache constantly? Do you have sharp twinges when stooping or lifting? Do you feel all used up—as if you could just go no further? Kidney weakness brings great discomfort. What with backache, headache, dizziness and urinary disturbances it is no wonder one feels all used up. Doan's Kidney Pills have cured thousands of just such cases. It's the best recommended special kidney remedy.

A Texas Case

"Every Picture Tells a Story" Mrs. Fannie Hill, 1312 N. Wright St., Greenville, Texas, says: "I was sick abed with kidney trouble, under the doctor's care. His medicine brought no relief. I had hemorrhages of the kidneys and thought I was going to die. Reading about Doan's Kidney Pills I used them and they restored me to good health. I don't know what I would have done without them."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 50c a Box DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

Paxtine

A Soluble Antiseptic Powder to be dissolved in water as needed For Douches

In the local treatment of woman's ills, such as leucorrhoea and inflammation, hot douches of Paxtine are very efficacious. No woman who has ever used medicated douches will fail to appreciate the clean and healthy condition Paxtine produces and the prompt relief from soreness and discomfort which follows its use. This is because Paxtine possesses superior cleansing, disinfecting and healing properties.

For ten years the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. has recommended Paxtine in their private correspondence with women, which proves its superiority. Women who have been relieved say it is "worth its weight in gold." At druggists, 50c. large box or by mail. Sample free. The Paxton Toilet Co., Boston, Mass.

WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC

not only the old reliable remedy FOR MALARIA but a general strengthening tonic and appetizer. For children as well as adults. Sold for 50 years. 50c and \$1 bottles at drug stores.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM A toilet preparation of merit. Helps to eradicate dandruff. For Restoring Color and Beauty to Gray or Faded Hair. 50c. and \$1.00 at Druggists.

DROPSY TREATED usually gives quick relief, soon removes swelling and short breath, often gives entire relief in 18 to 25 days. Trial treatment sent FREE. DR. THOMAS E. GREEN, Successor to Dr. M. M. Green's Son, Box 7, Chatsworth, Ga.

KANSAS COWBOY WORLD'S CHAMPION

JESS WILLARD WRESTS HEAVY-WEIGHT TITLE FROM JACK JOHNSON IN RING.

END CAME IN 26TH ROUND

While the Black Man Did Most of the Fighting, He Was Unable to Withstand the Battering Blows of the Kansan.

Havana, Cuba.—Jack Johnson Monday at Havana, Cuba, lost his claim to fistic supremacy as the heavy-weight champion of the world, the title being wrested from him by Jess Willard, the Kansas cowboy, the biggest man who ever entered the prize ring and a "white hope" who at last has made good.

The fight probably has no parallel in the history of ring battles. For twenty rounds Johnson punched and pounded Willard at will, but his blows grew perceptibly less powerful as the fight progressed, until at last he seemed unable or unwilling to go on. Johnson stopped leading and for three or four rounds the battle between the two huge men was little more than a series of posings.

So it was until the twenty-fifth round, when Willard got one of his widely-swinging windmill right hand smashes to Johnson's heart. This was the beginning of the end.

In the twenty-sixth round a stinging left to the body and a cyclonic right to the jaw caused Johnson to crumple on the floor of the ring, where he lay partly outside the ropes until the referee-counted ten and held up Willard's hand in token of victory.

Under escort of the soldiers, Willard and Johnson left the ring and went to their dressing rooms, while the crowd cheered and broke into wild discussion.

Speaking of the final round that won him the victory, Willard said:

"The blow that brought the fight to a quick conclusion was a right hand smash to Johnson's body early in the last round. I felt Johnson grow limp in the next clinch and knew I had the championship within reach. A left to the body and a right smash to the jaw put Johnson down for the count."

UNITED STATES SUGGESTS ENGLAND ABANDON BLOCKADE

Note of Protest Sent to England and France Against Stringent Blockade by England.

Washington.—The United States government Monday made public its note to Great Britain announcing that it "could not admit" either the right of the allies or their claims for justification in placing an embargo on all commercial intercourse between Germany and neutral countries.

"To admit it," says the communication, "would be to assume an attitude of unneutrality toward the present enemies of Great Britain, which would be obviously inconsistent with the solemn obligations of this government in the present circumstances, and for Great Britain to make such a claim would be for her to abandon and set at naught the principles for which she has consistently and earnestly contended in other times and circumstances."

The note reviews at length the legal phases of a blockade of belligerent territory and virtual blockade of neutral coasts. In conclusion the United States states its expectation that Great Britain, after having considered "the possibilities of serious interruption of American trade" under the order in council, "will take the steps necessary to avoid them, and in the event that they should unhappily occur, will be prepared to make full reparation for every act which under the rules of international law constitutes a violation of neutral rights."

The American communication interprets the circumstances under which Great Britain claims to be justified in adopting retaliatory measures toward her enemies as "merely a reason for certain extraordinary activities" by her naval forces "and not an excuse for or a prelude to any unlawful action."

"If the course of the present enemies of Great Britain," the note adds, "should prove to be in fact tainted by illegality and disregard of the principles of war sanctioned by enlightened nations, it can not be supposed and this government does not for a moment suppose that his majesty's government would wish the same taint to attach to their own actions."

Ambassador Sharp at Paris was instructed to present a copy of the American note to Great Britain to the French foreign office.

REWROTE TO LAST MOMENT

Tolstoy's Habit Was to Correct Printer's Proofs as Long as They Were Sent to Him.

When "Anna Karenina" began to come out in the monthly Russki Vvestnik, writes Count Ilya Tolstoy in his "Reminiscences of Tolstoy," long galley proofs were posted to my father, and he looked them through and corrected them.

At first he would mark the margins with the ordinary typographical signs, letters omitted, marks of punctuation, and so on; then he would change individual words, and then whole sentences. That would be followed by erasures and additions until the proof sheets became a mass of patches that were perfectly black in places. It was impossible to send them back as they stood, because no one except my mother could make head or tail of the tangle of signs, transpositions and erasures. My mother would sit up all night copying the whole thing out afresh.

In the morning the pages lay on her table, neatly piled together, and covered with her fine, clear handwriting. Everything would be ready so that when "Lyovotchka" came down he could send the proof sheets off by post. My father would carry them to his study to have "one last look," and by evening the sheets were all written over and messed up once more.

"Sonya, my dear, I am very sorry, but I've spoilt all your work again; I promise I won't do it any more," he would say, showing her the passages he had inked over, with a guilty air. "We'll send them off tomorrow without fail." But that tomorrow was often put off for weeks, or even for months.

"There's just one bit I want to look through again," my father would say, but he would get carried away and rewrite it all afresh. There were even occasions when, after he had posted the proofs, my father corrected them by telegraph the next day.

Several times, in consequence of these corrections, the printing of the novel in the Russki Vvestnik was interrupted, and sometimes it did not come out for months together.—Youth's Companion.

RESINOL CERTAINLY DOES HEAL ECZEMA

In the past twenty years, literally thousands of physicians have written to tell us how successful the resinol treatment is for eczema and similar skin troubles. The first use of resinol ointment and resinol soap usually stops the itching and burning, and they soon clear away all trace of the eruption. No other treatment for the skin now before the public can show such a record of professional approval. Sold by all druggists.—Adv.

A Real Girl.
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Blanche—Which do you favor?
Ethel—Oh, I am remaining perfectly neutral.

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'Twas at the masked ball! Smilax and battleax were the chief note in the decorative scheme.

Mrs. Mulliger Tawne, the jealous woman of our set, turned green underneath her mask.

"That man in the mauve domino is my husband!" she hissed to herself. "Oh, if I catch him actually flirting!"

Just then the man in the mauve domino strolled over to her. "Ah, beauteous one—for I know you are beauteous e'en though your features are hidden," he began with a low, but not common bow.

"If he but knew!" she thought greedily, "Oh, but I will make him rue this day!"

"You do not answer," continued the man in mauve. And he leaned suddenly over and kissed one of her two cheeks. A wild, baleful light sprang into her eyes.

"I will divorce you for this!" she muttered. And just then the bell rang for unmasking. The man in mauve slipped his mask off, and Mrs. Mulliger Tawne started back, fainting from disappointment.

It was not her husband.—Detroit Free Press.

No Time for Worry.
Someone once said if we could put a red light on every dangerous spot in a city, the whole city would blaze red. The closest watching of the safety rules can never overcome the combinations of incidents that lead to serious danger when the enterprisers of a half-million of people are bound into a small space. Signs will fail, and the unexpected will happen.

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"Did you see where a train somewhere has a trunk on it filled with gun cotton?"
"Sure, I did. Ain't that going to be a good joke on some baggage smasher?"

Getting Scarce.
"That single man next door to you must be driven to desperation about his clothes."
"What do you mean?"
"I saw him this morning in his garden sowing bachelor's buttons."

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Up to Date.
Knicker—Jones has beaten his record as a champion "fish" story teller.
Bocker—What's his latest?
Knicker—He claims he caught a submarine, but it got away from him.

Its Kind.
"They are going to make a list of sending provisions to Germany by the parcels post."
"I see. A case of muffed fist."

To the Point.

An Indianapolis man has a sister in a Canadian town, he had long ago placed in the list of old maids, who, largely if not wholly from filial devotion, are content to remain at home to comfort the parents. She was climbing rapidly to forty. He was dumfounded the other day to get a letter from her announcing that she had consented to tie up for the rest of her days with a man of high repute in her community. He wrote her thus:

Dear Sister:
(1) Well!
(2) He's lucky.
He has her answer:
Dear Brother:
(1) Sure!
(2) So am I.

—Indianapolis News.

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Perfect Candor.
"Whenever I make a speech to my home folks," said Senator Sorghum, "I feel as if they were laughing in their sleeves."
"Pshaw!" exclaimed the hearty citizen; "we wouldn't laugh in our sleeves at you, senator. We'd jes' go ahead an' laugh out loud."

Appearances.
"A great many highly intellectual people smoke cigarettes," said the young man.
"Of course, they do," replied Miss Cayenne. "In fact, I don't believe anybody who isn't well known for intellect is warranted in taking the risk of looking foolish."

If a man's wife doesn't think him at least three times smarter than he really is he married the wrong woman.

Some men act as though they were proud of their faults.



Pick out the most critical smoker you know. Ask him to try one of your Fatima Cigarettes.

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"While on earth," queried St. Peter, "did you leave footprints on the sands of time?"

"No," replied the candidate for admission, "but I always scattered ashes on my icy sidewalks—"

"Come right in," interrupted the keeper of the keys, as he threw the pearly gates wide open, "and here is a ticket that entitles you to your choice of harps and halos."

Poor Henry.

"It is quite clear that Mrs. Peck is the ruling power in that household."

"Yes, indeed. Poor Peck isn't even recognized as a belligerent."

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THURSDAY, APR. 8, 1915

Living may be very high in these days, but somehow we feel that it is worth all it costs.

The late spring has been hard on those of a poetical turn of mind.

Our idea of a brave man is one who has the courage to award a prize at a baby show.

King George wants England pumped dry. He finds it a hard job to cope with Germany and booze all at the same time.

Whittling sticks on street corners has never yet made a man rich or filled an empty stomach.

Let Europe fight her battles! It is our business to feed and clothe the starving millions when the inevitable time comes.

A woman may be induced to tell her age, but she will not confess that she has never been loved.

Germany is now eating potato bread. Over there they say potato bread keeps longer than pure wheat bread. Over here we know that a tough steak will last longer than a tender one.

State Senator Townsend of this district says at the expiration of his term he will retire to private life. Mr. Townsend was elected President-Protem of the senate when it adjourned.

County Clerk A. S. Moore reports the sale of marriage license on the decline. Due no doubt to the high cost of meal tickets.—Grapeland Messenger.

Due to the high cost of loving, Crockett Courier.

Is that the reason which has kept the bachelor editor of the Courier away from the clerk's office for so these many years?

Along about 1895 the farmers were up against about the same proposition they are now—the price of cotton shot to pieces, and agitation for reduction of acreage. "Some Twenty Years Ago," published in the Jacksonville Banner, states that John B. Long, President of the Grange, had issued an appeal for reduction of the cotton acreage. The call was not heeded, and we have been increasing the production of cotton steadily ever since.

The Grapeland Messenger asks the question, "Are you guilty of gossiping?" The question isn't directed to anybody in particular, but is flung out at the whole world, and if everybody concerned makes reply we fear the Messenger will not be able to publish all the answers. So far as we are individually concerned, not guilty is our plea; we are entirely too busy scratching around trying to make a living.—Jacksonville Banner.

Will Whitaker, a young man living in the San Pedro community, died Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Stringer. His remains were interred Monday morning in the Denson cemetery.

LET'S GET TOGETHER

Isn't it about time for the people of this community to get a little closer together, and work in a little closer harmony one with the other?

A country town and the farming community surrounding it are brothers, and the one cannot succeed without the co-operation and active assistance of the other.

A farming section without its adjacent railroad and marketing facilities would be a back number—a dead one—with little future ahead. Live farmers would shun it, would have nothing to do with it, for live men create a surplus and they must have an outlet for that which they create.

A farm adjacent to some live town and shipping facilities is worth double that of a piece of ground with equal fertility located in some obscure section of the country. The relative values of the products of the two farms would be about the same—the one high, the other low.

Therefore, the farming community is dependent upon the town and its advantages for much of the rural prosperity, for the high value of land, for the ease with which shipments are made.

Farmers who believe in themselves, who want a prosperous community, should encourage the town and its industries—should buy from the home dealers, should keep the money in the home community where it adds to the commercial life of every person.

Every dollar a farmer keeps in circulation at home simply adds that much to the riches of his own community, to the value of his own holdings.

The town and the merchant owe an equal duty to the farmer for without his co-operation both town and merchant would perish.

The town should make the farmer welcome, let him feel that he is among friends, that it is his town, that he has a personal interest in its welfare.

The merchant should make it possible for the farmer to buy his goods as cheaply at home as he can from some foreign house and he should keep this fact constantly before the farmer.

He should encourage the farmer by keeping reliable goods and selling them at a reasonable price. Most merchants do this, although the absence of the merchant's advertisement from the local paper keeps the farmer in ignorance of this fact.

He should encourage the farmer in all ways, exhibit a brotherly feeling and spirit and give the farmer to understand that he is interested in his welfare as well as in the contents of his pocket book.

It has been demonstrated repeatedly right here in this town that people can buy as cheaply from the local dealer as they can from a foreign house, but the foreign dealer floods the country with advertising matter, while some local dealers expect to be taken on faith.

Now, isn't it about time for us all to think a little, to get together, to push this community right up to the front? Think it over.

We want to buy this month 50 dozen hens and will pay the top price. If you have any for sale bring them in while the price is good; can always use a few coops of turkeys and geese. adv

Geo. E. Darsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Ney Sheridan motored from Crockett Sunday afternoon.

SCHOOL NEWS

ROSS BROCK, Editor

Robert Sadler, Arnold Clewis, Assistant Editors



The flag raising Friday afternoon was a great success. Mr. W. A. Riall made the presentation and Mr. Jackson the accepting address. Both of these talks were enjoyed. The songs, readings and drills were all good. After these exercises, which were conducted in the auditorium, everyone went down to the school yard to see the flag raised. There were several out of town visitors and many from town.

Grapeland defeated Elkhart last Saturday in basket ball, both boys and girls. When time was called in the girls' game the score was 17 to 17, so it was necessary to play off the tie. The final score was 19 to 17 in favor of Grapeland. The score for the boys' game was 11 to 1. After the game the visitors were carried out to Myrtle Lake, where they had supper. We heartily enjoyed these people's visit and hope they will come back again. These will be about the last games this season. Both teams have done exceptionally well. The girls have played four games and lost only one; the boys have also played four games but lost half of them.

Miss Perlina Spence was absent Friday and Miss Winnie Davis Monday.

Mr. Jackson conducted devotional exercises Monday morning in chapel.

Jack Murchison was absent Friday afternoon. Miss Sam Hague was absent Friday.

Seth Wright Yarbrough visited the school Friday afternoon.

LEAGUE PROGRAMS

JUNIOR

Leader—Balis Edens.
Subject—Courage in Danger. Eph. 6, 10.
Song by league.
Prayer.
Reading—Melba Brock.
Recitation—Joe Wherry.
Reading—Marvin Matney.
Song—Earl Howard, George Darsey, Tom Richards, Melvin Darsey.
Reading—Mildred Haltom.
Roll call.
Closing song.
Benediction.

SENIOR

Leader—Miss Letha Matney.
Subject—A Singer with a Consecrated Voice. Ex. 15, 20-1
Song by league.
Prayer.
Reading—Miss Georgia Belle Richards.
Reading—Miss Ima Davis.
Solo—Miss Marie White.
Reading—Miss Mary Lou Darsey.
Talk on lesson—Leader.
Closing song.
Benediction.

Nothing So Good For a Cough or Cold

When you have a cold you want the best medicine obtainable so as to get rid of it with the least possible delay. There are many who consider Chamberlain's Cough Remedy unsurpassed. Mrs. J. Boroff, Elida, Ohio, says: "Ever since my daughter Ruth was cured of a severe cold and cough by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy two years ago, I have felt kindly disposed toward the manufacturers of that preparation. I know of nothing so quick to relieve a cough or cure a cold." For sale by all dealers. adv

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THINK OF IT, BOYS

An all leather, gunmetal lace oxford, with a one inch welt heel, made on the English walking last. Sizes 6 to 10 for - **\$3.50**

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SOME DRY

The other day a group of men were discussing the dry weather. One man remarked:

It is so dry up my way that all the creeks are dried up and the fish are standing on their noses and you can pull them up like radishes.

That's nothing like it is out my way, said another man. I was walking along the road and I saw a man pull up a 395 foot well and run it through a clothes wringer to get the baby a drink.

Darsey buys chickens, turkeys and geese. adv

OUR HONOR ROLL

The Messenger's honor roll for the past three weeks shows a decline. We would like to make a better showing than this, although these have our thanks: H. W. Bishop, N. H. Montgomery, W. H. Dotson, O. W. Davis, H. I. Luce, Henry Richards, J. A. Frisby, R. B. Edens, W. E. Kerr, J. O. Edington, R. D. Parker, Grapeland; H. I. Stedman, Elkhart; R. J. Dominy, Crockett, Route 1, O. C. Goodwin, Crockett; W. Z. Brumley, Elmer Sullivan, Percilla; Ross Murchison, Roscoe, N. J. Tims, Buffalo Gap; W. F. Nix, Commerce.

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

LOCAL NEWS

Clewis needs your business. adv
Darsey buys green hides—cash or trade. adv

The Houston Chronicle is now handled by Arnold Clewis. adv

Seed goobers and Spanish peanuts at Darsey's. adv

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

Plenty of sorgum seed at adv Darsey's.

WANTED TO BUY

A few hundred pounds of seed cotton. A. B. Spence. adv.

Another lot of Soudan grass seed to arrive at Darsey's this week. adv

Miss Mae Fitchett of Elkhart visited homefolk at Percilla Saturday and Sunday.

We buy chickens and eggs. Highest prices paid. adv. McLean & Riall.

Mrs. C. F. Trimble and son, Ray, of Crockett were Grapeland visitors Sunday.

Oriole flour will cost a little more, but it's worth it. adv Geo. E. Darsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kennedy motored to Crockett Wednesday morning.

WANTED — 50 bushels of speckled peas. McLean & Riall, adv.

Prof. J. H. Rosser, principal of the Porter Springs school, was a Grapeland visitor Saturday.

Geo. E. Darsey jr., who has been spending two weeks at home, returned to school at Georgetown Monday.

Mr. Tom Sheffield and daughter of Spurger, Texas, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Frisby this week.

FERTILIZER

I have a small amount of fertilizer on hand and those desiring any had better get it at once, as there will be a small amount available this year. See me at once. J. W. HOWARD. adv.

Mrs. J. E. Spence, who has been in the sanitarium at Palestine, was brought home Sunday and is rapidly regaining her health.

WANTED—at Darsey's next Saturday, 500 dozen eggs. adv

R. B. Edens had the misfortune to lose a fine mule last week.

Mitchell Roberts of Crockett spent Saturday and Sunday here.

California Seed Peas at adv Darsey's.

Marvin Ellis of Crockett was here Saturday.

Miss Beatrice Parker visited in Crockett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Finch of Palestine are visiting relatives in the New Prospect community.

R. L. Pridgen has our thanks for renewing the subscription of C. A. Baber at Elkhart.

Little Miss Melba Brock visited relatives in Huntsville from Friday until Sunday.

H. G. Patton and Homer West of Crockett were Grapeland visitors Sunday.

Prof. McRae, who has been teaching the Waneta school, left this week for his home at Colmesneil. He has been employed to teach the same school next term.

Zack Brimberry and Miss Cora Johnston were married Tuesday at the home of Rev. Aaron Whitehead, who performed the ceremony. The Messenger extends congratulations and best wishes.

FOR SALE

A few bushels of pure Mebane cotton seed at 50c per bushel. Better get them at once at this price. See O. W. Davis. adv.

The fur season is about over and if you have any on hand you had better bring them in and let Darsey get them off in his shipment next week. He handles coon, 'possum, mink, pole cat, house cat and fox hides. adv

LOOK OUT

For one cream colored Jersey heifer, 2 years old, branded T K on left side. Any information will be appreciated. adv W. E. Kerr.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Beginning Thursday, April 1, and continuing until September 1st, we will close our places of business at 4 o'clock every day except Saturday. F. & M. State Bank, adv. Guaranty State Bank.

HAPPENINGS FROM AUGUSTA

April 5.—The ladies of Augusta met with Mrs. W. H. Long Friday afternoon and organized a Crochet Club. Those present were: Mesdames J. S. Long, Frank Newman, W. H. Holcomb, T. S. Cook, G. L. Bolton; Misses Fannie Mae Wall, Helen Long and Eva Holcomb. The following officers were elected: Miss Eva Holcomb, Pres.; Mrs. W. H. Long, Vice-Pres.; Miss Helen Long, Sec'y. The ladies expect to make the club both a working committee and a social center. Refreshments were served and each member left, thanking the hostess for the splendid way she entertains.

Mrs. Will Musick of Crockett visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lucas here last week.

Mrs. R. L. Sims of Ratchiff is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wall of this place.

Mrs. Lee Brown of Simpson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Beeson.

Misses Mary Lou Scarbrough, Katy Cook and Jennie Lucas spent a few days in Crockett last week.

Rev. H. A. Matney filled his regular appointment here yesterday. DOROTHY.

Fraud Paint

The worst mistake one is liable to make in painting is wrong paint; it is easy to make.

We all say "Ours is the best"; and there are 1000 of us. One is the best; but a dozen are so near on a level that no one knows, for sure, that his is the one.

The worst paints are the worst liars; they know what they are, put on a bold face and brazen it out.

Their one true argument is low price; but low price paint is always, must be, a fraud; it is made to cheat cheatable people. DEVOE.

adv. Kennedy Bros. sell it.

FLAG WAS RAISED

"Old Glory," with its blood red bars and azure blue stripes, is now gently waving in the breezes over the high school building. The exercises of raising the flag were begun promptly last Friday evening at 2:30 o'clock. A large crowd of visitors gathered at the auditorium to witness the flag raising. Mr. W. A. Riall in an eloquent address, presented the flag to the school, and in a few well chosen remarks Prof. Jackson accepted it in behalf of the school. Other numbers on the program consisted of patriotic songs, recitations, readings, flag drills, etc. After these were concluded the flag was raised as hundreds of voices sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee." The program was continued at the auditorium that night with numbers similar to those in the afternoon. Miss Amanda Stoltzfus, of the University of Texas, was billed for an illustrated lecture, but on account of train connections, was unable to get here. This was a great disappointment to the people, but she will try to visit us at some future time.

Mesdames Sidney Murchison, Albert Aldridge, George Crook, and Misses Sarah Mac Crook and Kennedy and little Miss Josephine Edmondson motored to Grapeland Saturday to see the basket ball games and visit friends and relatives.

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7 packages soda for.....	25c	20c milk bucket for.....	10c
3 cans best tomatoes for.....	25c	20c stew pans for.....	10c
3 cans best corn for.....	25c	25c boxes soap for.....	10c
3 cans extra good salmon for.....	25c	25c hand mirrors for.....	10c
7 packages starch for.....	25c	20c Shaving mugs for.....	10c
7 packages washing powders for.....	25c	15c dishes for.....	10c
3 1-2 cans baking powders for.....	25c	15c bowls for.....	10c
12 bars good soap for.....	25c	25c milk pitcher for.....	10c
1.00 bucket coffee for.....	65c	15c sifter for.....	10c
4 cans pork and beans for.....	25c	15c milk strainers for.....	10c
7 boxes bluing for.....	25c	15c muffin rings for.....	10c
High Patent flour, every sack guaranteed	1.75	15c dippers for.....	10c
5 gallons best oil for.....	55c	1 dozen good red cedar pencils.....	10c
5 gallons best oil and 5 gal. galvanized can for.....	1.00	15c to 25c chair bottoms for.....	10c
Best compound lard per lb.....	8c	15c pudding pans for.....	10c
2 Garrett Snuff for.....	45c	15c fry pans for.....	10c
2 Red Cross Snuff for.....	35c	15c wash pans for.....	10c
Brown Mule tobacco 3 for.....	25c	5 mouse traps for.....	10c
25c stove pan for.....	10c	15c cake pans for.....	10c
10c Bargain Counter			

We want to buy your chickens and eggs Keeland Brothers

Habitual constipation is the door through which many of the serious ills of the body are admitted. The occasional use of Prickly Ash Bitters will remove and cure this distressing condition. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv

Mrs. A. H. Luker left Tuesday night for Shreveport, La., to visit her sister, Mrs. Dockery.

Rheumatism Pains Relieved

Why suffer from rheumatism when relief may be had at so small a cost? Mrs. Elmer Hatch, Peru, Ind., writes, "I have been subject to attacks of rheumatism for years. Chamberlain's Liniment always relieves me immediately, and I take pleasure in recommending it to others." 25 and 50 cent bottles. For sale by all dealers. adv

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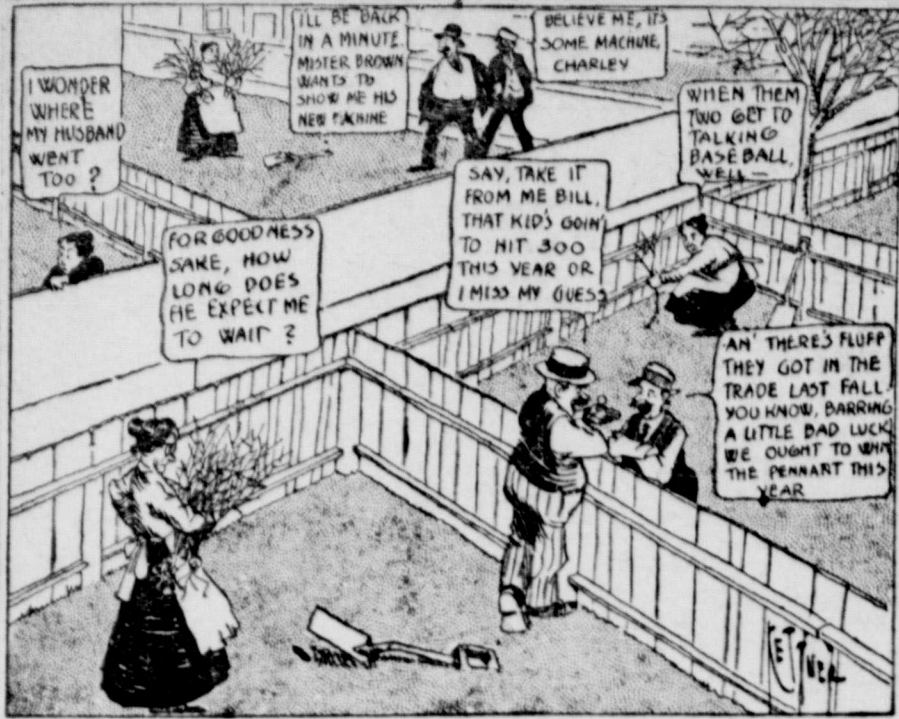
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MORE BILLS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

Bills Include Aransas County Causeway, Local Option Text Books, Students' Loan Fund, Etc.

Austin, Tex.—Twelve bills and house joint resolution No. 9, proposing an amendment to the constitution for raising a students' loan fund, to be voted on the fourth Saturday in July, 1915, were approved by the governor this week and filed with the secretary of state.

The Aransas County causeway bill was among the bills signed. It authorizes the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$300,000, provided that sum does not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of real property, for the construction of a causeway across Aransas Bay between Lamar Peninsula and Live Oak Peninsula. The bill carried the emergency clause and received two-thirds vote in the senate, but as there is no record of the vote in the house the bill does not become effective until ninety days after adjournment of the legislature.

The local option free text book bill, the bill providing for the appointment of county auditors in counties having a city of 20,000 population or more, and the bill providing a uniform date for holding elections of trustees of independent and common school districts were also approved.

The following is a list of the bills signed by the governor:

Senate bill No. 375—Prescribing time for holding court in the sixty-sixth judicial district, Hill County.

House bill No. 566—Permitting drainage, irrigation and improvement districts to contract with United States in public works.

Senate bill No. 66—Giving railroad commission supervision over railroad track improvements and repairs and allowing bond issues for such improvements.

Senate bill No. 279—Providing standard of proficiency for embalmers and authorizing state embalming board to employ lecturers and demonstrators.

House bill No. 521—Appointment of county auditors in counties having a city of 20,000 or more.

House bill No. 533—Appropriating \$2,263 for deficiency and current expenses of experimental substation No. 6, in Denton County.

House bill No. 584—Applying stock law to subdivisions of counties where adjoining subdivisions have come under stock law.

House bill No. 492—Providing uniform date for holding election for trustees in independent and common school districts.

Senate bill No. 314—Authorizing the investment of the proceeds of sales of school lands by counties in bonds of the United States, state and other public bonds.

House bill No. 399—Providing for payment of occupation tax by carnival shows.

Mexican Held on Old Charge.

Brownsville, Tex.—General Precopio Elizondo, the constitutionalist officer wounded in last Saturday's battle in Matamoros and brought to Brownsville for medical care, was arrested Friday by Captain J. J. Sanders of the Texas rangers. Elizondo is charged by complaint with the death of Emmett Roebuck, a Texas ranger, and with assault to murder A. Y. Baker, present sheriff of Hidalgo county, in Brownsville in September, 1902. At the time of the shooting Elizondo was a school teacher in Cameron county. Following the shooting he went to Mexico, where he has since been.

PONTOONS TO BE USED TO RAISE LOST SUBMARINE

Preparations Are Under Way to Bring to the Surface the Lost Submarine F-4.

Honolulu.—As a result of the navy department's authorization Thursday of \$20,000 for the work of raising the submarine F-4, believed to be water logged on the ocean bed just outside the harbor entrance, officials at Honolulu, under the leadership of Lieutenant C. E. Smith, submarine flotilla commander, have made plans for salvage operations on a big scale.

All efforts to raise by cables an object said by officials to be the lost F-4 having failed, the pontoon method will now be used. Six hundred ton scows will be towed to the spot beneath which, in forty-five fathoms of water, the subm. rine is believed to be lying.

After the scows have been weighted with water, chains hooked to the F-4 will be attached to them. Then the water will be pumped out of the scows and their hulls rising they will lift the bulk below. The laborious process will be continued until the submarine is brought to the surface.

Lieutenant Smith says it probably would be three days before further attempts to raise the F-4 would be made. A light line was hooked on the submarine and will be maintained as a guide to the sunken craft.

German vessels, warbound in Honolulu harbor, have volunteered the loan of all their salvage apparatus.

A huge diving tube, which engineers have been constructing, has been completed.

Twenty-one coffins have been delivered at the navy dock for the ill-fated crew of the F-4.

Huge Oil Sale Is Consummated.

Tulsa, Okla.—What is said to be the largest sale of oil and tankage ever made was consummated Saturday when an oil company sold seventy-two 55,000-barrel tanks of oil in the Cushing field to the Prairie Oil and Gas Company. The tanks contained approximately 4,000,000 barrels of oil and the price paid is said to be \$3,400,000.

The Louisiana Sugar Crop.

Washington. — Louisiana's sugar crop for the season just closed totaled 242,000 tons, or about 50,000 less than in 1913. A statement issued by the department of agriculture Tuesday says the trade conditions from the beginning of August to the opening of the grinding season has encouraged the factory owners to prepare for an active season.

To Return General Jackson's Flag.

Springfield, Ill.—The women of New Orleans are to get back the flag presented to General Andrew Jackson which the Illinois troops captured in 1863. Representative Campbell's bill providing for the return of the flag was reported favorably Tuesday to the lower house of the general assembly by the committee on military affairs.

Ferguson Approves Levee Bill.

Austin, Tex.—House bill authorizing county commissioners court to create and establish levee improvement districts with authority to construct and maintain levees and other improvements was signed by the governor Friday.

Railroad Builder Is Dead.

Kingsville, Tex.—Colonel Uriah Lott, pioneer railroad builder of Brownsville and the builder of three of the principal railroads of Southwest Texas, died in Kingsville Monday.

CARPATHIAN PASSES STAINED WITH BLOOD

FIGHTING OF MOST DESPERATE CHARACTER CONTINUES IN SNOW-CLAD MOUNTAINS.

ITALIAN SOLDIERS IN CAMP

Italian Troops Still Being Assembled Along the Austrian Frontier—Artillery Fighting in France—Bulgaria Explains Move.

Latest War News From Front.

While the furious struggle for the Carpathian passes, in which the Russians appear to be making steady progress, is the dominating feature in the great European struggle, the situation in Italy is attracting much attention. The Italian government is continuing with great activity the assembling of troops on the Austrian frontier, according to reports reaching Chlasso, Switzerland, from Italian sources.

In the Carpathian contest the Russians are fighting on the Hungarian side of both the Dukla and Lupkow passes. The latest Russian official statement announces the capture of Cisna, which is about fifteen miles east of Lupkow and is an important railway station.

The Russians also claim a success to the north of Czernowitz, Kukowina, where 1,000 Austrians were captured. The German submarine U-31 has sunk the Russian bark Hermes and the British vessel Olivine.

Great excitement has been caused in Genoa by the receipt of a report that a German submarine has sunk the Italian steamer Luigi Parodi, which left Baltimore on Jan. 22 with coal for Genoa. The Italian authorities have taken strong measures to protect the German colony. The crew of the Luigi Parodi was made up entirely of Genoese and nothing has been heard from them.

The Bulgarian government has explained that rebels were responsible for the recent raid into Serbia and has promised to take steps to disarm them.

The United States government has made public the note sent to Germany on the sinking of the American ship, William P. Frye, by the German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich. Indemnification to the amount of \$228,059, with interest, is asked.

The Russian army which for months besieged the Austrian fortress of Przemyel and finally forced it to capitulate has achieved another victory. Starting westward from the Galician stronghold immediately after its fall the Muscovites now have entered the Beskid Mountains—a range which connects the Little Carpathians with the Eastern Carpathians and forms part of the boundary between Galicia and Hungary—and driven out the Austrians, who for some time past had stubbornly held the passes and heights.

Brief is Vienna's acknowledgment that this vantage point, the gateway to the plains of Northern Hungary, has been evacuated.

To the eastward in the Carpathians where sanguinary fighting is taking place both the Austrians and Russians claim victories at various points and the capture of men and guns. In the region of Virawa, Austria asserts that 2,260 prisoners were taken.

In North Poland a cavalry charge in the Suwalki district resulted in the defeat of the Germans, who were driven away with losses in men killed or captured, according to Petrograd. Berlin says Russian attacks near Augustowo were repulsed.

There has been little fighting on the western front. The French have taken the village of Regnieville in the Woevre department from the Germans, while the Germans have captured from the Belgians the village of Drel Grachten, south of Dixmude.

Semi-official reports reaching Petrograd are to the effect that the Turkish armored cruiser Medjidieh had been sunk by a mine in the Black Sea off the Russian coast.

Two steamers have been blown up as a result of the naval warfare. A German submarine has destroyed a British steamer in the English channel off the southern end of the coast of Cornwall with a loss of four men of the crew, while a German steamer has been sent to the bottom by striking a mine in the Baltic.

German submarines have destroyed two more steamers, the British Seven Seas and the French Emma, both off Beachy Head.

A Berlin wireless dispatch, probably semi-official, describes as slanders the reports that the German submarine which sunk the steamer Falaba a few days ago gave the passengers no time to save themselves. It is asserted in this dispatch that the submarine was forced to withdraw quickly on account of the approach of other vessels, and was for this reason unable to assist in the work of rescue.

FINDS WILL; GETS \$14,000

Engineer Overwhelmed When He Opens Box and Finds Fortune Left by Friend.

A windfall, as welcome as it was unexpected, came to Harvey A. Acker, a locomotive engineer on the Reading railway, living at Allentown, Pa., with the finding of the will of Radley Mohr, retired cigarmaker and widely known sportsman, who died at the age of fifty-six.

Mohr for years, living very modestly, boarded with Acker, who was one of his cronies, the pair often going out together for a day with rod or gun. Mr. Mohr for several years, on account of failing health, did nothing but hunt and fish.

It was not known or supposed that he had any fortune. While cleaning up his effects the morning after the funeral Mrs. Acker came across a document which indicated it was Mohr's will. She showed it to Acker, who found he was the sole beneficiary of the estate, and Arthur J. D. Koenig, clerk of the orphans' court of Lehigh county, was named executor.

The will, besides bequeathing to Acker a small property, said he should have the contents of a safe deposit box in one of the banks, and it told him where to find the key and how to open the box. He called on Mr. Koenig and the two did as directed in the will. Their eyes opened in astonishment when they found \$14,000 in clean new bills and gold.

Evening Things Up.

One day a sleepy passenger got on a Broadway car, but, before dropping off into a slumber, he took the precaution to ask the conductor to wake him at his destination. It was Eighty-first street. The conductor, however, proved to be remiss. Not until the car had reached Eighty-third street did he awake his drowsy charge.

Next evening the same man got on, and again fell fast asleep. This time the conductor determined to be more cautious. At Seventy-ninth street he awakened the sleeper.

"But I don't want to get out until Eighty-first," he protested angrily.

"Well," was the logical reply, "you owe the two blocks since yesterday morning."

A Saving Mind.

"Lend me your pencil, I key."
"Why don't you use ink?"
"I vasts too much on der blotter."

"DELICACIES" AT THE FRONT

Hindu Troops Have Partiality for Dainties That Seem Peculiar to Western Senses.

A Native Indian writer, a Mr. Mitra, in a letter to an English newspaper, tells of the kind of delicacies that the British Indian troops at the front particularly enjoy. The principal things are ghee, areca nut, betel and Indian tobacco.

To English readers, says the Manchester Guardian, ghee will be the most mysterious of these commodities. It is a kind of clarified butter, made from curdled milk—in India usually from buffalo milk. The curdled milk is churned into butter; then the butter stands for a few days until it begins to turn rancid. Then it is boiled, and seasoned with dze—whatever that is—salt or the leaf of the betel, which is a kind of pepper plant. Indians like it, but Europeans seldom do, because it is so "ripe" that it is virtually rancid.

As most people know, the Hindus use the areca nut as a kind of chewing gum. They chew it with betel leaf and a little shell lime. The nut is astringent and bitter, but it does not seem to have any particular effect on the user. The betel leaf adds a peppery flavor to the combination.

Answered.

He doesn't belong to the ranks of the unemployed, and one feels certain that he is not financially embarrassed, but the way he turned down a man who tried to get him for a customer might have indicated that he was in either predicament.

"Wanna buy some horseradish?" asked a peddler who entered his place of business.

"Haven't any meat," he replied.

This statement was too much even for the peddler's gift of salemanship, and he immediately left the store without bandying words.

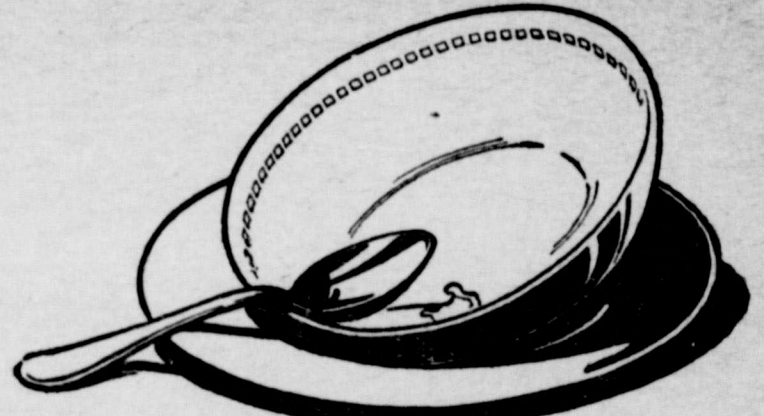
Frank Admission.

"Won't drink? Won't smoke? You are keeping your New Year resolutions well."

"Candor compels me to acknowledge that I made a fresh start when Lent began."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Occasion Is So Rare.

"Is Maud much of a talker?"
"Well, when she stops you notice it a good deal."—Boston Evening Transcript.



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CHAPTER XVII—Continued.

For a moment the click of the balls on the other tables was the only sound. Craig broke the tableau by reaching for his glass of whisky, which he emptied. He tried to assume a nonchalant air, but his hand shook as he replaced the glass on the tabouret. It rolled off to the floor and tinkled into pieces.

"Nerves a bit rocky, eh?" Warrington laughed sardonically.

"You're screeching in the wrong jungle, Parrot, old top," said Mallow, who, as he did not believe in ghosts, was physically nor morally afraid of anything. "Though, you have my word for it that I'd like to see you lose every cent of your oil fluke."

"Don't doubt it."

"But," Mallow went on, "if you're wanting a little argument that doesn't require pencils or voices, why, you're on. You don't object to my friend Craig coming along?"

"On the contrary, he'll make a good witness of what happens."

"The chit, boy!" Mallow paid the reckoning. "Now, then, come on, Three rickshaws!" he called.

The barren plot of ground back of the dock was deserted. Warrington jumped from his rickshaw and divested himself of his coat and flung his hat beside it. Gleelessly as a boy Mallow did likewise. Warrington then bade the coolies to move back to the road.

"Rounds?" inquired Mallow.

"You filthy scoundrel, you know very well there won't be any rules to this game. Don't you think I know you?" Warrington rolled up his sleeves and was pleased to note the dull color of Mallow's face. He wanted to rouse the brute in the man, then he would have him at his mercy. "I swore four years ago that I'd make you pay for that night."

"You scum!" roared Mallow, "you'll never be a whole man when they carry you away from here."

"Wait and see."

On the way to the dock Warrington had mapped out his campaign. Fair play from either of these men was not to be entertained for a moment. One was naturally a brute and the other was a coward. They would not hesitate at any means to defeat him. And he knew what defeat would mean at their hands—disfigurement, probably.

"Will you take a shilling for your fifty quid?" jeered Craig. He was going to enjoy this, for he had not the least doubt as to the outcome. Mallow was without superior in a rough and tumble fight.

Warrington did not reply. He walked cautiously toward Mallow. This maneuver brought Craig within reach. It was not a fair blow, but Warrington delivered it without the least compunction. It struck Craig squarely on the jaw. Lightly as a cat Warrington jumped back. Craig's knees doubled under him and he toppled forward on his face.

"Now, Mallow, you and I alone, with no one to jump on my back when I'm looking elsewhere!"

Mallow, appreciating the trick, swore foully, and rushed. Warrington jabbed with his left and sidestepped. One thing he must do and that was to keep Mallow from getting into close quarters. The copra grower was more than his match in the knowledge of those oriental devices that usually cripple a man for life. He must wear him down scientifically; he must depend upon his ring generalship. In his youth Warrington had been a skillful boxer. He could now back this skill with rugged health and a blow that had a hundred and eighty pounds behind it.

From ordinary rage Mallow fell into a frenzy; and frenzy never won a ring battle. Time after time he endeavored to grapple, but always that left stopped him. Warrington played for his face, and to each jab he added a taunt. "That for the little Singalese!" "Count that one for Wheedon's broken knees!" "And wouldn't San admire that? Remember her? The little Japanese girl whose thumbs you broke?" "Here's one for me!" It was not dignified, but Warrington stubbornly refused to look back upon this day either with shame or regret. Jab-jab, cut and slash! went the left. There was no more mercy in the mind back of it than might be found in the sleek felines who stalked the jungles north. Doggedly Mallow fought on, hoping for his chance. He tried every trick he knew, but he could only get so near. The ring was as wide as the world; there were no corners to make grappling a possibility.

Some of his desperate blows got through. The bezel of his ring laid open Warrington's forehead. He was brave enough, but he began to realize that this was not the same man he had turned out into the night four years ago. And the pain and ignominy he had forced upon others was now being returned to him. Warrington would have prolonged the battle had he not seen Craig getting dizzily to his feet. It was time to end it. He feinted swiftly. Mallow, expecting a body blow, dropped his guard. Warrington, as he struck, felt the bones in his hand crack. Mallow went over upon his back, fairly lifted off his feet. He was tough; an ordinary man would have died.

"I believe that squares accounts," said Warrington, speaking to Craig. "If you hear of me in America, in Europe, anywhere, keep away from the places where I'm likely to go. Tell him," with an indifferent jerk of his head toward the insensible Mallow, "tell him that I give him that fifty pounds with the greatest good pleasure. Sorry I can't wait."

He trotted back to his rickshaw, wiped the blood from his face, put on his hat and coat, and ordered the respectful coolie to hurry back to town. He never saw Mallow or Craig again. The battle itself became a hazy incident. In life affairs of this order generally have abrupt endings.

CHAPTER XVIII.

Two Letters.

And all that day Elsa had been waiting patiently to hear sounds of Warrington in the next room. Never could she recall such long, weary hours. Time and again she changed a piece of ribbon, a bit of lace, and twice she changed her dress, all for the purpose of making the hours pass more quickly. Whenever Martha approached Elsa told her that she wanted nothing, that she was head-achy, and wanted to be left alone. Discreetly Martha vanished.

To prevent the possibility of missing him, Elsa had engaged the room boy to loiter about downstairs and to report to her the moment Warrington arrived. The boy came pattering up at a quarter to six.

"He come. He downside. I go, he come topside?"

"No. That will be all."

The following ten minutes tested her patience to the utmost. Presently she heard the banging of a trunk lid. He was there. What was she going to say to him? The trembling that struck at her knees was wholly a new sensation. Presently the tremor died away, but it left her weak. She stepped toward his door and knocked gently on the jamb.

She heard something click as it struck the floor. (It was Warrington's cutty, which he had carried for seven years, now in smithereens.) She saw a hand, raw knuckled and bleeding slightly, catch at the curtain and swing it back upon its rings.

"Miss Chetwood?" he said.

"Yes . . . Oh, you've been hurt!" she exclaimed, noting the gash upon his forehead. A strip of tissue paper (in lieu of court plaster) lay soaking upon that wound—a trick learned in the old days when razors grew dull overnight.

"Hurt? Oh, I ran against something when I wasn't looking," he explained lamely. Then he added eagerly: "I did not know that you were on this gallery. First time I've put up at a hotel in years." It did not serve.

"You have been fighting! Your hand."

He looked at the hand dumbly. How keen her eyes were.

"Was it . . . Mallow? Did you whip him?"

"I . . . did," imitating her tone and hesitance. It was the wisest thing he could have done, for it relaxed the nerves of both of them.

Elsa smiled, smiled and forgot the substance of all her rehearsals, forgot the letter of credit, warm with the heat of her heart. "I am a pagan," she confessed.

"And I am a barbarian. I ought to be horribly ashamed of myself."

"But you are not?"

For a moment their eyes drew. Hers were like dark whirlpools, and he felt himself drifting helplessly, irresistibly. He dropped his hands upon the railing and gripped; the illusion of fighting a current was almost real to him. Every fiber in his body cried out against the struggle.

"No, not in the least," he said, looking toward the sunset. "Fighting is

riff-raff business, and I'm only a riff-raffer at best."

"Rather, aren't you Paul Ellison, brother, twin brother, of the man I said I was going home to marry?"

How far away her voice seemed! The throb in his forehead and the dull ache over his heart, where some of the sledge-hammer blows had gone home, he no longer felt.

"Don't deny it. It would be useless. Knowing your brother as I do, who could doubt it?"

He remained dumb.

"I couldn't understand, just simply couldn't. They never told me; in all the years I have known them, in all the years I have partly made their home my own, there was nothing. Not a trinket. Once I saw a camera picture. I know now why Arthur snatched it from my hand. It was you. You were bending over an engineer's tripod. Even now I should have doubted had I not recalled what you said one day on board, that you had built bridges. Arthur couldn't build anything stronger than an artist's easel. You are Paul Ellison."

"I am sorry you found out."

"Why?"

"Because I wanted to be no more than an incident in your life, just Parrot & Co."

"Parrot & Co.!"

It was like a caress; but he was too dull to sense it, and she was unconscious of the inflection. The burning sunshine gave to his hair and beard the glistening of ruddy gold. Her imagination, full of unsuspected poetry at this moment, clothed him in the metals of a viking. There were other whirlpools besides those in her eyes, but Elsa did not sense the drifting as he had done. It was insidious.

"An incident," she repeated.

"Could I be more?" with sudden fierceness. "Could I be any more in any woman's life? I take myself for what I am, but the world will always take me for what I have done. Yes, I am Paul Ellison, forgotten, I hope, by all those who knew me. Why did you seek me that night? Why did you come into my life to make bitterness become despair? The blackest kind of despair. Elsa Chetwood, Elsa! Well, the consul is right. I am a strong man. I can go out of your life, at least physically. I can say that I love you, and I can add to that good-by!"

He wheeled abruptly and went quickly down the gallery, bareheaded, without any destination in his mind, with only one thought, to leave her before he lost the last shreds of his self-control.

It was then that Elsa knew her heart. She had spoken truly. She was a pagan—for, had he turned and held out his hands, she would have gone to him, gone with him, anywhere in the world, lawfully or unlawfully.

Elsa sang. When Martha came to help her dress for dinner she still sang. It was a wordless song, a melody that every human heart contains and which finds expression but once. Elsa loved.

Doubt, that arch-enemy of love and faith and hope, doubt had spread its dark pinions and flown away into yesterday. She felt the zest and exhilaration of a bird just given its freedom. Once she slipped from Martha's cunning hands and ran out upon the gallery.

"Elsa, your waist!"

Elsa laughed and held out her bare arms to the faded sky where, but a little while since, the sun had burned a pathway down the world. All in an hour, one small trifling space of time, this wonderful, magical thing had happened. He loved her. There had been hunger for her in his voice, in his blue eyes. Presently she was going to make him feel very sorry that he had not taken her in his arms, then and there.

"Elsa, what in mercy's name possesses you?"

"I am mad, Martha, mad as a March hare, whatever that is!" She loved.

"People will think so, if they happen to come along and see that waist. Please come instantly and let me finish hooking it. You act like you did when you were ten. You never would stand still."

"Yes, and I remember how you used to yank my pig-tails. I haven't really forgiven you yet."

"I believe it's going home that's the matter with you. Well, I for one shall be glad to leave this horrid country. Chinamen everywhere, in your room, at your table, under your feet. And in the streets, Chinamen and Malays and Hindus, and I don't know what other cutlindish races and tribes. Why, what's all this?" cried Martha, bending to the floor.

Elsa ran back to the room. She gave a little gasp when she saw what it was that Martha was holding out for her inspection. It was Warrington's letter of credit. She had totally forgotten its existence. Martha could not help seeing it. Elsa explained frankly what it was and how it had come into her possession. Martha was horrified.

"Elsa, they might have entered your room; and your jewels lying about everywhere! How could you be so careless?"

"But they didn't. I'll return this to

Mr. Warrington in the morning; perhaps tonight, if I see him at dinner."

"He was in the next room, and we never knew it!" The final book snapped in place. "Well, Wednesday our boat leaves;" as if this put a period to all further discussion anent Mr. Parrot & Co. Nothing very serious could happen between that time and now.

"Wednesday night." Elsa began to sing again, but not so joyously. The petty things of every-day life were lifting their heads once more, and of necessity she must recognize them.

She sat at the consul general's table, informally. There was gay inconsequential chatter, an exchange of recollections and comparisons of cities and countries they had visited at separate times; but neither she nor he mentioned the chief subject of their thoughts. She refrained because of a strange yet natural shyness of a woman who has found herself; and he, because from his angle of vision it was best that Warrington should pass out of her life as suddenly and mysteriously as he had entered it. Had he spoken frankly he would have saved Elsa many a bitter heartache, many a weary day.

Warrington was absent, and so were his enemies. If there was any truth in reincarnation Elsa was confident that in the splendid days of Rome she had beaten her pink palms in applause of the gladiators. Pagan; she was all of that; for she knew that she could have looked upon Mallow's face with more than ordinary interest. Nevermore would her cheeks burn at the recollection of the man's look.

In her room, later, she wrote two letters. The one to Arthur covered several pages; the other consisted of a single line. She went down to the office, mailed Arthur's letter and left the note in Warrington's key box. It was not an intentionally cruel letter she had written to the man in America; but if she had striven toward that effect she could not have achieved it more successfully. She cried out against the way he had treated his brother, the false pride that had hidden all knowledge of him from her. Where were the charity and mercy of which he had so often preached? Pages of burning reproaches which seared the soul of the man who read them. She did not confide the state of her heart. It was not necessary. The arraignment of the one and the defense of the other were sufficiently illuminating.

Soundly the happy sleep. She did not hear the removal of Warrington's luggage at midnight, for it was stealthily done. Neither did she hear the fretful mutter of the bird as his master disturbed his slumbers. Nothing warned her that he intended to spend the night on board; that, having paid his bill early in the evening, her note might have lain in the key box until the crack of doom, so far as he was likely to know of its existence. No angel of pity whispered to her, Awake! No dream magic people tell about drew for her the picture of the man she loved, pacing up and down the cramped deck of the packet boat, fighting a battle compared to which that of the afternoon was play. Elsa slept on, dreamless.

When she awoke in the morning she ran to the mirror—all this fresh beauty she was going to give to him, without condition, without reservation, absolutely. She dressed quickly, singing lowly. Fate makes us the happiest when she is about to crush us.

Usually she had her breakfast served in the room, but this morning she was determined to go downstairs. She was excited; she brimmed with exuberance; she wanted Romance to begin at once.

"Good morning," she greeted the consul general, who was breakfasting alone.

"Well, you're an early bird!" he replied. By the way, our romantic Parrot & Co. have gone."

"Gone?" Elsa stared at him.

"Yes. Sailed for Saigon at dawn, and I am rather glad to see him go. I was afraid he might interest you too much. Good heavens, Elsa, what is the matter?"

"No, no! Don't touch me. I'm not the fainting kind. Did you know last night that he was going?"

"Yes."

"I shall never forgive you. Never, never! You knew and did not tell me. Do you know who Paul Ellison is? He is the brother of the man at home. You knew he was stealing away and did not tell me."

She could not have made the truth any plainer to him. He sat back in his chair, stunned, voiceless.

"I am going to my room," she said. "Do not follow. Please act as if nothing had happened."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Convincing Argument.

Timid Lady (about to buy a ticket for New York)—And is the boat that sails on Thursday perfectly safe?

Agent (gravely)—Madam, I can assure you that in all the time this ship has been in service, and that is now a number of years, not once has she gone to the bottom.

Timid Lady (reassured)—Oh, then, it must be all right. What cabins have you vacant?—London Tit-Bits.

OUR COAST DEFENSE

In these modern days of heavy armament and scientific war equipment, much thought has been given to our coast defense. The question of preparedness is one that concerns all patriotic Americans for it is always the unexpected attack that causes consternation.

This is also true in matters pertaining to health. That great enemy of health—Stomach trouble—may spring an unexpected attack at any time and it is well to be prepared by always keeping a bottle of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters in the house. It is your bulwark in time of distress.

Be on guard at all times, and as soon as you notice the appetite failing, digestion becoming impaired, the liver inactive and the bowels refuse to perform their daily functions, commence taking the Bitters. Prompt action, together with the aid of this medicine, has been the means of preventing much suffering from Sick Headache, Nausea, Poor Appetite, Indigestion, Constipation and Biliousness.

Don't trifle with your health, but rather help Nature when weakness is manifested. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is Nature's ally, and these together, form a combination that is sure to result to your welfare. Try it today, but be sure you get Hostetter's.

PROPER CREDIT TO COLUMBUS

See-America-First Movement, According to Report, Originated With Great Navigator.

Columbus, the Great Navigator, having been told by his politically faithful crew he'd either have to find what he was looking for or walk home, spent the night gazing westward.

Just before dawn he caught a glimpse of the Statue of Liberty, backed up by skyscrapers and the Great White Way.

Whereupon he sighed a sigh of relief, and calling all hands on deck, he remarked:

"Gentlemen, I am about to organize the see-America-First movement, and those who want to get in on the sub-basement will pass to the right, dropping their first payments in the hat!"

A Cry for Help.

Good advertising benefits any form of business. The right sort of advertising gives you a friendly feeling toward a firm. It makes you believe that it will be both pleasant and profitable to deal with the advertiser. A certain grocer inserted in the newspapers an advertisement that had this merit. It ran:

"Twins are coming to me for the third time. This time a boy and a girl. I beseech my friends to support me stoutly."—Youth's Companion.

Cutting Remark.

The Barber—Did you hear about the bad scrapes Hilow got into yesterday?

The Victim—No. Did you shave him?

Their Locality.

"Pop, where are the man-hunting tribes to be found?"

"Principally in leap year, sonny."

SOME HARD KNOCKS

Woman Gets Rid of "Coffee Habit"

The injurious action of coffee on the hearts of many persons is well known by physicians to be caused by caffeine. This is the drug found by chemists in coffee and tea.

A woman suffered a long time with severe heart trouble and finally her doctor told her she must give up coffee, as that was the principal cause of the trouble. She writes:

"My heart was so weak it could not do its work properly. My husband would sometimes have to carry me from the table, and it would seem that I would never breathe again.

"The doctor told me that coffee was causing the weakness of my heart. He said I must stop it, but it seemed I could not give it up until I was down in bed with nervous prostration.

"For eleven weeks I lay there and suffered. Finally husband brought home some Postum and I quit coffee and started new and right. Slowly I got well. Now I do not have any headaches, nor those spells with weak heart. We know it is Postum that helped me. The Dr. said the other day: 'I never thought you would be what you are.' I used to weigh 92 pounds and now I weigh 158.

"Postum has done much for me and I would not go back to coffee again, for I believe it would kill me if I kept at it. Postum must be prepared according to directions on pkg., then it has a rich flavor and with cream is fine."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Postum comes in two forms: Regular Postum—must be well boiled. 15c and 25c packages.

Instant Postum—is a soluble powder. A teaspoonful dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water and, with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. 40c and 50c tins.

Both kinds are equally delicious and cost per cup about the same.

"There's a Reason" for Postum.

—sold by Grocers.

RIPPLES ON THE TRINITY

April 5.—Farmers are most all well up with their work and very little in sight yet to help feed Houston County. There are some things we can do and some we can not do. How could we have anything much when the mercury has stood just above the freezing point nearly the entire month of March at night. But surely Spring will get here after awhile.

Some are going to plant cotton this week, but others are going to wait until they get some corn in sight, for fear we get our business mixed. We are surely behind a month.

W. F. West, G. B. Kent, Tom Kent and Pledger Chiles are Crockett visitors today.

Glad to say our Sunday School is picking up some and the following officers were elected: J. L. Chiles, Sup't.; E. G. Stevens, Asst.; Tom Kent, Sec'y.; Miss Laura Lena Kent, Asst.; Mrs. G. B. Kent, Treas.; Mrs. W. F. West, Organist. We hope to increase in interest and number as soon as the weather gets warmer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chiles and Mrs. J. A. Allen were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Fulgham yesterday. Not long ago P. L. did not go to Sunday School. We asked him his excuse. He said the Lord had detailed him to stay at home and keep the hawks off the chickens—a very essential article in protracted meeting time. His excuse was accepted.

At the school trustee's election the following were elected: G. B. Kent, Jack Beazley, W. M. Newsome. Sup't. Snell will lecture on consolidation at the school house Thursday night and every one interested in education ought to be present.

Surveyor Wakefield was in our midst last week running some lines on the Stevens farm.

Some fishing doing Saturday, but no luck.

Yes, Charlotta, we sure would have enjoyed being at your services but was needed at home and could not be at both places.

We wonder if G. W. Franks of Elkhart is the George we used to run with when a boy, and if he remembers the time he tore his eight dollar brand new pants on a thorn bush. We would like to meet the old boys and talk of the good old times. We are glad we lived then and are glad we live now. Do not fear getting old, but do fight and fear getting disgruntled and sour. As ever,

ZACK.

NORMAL GRANTED

Prof. J. L. Jackson has been officially notified by State Superintendent Doughty that the summer normal for Houston county has been granted. The normal will be held in Grapeland, beginning June 2. The committee will hold a meeting in Crockett Saturday to arrange all details and map out the advertising campaign. Many students are expected to enroll. The normal will last two months.

An occasional dose of Prickly Ash Bitters keeps the system healthy, wards off disease and maintains strength and energy. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv

Miss Edna Hill spent a few days in Oakhurst this week, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. H. S. Robertson.

GRAPELAND WINS 2 GAMES

Last Saturday the Elkhart basket ball teams (boys' and girls'), accompanied by a crowd of "rooters", came down for two games. The girls' game was played first, beginning at 2 o'clock. Immediately after the girls finished the boys' game was played.

The game between the girls was a hard fought battle, both sides showing effective team work. The visitors started the scoring, and at the end of the first half the score stood 10 to 9 in favor of Elkhart. In the last half of the game the home team overcame the lead and when time was called at the end of the last half the score was a tie—17 to 17. The game was then prolonged to play the tie off and Grapeland won, Miss Esther Darsey scoring the winning two points, and the battle ended, the final score being 19 to 17. Elkhart was disappointed, but cheered the victors.

Next came the boys' game and notwithstanding the fact that the Elkhart team had not practiced but a few times, they guarded well. Their weak point was in goal throwing. The final score was 11 to one in the home team's favor.

After the games the visitors were carried to Myrtle Lake and entertained in a very unique and delightful way. A bounteous supper was spread on the "velvet green" near the lake and appetites, sharpened by the physical exertions earlier in the evening, were appeased, amid much jocularly.

We were glad to have the Elkhart people with us, and hope that we may again be honored with their presence.

LOCAL NEWS FROM DALY'S

April 5.—Spring has at last arrived. We judge by the bright warm few past days, but we want to be sure for past experience teaches us there is nothing so uncertain as the weather. Still we hope it is here and here to stay.

News is rather scarce among us at present. Quite a good many from here went to Grapeland Saturday to see the ball games.

Mrs. Joe Taylor has been on a visit here to her sister, Mrs. Annie Dailey, who we regret to say has been right sick for some time.

Misses Fannie and June Pridgen are on a visit to their aunt, Mrs. Billow Matthews of Rock Hill.

Mr. Sank Walton of Grapeland is visiting Mr. H. W. Huff and family.

Hill Huff and family visited relatives here Sunday.

Next Sunday being the regular day for preaching here, we hope to see a large crowd out. We have been housed in for so long that it will benefit us both spiritually and physically to come out Sunday and listen to a good sermon. There will be singing in the afternoon. Let's all be there and assist. SYLVESTER.

A kidney remedy that can be depended on will be found in Prickly Ash Bitters. It heals and strengthens. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv

Give Clewis your cleaning and pressing.

NEW SAN PEDRO LITERARY NOTES

A large crowd was present at the last regular meeting of our society, that is, on the evening of March 27. On account of a long literary program, the debate was omitted for this meeting.

There were recitations by little Misses Clivie Belle Tyer, and Beryll Whitaker, and Masters Garrett Luce, Raymond Whitaker, Truman Tyer, Vera Belle and Irene Luce, Chester Tyer, jr., Ikey Tyer and Miss Elma Lee Tyer.

Then we had a most delightful song by three girls. Three old maids then sang for us, after which we were treated to the most thrilling pantomime, "Auld Lang Syne," by Miss Annie Mae Kent and Master Garrett Luce. Another pantomime, "The Vacant Chair," by Misses Eunice Driskell, Minnie Lane, Annie Mae Kent and Wilsie Mae Gossett. The "Village Band," a pantomime by Masters Garrett Luce, Truman and Ikey Tyer, was next on the program, and was much enjoyed. The Grounds Walnut Glee Club next treated us to the beautiful song, "Just Before the Battle, Mother." Misses Elma Lee Tyer and Patsy Whitaker then entertained us with a very interesting dialogue, after which Mr. Walter Hester appeared in "The Old Folks at Home," a very pathetic and appropriate pantomime. "A Greek Love Song," a pantomime by Miss Robbie Whitaker, and Mr. Tom Whitaker, Jr., was next on the program and proved one of the most successful features on the program. "The Head of the Family" was an exquisitely entertaining dialogue by Miss Eunice Driskell and Messrs. Tom Whitaker and Walter Hester. It proved a very successful feature.

By far the biggest hit of the entire program was a dialogue by Messrs. Norman, Willis and Carl Whitaker, entitled "An experience in photography." It was a very humorous production and it called down the house time after time in uproarious laughter. We are sure everybody enjoyed it.

There may have been other features on the program, but your secretary happened to lose his minutes and this is the best his memory will do.

Among the visitors we noticed Mr. Earl Shaver, of Enon and Miss Gussie Rodgers of Belott High School.

We are very much indebted to Prof. R. J. Domy of the Walnut-Grounes High School, for his assistance, also that of his wife. In fact we claim them now. We hold that they are a part of our society and could not do without them.

Next meeting of our society will be on the evening of April 10th. We will have a good literary program, also a debate. Be sure to be on hand.

Preparations are well under way for a great time on the evening of the 24th. Better make preparations now to be with us on that occasion. Secretary.

Jess Willard, the Kansas cowboy, knocked Jack Johnson out in the 26th round in their championship bout Monday, April 5th at Havana, Cuba. Henceforth Mr. Willard will wear the belt until a better man beats him, and here's hoping he wears it a long time, as he is the only "white hope" who has ever been able to give the "Black Jack" what he deserved.

NEWS ITEMS FROM CROCKETT

April 5.—The grand jury which has been in session since March 22, adjourned over until Monday April 26. They returned 20 true bills, divided as follows: Murder 1, assault to murder 1, bootlegging 2, hog theft 6, arson 1, forgery 5, burglary 1, horse theft 1, assault to rape 1, cattle theft 1. They will not make a formal report until they adjourn for the term.

Very little has been done in court the past week, the entire time being taken up with two land cases: W. T. Toney et al vs W. R. Turner et al, J. G. Thompson et al vs D. C. Cannon et al.

Sheriff R. J. Spence left Friday for Altus, Ok., where he goes after one Oliver Calhoun (col.) wanted in this county for bootlegging. Calhoun was indicted several months ago and was only recently located.

Will Glasper (col.), convicted at the fall term of the district court for the offense of robbery and given 5 years, was taken to Huntsville Saturday by Transfer Agent Cunningham to begin his sentence. Glasper appealed his case, and judgement of lower court was affirmed.

A Summer Normal for Houston county has been granted by the State, and will be held at Grapeland, commencing June 2. It will last eight weeks. A first class faculty will have charge and a large and enthusiastic attendance is anticipated.

An examination for teachers certificates was held at the court house Friday and Saturday of last week. There were 68 applicants, nearly all of whom were ladies. 22 made application for First Grade State certificates, 45 for Second Grade State and 1 for a permanent primary certificate. The next examination will be held at Crockett on 3rd, 4th and 5th days of June.

E. J. Jackson, charged by indictment with the murder of Jim Bridges near Belott several weeks ago, has been arrested and placed under a \$3000 bond.

Judge A. A. Aldrich was a Wharton visitor the latter part of the week, having gone there to attend to some legal matters.

Earnest, the thirty year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Torrence of this city, was killed in a railroad accident at Memphis, Tenn. on Wednesday of last week. The remains reached this city Friday night and were interred in Glenwood Cemetery Saturday afternoon. He left, besides his father and mother, a widow and two children (they being now at Columbus, Ga., the widow being quite ill), one sister, Mrs. R. D. Nelson of Lockhart, Texas, one brother, Claud Torrence, a postal clerk at Palestine, both of whom were here to attend the funeral.

Judge E. Winfree, who has been quite ill for several days with an attack of lagrippe, was compelled to quit his work Friday and go home and take his bed. Mrs. Winfree has also been seriously ill, having been threatened with an attack of appendicitis. She was reported very much improved today.

FEED MAIZE HEADS

I have just received a car load of maize heads. It is the best and cheapest feed you can buy. See me at once as this supply will not last very long. J. W. Howard. adv.

A TORPID LIVER KILLS ENERGY

It makes you feel tired, dull and sleepy. The system is filled with bilious impurities which must be driven out before you can feel better. Try

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

It is the right remedy for liver troubles because it contains the necessary properties for putting that important organ in an active, healthy condition. It purifies the bowels, strengthens the stomach, stimulates the mental faculties and restores vigor and activity of body and brain.

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Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, enclose with five cents to Foley & Co., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, cold and croup, Foley Kidney Pills and Foley Cathartic Tablets. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

N. J. Tims of Buffalo Gap, writing the Messenger under date of April 1, says: "As this is April 1, I am sending you an April fool, which I hope, after a thorough investigation, will be found satisfactory to you." You bet! We'd like to get lots of those kind, for it was a great big fat check to pay his subscription to the "old reliable." Mr. Tims is optimistic over conditions in his section; says the farmers have plenty of feed stuff and a good season is in the ground. He sends greetings to all his Grapeland friends.

Stomach Trouble Cured

Mrs. H. G. Cleveland, Arnold, Pa., writes, "For some time I suffered from stomach trouble. I would have sour stomach and feel bloated after eating. Nothing benefitted me until I got Chamberlain's Tablets. After taking two bottles of them I was cured." For sale by all dealers. adv.