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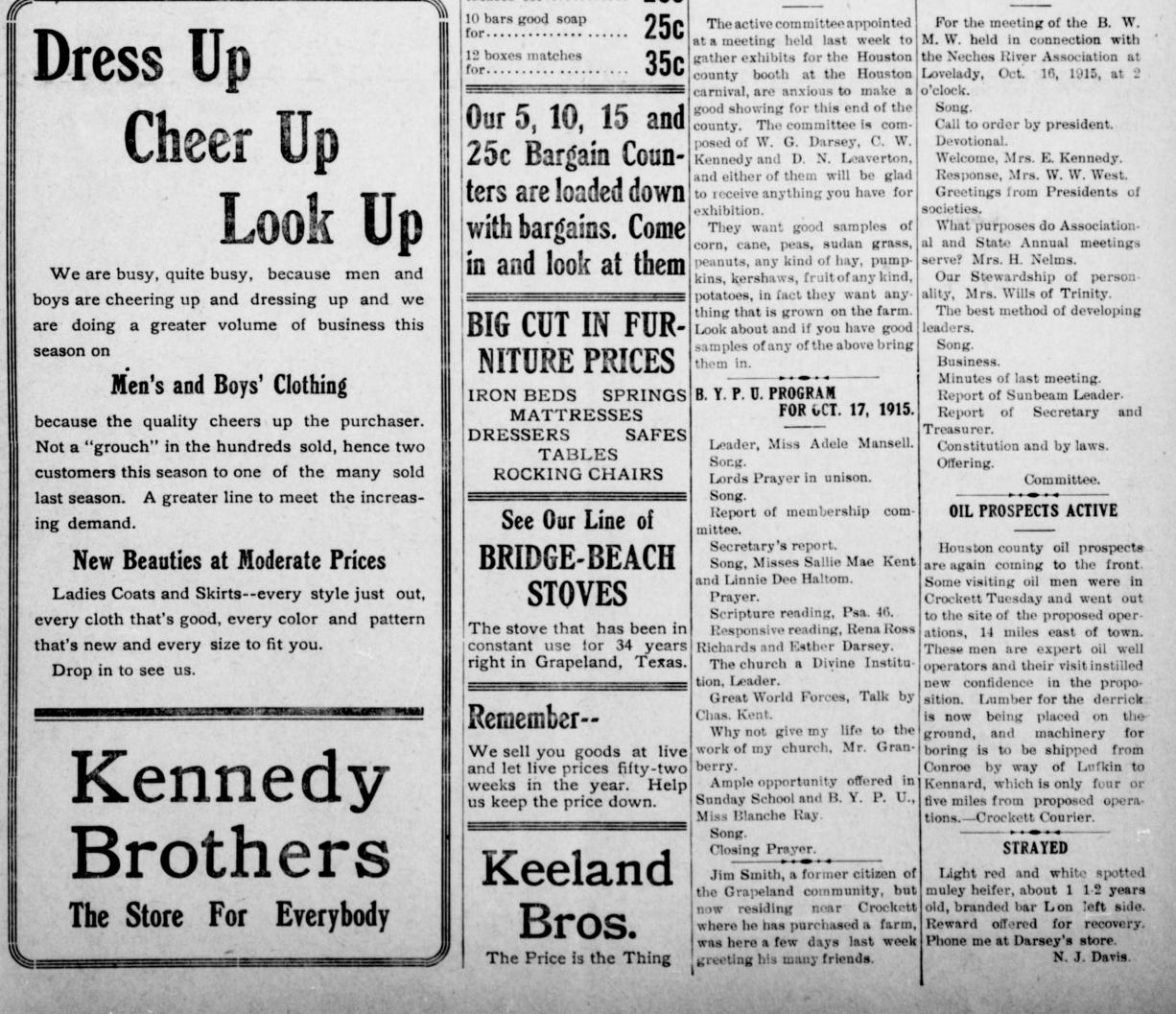
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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I-Confederate Sergeant Wyatt of the Staunton artillery is sent as a spy to his native county on the Green Briar by General Jackson.

CHAPTER II-Wyatt meets a moun-taineer named Jem Taylor, with whom he rides to a house beyond Hot Springs.

CHAPTER III-In the house Wyatt and Taylor meet Major Harwood, father of Norcen and an old neighbor of Wyatt, who is sent to bed while the two other men talk. Wyatt becomes suspicious, and finds that Taylor has murdered Harwood and escaped

CHAPTER IV-Wyatt changes to the U.S. cavairy uniform he has with him. and rides away in the night, running into a detachment of Federal cavalry, to whom he identifies himself as Licutenant Raymond, Third U.S. cavalry, by means of papers with which he has been pro-vided. Captain Fox finds Harwood's body and follows Taylor's trail.

CHAPTER V-Fox and Wyatt believe Taylor to be old Ned Cowan. The de-tachment is ambushed. Wyatt escapes to the Green Briar country and soles to Harwood's apparently deserted home.

CHAPTER VI-Wyatt finds Noreen larwood alone in her home. She does Harwood alone in her home. She does not recognize him, and he introduces him-self as Lieutenant Raymond.

CHAPTER VII-Parson Nichols comes to the house and tells Noreen of her fa-ther's death

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CHAPTER VIIL The Jaws of the Trap.

If eyes alone possessed the power to kill, his would have done the deed, but the face with which I confronted him was sufficiently grim to make him realize the danger of a movement. He' gave back a step, but my revolver pressed his side.

"Don't try anything with me, Nichols," I said stornly, "you are either go-



My hammer clicked, and the man eringing back, read the stern meaning of my face. A terrible suspicion surged over me, and I was ready to kill. He knew his life hung by a hair. "To-to marry her," the words bare-

ly audible. "Not old Ned-his son, Anse."

I heard the startled exclamation of the girl behind me.

"Anse Cowan!" she cried, her voice full of undisguised horror. "Marry me to that low brute. Did he ever imagine I would consent, ever even look at him?"

I touched her with my hand in restraint, the revolver still at the preacher's heart. The whole foul plot lay exposed in my mind.

"There was no intention of asking your consent, Miss Harwood," I said, satisfied that she should know all, and. face the truth. "There is a reason for this desperate act which I do not wholly fathom, but it has to do with the property here, and the feud between Cowan and your father. If Major Harwood be dead, as this man reports, you are the sole heir, and old Ned has conceived the idea of marrying you by force to his son. He has learned you are here alone, and unprotected, and in this creature of histhis canting preacher-he has found a fit tool ready at hand to do his dirty work. Is that it, Nichols?"

He muttered something inaudible.

"Answer, you black-hearted cur; you have confessed too much to hide anything now. How many are coming with Anse Cowan?"

"Maybe a half dozen of the boys. I don't know; they were talking about it when I left, and thought it was going to be a great lark."

"Well, it is; you are finding that out already. When were they to be here?". I shook him to loosen his lagging tongue.

"They were to ride out an hour after I did."

I threw the wretch back into the chair before the fire, but held him still cowering before the point of my revolver. The dog had told us all he knew, and there was a snarl to his thin lips, drawn back and exposing his yellow teeth, showing that his only thought now was revenge. Any moment that gang of ruffians might appear, and I was helpless there alone to contend against them. I dared not, move, dared not aver: my gaze from the preacher: there was hatred and

She slipped out of the room, and up the stairs, her light steps making no sound on the soft carpet. I bent over Nichols, and as I touched him he stirred, and opened his eyes, staring up into my face

"Don't hit me!" he whined. "I'm no friend of Anse Cowan."

"So you've had enough! Then take orders from me."

I gathered in the picture cord the girl had dropped on the floor. His wrists were big and knotted, and 1 drew the cord tight enough to make the fellow wince, despite his groans. and pretense at severe suffering.

"Go up the stairs," I commanded sternly, "and keep close to the wall. Oh, you can walk all right, my friend, and I advise you to do as I say-you see this gun?"

The scowl on his face was malignant, and his eyes glowed like coals, but he moved on ahead of me across the hall, and up the carpeted steps. The lamp held high above my head in one hand, sent a stream of light through the black shadows, and revealed his every movement. At the head of the stairs the girl suddenly appeared, her face showing white in the glow of the lamp. A brown cape, fastened closely at the throat, enveloped her figure, and a cap was drawn down over her hair.

"What is it?" she questioned swiftly. "Is there any room up here windowless, and with a door that can be

locked?" She glanced about, uncertain.

"Why-oh, yes! there is a large closet off my room."

"Turn to the right, Nichols; into that room, where the light is burning. Oh, yes, you will! Kindly open the closet door, Miss Harwood. Don't stand growling there. Get in, I say!" He was so slow, that I thrust him



I Could Feel the Trembling of Her

busted winder thar. Yer saw that light up stairs didn't yer?'

"Sure-the gurl's yere all right, but it don't look as if the preacher wus. I reckon he got afeerd, an' wus waitin' fer us ter show up furst. Here, you, Kelly, giv' me abolt on thet club."

She shrank back against me, with a little startled cry, and I held her close. We were in the trap, caught between the closing jaws.

CHAPTER IX.

What We Overheard.

I could feel the trembling of her body, and for an instant my brain seemed to reel with dizziness. The danger confronting us was not so much mine as hers. These men were not soldiers but desperadoes, the scum of the hills, and they had come actuated by one object only-the possession of Major Harwood's daughter. What the real purpose of the Cowans

might be I could not even conjecture. but this night raid was, beyond all doubt, a part of that same foul plot which had involved the cowardly murder of the father. That had been the work of the elder Cowan, and now had come the turn of the son. Here was the culmination of the feud between the two families, the blood-anger which had smoldered for years, finally to find fit expression in this outrage under the guise of war. With the major dead, and his only child married to Anse Cowan-whether by force, or otherwise-the account would be closed. Once legally this villain's wife all her inheritance would be in his control. Death, even, was far preferable to falling alive into their hands. I felt instinctively that it would be her choice. She had uttered no sound, no cry after that first startled exclamation. Suddenly her hands grasped mine in which I gripped the revolver.

"Do not shoot-not yet!" she whispered, the sound of her words barely audible. "Wait; there is one chance still that we may deceive them."

"A way leading out? You mean a secret passage?"

"No, but a spot where we might hide, and be overlooked. I am sure none of these men know this house; Anse Cowan has never been inside of it, and most of the ruffians with him are from beyond the mountains. If they do not find us here when they search, they will believe we have escaped."

"They will discover the preacher," I protested, yet with a faint throb of hope. "He will be heard from presently, and they will learn the truth from him "

"All he knows-yes; but that is not much. He cannot be sure that we have not had time in which to get safely away."

She drew me back, and I yielded to the grasp of her hand. The darkness was intense, but she moved swiftly and surely, as though knowing intimately every inch of the way; her fingers touching mine were warm and nrm, no longer trembling. The door in front crashed, and an oath rumbled upward; to the rear a light flashed, its reflection reddening the stair. Aided by its distant flicker we raced back down the upper hall to where it narrowed. A ladder stood there leading upward to a small scuttle above. Instantly my mind grasped her planthe attic! If we could attain the attic unseen, drawing the ladder up after us and lowering the cover over the hole, our presence in the house might remain unsuspected. "I see what you mean," I said swiftly. "Go up first, Miss Noreen-hurry." She crept through the narrow scuttlehole, her supple, slender body finding easy passage. With two blows of my boot I loosened the supports, freeing them from the floor, and mounted recklessly. Already men were on the stairs, the gleam of an approaching light reflecting along the side-walls. There was light flooring above, and sufficient space in which to move freely, although I could see nothing, not even the breathless girl at my side. Together we grasped the upper rungs, and drew up the ladder, sliding it in behind us on the floor. The scuttle cover was on hinges, and it slipped over the edge of the hole noiselessly. We lay there pressed closely together in silent suspense. We could distinguish the opening and closing of doors, and the sound of voices calling to others on the floor below. Once some fellow, apparently just beneath us, ripped out an oath. "Well, by God, Jack, do you suppose Nichols has dared play such a durned trick on me and squealed to the girl?"

so fong; I supposed he would make an outery.

She drew in her breath sharply, and sat up. The movement was noiseless, but in the instant of intense silence which followed, we heard below us the sudden sound of struggle, a muffled voice calling for mercy, the shuffling of a body being hauled forward across the floor. Then someone ran along the hall, passing just beneath us.

"What have you found, Kelly?" It was Anse's voice roaring out the question. "Ah! the old fox dug out of his hole, hey! Now see here, you canting old Baptist hypocrite, what kind of a trick is it you are playing on me? Stand him up there boys, against that rail. Stop your howling, or I'll smash you one in the face. Where did you find the fool, Jack?"

"Locked in a closet yonder; looks like it might be the girl's room. The darn fool is too skeered ter talk yet."

"Well, I'll make him, er else thar'll be a dead preacher in 'bout a minute. I reckon as how I'll do as much skeering as anyone. Now, Nichols, ye see thet! Whut the devil wus yer doing in thet closet?"

"They-they done put me thar, Anse."

"Go on. Who wus yere beside the girl when yer cum?"

"A Yankee leftenant, a cavalryman reckon from ther yellow stripes on his legs."

"A Yank! Did yer hear the fellar's name?"

"Damn if I'm sure; he's a right good sized man, an' not bad lookin'. Pears

to me, now I think of it, she called him Raymond."

There was a gasping sound as though Anse's hand had closed again heavily on the fellow's throat.

"Raymond! I reckon yer lyin' ter me, parson. Yer heard tell o' thet feller over in camp, an' ther name stuck. 'Twont be healthy fer yer ter play no game yere."

"I ain't, Anse. Quit a chokin' me. I never heard tell o' no Yank named Raymond afore. Be thar one 'round yere?"

"Wall, thar was, but I don't reckon thar is now," doubtfully. "Last I heerd tell o' him he wus over in Fayette a ridin' like hell fer Charleston. Monte's band picked him up, an' he didn't find this kentry none too healthy fer his line o' business, which was recruitin'-whut's that, Kelly?"

"Better let ther preacher tell his story, Anse. We're losin' a lot o' time; I reckon thar must a bin some kind o' male critter yere; 'taint likely ther girl locked him up alone, an' it don't make no odds whut the Yank's name was, nohow."

"Go on, Nichols; whut happened? Tell us the whole of it, but make it short."

The preacher drew in a long breath, evidently relieved to have the pressure of Anse's murderous fingers removed from his throat. He sputtered a bit as he began to tell his story and there were muffled words we could not distinguish. Occasionally someone of his auditors interrupted with an oath, or exclamation. He spoke faster as he proceeded, as though feeling less fear, and eager to have the task over. Finally Cowan interjected a brief question. "You damn coward! Did you tell?" "Honest, Anse, I don't jest know;



The Muzzle of My Revolver Touched His Chest.

ing to talk, or die. I'll give you one chance, and one only. I despise your kind, and will kill you with pleasure. Now answer me-who told you of Major Harwood's death?"

"I have said already; the message was brought to Lewisburg by one of Ned Cowan's men."

"Yes, so you did; but you never received it at Lewisburg. Oh, yes, I know something myself. The fact is you never came here tonight from Lewisburg. Now are you ready to talk to me? Oh! you are! Very well, who sent you-Cowan?"

I ran my gun muzzle hard into his ribs, and he nodded sullenly, his lips drawn back in a snarl. All the soft palaver had vanished, and he had become a cowed brute.

"I thought so; you belong yourself to the Cowan gang?"

"Not-not in their deeds of blood and violence," he protested. "The calls of my church compel me to minister to my scattered flock-"

"Never mind that kind of palaver, Nichols. Now what did he send you for?"

I waited, my eyes on his. I could not see the girl, and dare not avert my gaze for so much as an instant. The man wet his lips, as if they were parched, and I could perceive the nervous movement of his throat.

"I-I don't know."

"Don't know what?-this is my last call!"

"I don't know whether he is coming. or not," he blurted out reluctantly. "He was hurt in the fight."

"And if he cannot come himself he means to send others. What for? What does he want of the girl?"

treachery in the depths of his eyes. "Is there a lock on the parlor door

leading into the hall?" I asked. "A bolt-yes." "Please close and bolt it, and then

come back here." I heard her turn and cross the room;

caught the sound as she shot the bolt. and her light step again on the floor. "Now, something to the this man

with. We must be quick-the tablecloth will do! Sweep that clutter of dishes on to the floor. Good! Now cut me the cord from that picture." I had no thought of glancing about:

I can scarcely conceive even now that I did, yet my eyes must have wandered an instant, for Nichols had the wrist of my pistol hand in his grip, and the revolver went spinning across the floor. There was a moment of fierce, breathless struggle. The fellow possessed no skill, but the wiry strength of a tiger. I found his eyes with my fist, and dazed, his hands released their grip, and I broke loose, my throat livid from his finger marks. The flap of a gray skirt touched my face, and a blow fell-the man went limp under me, his head upheld by the angle of the wall. I struggled to my knees, still staring at him, uncertain as to what had actually occurred, struggling for breath. The girl stood over me, white-faced, her eyes wide

open with horror, the remnant of the teapot in her hand. Suddenly her hands covered her eyes, the fragment of crockery falling noisily to the floor. "I-I struck him," she sobbed, un-

nerved. "I-I have killed him!"

"No such good luck," I answered, recovering myself, and grasping her hands, so that I could look into her eyes. "The man is not dead-only stunned by the blow. He will be conscious in a minute. Do not become frightened; you did right, and we have no time to lose. You have a horse somewhere?"

She hesitated, her hands still held in mine unconsciously.

"You-you mean I am to ride for Lewisburg-and-and you?" "Oh, I must do the best I can on

foot. We'll keep together as long as Jake?" possible. Jo, and hurry. Get a wrap, and your revolver."

Body.

roughly through the opening, and closed and locked the door. The girl had placed the lamp on a table, and, as I turned, her eyes met mine.

"Suppose they-they fail to come?" she questioned. "He could not get out; he might die in there."

"Little danger of their not coming. Anyhow I prefer risking that fellow's life rather than yours. Is he really a preacher?"

"Yes; he has a church at the Crossroads. I heard him preach at a camp meeting. He was here before when Tom's wife died, and conducted the funeral."

"Tom? One of the servants?"

"Yes, my father's body servant. He accompanied him to the army." The tears rushed to her eyes, dimming them, and her hand touched my sleeve. "Oh, lieutenant, do you really suppose he has been killed?"

"We can only hope," I answered, catching my breath quickly. "Nichols may have told that for a purpose-a desire to make you feel helpless and alone. But we cannot stand here and talk. You know the way and can guide us in the dark, can you not? It will be safer not to leave the lamp burning."

I blew the light out without waiting for an answer, and took her hand in mine.

"Now you must lead," I said softly. We will go down the back stairs." We slipped out into the hall together, her clasp on my fingers warm and confident, and I closed the door of the room behind us. My hand encountered the baluster rail, and she had taken a single step downward. when we heard a voice below, and the crash of what was probably the stock of a rifle on the outer door. A second

blow fell, followed by the sound of splintering wood. The voice came sharper, clearer; I could distinguish the words.

"Now, once more, Kelly! There's nothing to be afraid of, man. Break it a foot lower down, so I can reach the key. Where is Anse? Do you know,

"He an' Bill are 'round front," some fellow answered hoarsely. "Thar's a

"Hanged if I know," was the sullen reply. "But it don't look like thar was a soul in the house."

I felt her hand touch mite softly, and bent my head until her lips were at my ear.

"That was Anse Cowan," she whispered. "I recognize that voice. What do you suppose they will do now?"

My fingers tightened their grip; the men below had moved on, their voices grumbling along the hall.

"They will discover the preacher presently," I said, endeavoring to make my words as reassuring as possible. "I only wonder they have overlooked him

but I reckon I did spit it most out, fer he'd a killed me if I hadn't."

"Do you mean to say you told them I was comin' yere tonight, an' goin' fer ter make the girl marry me-you whinin' cur?"

"How could I help it, Anse? I reckon if thet feller hed a pistol et your head you'd a did some talkin'. Maybe he's a recruitin' officer, but he gin't no sorter man ter fool with onct he gits mad."

"Well, I'd sure like fer ter know who he is. He can't be ther feller what got away from Monte, fer he lit out fer Charleston. How did this yere feller git yere-on horseback?"

"I didn't git sight o' no hoss; thar wus only one four-legged critter in ther barn, an' I reckon as how the girl must hev' rode thet."

"Say, Anse," broke in the voice of Kelly, "I'll bet this Yank is the one thet wus with Fox, an' got away. He'd hed time 'nough fer ter git this fer on fut."

"But what does he call hisself Raymond fer?"

"Damn if I know-maybe he jest heerd tell of the other feller, an' thought as how he'd git 'long easier under thet name."

"Well, I reckon it won't make much difference whut the cuss' name is if ever I git my hands on him," growled Anse savagely. "Go on, Nichols. What became of them?"

"Skipped out, I reckon. I never seen nuthing more ov 'em."

Anse must have completely lost his temper, for there was the sound of a blow, and the noise of a falling body, feet shuffling as the others drew back. Then a moment of silence.

"Pick the cl' fool up," said a voice. Throw bim back into the room thar. Maybe he'll her sum sense when he wakes up. Kelly, take Jim with yer. an' see if thet hoss is in ther stable yet. If them two left on fut, they





"You Damn Coward! What Did You Tell?"

ain't gone fur in this storm. Enyhow that's one thing sure-they ain't a hidin' up yere. Cum on, boys, let's take a 'nother look 'round down below."

We heard their feet on the stairs, and the light, which had streamed up through the crack in the scuttle, faded away, leaving us in utter darkness.

(To be Continued)

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THAT SUFFICED.

"The doctor says I must get away for my nerves."

"Did he see your tongue?" "No, but he heard my wife's."

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"Sleeping in the open air is no onger experimental"

"Yet, strange to say, it is both tried and tentative."

ACCOUNTING FOR IT.

"I wonder why barbers are generally such sociable men."

"I suppose it is because they find it so easy to scrape an acquaintance."

"Either that or I'm getting used to it."

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500	"	"	"	"		Boys' Suit
1000	"	"	"	"	"	Man's Suit

THIS SPECIAL SALE on MEN'S, BOYS' and LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR

Geo. E. Darsey's 1915 Cash Register **Check Contest**

DISTRICT NO. 1.-Will include all people getting their mail on Grapeland R. F. D. No. 1.

DISTRICT NO. 2 .- Will include all people getting their mail on Grapeland R. F. D. No. 2.

DISTRICT NO. 3.-Will include all people getting their mail on Grapeland R. F. D. No. 3.

DISTRICT NO. 4.—Will include all people getting their mail on Grapeland R. F. D. No.4.

DISTRICT NO. 5.—Will include all people getting their mail at Grapeland and not on either of the above R. F. D. points.

DISTRICT NO. 6.-Will include Latexo, Augusta, Percilla, Salmon, Elkhart and all territory not included in either of the above districts.

DISTRICT NO 7-Will include all colored people from all other districts.

The Premiums

The Premiums that we are going to give are the most valuable that we have ever given and are as follows:

To the man or boy in each district that gets us the largest amount of our Cash Register Checks during the contest we will give a Gold Hunting Case Watch. This means that we will give six watches. One to each district.

To the lady or girl in each district getting us the largest amount of our Cash Register Checks during this contest we will give a Gold Bracelet and Watch. This means that we will give six Gold Bracelet Watches. One to each district.

Rules Governing this Contest

All contestants will be recorded in the district in which they belong, and will contest only with people in their own district, but will be allowed to solicit help from any person or friend from any district, or any person can help any friend regardless of what district he or they may be long.

Cash Register Checks once voted cannot be withdrawn or re-voted.

Customers are requested to always call for your Cash Register Checks when setteling with the clerk for your bill as all Crsh Register Checks not called for or taken will be destroyed, as the clerks will not be allowed to save up or solicit Cash Register Checks for any person.

Is Only Good for Purchases Made from Oct. 16 to Oct. 23, inclusive

Considering the low prices that we are making on men's, boys' and ladies ready-to-wear clothing and the free votes that we are giving makes this one of our greatest clothing sales, and we hope that you will be able to visit us while our stock in all dpartments is full and complete of clean, new, up-to-date goods.

LIST OF CONTESTANTS

The following is a list of the Contestants in Darsey's Big Cash Register Check Contest. The men and boys are contesting for the Man's Gold Hunting Case Watch and the girls and ladies are contesting for ladies Gold Bracelet Watch.

District No. 1.

R. T. Clewis Talmage Hodges Ed Mosley Willie Taylor Eldridge Weisinger Miss, B. Cunningham Miss Annie Lee Mills Miss Ruth McDonald

District No. 2.

Howard Whitaker

Miss Lizzie Ingram Miss Helen Owens

District No. 3.

L. D. Elis Grady Finch Quincy Luce Miss Ola Willis Miss Beatrice Bean Miss May Martin

District No. 4.

Willis Shaver

Miss Pearl Clark Miss Ruth Stevens District No. 5.

Pete Gray, Jr. Pete Jones F. M. M. Smith

Miss Katie Caskey Mrs. John Frisby Miss N. Montgomery Miss Polly Pridgen Miss Pearlena Spence Miss Edna Wherry

District No. 6.

W. J. Moore J. W. Nealey Joe Miller Young Pat Taylor

Miss Ellen Bridges Miss Lila Dennis Mrs. W. A. Peterson

District No. 7.

All colored people will be placed in District No. 7, which is for colored people only. Marshall Henry E. Henry Eddie Marshall H. W. L. Sheppard Wm. Walker

TO ALL CONTESTANTS: If your name has been omitted, or you have been placed in the wrong district, advise us at once and same will be corrected.

No Employee will Enter this Contest

No employee or the member of any employe's family will not enter this contest.

How Darsey's Cash Register Checks Count

For every purchase at our store for cash, produce or Darsey's checks we will give a Cash Register Check showing the amount of your purchase, and what your Cash Register Check shows your purchase to be, that check will count for that amount of votes. 1c for 1 vote, a 5c check will count 5, a 50c check will count 50, a dollar check will count 100 and so on up to what ever amount that your purchase may be.

What Cash Register Checks Count

All Cash Register Checks issued by us during this contest will count and all Cash Register Checks showing signs of the amount being raised, altered or changed will be thrown out and not counted. No checks issued before October 1, 1915, will be counted.

Specials

Special votes and premiums will be given from time to time during this contest and we want to know the name, Post office address and district of each contestant so that we may notify you of any thing special that we may have offer at any time.

The Grapeland Messenger Free

To all contestants not taking the Grapeland Messenger we will send it free to them during this contest.

Contestant's Application

Geo. E. Darsey, Grapeland, Texas. Please enter Mr., Mrs. or Miss (state which)

Do you take the Messenger	
Post office, R. F. D	
as a contestant in district No	

FROM ELKHART

The Ladies Aid society gave

purpose of raising funds to help

furnish the parsonage. A small

sum was taken in which wasn't

sermons at the M. E. church

LOCAL NEWS

Blue Ribbon flour for \$1.60 at McLean and Riall's.

T. H. Leaverton and J. C. Kennedy are in Crockett serving on the grand jury.

Work is progressing satisfactorily on the two residences being erected by Messrs. J. C. and C. W. Kennedy.

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes Specialist. Old clothes renovated and made new. Charges most reasonable. Adv.

G. W. Ferguson, who lives in the Augusta community, was a very pleasant caller at the Messenger office one day last week while in the city on business.

SEED COTTON WANTED

We want to buy your remnant seed cotton and will pay you the highest market price for same. Spence Bros., Ginners.

Mrs. P. H. Stafford and Mrs. W. D. Granberry are in Ft. Worth this week attending the Grand Chapter of the order of the Eastern Star of Texas.

You don't know how to appreciate the good roads around Grapeland until you visit other sections of the county where no roads have been built. Verily, good roads are a great blessing to the people.

Miss Katie Caskey, one of Father Buckner's girls, who now lives with her aunt and uncle. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Guice, will appreciate your help in Darsey's contest, be it large or small. Leave cash register checks at barber shop or address me in care of Ben Guice. adv

The Christian ladies will have LOCAL NEWS their oyster supper Friday night vithout fail. They solicit your patronage.

Oct. 11.-Health of this little Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Flowers, village is not so good at present. who closed a revival meeting at Quite a few are having chills and Lovelady Monday night, spent fever and a few cases of serious Tuesday morning here greeting illness. Glad to report that Mrs. their many friends. They left Ans McCracker is up again from on the noon train for Kansas.

a bad case of diptheria. Mr. Griffin and wife of Florida arrived here Saturday night. an entertainment last Thursday They were met Sunday morning night at the Circle Hall for the

by John Willis and carried out to the Rock Hill community, where they will make their home.

much, but every little bit helps. **Own your home!** Save They want to have another enthe rent! The land lord tertainment soon. may say move! For home in or out of town I can Bro. Hooks delivered two good

help you. S. E. Howard.

NOTICE

I found a small brown, mare

called for in eight or ten days I will turn it out.

C. F. Stockbridge.

The M. D. Murchison peanut thresher will go any where and thresh with as much as a two days run at any one place. There is a market in Grapeland for peanuts and you can sell all you M. D. Murchison. have.

a Grapeland visitor Saturday. Mr. Winfree informed the Messenger that the oil company started at Crockett in the summer had completed their organization and were getting ready to start drilling on their property right soon. It is located east of town, and it is said by those who are in a position to know that oil

MAGAZINES, NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS

indications are splendid.

I take subscriptions for newspapers, magazines and periodicals, makes no difference where published, and can get them cheaper than you can buy them. Try me with your next subscription. Frank Leaverton,

The literary school began last Monday morning at the new school building.

yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hardy and baby of Palestine visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bridges Sunday.

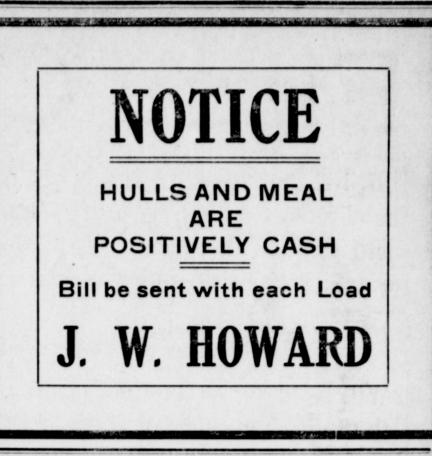
Mr. David Caskey and two boys, also Glover Long and wife of the New Prospect community visited in Elkhart Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. Paxton happened to the misfortune of getting his press torn up Friday p. m. and left J. E. Winfree of Crockett was only the Bridges gin to run Saturday which kept the gin humming long after night Saturday night.

> Peter Bridges gin caught on fire twice last week but got the fire extinguished pretty quick with slight damages and in a very short period after each fire they were running again as if nothing had happened. Both gins are kept pretty busy each day and we think the cotton will soon be all ginned as its cut short around here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fagan Parker of Alice, Texas, are here on a visit. The Woodmen Circle will have

a social meeting Oct. 20 in the afternoon. Every circle member is invited to be with us and help



We are still able to sell you quite a few items at the EXTRA LOW PRICES QUOTED LAST WEEK and many other SPECIAL PRICES on other items not listed then. Come to see us when in the market for Dry Goods, Shoes, Clothing and Groceries and get our prices before you buy. We will save you money on your bill.

Traylor Bros. Keep the Price Down

mule in my pasture and if not

THE PHOTOGRAPHER

CLIFTON

Will return to Grapeland and make photographs when there are enough orders to justify. See samples and leave orders at Leaverton's Drug Store.

Palestine, Texas

Geo. E. Darsey, U. M. Brock, A. H. Luker, Murdock Murchison, R. B. Edens and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Darsey of this place and D. M. Jones of Percilla at-

Sunday afternoon.

tended quarterly conference of friends. the M. E. church at Lovelady

Postmaster.

to enjoy the evening.

Mr. W. J. Bridges of Telferner, Texas, is still at Elkhart. He is manager of his son's gin and will be glad to see all of his old

Miss Cammie Thompson of Palestine visited in Elkhart Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Morris of Palestine visited Mrs. Morris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Neel, of this place last Friday.

There has been a suffragette club organized here with Mrs. Addie Hicks, president; Miss Grace Campbell, vice president; Mrs. R. S. Hays, secretary. No more for the present.

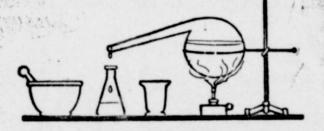
Polly.

The key to health is the kidneys and liver. Keep these organs active and you have health, strength and cheerful spirits. Prickly Ash Bitters is a stimulant for the kidneys, regulates the liver, stomach and bowels. A golden household remedy. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.



You will not have the best if you fail to get EUCALINE for Malaria; Chills aud Fever. It acts on the liver and bowels and relieves the system of the them. cause, pleasant to take,

FIFTY CENTS by YOUR DRUGGIST



Soline 1.

Your Health

depends on the purity of drugs used and the care employed in compounding the prescriptions given you by your doctor. Sometimes it is even a matter of

Life and Death

Our stock of drugs is the best and freshest we can buy. We use the utmost care in compounding all prescriptions, as your doctor will tell you. It is a matter of conscience with us.

N. LEAVERTON GRAPELAND'S LEADING DRUGGIST

OYSTER SUPPER FRIDAY NIGHT | Tuesday making arrangements

The Christian ladies were disappointed last Friday night because their oysters failed to arrive, but will have their supper this Friday night without fail, at from Houston, some of whom Grapeland Hotel. They invite you and your friends to eat with here in June.

for the good roads meeting to be held at the school auditorium this morning at 11:30. This meeting will be attended by a large number of good roads advocates were with the good roads party

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pelham Thos. A. Williams, field secre- are now in charge of the Grapetary of the National Highway land hotel, which has been closed Take Hall's Chill Tonic Association, was in Grapeland for several weeks.

Are Very Valuable Just Now

Cotton Seed

And the competition between the buyers is very keen. The mills want the seed and have instructed me to BUY THEM. It makes no difference how much the other fellow offers you, let me put a BID on your seed. It may mean a little more money in your pocket. I represent one of the strongest companies in the state and they have THE MONEY to buy the seed with.

Get My Bid before you Sell R. B. EDENS.

THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

A. M. LUXER,	•	•	Editor and	Owner
Extered in the every Thursday as	Postoff	ice at Class	Grapeland, Mall Matter	Texas

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

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE-Oblituarles and Resolution # Respect are printed for half price-2 1-2c per line Chies matter "not news" charged at regular rates.

Our advertising rates are reasonable and quoted an application.

Cher PURPOSE-It is the purpose of the Messenger p record accurately, simply and interestingly the man, intellectual, industrial and political progress of Grapeland and Houston county. To aid us in his every citizen should give us his moral and financial support.

SUBSCRIPTION - IN ADVANCE a world of good. 1 YEAR-----\$1.00 6 MONTHS ----.50

.25

THURSDAY, OCT. 14, 1915

3 MONTHS ---

Everything about the cotton crop is short except the price.

The only man who wins in a how suit is the attorney.

The law excuses no man through ignorance, but it often lets a guilty cuss slip through who knows better.

Never mind how the term "horse sense" came into use. Just practice it and you will need ne other kind.

A live man never fears a dead one. And the merchant who advertises need never worry over the one who does not.

Simultaneously with the anmouncement of his approaching marriage to Mrs. Galt, President Wilson stated that he would vote for woman's suffrage in New Jeresy. Is the Mrs. Wilson to be a suffragette?

Thirty dollars per ton for cotton seed is liable to cause a shortage of seed for planting perposes next spring. It's a great temptation to resist such elected: a good price, but every farmer should save back enough seed so that he will have plenty to plant. If there is a shortage the price will be high.

will it always be. If the farmer has a bad year, then the stores, and the shops, and the business community as a whole suffers. Everybody feels the pinch of a close season. That's one of the

reasons why we of the town should work in harmony with the farmer for a better and more prosperous community. As he encourages us with patronage and his cheerful smile when he comes to us, so should we return courtesy for courtesy by giving him the best that is in us, and by fostering a feeling of brotherly love and comradeship. It will not hurt the farmer, it will not harm us, and it will do all of us

A wave of patriotic fervor is spreading over this country as a result of the exposures made in the public press as regards our national weakness in matters of defense. No sane American citizen will want to see his coun-

try exposed to attack from some powerful foreign country. Today such an attack could only result in disaster to us, because

of our utter lack of the means of self defense. Congress should take prompt measures to insure our immunity from attack from

abroad, but it should be done in such a manner as not to impose the burdens of militarism upon the country. The details should be carefully worked out by ex-

perts in that line, instead of by some politician who has one eye upon the national defense and the other upon the votes in his home district. From a purely economic standpoint, it is cheaper by far to take measures to

SUNBEAM BAND ORGANIZED

prevent a war than it is to fight

one after it comes.

Last Sunday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. Black and Miss Mansell a Sunbeam Band was organized with eighteen members. These officers were Beatrice Parker, president;

ROCK HILL NEWS ITEMS

Oct. 11.-Our teachers have arrived and our school begins this morning with a good enrollment.

A splendid sermon was preached at Rock Hill Sunday morning by Rev. G. W. North. The Baptist church called Bro. North to preach next year. We are glad to proclaim that, although our people have taken a brief moment of rest, they are now resolved to serve God in church worship in the future.

We had singing Sunday night and the church attended to some business preparatory for the association.

Mr. Jesse Willis goes to Grapeland for the purpose of enrolling in the Grapeland High School. We wish him success.

Mr. Geo. Largham has been working on his new dwelling and we think he will soon have it completed.

We continue to import people from Florida into our community: Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Griffin of Chiphy, Fla., have just arrived. Mr. Griffin is a painter by trade and is also a good farmer. Our community welcomes people who can do things.

Rock Hill Youth.

FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE

Hunter, state vice-president of ment is our failure to have grazthe Equal Suffrage Association, ing crops and cover crops to rewent to Elkhart, accompanied by store worn soils with vegetable a number of Palestine ladies, matter. Begin now by planting and organized a suffrage associ- cover crops to turn under next ation there, with a good member- spring. ship. Miss Hunter met the Elkhart ladies and spoke to them of the objects of the association, and later the Elkhart ladies went into an organization by electing the following officers: President, Mrs. Addie Hicks; vice president, Miss Grace Campbell; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. R. S. Hays. -Palestine Herald.





Truly the way to build men is o throw the arm of fellowship around them.

When you make a bad bargain make the best of it, and you won't feel so bad about it after all.

should be sown to a grain or cover crop this fall. One of our Saturday afternoon Miss Kate weak points in farm manage-

> Every farmer with livestock should plant at least a few acres in winter grazing crops to reduce the cost of feeding and supply the animals with succulent food. A few acres of oats, wheat, rye, barley or emmer will be of much benefit to swine, cattle, horses

YOU'VE SEEN 'EM.

A model man is Exra Jones and a man of sterling worth. He wouldn't cheat a fellow man for anything on earth. He boasts he never took a cent that wasn't truly his, and hosts of friends will tell you what a square old chap he is. A pillar in the church is he and leader of the choir. He's surely got a birth reserved aboard the Zion Flyer. But strictly straight and righteous as he says he tries to be. He can't pass up a chance to "beat," Every acre that can be sown a railroad company .-- Ex.

> Cleanse the liver and bowels, and regulate the system by using Prickly Ash Bitters. It creates and sustains energy. Sold by adv D. N. Leaverton.

WHY IT PAYS TO TRADE WITH FIRMS THAT ADVERTISE.

Advertising moves their goods. This fact, in itself, shows you that the advertiser is sure to have newer stocks than the man who is satisfied with what trade naturally drifts to him.

Boll weevils are very numer. ous throughout this section, and they have made their appearance in sections of the cotton belt that have heretofore been free from this pest. Cotton should be picked as early as possible and cattle turned in the field to consame the green cotton foliage. Where practicable, the cotton stalks should be burned. By this means and a continual fight the pests can be exterminated, or the chances lessened for them to destroy the next crop.

What stores have the best goods and at the most reasonable prices in this town? How can yes know which stores they are? Watch the ads in this paper, for they tell the story. The merchant who spends money in adwertising his goods invariably has goods that are worth advertising, and his prices must of necessity be right or he could not afford to call special attention to them through public print. Just glue your eyes to the ads and you will save time, trouble you do better than to take and money-especially money.

The farmer is the backbone of this town-in fact, he is the mainstay of the nation. We can not place too much emphasis upon this fact. As the American is worth its weight in gold and September 25, 1915, as compared farmer prospers, so it is with I take pleasure in recommendthe country in general, and so ing it." For sale by all dealers. September 25, 1914."

Mabel Woodard, vice-president; Dorthy Clewis, secretary; Frank Granberry, treasurer.

All committees will be appointed by the president at the next regular meeting.

The Sunbeams will meet at the Baptist church at 3:30 p. m. of each Sunday and cordially invite all children of the town to meet with them.

The following program will be rendered:

Subject the bible.

Song. Prayer.

Names.

Black board lesson.

Acrostics. Song, "Praise God for the Bible.

Catichism. Reading of minutes and program.

Roll call. Song.

Benediction.

What Would You Do?

There are many times when one man questions another's actions and motives. Men act differently under different circumstances. The question is, what would you do right now if you had a severe cold? Could Chamberlain's Cough Remedy?

It is highly recommended by people who have used it for years and know its value. Mrs. O. E. Sargent, Peru, Ind., says,

Toned Up Whole System.

"Chamberlain's Tablets have done more for me than I ever dared hope for," writes Mrs. Esther Mae Baker, Spencerport, these tablets a 1ew months ago. They not only cured me of bilious attacks, sick headaches and that my whole system. For sale by all dealers. adv

PEANUTS A GOOD PRICE

McLean and Riall at Grapeland sold Spanish peanuts last week for 62 1-2c per bushel F. O. B. Grapeland.

Grapeland people were complimented on the condition of the nuts. The buyer declared that Mr. Murchison's thresher produced better results than any he had seen. Even the Benthol picker he claimed cannot do the work that a J. I. Case thrasher does.

People in and around Grapeland are enthused and thrashing is proceeding rapidly.

NUMBER BALES GINNED

John R. Sheridan of Crockett, census taker for gins in Houston county, gives out the following: "There were 7,355 bales of cotton ginned in Houston county "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy from the crop of 1915 prior to with 5,006 bales ginned prior to

and sheep. The grazing will save hay and grain and render that which is fed more efficient in making gains.

It Always Does the Work.

"I like Chamberlain's Cough N. Y. "I used several bottles of Remedy better than any other," writes R. E. Roberts. Homer City, Pa. "I have taken it off and on for years and it has never tired out feeling, but toned up failed to give the desired results." For sale by all dealers.

Why Not Publish It?

When you want a fact to become generally known, the right way is to publish it. Mrs. Joseph Kallans, Peru, Ind., was troubled with belching, sour stomach and frequent headache. She writes. "I feel it my duty to tell others what Chamberlain's tablets have done for me. They have helped my digestion and regulated my bowels. Since using them I have been entirely well." For sale by all dealers. adv



Prepared for Life's Battles

The young man or woman who was taught Money Value in youth and taught to save is better prepared to start in life than the one who was never taught this most valuable lesson.

Farmers & Merchants State Bank A GUARANTY FUND BANK



For \$1.75

The regular price of the News and the Messenger is \$2.00 per year in advance. By subscribing now through the Messenger you get the two papers for \$1.75-a good farm paper and your favorite local paper.

Bring or send \$1.75 to the office of the Messenger Do it now and get the benefit of the cut price.

RENEW To-Day!

WHAT'S THE USE TO PUT IT OFF?

A SPLENDID SALARY WOSKING | motion. FOR UNCLE SAM. The Tyler Commercial College

and bookkeepers. This class of Civil Service work is about the guaranteed to be as recommendsafest work that a young person ed or they cost you nothing. For could pursue. With us they are full particulars address Civil sure of being able to pass the Service Dept. Tyler Commercial examination; when they have College, Tyler, Texas. passed the examination, they are sure, of the position; when also sure of easy hours and pro- J. B. Lively.

is not a mere business college, it The Tyler Commercial College is a commercial training instiof Tyler, Texas, makes a special- tution that fits one with a ty of preparing young people to thorough, practical education pass the Civil Service Exami- that enables him to enter the nations as stenographers, typists business world on a broad plan. Write for catalogue and full Civil Service work pays \$900 a particulars. If you connot enter year and upward; our students for personal instructions, take seldom start at less than \$1000 our courses by correspondence; for the first year. This line of they are practical and thorough;

> State courses interested in.

Albert Boyd and Earnest Palthey have the position, they are mer of Alto were here Monday sure of a good salary; they are and bought a lot of cattle from



Miss Clemintina Llorento, daughter of Enrique Llorento, chief of the Villa agency in Washington, is a pretty, dark-haired girl of the Spanish type, and makes an interesting addition to Washington society.

SOLEMN WARNING.

"Yassah, yo' honah," said rascally Brother Hooker, "one time a po', low-down, onery nigger was sent to jail by a jedge for stealin' chickens. And dat very night, sah, de rains ascended, de winds blowed and de lightnin' struck dat jail, kerslam, and killed dat nigger too dead to skin! De moral, yo' honah, am, don't send a po', low-down, onery nigger to jail for stealin' chickens!"

BAD THOUGHTS.

Magician-I can read minds. Engineer-Yuh ken? Ken yuh read mine? Magician-Certainly. Engineer-Why don't yuh hit me, then ?- New York Globe.

neer to survey the roads, make maps, grades and profiles and draw up estimates of cost. Then a bond issue should be asked for for a sum covering the engineer's estimate and a campaign conducted that would explain every point to every voter.

When the election is carried and the bonds sold, every dollar of the money should be expended under the unhampered direction of an expert or experts. Such business methods get business results.

THE MURCHISON CASE

The case of the State vs. Mrs. Murchison was called in the district court Thursday morning. The state was not ready for trial, and made formal application for continuance. Much time was taken up in this way, and the result was that the case was set over to be called on Tuesday of the seventh week at 1:30 p.m. which will be Oct. 19.

This was caused by the absence of several witnesses. The court gave strict orders as to the requiring of attendance of witnesses. There was a large assemblage of people interested or connected with the case, who came but were disappointed .-Nacogdoches Sentinel.

Hats cleaned and re-blocked, made to look new. New bands Crockett, : : : : Texas put on inside and outside. adv. M. L. Clewis.

ABSTRACTS

You can not sell your land without an Abstract showing perfect title. Why not have your lands abstracted and your titles perfected? We have the

ONLY COMPLETE UP - TO - DATE ABSTRACT LAND TITLES OF HOUSTON COUNTY

ADAMS & YOUNG

CROCKETT, TEXAS

VETINARY S. HARRIS Crockett, Texas Will visit Grapeland second Saturday in each month. At Bobbitt's Stable

CASKEY & DENSON BARBERS

Your Business will be Appreciated

Shop on main street, the new brick building, next door to the Guaranty State Bank.

INEEDA LAUNDRY, Houston Laundry basket leaves Wednesday and returns Saturday

John Spence Lawyer Office Upstairs over Monzingo Millinery Store

LEARN HIM TO WORK

If you have a boy who is afraid to soil his hands, lead him out into the garden and start him to Ooctober 4. Our teachers, Mr. digging. Stand over him and see that he keeps on digging. And when he gets through digging, just hand him the axe and show him the wood pile and let him exercise his muscles there for a few days. Possibly the barn needs a good cleaning out. That will please him and add a little more to his muscular development. It may soil his hands, but a little soap and water will is more than the paint. do wonders when properly applied. He may not be ardently in love with his jobs, but they will serve to beat a little horse sense into his head and in time he may become a fairly good citizen. The high positions in the commercial world are not filled by men who were afraid to soil their hands in their youth. A dirty face is to be censured, but soiled hands are more often an evidence of manly toil .- Ex.

HAVE YOU BEEN?

energetic instructors are laboring to implant in the minds of mato is a fruit, when we've al the children of the community that knowledge which will enable The Temple Telegram says the them to cope with the innumerable obstacles which beset the rocky road of life.

What have you done to en courage the teachers?

Have you been to the school to lend them the inspiration of your presence, to let them know and the cabbage is not a cabbage at understand that your heart is with them in their work of educating your children?

Your visit may not mean much to you, but it has its effect upon both pupil and instructor. To the pupil it is an evidence that while they are in the hands of others they are yet uppermost in your thoughts and that you are keeping a watchful parental eye to their welfare. To the in structors it signifies your moral support, your confidence in their efficiency and your undiminished interest in the welfare of both.

day. Mr. and Mrs. Shivers have the sympathy of the entire community.

Our school opened Monday, Coleman Scarbrough of Augusta and Miss Modell Jones of Percilla, we feel sure will teach us a good school. Sunbeam.

Paint Now

If your property needs it don't wait.

There are two parts of a job: the paint and the work; the work elected:

The cost of paint is about twofifths; the work three-fifths.

Paint won't come-down in a hurry; too-many jobs put-ofi.

Men are waiting for \$2 or \$3; they are waiting for \$20 or \$25.

Why don't men use their heads? DEVOE

Kennedy Bros. sell it.

We are all balled up again. It's getting harder and harder as the days pass by for a plain, unassuming citizen to keep his knowledge of simple, ordinary To-day a corps of earnest and things on straight. A Brooklyn judge has declared that the toways thought it was a vegetable. peanu's is not a nut but a pea. State Press says it's neither a nut nor a pea, but an invention of his grandfather. We are daily expecting some high-browed, cloistering agriculturist to come forth with the declaration that

> all but a rose of rare and ancient vintage.-Mineral Wells Index.

THE FISH POND

Farmers will in the future appreciate the creeks, ponds, lakes operation required for the rethan they have in the past. As population increases the natural features of the country are decimated and the country, like the city, begins to assume an artificial scene. The ties that bind

LADIES AID NOTES

The Baptist Ladies Aid met at the Baptist church Monday, Oct. 11th, at 2:30 p. m. and spent a very interesting hour in the study of State Missions consisting of scripture reading and prayer which was very much enjoyed by all present, after which the house was called to order by the President for a business session, the first in order being the election of officers for the ensuing year, the following being

Mrs. Cromwell, president; Mrs. White, vice president; Mrs. Kent, secretary and treasurer.

The following committee was appointed by the president on personal service work: Mesthey don't know it; they think dames White, Hill, Black and Richards.

> Other business being attended to the Society adjourned to meet the following Monday for bible study. We are now studying First Kings. We have great enthusiasm at these Bible meet ings through our efficient leader, Mrs. T. S. Kent. We would be glad to have any who would join us in this study. We have our meetings on Monday after the first and third Sundays in each month, the second Monday being our business meeting and the fourth Monday for our Missionary program.

> With God's help we are expecting a great work for the coming year.

Rerorter.

ODD BITS OF NEWS

Hailey, Id .- Unable to speak and tell how the accident happened, Miss Lucille Guits, 17 years-old, is recovering from an and other bodies of water more moval of a fork which she swallowed. It is believed she was examining her throat with the fork when it slipped from her hand.

Oilton, Okla .- Mrs. F. Tanner us closer to home, friends and of this place believes she is the the country of our childhood are only woman in the country who conducts a pool hall She say ming hole," "coon hunts" and under the conduct of women, other memories that can never such places should become clean, high-standard places of amusements.



On the surface, the average new suit in a show window, or even on the wearer, looks well while it is new.

But after a shower, or the misty dampness of an early fall day, where, oh where, has the style gone?

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A GOOD FARMER

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breezing into the Messenger office Saturday morning and prepotatoes of the Porto Rico variety and a "double portion" of home-

to sell. The piece of meat brought us was cut from a side

Mr. C. M. Streetman of the that was put up in the winter of Rock Hill community came 1913, and it was firm, sound and sweet. "The great trouble," Mr. Streetman said, "is that the sented the editor with a lot of people do not take care of what green peas, some very fine sweet they make. I do not make any more than the average farmer, but what I do make I take care cured bacon, all of which we ap. of it. I know that people can preciate very much. Mr. Street- prosper in this country because man is a farmer who lives at I have." During the ten years home and boards at the same he has been in this community place. He told us that in the he has purchased two places and ten years he had been here, only paid for them both and does not one time had he purchased feed owe a cent on earth. Mr. Streetstuff for his stock, and that con- man's success can be yours if sisted of one sack of oats and one you will only make up your mind of chops. He further told us that and bend your energies in that every year he had corn and meat direction.

LIBERTY HILL HAPPENINGS be forgotten.

Oct. 10.-Health of our community is very good at present.

We are having some dry weather. Turnip patches and ribbon cane are meeding rain badly.

Most all of the people of our community are through picking cotton, but not all through digging potatoes, as there was almost as many potatoes made as there was cotton.

Mr. Henry Moore will leave Friday for Belton, Texas, from there to Lampasas, looking for a location.

Mr. Geo. Holcomb and family of Alto are spending a few days here with friends and relatives.

Mr. Albert Dickey of Percilla spent Sunday in our midst.

Mr. Albert Holcomb of Alto, who formerly lived here, is here looking after some business matters.

A pretty little boy baby arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gayle last Sunday. Also a pretty little girl baby arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shivers have returned home from Corsicana where they were called to the fishing excursions, "swim-But where are we to fish, hunt

and go in swimming when our neighbor's fields join ours on all sides?

The fish pond on the farm will do much to afford pleasure for the children and young people. It may be built without much

expense, stocked with fish, the banks beautified and a place made for picnics, fish-frys and other social gatherings. This she had been pronounced dead will be one of the most effective by the family physician, Mrs. improvements to keep the young

people on the farms and the old people from losing their usefulness as producers.

The farm as a home is as important as it is as a place to make money. Let us make it a suitable place to raise our children, the future citizens of this coun-

try.-Farm & Ranch. The bird never destroys its

own nest. The nest is its home, where it deposits its eggs and rears its young. It builds, but

does not destroy. Are we su perior in intelligence to the bird, or is the bird superior to us? Are we seeking to build up and maintain our nests-our stores, and shops, and various other industries? Or are we unintention-

ally seeking to destroy them by making our purchases from peo- of a physician. ple in other cities who thrive up on the misfortunes of the local attend the funeral of their son, merchant or dealer? Think of Clarence, who was buried Thurs- the bird, then of yourself .- Ex.

Anahuac, Tex. - Mrs. Fritz Otter arose in the night to raise a window. Something, like a snake, touched her neck. When she aroused other members of the family, they found the snake coiled comfortably around her neck.

Vandalia, Ill.-Six hours after Lydia Adams, 70 years-old. arose, walked into an adjoining room and greeted the chief mourners.

Plainfield, Ill .- An ingenious farmer attached a rubber hose to the exhaust of his automobile, drove through his fields and inserted the hose into every gopher hole he found. Every gopher was killed. The farmer then inserted the hose into rat holes, turned on his engine and the rodents have disappeared.

Jersey Shore, Pa. - Jane Reachard, 19 years-old, was taken with a fit of laughing while listening to a funny story told by a friend. She laughed for three hours, and it was necessary to put her under the care



