

## NEWS FROM <br> HAYS SPRING


ide.
Berry Yates' little two year old girl is improving, after an illness
monia.
Messrs. Louis and Ed Story of Wesleys Chapel visited rela tives here today
C. A. Story and family and Luther Lievly and family visited Hill Huff at Daly's today
Mrs. W. M. Brown and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Keen Saturday and Sunday
Our school is progressing nice

When the Lusitania wen down to its watery grave, takin one of our prominent ished a remarkable literary trib to his wife. This was becaus she had been such a helpmate to him in carrying out his ideais. Thousands of women have hus vise you to order your clothes at Clewis', and also to carry your

## NEWS ITEMS

FROM CROCKETT
March 13.-Thè city of Crockett has improved its fire fighting apparatus by the addition of an auto hook and ladder truck and a lot of new hose. The truck is one of the latest out,
and being tested upon arrival, and being tested upon arrival,
proved to be up to representaproved to be up to representa-
tions. The hose purchased will possibly be all that will be needed for any conflagration that may occur in the sity limits. Two important real estate ing that Houston county dirt is
eage:ly being sought for. The first was the sale of the "Nata-
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s15,000 cash. The second wa
the sale of the C. A. Clinton
home, 160 acres. 3 miles south
west of Crockett, to Dr. P. S.
Griffith of Harris county, con-
the last named tract is situated
the last named tract is situated
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heat. Both these tracts ar near the oil well now being drill
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"Whites,"
ond base and had to be carrie from the field. The players di
not seem to care, did not half play. They played the Crocket people for a lot of "suckers" and they will be if they ever again go to an exhibition game payed by a lot of gangsters, who go about the country playing exhi bition games in order to try and make expense money.
In the wrestling match here Friday night at the Club Rooms of the Crockett Athletic Club dian wrestler, and Ray Zimmer a local favorite, the Indian won in 59 minutes. Weighed in at ringside, the Indian registered to weight, Zimmer proved to weight, Zimmer proved him.
self to be the best man in every way. This club is giving the people a lot of clean sport, botl boxing and wrestling matches. A new oil company is being organized, and about two thous and acres of land have been leased. Their prospective field of operation is in and near La texo.
Mesdames R. H. Wooters and G. Edmiston have returned from Culpepper, Va., where they were called on account of the serious illness of their mother, Mrs. Smith.

## Another Big Feature

IIII RED CIRCIF

## A thriliong Serial story

We are fortunate indeed to secure this master film production, which has not completed the circuit of the big houses. It has only been released about 60 days. The story is now being printed in the Houston Chronicle; yo can read the story in that paper, then see the film here.
First Fpisode Tuesday Night, March 21st And each Tuesday night thereafter until the story has been completed. Don't miss this big feature.

## The Electric Theatre



SYNOPSIS.






 CHAPTER X-On has return to his. rom
 CHAPTRR XII-In the corridor he en


CHAPTER XVII-A bullet follows the
teal The paper has an an acout or the
tal destruction by fre of Troyon's.


but three shapes stirred--Lanyard and
the girl in the shadow of the wall, and the girl in the shadow of the wall, and
a disconsolate, misprized cat that
promptiy on their appearance vanished ike a terror-stricken ghost.
Overhead the sky was breaking. showing ebon patches and infrequent cars through a what The night had grown sensibly colder and noisy with the rushing
sweep of a new-sprung wind. sweep of a new-sprung wind
Several yards from the postern-gate Lanyard paused definitely and spoke
for the first time in many minutes, for for the first time in many minutes, for
the knowledge of their errand's grav
Ity had oppressed the spirits of botia

## Ance their departure from the Rue des

"This is where we stop," he said, with a jerk of his head toward the
wall; "but-it's not too late-"
"I promised you go airl asked quickly.
that I've thought it overe, I can't be eer-
tain of that-there's always danger. And I'm afraid for you. It's not yet
me in a safer place.
me in a safer place."
"You asked me to accompany you
for a spectal purnose, I belleve," she for a spectal purnose, I belleve," she
satd; "you begged me to come with come this far, I don't mean to turn
back without good reason."
"You-you really care that much?
"You-you really care that much?
he faltered, staring.

ture of Madam Omber for England,
Lanyard had a key ready and in the lock almost before they reached it.
And the door swung on wellgreased hinges. As silently it shut them in.
Beyond the fact that they stood upon Beyond the fact that they stood upon
a weed-grown gravel path, hedged
about with thick masses of shrubbery, about with thick masses of shrubbery,
the girl was unable to make much of
the general aspect of their surroundthe general aspect of their surround
ings. The park was as black as a
pocket, and the heavy efluvia of wet pocket, and the heavy elluvia of wet
mold, decaying weeds and rotting
leaves that choked the air seemed only to render the murk still thicker.
But Lanyard evidently knew his dence bade him refrain from using his
flashlamp, there wasn't the least un-
certainty in his actions. Never once the girl swiftly througt a bewildering
biack labyrinth of paths and lawns In due course he pulled up and she
saw that they had come out into a
clear space of tawn and stood close

## a lightless building. His grasp tightened, admonitory,

 upon her fingers, and she caught hiscuriously penetrating yet guarded
"This is the back of the house-the
service entrance From this door a broad path runs straight to the main service gateway,
and the gate itself has a spring lock,
easy enoul Remember this in event of trouble. We
might become separated in the darkness and confusion." derstand," she said in a whisper.
Immediately he drew her on to the

 a wide doorway, one-hale of which promptly swung open and, as soon as
they had passed through, closed with
no percentible no perceptible jar or click. And then
Lanyard's flash-lamp was lancing the gloom on every hand, swiftly raking
the bounds of a large, paneled serv. ants' hall, until it picked out the foot of a flight of steps at the farther end.
To this they moved stealthily over a
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compilishen, however, only with infinite
care, Lanyard testing each rise before care, Lanyard testing each rise before
trusting dt with his weight or the girl's.
Twice he bade her skip one step lest Twice he bade her skip one step lest
the ancient woodwork betray them
with this, no less than three hideous squeals
of protest were evoked beore the of protest were evoked before they
gained the top, each indicating a pause
and a wait of several breathless sec and
onds.
But ants as had been left in such serv in the absence of its chatelaine, either discount the midnight concert of those ageonce, at length, through a swinging door they entered the main reception hall, revealed by the dancing spottight
as a room of noble proportions and fur as a room of noble proportions and
nished with somber magnificence.

Here thè girl was left alone for
few minutes, while Lanyard darte few minutes, while Lanyard darted
abovestairs for rapy reconnassance
of the state bedchambers and servants of the stat
quarters.

She knited
"All I need-except this "
Erossing to the desk, ho found turned.
"Now," he said, "give me flve min-

 | and suffocated by the encompassing |  |
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| dark mystery, she nerved therself | $\begin{array}{l}\text { rested a shoulder against the sheet of } \\ \text { against a protracted vigii. The obscur- }\end{array}$ |
| painted iron, his cheek to its smooth, |  |
| cold cheek, his ear close beside the |  | ity on every hand seemed alive with

stealthy footsteps, whisperings, mur- $\begin{aligned} & \text { cold cheek, his ear close beside the } \\ & \text { dial, and with the practiced fingers of }\end{aligned}$ stealthy footsteps, whisperings, mur- a master locksmith and an authority
murings, the passage of shrouded shapes of sll and of shroude eyes ached, her throat and temples tingled, She seemed to hear a thousand
different noises of alarm. The only sounds she did not seem to hear were those-s any-that accom-
panied Lanyard's departure and re-
turn. Had he not been thoughtful enough, when a few feet distant, to give warning with the light she might
well have greeted with a cry of fright the consciousness of a presence nea it was, she was startled, apprehensive back so soon, for ho hadn't gone three
minutes, long though her nervousness had made ${ }^{-t}$ that period seem.
 on strong-box constr
manipulate the knob.
$\qquad$ d, turned, raced and checked the com wheedling it, inexorably questioning in the dumb language his fingers poke so deftly. And in his ear the
click and whir and thump of shifting wards and tumblers murmured articu

Now and again, releasing the knol and sitting back on his heels, he would end grave scrutiny to the dial, note with his pefcil tot combination, and erhaps a dozen times, spaced by in He worked duligently ition.
He worked diligently, in a phase of from his consclousness the near ather stooped, half kneeling-less ing the process with interest hardly he slumbrous silence of the salon, instantly he swung around and stood
crect in a single movement, gaze to he curtains.
rumble in the $y$ a premonitory clock, about to strike, in the reception Ided two deep-toned strokes Lanyard aughed quietly, intimately, into the
girl's startled eyes and sank back be-

And now his task was nearly fin ished. Within another minute he sat
back with face aglow, uttered a hushed ack with face aglow, uttered a hushed emoranda for a space, then swiftly
and with assured movements threw the knob and dial into the several
varying positions of the combination, grasped the lever handle, turned it "Simple, eh?" he chuckled, with a glance aside at the girl's eager face,
bewitchingly flushed and shadowed by
he lamp's upthrown glow-"when one
knows the trick, of course! And now If one were not an honest man-a
fortune's ours for the taking!"
A wave of his hand indicated inf
rack of pigeonholes with which tho
paper bound
ad boxes of
"They were only her finest pieees,
her personal jewels, that Madam Om-
ber teok with her to England," he ex-

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a the world for size and purity of wa-
ter. She had the heart to leave these
Lifting a hand, he chose at random,
dislodged two leather cases, placed them on the floor, and with a blade of
From the first the light smote radi-
nce in blinding, coruscant welter: nee in blinding, coruscant
mostly in antique setting.
the girl. She drew back her hand in-
"No!" she protested in a whisper hat sounded like one of fright.
"But just look!" he urged. "There's " uanger-and you'll never see the Still she stubbornly withheld her hand. "No, no!" she pleaded. "I-I'd
rather not touch it. Put it back. Let's rather not touch it. Put it
hurry. I-I'm frightened."
He shrugged and, acquiescent, re-
placed the jewel; then yielded again to impulse of curiosity and lifted the lid It contained nothing but pleces set
with colored stones of the first order -emeralds, nmethysts, sapphires, ru-
bies, topaz, garnets, lapis-lazuli, acinths, jades-fashioned by master
caftsmen into rings,, bracelets, chains, bisite design ls, necklaces of ex
dion arrangement.
For a moment the adventurer stared hown moodity at this priceless hoard,
his eyen nating, his breathing per
ceptibly quickened. Then, with a slow sesture, he reclosed the case, too he had brought from London, opened or the girl's inspection.
He looked not once elther at its conlents or at her, fearing lest his counot yet succeeded completely in exor

THE MESSENGER, GRAPELAND, TEXAS

## England, Germany and France Agree

on one thing, if on no other. They all prohibit the sale of alum baking powders.

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cizing that mutinous spirit, the Lone Worf, from the tenement over which
it had so long held sway; and content - it had so long held sway; and content sigh of amaze, that what she now be
held could so marevelouly held could so marvelously outshine
what bad been disclosea in the other what had been disclosed in the other
boxes, he withdrew his hand, shut the case, found place for it in the sate, and without pause closed the door,
shot the bolts, and twirled the did shot the bolts, and twirled the dial
untill the tumbiers fairly sang.
one convincing him that the combination was effectively dislocated, he rose,
picked up the picked up the lamp, replaced it on the
desk with scrupulous care to leave no desk with scrupulous care to leave no
sign that it had been moved, and
looked und to the girl. small, tense, wibrent figure among the shadows, her eyes dark pools of won-
der tn a face of blazing pallor With a high head and his shoulders well back he made a gesture signitying more eloquenty that is ended!" As thoug inded chains of some strange enchantment. she started and came swiftly toward him. "Now to" she asked breathlessly. plied with assumed lightne dawn we must be clear of Paris. Two minutes, while I straighten this place up and leave it as I found it.
He moved back to the safe, restored the wing of the
instant's close scrutiny of the rug, began to explore his pockets. "What are you looking for?" the girl
iaquired, coming over to him again Iaquired, coming over to him again.
"My memoranda of the combina-tton-" "I have it." She indicated its hiding place in a pocket of her coat. "You you might forget

## $x$ ofered him the folded pape


"keep it and destroy it once we're out
of this. Now those portieres." Extinguishing the desk-ligh turned attention
doors and windows.
Within five minutes, leaving overything as they had found it, the two of Passy

They had to walk as far as the found a cab, which he later dismissed ith the corner of the Faubourg St. Ger-
main.
Another brief walk brought them to a gate in the garden wall of a resi-
dence situated at the junction of two quiet streets.
"This, I think, ends our Parisian wanderings," Lanyard announced. "If
you'll you'll be good enough to keep an eye
for busybodies-and yourself as inconspicuous as possible in the recess
of this doorway." of this doorway,"

## measuring the wall with his eye

 "What are you going to do?" He responded by doing it so swiftly that she gasped with surprise; pausingmomentarily withtn a yard of the walk momentarily withtn a yard of the walk,
he gathered himself together, shot up lithely into the air, caught the top curbing with both hands, and- She
heard the soft thud of his feet on the heard the soft thud of his feet on the earth of the enclosure, and the latch
grated behind her as the door opened. "For the last time," Lanyard
laughed quitiy from the aperture laughed quietly from the aperture,
"permit me to invite you to break the "permit me to invite you to break the
law by committing an law by committing an act of trespass: garden bench secluded amid conventional shrubbery.
"Well, it will be best
"Well, it will be best. I'll be back as soon as possible, though I may be de
tained some time. Still, inasmuch I'm about to break into this house, $m$ m motives, which are most commendable may be misinterpreted, and I'd rather
you waited here, with the street you waited here, with the street you've only to unlatch the gate.
let's trust that my purely benevo intentions toward the
won't be misconstrued
won't be misconstrued!
"Ill wait," she assure
"I'll wait," she assured him bravely "but won't you tell me-" sion towering above them.
"I'm going to break in there to pay an early morning call and impart some
interesting information to a person of considerable consequence - no
less, in fact, than M. Ducroy."
"And who is he?"
"The present minister of war. haven't as yet the pleasure of ea
other's acquaintance; still I think
won't be sorry to see me. In brief won't be sorry to see me. In brief,
mean to make him a present of the
Huysman plans and bargain for sa conduct for us both from France.".
Impulsively she offered her han and, when he somewhat difflently
took it, she gave his fingers a firm compelling pressure with her own. Iy, her pale, sweet face upturned to
his. "Oh, do be careful! I am afraid And for a moment the temptation to take her in his arms seemed strong-
er than any he had ever known. er than any he had ever known.
But reminding himself that But reminding himself that he had voluntarily stipulated for a year's pro-
bation, he released her hand with an
incoherent mumble, turned, and hastily disappeared in the direction of the

> (To Be Continued)

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## FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Farmers Institute Meets Friday
The Messenger has been The Farmers local institute authorized to announce the can- held an interesting meeting in didacy of J. D. (Joe) Sallas for the court house Friday afternoon, representative to the legislature and discussed peanuts and pothe action of the democratic ers of this country. Interesting primary in July.
Mr. Sallas is no stranger to the people of Houston county, different parts of the county who will be glad to learn of his aspiration to serve the people as their representative in the state governing body. Mr. Sallas
was formerly a school following the profession with success several years.
His qualifications for this important office are unquestioned, promises to faithfully and con scientiously perform his duties to the best intetests of his constituents. He is especially in-
terested in the welfare of the farming and laboring class of people and will devote his time
in studying legislation that will be to their interest. As the campaign progresses his views of the day so the voters will know exactly how he stand will appreciate your influence will apprecia

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kidney medicine, a liver tonic, stomach strengthener and bowe cleanser. Four medicines for
one dollar. erton.
"Say Sambo, what do dey mean when dey talks about pre pared mustard?" Fool nigger, dey means Idea medicines, dey sho is good too kase I done tried 'em.'"

CUMMUNITY CO-OPERATION
I have always contended that town or a community is just hat the people who live in it choose to make it.
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Effective work of this kind can be done in any community and everyone taking part will share in the good accomplish-
ment-R. V. H. in Farm\&Ranch.

## Church Directory

## The following is the directory

 the churches and Sunday MEIHODISI:Services every Second and Fourth
Sunday. Prayer Meeting Wednesday iight.
Rev. B. C. Ansley, Pastor.
Sunday School at 10 a. m.

## ChRISIAN:

Services every First Sunday.
Rev. J. W. Shockley, Pastor. Rev. J. W. Shockley, Pasto
Sunday School at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. T. H. Lea verton, Superintendent. BAPIIST:
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you will want to see how much more this one oes. If you are using an Oliver, it naturally fol liws that you want the finest model.

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can easily afford to have the world's crach visible writer, with the famous Printype, that .
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## GEORGE E. DARSEY.

## tHE gRapeland messenger



STORK VISITS
EDITOR'S HOME
 high.
weeks we will not expect more
than "flying visits" from the the Messenger falls below its
regular standard, we trust the regular standard, we trust the
subscribers will be patient, for

## this

young, is expected to bring about a great change for the
betterment of the Messenger We are anxious to welcome the young man's permanent pres ence in the office, but at present his "desk" has, been installed in his home, and his "editorials' will be strietly verbal fon awrile and will no doabt occupy some
of his father's time at night.
$\qquad$
Our idea of something to wor ry about is that violet dye has not much danger of his going child becomes hoarse as the advanced to $\$ 12,000$ a barrel.

Preparedness against the vi- Get the idea? Raise what we
trolic tongue of the gossip would
be a welcome deliverance to side issue.

## $\$ 1$ wime $\$ 1$.

There are just two kinds of people in the world "linancially." One figures on what a dollar costs and holds to it. The other figures on what it is worth and spends it judiciously, thereby making more. 10c saved on the purchase of $\$ 1.00$ worth of goods makes your $\$ 1.00$ saved on the purchase of $\$ 1.00$ worth of goods makes your $\$ 1.00$
worth $\$ 1.10$. See? Let's solve a few problems in percentage and worth $\$$ shether or not it pays to buy for cash.
see see whether or not it pays to buy for cash.
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| evil. MAILE HEADS |

## LOCAL NEWS

I. H. Leaverton is visiting rel atives in Ft. Worth:
Clarence Pearson and family of Palestine spent Sunday here with Maj I. F. Martin.

Constable Taylor returned Friday night from Willspoint, where he had been on business.

New spring samples are now on display. Many styles, reasonable prices, fit guaranteed
Be sure to see them.
Clewis,
R. T. Bobbitt, the liveryman, has puachased from W. E. Kerr Ford car and will use it as a service car.

Those who are going to plant watermelons for the market can get their seed at cost by calling at Traylor Bros.

Mrs. C. C. Hill and children of Daly's returned Saturday from Crockett where they have been visiting relatives.

Harry Brewton, who taught the Oak Grove school, departed for his home near Crockett Sat. urday, the school having closed Friday.
Prickly Ash Bitters cures disease of the kidneys, cleanses and strengthens the liver, stomach and bowels. Sold by D. N Leaverton.

Mr. Will Walker and family of Huntsville were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Kennedy the latter part of last week, coming through the country in a car.

Miss Fannie Driskell was carried to a sanitarium in Palestine last week for an operation for appendicitis, She stood the op ready to return home.

Mrs. Laura Goodson and Miss Beatrice Parker went to Pales tine Sunday to see Miss Fannie Driskell, who is in the San itarium.
Mrs. Hal Lacy of Crockett visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Anthony, here Sunday evening and night, returning to her home Monday morning

Will Fox, who has been in Arcadia, La. for the past three months, returned to Grapelan Sunday night, and Monday morning
Reynard.

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| The market is under the person | his past record as a business |

PEBBLES FROM ROCK HILL

March 13.-Health of the community is good at present, for which we are very thankful. The soil of this community is getting very dry and the roads
very dusty. Some few of the very dusty. Some few of the
farmers have planted corn and farmers have planted corn and
some others are still planting All are anxious for rain. The writer thinks it best to save that seed corn till it rains, so it will germinate quickly before that mole gets it.
Brother North filled his reg. ular appointment here Sunday He preached us two very inter esting sermons. A good con gregation was present at each service. A number of visitors were present from Rockymound
and Antrim. and Antrim.
Quite a number from this community attended the literary society at Antrim Saturday night. All report an enjoyable

## time.

Messrs. Leonard Morgan Preston Morrison and Richar Streetman met Wesley's Chape in a joint debate Saturday night They were accompanied by $C$ M. Streetman. They report an interesting debate and courteou treatment on their trip
The people of the community announce the organization of union Sunday School at Rock Hill the fourth Sunday evening in March. Let everyone be present to help carry out the work.
Our literary society met at Rock Hill Saturday night. We had a very nice program. One notable feature was a dialogue "The Bashful Boy" by eigh characters.
School is progressing nicely, but only two weeks more re main. We have planned to have an extra good program at the close of our school Friday night the 24th of March.
The young ladies of this community have organized a young ladies' Society Club. They announce they will have a box sup per at the close of the school ex-
ercises for the benefit of the club. The money raised will be for the benefit of the school a this place. The young ladies extend a cordial invitation to all visitors and a special invitation munity to
with them.
Mr. Arthur Owens, candidate for County Clerk and Mr. C. W Butler, candidate for
lector, will be present. Both will speak in behalf of the school and society. We extend an in-
vitation to any other candidates to be present, as it will be a good time to meet voters.

## FGR COUNTY CLERK

With this week's issue of the Messenger, we present to the candidate for the office of County Clerk, subject to the action of the coming democratic primary. Mr . Baker has been a resident
of the county for many years, and enjoys the acquaintance of practically every citizen. He
lives near Crockett, and has been connected with various business etnerprises in Crockett. His qualifications are exceptionim if elected, to attend able him, if elected, to attend to tedulic of susiness like sys. $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { man and a citizen, before you }\end{aligned}\right.$

ANNOUNCEMENTS
We are authorized to make subject to the action of the democratic primary:
For District Judge, 3rd Judicial Bistrict:
Anderson County J A Prince (Reeelection) ate Senator:
J J Strickland of Anderson County
For County Treasure
W M (Willie) Robison Ney Sheridan (Re-election)
G R Murchison
For County Attorney:
J L Lipscomb
Sonley LeMay
O C Goodwin
A S Moore (Re-election)
Arthur Owens
DR Baker
Ed Cassidy
For Tax Collector:
C W Butler Jr
W N (Will)
Standley
For District Clerk:
John F Gilbert
Jno D. Morgan, rer
Barker Tunstall
epresentative:
J D (Joe) Sallas
For County Juadge: B F Dent or Sheriff:

R J (Bob) Spence (Re-election)
For Tax Assessor: Ed Holcomb
or Constable Prec't. No. 2 : John Scarbrough
For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1 E E Holcomb (Re-election) Alvey D Grounds C E Jones
For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2 ${ }_{\mathrm{J}}^{\mathrm{J}} \mathrm{C}$ E Bean
${ }_{S}$ A (Silas) Cook
For Justice Peace Prec't. No. 5 Jno A Davis (Re-election
For Justice Peace Prec't. No. 2 Clyde Story, (re-ele
RR (Riley) Sullivan
vote yea, or nay: He kindly cision until he has had an oppor tunity of meeting you and presenting his claims, and the Mes senger is confident that Mr
Baker's name will be given fair consideration for this respons

## FOR DISTRICT CLERK

## Barker Tunstall of Crockett

 authorizes his name to pe placed in our announcement column asa candidate for the office of dis trict clerk, subject to the action of the democraiic primary.
Mr. Tunstall is one of the sub stantial citizens of the county and comes from a family that has always been prominent in enjoys the friendship and es leem of a large number of peo ple in every section of the coun ty and we presume that nearly everybody has heard "Barke Tunstall play the fiddle." He is lin, and is giving his girls a mus ical education. But Mr. Tun stall is not trying to "play his way" into the district clerk's office, but prefers to go before the peoplestrictly upon his mer its and qualifications for the
place, and invites a close scrut iny of his record as a man and
citizen. He

JUDGE RIDDLE ENDORS-
ED FOR U. S. SENATE

Several hundred citizens of Dallas and the surrounding terpassed the following resolutions, endorsing the candidacy of Judge George W. Riddle for the United States Senate
Whereas, Judge George W. Riddle, of Dallas, Texas, is a candidate for the United States Senate; and,

Whereas, Judge Riddle has been a citizen of Dallas for many years, and has always been at the forefront in every local enter-
prise, as well as in all great enterprises throughout this State, prise, as well as in aen great enterprises throughout this State,
and in the development of its resources, and we know him to be a man well qualified to fill said position; now, therefore, be it to a

Resolved: That it is the sense of this meeting that the candidacy of Judge George W. Riddle for the United States Senate
be in every reasonable way encouraged and supported.

For the next few years our State will need a man in the Senat of tho is not ony patriotic, but, wha also has intimate knowl edge of the economic, financial and business affairs of our country. and withal a practical man of affairs, rather than the professional politician.

## At this time it is costing the people over a Billion Dollars a year to finance the affairs of the Federal Government year to tinance the affairs of the Federal Government, and unless this waste and extravagance is checked, our country will be ridden with the burdens of excessive taxation.

We turn toward a man of the type of Judge Riddle; a practical farmer, lawyer, banker and business man with well advanced
ideas of economy, with ability to suggest and initiate common sense, practical measures for our guidance and protection, and
get with high ideals of constructive statesmanship.

His solution of the lanc problem by creating a system of Land Banks to lend money to home builders at a rate of four per cent,
will be of immense benefit to our agricultural interests
He favors the Federal Government building a system of National Highways, thereby more elosely uniting the different sections of our country and furnishing overland transportation fa-
cilities, in this way ringing the markets of the land to cilities, in this way bringing the markets of the land to the very
cotton fields of the farmers, and as a result increasing the profits on all agriculturat products.

His plans to develop trade relations between the United States will pour wealth into the lap of this country by the millions.

His stand for a Merchant Marine, which this country greatly needs, is meritorious and worthy of consideration. At this time the warring nations have laid their military hands upon their
merchant ships, and, as a result thereof, A mertcan Commerce is merchant ships, and, as a result thereof, Amertcan Commerce is starving and almost paralyzed, and the freight on cotton alone has
been raised from $\$ 1.75$ a bale to $\$ 15.00$ per bale. Rates have increased from 100 to 1000 per cent.

If any country on earth ever needed a Merchant Marine, it is this country of ours, and Congress ought not to hesitate one moment in preparing a way for it to be brought about. Judge
Riddle's stand for such a system is logical and business-like, and Rhows his ability to grapple with the practical problems of life and in that way make his life useful to the people that he represents.
Political adv.
Hon. Will L. Curtis, Secretary.
Dr. John S. Turner, Chairman.
the support of all. and if elected $\mid$ year by giving them animals and promises to perform his duties crops this year. Give them an faithfully. We commend him to opportunity to use their origínalThis need not interfere with their

## PARAGRAPHS <br> $\uparrow$FARM AND RANCH

The wife who once was willing thanking for her now does it herself.and is better off.
He who tells the truth when he knows it, and anything when he doesn't is sure to do more talk ing than is necessary, for the much even while confining him self to all the truth he knows.
There is nothing better f growing pigs and hogs of all kinds and ages than skim milk or milk in any form, sweet or sour. The small farmer with one so pare can make quick money and a substantial side revenue by raising and finishing two litters of pigs each year.
One reason people do not ap-
preciate their neighbors better is
they do not know them. Most
of the misunderstandings arise rom the fact that people do not understand each other. A
good plan would be to learn more
about your neighbou s so that you

Reward the boys and girls who rops - It is quite likely to en ourage them and cause them to

Look for the waste places on a farm. Some of these may be on the overflowed fields; some the the overflowed fields; some the
poorly drained places. The barnyard manure may be wasting, the implements being loft out in whe weather to deteriorate. The with the hauds what should be done with implements and mach nes. Look for wasted energy and wasted opportunity.

## PEANUT BULLETINS

The Messenger has received from the agricultural depart ment, 25 copies of a peanut bul etin, for free distribution to any one interested in growing pea nuts. Call and get one.
Lumber $\$ 1.00$ per hundred iil July 1st.
W. J. Hughes,

At Walter Pennington's.
Claude Saddler and family have moved to the farm out near good da. We regret to lose this wish them well in their new home. Mr. Saddler was formeriy in business here, establish


SUPERIOR RURAL ROAD WORK Suggestions to Communities for the Country Highways.

Tuat sull value may be received for be money appropriated for road pur pores and that the best results ob
tamabte may be secured it is essential that the right man shall be placed in charge of road work. He should be selected not only because he actually knows more about good roads than asy ather person in the community
bat also because he can get the best bai also because he can get the best
results from the money furnished. It is mot sufficient, however, to let the matter rest with the appointment of a road overseer. He should receive
the shole-hearted support of the comresoity in the work. It should be seen
to teat under the conditions and with the money furnished the community
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nuse sith the ability to perform the bites required. It should be realized that snited action in the right direc
tion is the surest and quickest way to secure them.
Where the road overseer has had but tittle experience in road work, or presented to the experienced man che office of public roads and rural
engiaeering of the U. S. departmen of agrieulture when requested, will of fer advice and suggestions for carrycome the difficulties.
To secure a satisfying road of any
type it is absolutely necessary to reype, th is absolutely necessary to re member: First, drainage; second, earth road, properly cared for, will avswer satisfactorily for the traffic of many rural sections that cannot at ford the better types of roads; but the earth road must be well drained two other requirements may be taken vp-the location of the road and the reduetion of grades to a general aver
age of 5 per cent. With the exception of sandy roads, camp. all roads must have proper side
ditetces to carry away the surface water. In order to lead this surface water to the ditch, the road surface must
bave a crown. or rounded roof, high est in the center and sloping toward
the side ditches. A very easy and satisfactory way to keep earth, clay, and



## the split-log drag, is explained in Farguers' Bulletin 597, copies of whicl

 may be obtained upon application tothe department
Arter the road has been crowned
and the crown is kept in condition by
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- you see in your local paper each week all the news of events taking place around you-among the people you know and love. You'll also find the more important happenings of the world chronicled in this paper-yes, this is your paper in every sense of the word. It leads the fight for everything that will make this community a better place in which to live; it's looking after your interests all the time and, right now we have arranged to offer you double value for your money.


## Brain Against Brawn

Whyy do some farmers prosper and enjoy many luxuries, while others, who work just as hard, are always hard up? The answer is simple: one has used his brains and kept posted on up-to-date farming methods, while the other has felt that there is nothing for him to learn. He will not even read a first-class farm paper because he thinks no one can possibly tell him how to run his farm. FARM AND RANCH is prepared especi-
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the rate advertised, so bring or mail your order now and get the benefit of the combination price.


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5 and pulled stroke for Oxford in the dear dead days beyond recall, but h went out of training afterward, an when he appeared at the club in khak an imposing figure. Chest 84 inches, you know, but a little low down. "'Where are you going to fight
Heron-Plume?' I asked, as my huge Heron-Plume?' 1 asked, as my huge
friend sank puffing into a chair and friend sank putfing into a chair and
unfastened a couple of buttons at the er-breast of his tunic.

Dardanelles,' he answered.
'But, Heron-Plume,' said anothe re frichtfully karm ?'"

No, Not Fallen Pedestrian
They were out in their Rattler car and had had several breakdowns. As hubby got out his repair kil th ${ }^{\text {"Pity }}$ we didn't bring
a squirre
"What for-a mascot?"
"No," she replied; "it could run be hind and pick up the nuts."
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"I think I'll take out that life insurance. It will come in very handy for my wife at this time.
you're good for forty y yne thing, bu "I don't know. I have a foreboding that the

His Only Prevent
Artist (to model he has just picked up in the street)-A man I had up
here the other day stole two pounds when my back was turned. Would you do a thing whe that. Wo Model-Oh, no, sir, I haven't th
speed.-London Punch London Punch.

Vanished Value.
"You can't get something for noth ing." said the ready-made philoso "Somebody did," exclaimed Mr day before yesterday wouldn't bring half its price if 1 sold it today. REFORMERS.

"I have always said there should "Yes; everybody strong effort to get it all out." you
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## To The People of Texas:


#### Abstract

In the Annual Report of the Texas Railroa Commission for 1900, then presided over by that grand old commoner, John H. Reagan, after notic- ing the great increase in the amount that the Railroads of Texas had to pay in satisfaction of Jury verdicts and Court J "While we have no official information showin the cause of this great increase, we understan in a general way, that probably results in ganized personal injury bureaus. The only direc interest which this Commission has in this que tion grows out of the fact that, as the amount nues of the railroad companies are reduced thu necessarily operating, to that extent, to preven the reduction of freight rate What Judge Reagan and his associates foresa and warned against has actually happened. The Railroad Commission of Texas has increase freight rates. Not much yet, but it is hoped th increases will be sufficiently liberal to relieve the roads of their distressing necessities. The Commission, after the most exhaustive, pa- tient, laborous and painstaking investigation ever before undertaken by a state rate-making body, in which hearing the Commission was assisted by able attorneys and experts, in no way connected with the railroads; and with the single purpose of learning the truth and doing their duty as sworn officials of your choosing, the Commissioners have found that the railroads are entitled to earn more revenue to enable them to pay their operating ex. penses and a fair return upon the value of the property devoted to public use. It would not be fair to charge the entire in crease to personal injury payment. Such pay. ments had however, a considerable influence in the way of increased expenses; but there are many other ways of unnecessarily increasing the expenses of the railroads. The legislature can, and in the past has done so. And every expense imposed or forced on the railroads by the legisla- ture must be considered in fixing freight rates paid by the people, and mostly by the producers of the wealth of the state. The last legislature was importuned, by selfish interests, to pass wholly unnecessary and expen. sive laws, such as the so-called "full crew bill" and others, that would, had they been enacted, have increased the expenses of the railroads of the state about four million dollars per year. The legislature, however refused to place this enor-


 mous expense on the shippers and producers ofthe atate, and you justly owe your lawmakers a
vote of thanks for thus protecting you. For if
the legislature had passed these laws, the in.
creased expense would have had to be taken into
consideration by the Railroad Commission in fix.
ing the advances allowed or to be hereafter allow.
ed.
The action of the legislature has saved the ship.
pers and producers of this state a vast amount of
money.
The financial condition of the railroads forced
us to ask an increase in freight rates. We would
have been glad, had the condition of the roads
been such, that we would not have had to ask for
such increase.
The way to protect yourselves in the amount of
freight rates is to assist the railroads in reducing
expenses and in preventing their operating ex-
penses from being further increased. Will you
tus help yourselves, your neighbors and your
friends.
Your state and county officials publish state.
ments of their public acts for the information of
the people; while railroads are privately owned,
they are operated for the benefit of the public,
and the people are entitled to know how they are
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March 12.-Mesdames John F. Martin and J. F. Darnell vis ited
day.
There was singing at New
Prospect today, conducted by Rev. W. R. Durnell. A good crowd from this community at tended and report a nice time. Quite a crowd from the differ ent communities went fishing on
the creek Saturday and all seem ed to have a nice time and plenty of fish. George Kyle caught :
turtle that lowered the creek two turtle that lowered the creek two
and one half feet.
Miss Julia Brinson spent Sat Miss Julia Brinson spent Sat.
urday night with Miss May Martin.
Our literary society met again Saturday night. We had a good
program, also a good debate as was stated in the paper las
week. Prof. S. D. Webb was

were Messrs. Jim Taylor, Luther
Campbell and Edd Pearson. The decision was in favor of the af
firmative. The next debate be
tween this place and Ephesu: ween this place and Ephesus
will be held at the latter place
April 8th. As to the subject
and who the debaters will be and who the debaters will be
we do not know. Our literary society meets again Saturday
night, March 25th. We are ing to have a good program Come and be with us.
Our school will close Friday March 17 th instead of the 2 th We are going to have a good is invited to attend. Best wishes to the Messeng
nd its many readers.
Hiwatha.
County Contest in Declamation
the members of the Interschol.
astic League to the contest in
declamation to be held in Crocks
ett, Saturday, April first. It is
hoped that every school will send
four representatives, two boys
and two girls. The contests are
divided into Boys' Senior and
Junior and Girs' Senior and
Junior. Junior boys are those
under 15, or boys not in the 10th
grade. Junior girls are those
ander 14 or girls not in the 10th
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The declamations in Boys an upon some phase of the peac problem. Declamations for jun iors may be upon any subject prevailingly serious in tone.
Principals, or those in charg are asked to send me at once the title of declamation to b used that I may, by correspond ence, prevent any two contes tion.
Let us work to make this the best contest ever held in Hous ton County, and the best i Texas this year.
S. E. Tanner,

Leclamation.
CALL FOR ELECTION
By the authority vested in me, it is hereby ordered that an ele tion be held for the purpose o the following Commissioners Precincts: Numbers 1, 2 and said election to be held in con nection wh election for loca trustees in both independen
and common school districts, the first Saturday in April, san being the first day of April.

County Judge, Houston Co


| FOR JUSTICE PEACE <br> R. R. (Riley) Sullivan of Percilla authorizes his announcement this week as a candidate for Justice of Peace, precinct No. 2 which is known as Percilla and Augusta precinct. <br> In offeriug himself for this of | A. E. Owens <br> NOTARY PUBLIC <br> Legal Documents Correctly Drawn Grapeland, Texas |
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The Sunday School Rally at Enon Sunday evening was wel Sunday Schools. Two classes of the M. E. Sunday School were guests at a la wn dinner, near Enon. After the sumptuon dinner they departed for Enon o enter into the program, which had been prepared for the day Everyone enjoyed themselves hospitality of the people of this community.
The Ratcliff Girls basket ball bam defeated the Grapeland Girls team on the High School campus here Saturday in a fast came of this favorite sport. The firsthalf of the game was ended with the score 4 to 0 for Grapeland. The second half however, was more interesting and the Ratclift
R. T. Bobbitt had the mis fortune last week to lose a fine horse.

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broidery, Laces and Ladies Ready-to-Wear
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We extend to everyone a cordial invitation to
call and see our new goods.

## Traylor Brothers

| FOR COUNTY JUDGE <br> Judge E. Winfree this week offers as a candidate for county judge for a second term in the coming primary. Judge Winfree is so well known to the people of this county that we feel it is unnecessary to say anything of an introductory nature. In serving the people as judge during this term, also while judge in past years, he has al ways been diligent in the discharge of his duties and faithful to the trust reposed in him by the people. He has always striven to handle the county af fairs in a business way and to get full value for every dollar spent. His administrations show that he has pursued an economical course in order to build up the county's finances, yet no wortiny piece of work that would be of advantage to the people of the county has been left undone on this account. The Judge earnestly solicits your support in this race, and if | the people see fit to again honor him, The Messenger knows that the office will be honorably and capably fllled. <br> HOGS WANTED <br> I am finishing a bunch of hogs to be shipped Saturday, April 1. I want to buy a few to go with this shipment, and will buy hogs brought here on the above date. Will pay the following prices: 150 lbs and over, 6c per lb.; 125 to 150 lbs., 5 1-2c. per lb., spot cash. If you have some hogs to spare now is the time to sell them. For further par ticulars see me. <br> Geo, Calhoun. <br> OF INTEREST TO WOMEN <br> I wish to announce that I have opened a sewing room in the rear of Wherry's store, and am prepared to do all kinds of sew ing. Your work will be appre ciated and satisfaction guaran teed. <br> Miss Willie Browning. |
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$\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { site effect on the cotton crop } \\ & \text { and that cotton will be a good }\end{aligned}\right.$ price next fall by reason of being a small crop raised and that the cause of the small cotton I have heard it collon crop. child fears the fire. I wonder child fears the fire. I wonder
if the farmers of the south are going to forget their burn and going to forget their burn and
go right back to raising all the go right back to raising all the
cotton they can? I am hoping cotton they can? I am hoping
they will not do it, but the price they will not do it, but the price
of cotton now is very good, but of cotton now is very good, but
if they will look again they can see the handwriting on the wall. Then why should they pitch in and raise all the cotton they can and force the price down again, and should the war keep on fo another year and there is bumper crop of cotton made i will not be worth gathering, so my advice is, cut the cotton crop short, raise hogs, hominy, peanuts, sy rup, chickens, cattle and the mortgage.
For fear my letter is longer than interesting and that I may be taking up too much space, I will close for this time by saying may this be the most prosperous year of any for the Editor, the "Devil" and the many sub.

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