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LOCAL NEWS FROM ANTRIM

April 23.—Well, when Easter passes we generally are safe in saying there will be no more frost this spring, and we are glad to note there wasn't any frost on Easter.

The health of our community is good at present, no serious sickness that we know of.

Planting cotton is the thing of the day now, but most of the farmers around here are about through, and some are planting peas and peanuts.

Quite a crowd visited Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Edens Sunday.

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Among them were, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Durnell, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Durnell and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Waddell and children and Mr. Lee Martin.

Our literary society met Saturday night, April 22nd. A large crowd was present and a good program was rendered. The debate, the subject of which was stated in the paper some time ago, was very good. The decision was in favor of the affirmative. Our next meeting will be May 13th. We are going to have an extra good program. Everybody is invited to come and be with us.

Mr. J. F. Martin and three of his children, Chester, Katie and Minnie Ola visited his brother, Mr. R. E. Martin and family, also his mother, Mrs. S. J. Martin. Miss Katie will remain with them a week, and will return next Saturday.

William Waddell visited Jim Ritchie Sunday.

Rev. W. R. Durnell preached at Muse Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss May Martin visited Miss Julia Brinson Friday night.

Success to the Messenger and its many readers.

Hiawatha.

WILL OPEN GARAGE

Messrs. Walling & Richards are making arrangements to open a garage, having purchased a lot on the street with the Messenger office, and will begin the erection of a building right away. In addition to equipping their shop to care for automobiles, they will also be prepared to do all kinds of woodwork.

Automobiles are getting so numerous around here, they should do a good business from the start.

Miss Helen Long, who has been teaching at Apple Springs, returned to her home at Augusta Sunday.

DELIVERS ADDRESS TO "GRADS"

Dr. J. C. Hardy, President of Baylor University at Belton, delivered the baccalaureate address to the graduates of the Grapeland High School last Sunday at the auditorium.

In his discourse Dr. Hardy painted a word picture that was inspiring to everyone within the sound of his voice. His illustrations were plain and could be understood by even the small children. It was a practical address from beginning to end, flavored with humor and applicable not only to the graduates and school children, but to everyone. "Education" was his subject, and he discussed it in its broadest sense, showing the unlimited possibilities there are for those who will prepare to attain the standard of the noble life and develop the finest qualities which God has endowed for their use. He also spoke in the afternoon to a good audience, his subject being "The Laymen's Movement."

Dr. Hardy made many friends during his short visit here, who will welcome him back whenever the opportunity is afforded. He returned to Belton Sunday night.

Notice of D. N. Leaverton The Leading Druggist

We take pleasure in announcing to our patrons and the general public, that we will have with us for two days only, Monday and Tuesday, May the 1 and 2, Dr. G. Ward Shelfer, of Dallas, Texas. Dr. Shelfer has been coming to Crockett for several years, and many good influential people of Crockett and Houston county are using glasses fitted by him with best results. We earnestly insist that you come in Monday or Tuesday and have your eyes examined, as Dr. Shelfer has the testimonials of people all around us, and has agreed to come and see us regularly.

Don't make a mistake in the name, place and dates; Dr. G. Ward Shelfer, Leaverton's Drug Store, Monday and Tuesday May 1 and 2.

GRADUATING EXERCISES

The graduating exercises of the Grapeland High School will be held tonight (Thursday) at the school auditorium.

Four young ladies and four young men constitute the class of graduates and an appropriate program (which is printed elsewhere in this issue) will be rendered. The class has worked hard to accomplish their aim, and the entire citizenry of Grapeland should feel proud of their achievements, which were acquired by diligent effort.

Judge A. A. Aldrich will present the diplomas and address the graduates.

"The Life of Our Savior" in 7 reels, next Wednesday night, at the "Electric Theatre. Admission 25c. Half of net proceeds go to the ladies of the Christian Church. Don't miss it.

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FOR COUNTY TREASURER

In the announcement column of the Messenger this week will be found the name of Leonard Arnold, as a candidate for County treasurer, subject to the action of the democratic primary in July.

Mr. Arnold was born and reared in the eastern part of the county; has been engaged in farming and is one of the county's most progressive and deserving young men. He was educated in the high schools of his community and is in every

way qualified to fill the office to which he aspires. He is from one of the county's oldest and best families and is very prominent in his immediate community. In conversation with the Messenger man Mr. Arnold says: "I believe in giving a young man a chance in the commercial world and if the good people of Houston county will give me a chance I will do my best to make good."

The Messenger herewith commends his candidacy to your careful and impartial consideration.



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CHAPTER XXXI.

Wings of the Morning.

About half past six Lanyard left the dressing room assigned him in the barracks at Port Aviation and, waddling quaintly in the heavy wind-proof garments provided at the instance of Ducroy, made his way between two hangars to the practice field.

Now the eastern skies were pulsing fitfully with promise of dawn; but within the vast inclosure of the aerodrome the gloom of night lingered so stubbornly that two huge searchlights had been pressed into the service of those engaged in tuning up the motor of the Parrott biplane.

In their intense, white, concentrated glare—that rippled oddly upon the wrinkled, oily garments of the dozen or so mechanics busy about the machine—the under sides of those wide, motionless planes hung against the dark with an effect of impermanence—as though they were already aloft and needed but a breath to send them winging skyward.

At one side a number of young and keen-faced Frenchmen, officers of the corps, were lounging, overlooking the preparations with alert and intelligent interest.

On the other, all the majesty of Mars was incarnate in the rotund person of M. Ducroy, posing valiantly in fur-lined coat and shining top-hat while he chatted with an officer of tall, athletic figure who wore an air of uncommon efficiency together with his aviating uniform.

As Lanyard drew near, this man brought his heels together smartly, saluted the minister of war and strode off toward the flying machine.

"Captain Vauquelin informs me he will be ready to start in five minutes, monsieur," Ducroy announced. "You are just in time."

"And mademoiselle?" the adventurer asked, peering anxiously around.

Almost immediately the girl came forward from the shadows with a smile apologetic for the strangeness of her attire.

She had donned, over her street dress, a simple leather garment which enveloped her completely and buttoned tight round wrists and ankles. Her small hat, too, had been replaced by a leather helmet-cap which left only her eyes, nose, mouth and chin exposed, and even these were soon to be hidden by a heavy veil for protection against spattering oil.

"Mademoiselle is not nervous—eh?" Ducroy inquired politely.

Lucy smiled brightly.

"If I should be, monsieur?" "I trust mademoiselle will permit me to commend her courage. Pardon! I have one last word for the ear of Captain Vauquelin."

Lifting his hat, the Frenchman joined the group near the machine.

Lanyard stared unaffectedly at the girl's face, unable to disguise his wonder at the high spirits advertised by her rekindled color and brilliant eyes.

"Well?" she demanded gayly. "Don't tell me I don't look like a fright! I know I do!"

"I daren't tell you how you look to me," Lanyard replied soberly. "But I will say this, that for sheer, downright pluck, you—"

"Thank you, monsieur! And you?" He glanced with a deprecatory smile at the flimsy-looking contrivance to which they were presently to intrust their lives.

"Somehow," said he doubtfully, "I don't feel in the least upset or exhilarated. It seems little out of the average run of life—all in the day's work!"

"I think," she replied, "that you're very like the other lone wolf, the fictitious one—Lupin, you know—a bit of a humbug. If you're not nervous, why keep staring hither and yon—as if you were rather expecting somebody—as if you wouldn't be surprised to see Popinot or De Morbihan pop out of the ground—or Ekstrom!"

"Hum!" he said gravely. "I don't mind telling you now, that's precisely what I am afraid of."

"Nonsense!" the girl cried in open contempt. "What could they do?" "Please don't ask me," Lanyard begged seriously. "I might try to tell you."

"But don't worry, please!" Fugitively her hand touched his arm. "We're ready."

It was true enough. Ducroy was

moving toward them again. "All is prepared!" he announced in sonorous accents.

In a sober silence they approached the machine.

Vauquelin kept himself aloof while Lanyard and a young officer helped the girl to a seat on the right of the pilot's and strapped her in. When the adventurer had been similarly secured in the place on the left the two sat, imprisoned, some six feet above the ground.

Lanyard found his perch comfortable enough. A broad band of webbing furnished support for his back, another crossed his chest by way of provision against forward pitching, there were rests for his feet and cloth-wound grips fixed to struts on either side for his hands.

He smiled at Lucy across the empty seat, and was surprised at the clearness with which her answering smile was visible. But he wasn't to see it again for a long and weary time; almost immediately she began to adjust her veil.

The morning had grown much lighter within the last few minutes.

A wait ensued of seemingly interminable duration. A swarm of mechanics, assistants and military aviators buzzed round their feet like bees.

The sky was now pale to the eastern horizon. A fleet of heavy clouds was drifting off into the south, leaving in their wake a thin veil of mist that bade fair soon to disappear before the rays of the sun. The atmosphere seemed tolerably clear and not unseasonably cold.

The light grew stronger still—features of distant objects defined themselves; traces of color warmed the winter landscape.

After some time their pilot, wearing his wind-mask, appeared and began to climb to his perch. With a cool nod for Lanyard and a civil bow to his woman passenger he settled himself, adjusted several levers and flitted a gay hand to his brother officers.

There was a warning cry from the rear. The crowd dropped back rapidly to either side. Ducroy lifted his hat in parting salute, cried "Bon voyage!" and scuttled clear like a startled rooster before a motor car. Thereupon the motor and propeller broke loose with a mighty roar comparable only in Lanyard's fancy, to the chant of ten thousand riveting-locusts.

He felt momentarily as if his tympanums must burst with the incessant and tremendous concussion registered upon them; but presently this sensation passed, leaving him with that of permanent deafness.

Before he could recover and regain control of his startled wits the aviator had grasped a lever and the great fabric was in motion.

It swept down the field like a frightened swan, and the wheels of its chassis, registering every infinitesimal irregularity in the surface of the ground, magnified them all a hundredfold. It was like riding in a tubrel driven at top speed over the Giant's Causeway. Lanyard was shaken violently to the very narrow of his bones; he believed that even his eyes must be rattling in their sockets.

Then the Parrott began to ascend. Singularly enough, this change was marked at first by no more than a slight lessening of the vibration—the machine seemed still to be dashing over a cobbled thoroughfare at breakneck speed; and Lanyard found it difficult to appreciate that they were aloft, even when he looked down and discovered a hundred feet of space between himself and the practice-field.

In another breath they were soaring over housetops.

Momentarily, now, the shocks became less frequent. And presently they ceased almost altogether, to be repeated only at rare intervals, when the drift of air opposing the planes developed irregularities in its velocity. There succeeded, in contrast, the sublimest peace; even the roaring of the propeller dwindled to the negligible status of a sustained drone; the Parrott seemed to float without an effort upon a vast, still sea, flawed only occasionally by inconsiderable ripples.

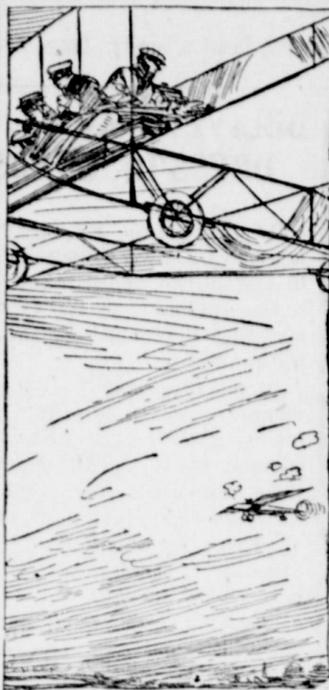
Still rising, they surprised the earliest rays of the sun; and in their virgin light the aeroplane was transformed into a thing of gossamer gold.

Continually the air buffeted their faces like a flood of icy water.

Below, the scroll of the world un-

rolled like some vast and intricately illuminated missal, or like some strange mosaic, marvelously minute.

Lanyard could see the dial of the compass, fixed to a strut on the pilot's left. By that telltale their course lay



"That Madman in the Valkyr Is Firing at Us."

nearly due northeast. Already the weltering roofs of Paris were in sight to the right, the Eiffel tower soaring from them like a fairy pillar of fine gold lace-work, the Seine looping the cluttered acres like a sleek brown snake.

Versailles broke the horizon to port and slipped astern. Paris closed up, telescoped its panorama, became a mere blur, a smoky smudge.

But it was long before the distance eclipsed that admonitory finger of the Eiffel.

Vauquelin manipulating the levers, the plane tilted its nose and swam higher and yet higher. The song of the motor dropped an octave to a richer tone. The speed was sensibly increased.

Lanyard contemplated with untempered wonder the fact of his equanimity—there seemed nothing at all strange in this extraordinary experience; he was by no means excited, remained merely deeply interested. And he could detect in his physical sensations no trace of that qualms dread he had always associated with high places—the sense he now experienced of security, of solidity, ever afterward remained wholly unaccountable in his understanding.

Of a sudden, surprised by a touch on his arm, he turned to meet through the mica windows of the wind-mask the eyes of the aviator, informed with an expression of impertinent doubt, quite illegible. Assailed by sickening fear lest something was going wrong with the machine, Lanyard shook his head to indicate want of comprehension. Then, with an impatient gesture, the aviator pointed downward.

Appreciating the fact that speech was impossible, Lanyard clutched the struts and bent forward. But the pace was now so fast and their elevation so great that the landscape swimming beneath his vision was no more than a brownish plain fugitively maculated with blots of contrasting color.

He looked up blankly, but only to be treated to the same gesture.

Piqued, he concentrated attention more closely upon the flat, streaming landscape. And suddenly he recognized something oddly familiar in the bend of the Seine that was approaching.

"St-Germain-en-Laye!" he exclaimed with a start of alarm.

This was the danger point.

"And ever there," he reminded himself—"to the left—that wide field with a queer white thing in the middle that looks like a winged grub—that must be De Morbihan's aerodrome and his Valkyr monoplane! Are they bringing it out? Is that what Vauquelin means? And if so—what of it? I don't see."

A sudden doubt and wonder chilled the adventurer.

Temporarily, Vauquelin returned entire attention to the management of the biplane. The wind was now blowing more fitfully, creating pockets—those "holes in the air" so dreaded by cloud-pilots—and in quest of a more constant resistance the aviator was swinging his craft in a wide northerly curve, climbing ever higher and more high.

The earth soon lost all semblance of design; even the twisted silver wire of the Seine vanished far on the left; remained only the effect of firm suspension in that high, blue vault, of a continuous flow of lead water on the face, together with the tuneless chant of the motor.

After some forty minutes more of this—it may have been an hour, for time was then an incalculable thing—

Lanyard, in a mood of abnormal sensitiveness, began to divine some little disquiet in the mind of the aviator, and stared until he caught his eye.

"What is it?" he screamed to the other in futile effort to lift his voice above the din.

But the Frenchman understood, and responded with a sweep of his arm toward the horizon ahead. And seeing nothing but cloud in the quarter indicated, Lanyard began to grasp the nature of a phenomenon which, from the first, had been vaguely troubling him. The reason why he had been able to perceive no real rim to the world was that the earth was all asteam from the heavy rains of the last week; all the more remote distances were veiled with rising vapor. And now they were approaching the coast, to which, it seemed, the mists clung closest; for all the world before them slept beneath a blanket of dark gray.

Nor was it difficult now to understand why the aviator was ill at ease facing the prospect of navigating in a channel fog.

Several minutes later he startled Lanyard with another peremptory touch on his arm, followed by a significant glance over his shoulder.

Lanyard turned hastily.

Behind them, at a distance which he calculated roughly as two miles, the silhouette of a monoplane hung against the brilliant firmament, resembling, with its single spread of wings, more a solitary, soaring gull than any man-directed mechanism.

Only an infrequent and almost imperceptible shifting of the wings proved that it was moving.

He watched it for several seconds, in deepening perplexity finding it impossible to guess whether the monoplane were gaining or losing in that long chase or who might be its pilot.

Yet Lanyard entertained little doubt that the pursuing machine had risen from the aerodrome of Count Remy de Morbihan at St-Germain-en-Laye; that it was nothing less, in fact, than De Morbihan's Valkyr monoplane, reputed the fastest in Europe and winner of a dozen international events; and that it was guided, if not by De Morbihan himself, by one of the creatures of the Pack—quite possibly, even more probably, by Ekstrom!

But—assuming all this—what evil could such pursuit portend? In what conceivable manner could the following pilot reckon to profit himself by overtaking or distancing the Parrott? He couldn't hinder the escape of Lanyard and Lucy Shannon to England in any way, by any means reasonably to be imagined.

Was this simply one more move to keep Lanyard under espionage? But that might more readily have been accomplished by telegraphing or telephoning the Pack's confederates, Wertheimer's associates in the English capital!

What else could the Pack have in mind?

Lanyard gave it up, admitting his inability to trump up any sane excuse for such conduct; but the riddle continued to fret his mind.

From the first, from that moment when Lucy's disappearance had required postponement of this flight, he had apprehended trouble; it hadn't seemed reasonable to hope that the Parrott could be held in waiting on his orders for many days without the secret leaking out; but it was trouble to develop before the start from Port Aviation that he had anticipated. The possibility that the Pack would be able to work any mischief to him after that had never entered his calculations. Even now he found it difficult to give it serious consideration.

Again he glanced back. Now, in his judgment, the monoplane loomed larger than before against the glowing sky, indicating that it was overtaking them.

Beneath his breath Lanyard swore from a heart brimming with disquiet.

The Parrott was capable of a speed of eighty miles an hour; and unquestionably Vauquelin was wheeling every ounce of power out of that willing motor. Since drawing Lanyard's attention to the pursuer he had contrived an appreciable acceleration.

But would even that pace serve to hold the Valkyr in its place, if not to distance it?

His next backward look reckoned the monoplane no nearer.

And another thirty minutes or so elapsed without the relative positions of the two flying machines undergoing any perceptible change.

In the course of this period the Parrott rose to an altitude, indicated by the barograph at Lanyard's elbow, of over half a mile. Below the channel fog spread itself out like a sea of milk, slowly churning.

Staring down in fascination, Lanyard told himself gravely:

"Blue water below that, my friend!"

It seemed difficult to credit the fact that they had covered the distance from Paris in so short a period of time.

By his reckoning—a very crude one—the Parrott was then somewhere off Dieppe—it ought to pick up England, in such case, not far from Brighton. If one could only see!

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ing past the aviator Lanyard could catch a glimpse of Lucy Shannon.

Though all her beauty and grace of person were lost in the clumsy swaddings of her makeshift costume, she seemed to be resting comfortably in her place; and the rushing air, keen with the chill of that great altitude, not only molded her wind-veil precisely to the exquisite contours of her face, but stung her firm cheeks until they glowed with a rare fire that even that thick, dark mesh enshrouding them could not wholly quench.

The sun crept above the floor of mist, played upon it with iridescent rays, shot it through and through with a warm, pulsating glow like that of a fire-opal, and suddenly turned it to a sea of fairy gold that, extending to the horizon, baffled every effort to surmise their position, whether they were above land or sea.

None the less, Lanyard's rough and rapid calculations persuaded him that they were then about mid-channel.

He had no more than arrived at this conclusion when a sharp, startling movement that rocked the plane drew his attention to the man at his side.

Glancing in alarm at the aviator's face, he saw that it was as white as marble—what little of it was visible beyond and beneath the wind-mask.

Vauquelin was holding out an arm and staring at it incredulously; Lanyard's gaze focused upon the same spot—a ragged perforation in the sieve of the leather surtout, just above the elbow.

"What is it?" he inquired stupidly, forgetting again that the other could not possibly hear him.

The eyes of the aviator, lifting from the perforation to meet Lanyard's stare, were clouded with consternation.

Then Vauquelin swerved quickly in his seat and looked back. Involuntarily he ducked his head. Simultaneously something slipped whining past. Lanyard's cheek, touching his flesh with a touch more chill than that of the icy air itself.

"Damnation!" he shrieked, almost hysterically. "That madman in that Valkyr is firing at us!"

(To Be Continued)

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ATTENTION

To the Citizens of Grapeland:

We desire to call your attention to the fact that at the last re-union of Crockett Camp No. 141, Grapeland was unanimously selected as the place for holding their 1916 reunion, which meets annually on the 3rd day of June, and as that day will soon be here, we respectfully request that you call a citizen's meeting in the near future for the purpose of devising plans, appointing committees, and all necessary business pertaining to the entertainment of said Confederate Veterans.

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Church Directory

The following is the directory of the churches and Sunday Schools of Grapeland:

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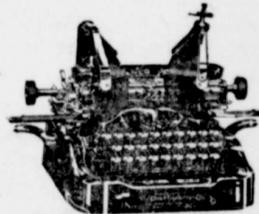
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17 Cents a Day! Remember this brand new Oliver "9" is the greatest value ever given in a typewriter. It has all our previous special inventions—visible writing, automatic spacer, 6 1-2 ounce touch—plus the Optional Duplex Shift, Selective Color Attachment and all these other new-day features. Yet we have decided to sell it to everyone everywhere on our famous payment plan—17 cents a day! Now every user can easily afford to have the world's crach visible writer, with the famous Printype, that writes like print, included free if desired.

Today---Write for Full Details and be among the first to know about this marvel of writing machines. See who typists, employers, and individuals everywhere are flocking to the Oliver. Just mail a postal at once. No obligation. It's a pleasure for us to tell you about it.

THE OLIVER TYPEWRITER COMPANY
OLIVER TYPEWRITER BUILDING, CHICAGO

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\$695

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Five-Passenger Touring

Order Your Overland Now

Last season it was impossible to fill the demand for the four-cylinder, five passenger Overland—the \$750 car.

There was a demand for this car never before equalled in automobile history.

This justified the purchase of raw materials at before-the-war prices.

So now you can get the same car—with improvements—for \$55 less.

The price will not be lower, for cost of materials is rising.

There is an enormous demand for this car, 60,000 have already been sold, so order your car now, to make sure of getting it.

Advantages

En bloc 35 horsepower motor Demountable rims, with one extra
Electric starting and lighting system 106-inch wheelbase
Electric control buttons on steering column Deep divan upholstery
Four inch tires One man top; top cover

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CROCKETT LUMBER CO.
CROCKETT, TEXAS

THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

Entered in the Postoffice at GrapeLand, Texas, every Thursday as Second Class Mail Matter.

Our advertising rates are reasonable and quoted upon application.

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

SUBSCRIPTION — IN ADVANCE

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

THURSDAY, APR. 27, 1916

Do you want to see the most radiant smile on earth? Then just slip that dollar to us on subscription.

Grapeland people should remember that the old soldiers' reunion will be held in GrapeLand this year on June 3. It is not too early to begin making arrangements to entertain the "old vets" in befitting style.

We call your attention to the advertisement of the Houston County Summer Normal in this issue, which will be held in Lovelady beginning June 2, continuing eight weeks. An exceptionally strong faculty has been selected, and the normal bids fair to be the most successful ever held.

"In union is strength," is a saying as old as it is true. It doesn't pay to be isolated and solitary. It is bad for business and it is ruinous to any healthy growth of life. Be neighborly. Don't sponge upon each other, but be kindly and helpful. We cannot live upon bread alone. The brotherhood of humanity is a noble thought to cherish, and just as noble to practically live.

The price of paper has gone "sky western crooked," and it looks as though there will be no end to the advance. Every few days we receive a new price list marked "subject to change without notice." The printers are certainly getting it in the "neck." —Grapeland Messenger.

Newspaper men's wives will have to forego their \$75. Easter hats this year, that's all.—Walker County Star.

The pioneer stage of farming is about over. Another generation will see the last of the free land snapped up. The younger men among us will find land values increased during their day in proportion to the dearth of land and the increase of demand. Idle acres will gradually come into use. Wild cat speculation will gradually sober down. Time will bring about the adjustment of the type of farming to the soil and market conditions of the locality. We shall hear less of the big money crops. We shall find more of solid farming values and real contentment.

Half the joy of life comes from getting good out of things as we go along. Some of us are always putting off our enjoyments. After awhile we expect to take a rest, see a friend, read a book. But after awhile never comes—the good times we are looking forward to lies as far away as ever. All our life is spent trying to overtake it and enjoy it. Meanwhile we toil, drudge and grow old, passing by with unselfish eye the happiness we might get out of life every day.

The annual value of poultry and eggs sold is more than that of silver, gold and pig iron produced. There are millions of dollars in poultry and eggs, and but small capital required. The annual import of eggs in England is approximately 100,000,000 dozen, and in the United States 17,000,000 dozen a year. Here is an industry where the demand is greater than our home supply.

The little town of GrapeLand on our west bought \$432.00 worth of eggs from the farmers a few Saturdays ago. This is certainly finding the golden egg. —Alto Herald.

The recent grand jury found nineteen bills of indictment against parties in and around GrapeLand for violations of the liquor laws. Some of the leading citizens of GrapeLand, determined to rid their community of bootleggers, have employed Attorney Earle Adams Jr. of Crockett to assist District Attorney Bishop in the prosecution of these cases. For some time "bootlegging at GrapeLand" has been the topic of common gossip, and the law respecting citizenship is to be commended for the organized effort to break it up. There may be some other localities that need "cleaning up." —Crockett Courier.

The advent of spring flowers and balmy days warns us of the woeful fact that the reign of terror to mankind is at hand, when the thrifty housewife will arm herself with all necessary equipments and proceed to throw open the doors and windows, order the stoves to be carried out, and turn your hitherto peaceful abode into as uncomfortable a place as could be imagined. Why should we hasten this coming calamity by this prophecy, only to warn the lord of the household to gather up an extra supply of patience and abide the time with becoming fortitude. For as sure as the rain and mud are harbingers of the bright, merry, joyful spring, with its birds, buds and blossoms, so surely will this disordered house be transformed under the skillful hands into a fresh, clean and pleasant home. Peace and order will once more take up their abode and the strains of Home Sweet Home will sound all the sweeter for the temporary disquiet.

MARRIED IN CROCKETT

Mr. Willie Holcomb of Augusta and Miss Willie Arledge of Crockett were married last Thursday at the bride's home. These young people are very popular in the social circles of their respective towns and have hosts of friends who join the Messenger in wishing them a peaceful and happy journey through life.

SPECIAL TO RURAL PATRONS

Next Saturday afternoon we will admit every lady FREE who comes with a gentleman escort to the Electric Theatre. A special program with good music has been prepared for you.

Mr. O. Starker of Cuero and Misses Eula Mae Riall and Helen McMurphy of Tyler, and Pine Bluff, Ark., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Riall Sunday. Mr. Starker and Miss Riall departed for their homes Sunday, Miss McMurphy remaining to visit her sister, Mrs. Riall.



We are the only store in town that sells the famous suit whose price is never raised.

Styleplus Clothes \$17

TRADE MARK

Yes, the price is \$17 this season just the same as in the past.

The fabrics are all wool—and guaranteed as usual.

The workmanship is just as fine. The style is by the same well-known fashion artist. The makers discount war and other temporary conditions. Volume buying and manufacturing both are centered on this suit that always sells for \$17. Better come and see Styleplus—and get to know our way.

George E. Darsey

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NEWS FROM REYNARD

April 24.—Easter has come, and with it a good rain, and we hope to soon be able to report crop prospects favorable. We are glad to say the cold did not get all the fruit.

Some corn is now knee high and some cotton has four leaves, but most of it is just up. Corn, cotton and peanuts will be the main crops down this way this year.

Quite a number of our people were in Crockett Thursday, attending the Lane and Johnson bootlegging cases. Both came clear and are now at home.

We commend the people of GrapeLand for the stand they have taken against bootlegging, and they should have the support of every man in Houston county.

Mr. West and family were Crockett visitors last week.

Mr. Stevens and family visited in GrapeLand Sunday.

C. W. Moore, C. H. Beazley and Mr. Allen were in our midst last week.

H. T. Moore and a crowd of young men motored through our community Sunday.

W. C. Laseter and wife visited in our community Sunday.

May 1st has been set apart to clean up the Daly cemetery. Everybody come and do a good days work.

W. P. Chiles is in Crockett this week serving on the jury.

The trustees have employed the same teachers for the next term that they had this term.

As ever,
Zack.

Buy advertised goods. They are the best quality, for inferior goods will not stand advertising.

Annual Commencement.

Class of '16

Thursday, April 27

Program

- March.....
- Invocation..... Rev. Ansley
- Voice—"God Remembers When the World Forgets"..... Miss Sims
- Carrie Jacobs Bond..... Lois Sims
- Salutatory..... Eugene Kitterer
- Piano—"Valse des Fleurs"..... Miss Melba Brock
- Essay—"An Aim in Life"..... Harry Richards
- Essay—"Culture and Service"..... Mamie Kennedy
- Saxophone "Melody of Love"..... Englemann
- Mrs. Harding
- Class History..... Clarence McCarty
- Piano—"Rustle of Spring"..... Christian Sinding
- Miss Hollingsworth
- Class Prophecy..... Georgia Belle Richards
- Voice—"Mother Machree"..... Olecott-Ball
- Miss Sims
- Class Poem..... Jack Murchison
- Music..... Selected
- Class Will..... Esther Darsey
- Saxophone—"Angel's Serenade"..... Braga
- Mrs. Harding
- Valedictory..... Robert Sadler
- Piano—"Ricardati"..... L. M. Gottschalk
- Miss Hollingsworth
- Address and Delivery of Diplomas..... Judge A. A. Aldrich

Learning The Auto

I'm learning the automobile; as, trembling, I sit at the wheel, and steer her along, through the hurrying throng, how nervous and awkward I feel! I jolt people out of their lids, I run over chickens and kids; a spurt she will throw when I want to go slow, she scampers, skeedaddles and skids. I sweat, and I'm weak in the knees, when swift around corners she flees, she whimpers and whirrs and she gurgles and purrs, and runs into fences and trees. My courage she constantly damps by running down bow-wows and tramps; she collided today with a big, heavy dray, and busted

her fenders and lamp. I drive her around for an hour, this engine has wonderful power; wherever I stray, on my death dealing way, of feathers and fur there's a shower. At night when I go to my bed, fierce nightmares abide in my head; I dream my new truck is just running amuck, and leaving a windrow of dead. I run over chickens and goats, I run over roosters and shotes; and oft, in my dream, do I rauciously scream, "My auto is feeling her oats!"—Walt Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Sims of Mt. Pleasant are here spending the week with the family of their son, Prof. C. T. Sims

LOCAL NEWS

Call at Howard's for groceries.

McLean & Riall pay you more for your chickens and eggs.

Pure apple vinegar at 35c per gallon. S. E. Howard.

Fly time is clean-up time, and this town needs it. What are we going to do about it?

Closing out. Last chance for bargains this week. Carnes' Cash Store.

Always give our advertisers the preference when buying merchandise.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett spent Sunday here with relatives.

Going on a picnic? Then let us furnish the lunch. We have it already prepared.
Cash Grocery Co.

Reagan Long, Chas. Wall and Coleman Scarbrough of Augusta were visitors to GrapeLand Sunday.

Cut out the worry and expense of preparing a picnic lunch. We have it already prepared
Cash Grocery Co.

C. G. Lansford was here Saturday looking after his interest for county treasurer.

Miss Annie Louis Taylor has returned from Creek, where she has been teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stevens of Reynard spent Sunday here.

Frank Allen and little Jaunita Woodard left Sunday night for Dallas for a few days visit.

Another shipment of ladies' hats to be received this week at Howard's, latest styles and lowest prices.

W. V. Berry and family and Mrs. S. W. Grant of Crockett visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howard Sunday afternoon.

"The Life of Our Savior", Wednesday night, May 3rd. It is your duty to see it. Admission 25c.

Singer sewing machines for sale or rent. Will repair all makes. J. A. LaRue, Office at Howard's store.

To see perfectly, see Dr. Sheller at Leaverton's Drug Store. Remember the dates please, Monday and Tuesday, May 1, 2 only, this trip. Every pair of glasses guaranteed.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Long of Augusta spent Sunday in GrapeLand with relatives.

Fresh car of Blue Ribbon Flour—best at any price.
McLean & Riall.

Miss Vera Sims, who is teaching music at Winona, accompanied by her friend, Mrs. Florine Harding, spent the week here visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Sims.

Your attention is called to the ads this week of the Crockett Lumber Co., agents in Houston county for the Overland automobiles.

U. M. Brock and daughter, Miss Melba, motored to Huntsville Sunday and spent the day with Mrs. Brock and children, who are there visiting relatives.

G. W. Maize, who has been spending several weeks here with the family of Maj. J. F. Martin, left Tuesday for his home in northwest Texas.

Mrs. Florine Harding and Miss Vera Sims entertained a number of music lovers at the High School auditorium Tuesday night with a musical program that was exceptionally good. These ladies are excellent musicians and merit the commendation of everyone for their achievement.

Is your eye sight good?

See how imperfectly you see and see that you come straight to the People's Drug Store and purchase that pair of genuine **Hawkes Glasses** at the small price of **\$1.00** then enjoy life more.

The Peoples Drug Store

"Honesty and Quality"

WADE L. SMITH

ANNOUNCES FOR DIST. ATTORNEY

We call your attention to the announcement of B. F. Dent in this issue as a candidate for district attorney. At the solicitation of many friends, he had previously announced for county judge, and it was only after numerous and urgent demands from all portions of Houston county, and much encouragement from Anderson county, that he finally consented to withdraw as a candidate for county judge and make the race for district attorney. His friends felt that he could win the race for judge, but that the district needed his services as attorney at this time, hence persuaded him to allow his name to go before the people for this important office. Those who know Ben Dent—and there is not a more popular or well-liked man in the bounds of Houston county—know that this race is being made in the interest of the district and without any thought of benefitting anyone else and that neither he nor his friends would consent to the race were it otherwise. In the event of his election, the district will have an able and efficient man who can be depended upon to discharge his duties faithfully and conscientiously.

A vigorous campaign will be waged in behalf of his candidacy, but naturally his interests in this county will have to be left in the hands of his friends, who will make a strong effort to give him practically the unanimous vote of his home county as he deserves to have.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

A piano; with little repair can be made as good as new, square upright; will sell, or trade for livestock, or anything of equal value. See J. F. Martin.

Why do you want to worry about what to fix for your picnic lunches when we have them already prepared for you and cheaper than you can prepare them yourself? Call and see what we have.

Cash Grocery Co.

LOCAL NEWS FROM WANETA

April 24.—A nice rain fell here Sunday night which was appreciated very much. Most all the farmers of this community have a fine stand of corn and some have cotton up, while others are still planting.

Health of this community is good at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulan of Slocum were in our midst from Friday until Sunday.

Church and singing was well attended at New Hope Sunday.

Several from here attended church and Sunday school at Hickory Grove Sunday.

Mr. Plummer Welsh and family were the guests of Mr. Will Moore and wife Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrington entertained the young people with a party last Friday night.

The trustees of this place have employed Mr. Albert Gainey as principal, Mr. Trawl Fitchett as intermediate and Miss Ruby Harrington as primary teachers for the following term. We wish for them a successful term of school.

Quite a number from here attended the literary society at Hickory Grove Saturday night. A very nice program was rendered and all report a fine time.

Mr. Charlie Kilgo and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Fortson Sunday.

Mrs. Edmondson spent the day with Mrs. Jody Stokes Sunday.
Bonnie.

Indigestion is the direct cause of disease that kills thousands of persons annually. Stop the trouble at the start with a little Prickly Ash Bitters; it strengthens the stomach and aids digestion. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured
with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Cure was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Cure is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.



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Short stocky Men!

You're not hard to fit--nobody is, in Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes

If you've thought differently, we're ready to change your mind on that point. Here are suits in the latest styles, in the newest fabrics and patterns, to fit every figure. Hart Schaffner & Marx have scientifically provided them. We're ready to prove it; fit and satisfaction guaranteed.

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HOUSTON COUNTY SUMMER NORMAL

Lovelady, Texas

June 5th to
July 28th

FACULTY:

J. N. Snell, Conductor
W. H. Tomme
M. R. Martin, Leon Co.
J. H. Rosser
R. J. Dominy
W. A. Reece
C. T. Sims, N. A. Gant
Mrs. A. J. McLemore

GREETING—We, the Executive Committee of the Houston County Summer Normal, take pleasure in handing to teachers, prospective teachers and friends of professional training, this information concerning the State Summer Normal in and for Houston County, to be held in Lovelady, Texas, from June 5 to July 28, inclusive.

LOCATION—Lovelady, on the I. & G. N. Ry., with her comfortable homes, her unexcelled climate and abundance of pure water, her cultured citizenship and healthy school sentiment, is an ideal place for a normal.

BUILDING—The High School Building in which the normal is to be held, is a large two-story structure, conveniently located and immediately surrounded by more than three acres of beautiful shade trees. It is by far the coolest and most delightful place in Lovelady.

EXPENSES—Tuition for the full eight weeks has been fixed by the Executive Committee at \$10.00. Local students and others who register for a single subject will be charged a tuition of \$5.00 for the term. Good board in private families can be secured at reasonable rates. The best homes in Lovelady will be open to normal students.

Why You Should Attend a Summer Normal

Because you have an opportunity to study eight weeks continuously, organizing and systematizing your knowledge of the various subjects, with the least waste of time and energy.

Because you can secure instructions from recognized strong educators who can and will assist you over difficult places.

Because you can compare your work with that of other teachers, thereby finding out your own weak places and strengthen them.

Because you will become identified with the most progressive band of the county's educational promoters.

Because all live teachers who are desirous of keeping abreast of the times, and who are ambitious of increasing their capacity for efficient service, will always be found taking advantage of such opportunities for improvement.

Because you can receive an inspiration from it that is one of the very best qualifications any teacher can take into the school room.

The faculty will assist any deserving young teacher in securing a position

Clipped From Our Exchanges

Other's Views on Current Items

Demand For Boys

There is a demand for good boys. The boy who is honest, earnest and industrious, will not be long out of a job. There are lots of prosperous business men, merchants and mechanics, who are constantly on the lookout for good boys. They do not look for them on the streets, however, but in some sort of employment. They have no use for an idle boy. He is too apt to make an idle man.—Elgin Courier.

A Standard

A newspaper is unique among business institutions in one particular, that it must run along substantially with the same production regardless of whether business is good or bad; the newspaper must be kept up to the same high standard winter and summer, short months and long months, dull seasons and good seasons. Almost any other business institution can adjust its outlay to its income, but a newspaper cannot—practically all its production costs are in reality "fixed charges" and the perpetual problem is to make the income measure up to the necessary outlay imposed by the standard of the paper, which can never be allowed to fall by the slightest degree, and which is subject always to sudden and unexpected increases of cost, but seldom or never any decrease of cost.—Colorado Record.

Easy

Most anyone can be an editor, says the Lamar (Mo.) Republican. All the editor has to do is to sit at a desk six days of the week, four weeks of the month and twelve months of the year, and "edit" such stuff as this:

"Mrs. Jones of Cactus Creek let a can opener slip last week and cut herself in the pantry."

"A mischievous lad of Pike-town threw a stone and hit Mrs. Pike in the alley last Thursday."

"John Doe climbed on the roof of his house last week looking for a leak and fell, striking himself on the porch."

"While Harold Green was escorting Miss Viola Wise from the church social last Saturday night a savage dog attacked and bit Mr. Green on the public square."

"Isiah Trimmis of Running Creek was playing with a cat last Friday, when it scratched him on the veranda."

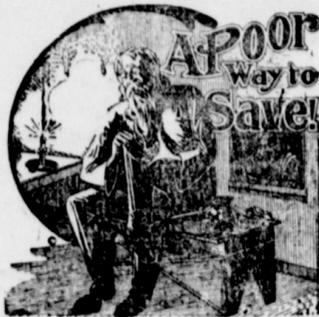
"Mr. Long, while harnessing a broncho last Saturday, was kicked just south of his corn patch."

—Exchange.

If we work upon marble it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples, they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds—if we imbue them with right principles, with the just fear of God and love of our fellow-men, we engrave on these tablets something that will brighten for all eternity.—Daniel Webster.

The most independent farmers are they that raise their own bread and meat, plenty of fruits

The Savings of a Life Time



May be stolen or burned in a few minutes; it pays to put your money in a good sound bank like ours

We Carry Burglar Insurance

and have burglar proof vaults, so you cannot lose when your money is deposited with us. If our bank is robbed we are both safe. It's insured. Give us your account.

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"Why the Cost of Printing is Higher"

The exact situation governing today the supply of paper, ink and type which go to make up the printer's product, is so little understood by the average purchaser of PRINTING, that we feel called upon to put before them some convincing facts.

The price of TYPE, owing to the increased cost of metal, has advanced **30 per cent** or more.

The price of INKS, owing to the increased cost of coloring matters, have increased **100 per cent** or more.

The price of PRINTING PAPER has advanced **50 per cent** or more and will probably go much higher.

As paper is the material, that more than all else governs the cost of Printing, the printer of necessity must base his selling price on this cost.

Why the Advance Cost of Papers

The chemicals and dye stuffs used in the bleaching and coloring of pulp, have increased in cost approximately 2000 per cent. The chemicals and dye stuffs formerly came from Germany, and this supply being shut off, it means practically none for sale and a matter only of supply on hand at the mills.

Rags used extensively in writing papers, envelopes, and the better grades of book papers have advanced 100 per cent or more. The Dupont Powder Company have large mills in the largest Bond Paper manufacturing district in the world. This Powder Company is buying up all rags possible to keep fifty beating machines in operation, making war munitions, and the price they are willing to pay is sufficient to obtain the rags. A paper mill will operate about ten beating machines.

We have word that unless conditions regulating the demand and prices of raw materials necessary to the manufacture of paper, change considerably for the better within the next thirty days, it is probable not one paper mill will be in operation in the Kalamazoo District.

These are some of the REASONS for the advance in printing prices.

Southwestern Paper Co.

Houston, Texas

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Model 75

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Roadster \$595, both f. o. b. Toledo

With Electric Starter and Electric Lights

Four Inch Tires



Five-passenger Touring

LIKE larger and higher priced cars this new Overland is the latest streamline design. In point of appearance alone it has value far surpassing any other low priced car. And its equipment includes everything that riding comfort and driving convenience demands. It has the reliable Autolite two-unit starting and lighting system. There is a speedometer in the cowl dash, and a full set of tools. Large tires—four inches all around—insure greater mileage and comfort than can be obtained from the smaller tires used on other cars of similar specifications, and the rear springs are the famous cantilever type. It is in every respect a thoroughly equipped light weight car.

Call, telephone or write for demonstration

CROCKETT LUMBER CO.
CROCKETT, TEXAS

and vegetables for the table, can the surplus and sell enough produce to meet their expenses. It is then an easy matter to plant a crop for the cash income or raise a few animals for market. Cotton is an excellent money crop. It takes too much cotton to pay debts, but a few acres will go a long way when no debts are owed.—Farm & Ranch.

The high cost of existence continues to soar, due mainly to the European war. The latest news

from the front says that bibles cost just about twice as much as they did before the war. But with proper handling most of us can rely on the one we now have, or should have, until after the war is over and prices on everything gradually assume their original proportions again.—Grimes County Star.

New spring samples are now on display. Many styles, reasonable prices, fit guaranteed. Be sure to see them. Clewis.

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-62

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HERBINE

Is the Remedy You Need

It creates energy by cleansing the system of bilious impurities and restoring activity in the torpid liver. Take a dose when you go to bed. You will feel bright and vigorous next morning. It's a fine purifying and regulating medicine. Price 50 cents.

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ST. LOUIS, MO.

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READ the ADS

"JENTLE JABS"

By Jno. R. Owens

Some girls put off marriage because they love attention.

Love is the power that makes the world go around, but it doesn't always square things.

It's alright to be in the hands of your friends, if you are not under anybody's thumb.

Last Sunday being Easter, we viewed many new clothes that were displayed by the entire populace.

About the worst thing that could happen to a home is the addition of a suffragist mother-in-law.

Our idea of a self-sacrificing husband is one who will deny himself tobacco in order to pay for his wife's new spring bonnet.

Sometimes the most beautiful memory of a man's life is the one where he once proposed to a woman and was refused.

We imagine there was a choking sensation in Wilson's throat as he gave the final word to Germany.

The new spring frocks which we see illustrated in the different papers, shows a scarcity of wearing apparel.

Adam had an easier time than other men in that Eve could not scold him for flirting with other women.

We heartily approve of the short skirts. They are unmistakably sanitary and remarkable refreshing to the masculine eye.

Lots of men desire to make a dent in this old world, but prefer avoiding to make it in the ground while trying out a flying machine.

Two car loads of soldiers passed through Grapeland Sunday and caused the hearts of the young ladies who are inclined to be romantic to skip a beat.

The coming of spring is not all fun and pleasure, as there will be the mosquito who will require attention most every night.

A woman in Los Angeles claims to have seen Villa there on the streets. We suppose U. S. will transfer the army from Mexico to California now.

And now that a chemist has discovered a process to make a substitute for gasoline at a cost of 1 cent per gallon, we trust that more people will be able to run cars.

Many men who come home at night with a good reason to go back to town, find it convenient to change their mind after getting one look at their wife with a rolling pin in one hand and a hat pin in the other.

We maintain that real feminine intuition is shown when a fellow's wife detects the odor of "licker" on her husband's breath after he has eaten limburger cheese and onions and smoked half a dozen cigars.

Our idea of inconsistency is a fellow who yells himself hoarse about this being a "cruel old world" and the first time he gets sick spends his last dollar with the medicine man for assistance to stay in it a little longer.

PEBBLES FROM ROCK HILL

April 24.—Health of this community is very good at present.

Mrs. Virgie Streetman who has been sick for several weeks, is improving and is now visiting her father, Mr. Herod of the Oak Grove community.

The crops of this community are looking fine. Most of the corn is plowed and some cotton planted.

Diversification is a burning question and remember that the time for planting the different crops is passing away.

Several of the young people of this community attended the literary society at Antrim Saturday night and report a good time.

The people of this community enjoyed an Easter egg hunt at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Streetman Sunday.

Sunday School is progressing nicely, but we need still more progressiveness, realizing the great good derived in this work, whereby the child, as well as the adult learns of the great work of Christ.

Mr. Jessie Willis has returned home from Grapeland, where he has been attending school.

Mr. Herschel North visited his homefolks at Rocky Mound Sunday.

We are expecting a good school next term. Mr. Leonard Morgan from Lovelady will be our principal and Miss Ola Willis, one of our home girls the assistant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Willis are the proud parents of a baby girl. Scribbler.

Insomnia

Indigestion nearly always disturbs the sleep more or less and is often the cause of insomnia. Eat a light supper with little if any meat, and no milk; also take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper, and see if you do not rest much better. Obtainable everywhere.

A man in Missouri has a pencil two inches long which he bought 32 years ago and has had since. We suppose the gentleman could not write and was too stingy to lend it to his friends.

Many so-called "bitters" are not medicines, but simply liquids disguised, so as to evade the law. PRICKLY ASH BITTERS is not one of this class. It is strictly a medicine, acting primarily on the kidneys, liver and bowels, and for the dangerous diseases that attack these organs it is a remedy of the first grade. There is nothing objectionable in its taste, it has an agreeable flavor and is acceptable to the most delicate stomach. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

John Spence

Lawyer

Crockett, : : : Texas

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Spring is looked upon by many as the most delightful season of the year, but this cannot be said of the rheumatic. The cold and damp weather brings on rheumatic pains which are anything but pleasant. They can be relieved, however, by applying Chamberlain's Liniment, Obtainable everywhere.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic primary:

For District Judge, 3rd Judicial District:
B H Gardner
Anderson County
J S Prince (Re-election)
of Henderson county

For State Senator:
J J Strickland
of Anderson County

For District Attorney, 3rd Judicial District.

B F Dent
Of Houston County

For County Treasurer:
W M (Willie) Robison
Ney Sheridan (Re-election)
G R Murchison
J. H. Bobbitt
C. G. Lansford
Leonard Arnold

For County Attorney:
J L Lipscomb
Sonley LeMay
J F Mangum

For County Clerk:
O C Goodwin
A S Moore (Re-election)
Arthur Owens
D R Baker
Ed Cassidy
Jeff Kennedy

For Tax Collector:
C W Butler Jr
W N (Will) Standley
T. R. Deupree

For District Clerk:
John F Gilbert
Jno D. Morgan, re-election
Barker Tunstall

For Representative:
J D (Joe) Sallas
W. F. Murchison
Dr. J. B. Smith

For County Judge:
E Winfree (Re-election)

For Sheriff:
R J (Bob) Spence
(Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:
Ed Holcomb
John H Ellis (Re-election)

For County Superintendent:
J N Snell (re-election)

For Constable Prec't. No. 2:
John Scarbrough
(Re-election)

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1:
E E Holcomb (Re-election)
Oscar Dennis
Alvey D Grounds
C E Jones

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2:
J C Estes
J E Bean
S A (Silas) Cook
R T (Riley) Murchison
Stell Sharp

For Justice Peace Prec't. No. 5:
Jno A Davis (Re-election)

For Justice Peace Prec't. No. 2:
Clyde Story, (re-election)
R R (Riley) Sullivan

For Constable Prec't. No. 5:
C. R. Taylor (re-election)

P. H. Blalock, Southern Pacific agent at Livingston, is in the city today. He says he has a few days' lay-off, and is going to spend it with his friends and help them all he can around their festal boards at meal time. He went to Manning yesterday, and will visit his friend W. B. Farris at Ratcliff, after which he will return to Lufkin and remain with Mr. Tip Marshall until that gentleman's grape juice gives out.—Lufkin News.

Leonard Arnold, candidate for County treasurer was in Grapeland money, meeting the people and presenting his claims for the office of County treasurer.

LAST SUNDAY

♦♦
Me and everybody
♦♦
Else in Grapeland
♦♦
Who had new clothes
♦♦
WENT TO THE EXERCISES
♦♦
At the Auditorium
♦♦
AND IT WAS A GREAT DAY,
♦♦
The sermon, the singing,
♦♦
The graduates, and all.
♦♦
I felt as big as
♦♦
T. H. LEAVERTON
♦♦
And as good looking as
♦♦
CHARLIE HALTOM
♦♦
I was so dressed up
♦♦
In my new STYLEHLUS suit,
♦♦
Panama hat,
♦♦
Florsheim shoes,
♦♦
Silk shirt and
♦♦
Goodness knows what all else.
♦♦
Me and all of the other
♦♦
BEST DRESSED FOLKS
♦♦
In Grapeland
♦♦
Always go to the
♦♦
SERVICE FIRST STORE—
♦♦
For Mr. Geo. E. Darsey
♦♦
Does not sell anything
♦♦
He cannot guarantee to give
♦♦
SATISFACTION,
♦♦
And I can always
♦♦
GET EVERYTHING THERE.
♦♦
IT'S GREAT
♦♦
To have a store like this
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In the best town on earth.
♦♦
I THANK YOU!
♦♦
A GOOD DRESSER.

OUR HONOR ROLL

The following have our thanks for their subscription:
Web Brooks, Miss Kittie Yarbrough, Grapeland.
W. M. Caskey, Route 1.
Mrs. Nora Burden, A. D. Grounds, Route 2.
J. F. Durnell, Route 3.
W. B. Moore, John Scarbrough, Percilla.
Mrs. L. C. Smith, Elkhrat, Route 2.
Chester Owens, Douglass, Arizona.
Leonard Arnold, Crockett.
J. D. Campbell, Palestine.
(Sent by Mrs. J. I Campbell.)

THE TOWN SLOUCH

By ELLIS M. CLARKE.



Cy Cawkins Has a "Walk In" Sign on His Door so's He Won't Have to Go an' Open It.

She apes in dress th' whole male crew; Its inannerism catches. She's quite au fait in all men do, Except at lightin' matches.

When a poor man dies don't hire a rig to go to th' funeral. Give th' money to th' family.

NEW PROSPECT LOCAL NEWS

April 24.—The nice rain which came last night will make the gardens take a new start, as it had begun to get pretty dry.

Corn is looking very well now, after getting bit down by the frost. Our Sunday school was well attended yesterday. The Sunday school gave an Easter egg hunt, and all the little fellows enjoyed the hunt for eggs very much.

Bro. Lively filled his regular appointment here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lish Walling are the proud parents of a ten pound boy.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brooks, a fine boy.

Jim McKnight and family were visiting in our community Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Music and Mrs. John Parker and children were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bridges Sunday.

A good crowd attended the singing at Perry Herod's last night.

A Reader.

ENDORING J. J. STRICKLAND

Hon. J. J. Strickland of Palestine, candidate for State Senator from this district, is receiving the support of the laboring people, business and professional men and newspapers everywhere he goes. He is a young man well qualified for the position he seeks, cannot be bossed by anyone, has a record for honesty and fair dealing, and will make us a senator the state and district will be proud of. Trinity County News.

Adv.

The Cherokee County Banner in a lengthy article strongly endorses Jeff Strickland for Senator from this district, and moves that nominations be closed and Jeff be elected by acclamation. We second the motion.—Grapeland Messenger, April 6, 1916. We also second the motion.—Trinity County Star.

Adv.

County Superintendent Snell was in the city Friday afternoon.

D. N. Leaverton has an attractive ad in this issue that will appeal strongly to the ladies.

KNOW ONLY THE ROMANCE

Writers Who Dote on "Flashing Sabers" Have Never Seen the Stern Realities of War.

How many people who talk or write about war would have the courage to face a minute, fractional part of the reality underlying war's inherited romance? questions Arthur Ruhl in Collier's Weekly.

People speak with pleasant excitement of "flashing sabers" without the remotest thought of what flashing sabers do. A saber does not stop in midair with its flashing, where a Meissonier or a Detaille would paint it—it goes right on through the cords and veins of a man's neck. Saber wounds are not very common, but there was one in the Vienna hospital that morning—a V-shaped trench in which you could have laid four fingers flat, down through the hair and into the back of the man's neck so close to the big blood vessel that you could see it beat under its film of tissue, the only thing between him and death.

I thought of it a day or two later when I was reading a book about the Austrian army officer's life, written by an English lady, and came across the phrase, "Sharpen sabers!" was the joyful cry.

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The King drag is the great road improver.

Ceo, Calhoun shipped another car of hogs to the Houston market last Saturday, which brought a very good price. He has another car to ship in the near future.

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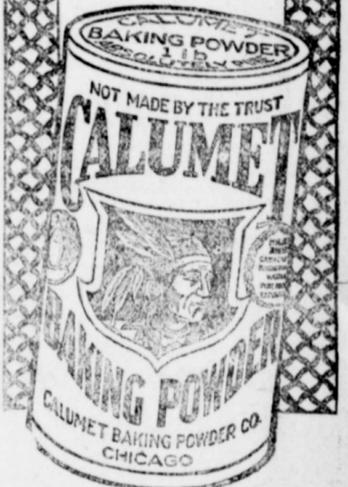
Chas. R. Streetman requests us to state that it will be impossible for him to fill his engagement at Percilla next Sunday.



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