

going to plant over. There are ure. The fruit crop will be well has a rather serious case of many more peas and peanuts shorter than we thought at first sore eyes.

We are pretty safe in saying

duced some. We have one neigh-

bor who is not planting any cot-

Friday is set to do some char-

Mr. and Mrs. Warner Eaves

spent Saturday night with his

ton at all.

sell G. B. Kent a car.

brother, Jesse.

planted here this year than after the cold. usual. The ribbon cane is fine and very few farmers have up pretty well since the big planted sorghum for syrup. rain. Not much cotton chopped

The big rains of May 1st and yet. Some nice gardens. The 2nd did much damage to crops irish potatoes are not very good. Many sweet potatoes set out and and was also bad on land.

Mr. Joe and Henry Holcomb, lots of slips. Misses Estelle and Cordie Holcomb and Miss Katie Young the cotton acreage has been respent Tuesday night with relatives in Ratcliff.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Holcomb are visiting their son at Alto.

Mr. Willie Barnes and sister, itable work for G. W. Allen, who Miss Ruth, spent the day with friends here. They also visited has failed and hands are scarce. our Sunday school and prayer meeting. We were glad to have our midst last week trying to them with us.

Rev. Prather will preach for us the 3rd Sunday. A large crowd is expected.

Liberty Bell.

"BREWSTER'S MILLIONS"

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OIL MILL BURNED

The oil mill at Crockett was destroyed by fire Tuesday afterthe sun still shines. ternoon, fire originating in the engine room. The building and machinery was a complete loss, although insurance was carried.

Sunday school was well attended here Sunday. Farmers have things shaped

> Mrs G L Waddell visited Mrs Jno F Martin Sunday.

A good crowd from this community attended church and Sunday school at Rock Hill Sunday. Among them were: Mr and Mrs J F Durnell, and children, Rev W R Durnell and Miss Myrtis Waddell.

Our Literary society met Saturday night and a good program was rendered. Our next meeting will be May 27. We are has a large crop and whose health going to have a good program, including a debate. Everybody Towery, the car man, was in is invited.

> Mrs W R Durnell and children spent the day with Mr and Mrs. W M Durnell Sunday.

Willie Willis and Otis Gibson made a business trip to Grape-Miss Ady and Cora Belle Kent land Saturday.

Next Saturday and Sunday were Daly's visitors yesterday. Our school will be out the 26, are our regular meeting days. Is coming to the Electric and will have a picnic at the Rev Sam McDaniel will preach Beazley bridge, but do not ex- for us. A cordial invitation is pect to have a big crowd, as all extended to all.

> There was a singing at W M are so busy. Will be glad to

> Mamie and Eula Durnell and J. L. Chiles lost a good horse Ava Lee Brinson visited Misses Saturday a week ago from flatu- Kate and Minnie Ola Martin

lent colic. Took sick in the Sunday. Success to the Messenger and W A Riall. night and was too far gone when found. He says it hurts, but its many readers.

HIAWATHA

Stokes Pelham has returned from Vera, Texas, where he has been teaching school.

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At a meeting held last week to perfect arrangements to entermeet here on June 7, the following committees were cppointed: To arrange refreshments: W R Wherry, Jno A Davis, On entertainment: S E Howard, WDGranberry, WLSmith, J W Howard and CT Sims. On finance: W R Wherry, WA Riall, Jno A Davis and

D N Leaverton.

On reception: J E Hollingsworth, J J Brooks, S E Howard, Geo E Darsey, A B Spence, Chas Kennedy, T S Kent, W D Misses Eunice Waddell, tain the old soldiers when they Mc Carty, Jno A Davis, and D N Leaverton.

> The following young ladies were chosen to pin badges on the old soldiers: Misses Esther Davis, Perlena Spence, Maude Eaves and Esther Darsey.

To arrange badges: A H Luker.

WA Riall was chosen to make the welcome address. Response by Hon E Winfree.

Cordially, ZACK.

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CHAPTER I.

Peter Knight flung, himself into the decrepit armchair beside the center table and growled:

C "Isn't that just my luck? And me a Democrat for twenty years. There's nothing in politics, Jimmy."

His son James smiled crookedly, with a languid tolerance bespeaking amusement and contempt.

"Politics is all right, provided you're a good picker," he said, with all the assurance of twenty-two, "but you fell off the wrong side of the fence, and you're sore. These country towns always go in for the reform stuff every so often. If you'd listen to me and-"

His father interrupted harshly: "Now, cut that out. I don't want to go to New York, and I won't." Peter Knight tried to look forceful, but the expression did not fit his weak, complacent features. When he had succeeded in fixing a look of determination upon his countenance the result was an artificial scowl and a palpably false pout. Wearing such a front, he continued: "When I say 'no''I mean it, and the subject is closed. I like Vale, I know everybody here, and everybody knows me."

"That's why it's time to move," said Jim, with another unpleasant curl of his lip. "As long as they didn't know you you got past. But you'll never hold another office."

"Indeed! My record's open to inspection. I made the best sheriff in-"

"Two years. Don't kid yourself, pa. You got into the mud, but you didn't a deep enough to find the frogs. Fo-

she was generally nized as the source of what little prominence he had attained.

"Yes, we're going to make a change," she repeated. "I'm glad, too, for I'm tired of housework."

"You don't have to do your own work. There's Lorelei to help."

"She's too pretty," said the mother. "You don't realize it; none of us do, but-she's beautiful. Where she gets her good looks from I don't know."

"What's the difference? It won't hurt her to wash dishes. She wouldn't have to keep it up forever, anyhow; she can have any fellow in the county." Mrs. Knight began slowly, musingly: 'You need some plain talk Peter. don't often tell you just what I think,





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garty got his, didn't he?"

Mr. Knight breathed deep with indignation.

"Senator Fogarty is my good friend. I won't let you question his honor, although you do presume to question mine.'

"Of course he's your friend; that's why he's fixed you for this New York job."

"'Department of water supply, gas and electricity,'" sneered Peter. "It sounds good, but the salary is fifteen hundred a year. A clerk-at my age!"

"Say, d'you suppose Tammany men live on their salaries?" Jimmle inquired. "Wake up! This is your chance to horn into the real herd. In New York politics is a vocation; up here it's a vacation-everybody tries it once, like music lessons. If you'd been hooked up with Tammany instead of the state machine you'd have been taken care of."

At this juncture Mrs. Knight, having finished the supper dishes and set her bread to rise, entered the shoddy parlor. Jim turned to her, shrugging his shoulders with an air of washing his hands of a disagreeable subject "Pa's weakened again," he explained "He won't go."

"Me, a clerk-at my age!" mumbled Peter.

His wife spoke with brief coaclusive ness.

"I wrote and thanked Senator Fo garty for his offer and told hun you' accept."

"You-what?" Peter was dumfounded.

"Yes,"-Mrs. Knight seemed oblivious of his wrath-"we're going to make a change."

Mrs. Knight was a large woman well advanced beyond that indefinite turning point of middle age; in her unattractive face was none of the easy good nature so unmistakably stamped upon her husband's., Peter J., under easy living had grayed and fattened; what had once been a measure of good looks was hidden now behind a flabby. indefinite mediocrity which an unusual carefulness in dress could not disguise. His wife was of a totally different stamp, showing evidence of unusual force. Her thin lips, her clean-cut nose betokened purpose; a pair of alert, unpleasant eyes spoke of a mental activity that was entirely lacking in her

fifty; you've spent twenty years puttering around at politics, and what have you got to show for it? Nothing. The reformers are in at last, and you're out for good. You had your chance and you missed it. You're little, Peter; you know it, and so does the party."

The object of this address swelled pompously; his cheeks deepened in hue and distended; but while he was summoning words for a defense his wife ran on evenly:

"The party used you just as long as you could deliver something, but you're down and out now, and they've thrown you over. Fogarty offers to pay his debt, and I'm not going to refuse his help."

"I suppose you think you could have done better if you'd been in my place." Peter grumbled. He was angry, yet the undeniable truth of his wife's words struck home. "That's the woman of it. You kick because we're poor. and then want me to take a fifteen-hundred-dollar job."

"Bother the salary! It will keep us going as long as necessary."

"Eh?" Mr. Knight looked blank. "I'm thinking of Lorelei. She's going to give us our chance." "Lorelei?"

"Yes. You wonder why I've never let her spoll her hands-why I've The Stevens girls have been nasty to scrimped to give her pretty clothes, Lorelei all winter, and she's never inand taught her to take care of her vited to the golf-club dances any figure, and made her go out with young more."

people. Well, I knew what I was doing; it was part of her schooling. She's forth indignantly: old enough now; and she has everything that any girl ever had, so far as since the interurban went through; but looks go. She's going to do for us Ben Stevens forgets who helped him what you never have been and never

will be able to do, Peter Knight. She's of things-" going to make us rich. But she can't do it in Vale."

York's the place for pretty women; the town is full of them.'

"If it's full of pretty women, what chance has she got?" queried Peter. best asset we've got, pa, and if we "She can't break into society on my fifteen hundred-"

"She won't need to. She can go on the stage."

"Good Lord! What makes you think she can act?'

"Do you remember that Miss Donald who stopped at Myrtle Lodge last ummer? She's an actress."

"No!" Mr. Knight was amazed. "She told me a good deal about the show business. She said Lorelei wouldn't have the least bit of trouble sion when Lorelei appeared at the getting a position. She gave me a note door. to a manager, too, and I sent him Lorethat he'd give her a place."

"Really ?" man.'

Jim broke in eagerly. "You've heard of Bergman's Revues, pa. We saw one last summer, remember? Bergman's a big fellow."

"That show? Why, that was-rotten. It isn't a very decent life, either." "Don't worry about sis," advised Jim. "She can take care of herself, and she'll grab a millionaire surewith her looks. Other girls are doing it every day-why not her? Ma's got the right idea."

Impassively Mrs. Knight resumed her argument. "New York is where the money is-and the women that go with money. It's the market place. The stage advertises a pretty girl and dyes her chances to meet rich men. Iaro in Vale there's nobody with or and besides, people know us

At this intelligence Mr. Knight burst

"They're putting on a lot of airs get the franchise. I could tell a lot

"Bergman writes," continued Mrs. Knight, "that Lorelei wouldn't have "Ma's right," declared James. "New to go on the road at all if she didn't care to. The real pretty show-girls stay right in New York."

> Jim added another word. "She's the all work together we'll land her in the money, sure."

Peter Knight pinched his full, red lips into a pucker and stared speculatively at his wife. It was not often that she openly showed her hand to him.

"Have you talked to her about it?"

"A little. She'll do anything we ask. She's a good girl that way."

The three were still buried in discus-

"I'm going over to Mabel's," she lei's photograph. He wrote right back paused a moment to say. "I'll be back early, mother."

In Peter Knight's eyes, as he gazed "Yes; he's looking for pretty girls at his daughter, there was something with good figures. His name is Berg- akin to shame; but Jim evinced only a



"We Were Just Talking About You," He Said.

hard, calculating appraisal. Both men iuwardly acknowledged that the mother had spoken less than half the truth. for the girl was extravagantly, bewitchingly attractive. Her face and form would have been noticeable anywhere and under any circumstances;

but now, in contrast with the unmodified homeliness of her parents and brother her comeliness was almost startling. The others seemed to harmonize with their drab surroundings. with the dull, unattractive house and its furnishings, but Lorelei was in violent opposition to everything about her. She wore her beauty unconsciously. too, as a princess wears the purple of her rank. Neither in speech nor in look did she show a trace of her father's fatuous commonplaceness, and she gave no sign of her mother's coldly calculating disposition. Equally the girl differed from her brother, for Jim was anemic, underdeveloped, sallow; his only mark of distinction being his bright and impudent eye, while she was full-blooded, healthy and clean. Splendidly distinctive, from her crown of warm amber hair to her shapely. slender feet, it seemed that all the hopes, all the aspirations, all the longings of bygone generations of Knights had flowered in her. As muddy waters purify themselves in running, so had the Knight blood, coming through unpleasant channels, finally clarified and sweetened itself in this girl.

In the doorway she hesitated an instant, favoring the group with her shadowy, impersonal smile. In her gaze there was a faint inquiry, for it was plain that she had interrupted a serious discussion. She came forward and rested a hand upon her father's thinly haired bullet head. Peter reached up and took it in his own moist palm.

"We were just talking about you," be said.

"Yes?" The smile remained as the girl's touch lingered.

"Your ma thinks I'd better accept that New York offer on your account." "On mine? I don't understand."

Peter stroked the hand in his clasp. and his weak, upturned face was wrinkled with apprehension. "She thinks you should see the world andmake something of yourself."

"That would be nice." Lorelei's lips were still parted as she turned toward her mother in some bewilderment.

"You'd like the city, wouldn't you?" Mrs. Knight inquired.

"Why, yes; I suppose so." "We're poor-poorer than we've ever

been. Jim will have to work, and so you slip me four bits for some liniwill you."

"I'll do what I can, of course; but-I don't know how to do anything. I'm afraid I won't be much help at first." "We'll see to that. Now, run along,

dearie." When she had gone Peter gave a

grunt of conviction.

"She is pretty," he acknowledged: dress her well. She'd ought to make a good actress."

Jim echoed him enthusiastically. "Pretty? I'll bet Bernhardt's got nothing on her for looks. She'll have a brownstone hut on Fifth avenue and an airtight limousine one of these days, see if she don't."

"When do you plan to leave?" faltered the father.

Mrs. Knight answered with some satisfaction: "Rehearsals commence in May.'

CHAPTER II.

Mr. Campbell Pope was a cypic. He had cultivated a superb contempt for those beliefs which other people cherish. Most men attain success through love of their work; Mr. Pope had become an eminent critic because of his hatred for the drama and all things dramatic. Nor was he any more enamored of journalism, being in truth by nature bucolic, but after trying many occupations and failing in all of them be had returned to his desk after each and shuffled away, leaving Pope to excursion into other fields. First-night audiences knew him now, and had come to look for his thin, sharp features. His shapeless, wrinkled suit, that resembled a sleeping bag; his flannel shirt, always tieless and frequently collarless, were considered attributes of genius; and, finding New York to be amazingly gullible, he took a certain delight in accentuating his eccentricities. At especially prominent premieres he affected a sweater underneath his coat, but that was his nearest approach to formal evening dress. Further concession to fashion he made none.

Owing to the dearth of new productions this summer, Pope had undertaken a series of magazine articles descriptive of the reigning theatrical beauties, and, while he detested women in general and the painted favorites of Broadway in particular, he had forced himself to write the common laudatory stuff which the public demanded. Only once had he given free. rein to his inclinations and written with a poisoned pen. Tonight, however, as he entered the stage door of Bergman's Circuit theater, it was with a different intent.

Regan, the stage-door tender, better known since his vaudeville days as "The Judge," answered his greeting with a lugubrious shake of a bald head. "I'm a sick man, Mr. Pope. Same old trouble."

"M-m-m. Kidneys, isn't it?"

"No. Rheumatism. I'm a beehive swarmin' with pains." The Judge leaned forward, and a strong odor of whisky enveloped the cellar. "Could

ment?' The critic smiled. "There's a dollar, Regan. Try Scotch for a change. It's

better for you than these cheap blends. 'And don't breathe toward a lamp, or vou'll ignite." The Judge laughed wheezingly. "I do take a drop now and then. See

here, you know all the managers, Mr. "pretty as a picture, and you certainly Pope. Can't you find a job for Lottle Devine?" "Lottle Devine. Why, she's your

wife, isn't she? She's a trifle old, I'm afraid."

"Huh! She wigs up a lot better'n some of the squabs in this troupe. Be lieve me, she'd fit any chorus.'

"Why don't you ask Bergman?"

Mr. Regan shook his hairless head. 'He's dippy on 'types.' This show's full of 'em; real blondes, real brunettes, bold and dashin' ones, tall and statelies, blushers, shrinkers, laughers, and sadlings. He won't stand for make-up; he wants 'em with the dew on. They've got to look natural for Bergman. That's some of 'em now." He nodded toward group of young, fresh-cheeked girls who had entered the stage door and were hurrying down the hall.

"I've come to interview one of Bergman's 'types;' that new beauty, Miss Knight. Is she here yet?"

"Sure; her and the back-drop, too. She carries the old woman for scenery." Mr. Regan took the caller's card watch the stream of performers as they entered and made for their quarters There were many women in the number, and all of them were pretty. Most of them were overdressed in the extremes of fashion; a few quietly garbed ladies and gentlemen entered the lower dressing rooms reserved for the principals.

Meanwhile he exchanged greetings with the star-a clear-eyed man with the face of a scholar and the limbs of an athlete. The latter had studied for the law; he had the drollest legs in the business, and his salary exceeded that of Supreme court justice. They were talking when Mr. Regan returned to tell the interviewer that he would be received.

Pope followed to the next floor and entered a brightly lighted, overheated dressing room, where Lorelei and her mother were waiting. It was a glaring, stuffy cubbyhole ventilated by means of a hall door and a tiny window opening from the lavatory at the rear. Along the sides ran mirrors, beneath which was fixed a wide make-up shelf. One section of the wall was devoted to telegraph and cable forms, bearing messages of felicitation at the opening of "The Revue of 1913." A zoologist would have found the display uninteresting; but a society reporter would have reveled in the names-and especially in the sentiments-inscribed upon the yellow sheets. Some were addressed to Lorelei Knight, others to Lilas Lynn, her roommate.

Pope found Lorelei completely dressed, in expectation of his arrival. She wore the white and allver first-act

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amongst them those that have not gone up in price in spite of the war.

For example, here is a peculiar situation in regard to a beverage which is so uni-versally liked that it has be-

come almost a staple. The name of that beverage is

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product—a product of the soil. Cane sugar—the very purest and finest—constitutes

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Yet this product of pature-of the farm-

increased in cost though it has been to the makers, has not been raised one penhy in price to dealer-or to you. The price at the

soda fountain and in the bottle has not risen

Now inasmuch as the rural population alon

tore money at no greater expen

costume of the Fairy Princess. Both she and her mother were plainly nonplused at the appearance of their caller; but Mrs. Knight recovered quickly from the shock and said agreeably:

"Lorelei was frightened to death at your message yesterday. She was almost afraid to let you interview her after what you wrote about Adoree Demorest."

Pope shrugged. "Your daughter is altogether different to the star of the Palace Garden, Mrs. Knight. Demorest trades openly upon her notoriety and-I don't like bad women. New York never would have taken her up if she hadn't advertised as the wickedest woman in Europe, for she can nelther act, sing nor dance. However, she's become the rage, so I had to include her in my series of articles. Now, Miss Knight has made a legitimate success as far as she has gone.'

He turned to the girl herself, who was smiling at him as she had smiled since his entrance. He did not wonder at the prominence her beauty had brought her, for even at this close range her make-up could not disguise her loveliness. The lily had been painted, to be sure, but the sacrilege was not too noticeable; the lips were glaringly red now, but the expression was none the less sweet and friendly.

"There's nothing 'legitimate' about musical shows," she told him, in reply to his last remark, "and I can't act or sing or dance as well as Miss Demorest."

"You don't need to; just let the public rest its eyes on you and it will be satisfied--anyhow, it should be. Of course everybody flatters you. Has success turned your head?'

Mrs. Knight answered for her daughter. "Lorelei has too much sense for that. She succeeded easily, but she isn't spolled."

Then, in response to a question by Pope, Lorelei told him something of her experience. "We're up-state people. you know. Mr. Bergman was looking for types, and I seemed to suit, so I got an engagement at once. The newspapers began to mention me, and when he produced this show he had the part of the Fairy Princess written in for me. It's really very easy, and I don't do much except wear the gowns and speak a few lines."

"You're one of the principals," her mother said, chidingly.

"I suppose you're ambitious?" Pope put in.

Again the mother answered. "Indeed she is, and she's bound to succeed. Of course, she hasn't had any experience to speak of, but there's more than one manager that's got his eye on her." The listener inwardly cringed. "She could be starred easy, and she will be, too, in another season."

Pope resented Mrs. Knight's share in the conversation. He did not like the elder woman's face, nor her voice, nor her manner. She impressed him as another theatrical type with which he was familiar-the stage mamma. He found himself marveling at the dissimilarity of the two women.

"Of course a famous beauty does meet a lot of people." he said. "Tell me what you think of our flourishing little city and our New York men." But Lorelei raised a slender hand.

"Isn't it true about the king of Sel- over by a taxicab last summer. It dovia? Didn't she wreck his throne?" eagerly queried Mrs. Knight,

"I never met the king, and I haven't examined his throne. But, you know, kings can do no wrong, and thrones are easily mended."

But Mrs. Knight was insistent; her eyes glittered, her sharp nose was thrust forward inquisitively. "They say she draws two thousand a week, and won't go to supper with a man for less than five hundred dollars. She says if fellows want to be seen in public with her they'll have to pay for it, and she's right. Of course she's terribly bad, but you must admit she's done mighty well for herself."

"We'll have a chance to see her tonight," announced Lilas. "Mr. Hammon is giving a big supper to some of his friends and we're going-Lorelei and I. Demorest is down for her 'Danse de Nuit.' They say it's the limit."

"Hammon, the steel man?" queried the critic, curiously.

"Sure. There's only one Hammon. But nix on the newspaper story; this is a private affair."

"Never let us speak ill of a poor Pittsburgh millionaire," laughed Pope. "Scandal must never darken the soot of that village." He turned as Slosson, the press agent of the show, entered with a bundle of photographs.

"Here are the new pictures of Lorelei for your story, old man," Mr. Slos-



"Don't go to the trouble," Pope hast-

didn't hurt the machine, but he's got a broken back or something. Too bad it wasn't brother Jimmy. You must meet him, by the way. I never heard of Lorelei's doing anything reallybad."

For the moment Campbell Pope made no reply. Meanwhile a great wave of singing flooded the regions at the back of the theater as the curtain, rose and the chorus broke into sudden sound. When he did speak it was with unusual bitterness.

"It's the rottenest business in the world, Slosson. Two years ago she was a country girl; now she's a Broadway belle. How long will she last, d'you think?"

"She's too beautiful to last long," agreed the press agent, soberly, "especially now that the wolves are on her trail. But her danger isn't so much from the people she meets with as the people she eats with. That family of hers would drive any girl to the limit. They intend to cash in on her; the mother savs so."

"And they will, too. She can have her choice of the wealthy rounders."

"Don't get me wrong," Slosson hastened to qualify. "She's square; understand?"

"Of course; 'object matrimony.' It's the old story, and her mother will see to the ring and the orange blossoms. But what's the difference, after all, Slosson? It'll be hell for her, and a sale to the highest bidder, either way."





munited blessing for it is country. We shall not at-tempt to go into the ethical side of the question at cil, nor shall we discuss "war brides", munition plants or other similar parses of the situation. We shall look at the war pucly from the standpoint of plees for raw products, ci her produced here in this country or imported from foreign countries. And mixed bles: We

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of course when we consider rew products we must carry the subject further on into the matter of the prices we get and the prices we must pay for finished product. We shall confine our consideration, too, to these products which have their origin on the farm either in the raw state or finished and manufactured into edible or wearable articles.

Let us take wheat, for example. We all know that the war has put the price of wheat way up. Very well-this means that the whole country: city, town and rural population whole country; etty, town and their point town increased as well are paying more for their flour—there-makers, fore the wheat relacr should theoreticely be retting rich on a product which it costs him no more to raise than formerly and for which one tota. he gets more money.

of America consumes millions of bottles and glasses of Coea-Cola every year, you and the other agriculturists of this country will not ' But wait a minute-there are other things But walt a minute—there are other things to consider in this matter of growing rich of of the war. Cotton and wool and meats and farm machinery and sugar have gone up too. This means that while the wheat raiser is petting more for his product, he is also paying some other agriculturist more for his product. This cuts down somewhat on the profits the war is bringing to the farmer. Then it would seem that the best way to keep abead of the game is for the farmer to pay the farmer who raises his necessities the increased prices that the war has brought about and when buying his luxuries or those things that are not bare necessities of life to pick and choose from only be able to continue to please your palates and get delicious refreshment with this ber-erage at no increased cost, but you will be sending back to the farm bigger profits and

"Not for worlds. Besides, you're making fun of me now. You are considered a very dangerous person, Mr. Pope.'

"You're thinking of my story about the Demorest woman again," he laughed.

"Is she really as bad as you have described her?"

"I don't know, never having met the lady. I wouldn't humiliate myself by a personal interview, so I built a story on the Broadway gossip. Inasmuch as she goes in for notoriety, I gave her some of the best that I had in stock. Her photographer did the rest."

The door curtains parted, and Lilas Lynn, a slim, black-eyed young woman, entered. She greeted Pope cordially as she removed her hat and handed it to the woman who acted as dresser for the two occupants of the room.

"I'm late, as usual," she said. "But don't leave on my account." She disappeared into the lavatory, and proud over Lorelei. He sells introducemerged a moment later in a combing jacket. "Lorelei's got her nerve to talk to you after the panning you gave Demorest," she continued. "Aren't you ashamed of yourself to strike a defenseless star?"

Pope nodded. "I am, and I'm ashamed of my entire sex when I hear of them flocking to the Palace Garden just to see a woman who has nothing to distinguish her but a reputation for vileness."

"Did you see the crown jewels-the King's Cabachon rubles?" Lorelei asked.

"Only from the front. I dare say they're as counterfeit as she is."

Miss Lynn turned, revealing a countenance as shiny as that of an Eskimo belle. With her war-paint only half applied and her hair secured closely to her small head, she did not in the least resemble the dashing "countess" of the program.

"Oh, they're real enough. I got that straight."

Campbell Pope scoffed.

ily deprecated. "I know the story Now I'm going to leave and let Miss Lynn dress."

"Don't go on my account," urged Lilas. "This room is like a subway station, and I've got so I could 'change' in Bryant park at noon and never shock a policeman."

"You won't say anything mean about us, will you?" Mrs. Knight implored. "In this business a girl's reputation is all she has."

"I promise." Pope held out his hand to Lorelei, and as she shook it her lips parted in her ever-ready smile. "Nice girl, that," the critic remarked, as he and Slosson descended the stairs. "Which one-Lorelei, Lilas, or the female gorilla?"

"How did she come to choose that for a mother?" muttered Pope.

"One of nature's inscrutable mysteries. But wait. Have you seen Brother Jim?"

"No. Who's he?"

"His mother's son. Need we say more? He's a great help to the family, for he keeps 'em from getting too tions to his sister."

Campbell Pope's exclamation was lost in a babble of voices as a bevy of "Swimming Girls" descended from the enchanted regions above and scurried out upon the stage. Through the double curtain the orchestra could be. faintly heard; a voice was crying, "Places."

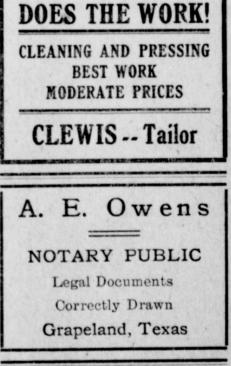
"Some Soul Kissers with this troupe, eh?" remarked Slosson, when the scampering figures had disappeared.

"Yes. Bergman has made a fortune out of this kind of show. He's a friend to the 'Tired Business Man.'" "Speaking of the weary Wall street workers, there will be a dozen of our ribbon winners at the Hammon supper tonight."

"Tell me, is Lorelei Knight a regular-er-frequenter of these affairs?" "Sure. It's part of the graft."

"I see."

"She has to piece out her salary like the other girls. Why, her whole family is around her neck-mother, brother and father. Old man Knight was run



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THURSDAY, MAY. 18, 1916

The price of printers' commodities is doing the Zeppelin ident. stunt away up in the clouds.

Some people seem afraid to smile for fear it might crack their face.

eld soldier's reunion has been Houston County Summer Norchanged from the third to the mal to be held at Lovelady, beseventh of June.

The price of gasoline is not troubling us a bit-it's the high cost of print paper that's jerking of the county in which I work, I our hair out by the roots.

therefore we are prepared to summer normal this season. receipt you for that dollar any old time you give us the opportunity.

We do not know it to be a fact, but judging by appearances the and know just how to make your dye supply of this country has been exhausted in coloring up profitable. The best homes of women's hose.

The choice of a vice president never attracts any attention, but \$18.00 per month. so far the delegates have always remembered to put one in nomination before leaving for their homes.

In view of the high price of gasoline with which to run the antomobile, it seems as if the

Too many people have a misconception of charity. Charity does not always mean the giving of alms; but, in its broader sense, means that you will take the erring and weaker, the less fortunate ones by the hand and lead them o'er the rough and rugged road of trial and misfortune to a higher plane of peace and happiness.

We should not only agitate for good roads ourselves, but induce our neighbors and friends to do likewise and pass the good word along to their neighbors and friends. If we all agitated and insisted and kept at it we in Don't complain of ill luck. time would get what we want Shed your coat and go to work. and what is badly needed in this community. We might do this with lasting benefit to every res-

HOUSTON COUNTY SUMMER NORMAL

As I have been selected as a Take notice: The time of the member of the faculty for the ginning June 5th and continuing for a term of two months, and as I am interested in educational work of the State and especially wish to say a few things to the

young men and the young ladies We believe in preparedness, who are thinking of attending a

> The citizens of Lovelady have aiready shown their interest in the school and summer normal work. They are cultured, progressive, and up-to-date people stay with them both pleasant and the town are open to you and

> there will not be any trouble in securing board from \$15.00 to

> The building is a large twostory structure, conveniently located on a large shady campus.

> The faculty are teachers who have had considerable experience and can offer you as good service as you can secure any. where. Aside from the regular

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BOYS' SPRING SUITS

Owing to a scarcity of materials, we were late in receiving our spring shipment of boys' suits and pants, but are now in a position to supply your wants with new merchandise, snappy styles, at most moderate prices.

Boys'	Palm	Be	ach,	Pongee	e and	Crash	Pants	\$1.50	to	\$1.00	
Suits,	sizes	2	to	18		-		\$1.50	to	\$5.00	
Boys'	Knick	erb	ocke	r Pants		-		.50	to	\$2.00	

We have a full line of shirts, wash suits for the little fellows, overalls, shoes, and, in fact, everything boys wear

enormous quantities of hot air used in selling the machines should be used.

It is predicted a fight will be made in the San Antonio convention to have Governor Ferguson head the Texas delegation to the convention at St. Louis. No office holder, state or federal, should be sent as delegates, but these honors should be passed around to the workers in the ranks.

There's a healthy sentiment developing throughout this county in favor of working the roads by taxation. We believe the time is here when the people of the county should assemble in mass meeting and formulate some plan to bring about the systematic maintenance of our roads.

We publish elsewhere in this issue the premium list of the Wesley Chapel Community Fair, which will be held August 24, in the school house at that place. The fair was inaugurated last year and was a success. The display this year will be even more elaborate and the premiums offered are more valuable. The people of that community are to be commended for their spirit of progressiveness and let hope that they are sowing seed for better farming and a unified community spirit that will bear fruit in every section of the sounty.

class work we expect to give each student all the personal attention needed. This is something that you cannot hope to receive in the larger normals. We, as the faculty, are interested in the schools of Houston and the surrounding counties and wish to help make them as good as the best!

We believe in "Preparedness" If you do, join us at Lovelady, June 5th. If you wish a systematized, vigorous review and wish

to become more thorough, join us. If you wish to raise the grade of your certificate or some over. unsatisfactory grades previously made or make your next year's work easier, come. We can do you good. If you want had a very bad arm for several to be identified with the educational interests of Houston county and this section of the State,

come and show to your people

that you have not become fossilized-that you are still green enough to grow and your people will grow with you.

Address Mrs. H. M. Barbee of Lovelady for details regarding board. Yours very truly,

C. T. Sims.

Work was begun Monday morning on J. O. Edington's new residence on lots purchased in the east part of town near the site of the old school building. It will be a five room house and will be a nice addition to that part of the city. Walling & Richards, local contractors, are man. doing the work.

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NEWS FROM ROCK HILL

Rock Hill, May 14 .- The heavy rain which fell a few days ago did some damage to crops, and some cotton is being planted

Mr. Artis Streetman was bitten by a snake while feeding his horse one night last week. He days. We are glad to report that he is getting along fine now. Bro. G. W. North preached us a good sermon Sunday at eleven o'clock. Bro. W. R. Durnell preached us an interesting sermon Sunday evening after Sunday School, a good sized crowd being present at each service. Mr. J. F. Durnell and family, Rev. W. R. Durnell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Little and Mr. Albert Edens attended the services from Antrim.

Mr. Tom Laseter of Daly attended church and Sunday school in the afternoon.

Misses Laura and Luna Herod spent a part of last week with their sister, Mrs. Virgil Street-

Mr. Loyd North, who has been | urday.

left Saturday for Oklahoma. We regret to lose him, but wish him success.

Candidates are beginning to stir out our way very frequently. which reminds us that there will be some good picnics soon. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Anci. Streetman, a fine baby boy. Scribbler.

COURT ADJOURNED

Crockett, Texas, May 14.-The March term of the district court was adjourned yesterday. Judge Prince was called away by sickness in his family and Judge S. A. Denny was elected special judge Friday to close up the business of the term. There have been 16 felony convictions, divided as follows: Twelve for bootlegging, two for forgery, one for criminal assault, one for hog theft; five acquittals and eight cases were dismissed. Twenty-six divorce cases were tried, 25 granted and one refused. Judge Prince will open court in Palestine tomorrow.

working here for several months "Strickland Will Get Majority of Trinity County Votes"-So Says the Press of That County.

> Hon. J. J. Strickland, candidate for State Senator, was a visitor to the city last Monday. Mr. Strickland has many friends in Trinity and they always extend to him a cordial and sincere welcome. In the primary election to be held in July it is predicted by those who know that he will carry Trinity County by the largest majority ever given any candidate for office.-Trinity Tribune, May 12, 1916.

Hon. J. J. Strickland of Palestine, next Senator from this district, was a visitor to Groveton Tuesday. We were glad to see Mr. Strickland and having known him for many years, it is indeed a pleasure to state that he was an able Legislator during whose service much important legislation was enacted. He is working diligently and will be easily elected .- Trinity County Star, May 12, 1916. adv.

New spring samples are now sonable prices, fit guaranteed. Be sure to see them. Clewis.

Earle Adams Jr. of Crockett on display. Many styles, reawas here on legal business Sat-

ALTING ST	Hats! Hats! More coming		***************************************
roceries. S. E.	every week at Howard's. Men's, ladies' and children's.	As there are some issues in the campaign for representative that we would like to hear dis-	
rs. Jas. Ellis of		cussed, and as J. D. Sallas has agreed to speak on such issues	Will go further at
d here Sunday.	J. F. Murdock, a merchant of Salmon, was here on business	at the W.O. W. hall at Grape- land Friday night, May 19, we	The Peoples Drug Store Because they give
ble vinegar call at	Monday.	hereby invite his opponents, Messrs. W. F. Murchison and	Profit-Sharing Coupons
Wherry visited in veek.	have been living in Geoagia the	J. B. Smith, to meet him on these issues. Everybody is invited to be there, especially the ladies.	with each cash purchase. These certificates
herry and little kwood visited rel- land this week.	U. M. Brock went to Hunts- ville, Sunday to accompany his	adv M. E. Bean. SOCIALISTS NAMED TICKET	A 25c certificate is the unit of value in our profit shar- ing catalog and the number of certificates required for
timber to kill, try killer. Guaran-	wife and babies home, who have been there visiting relatives.	Crockett, Texas, May 14The	
. E. Howard. who lives north of	Geo. Chaffin, living north of town on the Palestine road, had the misfortune to lose a very	socialists of Houston county met in convention in this city yester- day, W. F. Melton, chairman;	We issue 25c Certificates with each 25c purchase. We issue 50c Certificates with each 50c purchase.
1, went to Pales- and purchased a ord automobile.	fine mule colt one day last week.	L. A. Hollis, secretary. A full county ticket was put out, from representative to constable.	and on up as high as the purchase goes.
k Leaverton and last Thursday for		County candidates: J. L. Ward, representative; L. A. Hollis, county judge; E. C. Cauthen,	
it Mr. and Mrs.	If you need dental work, call on him. Teeth extracted without pain.	superintendent instruction; tax assessor, A. Caskey; collector, E. Larue; treasurer, M. E. Bar-	
Carrie Lois Taylor ne at Creek Mon-	FORD OWNERS	rier; sheriff, I. W. Tatum, coun- ty clerk, W. F. Melten; district	
ng spent quite a siting her grand- Josie Taylor.	I have 1 Presto tank No. 2 with brass connections that cost me \$18.00. The first check for	clerk, C. A. Foster; delegates to all conventions go uninstructed.	
lley, for tax col- lbert, for district	\$14.00 gets it. W. E. Kerr.	Chamberlain's Tablets Have Done Wonders for Me" "I have been a sufferer from	SUNRISE BREAKFAST AND PICNIC MEATS!
H. Bobbitt, for re here Saturday heir interests.		stomach trouble for a number of years, and although I have used	Last Thursday, May 11, Misses
	am still with the Texas Nursery Co., and solicit your orders for fruit trees, flowers and orna-		Georgia Belle and Rena Ross We now keep our meats Richards entertained a num- ber of their friends with an
oot it on others, t it on you. Let	mental stock. Our May and	positive and lasting relief,"	early morning breakfast and tor, which insures ireshness picnic on Myrtle lake. and keeps it tender and
	ed. I want your order. J. E. Hollingsworth,	cerport, N. Y. "Chamberlain's tablets have done wonders for me and I value them very high, ly." Obtainable everywhere.	day night at the home of the hostesses' so that they might Prices Reasonable
		1	was up and ready for the hike by four o'clock. In about an
e Sto	ore for Ev	verybody"	Breakfast was served at seven. The day was spent in rowing,
	find all the newest g		swimming and fishing. A most delightful dinner was served at 12:30 and supper at 6:00.
	we are always anxi		The party included Misses The market is under the person- Mabel Boykin, Carrie and Per- al supervision of J. W. Caskey

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Is when son can and make you prices to please.

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We are showing flaxons in white and colors in widths of 36 inches and voiles 25c in white only, 36 ins. wide at.....

Silk Stripe Voile

Silk stripe voile, 36 ins. wide, the pattern you will like for your spring waist, 50c at per yard

Silk Marquisette

In these goods we are showing a pretty range of colors in pink, blue and also 50c white, 36 ins wide at....

White Silk Crepe

You will find a good	value	in	white	silk
crepe in widths of 36 in	nches,		F	Oc
at per yard			U	UL

We have many more items that we haven't space to list. Call and let us show

you the many new things that are arriving daily.

KENNEDY BROTHERS

Embroidery Net and Organdy

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Men's and Boys' Suits

Plenty of Palm Beach for father and son at prices to please We urge you to see these suits before you buy. 7.50 Prices from \$3.75 to

Straw Hats

Have you looked them over? They are the season's best and we are ready to show them to you any time you will allow us 3.00 that pleasure. \$1.00 to.....

Dress Shirts

We have on display a fine assortment of dress shirts and the patterns will please if you want the new ones at

Ties for Men

We have just received the new tie that is so popular now. See them. 5UC Priced at.....

and Esther Darsey, Helen Mc-Murphy, Eleanor Granberry, Georgia Belle and Rena Ross Richards and Mesdames J. R. Richards and S. N. Boykin. A Guest.

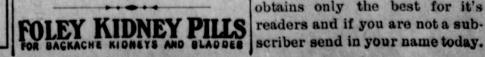
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FOR COUNTY CLERK

In the announcement column of the Messenger this week will be found the name of Bennie E. Smith, as a candidate for the office of County Clerk of Houston County, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

Mr. Smith is a man twenty-six years of age and has lived in Davis, Justice of the Peace, Precinct Houston County all his life and following described animal: 1 brown is in every way capable to dis-charge the duties of the office right hind foot white, branded circle in a very satisfactory way. He lives in the southern part of the county and has a large number of friends, who have persuaded the law directs. him to make the race. He recently took a government examination and averaged 99 in arithmetic, making the best grade made in the examination, which included eighteen or twenty ap plicants.

Mr. Smith stands high morally and socially in his community and enjoys the confidence and esteem of all who know him. We commend his candidacy to BLOCK"-one of Rex Beach's your consideration before casting your vote in the coming elec- first two chapters will be found tion.



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office this 17th day of May, 1916. A. S. MOORE, County Clerk, Houston County, Texas By J. M. Ellis, Deputy. SEAL]

Mrs. Owen Johnston left for Palestine Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. Adams.

Don't miss reading every installment of "THE AUCTION most interesting serials. The in this issue. The Messenger obtains only the best for it's readers and if you are not a sub-

PREMIUM LIST FOR WESLEY CHAPEL FAIR

We hand you herewith the premium list of the Wesley Chapel Second Annual Fair to be held at Wesley Chapel School House on August 24th, 1916. Competition in this fair is open to anyone living in Houston County. A small entrance fee will be charged in the live stock department only. No prize 25c. entrance fee will be charged in farm products departments. The fair will be held for one day only and we expect to make it one of the biggest things of its kind ever held in East Texas. Weexpect to arrange for cheap jitney service from Crockett on day of fair. Everyone is asked to preserve this paper as this list will not be published again. Anyone 25c., 2nd, ribbon. Best 10 ears, desiring further information may write to W. R. Turner, President or O. C. Goodwin, Secretary, Crockett, Texas, Route 3.

PREMIUM LIST

No. 1 Stallion, any breed or age, first prize \$2.00; second prize 50c. Daniel & Lemay will prize 1.00. No. 2 Mare, any gin one bale of cotton free for breed or age, first prize 2.00; man who wins 1st cotton; B. L. second prize 1.00. No. 3 Jack, any breed or age, first prize 2.00; second prize 1.00. Best all pur-2nd cotton; Houston County Oil pose mare under six years of Mill & Mfg. Co. 500 lbs. Cotton year's subscription. 1 caramel age, by L. S. Harris, Vetinary Standard Fertilizer for 1st; 300 cake 25c and ribbon; Callaway & Surgeon, offers 2.50. Best team |lbs. for 2nd. of horses, 2.00; 2nd prize 1.00. ing bridle. Best horse colt under 2 yrs; Smith Murchison Hardware Co, 5.00 horse collar. gents furnishings 2.50. Bull 2 yrs. and over 2.00; 2nd prize 1.00. flour. Bishop Drug Co. 12 lb. package cash for the best beef under 2 ginia Jumbo or hog goober 50c, and not less than 5 pigs, by Dr. 50c, 2nd prize 25c. Sudan grass, usefulness of same, 5.00. E. B. Stokes 5.00; Hail & McLean best bale or bdl. of hay 50c, 2nd in feed 2.50. Largest meat hog, prize 25c. Oats, 2 bdls. 50c, 2nd 2 sks. best flour by W. M. Pat- prize 25c. Popcorn, 10 ears 25c, ton. 1 15.00 Patent Self Acting 2nd, ribbon. Pumpkin 50c, 2nd farm gate by Brooke-Morris prize 25c; Petty's Shoe & Tailor Lumber Co.; 1 yrs. subscription Shop 2.50; Crockett Screen Door by Grapeland Messenger. Best Factory, 2 screen doors made to hog under 1 yr 1.00; 2nd prize order. 50c.; Daniel & Burton mdse. 2.50; Houston County Herald 1 year's Arledge House, M. N. Schmidt, subscription. Best Berkshire 1.50. hogs, 1 sk. White Crest flour by F. H. Hill, Best boar, any age Billy Lewis, 1 sk. Blue Ribbon or breed 1.50; 2nd prize 75c; 2000 flour; Carleton & Berry, best red cypress shingles by Crockett Lumber Co. Best pair pigs under 6 months, any breed 1.00; 2nd prize 50c; 1 yrs. subscription by Grapeland Messenger; 2nd prize 25c. Velvet beans, First National Bank, Crockett, 5.00 in gold; Crockett Drug Co. bage head 50c, 2nd prize 25c. 4:00 p. m. address by Mrs. Mel-2.50 flash light. Deupree & Three cucumbers 25c, 2nd prize ton to the Ladies Aid Society. Waller will give 1 5.00 rocker for ribbon; Moore & Shivers, 1 sk. best pig under six months. H. best flour. Squash 3, 25c; On-J. Phillips gives 1 Swift's Premium ham and 1 sk. White Rose

cured homemade ham.

March 1st, any breed or mixed, ulated sugar; T. D. Craddock, 1.00, second prize 50c. Best 5.00 in merchandise; McLean pair turkeys 50c; 2nd prize 25c. Drug Co., 5.00 solid gold breast Jas. S. Shivers & Co. will give pin; Channell's Variety Store,

raising greatest number of turkeys to be exhibited at the fair, nett, 1 sk. Blue Ribbon flour.

providing there are three or

FARM PRODUCTS

Best general farm display, 10.00; 2nd prize 5.00; by Crockett State Bank 10.00 in gold. E. Douglas, 1 sk. best flour; Houston County Herald, 1 yr. subscription; Houston County Times 2 yrs. for 1st, 1 yr. for 2nd. Best ear of corn, any variety, any variety, 1.00, 2nd, 50c; B. F. Chamberlain, 5.00 in gold; Houston County Herald 1 yr. subscription; Dan McLean 5.00 pair married on the Fair grounds

shoes. Best 5 stalks cotton 1.00, 2nd Satterwhite, 5.00. M. Younas, 1.50 in coffee for man winning

N. L. Asher gives 4.00 pair of

Best team of mules 2.00; 2nd shoes for 1st irish potatoes, 1-2 prize 1.00. Best horse colt under bu. shown; sweet potatoes, 1.2 2 years, R. G. Lundy, 5.00 rid- bu. shown, 1.00, 2nd prize 50c; Martin Scarbrough will give man and family dinner, wno wins 1st sweet potatoes; Queen Theatre the prettiest baby at the fair. Best Mule colt under 2 yrs. 2.00; will give man and family free 2nd prize 1.00; by J. C. Millar in admission to show four Saturdays; Bennett Bros., 1 sk. best

Best 5 bunches Spanish peastock food 1st. Milk cow (to be nuts 50c, 2nd prize 25c; 5.00) judged by points) 2.00; 2nd prize Stetson hat by Dan J: Kennedy; 1.00; Dinty's Place 5.00 in gold C. O. Glenn for Moore Grocery for 1st prize and 5 gal. milk can Co., Palestine, 1 10 lb. bkt. for 2nd. E. C. Satterwhite for Snowdrift lard; Red Spanish year old by boy not over 16 yrs. the City Market gives 2.50 in peanuts 50c; 2nd prize 25c; Viryears of age and will buy same 2nd prize 25c. Sugar cane 50c,

5.00 in merchandise to party 1.00 cooking utensils.

Largest & best honey display, keys in 1916, some of the tur- '50c, 2nd prize 25c; Walter Ben-

Best lb. country butter 25c, more contestants. Best pair of 2nd prize ribbon; Grapeland geese 50c, 2nd prize 25c; best Messenger 1 year's subscrippair of ducks, 50c; 2nd prize 25c; tion; Crockett Courier, 1 year's best pair of guineas 50c, 2nd subscription; J. A. Bricker, 1 5.00 lady's set ring. Best two cakes homemade lye soap 25c, 2nd prize ribbon.

WOMAN'S WORK-ART

Embroidery, 50c, 2nd prize 25c; Harris Racket Store, 1 set dishes. Battenburg, 50c and 25c. Drawn work, 50c and 25c. Crochet work 50c and 25c; Vogue Millinery, Mrs. Monzingo, Prop., 5.00 hat. Knitting 50c and 25c. Tatting 50c and 25c. Jno. A. McConnell will give a silk waist, value 2.50 to the lady who gets that day.

BAKED GOODS

Best loaf yeast bread 25c and ribbon; Crockett Grocery & Baking Co. 1 sk hard wheat flour. 1 doz. doughnuts 25c and ribbon. 1 doz. ginger cakes 25c and ribbon; Crockett Courier, 1 Moore, 1 5.00 rocker. 1 doz. biscuits 25c and ribbon; J. D. Sims gives 1 sk. best flour for best cake cooked with Wesson

Cooking Oil. The Crockett Dry Goods Company gives a pair of shoes and a pair of silk hose for

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT Prof. J. N. Snell Sup't.

For greatest yield of corn on

one acre by boy not over 16 years of age, 9.00.

For the best display of canned goods by girl not over 16 years of age, 9.00.

For the best hog not over 1 old, 9.00.

For the best composition written by a boy or girl not over 12 at highest bidder. Best sow 2nd prize 25c; John Horan 1 5.00 years of age, setting forth the and pigs (pigs not over 4 months) pair pants. Seeded ribbon cane advantages of farm life and the

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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 County, 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.

LOCALION-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.

Cashaw 50c, 2nd prize 25c; Watermelon 50c, 2nd prize 25c: shirt, collar and tie; Grapeland Messenger, 1 yrs. subscription

Cantaloupe 50c, 2nd prize 25c. Peas, best display on vine 50c, best vine 50c, 2nd prize 25c. Cabions 6, 25c; Kleckley's Restaurant gives man and family dinflour for the largest and best ner at restaurant, who wins 1st.

Radishes, 6 25c; Turnips, 6 25c; Largest Display of Standard Beets, 6, 25c; Tomatoes, 6 25c; Bred Chickens: Bishop Drug Grapeland Messenger, 1 yr sub-Co. 5 lb. pkg. Poultry Panacea; scription.

Houston County Times, 2 yrs. Collards, 2 stalks, 25c. Okra, subscription; Houston County | 1 stalk 25c. Egg plant, 3 25c. Herald 2 yrs. subscription; C. P. Sweet pepper, 3 25c. Hot pep O'Bannon, 5.00 in merchandise; per, best display, 50c, 2nd prize W. H. Kent, 1 00 in coffee. Best 25c.

trio in each and every breed 50c; Largest display of canned 2nd prize 25c. Best cock in fruits and vegetables, canned each breed ribbons; best cockrel from this year's crop, 5.00; 2nd in each breed, ribbons; best hen prize 3.00; Crockett Courier, 1 each breed, ribbons. Best 10 Messenger, 1 year's subscripspring chickens, hatched since tion; Edmiston Bros., 1 sk. gran- pounds.

Rheumatism

If you are troubled with chronic or muscular rheumatism give Chamberlain's Linimenta trial. The relief from pain which it affords is alone many times its cost. Obtainable everywhere.

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. S. W. Edge, pastor of the Baptist church, requests us to make the following announcement for services next Sunday. May 21:

Saturday, 8:00 p. m., preaching by Rev. S. R. McClung of Waco. Sunday, 11:00 a. m. address by Mrs. Mary Melton of Palestine. 8:00 p. m., preaching by Rev. S. R. McClung.

Whooping Cough

One of the most successful preparations in use for this disease is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. S. W. McClinton, Blandon Springs, Ala., writes, "Our baby had whooping cough as bad as most any baby could have it, I gave him Chamber. lains Cough remedy and it soon got him well," Obtainable everywhere.

G. W. Weisinger was in town Tuesday with some very fine cabbage, which he readily diseach breed, ribbons; best pullet year's subscription; Grapeland posed of. One of the heads weighed a little over seven

- 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 improvemement.
- 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

You haven't read the most important news until you have read the ads. Look for that bargain.





THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER Price \$1 Per Yr.

Thursday, May 18

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

For District Judge, 3rd Judicial of the Democratic Party.

District: **BH** Gardner Anderson County

J S Prince (Re-election) of Henderson county

For State Senator:

J J Strickland of Anderson County

J R Luce of Houston County

For District Attorney, 3rd Judicial District.

> **BF** 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 Bennie E Smith

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 lature. Barker Tunstall

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

For County Judge:

E Winfree (Re-election)

J. R. LUCE ANNOUNCES FOR STATE SENATOR Courts.

To the Democrats of the 13th Senatorial District:

I am a candidate for nomination as State Senator at the July primaries, subject to the action

Having had but little oppor tunity of meeting the voters in person, I will be pardoned for using, for the present, this method of getting into communication with them, that they may know something of my past. I will say that I am a native of

Texas and having passed all my life in the country, devoted to such pursuits as fall to that class. I am one of the plain people and have spent all my life among them, know their wants and aspirations, and knowing them as I do, I feel that such knowledge especially qualifies me to represent them as Senator in the next Legislature.

classes of society.

In line with such belief I have for two years or more was Secretary and Vice-Pres. of the the State Executive Committee of that body.

Politically speaking, I will say thusiasm by the guests. that I represented Houston County in the Thirty-first Legis-

I am in full accord with Governor Ferguson's program to build a thorough and well organcountry districts, thereby giving the people of the rural districts

educational advantages equal to the best in towns and cities. The people of Texas now have a man for Governor who proposes to prove his friendship by deeds and it is up to the people now to rally to the Governor's support and co-operate with him Route 3. by giving him a Senate and a House of Representatives who Mrs. Tucker Campbell, Weches.

rule over the people by Federal

Let us hope that the people of Texas will never vote to give up their right to govern themselves in their own way, through their own courts.

The people of Texas will never vote for Federal Marshals to invade their homes to enforce nation wide prohibition.

If the people of Texas want prohibition they can have it without forfeiting their natural rights and the right of self government. J. R. Luce.

NOTICE

I am now collecting for the Farmers Union Telephone Co. You can find me at Leaverton's Drug Store.

C. R. Taylor

MISS KENNEDY ENTERTAINS

Class No. 2 of the Christian Sunday School and a number of As a farmer I have been an invited guests were delightfully earnest advocate of organizing entertained by Miss Blanche that class, as I have all classes Kennedy last Monday night at of labor, to the end that they the home of her sister, Mrs. might by cooperation attain P. H. Stafford, teacher of the such ends as would benefit all class, who assisted Miss Kennedy in entertaining.

The evening was one of much been actively enlisted in the pleasure and amusement and work of the Farmers Union, and the hostess was untiring in her efforts to make it so. Many interesting and fascinating parlor county organization, as I was games and contests, planned by for an equal period a member of the hostess and her assistants, were introduced and entered into with much interest and en-

> A delicious two course luncheon was served, after which the

guests departed, with many expressions of appreciation for the most delightful evening spent at this pretty home, secretly hopized system of high schools for ing that Miss Kennedy will again favor the class in the same manner.

OUR HONOR ROLL



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 **CE** Jones

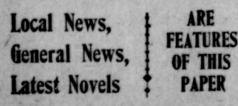
For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2

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 Prc't. No. 5: C. R. Taylor (re-election)



several weeks with them.

will work with him in the furtherance of his plans. Already we hear threats made against the establishment of Rural High Schools on account of the tax.

Such sensitiveness over the matter of taxation was never manifested when other enterprises called for money.

the stump.

There is one other issue that calls for expression from me. have never voted any but a proto vote when there was an elec

support the Shepard amendment, which proposes to give to Congress power to enforce Nation-wide prohibition. I am for the states of their rights and the power to govern themselves and give it to Congress I cannot accept.

As a Democrat I have always been for state rights and I can by D. N. Leaverton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Luker and not vote to ratify any amendson motored to Alto last Thurs ment to the Federal Constituday, returning Friday accom- tion which virtually wipes out all ings. I make 3 stem switchs, panied by their neice, Miss state governments and puts in \$1.25. Work guaranteed. Velma Lee Hale, who will spend the place of same a strong centralized power at Washington to

The following have our thanks for their subscription this week: J. F. Martin, Grapeland. J. C. Green, Wm. Hague, Rt. 2 M. J. Baker, A. U. Streetman,

Hon. Geo. W. Riddle, Dallas.

Impurities in the blood produced by digestive disorders must be driven out before hot weather sets in, otherwise sickness will appear at a time when a strong vigorous body is most needed. Prickly Ash Bitters Other administration meas- will expel all impurities and put

ures I can not discuss in such the system in perfect order. limited space, but will later on Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Darsey and H. H. Walton left Saturday To begin with, I will say that I night for Birmingham, Ala., to attend the old soldiers' re-union. hibition ticket and never failed Before returning home, they will visit relatives at their old tion, but I can not and will not home in Georgia.

"What's in a name?" The word "bitters" does not always indicate something harsh and prohibition by states, but to rob disagreeable Prickly Ash Bitters is proof of this. It cleanses, strengthens and regulates notice. the system thoroughly, yet is so pleasant the most delicate stom-

ach will not object to it. Sold

Ladies send me your comb-Mrs. B. Yates, Route 3, Grapeland, Texas.

Popular Low Rate Excursions Saturday, May 27, 1916 Season Limit Tickets on Sale Daily VIA



J. O. EDINGTON, Agent GRAPELAND, TEXAS

Attention Confederate Veterans

mer climate.

HUSBAND'S HEAD SPLIT OPEN

The people of Grapeland will prepare to entertain the Confed- Richard Majors head was split erate Veterans at Grapeland on open last night with an axe. Wednesday June 7th, instead of His wife surrendered to the of-Saturday as was published, and ficers, claiming self-defense. the reason for this change is, that Saturday is a busy day with of \$500.

the citizens of Grapeland, who requested me to publish this

> E. Winfree. Commander.

Warm spring days produce a feeling of drowsiness if the body is loaded with the impurities of winter diet. Cleanse the blood, liver and bowels with Prickly Ash Bitters. It creates energy and cheerfulness. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Crockett, Texas, May 11 .--She was released under a bond

The couple had been separated about a year. The husband is said to have gone to his wife's house late at night, endeavoring to affect a reconciliation.

Physicians say Majors can not recover. Both are negroes.

J. R. Richards went to Dallas last week to attend the Grand Lodge of the K. of P., going as representative of Grapeland Lodge.