

# The Grapeland Messenger.

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## BARGAIN STORE SPECIALS

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## PEBBLES FROM ROCK HILL

June 12.—Rev. G. W. North filled his regular appointment Sunday, a large crowd being present. Bro. North was accompanied by his wife and his son Bunkley.

R. M. Brooks was on the sick roll last week, but is better now. The baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Willis has also been sick.

Pat Taylor of the Center Grove community was in our midst Sunday.

Richard Streetman was among the singers to visit Percilla Sunday.

The Baptist revival meeting at this place will begin on Saturday night before the second Sunday in July. In this meeting our pastor will be assisted by Rev. H. E. Harris of Lovelady.

The ladies of the Y. L. S. C. were busy Saturday arranging committees for cleaning off the school grounds and doing other things preparatory for the candidates' picnic which will be held at Rock Hill. The date of this picnic will be announced later. Rock Hill Youth.

## NEW PROSPECT LOCAL NEWS

June 12.—Most of the farmers have been busy the past week with corn.

The rain we had last week has had everything take on new life again.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Musick and mother, Mrs. Emma Musick visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Musick in Crockett Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herod Parker of the Oak Grove community visited Mr. John Bridges and family Sunday.

Mr. Bud Brown went to Palestine Sunday.

Miss Jewel Baker spent the day with her cousin, Miss Dorothy Bridges Sunday.

Mrs. Leach has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Beazley the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Musick visited Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bridges Sunday.

Mrs. Richard Finch spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Ford Newman.

A Reader

W. B. Berry and family visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howard Sunday.

## NEWS ITEMS FROM AUGUSTA

The rain which fell last Tuesday and Wednesday made our crops look better.

Nearly everybody has finished laying-by their corn and some are about through chopping cotton.

Messrs. C. A. Moore, Hugh and Drury Kirkpatrick, Olney McLean, Sam Lucas, Guy Richardson, Loyd Bolton and Charlie and Sewell Wall visited in Alto and Rusk Sunday.

Mr. Sam Kyle, of Arizona has been visiting friends and relatives here the past week.

Mrs. Lorena Wilson entertained the young people of Augusta last Friday night with a cream party.

A good many Augusta people attended the old soldiers reunion in Grapeland last Wednesday.

Mrs. W. H. Long, Loyd Bolton and Eugene Holcomb made a business trip to Crockett last Tuesday.

There was a good many people in Augusta Saturday, mostly candidates. Among them were: Messrs. J. D. Morgan, John Gilbert, Roy Deupree, Ney Sheridan, Jim Lipscomb and John Ellis.

Mr. Sloan Cook and family spent last Sunday in Rusk.

A good many people from Augusta attended the singing at Percilla Sunday.

Augusta Big Boy

## JEFF STRICKLAND IS THE FARMERS' FRIEND

Snyder, Texas, June 3, 1916.  
To Whom It May Concern:

I was Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Farmers Union of Texas during the 31st, 32nd and 33rd Legislatures, and I personally attended the sessions of these Legislatures, both general and special.

I knew the Hon. J. J. Strickland of Anderson County, as he was a member of the House of Representatives during the 31st Legislature.

He was a true and loyal friend to the Farmers and supported all Farmers Union Measures. He was one of the members of that body who was shunned by all sorts of Special Interest Lobbyists, for they knew him to be an incorruptible and unpurchasable friend of the masses of the people.  
Respectfully,  
F. I. TOWNSEND.

Bob Scarbrough spent Monday in Palestine on business.

## Eat More and Pay Less! EASY TO DO WHEN YOU TRADE WITH US

Are you interested in the economical management of your household expenses, especially in the important subject of table expense? Read this:

There are two ways in which you can curtail your monthly table expense. One is to buy a very cheap grade of groceries and provisions, which, while apparently cheap in price, are yet even cheaper in quality, are lacking in nourishment and eventually lead to the impairment of your health. The other and better way is to buy only articles of guaranteed purity. Such articles are rich in life sustaining nutriment and hence require a less amount to satisfy the demands of nature. You can readily see that in the end they are by far the cheaper because they stimulate health, prevent doctor bills and prolong life.

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## WAKE UP FROM YOUR SLUMBER

An appeal to the members of Elberta Camp No. 2124, W. O. W., of Grapeland, Texas:

At Daly's last Sunday was the day set apart to decorate the grave of one of our deceased Sovereigns and nine-tenths of our membership were absent. We should remember our obligations taken at the stump. They are just as binding on one as another. You don't know how bad it makes the officers feel for the members to be so negligent of their duty. An obligation means a promise carried out. When some of us are buried and the example we have set is carried out, how many members do you suppose will be at the decoration to put flowers on our grave. We are under just as much obligation to decorate as we are to bury—fraternally speaking, and to unveil as much as to decorate.

Now, Sovereigns, remember that Woodcraft is just what we make of it in a fraternal way.

There are over 750,000 American homes protected with W. O. W. insurance—the grandest fraternal order in existence I think.

There are something like 200 homes in and around Grapeland protected with W. O. W. insurance from our camp, and I am sorry to say that out of this number of policy holders, there are such a few Woodmen at heart.

Now, we have set the fourth Sunday to decorate the grave of one of our members at Evergreen at 11 a. m. and one at 4 p. m. at the Davis cemetery and I sure would like to see nine-tenths of our members present instead of one tenth. You could sacrifice just a little if necessary to go, but it never has been necessary for me. I have been a member nine years in July and not boasting, I have never missed

a burying, unveiling or a decoration since joining and very few meeting nights. It is my duty that I owe to my fellow-sovereigns. When I die I want Woodmen to know that I was true to my obligations. Come out to our next meeting and get on the band wagon and help devise some way to build a hall. You can be a live wire if you want to and we can build a hall if we want to. Men can do anything possible if they do if we just want to be enough to make a strong effort.

We will unveil and decorate the grave of Sov. Jeff Keen at Guiceland probably the 1st Sunday in July at 4 p. m. Will decide later and publish.

P. C. C.

Seth Wright Yarbrough, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yarbrough of this city, and who has been working in Frisco several months, underwent a surgical operation in a railroad hospital in Sherman last Monday. The operation was successful and he is improving.

# The AUCTION BLOCK

BY REX BEACH

SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Peter Knight, defeated for political office in his town, decides to venture New York in order that the family fortunes might benefit by the expected rise of his charming daughter, Lorelei.

CHAPTER II—A well-known critic interviews Lorelei Knight, now stage beauty with Bergman's revue, for a special article. Her coin-hunting mother outlines Lorelei's ambitions, but Sisson, the press agent, later adds his information.

CHAPTER III—Lorelei attends Millionaire Hammon's gorgeous entertainment. She meets Merkle, a wealthy dyspeptic, who seems fond of scandal.

CHAPTER IV—Bob Wharton breaks into the ball in a novel way and wins a thousand dollars from his father. Merkle asks Lorelei to be his detective in an affair which he fears. The intoxicated Bob Wharton insults Lorelei and then jumps in the fountain.

CHAPTER V—Jim Knight's doings disgust Lorelei and arouse her suspicion. Her dressing room partner looms as a central figure in the blackmail scheme against Hammon. Mrs. Croft, the dresser, tells what she heard.

CHAPTER VI—Lorelei meets Merkle to warn him of the proposed trap for Hammon. They go for a long auto ride in the night.

CHAPTER VII—The auto is wrecked; Merkle and Lorelei are forced to walk to the Chateau. Arriving, they meet Jim Knight and suspicious companions who leave suddenly. Hammon appears from within and tells of being tricked in company with Lilas Lynn.

CHAPTER VIII.

When Lorelei awoke on the following afternoon her first inquiry was for Jim; but he had not come home, and her mother knew nothing of his whereabouts. Lorelei ate her breakfast in silence; then, in reply to a question, accounted for the lateness of her arrival by saying that she had dined with Mr. Merkle.

At the name Mrs. Knight pricked up her ears; she undertook to pick out of her daughter all that had occurred, down to the most insignificant detail. Lorelei had always made a confidante of her mother in such cases; but this time the latter's inquisitiveness grated on her, and she answered the questions put to her grudgingly. She could not help likening her mother to a magpie, although the thought shocked her. There was the same sly angle of countenance, a similar furtiveness of purpose; the very expression of Mrs. Knight's keen, hard eyes was like nothing so much as that of the prying bird's. Displeased at her own irritation, Lorelei made the excuse of a shopping trip to escape from the house.

At the nearest news stand she bought the afternoon papers, and was relieved to find no mention of the incidents of the night before. It appeared that Hammon and Merkle had succeeded in their attempt to suppress the story—if, indeed, there had ever been any intention of making it public.

Looking back upon last night's homeward ride, she was wholly at a loss. In view of Jim's words and of what she had gathered at the theater she had felt sure of Lilas' complete knowledge of the blackmail plot, but Hammon's unwavering faith in the girl and Lilas' own story of her relations with Max Melcher had awakened a doubt. What concerned her far more than the moral complexion of the liaison was her brother's connection with the unlawful scheme of extortion. Jim, she saw, had gone wrong with a vengeance, and the consequences to him troubled her, for in spite of all that he might be or do she cherished a sisterly affection for him. Family ties were very real and very strong to her—strong enough to keep her loyal to her kin even after the demoralizing change in her whole mode of life. The firmest, in fact, the only bond that she had ever known, was that of blood; obedience, faithfulness and affection had been born in her, and she never thought to question their sacredness.

Idling down Fifth avenue, she found herself in front of a fashionable department store. A knot of curious people were gazing at a unique automobile which stood in the line of vehicles along the curb, and she paused to look. The equipage was snow white in color; the chauffeur and a stiff-backed footman were in blood red with white facings on their livery. A tiny mop of a lapdog, imprisoned within the closed body of the car, was barking frenziedly at the throng. Across the doors, in gold letters an inch high, was the name "Adoree Demorest."

As she entered the store Lorelei reflected with some disgust that no visiting rajah, no barbaric potentate—

no one, in fact, except a self-advertised musical comedy queen—would so flagrantly defy good taste as to ride in such a vehicle.

She was engaged in her final purchase when a dazzling creature in red and white descended upon her with exclamations of surprise and delight. It was Mademoiselle Demorest herself, and her greeting was so effusive that the stream of shoppers halted in the aisle. She carried the mate to the excitable poodle that defied the curiosity seekers outside.

"Miss Knight! I'm so glad to see you again," she bubbled. "How sweet you look! I hoped we'd meet again; but where have you been? Have you finished your shopping? Then do come and help me match some rose du Barry."

Lorelei felt herself flushing uncomfortably under the stares of the on-lookers, and, glad to escape, she moved away beside the undisturbed cause of all the furor.

Miss Demorest seemed genuinely delighted at this encounter. She clung to her companion, chattering vivaciously; then, when the rose du Barry had been matched, she suggested tea.

"We'll run right over to the Waldorf—my car is outside." But Lorelei declined, explaining lamely that she did not care for public places.

The dancer's expression and tone changed abruptly. "I supposed you were like all the others."

"Well, I'm not. When I'm away from the theater I try to forget it. I—hate the business."

The reply, which came with sincere feeling, widened Lorelei's eyes with uncontrollable surprise.

"Here, too," said Adoree Demorest, quietly. "But I'm not allowed to forget it. Our first meeting made me think you were—out with banners. I was hired on that occasion to be naughty. What do you say to some real tea at my house? Just you and I?"

Lorelei's heart sank at the thought of that gaudy machine outside, but there was an honest appeal in the speaker's eyes, and, moreover, the memory of her obligation rose to prevent her from appearing ungrateful. "I'd be delighted," she faltered, and, gurgling with appreciation, Miss Demorest hurried her toward the nearest exit. In the street, however, Adoree paused, and her next words showed that she was not wanting in womanly intuition.

"I shan't inflict you with a ride in that circus wagon. It's all right for me, but—you're one of the decent kind. If you have a reputation it won't do to parade it in a show case. We'll take a taxi." Lorelei's relief must have been obvious, for Adoree sped swiftly to the corner, then was back again without the dog. "If there's anything more conspicuous than a blonde with a white poodle," she explained, "it's two blondes with two poodles." Then she flung herself into the cab and slammed the door.

"You must think I'm very rude," her guest ventured.

"Nothing of the sort. I know just how you feel." Miss Demorest's smile was a trifle strained. "Only—I'm awfully lonesome, and—I'll take care that nobody sees us."

"Now I know I've been nasty," Lorelei felt her embarrassment growing, for this woman differed entirely from what she had expected. Underneath the dancer's extravagant theatricalism she appeared natural and unaffected. Adoree changed the current of the conversation by saying:

"I hope those bloodhounds get to fighting."

"How—funny!" Lorelei was eying the speaker with undisguised curiosity. "You're not a Frenchwoman?"

"Agnes Smith is the name. Decent by descent, but an actress by advertising. What's your game?"

"Um—My nose is straight; I don't limp; so I'm an actress by force of feature."

Both girls laughed unaffectedly.

"I like you," said the dancer. "Do you mind if I get out of this cast-iron corset and into a kimono when we get home?"

"Have you a spare one?"

"Dozens; but they're not very clean."

"That's lovely. And let's make the tea weak."

"Oh, I can't drink anything strong! I'm an awful counterfeiter."

"I'm beginning to think so. I—wonder if I'm dreaming."

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The girls had much in common; they chattered continuously through the short ride, and when they alighted from the taxicab they disputed over the right to pay for it. When the guest was ushered into Adoree's apartment she received another surprise, for the place was neither elaborate nor



"You Never Really Believed That King Stuff, Did You?"

showy. It consisted merely of two large, comfortable rooms overlooking a side street lined with monotonous brownstone boarding houses.

A battered teakettle was set to boil over an absurd alcohol stove that required expert assistance to maintain its equilibrium. Adoree flung out of her finery and donned a Japanese robe,

offering another to Lorelei. A plate of limber crackers was unearthed from somewhere, also the disreputable remains of a box of marshmallows; and these latter Mademoiselle Demorest toasted on a hatpin.

"You're the most extraordinary person," her guest at length remarked. "Aren't you going to show me your jewels or—anything like that?"

"You probably have better jewels of your own," carelessly replied Adoree; then she voiced a very tame and womanly oath as a marshmallow dripped into the flames. "Pickles! I spilled that one."

"But the cabochon rubies are real." "Sure. So is the 'square toe' who brings 'em and takes 'em away; so is the bond that covers 'em. Lordy, but they are pretty!"

"Then the king didn't give them to you?"

"My dear, I never saw a king—outside of a pinocchio deck. If I lost one of those rubies the Maiden Lane Shylock who owns them would tear enough curled hair out of his beard to fill a mattress. You never really believed that king stuff, did you?"

"Why, yes."

"I had no idea it worked so well." Again Miss Demorest smiled crookedly. "No wonder you didn't want to go to the Waldorf with me; I wonder you consented to come here."

"Your advance work is great—"

"I knew the public swallowed it; but I supposed the profession knew press stuff when they saw it. I sang and danced for ten years in this country and never got better time than the schuetzen parks and airdomes. I was Agnes Smith then. Somehow I got the price of a ticket to England, and I pulled the airdome stuff that had scored in Little Rock and Michigan City, and it got by somehow. My mother was a Canuck, so I knew some French, and eventually I reached the continent. There I met the Old Nick. You may think the devil is what he looks like on the ham cans; but, in reality he's a little, fat, bald man with a tenor voice, and he eats cloves. His name is Aubrey Lane. He was in Paris selling patent garters at the time. He saw me work at a cabaret and told

me I was good, but not good enough. I'd known that for years, so he did hurt my feelings. He confessed I was tired of working and intended to have me make a lot of money for him, but warned me that he had expensive tastes and I'd have to pay for the privilege. He was right; I did. But here I am in electric lights Broadway while he is exercising wheeled chair at Atlantic City."

"He's your manager?"

"He's that very little thing. He ferred to make me a star if I'd allow to hitch his chariot to me—on a sh of the gross. There was one trifling rifice I had to make in the nature of my personal reputation—so he told me. He began by tying a can to the 'Ag Smith,' and handed me 'Adoree Demorest' instead; then he went to work. He really did work, too, although nearly killed him, and he's never done anything since. The king fable I joke on the other side, but New York swallowed it clear up to the sink and Aubrey gaffed the Palace Gate management for a three years' contract. Of course, my advertised salary is phony, just like the rubies and the wrecked throne and that gilt bandwagon with the poodles and stuffed suppers on the box. Aubrey owns them all except the rubies, which he rents. I'm billed as the most notorious woman in America, and a shred of reputation I have wouldn't make a necktie for a girl, whereas in reality I love marshmallows and tea much more than anything else. But I'm a star, at the head of my company, and playing to sidewalk prices. Do you think it was a good bargain?"

Lorelei had listened with breathless interest. Now she burst out impulsively:

"You poor dear."

Miss Smith smiled, but her eyes were tragic.

"Sometimes I cry when I think about it. I—cry a good deal," she said. "I didn't realize until too late what it meant, but, you see, I was tired of working, tired of ambition and I wanted to come home. The God, I have no people! I save all the money I can, and when I get enough I'm going to take Agnes Smith's

of the moth-balls, dust her off tenderly, and go to raising ducks."

"Ducks? What do you mean?"

"What I say. That has always been my ambition."

"Not quit now?"

"What's the use? I'm half way through the swamp; the mud is as deep behind as it is in front. But I'm leathly afraid all the time I'll be found out—I'd—rather be notorious than ridiculous. Of course, Aubrey sees to that."

"Are you fond of him?"

Adoree turned up her nose. "He's a little pink rabbit. I don't like any man, and I never have. There's only one I'd really care to meet; his name is Campbell Pope."

"The critic. He is nice."

"The beast. Did you read what he said about me? I'll never rest until I have a lock of his hair that I've tucked myself. I'd love to have his whole scalp—with, say, one ear attached—hanging on my bureau where I could see it every morning when I get up. Somehow I don't seem to read the press stuff that Aubrey puts out, but Pope—actually believes what he wrote. And other people will believe it, too. I—I—Gosh! I'm going very again."

Lorelei nodded in perfect sympathy; she did not laugh. "I haven't any girl shun; let's be friends," said she.

Adoree had been nibbling at marshmallows as she talked; as she wiped her eyes now she left a smear of powdered sugar on her cheek.

"I'd love to—I'm simply bursting to confide in somebody—but we couldn't get around together."

"Why? I don't care what people think."

"You can't afford to be reckless. We're each playing our own game and raising the dollar in our own way. The men you met would make life unbearable for you if they knew we were girls. Aubrey was right; a girl must either be mighty good or mighty bad in this business—or make people think she is, which amounts to the same thing. You have had easy going because you're known to be straight; but if you ever get into the papers watch out that will happen. You'll have to fight, you wouldn't like that kind of fighting, either, and—I'm not sure you could and it."

As Lorelei walked homeward that afternoon she felt an unaccustomed warmth in her breast, and realized that she, too, had been very lonely in the city. The certainty that she had made a friend gladdened her heart. She looked forward with a thrill to the morning when she could see Adoree again.

During her absence Jim had returned and departed; but a note was waiting for her. It had been brought by a messenger, and read:

"Things look bad. I'm afraid we'll be implicated, too. Better see your mother quickly. M."

(To be Continued)

**Waste Product for Roads.**

It is reported that an experiment is being made with a material that heretofore has been a waste product of glass factories for roadmaking. This is a thick, sirupy liquid that hardens when exposed to the atmosphere, forming a substance that somewhat resembles glass.

**Patience Required.**

It takes a real Christian to drive five miles through the mud holes and drive to church in an exalted un-

**LAME EXCUSE.**

"I'll never trade with that drug-st again," snapped Mrs. Twobble. "How now, my dear?" said Mrs. Adders.

"After I bought a stamp from him I asked him if he wouldn't lick for me, and he said I would have excuse him, as he had a pimple on his tongue."

**MEAN HINT.**

"Will proposed to me last night, and he did it so much better than any of the others I have had."

"Well, from the number of girls he's tried to impress with it, he ought to be perfect in it by this time."

**SUITABLE HEADGEAR.**

"What color do you think most becoming for our telephone girl's hat?"

"I should suggest something on a blue-oh order."

**THE SEA COW.**

Milkman—I see the Washington office are puzzled over a sea cow. Customer—So that's where all the stered milk came from!

**HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT**

**1,000-MILE ROAD PROPOSED**

Canada to Build Route Similar to Lincoln Highway—To Extend From Winnipeg to Calgary.

Central-western Canada will have a federal highway much after the plan of the Lincoln highway proposed across the United States if the project being urged by the board of control of Winnipeg is carried out. This project contemplates the construction of a concrete highway from Winnipeg to Calgary, to go through the more thickly settled territory tapped by the Canadian Pacific railway.

The thousand miles of highway through the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and halfway into Alberta will be financed by the municipalities by which the roadway would be traversed. Special appropriations also will be sought from the provincial governments. The project has been received with enthusiasm in a number of the larger cities along the proposed route.

It has been pointed out by the promoters of the highway through the prairie provinces that its construction would enhance the value of the farm lands for several miles on both sides of the concrete roadway.

**LOOKING AFTER GOOD ROADS**

Splitlog Drag Can Be Employed to Good Advantage—Prompt, Intelligent Action Needed.

Every farmer should spend some time looking after the roads. The splitlog drag can be used to good advantage. Road dragging at the proper time will insure good dirt roads the greater part of the year. All it needs is prompt, intelligent action. It must, however, be done at the right time to get the best results.

Yes! It is true in many places that the road dragging should be done by the county, but every farmer should take enough interest in the community welfare to see that the road in front of his farm is gone over with a splitlog drag.

There is no other one thing that would add to our advancement, both commercial and social as much as would good roads. Spend a few hours at this season of the year, when the frost is coming out of the ground and the wet from rain and snow is drying up, with a splitlog drag and it will result in better roads, a good advertisement for your farm and its owner.

**NEW YORK'S IMPROVED ROADS**

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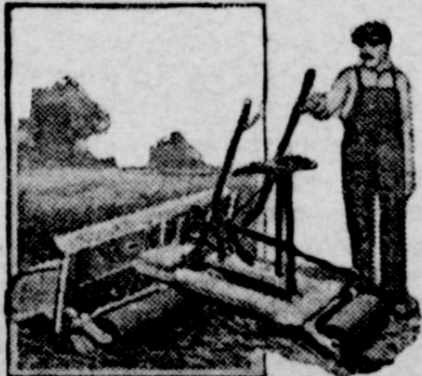
The state of New York is spending one hundred millions of dollars in building good roads. That seems like an enormous sum of money, but there was a demand for good roads, and the results so far secured are worth all the effort.

Over fifty million dollars have already been spent and about as much more is now available, and in a few years almost every portion of the state will be reached by high-class finished roads. They are like boulevards, well-constructed, well cared for and ought to be very permanent.

**SCRAPER BOARD ON ROLLERS**

Device Is Controlled by Levers and Can Be Made to Dig Into Ground or to Deposit Earth.

A roller scraper recently brought out in California has a wooden scraper board mounted on rollers in such a



New Type of Roller Scraper.

way that it can be raised or lowered by controlling levers, placed in convenient reach of the operator's seat. This scraper is drawn by horses, and as the operator rides he can dig into the ground, or deposit earth as required, simply by manipulating the levers. The trailing rollers not only smooth down the earth, but make the pulling easier for the horses.—Popular Mechanics.

**REBUKE THAT WAS NEEDED**

Very Probably, After This Lesson, Mrs. Johones Will Carry Her Small Purchases Home.

Mrs. Johones is an inveterate shopper. The other morning she went to the local draper's and, after turning three departments upside down, solemnly bought a reel of cotton, and asked them to send it home.

"That's the limit!" gasped the owner, when he heard the result of the lady's visit. "But we'll get even with her."

That afternoon a large wagon drew up at the gate of Mrs. Johones' pretentious villa. On the vehicle sat three burly laborers, strenuously holding on to something in the middle of the dray.

With many "Whoas!" and sundry other shouts, the dray backed on to the pavement, the laborers struggled and gasped and groaned, and hauled down to the road level—the reel of cotton!

This was solemnly rolled up the garden path, and up-ended on the doorstep. Then the men gravely resumed their places on the wagon, which drove away.

The delight of the watching neighbors was complete when Mrs. Johones, very red of face, opened the front door, kicked the reel wildly into the road and then slammed the door again.—London Tit-Bits.

**PAID LICENSE ONLY ON ONE**

Man's Seeming Violation of the Law Proved a Matter That Was Easy to Explain.

A young constable, walking his beat one day in a Staffordshire village, met a man who had a bulldog with him.

Going up to him, the constable said:

"That's a nice dog of yours."

"Yes," replied the other.

"Have you any more dogs?"

"Yes, two more," said the man.

"You pay license on them all, I suppose?" asked the constable.

"Not me. Only on this one," was the answer.

Next day the man received a summons to appear before the local bench of magistrates for default in payment of license for two dogs.

He duly appeared, and on being asked if he owned three dogs and only paid license for one, he smiled sweetly and replied:

"Well, yes; and here are the two I don't pay license on," producing at the same time two china dogs from his coat pockets.

The constable looked surprised, the court laughed till the windows rattled, and the man was allowed his full expenses.—London Answers.

**AGED QUAKERS.**

Quakers have been noted for the longevity of their members, and an interesting example of the continued truth of the fact was furnished a few weeks back by an "old age party" at Whittier, Cal., to commemorate the one hundred and fifth birthday of a woman Friend. Altogether 73 persons over seventy were present. Active part in the proceedings was taken by elderly Friends of eighty-eight, eighty-three and eighty-two, while others present were aged ninety-six, ninety-four, eighty-six, eighty-four, eighty-two and eighty-one.

**DISLOYAL.**

Simpkins—Cast your bread on the waters and it will return to you after many days.

Brown—My wife's wouldn't. It would sink.—Somerville Journal.

**ENVY.**

"When you see a man in a big touring car, don't you envy his wealth?"

"Not always. Sometimes I envy the way he's getting rid of it."

**THE REASON.**

"Why did Adam and Eve name their first son Cain?"

"I guess it was because of the time they had raising him."

**LOCAL NEWS FROM ANTRIM**

(Delayed)

June 4.—Health of this community is very good with the exception of a few cases. Little Estelle Martin has been very sick the past week, but is improving very fast. Also, Mr. Dan Wright has been rather sick.

Some of the farmers are laying by their corn now. It seems like they are all very busy trying to get rid of some of their crab grass, as there is plenty of it in this community.

Misses Nora Gray and May Martin and Messrs. Jim Ritchie and Ed Pearson spent Sunday with Miss Julia Brinson.

Rev. Leonard Florence filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday and a large crowd was out to hear him.

Mrs. J. F. Durnell and children spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Durnell Sunday.

Rev. W. R. Durnell, accompanied by his wife and children, and his sister, Mrs. G. L. Waddell and children, went to Rock Hill Sunday, where he delivered an interesting sermon.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Streetman of the Rock Hill community have a very sick baby.

Next Saturday night, June 10, is our regular literary night, and we are going to have a good program. Everyone come and be with us. Hiawatha

**NEWS ITEMS FROM DALY**

(Delayed)

June 5.—The health of this community is very good, except a few cases of malaria, none of which are serious.

The farmers are very busy in their crops. Some say they need rain while others say they don't.

Plums and berries are plentiful, gardens are good and chickens are big enough to fry. With all of this there is no danger of anyone going hungry.

The singing here yesterday was well attended. A talk by Bro. Williams on "Our Duty to our Sunday School" was greatly appreciated.

Hereafter, we will hold our Sunday school at three o'clock in the grove near the church when the weather will permit.

We hope to have our church house ready for service soon, and let us all attend and do our best.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Richards and children visited homefolks here Sunday.

Miss Fannie Pridgen is in Crockett this week visiting friends.

Tom Daily is recovering from a kick administered by one of his mules, which, though painful, is not serious, as he is able to be up.

Miss Mary Kyle spent last Sunday with Miss Bertha Pennington.

Pledger Chiles was a visitor here Sunday evening. Charlotta

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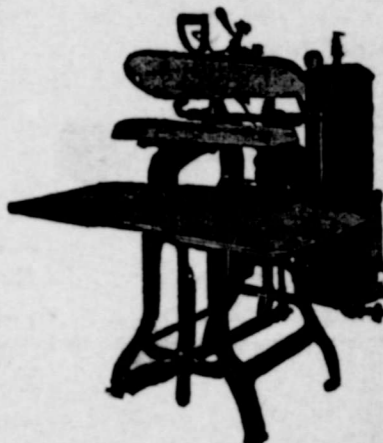
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THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 1916

SHAKE UP YOUR BRAINS

Shake up your brains, brother, shake them up lively. Somewhere in the dark recesses of your cranium is an idea that would be of great value to your home community.

Let the idea out and pass it along for examination and dissection and for possible use for the betterment of our people.

Any man of normal intelligence is full of good ideas, but few people care to exploit them before the public. And yet the exploitation of ideas is just what we need for the improvement of local conditions.

Step forward and tell us what you know or what you think. Much of it may not be utilized, but there may yet appear the one great opportunity for which this community is waiting. Do it now and your action may spur your neighbors to such extent that we may eventually get somewhere and do something.

Why is it that the average country boy longs for the time to come when he can quit the farm and seek his fortune in the city, while the average city man thinks he would be perfectly happy if he could get back on the farm?—Polk County Enterprise.

The only solution we can get from this condition is, that this is just one of those strong symptoms of human nature.

The lion was the king of beasts until man learned how to get drunk.

The Progressives have received little compensation for their demonstration of "nuttness" over Roosevelt in the convention.

Now that the Republican and Progressive conventions have been held, the daily papers will resume their duties involved in carrying on the war.

Reports from Europe state that war has been good for gout. We suppose those who suffered from this disease were cured by running and dodging.

The candidate who can't make up his mind to kiss all the babies in his territory had better make his calculations to enter some other field of labor besides the office he seeks after the election.

There are thousands of political prophets who prophesied as many different things before the conventions were held, who are now declaring that the result was exactly as they predicted.

The man who wears out the seat of his trousers waiting for a soft job with big pay, is worthy of being placed in front of a star kicker of a foot-ball team just as he tries to kick a goal.

"JENTLE JABS"

By Jno. R. Owens

The latest style veil for women is just a whiff across the lower part of the face.

We wonder why fashion didn't introduce striped hose and diaphanous skirts at the same time.

The war is causing a greater increase of widows than of heroes.

You can always bet on a girl who can chew gum at the rate of sixty miles an hour being a swift talker.

There is a "Stitch and Chatter Club" in Trinity. We imagine their proficiency in chattering excels that in stitching.

Woman suffrage was defeated in Iowa last week, and another state has proven that it has men who possess a little back-bone.

A headline says 6,000,000 people in Columbia are fed without a hoe, whereby we conclude that the spoon method is in vogue.

When we see a man wearing out a six-bit whip on a horse that's so old he needs false teeth; we are reminded that old age is not always respected.

A young lady in Grapeland upon being told by a young man that she was as pretty as she was several years ago, told him he flattered her.

It is said that the nearest route to a man's heart is via his stomach. Some wives have discovered this to be the shortest route to his insurance policy too.

The editor attended the Texas Press meeting at El Paso and returned without getting shot by a Mexican. We refrained from asking him if he got "half-shot."

The woman in Sherman who sprinkled lye on her husband's face the other day because she feared he was attractive to other women, and caused his death, should be treated to a lye bath.

What has become of the old-fashioned young lady who used to "swipe" snuff from her mother's bottle, retreat to the woodshed for a quiet little 'dip'; later to be brought in "dead to the world"?

We suppose that when the ladies succeed in subjugating the men and locking them behind the doors of their homes, that the saloons will be moved to the residential districts—to place the temptation out of the way of these "angelic" female political reformers.(?)

LIBERTY AND JUSTICE

We are ready to fight for our rights when those rights are coincident with the rights of men and humanity. It was to set these rights up, to vindicate them, to offer a home to every man who believed in them, that America was created and her Government set up. We have kept our doors open because we did not think that we in conscience could close them against men who wanted to join their force with ours in vindicating the claim of mankind to Liberty and Justice.—Woodrow Wilson.

Replenish your Wardrobe

Summer is now in full sway and there are lots of people just like you, who failed to stock up sufficiently on wearing apparel. If you are one of the many who thought you had plenty of clothing for summer and find your supply running short, you will save time and money by coming to our store and looking over the values we are showing. We have big assortments, good styles, all sizes.

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We have a big lot of men's summer clothing in all of the popular weaves. Our prices are below the "cut prices" offered in other towns. Come in and let us show you real classy merchandise at prices you can afford to pay.

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LOCAL NEWS FROM PERCILLA

Percilla, June 12. — Farmers are almost through taking care of their oat crop; most of the oats are fairly good, but the rust affected some of them. Mr. Butler contemplates moving his thresher to Dickey's gin this week to thresh the oats in this community. Most of the corn on red and black land looks good but on sandy land it's somewhat backward on account of too much rain.

Chas. Streetman filled his appointment Sunday, as announced in the Messenger last week. John Morris was also present, and with these two good leaders you may know the singing was good. The following communities were represented: Slocum, Augusta, Liberty Hill, Livelyville, Waneta, New Hope, Crockett, Rock Hill and Grapeland.

Mrs. Kirk Denson and children of Palestine are visiting relatives here this week.

Misses Fannie Mae and Ciny Wall of Augusta are spending a few days with Miss Lola Dennis.

Barker Tunstall and children of Crockett will be here next Saturday night and give a concert at the school house.

Grandma Shoemaker left Saturday for Johnson county where she will spend the summer with her children.

Mr. Graves and family are visiting relatives in Palestine.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Langham, June 7, a fine boy.

A few days ago as Mr. Brimberry was on his way to Grapeland with the mail, he discovered a very large rattlesnake. He shot at it several times and says he feels sure he hit it but it got away. He said it had a string of rattles longer than his finger. We feel kinder creepy as it went into our field. James R.

LOCAL NEWS FROM EPHEBUS

June 11.—Some of the farmers are looking "long faced" because of grassy cotton, but we believe if the weather stays favorable they will soon catch up.

Mrs. Myrtle Parker visited her father, Jim Turner Sunday.

Frank Graham and family visited Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Graham Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Allen visited Mrs. Lillie Goolsby Sunday.

The people of this community are thinking of having a singing school here in July. It will be conducted by Ira Walling.

Miss Chlo Gray, of Grapeland, was a guest at the home of Joe Turner's Sunday.

There was an ice cream supper at Will Allen's Saturday night. There was a large crowd present and all report a nice time.

Buck Cutler of San Pedro was visiting in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ham were visiting at Mr. W. E. Allen's Sunday.

Mrs. Hugh Goolsby visited Mrs. Lillie Goolsby Sunday.

Poan Luce was visiting in this community Sunday.

Correspondent

Insure your health in Prickly Ash Bitters. It regulates the system, promotes good appetite, sound sleep and cheerful spirits. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

**LOCAL NEWS**

Blue Ribbon flour at \$1.75 per sac.  
McLean & Riall.

Cadet hosiery all sizes and colors for everybody at Darsey's.

Mrs. Chas. Hill and children of Daly's left Monday morning for Crockett to visit relatives.

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

Miss Florence Keen of San Antonio is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Geo. Mobley.

This month you can get the designer for one year at 40c. Ask about it at Darsey's.

Mrs. Rush Aldridge of Palestine visited relatives in Grapeland a few days last week.

Fight the flies and mosquitoes. Screen your home. We have the screen doors and screen wire.

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Mrs. W. L. Smith and little daughter, Gene Marie left Sunday for Livingston to visit Mrs. Smith's sisters.

Mrs. Paul Kitcher and children and Mrs. Moore of Palestine are the guests of the family of J. F. Haltom.

Car load of doors and windows now on hand. Can supply your needs promptly at a reasonable price.

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Misses Lorena Goolsby and Katherine Tunstall of Crockett were the guests of Miss Maude McCarty several days last week.

Miss Opal Browning is visiting relatives in Crockett this week.

Miss Maude Eaves has gone to Kosse to visit her sister, Mrs. E. Payne.

Lewis Lea left Sunday for Little Rock, Ark., where he has a position.

Mrs. W. P. Traylor and children are visiting relatives at Magnolia.

Another new automobile for Grapeland is a 5-passenger Dodge, purchased by J. C. Kennedy.

Misses Mary Belle and Carrie Hill, who have been teaching in the high school at Forney, have returned home for the summer.

Ross Brock has returned home from Livingston, where he has been visiting his grandmother.

Misses Winnie Davis and Carrie Murchison are in Dallas, visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Zimmerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ainsworth Selkirk have returned to their home at Chester, after a pleasant visit here to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Selkirk.

We have just received a car of cypress shingles. Remember we are now in our new location at the Brooks old stand.

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

The Crockett Ice Co. is erecting a brick ice house in Grapeland on the lot just south of Frank Allen. J. W. Howard will have charge when completed.

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

J. H. Ellis, candidate for reelection to the office of tax assessor was in Grapeland Saturday shaking hands with his many friends.

C. T. Sims spent Sunday here with his family. He reported the normal at Lovelady opened with an enrollment of 110 students.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Leaverton and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Maxwell and Miss Adabel Leaverton left Sunday via the auto route for Kaufman to see relatives and friends, returning home Tuesday.

George Pridgen returned home Monday night from Chicago, where he had been as a delegate to the republican national convention that nominated Hughes for president.

Sam Kyle, formerly a citizen of Augusta, but who has been living in Oklahoma and Arizona for several years, spent several days here last week with old friends and relatives. Mr. Kyle is now located in Bisby, Ariz., and is practicing law in that city.

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If I knew you and you knew me,  
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If I knew you and you knew me.

With customers many hundred strong,  
Occasionally things go wrong,  
Sometimes our fault, sometimes theirs,  
Forbearance would decrease all cares,  
Kind friends, how pleasant things would be,  
If I knew you and you knew me.

Then let no doubting thoughts abide  
Of firm good faith on either side,  
Confidence to each other give.  
Living ourselves, let others live.  
But any time you come this way,  
That you will call, we hope and pray,  
Then face to face we each shall see,  
And I'll know you and you'll know me.

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A 15c pattern free with the latter offer makes a total of \$1.10 worth for only 50c.

If you are not one of the 30 subscribers in Grapeland, leave your name and address at our pattern counter.

Geo. E. Darsey

**MASONS ELECT OFFICERS**

At their regular meeting last Saturday night, the masons elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

- A. H. Luker, Worshipful Master.
- D. N. Leaverton, Senior Warden.
- Arthur Walton, Junior Warden.
- W. D. Granberry, Secretary.
- C. W. Kennedy, Treasurer.
- M. L. Clewis, Tiler.
- Sam Kennedy, Senior Deacon.
- G. H. Black, Chaplain.
- W. J. Branch and C. E. Brooks, Senior and Junior Stewards.
- Finance Committee: J. C. Kennedy, J. W. Howard and W. G. Darsey.

**NOTICE**

To County and Precinct Candidates:

Saturday, June 17, 1916 is the last day to make application to get your name on the Democratic ticket, as the Terrell election law reads as follows: Candidates for county or precinct office must file with the county chairman not later than Saturday before the third Monday in June, a written request that his name be printed on the official ballot, giving occupation and postoffice address. The application must be signed and acknowledged before one authorized to take acknowledgements to deeds.

C. C. Allen,  
County Chairman,  
Lovelady, Texas.

**REVIVAL MEETING**

The revival meeting at the Methodist church commenced last Sunday and will continue through this week, and possibly longer. The pastor, Rev. B. C. Ansley, is being assisted by Rev. J. W. Tredwell of Jacksonville, who has been doing some very able preaching. Two services are held daily, morning and night, and good crowds are attending each service.

**CAR OF MAIZE**

Just received a car load of maize heads, the last for the season, so if you need any of this good feed you had better get it now.  
J. W. Howard.

Hon. J. J. Strickland, candidate for senator, passed thru Grapeland Wednesday morning en route to Angelina county, and spent a few hours here meeting his friends. Mr. Strickland says the outlook for his election looks good and is meeting with approval from the people over the district. Last Sunday at Alto he addressed a large crowd at the W. O. W. unveiling.

**DO YOU WANT ICE?**

I will be ready for your ice business next week, representing the Crockett Ice Co. A new brick ice house is now being built just south of Allen's store. Can save you money on your ice bill if you will give me the chance.  
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## OUR TRIP TO EL PASO

The editor of the Messenger attended the thirty-seventh annual meeting of the Texas Press Association held in the city of El Paso last week. The editors of Texas concentrated in Ft. Worth Sunday, and Monday morning were guests to breakfast at the Metropolitan hotel of the Ft. Worth Chamber of Commerce. The trip was made over the Texas & Pacific railroad, a special train being placed at the disposal of the newspaper men, their wives and children, leaving Ft. Worth Monday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Geo. D. Hunter, G. P. & T. A. of the T. & P. Ry., did not overlook a single thing that would add to the pleasure and comfort of his guests. The train was made up of seven pullmans, observation, dining and baggage cars. About 260 passengers, including editors and their families were on this train, and you may rest assured it was a jolly bunch. Before leaving Ft. Worth the baggage car had been filled with soft drinks, furnished by the Coco-Cola and Artesian Bottling Works, consisting of Welch's Grape Juice, Dr. Pepper, Circle A Ginger Ale and Coco-Cola, and the Brown Candy & Cracker Co. distributed cakes and chocolate candy among the ladies and children. Sanger Bros. of Dallas placed a large Victrola in the observation car that furnished music for the trip. Free cigars were furnished the men by the T. & P. As a souvenir of the trip, Mr. Hunter presented each editor with a watch fob and the ladies with a dainty little fan and bouquets of beautiful flowers. As a token of our appreciation of the many courtesies shown us by Mr. Hunter, the newspaper men presented him with a handsome traveling set upon their arrival in El Paso.

It's a long way to El Paso, about 650 miles from Ft. Worth, and the country traversed by the T. & P. Ry. varies from lands as fertile and productive as the valley of the Nile to deserts that almost rival the Sahara in barrenness. From Midland to El Paso, with the exception of the Pecos and Toyah valleys, the country is mountainous and barren. Aside from holding the earth together, we can see no reason for such country. The Creator must have had a very keen sense of humor when that country was built—it is such a joke. As El Paso and the Rio Grande valley is approached the scene changes. We viewed some of the finest alfalfa fields in the world and orchards that produce the finest fruit. The land is very productive when irrigated and the water is secured from the Rio Grande river. It seldom rains there. Last July they had a little shower in El Paso that settled the dust about thirty minutes. When the Elephant Butte dam is completed millions and millions of acres of this barren land will be put in cultivation and it is destined to become one of the richest agricultural sections in the world.

The trip was made in approximately twenty-four hours. Two stops were made, the first at Abilene, where we were the guests of the Chamber of Commerce for an hour's automobile ride over the city, visiting the interesting points, one of which was the state epileptic colony. At Sweetwater we were the

guests of these hospitable people at a banquet prepared from the products of Nolan county exclusively. The menu consisted of chicken, country ham, lettuce, tomatoes, potatoes, sweet milk and ice cream and cake.

We arrived in El Paso Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock and immediately went to the Hotel Paso del Norte, headquarters for the convention. We feel that you are not interested in the work of the association, therefore shall confine this article to recounting those things of interest provided by the Chamber of Commerce of El Paso for our entertainment, among the most important of which were trips to Jaurez, Mexico, Yseleta, Texas, said to be the oldest settlement in the United States, and Clouderoft, N. M.

The trip was made to Jaurez in a body Tuesday afternoon. About two hours were spent sight-seeing in this now stricken city, which has been almost devastated and a large proportion of its citizens annihilated by the ravages of war and poverty. As we walked through the streets of this once magnificent city, now laid low by preying bandits, we were vividly impressed with the fact that old General Sherman was correct when he said "war is hell." We saw children crying for bread, women barely clad and men walking the streets with no means of earning their daily bread. It impressed us that Mexico needs food and clothing worse than they need anything else. We visited the Catholic church—said to have been built in the fifteenth century. This church was a strategic point when Madero took the city in 1912 and later when Villa took control. Madero's soldiers planted their guns on the roof, and with a breastwork of sand bags soon had the city under subjugation. Villa smuggled his soldiers into the city in box cars and worked his way through the walls of buildings until he was in the middle of the city before the people knew of his presence. He made quick work of his raid and without the loss of many lives. The feeling in Jaurez and all along the border is decidedly anti-American. However, not a single one of our crowd was molested, due no doubt to the fact that we stayed together. In El Paso every precaution is taken against a raid and soldiers and guns are stationed on every high building and at every strategic point. The watchmen on the roof of the Paso del Norte Hotel told us that while we were in Jaurez our every move was watched. If there had been a demonstration, Uncle Sam's soldiers would have been sent to our assistance, which the watchman told us could have been accomplished in the short time of ten minutes. The big military parade was held Wednesday morning in El Paso for its moral effect upon the Mexicans of Jaurez and El Paso, to convince them that Uncle Sam was ready at any minute to step across the border and take the city if it became necessary. The sentiment in El Paso, so far as we could learn, is for intervention. The people in the interior only have a smattering knowledge of conditions, as all news items are closely censored. Our opinion of the Mexican situation has

been altered considerably since this visit and talking with men who live there. We are fully convinced that it would be the best policy for the United States to intervene, and the quicker the better. It would be an act of mercy on our part to take charge of the country and relieve the people of their misery and suffering and set up a stable government. We talked to many soldiers and every one of them are anxious to quell the riots and raids that take place daily. (Continued Next Week)

### Young Folks, It's Coming And You Can't Hold It By The Tail

Prepare to grasp opportunity by the horns, you can't hold it by the tail.

Opportunity is knocking at your door. You probably do not fully realize what this means; how much it means to you. What preparation have you made for the reception of your opportunity when it comes? Are you prepared? It will not take you long to make the preparation if you adopt the following motto: "Dig," "Determine," "Deliver." To dig means to strive earnestly, conscientiously, diligently day after day, securing a practical training for which the business world pays cash, and then when you have secured this training, keep on digging—Dig, Determine, without determination you cannot make a success of your future. It takes determination to do anything, and without it you can revolutionize the world, you can accomplish everything. Deliver—that is the natural result after putting into operation] the other two mottos—Dig and Determine. Can you not embody these three words in your life to advantage? Begin today to Dig by entering the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, for a course of Bookkeeping and Shorthand, Business Administration and Finance, handling and Classing of cotton, or Telegraphy. Secure a training that will help you deliver the goods. When we fail to make a success we have no one to censure but self, for we are the architects of our own future. It is far easier to fail than to succeed.

Do your best to begin your practical cash producing education this month, and finish your course before the beginning of the busy fall season, and then when the many demands for well qualified bookkeepers, stenographers and secretaries or operators are made, you will be ready; not getting ready but ready. A whole lot of energy and a little cash will greatly increase your earning capacity. Write us for free catalog; we have helped thousands and can help you. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Mesdames Arthur Pryor and J. B. King of Palestine visited their sister, Miss Willie Browning and the family of W. H. Lively last week. Mr. Pryor came down Saturday night and spent Sunday here—

#### To the Public.

"I have been using Chamberlain's tablets for indigestion for the past six months, and it affords me pleasure to say that I have never used a remedy that did me so much good."—Mrs. C. E. Riley, Illion, N. Y. Chamberlain's Tablets are obtainable everywhere.

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## What The War Is Doing For The Farmer

The European war is not an unmixed evil; nor yet is it an unmixed blessing for this country. We shall not attempt to go into the ethical side of the question at all, nor shall we discuss "war brides", munition plants or other similar phases of the situation. We shall look at the war purely from the standpoint of prices for raw products, either produced here in this country or imported from foreign countries. And



GATHERING SUGAR CANE



HOW SUGAR CANE GROWS

of course when we consider raw products we must carry the subject further on into the matter of the prices we get and the prices we must pay for finished products. We shall confine our consideration, too, to those 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 as well as paying more for their flour—therefore the wheat raiser should theoretically be getting rich on a product which it costs him no more to raise than formerly and for which he gets more money. But wait a minute—there are other things to consider in this matter of growing rich off 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 getting 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 ahead 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

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 universally liked that it has become almost a staple. The name of that beverage is Coca-Cola.

Now Coca-Cola, as you know, is really an agricultural product—a product of the soil. Cane sugar—the very purest and finest—constitutes a large part of Coca-Cola syrup. As you know, sugar has gone way up—so every glass of Coca-Cola you drink makes some farmer's heart gladder.

So it is with the pure fruit juices that, combined, produce the inimitable flavor of Coca-Cola. Not so much in quantity seemingly when you consider—a single glass of this delicious beverage, but enormous when the entire Coca-Cola output is considered.

Yet this product of nature—of the farm—increased in cost though it has been to the makers, has not been raised one penny in price to dealer—or to you. The price at the soda fountain and in the bottle has not risen one iota.

Now inasmuch as the rural population alone of America consumes millions of bottles and glasses of Coca-Cola every year, you and the other agriculturists of this country will not only be able to continue to please your palates and get delicious refreshment with this beverage at no increased cost, but you will be sending back to the farm bigger profits and more money at no greater expense to yourself.



Keep a roof of prosperity over your head and help your neighbor to do likewise by trading with him in business.

## You Help Him, and He Will Help You

HOME TRADE MEANS HOME SAVINGS. This paper is booming this town all the while. HOW ABOUT YOU?

When you buy from the merchants who advertise in this paper, you stand a chance to get your money back.

## You Need a Tonic

There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

You can't make a mistake in taking

# CARDUI

## The Woman's Tonic

Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women. Before I began to take Cardui, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardui today. Sold by all dealers.

### Has Helped Thousands.

## When You Feel Bad

Stomach and Bowels out of order, appetite poor and general disinclination for work,

# 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.**

**JAS. F. BALLARD, Proprietor**      **ST. LOUIS, MO.**

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## Church Directory

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

**METHODIST:**  
Services every Second and Fourth Sunday. Prayer Meeting Wednesday night.  
Rev. B. C. Ansley, Pastor.  
Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
M. E. Darsey, Superintendent.

**CHRISTIAN:**  
Services every First Sunday.  
Rev. J. W. Shockley, Pastor.  
Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
T. H. Leaverton, Superintendent.

**BAPTIST:**  
Services every First and Third Sunday. Prayer Meeting Thursday night.  
Rev. S. W. Edge, Pastor.  
Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
W. D. Granberry, Superintendent.

## WATCH THE DATE!

Our subscribers are requested to watch the date printed on the paper opposite the name and renew their subscriptions promptly. For an example, your name appears like this—

John Doe      Jan 1 16

Means that the subscription expired June 1st, 1916.

### RENEW PROMPTLY!

## Clipped From Our Exchanges

Other's Views on Current Items

Usually the deeper a community can delve into the public pork barrel the better pleased it is, and it is refreshing to find an instance where the contrary is the case. Citizens of Coleman, Tex., had donated a lot for a government building, upon learning that their representative in Congress had introduced a bill appropriating \$65,000 for its erection, immediately wired that a \$25,000 building was quite sufficient.—Polk County Enterprise.

Did you ever notice how much less kicking and knocking goes on in the busy fall months than in the lazy hot months? The idle brain is the Devil's work shop and there is no outward sign of his workmanship so conclusive as this habit of kicking at everybody and everything not in full accord with your views on matters public and private. The hot leisurely weather is here. Read, go fishing, go visit your wife's kinfolks,—do anything except give your mind and time over to the Devil and his most precious work.—Venus Express.

Once in a while a fellow is found who has kept tab on every error appearing in the newspapers, but never the things which have been properly used; and he rarely fails to point out the error regardless of its importance, and make much ado over it, says the Greenville Banner. He never cares to know that the newspaper gives more space to the encouragement of enterprises and the upbuilding of the community than any dozen individuals—in fact, gives more consideration to the well being of the town than does the whole town from the standpoint of publicity, and publicity in these days is an essential element of town building. Perhaps the newspapers are generally too liberal and from this many citizens come to the conclusion that it is theirs by right, that the paper has the duty to perform and that the citizenship is exempt from its performance. Business

## No. 666

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## LOCAL NEWS FROM WANETA

June 12.—A nice rain fell here last Tuesday night and Wednesday which was greatly appreciated. The farmers have most of their corn laid by, and cotton is looking fine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shoemaker of near Percilla visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. Marshall Jones went to Rusk Sunday.

Mr. C. B. Rich and children spent Saturday night and Sunday at Mr. Marsh Welshs' near Enon.

Several from here attended the all-day singing at Percilla Sunday.

Mrs. Lena Scarbrough and family were the guests of Mr. Will Chambers and family Sunday.

Last Saturday while Mrs. Henry Peterson was washing, her two smaller children got the lye can and drank some lye. They were very uneasy for a while, but the doctor said they didn't drink enough to hurt themselves, although their mouths are very sore.

Mr. Joe E. Edmondson was with homefolks a few days last week.

Mr. Cuin Barnes and family visited in Alto Saturday and Sunday.

During the rain last Tuesday night, lightning struck and killed a cow belonging to Mr. C. B. Justice.

Mr. Will Wilson spent a few days at Augusta last week.

Bonnie

men profit day by day from the efforts of the newspapers in town building, and yet few merchants are willing to recognize the good offices of the paper as a factor in their business, regardless of their own activities at publicity. The newspaper never undertakes to collect what is due it from this source, but there should accumulate for it a great sum and people generally should not overlook what is due the newspaper because of its never-failing efforts for its community, which means every person—man, woman and child.—Whitney Messenger.

Experience has proven that it is easier to pay for a farm in a country that has good roads, at the increased price caused by good roads, than it is without good roads. And the reason is simply because good roads create new market conditions for farm products. More than that they are time savers, harness, team and vehicle savers, and they stimulate industries that are impossible without good roads. Good roads have increased the dairy business in the Northwest to an enormous extent. The fruit and vegetable business in California has more than doubled by good roads, and cut railroad rates 50 per cent. In countries where they have good roads motor trucks visit the farm houses at stated times, and purchase at the farmers' doors, eggs, poultry, an all other products for which there is a demand. In a thousand ways good roads add to the value of the farm. If they do not pay the farmers in those sections where they have them, then it is difficult to understand why those farmers will not move into a country where they do not have them.—Rusk County News.

## WHEN YOU FEEL LAZY

Dull, sleepy and "no account" in the day time, you need

# PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

**THE WORKERS REMEDY**

It is just the thing for clearing out bilious impurities in the stomach and bowels, brightening you up mentally, putting ginger into your movements and making you feel fresh, vigorous and cheerful. One dose does the work. Try it.

Sold by Dealers in Medicine.

**Price \$1.00 per Bottle**

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Proprietors  
St. Louis, Mo.

Sold by D. N. Leaverton

## THE TOWN SLOUCH

By ELLIS M. CLARKE



Cy Cawkins Had Rather Go Home In th' Rain Than Carry an Umbrella.

He may look wise to all intents—  
No one may contravene—  
But he surely shows a want of cents  
When he runs a slot machine.

Sometimes it is th' frown at home  
that is responsible for th' "smile" at  
th' saloon.

## John Spence

Lawyer

Crockett, : : : : Texas

Office Upstairs over Monzingo Millinery Store

### Bowel Complaints in India

In a lecture at one of the Des Moines, Iowa, churches a missionary from India told of going into the interior of India, where he was taken sick, that he had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and diarrhoea Remedy with him and believed that it saved his life. You may know from this that it can be depended upon for the milder forms of bowel complaint that occur in this country. Obtainable every where.

### Forethought

People are learning that a little forethought often saves them a big expense. Here is an instance: E. W. Archer, Caldwell, Ohio, writes: "I do not believe our family has been without Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy since commenced keeping house years ago. When we go on an extended visit we take it with us." Obtainable everywhere.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

For Congressman, Seventh Congressional District.

Lewis Eisher, Galveston County.

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

J R Luce of Houston 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. Nnsford 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 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)

THE OTHER DAY

A certain young lady... Brought three chickens... To town and sold them to Charley Haltom... Down there at Darsey's... She put them up... On the counter and Charley, who didn't see... That they were tied together... Asked her if they would... LAY THERE On The COUNTER... She very timidly told him... "I don't think they will... THEY ARE ROOSTERS..." Speaking of chickens... Reminds me that eggs... And all other kinds of produce... Are legal tender at Drrsey's... You can buy anything... With them from a Sewing machine needle... To a FREE SEWING MACHINE... And from a bachelor button... To a STYLEPLUS SUIT... Speaking of clothes... Reminds me that just LOTS OF FELLERS... Are going to suffer from heat... THIS SUMMER... Just because they won't jar loose... From that \$6.50 and get a Genuine PALM BEACH SUIT... There are lots of other Good things for summer... At Darsey's... And I'm gonna supply my Wardrobe when I get more... "Aigs." I thank you.

If warm weather makes you feel weary you may be sure your system needs cleansing. Use Prickly Ash Bitters before the hot weather arrives; it will put the stomach, liver and bowels in order and help you through the heated term. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

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We are especially prepared to print School Catalogues, and Report Cards, and we will appreciate a chance to bid on this work before you place your order. Come in and let us submit to you samples of our work and prices.

The Grapeland Messenger

OUR HONOR ROLL

The following have our thanks for their subscription: W. G. Darsey, Dr. C. L. Cromwell, Grapeland. Loyd Anderson, Route 2. Misses Ola Willis and June Pridgen, Lovelady. T. J. Cook, Percilla. Geo. Scarbrough, Palestine. J. F. Bridges renews the subscription of J. Warren, Koenton, Ala.

W. T. Taylor who is living near Crockett, sends the Messenger a sample of his cotton blooms and squares, from which we judge he has a good crop and will make lots of cotton if conditions continue to be favorable. Mr. Taylor asks: "How would you like to have a mess of roasting ears?" That's a very foolish question to ask this editor, and we'd be glad to send Mr. Taylor a message stating that the roasting ears were fine and tasted just right.

LAST CAR OF FEED

I now have on hand a car of cow feed and it will be the last car I will be able to get this season. It is hulls and meal ground together and put up in sacks. It is impossible to get hulls and meal until the next crop is crushed. If you need any feed you had better see me now. J. W. Howard.

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ICE FOR ALL

We have ice on hand at all times Deliver every morning Open Sundays until 12:00 o'clock

LEAVERTON'S THE LEADING DRUG STORE

NOTICE

In compliance with the Terrell election law, I hereby call the members of the County Democratic Executive Committee to meet at the court house in Crockett, Texas, on Monday, June 19th at 10 o'clock a. m., 1916 that such business as said law requires may be legally transacted. C. C. Allen, County Chairman. Lovelady, Texas.

NOTICE

Don't overlook the fact that am still with the Texas Nurser Co., and solicit your orders for fruit trees, flowers and ornamental stock. Our May and June peaches are the best. Our figs and grapes cannot be excelled. I want your order. J. E. Hollingsworth, St Agent.

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