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PERCILLA

Percilla, Tex., Jan. 21, 1918. Scientists tell us the world has been moved south by the terrible earthquakes we have had. We do not dispute it at all, but judging from the weather we have been having lately, we be lieve the world has been moved back north, or else the north has been moved further south or been moved fas' course we don't know much about it in a scientific way, but we do know the wind goes
through our cottonades at a storm's gait with two pretty nic snows lately.
The top of the soil is in pretty nice condition, but after you pass down through about two feet, the ground is very dry. Water is getting very scarce in places wells are dry, and unless we have more rain in the future than in the past this winter, we will have to do some dry farming we read so much about. Econ. omy is the slogan of today, so according to the way we are getting rain, it behooves all farmers to handle the soil in a way to take care of the moisture.
The election has been held for voting $\$ 20,000$ for building good roads in this precinct. Of course we know that is not enough money to build a good road by all of our doors. There is committee to be elected to handle this money to the best advantage of all concerned. They are to serve without pay, so there's no one very apt to solicit your vote and influence for the positio
They should be men who a

## W.H.Long \& Co.



SINCE the spring of the year is almost here we wish to invite our friends and customers to inspect our line of dry goods that are arriving every day. We believe we can save you money by purchasing from us and if you patronize us once you will be a lifetime customer.

## OUR line of Dry Goods, Notions,

Hats, and everything in the Dry
Goods line is complete at all times.

DON'T fail to dress that old friend, your foot in $\mathbf{s}$ Howard \& Foster shoe, the shoe without an equal in price, quality and style.

YOU will find our groceries complete and sanitary and we deliver them right to your door.
W. H.Long \& Co.
willing to do something for the country in which they live. We set busy and help build them.
There has been quite a lot of ickness here the past month Most of the sick are recovering
Clyde Dennis surprised his friends on the 11 th instant, by getting married to Miss Lanor Salmon of near Denson Springs. Misses Mae Fitchett and Lola Dennis spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks. They are getting along nicely with their chools
C. E. Jones has his storehouse almost completed.
We bave told in a previous let er about Mr. John Tyer as an experimental farmer. He says he thinks he will plow this snow nder in order to keep his crop from burning up next summer Experience is a great teacher. We hope him success in his ad
enture.
E. Jackson is a strong believer in good stock. As proof, he has bought himself a pair of thor oughbred hogs and a bunch of thoroughbred cattle. It does not cost any more to raise good stock than scrub stock.

## MULE STRAYED

One mouse colored mare mule about 12 or 15 years old, strayed Will pay liberal reward for in ormation leading to recovery 46.tf George Shaver.

Clip the nomination blank in this issue and put your favorite larity contest.
D. MoCarty, M. D

Chas. C. Hill, M. D. 48 t P. H. Stafford, M. D.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

I take pleasure in announcing to my friends, patrons and the general public that I will have with me again Friday and Satur day, February 8th and 9th, Dr G. Ward Shelfer, Optometrist Dr. Shelter needs no introduction in this section, as many of the best people of Grapeland, Crock ett, this county and East Texas have been using glasses fitted by him for years with best results. Don't put off having your eyes examined or wear your old glasses too long. And beware of peddlers,especially those trav eling in automobiles, claiming to be "eye specialists," charging be eye specialists, charging ing and ruining your fores ing and ruining your cyes. Re member the dates. Come to se us and bring your friends.
D. N. Leaverton, Druggist,
48.t3 Grapeland, Texas.

Mrs. J. W. Foreman is visiting the family of Barlow Bobbitt at Weches this week.

## WORK TIME IS HERE

Big shipment of Kelly Plows, Points, Landsides, Bolts of all kinds. Single Trees, Backbands, Trace Chains, Collars, Bridles, Hames.

Our Hardware department is complete.

Two cars of Furniture bought at old prices.

It will pay you to get our prices.

## Keeland Brothers <br> the price is the thing

## Is Your Shoulder To the Wheel?

THAT'S where Uncle Sam wants every man's shoulder. If you are one of the number he has left at home to raise food and feed stuffs for our own soldiers and the soldiers of the Allies, it is time for you get to busy. But before you complete your preparations for farming this year, let this store equip you with the necessary labor saving implements.

We have received a complete line of the Famous
KELLEY Fam Implements

And can also furnish you with STALK CUTTERS AND CULTIVATORS

We have for your demand a big line of Horse Collars, Collar Pads, Trace Chains, Back Bands, Bridles, Lines, Breast Chains and other minor necessities for your farm work.
We have some air-tight heaters that we can save you money on if you will take advantage of our prices. Dor't forget that we have CRESCENT COOK STOVES-the kind that makes wives happy.
AND LAST, but not least, remember that we can take care of your furniture bill at a saving in price and a gain in QUALITY

We will Buy your Produce and Pay the Top Price.

STATE AID FOR RURAL SCHOOLS IN HOUSTON COUNUY

By J. N. Snell

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| $\boldsymbol{y}$ |AVING been aaked by a number of interest. ed people as to the amount of money re. ceived by the common school

districts
of Hoston County from the various state aid funds since this additional assistance has been extended to the schools of the state for the last three years, and since there seems to be a question about the matter, whether or not we had received any of this aid, and as to whether the trustees and school superin- been exte
tendent had been awake to the the state.

| RURAL SCHOOL AID |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NAMES | 1915 | 1916 | 1917 |
| Antioch, No. | \$500 00 | 320000 | 32500 |
| Asb, No. ${ }^{\text {Ant }}$ | 5000 | 27500 | 4000 |
| ${ }_{\text {Augusta, No. }}^{\text {And }}$ |  |  | 50000 40000 |
| Center, No. 9 | 25000 |  | $\begin{array}{r}20000 \\ 250 \\ \hline 00 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Center Hill, No No, $10, \ldots$ Center Ridge, No. 11 | 30000 | 25000 | 2500 <br> 25000 |
| Conner Creek, No. 13 | 30000 | 25000 | 20000 30000 300 |
| Cooper, No. $14 . \ldots$, Copperas Spring, | 30000 | 22500 | 300 <br> 400 <br> 00 |
|  |  |  | 20000 500 00 |
| Creek, No. 17 Daniel, No. 19 | 5000 | 20000 | 400 00 |
| Douglas, No. 20 |  |  | 50000 |
| Energy Enterprise, N Enon, No. No. $23 . \ldots$ | 50000 |  | 5000 350 00 |
| Ephesus, No. 24 |  | 30000 <br> 350 <br> 00 | 40000 <br> 250 <br> 00 |
| Fodyce, No. 25. |  |  | 2500 2000 0 |
| Frieodship, No. 27 | 50000 | 30000 | 50000 |
| Gudbly , No. 8 8 |  | ${ }^{250} 000$ | 25000 |
|  | ${ }_{300}^{330} 00$ | 250 20 | 350 <br> 350 <br> 00 |
| Holley, No, 32. | - 35000 |  | 40000 |
|  |  | 3000 | 500 00 |
| Latexo, No. $36 . \ldots$ - | 50000 | ${ }^{2500} 0$ | 50000 |
| Liberty Hill ${ }^{\text {Lively, No. }}$ |  | 30000 | 30000 |
| McEIroy Spring, No. |  |  | 3500 <br> 300 <br> 300 |
| Mt. Pisgab, Not ${ }^{\text {No. }}$ | 20000 | 30000 | 30000 <br> 250 <br> 0 |
| Pearson Chapel, |  | 300 450 400 | 475 400 400 00 |
| Percilla, No. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5000 |  | 40000 400 |
| Pine Prairie, No. 4 |  | 25000 | 45000 <br> 250 <br> 200 <br> 0 |
| ${ }_{\text {Porter Springs, No. } 52}$ | 45000 | 25000 | 45000 |
| Post Oak, No, 53 | 45000 | 950 | 30000 <br> 450 <br> 0 |
| Rock Hill, No. |  |  | 20000 |
| Rockland, No. 57 | 45000 | - 200000 | 50000 |
| Salt Branch, No. 60 |  |  | 35000 |
| Shady Grove, N |  |  | - 5000000 |
| Stubblefield, No. 63 | 35000 | 25000 | 40000 |
| Tadmor,No. 65 | 40000 | 350 350 350 | 30000 40000 |
| Union Grove, |  |  | 50000 |
| Volga, No. 68 | (30000 |  | 350 <br> 400 <br> 400 |
| Weches, No. 70 | 500 |  | 40000 |
| eldon No. 71. |  | 30000 | 500 <br> 300 <br> 300 |
| Sulphur Springs, No. 7 | 2500 |  | 25000 |
| Glover, No. $75 . .$. Wheeler Springs, |  | 3000 | ${ }_{200}^{250} 00$ |

Besides the above the follow have been lengthened and addi ing schools were granted aid for tional teachers have been em agricultural gardens: Latexo, ployed in a number of schools to $\$ 750.00$ and $\$ 500.00$, Kennard, teach, relieving some of the con $\$ 750.00$, Porter Springs, $\$ 750.00$, $\begin{aligned} & \text { our primary rooms. }\end{aligned}$ Grounds $\$ 750.00$
The independent districts of schools of Houston County today Grapeland and Crockett received are as well prepared to teach the $\$ 750.00$ each for school gardens. boys and girls as any system of This state aid has been a seed fear that in and no one means to an end, that is it has good work is not being done by resulted in much improvement teachers. All things are not as in our schools. School buildings we would have them, but we are have been remodeled, new ones of the opinion that if the citizen have been built, all buildings are ship of this county continue to equipped in a first class manner, ous impulses as those of the past which is conducive to efficient decade that it will not be many teaching. The teaching force years bence before illteracy an has been made to raise the stan- democracy, shall have flown dards in many instances. The from the confines of the state terms of many of the schools and county.
ossibilities, I desire to publish the following so that the good patrons of the schools of Hous ton County may see and know that we have done our best to meet the conditions prescribed and the Department at Austin and have proved it by the in
creased assistance that we have creased assistance that we have received each year. This state the districts and the names of eived by each for each of th ast three years that aid has een extended to the schools of e state.

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food
(2) (2) mill ruits and vegetables; peas, beans and nuts; (3) cereals; (4) sweets; (5) fats.

Preparedness applies to the human body as well as to nations. A bottle of Prickly Ash Bitters on the shelf at home is the best and cheapest form of prepared ness for indigestion, constipation and kidney troubles. It is the dose taken in time that wards off sickness and saves money Price $\$ 1.25$ per bottle. Wade L Smith, Special agent.
H. M. Brown, who recently moved to Elkhart, was in Grape friends. announcement this week as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Houston county subject to the action of the Democratic primary in July.
Mr. McLean is a native of the county, having been born and reared at Augusta. For the past several years he has lived at Crockett, engaged in different businesses. He has never be ore run for an office, and the political game is something new o him, although he is eminently qualified to fill the office to which he now aspires, and if elected promises to give his constituents He will greatly appreciate your support and influence.

## ALABAMA FERRY

The county commissioners, in regular session this week, aliowed $\$ 250$, or as much of that sum as is necessary, for the maintenance of a ferry at Alabama Crossing on the Trinity river west o Crockett. The appropriation contingent on Leon county allow ing an equal amount. Citizens from both sides of the river ap peared before the court in the interest of the ferry. Those from beyond the river promised $\$ 250$ from Leon county. The ferry would be of great assistance to the people of both counties, both to those who live near the river and to those who live nearer the county seats, as there is consid erable traveling and trading be tween the two counties.-Crock ett Courier, Jan. 17.

## FOR DEMONSTATION MAN

The Houston county commis sioners, in regular session this week, allowed $\$ 800$ to be applied on the salary of a farm demon stration man for the soming year The United States department of agriculture will pay $\$ 800$, an amount equal to that paid by the county. Mr. G. W. Orms, repre senting the department of agri culture, was here and appeared before the commissioners. Citi zens who are interested in seeing the government's farm demonpeared before the commissioners in behalf of Houston county.

## Five Ways to Food Variety

We must have food to grow, to keep warm, and to work. Our food must be nutritious in that it does all these things. It is also important that it should taste good. It will not only be better relished, but it will be better utilized by the body if it does. Food will be more healthful, more palatable and more nutritious if it is varied. Variety may be daily diet something for the aily diet something from each d: (1) Fruits and vegetables; Cost of Good and Cheap Printing
is so slight that he who zoes shopping from printer to printer to secure his printing
at a few cents less than at a few cents less than what
it is really worth hardly ever makes day laborer wages at this unpleasant task.

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City Barber Shop
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## Your Business <br> will be <br> Appreciated

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

## LAUNDRY AGENCY

 Laundry basket leaves Wednesday and returns SaturdayGet Ahead of the Other Fellow by Picking Scraps of Time From the Waste Basket

Abraham Lincoln would split rails all day in the forest and then after his day's work would walk five miles to borrow a book to study and improve himself. It is said that George Washing. ton, in answer to a question of his mother as to why he studied so late at night, replied that he was working out the destiny of his country, and he did.
There are hundreds of young people today who are desirous of gaining a practical education but, for one reason or another, they can not leave home to secure it, so they drag along from one year to the next in the same old rut. There are hundreds of others who can not attend our school in person but are availing themselves of the opportunity offered by the Correspondence Department of our College, saving their leisure moments and investing them in an education that will mean thousands of dollars to them in the coming years. You may say that you are not able to take a course, but the person who can least afford it is the one who needs it most, who should get it by all means at any sacrifice; it does not cost much. Young friend, take advantage of your opportunity to gain a business education, use the moments that would otherwise be wasted. Spend an hour after nightfall in the long winter even ings qualifying yourself with a knowledge of the famous Byrne Shorthand, Practical Bookkeep ing, Typewriting, Arithmetic, Grammar, Writing, Salesmanship and Business Efficiency, Adver tising and Telegraphy, by which you will make the business world readily pay cash for your serv ices.

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Full strength drugs and no substitution is our watchword. We solicit your custom with this guarantee.

## LEAVERTON'S

THE LEADING DRUG STORE

## Advertising

ADVERTISING is the education of the public as to who you are, where you are and what you have to offer in the way of skill, talent or commodity. The only man who should not advertise is the man who has nothing to offer the world in the way of commodity or service... Elbert Hubbard.

## HOARDING OF FOOD

IS NOT TOLERATED
Severe Penalties Provided for Vio lation of Law

The federal food law is a far reaching document in the ex tent of its control and the infer ence has been that it ceases to
function with any special success function with any special success after it has reached the retailer through the wholesaler. But like the "Origin of Species," to read into the law as to read into the Darwin book is to find new and unexpected things upon every page and in every line. In dividuals who are found to be guilty of hoarding more than 30 day supply of foodstuffs are sub ject to a fine not exceeding $\$ 5,000$ or imprisonment for not more than two years, or both.
A mong many complaints being registered at the office of the federal food administrator is the information that in certain por tions of Texas, there seems to be an apparent hoarding of foods Supplies such as flour and sugar and lard have been bought up the reports read, in quantities that would extend through period of six to eight months normal needs.
Section 6 of the food bill pro vides: That any person who willfuly hoards any necessaries shall upon conviction thereof be fined not exceeding $\$ 5,000$, or be imprisoned for not more than wo years or both. Necessaries shall be deemed to be hoarded within the meaning of this act when either (a) beld, contracted for, or arranged for by any per son in a quantity in excess of his reasonable requirements for use or consumption by himself and dependents for a reasonable time (b) held, contracted for or ar ranged for by any manufacturer, wholesaler, retailer, or other dealer in a quantity in excess of the reasonable requirements of his business for use or sale by him for a reasonable time, or reasonably required to furnish necessaries produced in surplus quantities seasonally throughout the period of scant or no pro-
duction; or (c) withheld whether duction; or (c) withheld whether
by possession or under any con

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## Sold by Wade L. Smith

## ENDORSEMENT

Mabank, Kaufman County, Texas, January 10, 1918.
We have known for a great many years that the peanut was the coming crop for many sandy lands of Texas. We also heartily endorse the plans outlined by the Texas Peanut Works of Texas, and feel no hesitency in taking an interest in this company and asking our friends and acquaintances to do likewise, believing it to be worthy of any patriotic Texan's closest consideration and support. Yours truly,
John T. Pate, banker; C. F. Ol. Treadwell, Jr., merchant; John on, banker; W. M. Covey, ed Gavin, blacksmith; W. F. Wag. tor; Jno. Carter, Jr., banker; J. goner, merchant; J. H. Strait, Howard, mercbant; Walter merchant; Geo. Cockrell, stockTynes, Jr., banker; C. M. Hearn, man; D. B. Lewis, real estate; banker; B. C. Andrews, physi- W. J. Adair, marshal; B. F. Holian; L. B. Hale, railroad man; sombeck, farmer; C. C. Hudson, H. L. Williams, jeweler; J. W. merchant; L. C. Spikes. mayor; Flanagan, mechanic; Henry Eu- R. F. Orman, town clerk; E. F. bank, merchant; J. F. Foster, McShan, ginner; W. E. Butler, merchant; G. C. Osborne, notary ginner; A. J. Tyler, merchant; public; J. A. Griffin, real estate W. L. Campbell, merchant; K. agent; J. H. Woolverton, mer- Morris, farmer; R. C. Nesmith, chant; A. E. Morris, merchant; farmer; T. M. Pippin, farmer; V. T. Morris, merchant; H. P. C. P. Williams, farmer; B. F. Powell, merchant; Chas. Mona- Lewis, farmer; Russom Mallory, chan, merchant; F. H. Jarrell, farmer; A. G. Woolman, blackmerchant; C. H. Thompson, mer- smith; L. W. Treadwell, merchant; Sutton Bros, merchants; chant, Mabank Banner W. E. Hart, merchant; E. E. (Adv.)
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John Spence
Lawyer over Monzingo Mill-

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## They Cost Less

WHEN you consider the long wear, the better fit and lasting style of The Florsheim Shoe you will find that wearing good shoes cost less in the end.
Figure economy in the number of days wear and the satisfaction you get-not by the price per pair.

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In Styles of the Times in Popular Lasts and Leathers, all Widths, at $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 9.50$
MEN'S MEDIUM PRICED DRESS SHOES are here in other well known brands in gun metal and vici, all lasts and tan English toes, all widths, at $\mathbf{\$ 3 . 5 0}, \mathbf{\$ 4 . 0 0}$ and up to $\$ \mathbf{\$ . 5 0 0}$

## LADIES DRESS BOOTS

A very complete line of sizes and styles in high top button and
VANCE IN PRICE - patent leathers at $\mathbf{\$ 3 . 0 0} \mathbf{\$ 3 . 5 0}$ and up to AD-

Kid leathers in black and colors at $\mathbf{\$ 3 . 0 0 5} \mathbf{3 . 5 0}$ and up to.......
MEN'S WORK SHOES - that are built to stand the strain of rough work and bad They come in black, tan and smoked leathers, prices from $\mathbf{\$ 3 . 0 0}$ to..................... $\mathbf{5 6 . 0 0}$
LADIES HEAVY WORK SHOES-The most economical woman's heavy shoe on the market. Box calf and heavy kangaroo, all sizes at

## Children's High Grade Shoes

BILLIKEN'S in patent leather, gun metal and heavy calf made in button and lace lasts, America's highest grade chilc's shoe. Sizes infants to grown ladies.

BUSTER BROWN'S are well known in every household in America for they are worn all over the nation. In many leathers and styles in all sizes.
RED GOOSE SCHOOL SHOES are already too well known in this community to need much boosting. Their popular lasts, long wearing qualities and snappy styles have won the admiration of many mothers and children.
We have shoes of every description for boys and girls, ranging from the light dress and school shoes to real heavy shoes just like dad's for farm work.

## George E. Darsey

## The Service First Store

THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER


THURSDAY, JAN. 24, 1918
OUR SUBSCRIPTION BOOSTING CAMPAIGN

## We bave inaugurated a sub

 scription boosting campaign, thepurpose of which is to get The Messenger to going each week into the homes of as many people residing in the Grapeland territory as it is possible for us to secure. We have a good subscription going to have several hunare going to have several hun
dred more names on our book
dred more names on our book.
It will not be many days until
a number of the most popular
a number of the most popular
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young women in and around
Grapeland will be soliciting sub-
scriptions to this paper, and
four of the workers who secure


FULL CAR LOAD OF BRICK

UNLOADED THIS WEEK Doors and windows Full Car Load on Hand Building Paper and Rubber Roofing Big Supply of Both
CEMENT We are expecting every day a Car of Cypress Shingles When You go to Paint, Don't Forget Masury Paint-the Old Reliable

Three New Plan Books of Bungalows and Southern Homes just received. We would be glad to show them to anyone interested.

## We frame Pictures

## T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER COMPANY

## LOCAL NEWS

A full line of mattresses and bed springs at Darsey's.

Some men and all women have use for 1892.

Breaks your Cold or LaGrippe with a few doses of 666 .

Just unloaded a car of furni ture at Darsey's.

Let McLean \& Riall fill your spring shoe bill.
J. W. Howard will buy your peanuts and goober hay and pay the highest market price.

Bob Scarborough visited his father and mother at Palestin Sunday.

Make your hens lay by feeding Martin's Egg Producer. Buy it from I. H. Shaver \& Bro. 47 t4

Mr. and Mrs. Ory D. Heath of Madisonville, visited relatives and friends in Grapeland this week.

Illinois made 1892 famous; Grapeland ladies will keep it famous.

Clewis' Tailor Shop Phone Number is 73. Phore when you want work.
Darsey's store has inaugu rated a new auto delivery serv ice.
Chas. W. Boone, Jr., of Tyler was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kennedy Sunday.

## EGGS WANTED

Will pay 47 cents balance of this week. J. H. Bowma

Don't overlook the fact that you will find a complete line of plow tools and farming acces. sories at Darsey's.

Mrs. B. S. Elliott and daugh ter, Miss Clariette, of Crockett were the guests of Mrs. J. C Kennedy Sunday.

Columbia Double Disk Records play on. any disk machine. Select your records this week at Darsey's. $\qquad$
Lieutenant $O \quad \mathrm{C}$. Aldrich and wife of Camp Bowie, passed through last Friday en route to Crockett, to visit relatives.

## FEED STUFF

I have a car load of maize feed stuff. If you need any, better get it at once, as it is scarce 45 -tf $\qquad$
Revs. H. E. Harris and J. E Mainer of Lovelady, were visitor to Grapeland Saturday and Sun day, and Bro. Harris filled th pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday.

## EARL P. ADAMS ATTORNET AT LAW

Office in First National Bank Building
Crockett,
Texas


February 6th to 13 th will be an important week for ladies.
RUB-MY-TISM-Antiseptic,Relievs Rheumatism,Sprains, Neuralgia
1892 will be made clear to you in next week's Messenger.
Buy your next bill of groceries from Wherry.
Plenty of crockery and glass ware at McLean \& Riall's. it
No, Mrs. Alfonso, 1892 is no contest; just plain facts.
Just received, a line of beautiful comforts at Darsey's. 1t

## WANTED

Good farm hand; will pay good wages. R. M. Brooks, 48.t2 Grapeland, Route 3.

Samuel Thomas, a registered druggist of Palestine, is now with D. N. Leaverton as pre scription clerk.
COMING-another big shipment of COLUMBIA GRAF. ANOLA RECORDS and Needles. Hear them play at Darsey's.

Misses Cecil Ray and Mabel Francis of Elkhart, were the guests of Mrs. Wm. Gee, the latter part of last week.

Overalls, work pants and ALL LEATHER work shoes, the kind hat keep your feet dry, at McLean \& Riall's.

## WANTED

Board and room with private family; will pay reasonable price or reasonable accommodation. Enquire at this office.

Mrs. J. B. King of Palestine, came in Monday morning to see her father, L. Q. Browning, who has been quite sick with pneu monia.

Just unloaded a car of G. A Kelly plows. See us for prices before purchasing elsewhere. Stalk-cutters, planters and cultivators. W. H. Long \& Co. it

## WOODMEN CIRCLE

Woodmen Circle will meet a hall Friday afternoon a 3 o'clock, to install officers and initiate a ew member. Guardian. Guardian.

## FOR SALE

We have a scholarship for sale in the Tyler Commercial College. If you are thinking of taking a business course, see us.

The Messenger.

## THRIFT THOUGHT

Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. Economy is one of the important factors in an effective vigilance. Buy all of your goods from us and conserve your cash supply.

Mrs. Ed Marsh of Dallas, and Mrs. Swanson Yarbrough of Palestine, are here on a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yarbrough.

## HUGHES \& SON AUTO SHOP

We are prepared to do your auto work and will appreciate your patronage. Right treatment to all. Located in old livery stable building. Calls answered anywhere. Phone us at any time. $\qquad$ $48 \cdot \mathrm{tf}$
N. H. Montgomery, W. H Long, Turner Skidmore and T. H. Leaverton were elected as the road advisory committee in the election held December 29, on the east side of the railroad when $\$ 20,000$ in bonds were
voted to build roads. We failed to mention the fact at the time.

In these times of high prices and scarcity of goods, it behooves you to get the most pos sible out of every dollar you spend. We come as near giving you full value for your money as anybody. Try us and see. $\begin{array}{cc}\text { anybody. Try us and see. } \\ 47 \cdot \mathrm{tf} & \text { W. R. Wherry. }\end{array}$

## COTTON REPCRT

There were 31,311 bales of cotton ginned in Houston county from the crop of 1917, prior to January 1, 1918, as compared with 19,066 bales ginned to Jan uary $1,1917$.

The valuable prizes offered by The Messenger in our great popular voting contest, will delight any young lady, and they are well worth working for. Clip the nomination blank and put this minute.

## Save

1-wheat use more corn 2-meat use more fish \& beans 3-Eats use just enough 4 -sugar use syrups

## and serve the cause of freedom

## ATTENTION, LADIES

To the first 100 ladies calling at our store and making any sort of purchase we will give, absolutely free, a practical cook book, prepared by one of the world's most famous Domestic Science authorities, Janet McKenzie Hill, editor Boston Cooking School Magazine.

The book contains over 200 pages and retails for $\$ 1$. Yours for the asking.

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and remember we have plenty of

## Heavy Underwear <br> that will heep you waim at the old price of 75c a gamment

SHOES--Our stock of shoes are the BEST and the prices can't be beat, as all of our winter shoes were bought last spring. Come to see me and TAKE CARE OF YOUR FEET AND THE BODY WILL TAKE CARE OF ITSELF

PLOW GOODS--My line is complete--Traces, Backbands, Clevises, Shovel Plows, Single Trees, in fact, everything you need.
Plenty of Poultry Wire, Hog Net Wire, Barb Wire, Nails, Staples, Locks and Hinges for your doors and gates.

Plenty of SALT
Come to see me and remember QUALITY IS THE THING

## T. S. KENT <br> Quality is the Thing

## WANTED TO BUY

I am now in the market for several car loads of old scrap iron and other kinds of junk. See me for prices and sell me what you have.
tf
J. W. Howard.

We build more milage into your old casings. You may think your old casing is gone, but we may be able to repair it and save you from buying a new one. We have an up-to-date vul canizer and guarantee our work. canizer and guarantee our work Guice's Garage.

## LOST

In Grapeland Saturday, January 19, a gold watch, leather fob, charm on fob, name and address engraved in back of case Return to George E. Darsey' store and receive reward. 48.1tp Tandy Dailey.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rates-Cash in Advance. County Offices Precinct Offices................. $\$ 300$ District Offices .................. $\$ 1200$ Congress .................... $\$ 2000$
The Messenger is authorized make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July: For County Judge:

## Nat Patton.

or Sheriff :
Preston Lively.
or Tax Assessor :
Will McLean.
For County Road Superintendent G. R. Murchison.


PEANUT HAY WANTED Wiil pay $\$ 25.00$ per ton

LETTER FROM H. A. TYER
Milwaukee, Wis., Jan.12, 1918. ditor Messenger I am snow bound, tied up, here in the great passenger station of the Chicago, Milwaukee \& St. Paul Railway. The trains are under the long shed, the steam going down and traffic at a standstill. The snow is now deeper
than ever known here before and than ever known here before and
the storm raging. It seems as the storm raging.
if it will never stop.
There are many people here in this mighty station waiting, wishing and asking "when will we get out?" The ticket agent is not selling a ticket, but answering one question after another. His answer is, "I do not know when we will move a train; can not, nor will we try train; can not, nor wil
until the storm is over."
It seems to me as if people It seems to me as if people
from every station in life's battle are here. As for example: there is the sailor boy, dressed in his uniform, talking to a girl. She looks as if she would be glad to have the storm continue, while there is an anxious look on his face. I suppose his time is up and he must get back to the camp. There is a middle aged man, very anxious to get to
Chicago. He looks like a traveling man, and I suppose he wants to get home. The station agent tells him "no train today." Over
here is a man and his wife. They here is a man and his wife. They are very desirous of getting to Madison; must get home as the children are looking for them; and when they are told "no train today," they almost "throw a fit." I see an old lady, he hair as white as the driven snow
She is to go on an early train Her son and his wife came to the train with her. The young lady
is "primping" the old lady up is "primping" the old lady up
but when they learn "no train today," they all lock arms, face the storm and go away. Ther
is an old man with a big fu is an old man with a big fur
overcoat. He must get out for
home bome, as they will not know what
to think if he fails to show up today; but when he learns "no train today," the look on his face
is indescribable. Then there is is indescribable. Then there is
the woman and the little gir!, all the woman and the little girl, al

## Personal Appearance

Everybody Notices It


It's a fact--you can not waik along the street or road without some one taking note of your personal appearance. And personal appearance is a great asset is this world. Your efforts are discounted if you don't stack up in appearance. You can not impress your personality on the public if you shamble around in a "mussy" suit of clothes. You should have your suits regularly

## Cleaned and Pressed

Correct, neat appearance is evidence of a concise, orderly mind. Slovenliness without begets sluggishness within.

Don tiscard the old suit until you bring it to us. Let us see what we can do for it first. It - may pay you well.

M. L. CLEWNIS

# WAR <br> SAVINGS STAMPS <br> BUYTHEMNOW! 

Because the cost increases every month after the 31st day of January, 1918. The sooner you buy the less they cost.
The cost is as follows:---


Every stamp helps to save a life--Every stamphelps to win the war Many of our boys are offering their lives; all you are asked to do is to lend your money to the government. You get it back with 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly.

On Sale at the Postoffice
for there is "no train today" world must set up and take notice of him. He has on the standingle of clothes-a high standing collar, a derby hat, big
tortoise-rimmed eye.glasses, a walking cane, but it is right in"there is no train today." There there is no train today." There is the young lady, all dressed up
as if she is going to a wedding as if she is going to a wedding
or some other great function She has her wraps, furs, muff, ruffles, etc. To look at her miff, would think it took her five hours to "dike up," and then to be told lapes. Then, here is a man who looks very much like Mr. J. J. Brooks, and when te is told "no train today," he just smiles and turns to the man next to him and says: "This is the first time I ever was from home and did not
get back, and I still believe I will get back this time. May be not
get today, but some time sure." And I think he will. One more: Here is a man, his wife and little boy. They seem to be stranded; have a sad look and no doubt are a long way from home, and when looked like he wished he was looked like he jished he or in congress. The dead, in jail or in congress. The wossibly think of sur possibly think of having to stay in this depot or in Mitwaukee for another day or so
And so it goes, and hundreds and hundreds of others, and the storm still raging and getting colder and colder every minute.
H. A. Tyer. vuicanizing
We wish to inform auto owners that we have installed an up-to date vulcanizer and can now re price. Don't throw away old ting them from the factory out costs of selling.
casings but bring them to us into the hands of the final con- This all works to the best inand have then fixed.

Are payable at sight. We always carry a cash reserve large enough to meet all de-mands. Have your account here and your checks will give you an added standing with your creditors. Be up to date by having an account with an up-to-date bank.
Farmers \& Merchants

## State Bank

## Advertising Makes for Lower Prices distribution include, depends

 upon the method of distribution;dete vanizer and can now re- the costs pair your casings and put them large element in the total cost of quantities and to turn their in good shape at a reasonable most products is the cost of get- stocks oftener, resulting in lower

| Guice's Garage. | sumer. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Just what items the costs of | terests of the consumer-a lower |
| retail price.-Farm and Ranch. |  |

Among the many forces tend ing to raise the cost of living, it is encouraging to find one other whose tendency is in the opposite direction.
Advertising is the friend of prices. By leading to greater volume of sales, it makes possible the economies of large scale production omies of large scale production resulting in a lower cost of pro a per unit. in general, most products pass through the hands of the jobber and then through the retailer to the consumer. This path from the consumer might be called the chaznel of distriution.
The effect of advertising is to essen the resistance to the flow of the product through this channel. That is, the advertising enables both the jobber and the re

## Checks on This Bank



## $\$ 300.00$ WORTH OF <br> Valuable Prizes

Given away in The Grapeland Messenger's Contest in a Short time. The Closing Date of the Contest will be announced in a few days.

## Why and How we Can Do It

W E will actually give away four prizes that are worth $\$ 300.00$ to the four persons receiving the largest number of votes in a contest we have started. The reason why we can do this is because we get new subscriptions and renewals from old subscribers by running the contest. Subscriptions are secured that would cost us more than they are worth if we got them in the regular course of our work. The money we would spend is put into the prizes and given to the contestants for the work we wish done, and The Messenger will be talked of in hundreds of homes and its popularity will be increased and its subscription list more than doubled.
The conest will be honestly conducted and there is no trick about it. We want the thorough co-operation and enthusiasm of the people of this territory, and we guarantee value received.

## SOME OF TEE RULES

Anybody, married or single, is eligible to compete in this contest, provided the conditions are complied with.

Every contestant must be reg. ularly nominated on the nomination blank printed in The Messenger or one furnished by this office.
Ballots sent in for names not properly nominated will be destroyed uncounted.
Any question that may arise will be determined by the contest manager and his decision will be final and complete.

To secure votes, subscriptions to The Messenger must be paid. There is no other way to get them.
Votes can be cast at The Messenger office any time from 9 o'clock a. m. until 5 p . m. on any week day while the contest is on.
This contest is being conducted for subscriptions, and there will be no partiality shown any one. "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none" is our motto.

## Every Worker Wins a Prize

Every person entering the contest and working until its close will be given a prize according to the work accomplished. A worker not winning one of the prizes will be rewarded for what she does. Our contest is a square deal for everybody and could
not be otherwise, as the persons becoming contestants take the management of it in their own hands. Each one appoints a judge and the judges are authorized to count the votes and deliver the

Nomination Blank
Good for 1000 Votes
I hereby nominate
M
whose postoffice address is

AS A CONTESTANT IN THE MESSENGER'S CONTEST
My name is.
Hour and date
The first five nominations count for 1000 votes each if they are signed
It Does Not Cost a Penny to Nominate Yourself or Your Friend.

## HOW TO SECURE VOTES

Votes are secured in this con test by paying subscriptions to The Grapeland Messenger.

Contestants are not restricted to getting suscriptions in any certain territory, but may get them in any part of Texas or the United States. Every time a cash subscription is receive votes will be issued.
Ballots cannot be bought. They are obtained in one way only-by paying cash to The Messenger on subscription.

Valuation of Subscriptions and How Votes Will Be Given

1 Year $\$ 1.50 \ldots . . . . .500$ Votes 2 Years $3.00 \ldots \ldots \ldots 1200$ Votes Years $4.50 \ldots \ldots . .2100$ Votes 4 Years $6.00 \ldots \ldots \ldots 3200$ Votes
5 Years $7.50 \ldots \ldots .5000$ Votes

## The Prizes Are Valuable

and well worth working for. They will be described in the next issue of the Messenger. Nomination blanks will be printed in the paper and in circular form. No one will be allowed to win more than one prize. And should there be a tie for anyone of them each candidate will own a half interest in the prize in question and may arrange a settlement in their own way. No one connected with the paper nor the contest manager will count the votes, but each contestant will be represented by a judge at the close of the contest. The judges selected by the contestants themselves will count the ballots and declare the result, and there is no possible chance for fraud. No one connected with the paper or contest manager will be allowed to become a contestant.

# Arrived this Week 

A big shipment of Men's Hats in all the latest styles and colors that will please you for your mid-season purchase, and we ask that you call and see them.

Misses' and Boys' Shirts
In our shirt department you will flnd the very best line of shirts that we ever bought, and the very latest patterns that are being shown in dress shirts. allow us to show them to you.

## Dress Goods

You will find in our Dress Goods Department all the good values for this season that any store can show, and if you need anything in this line call and allow us to show you what he have.

## Trunks and Suit Cases

We have a few Trunks and Suit Cases that are extra good values for the money, and you will make no mistake in buying one of these Trunks or Suit cases.

## Men's and Boys' Caps

You will find a big assortment of men's and boys' caps now on display, and they are sure to please .if you will call and look them over.

## Matting

Just received a big shipment of Matting that we are offering at a price that wili please you If you want Matting come and make your selection.

## Misses' Hose

Iron Clad hose are on display at our heqsiery department and you do not need to be told how good they are, for you know they are the best and they are priced to please. You will always find the very best here and we ask that you give us a call when you want to buy hose.

## KENNEDY BROTHERS

american tractors now in FRANCE
 on her old men, women and go to that country from the Uuited States. The first hun and the whole number will be in France by March, in time for
the spring plowing. Deck space was provided for the first ship. ment on a naval transport. ganized.
The acreage sown to crops in the uninvaded portion of France in 1917 than in 1913, or 24.4 per cent. The increased production through the use of trac tors this year is expected to
greatly improve the food situa. tion.

## OUR HONOR ROLL

## The following have our thank

 or their subscriptions:Grapeland--Speer Darsey Byron Maxwell.
Route
Weisinger, H. As Skin
Percilla-Mrs. Jepnie Sewel Crockett-J. A. Bynum, Wil McLean.
Bryan-Mrs. J. H. Morehead by N. S. Herod.
Electra-Willie Taylor, (col.)
Palestine-Geo. Scarborough

## Save the Hens

Every pullet and young hen sold for food this winter means reduction of from five to twelve dozen eggs in the potential egg


 Here's an old fashtoned rectpe for
corn muffins that has recently been revived and used with unusual success In several of the larger New York ho-
tels: To make three and a half dozen tels: To make three and a half dozen muffins take one quart millk, slx ounces
butter substitute, twelve ounces of light syrup or honey, four eggs, pinch of salt, two ounces baking powder, one and a half pounds cornmeal and
one and a half pownds rye flour. The butter and syrup should be thouroughly mixed; then add the eggs gradually, Pour in the milk and add the rye flour
mixed with cornmeal and baking pow-

FOLEY HIDNEY PILUS

