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\$1.50 PER YEAR

KEELAND BROS.

TRADE WITH KEELAND BROS And Save Money

5 bushel sack of oats for	\$4.75
100 lb sacks corn chops for	\$3.75
100 lb sacks mill run bran for	\$2.75
High Patent Flour for	\$2.95
Extra High Patent Flour for	\$3.15
Corn meal, per sack	\$1.25
5 gallons best grade coal oil	90c
5 bars of laundry soap for	25c
3 packages Arm & Hammer soda	25c
2 cans of tomatoes for	25c
Blue ribbon cane syrup for	\$1.20
2 cans large size oat meal for	25c

We want to buy your eggs.
Cash or Trade

Keeland Bros.
THE PRICE IS THE THING

Buy Tires for 34 Per Cent Less!



When you go to a tire dealer's store to purchase a tire, what is the chief thing you have in mind? Isn't it this?

"I want a tire that will give me the greatest number of safe, sure, satisfactory service—at the least cost per mile."

That's the only economical way to buy tires.

If your selection is a Hood Extra Ply, you can reduce your tire bill about 34 per cent. Let us illustrate: A well-known 32x4½ tire of so-called standard make guarantees 3,500 miles—yet costs \$50.95.

A Hood Tire of the same size guarantees 6,000 miles for a first cost of only \$14.35 more.

Therefore—on a price basis of so many miles for so many dollars—the Hood really costs you \$22.20 (or about 34 per cent less) than the other.



Put on a Hood to-day
Forget it for a year

You can buy Hood Tires at

W. H. Long & Co.
The Value Giving Store

Some Fine Stock Exhibited in Grapeland Last Saturday

Last Saturday there was exhibited in Grapeland a collection of the finest stock ever seen in this vicinity. J. W. Howard graced the exhibit with his wonderful registered Holstein bull; D. N. Leaverton furnished two of the best cows in this county and in class with any county of Texas, each cow coming from the world's best product in the Holstein-Friesian blood. One of these cows weighs 1580 pounds and gave last season seven gallons of milk. Charlie Haltom showed the best animal coming from a selection of Holstein placed here some time ago. This cow is three years of age and is now producing over five gallons of milk per day. Perhaps the fanciest show was the yearling bull belonging to Dailey Bros. This young fellow is small only in age. He weighs 716 pounds and has not been stall fed for five months.

The show last Saturday clearly demonstrates the possibilities for this section in breeding up the stock of this district. The Grapeland people, ever striving for the best, have worked up a car of pure-bred registered Holstein to be purchased next week in the best markets of the North. It is to be hoped that this is only the beginning of the move and soon we will have our farms supplied with stock that will bring the price, either as milchers or on the open market, and will be of benefit to the farmer as he raises his stock each year.

Centenary Directors Con- gratulate Methodists Success

Rev. J. E. Buttrill, pastor of the Methodist Church of this city is in receipt of the following letter from Mr. R. M. Kelly of Longview, Conference Director of the Centenary drive:

"Your message announcing Grapeland church 'over the top' is to hand. Accept our congratulations to you personally, and congratulations to your church, our sincerest thanks and heartiest congratulations for the splendid work they have done. In this day of serious crisis and of opportunity when a new world is in the making, you and your church have had a fine part. We thank you most heartily."

Rev. J. E. Morgan, Conference Missionary Secretary, writes as follows:

"When I reached home Sunday night I found your letter waiting for me. I am glad you have gone 'over the top' with the Centenary, but that is just as I expected of you and Grapeland. I hear lots of good reports from you and your work."

Effective at Once

From now on we will be able to deliver your meat on Sundays just the same as any other day. Phone us your orders early, as we would like to go to Sunday school at 10 o'clock.

Our place of business will be open promptly at 7 a. m. and close promptly at 10 a. m. Sundays.

City Meat Market,
2t T. W. Lewis, Prop.

Rev. Sams, pastor of the Baptist church of Crockett, was the speaker last Saturday afternoon here for the prohibition amendment to be voted upon next Saturday. He made a ringing speech and severely arraigned the liquor traffic. He seemed to be as much at home on the stump as in the pulpit. Barker Tunstall and his musicians accompanied him and delighted the people with quite a number of vocal and instrumental selections.

SPECIALS

FOR THIS WEEK

DRESS GOODS TENNIS SHOES

MEN'S WORK SHOES

FLOUR, MEAL AND BRAN

HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID
FOR EGGS

Call and get our price
before you buy your
bill of goods.

W. R. WHERRY

Special Prices!

For this week we are offering some
VERY SPECIAL PRICES in

Children's and Misses' Dresses

\$5.00 Dresses at \$3.85

\$3.50 Dresses at \$2.65

\$3.00 Dresses at \$2.25

These prices are below cost of production and represent a great saving to you

SPECIAL--We offer 10 yards of 1 lot of gingham, regular 25 cent grade, for only - \$1.25

20 yards the limit to each customer

Also we have 20 pieces of gingham at an EXTRA SPECIAL PRICE. They are good colors, stylish patterns

Also, we are showing some attractive patterns in Men's Palm Beach Suits at exceedingly low prices.

Coupons are given with each
Cash Purchase at our Store

McLean & Riall
DEPENDABLE MERCHANTS

**Has Sold Admirine
Seventeen Years**

"I have sold Admirine for 17 years and find that it gives my trade the best satisfaction. After selling a bottle of Admirine tonic to a customer, the results will be so satisfactory that the customers will recommend it to their friends. I have had no complaints on it whatever and have found Admirine tonic to be a constant repeater in sales," writes A. K. Haynes, merchant, Razor, Tex.

Admirine
The Body Builder

is a boon to weak, tired, run-down people. A few doses will put you in good condition and make your life a joy instead of a struggle. If you will take Admirine regularly it will only be a short time until you will be feeling well all the time.

Women who have suffered for years are now able to go about their household duties every day and are enjoying better health than they ever thought possible, thanks to Admirine.

Don't go on suffering, when Admirine will give absolute relief.

Admirine is a tonic, a body builder, and contains iron in its most tasty form. No matter what your ailment, this tonic will help you to better health. It builds up the entire system.

Guaranteed by
WADE L. SMITH

Manufactured by
Eucaline Medicine Co.
Dallas, Texas

**Colonel Tom Cronin to Make
Offer For State Railroad**

Palestine, Texas, May 17.—Colonel Tom Cronin, owner of the Bartlett & Northwestern Railway and one the best known railroad men in Texas, will buy the Texas State Railroad if he can get it at a reasonable price. Colonel Cronin, who lives here, is thoroughly familiar with the State road and its difficulties, and thinks he can operate it in such a way as to make it a paying venture. He will go to Austin next Monday, and if a price can be agreed upon will purchase the road and all its rolling stock.

**New 75-Room Hotel Now Being
Planned for Palestine**

Palestine, Texas, May 17.—Plans are under way for a new hotel to be built in this city at once on the site of the old Commercial Hotel, which burned several years ago. Colonel Tom Cronin is the owner of the property and he is now considering building a four or five-story hotel on the lot. It will have about seventy-five rooms.

**Importance of Marketing
Only Infertile Eggs**

It's surprising the amount of preaching it takes to convert some people to simple facts that should be apparent at first thought to the casual observer.

Some of the best thinkers have been trying for years to educate people to the great necessity of producing nothing but sterile eggs in hot weather, but yet it seems that many of our people are still standing in their own light and sleeping on their rights.

The time is right here now when good fresh eggs or fresh meat will be at a premium.

In winter there is plenty of fresh meats of all kinds and eggs will keep for long periods also, but not so in hot weather. A fertile egg will begin to germinate (form an embryo) in about three days' time after being laid when the temperature is summer heat. This causes a terrible waste of what would otherwise be good human food.

I learn from reliable sources that only about one-half of the eggs sold by producers in summer reaches the consumer.

Do you realize that we farming people bear the entire loss in the long run?

There is only one way to stop the leak that is to keep the eggs fresh until they can be used. We farmers cannot do it all, but by separating the male birds from the flock we can market eggs that will hold up two or three weeks in the hottest weather and by that time they will either be used or placed in cold storage.

People are naturally inclined to ask, "What will we get for this extra trouble?" If they would figure what they won't get if they don't go to this extra trouble the answer would be easy.

Eggs are now thirty cents and better here in Grapeland. That's not a very satisfactory price compared with the cost of feed and other staple stuff. The price of eggs are very little, possibly five cents, more than they were four years ago, yet corn has risen more than one hundred per cent. A ten pound pail of lard that cost us one dollar and fifty cents five years ago is worth two dollars and a half now.

There seems to be a mix-up on eggs at both ends of the line.

There is a determined effort to keep the price of eggs from going as high as other stuff.

Eggs are 41c wholesale in Houston now and broiler chicks 60c a pound. Eggs weigh one and one-half pounds per dozen and broilers about one pound each. Not a good showing for eggs. But "there's a reason." The chick will keep and the eggs won't. There is little to be made selling eggs at the present price. The present price will likely be maintained and will probably be better, provided we sell only sterile eggs, otherwise the price will drop fifty per cent.

Let's all pull together and keep

the egg market of Grapeland from going to the bad.

Stamping outfits can be had at Keeland Bros. No eggs should be stamped until the roosters have been off the yard at least two weeks.

Now this, and we close. There should be a "circle" meeting, a president and secretary should be elected and some rules and regulations drawn up, but personally I have not the time to attend to it. Would be glad if some public spirited fellow would take hold of this matter. Everybody should be interested. It's worth while, and we have no ax of our own to grind. And that we have written is submitted to the public, hoping that the people may profit thereby.

We market enough eggs to ship them by the case without any co-operation, but the people of Grapeland and the people who make Grapeland their trading point should all join hands and make this move a success.

Very respectfully,
W. R. Durnell.

Timely Poultry Notes

Do not overlook the fact that the chicks must have shade. If there is no natural shade for them to stay under during the heated part of the day, be sure and provide sufficient for their needs.

One of the most important factors in keeping young chicks growing is good, clean, fresh water in vessels. As the days get warmer care should be taken to change the water as often as required to keep it clean and fresh.

Avoid overcrowding growing chicks. A coop, brooder, or colony house that was large enough to hold the baby chicks is not large enough after two or more months, depending on the breed and growth. It is absolutely necessary that growing chicks have plenty of room to grow. Cockerels that are sufficiently large should be disposed of. Chicks that have not shown proper growth should also be separated and leg or wing banded. Many of these chicks, even the pullets should be marketed. Only the good, strong vigorous specimens should be retained as breeders and layers, as these are the only ones that can return a profit.

Growing chicks will not eat too much if they have plenty of range so they can get the desired exercise. A good growing mash should be accessible at all times for growing chicks. Such a mash should contain plenty of bone meal, ground very fine, and fine-ground oats and barley. Be sure to have the mash ground very fine.

Growing chicks that are kept closely confined need much greater attention along all lines than those that have range. See that they have plenty of green feeds that have not wilted down to almost the decaying point and that the yards are kept sweet. Culling also is more essential when chicks are closely confined.

Do not forget to look over the young chicks from time to time for lice and mites. Hot weather is the paradise for lice and mites. So be careful, be sure, don't be sorry. Look out for lice.

Slow-growing, weak chicks should be culled during May and June. Those which have prominent physical defects, such as very crooked tails or are lame or otherwise deformed so that they are handicapped for future development and egg laying should be culled out. All males, except those needed for breeding purposes, should be gotten rid of as soon as possible.

The Prune Ascending Rapidly

The poor man's favorite fruit, the prune, which has risen in price from 15 cents to 35 cents a pound, may become a rare delicacy, unless Idaho's prune crop, worth millions of dollars, can be saved from the red spider which now infests the trees. Even dried apples, the standby of 40 years ago, cost real money these days. There appears to be only one way out, let folks raise and can their own "sass."



AND THIS IS HOW:

In the first place, when you tell men you have an account with this bank, when they see your checks with our name printed on them, that adds to your commercial prestige. Another thing, this bank will accommodate you financially in many ways as time goes on.

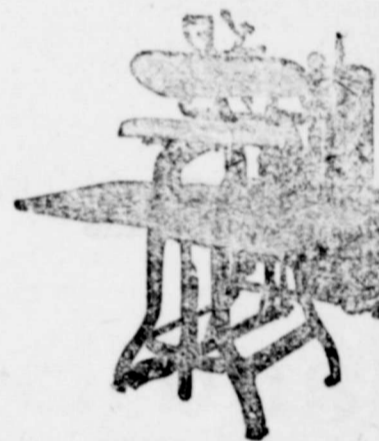
—Open an Account with us—

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS
STATE BANK**

Prompt Service!

Courtesy and prompt attention are bringing us trade that often times has to go out of its way to get here.

We are striving to give our customers the very best service possible, and we will appreciate a share of your business.



**CLEANING AND PRESSING THE HOFFMAN WAY IS
THE SANITARY WAY**

Bring your suit to us, we will clean and press it. We also mend your old clothes for you.

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Sores and Wounds on the limbs or body should not be neglected. They quickly become ulcers and are hard to cure.

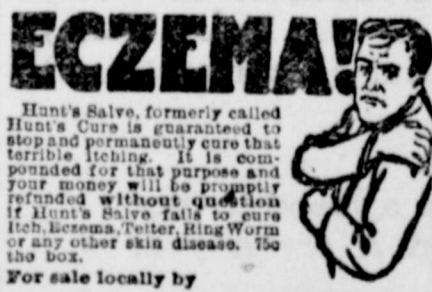
**BALLARD'S
SNOW LINIMENT**

Heals Quickly

It is an excellent remedy to keep in the house for prompt use when accidents occur. Try it for Cuts, Wounds, Sores, Galls, Swellings, Chafed Skin, Sore Feet, Oak or Ivy Poisoning. It is good for human or animal flesh. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle.

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

FOR SALE BY D. N. LEAVERTON



ECZEMA!

Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is guaranteed to stop and permanently cure that terrible itching. It is compounded for that purpose and your money will be promptly refunded without question if Hunt's Salve fails to cure Itch, Eczema, Tetter, Ring Worm or any other skin disease. See the box.

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WADE L. SMITH

FOR SALE

A scholarship in Tyler Commercial College. If you are thinking of taking a business course, it will pay to communicate with us.

The Messenger,
Grapeland, Texas.

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Veterinarian

Telephone the Goodson
Hotel or Drug Stores

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**FIRE ACCIDENT
HEALTH LIFE**

Written in the Best Companies

H. A. LEAVERTON
Office over Kennedy Bros. Store

**It's the Little Things
that Count**

- A little better timber
- A little better grade
- A little better finish
- A little smoother board
- A little neater job
- A little better idea
- A little more style
- A little more service

—and of course—

A little more for your money

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER COMPANY

BROOKS BROS. GARAGE

Important Notice

TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:

We wish to call your attention to the fact that on and after June 1 that all —

WORK AND PARTS WILL BE STRICTLY CASH

Under no circumstances will we charge anything. We hope that you will look at this as a business proposition, as it takes up our time to go out and collect these accounts.

While we appreciate your business, yet if you are not in a position to pay cash, we had rather not have it.

So please remember that if you ask us for credit we will have to refuse you.

Brooks Bros.
Authorized Ford Service

SHRAPNEL

By Rekul

The consumers of sweets are very sour about the new luxury tax.

The reason why most of us do not enjoy loafing is because we can't afford it.

If we should try to return good for all evil some folks hand us we would be awfully busy-bodies.

A fellow who has any snap in him is not the one who is always looking for a snap.

Some people are preparing for the "back to the farm movement" by stocking up with hammocks, porch swings, etc.

The fourteen hour a day farmer is trying hard to be sympathetic with the sufferings of the eight hour shop worker.

The time a man misses a college education most is when his first born attains the question asking age.

About the only hard work some people perform is to work like the deuce in the endeavor to escape work.

At present prices the consumer humbly walks up to the meat market and timidly asks for a small quantity of the kind of meat he used to buy for dog food.

Reading that a stained glass window fell and killed a worshiper at Trenton, N. J., many men will probably conclude that it is dangerous to attend church.

People never have any difficulty in "getting even" with a newspaper man—they can always "stop the paper." And that's another argument in favor of subscribing.

Some people have always complained that there was nothing doing in Grapeland, but mighty few of these knockers are to be found among those who have put over the victory loan other war drives.

In answer to an inquiry received from a young lady of Crockett, we inform her that these advanced young women with ears carefully covered are not protecting their ears from getting torn off at a football game, but are merely following the present style of hair dressing.

Graduation Exercises

The Grapeland high school will soon come to a close, then comes graduation.

Friday night, May 30, the first of the exercises will be held at the auditorium, which consists of a play by the graduates, interspersed with music and other numbers.

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Dr. J. C. Oehler of Palestine will preach the baccalaureate sermon, and Monday night the graduates will receive their diplomas. Dr. Robert A. Law, adjunct professor of English, University of Texas, will deliver the address to the graduates.

The class is composed of six girls: Misses Cora Mae Willis, Helen Montgomery, Eura Woodard, Minnie Lee Hague, Loreta Sadler and Adabel Leaverton.

At Davis Cemetery

The annual memorial service will be held at Davis cemetery Friday, May 30. An appropriate program has been arranged for the day, and those attending are requested to bring dinner. Services will begin at 10 o'clock. The committee also requests that those who have special songs to bring books.

Mrs. Laura Goodson returned Sunday from San Angelo, where she had been to visit her sister, and reports a most enjoyable visit.

Drink
Coca-Cola
DELICIOUS and REFRESHING

The taste is the test of Coca-Cola quality. The flavor is the quality itself.

Nobody has ever been able to successfully imitate it, because its quality is indelibly registered in the taste of the American public.

Demand the genuine by full name — nicknames encourage substitution.



THE COCA-COLA CO.
ATLANTA, GA.

Sold Everywhere

Messenger Editor Rewarded For Work in Liberty Loan

Dallas, Texas, May 15, 1919.

Editor Messenger:

Now that the Victory Loan is a thing of the past, one of the most pleasant recollections is the hearty co-operation received from the newspapers.

We wish it were possible to show in a tangible way how much your help has been appreciated. In fact Mr. Frank M. Smith, Director of the Eleventh Federal District has kindly arranged for us to remember you in a small way.

The enclosed medal made from captured German cannon is sent you as a little souvenir of the Victory Loan and also as a memento of the great world war.

Very cordially yours
F. P. Clayton,
Director of Publicity.

LIBERTY BONDS

We will buy them if you want to sell.

Farmers & Merchants State Bank
Grapeland, Texas.

666 has proven it will cure Malaria, Chills and Fever, Bilious Fever, Colds and LaGrippe. It kills the parasite that causes the fever. It is a splendid laxative and general Tonic.—

President Confident Men Will Enfranchise Women

Washington, May 16.—Confidence that the men of Texas "will render gallant justice" to the women of the State in the forthcoming referendum on woman suffrage was expressed by President Wilson in a cable to Mrs. Minnie F. Cunningham, president of the Woman Suffrage association, made public Friday at headquarters of the National American Woman Suffrage association.

"I am looking forward with the greatest interest," said the president's cable "to the referendum of May 24 on woman suffrage and entertain the confident hope that the men of Texas will by a very great majority render gallant justice to women of the State."

Span of Life Doubled

The average length of life in the 16th century was 21 years. It is now 45 years. But today in India, where living conditions greatly resemble those of medieval times, the average length of life still is only 24 years. Through better knowledge and sanitation, medical science has doubled the span of life in the civilized world within less than a hundred years.

666 has more imitations than any other Chill and Fever Tonic on the market, but no one wants imitations. They are dangerous things in the medicine line.—

Bring all of Your PRESCRIPTIONS to us for the Best Attention

Greatest Care—Moderate Prices

We take exceptional pride in our prescription department.

The purest drugs—the greatest care in compounding them—the honest adherence to every instruction—are all absolutely necessary to give you exactly what the doctor has directed.

Your life may be endangered by the slightest mistake. So go where you know your prescriptions will be handled in an absolutely scientific and proper manner.

We give prompt attention to all prescriptions. Thus you do away with needless delay.

D. N. LEAVERTON
LEADING DRUGGIST

Penalty for Failure or Refusal to Dip Cattle

Art. 1284 K Revised civil Statutes of Texas provides as follows to-wit: Any person, company or corporation owning, controlling or caring for any domestic animal or animals, which are located in any territory quarantined, and Houston county, lies in this quarantined area, through the provision of this act, or by the order of the Live Stock Sanitary Com. of Texas, who shall refuse or fail to dip such live stock at such time and in such manner as directed by the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, shall be fined in any sum not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00, and each day of such failure or refusal shall be a separate offense. Act of March 6th 1917.

Crockett, Texas, May 14, 1919. To the Citizenship of Houston County:

The commissioners Court of your county is desirous of co-operating with you in completely eradicating the fever tick this year. The expense of the tick eradication is something enormous costing the Tax payers of the county in round numbers more than a thousand dollars a month. In order to get the quarantine raised from this county it will be necessary for every body to dip their cattle. We are taking the liberty to quote you herewith the law as it now exists. We therefore ask you to lend us every aid in this matter and by so doing we can this year stop this expense. Any information that you may desire in this matter will be cheerfully furnished you by the State Live Stock Representative, Mr. John D. Morgan.

Very respectfully,
Commissioners Court of Houston County.
(By Nat Patton County Judge.)

Like Any Other Contract

If the nations wish to destroy the Peace League they can easily do it, but if they want it to live and grow, they have only to give it their earnest good will. This is at the bottom of every other contract or agreement. If the people of the world prefer peace to war and they all do, they will keep a vigilant eye on the fidelity of their governments to the League.

Bright Future For Hog Raising in Southern States

In Mississippi the number of hogs has increased 56 per cent in four years. Seventeen counties in Southern Alabama last year shipped over 2,300 cars of hogs. Like stories of the great expansion in hog production come from all parts of the South, from Virginia to Texas. Shapely Durocs, Poland-Chinas, Berkshires and Hampshires are replacing the razorbacks, and good feeding and care are coming to be recognized as essential in profitable hog production.

All of this expansion and development is nothing but natural for the fact is that the South is probably better suited to hog-raising than any other part of the United States. Our mild climate and long growing season make possible the production of a wide variety of crops for hog feeding, and the cheapness with which these crops may be grown almost insures cheap pork production. During the next ten years we expect to see in the South a still greater expansion of the hog-raising industry, for prices promise to remain good, and even when prices fall, the Southern hog grower who follows the right method can remain in the business and prosper longer than the man in the North possibly can.

For the farmer who will get a good breed, who will learn what the best and cheapest hog crops are and how to grow them in abundance, and who will work with his neighbors to sell in carlots, few lines of farming are more attractive than hog-raising.—The Progressive Farmer.

At Brown Cemetery

The Messenger is requested to announce that memorial services will be held at Brown cemetery Friday June 6. Dinner will be served on the ground. Speakers on the program include J. F. Lively, C. A. Campbell, N. S. Herod and W. F. Murchison.

Teachers' Examination

A teachers' examination will be held in Crockett the first Friday and Saturday in June, which will be the 6th and 7th. J. H. Rosser, Co. Supt.

THE MESSENGER

A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

Entered in the Postoffice every Thursday as second class mail matter

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- 6 Months75
- 3 Months40

Subscribers ordering a change of address should give the old as well as the new address.

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Our Advertising Rates are reasonable and Rate Card cheerfully furnished upon application.

Phones—Farmers Union System
Office 51
Residence 11

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1919

FAIRNESS THE FOUNDATION

The only basis on which you can build a secure social foundation is honesty and fairness. One reason why Germany collapsed so suddenly was the prevalence of injustice. Wealthy Germans were pretty well fed during the war. They could get all they wanted through underground channels and in violation of fair dealing and the regulations, simply by paying for it. When the common people of Germany realized they had been fooled and lied to, they dropped their guns and quit. In this way Germany is being made to pay for her fundamental dishonesty. Had the German government and upper classes dealt fairly and honestly, their government would not have disappeared in a night. Imagine the howl in this country had the wealthy people defied government orders as the wealthy Germans did. A higher standard of fairness does prevail here. In so far as this sense of fairness pervades all daily life, laws and institutions are secure.

RAILROADS LOSING MONEY

If the taking over of the railroads by the United States Government was "a great Socialistic experiment," as some have declared, it is certainly not a successful one thus far. The Government has been utterly unable to run the railroads as well or as economically as private enterprise did run them. Where private management made a small profit for the owners, Government management makes heavy losses. And this notwithstanding greatly increased rates for freight and passengers. Every business seems to require the supervision of men who are personally interested in its success. "Everybody's business is nobody's business."

According to a report just made by Walker D. Hines, U. S. Director-General of Railroads, the Government lost \$192,000,000 on the roads in the first three months of 1919. Yet the Director-General is opposed to increasing fares and freight rates. He holds out hope that the roads may do better later in the year.

The express companies too, under Government management, are losing about \$20,000,000 a year, though charging higher rates.

THE EFFICIENCY OF ADVERTISING

Any trade method that merchants have found helpful over a long period of years is pretty apt to be based on sound economic law. Therefore the people who claim that advertising adds to the cost of the goods have got to explain away the fact that for generations the most enterprising business men have consistently used advertising.

We were recently looking over a newspaper that has been published a century. Away back before the civil war, that paper was publishing a lot of advertising. Almost any of the old papers would make a similar showing.

The people that feel that advertising is valueless are attacking one of the foundation principles of business success.

We shall deal with the efficiency of advertising in a series of short articles and it will be interesting to consider what trade conditions would be in a non-advertising community and how the introduction of the advertising spirit affects sales, prices and service.

Boosting our town may not make it grow, but it will help.

Write prohibition into the constitution by your ballot on the 24th of May.

Grapeland ought to inaugurate a clean-up campaign before the summer gets too far advanced.

The world is gradually becoming accustomed to peace, but the idea of the bolshevists is to prevent any such calmity.

Since reading over the peace terms, no doubt Germany now realizes what it cost her to conquer the world!

After July 1 back yard gardeners will have to make frequent trips to the cellar to fix their tools.

According to the bolshevists, if the capitalistic and dangerous practice of saving money can only be stopped, all social evils will be done away with.

The stories of heroism that drift home with the troops are encouraging to Americans. When put up against the best trained army of the world the dough boys went through the line and kicked the goal.

The four constitutional amendments to be voted upon May 24 are: Prohibition, Woman Suffrage, Raising the Governor's salary and lending the State's credit to citizens who are heads of families to acquire or improve homes.

Just a little time and money put into trees and shrubs will transform any home. It is the vineclad porch and the tree shaded dwelling that wins the heart. The home nestled in neatly kept shrubbery will never lack purchasers if it comes on the market.

To Entertain Soldiers

News dispatches announce that the 36th Division will sail May 25, and the 90th Division early in June. This makes it almost certain that these divisions will be demobilized early in July, and that most of Grapeland's boys will be at home by that time.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Stewards of the Methodist church, held last Monday night, a resolution was passed that some kind of public entertainment and reception be arranged for their home-coming.

The resolution authorized the social service committee, Wade L. Smith, chairman, to ask the other churches of the town to appoint a like committee and the three committees to get together and work out the details of this reception and have it for the entire community backed by the churches of the town.

Amount Practically Raised

The Centenary assessment assigned to the Methodist church of this city, amounting to \$4,466, to be paid in five annual installments, has been practically all subscribed, according to the figures compiled by the Board of Stewards. Some subscriptions have not yet been reported but it is expected that all will be in by the time the drive is over, which is next Sunday, May 25.

Wearing Good Clothes

Selecting **satisfactory** clothes is apt to be a troublesome job unless you follow a regular rule.

You will see others who are **sometimes** dressed well.

You will see some men who **always** get good clothes.

How can **you** be sure of hitting the bull's-eye every time?

By making it your **regular** rule to buy your clothes at the Styleplus Store.

Then you will get style: Snap and swing for the smart dressers. A good appearance for mature men.

Then you will get quality: Styleplus and other suits we sell have the dependable quality that is built on reliable fabric and materials carefully tailored.

Then you will pay a Moderate price: For Styleplus even now cost no more than was always considered reasonable for **good** clothes.

Come to our store today and see our showing of Styleplus Clothes at\$25, \$30, \$35 & \$40
Genuine Palm Beach Suits at\$12.50 & \$15
Tropicloths, Mohairs and Woolens at\$12.50 to \$20



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Cool Garments for Hot Days

Our line of Men's, women's and children's underwear is complete.

- Men's genuine B. V. D. Union Suits Athletic)\$1.75
- Men's Kerry Kut Union Suits (Athletic)\$1.50
- Men's Monarch Brand Union Suits (Athletic)\$1.00
- Men's Athletic Shirts and Drawers each25c & 50c
- Men's Night Shirts, exceptional quality\$1.50 & \$1.75

Our showing for ladies includes: Knit vests; Knit Union Suits (all style); Sealpax Athletic Union Suits; Muslin Under garments; Muslin and crepe gowns; Corset Covers; Brassieres; Kabo live model corsets.

We have a complete size range in the best selling colors of Men's, Women's and Children's Silk and Cotton Hosiery



There's a difference

in Oxfords. You'll notice it when you wear Florsheims; they are made to fit—ready to wear with comfort at every step—no chafing or slipping at the heel. That's why Florsheim Oxfords are so popular.

Exclusive agency The Florsheim Shoe.

Geo E. Darsey & Co.

SERVICE FIRST STORE

LOCAL ITEMS

Any kind of syrup at Howard's

RENEW TODAY! Tomorrow you may forget it.

Buy your Searchlight matches at Howard's at 5c per box.

You can get native June seed corn at Murray & Mangum's.

W. E. Keeland spent last Friday in Houston on business.

Call at Murray & Mangum's for native June seed corn.

The big one won't get away if your fishing tackle was selected from Darsey's new stock.

John Zackary of Palestine visited his parents in the Hays Spring community Sunday.

Plant some June corn. We have the seed. Murray & Mangum.

Plenty of ladies' waists, silk hose and misses' and children's hose at J. F. Lively's.

If you know a local news item phone it to the Messenger office. Farmers Union Phone No. 51.

Standard patterns are guaranteed. You will find a big lot of the best selling numbers at Darsey's.

For Sale

Good milk cow with young calf. B. Dickson, Grapeland, Route 3.

Miss Willie Browing left last week for Forsythe, Ga., where she will spend a month visiting relatives.

Will Trade You—

A 2 1/2 inch wide tire Leudinghaus wagon for a 3 inch wagon. W. T. Pridgen, Route 3.

See J. F. Lively for oats, bran, shorts, chops, meal and flour. Just unloaded a car of the famous Kimble's Best Flour—none better.

Jersey Bull For Sale

A young Jersey Bull for sale. A bargain for some one. Cash or terms. George E. Darsey.

Take a Columbia Grafanola with you on that camping trip this summer. You will find them in convenient sizes at Darsey's at \$20 and \$32.50. For list of some of the newest Records read our ad on last page.

A. P. Tims of Slocum was here Friday afternoon, bringing Mrs. Tims to take the train for Houston. Mr. Tims said that a very hard rain fell at Slocum Thursday, doing some damage, and was accompanied by a severe electrical storm.

See those silk skirts at—
J. F. Lively's

For pants, shoes, underwear, etc., call at Howard's.

Produce sellers get more at—
McLean & Riall's.

A full line of Capitol Stock Remedies at Howard's.

Plenty of all kinds of feed stuff at McLean & Riall's.

Will save you money on your feed bill. Try me. J. F. Lively.

Mrs. J. P. Weathered and children of Wichita Falls are here on a visit to relatives and friends.

John R. Owens of Houston spent Saturday and Sunday here with his mother.

Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett is spending the week here with relatives.

Forest Jones and Bob Wherry were visitors to Houston the latter part of last week.

CAPS, CAPS, CAPS: The smartest line of caps for boys ever shown in Grapeland now on display at Darsey's.

Mrs. A. P. Tims of Slocum left for Houston last Friday, where she goes to visit a cousin, Mrs. Eunice Wahlers.

Hogs Wanted

We will buy any and all kinds of hogs. See us for prices. Dailey Bros.

Rev. W. E. Ray was here Sunday to fill his regular appointment at the Baptist church. Bro. Ray was prevented from attending the Southern Baptist Convention at Atlanta, Ga., last week, as previously planned, on account of sickness in his family.

For Sale

100 acres of good land, plenty of good running water all the time. Price \$12.00 per acre. One-third down, balance on easy terms. See or write—
Odie Killion,
Salmon, Texas.

George Brumley, Henry Teems, J. W. Jones and Vernon Ferguson of Percilla paid the Messenger office an appreciated visit while in town Monday. They were shown through the composing department and were very much interested in our Linotype machine.

Work commenced last week on the home of T. H. Leaverton, which he is building on his property in Hillcrest. When completed, it will be one of the prettiest and most up-to-date homes in Grapeland, and we have many in that class. Grapeland will soon be known far and wide as a community of pretty homes.

666 quickly relieves Constipation, Bilioussness, Loss of Appetite and Headaches, due to Torpid Liver.

Cash coupons are your discount for cash, given at—
McLean & Riall's.

County Superintendent J. H. Rosser of Crockett was in Grapeland Monday.

Miss Maude McCarty visited relatives in Crockett the latter part of last week.

Call at Howard's for feed oats, maize chops, bran, meal, flour, etc. Anything in groceries.

One of the hardest rains that has fallen this season visited this section Sunday afternoon.

Going to plant some June corn? Get the seed from Murray & Mangum.

J. R. Richards attended the annual meeting of the K. of P. fraternity, which was held in Dallas last week.

Olney McLean has received his discharge from the army and is now at home. He was with the aviation forces at Kelly field.

Mrs. Henry Richards visited relatives in Dallas the latter part of last week. She was met there by Mr. Richards, who had been in Mineral Wells a few weeks for his health, both returning home together.

Cotton Seed Wanted

Will buy your cotton seed up to Saturday, May 24. After that date will positively be out of the market.
J. W. Howard.

Bilioussness is a disorder involving the stomach, liver and bowels. It opens the doors for disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is the right remedy. It drives out bile and impurities and makes you feel bright, vigorous and cheerful. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

Abstract Your Land Titles

And let us do the work for you. We have a complete abstract of the land titles of this county down to NOW.
Madden & Denny,
Crockett, Texas.

We thought the acme of perfection had long since been reached in automatic driving gates and that inventive geniuses had turned to other fields, but not so, for here comes G. M. Bates with the gate of gates, far surpassing anything in the gate line we have ever seen. The gate is now on exhibition opposite Long & Co's. store.

A torpid liver is a heavy handicap to a working man. It robs him of strength, energy and mental alertness. To remove the burden the proper remedy is Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a fine liver, stomach and bowel medicine. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

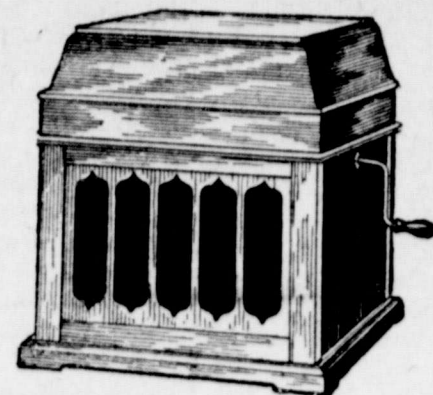
Our Honor Roll

The following have our thanks for their subscription:
Grapeland—W. S. Walter, A. J. Sanders, (col.)
Route 1—R. T. Gee, Bunk Smith.
Percilla—L. N. Tyer.
Augusta—W. W. Wilson.
Loveland—Will Musick.
Groveton—Eli Willis.
San Antonio—Mrs. Hood Pitts.
Perry, Fla.—Mrs. H. E. Frazier. (By Mrs. Lou Tyer.)

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, etc.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Only the Genius of an Edison Could Produce THE NEW DIAMOND AMBEROLA

THE WORLD'S GREATEST PHONOGRAPH VALUE



Go listen to other Phonographs and "talking machines" if you will, then come here and listen to the wonderful AMBEROLA.

Above all, remember that the name and fame of the greatest inventor of the age guarantees its superiority.

THE PEOPLES DRUG STORE
HONESTY AND QUALITY WADE L. SMITH

AT APEX OF SPRING STYLES



The return to favor of ostrich plumes, handsome feather ornaments, and masses of rich flowers, with much elaboration in millinery, places hats for matrons at the apex of spring styles. The three hats shown above include a dress hat with rich ostrich plumes, a smart street hat with a velvet bow, and semi-dress hat in black, with a wonderful feather.

Strayed or Stolen

1 horse mule, 4 years old, small for age, reddish brown, freshly sheared and has not been sheared in some time; no brands.

1 mare mule a little darker in color, hardly so sleek, same size, freshly sheared, same age as other. \$10.00 reward for recovery. Notify Vernon Gardner, Crockett, Texas, Route 5, or M. B. Ellis, Grapeland, Texas, Star Route.

G. M. Bates, the patent gate man, is doing a very good business here. Below are a few of our leading farmers and business men who have purchased farm rights and express themselves highly pleased with their investment: J. W. Howard, Webb Brooks, J. C. Kennedy, W. S. Matthews & Sons, S. C. Spence, G. E. Calhoun, Jimmy Caskey, W. H. Lively, Robt. Owens, W. D. Ferguson, W. W. Whitaker. Mr. Bates is negotiating with parties here on the sale of several counties, and if he succeeds there will be a gate factory started here in the near future. It's just the gate for the farm and ranch.

Mrs. Goodson was accompanied home from San Angelo by her sister, Mrs. Scarborough.

H. A. LEAVERTON
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

Will Practice in all Courts
Office up Stairs, Over
Kennedy Bros. store
Grapeland : : : Texas

\$125 A MONTH

Young Men, Young Women
(Fill out and mail this)
JNO. F. DRAUGHON, Founder of Draughon's Business College, Nashville, Tenn., Dept. 42
Send FREE book about your NEW, EASY, quick METHOD for training me, at my home or at college, for guaranteed position, as bookkeeper or stenographer, at \$65 to \$125 a month, and tell me why your home-training course are better than course at other colleges and why business men prefer to employ those you train.

[Your address]

No one is authorized to teach Draughon Courses in Galveston, Houston, or Fort Worth.

Notice

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Guaranty State Bank of Grapeland, Texas, will be held in the office of the bank at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, June 26th, 1919, for the purpose of voting upon the proposition of increasing the capital stock of said bank in conformity with the provisions of Section 198, Art. 564, R. S. All stockholders are urged to be present.

By order of the State Banking Board of Texas.
J-26 U. M. Brock, Cashier.

For Sale

1 registered Poland China boar—Reynard Chief No. 271—275. From world champions, best breeding; 2 years old. Reason for selling, inbreeding. Transfer free. Address—
C. C. Smith,
4t Grapeland, Route 4.

Roy Brewton gave us three onions which would nearly fill a half-bushel basket. Roy said he had to pull up the small ones so the large ones would have room to grow. Be that as it may, our opinion is that Mrs. Brewton certainly knows how to grow onions.

Beautiful flimsy cotton goods and silks are to be featured in this summer's dress styles and the superb showing at Darsey's includes the best shades in voiles, organdies, batistes, tissue gingham, georgette crepe, crepe de chine, china silk etc.

Rub-My-Tism is a great pain killer. It relieves pain and soreness caused by Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, etc.

UNCLE SAM Delivers the Goods

If you live on a rural route we'll deliver Drugs at your door. "Uncle Sam" plans all things well. When he inaugurated the PARCEL POST system of MAIL DELIVERIES he had in mind the welfare of rural residents. We have built up a worthy MAIL ORDER BUSINESS because we carry a complete line of high-grade goods—hence a purchase by MAIL will bring to your door the same grade and class of goods that you could buy in person.

SEND US A TRIAL ORDER AND
TEST OUR SERVICE

When in Crockett come to see us and be AT HOME with us

BISHOP DRUG CO.

CROCKETT, - TEXAS

We Practice Professional Pharmacy

Carl Goolsby

Lip Sherman

REYNARD
By Zack

Reynard, May 10.—This Monday is about a reproduction of last Monday morning—good and wet and lots to do, but nothing damaged and everything flattering along agricultural lines—and might say all other lines.

Bro. Buttrill filled his place with us yesterday and preached us a good sermon. He was accompanied by George E. Darsey and Wade L. Smith, who made short talks on the Centenary and left pledge cards among us and feel sure our little gang will not fall down if they will just reason from a business and religious view. Our protracted meeting was set for the third Sunday in July. We are moving very fast and we surely must not leave God out of our move. If we do the last move will be the worst; if we do not it will be the best.

Our school picnic was quite a success in every way. There were quite a lot of visitors present from Grapeland, Crockett, Daly's and other places. Think everyone enjoyed it, and the dinner, my! my! There was enough for as many more as were there.

Mrs. Charlie Beazley and mother, Mrs. Lively, of Crockett are visiting Mrs. W. F. West.

The young people, old people and children enjoyed a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oran Rials Friday night.

Glenn Beazley entertained a few of his friends at his home Saturday night.

Balis Edens spent last week with his sister, Mrs. Oran Rials.

Miss Katherine Black will leave for her home today. We all regret to see her go and hope to have her with us again this fall.

Health of this community is good.

Old Soldiers' Re-Union

The Houston County Camp of confederate veterans will hold their annual re-union in Grapeland Tuesday, June 3. The Daughters of the Confederacy have been invited to meet with them, and quite a crowd of visitors will be in Grapeland that day.

A meeting of the citizens was held Monday afternoon and plans perfected for entertainment.

The business meeting of the camp will be held in the auditorium, beginning at 10 o'clock. A program will be arranged for entertainment after the business session.

The old soldiers, their families and the Daughters of the Confederacy will be the guests of the citizens of Grapeland at a dinner at the Goodson Hotel at the noon hour.

Old Breeches Would Keep Her Bending Over Washtub

Speaking of the chivalry of old breeches who would deny the women the right to vote, the Houston Post hands this one to the old "personal liberty" gang: "And the chivalry that would annul woman's right as a human being is not of an order to command either admiration or respect, and the pedestal that such chivalry might erect is of the quality that might easily pose her upon it in front of a wash-tub."—Trinity Tribune.

Smiths Stood First

Among the list of names in the American army during the war those who answered to the name of Smith numbered the most. These totaled over 51,000. Second on the list stood the Johnsons who numbered 29,000. Joneses and Greens tallied each 22,500. There were 9,000 Browns and 4,500 Cohens. Seventy-four George Washingtons were registered, 79 Robert E. Lees and two Abraham Lincolns. There were also two Caesars and one Woodrow Wilson.

LIVELYVILLE
By Rip Van Winkle

Livelyville, May 19.—Well, our memorial day is a thing of the past and although a success in many respects, as a memorial it was a failure inasmuch as very little time was spared for the speakers who had been invited to speak on the subject. The old proverb, "you can't serve two masters," has again proved true on this occasion. The memorial, the quarterly conference and the plea for the million drive of the M. P. Church was all crowded into the program and of course neither was a success. Furthermore, much time was taken up with arrangements to keep the churchyard clean, three collections were taken for which the people were wholly unprepared and so we feel that the real memorial service was lost sight of. Mr. F. A. Lively spoke well; so did Mr. W. Campbell and Mr. N. Herod; after that there was very little of what we had arranged rendered, and we regret it very much indeed, as many visitors went away disappointed, but we had a good dinner—plenty of it and over. Speaking of dinner brings back to mind the goat, (which now has almost become a scapegoat) and this goat seems to have human intelligence, for when he thought the ladies had all the dinner cooked and were really tired, he came back home Thursday afternoon very late and bleated himself a welcome that was heard for miles and made the menfolks seriously consider if we should add mutton to our dinner anyway, but as he seemed so glad to have escaped we decided to keep him as a souvenir of our memorial day.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lively and the Misses Hurd motored from Palestine and were very welcome visitors here. We were delighted to have them and hope they will come again. Mr. F. A. Lively was here from Lovelady and spent memorial day at his childhood home, where he still has many warm friends.

Mrs. Cora Bailes of Goss, La., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Geo. Garner.

We extend our thanks to Mr. O. P. Brown for furnishing the lumber for our tables and the assistance he gave so cheerfully.

Jack Bishop met with a painful accident early Monday morning. He was kicked by a mule and was in a serious condition for a while, but is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garner and Mrs. Cora Bailes spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Brown.

Mr. Hadie Kelley is at home from across the sea. He addressed the folks of Livelyville last Friday. We are glad to welcome him home and are proud of the services he rendered his country.

Growing Hogs

For a hog to be profitable he must be kept growing from birth to marketing age. He cannot be profitable unless he is healthy. He can always be in a profit-producing condition if he is fed B. A. Thomas' Hog Powder. We positively tell you that this remedy prevents cholera, removes worms and cures thumps. If the powder does not make good we will.

McLean & Riall.

When an energetic hard-working man feels unduly tired, half-sick, "blue" and discouraged he thinks he is getting lazy. It isn't laziness, the trouble is in his stomach and bowels; they are disordered. To restore energy, vim and activity the right remedy is Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a powerful system regulator. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

"And Home Came Ted" was presented at the high school auditorium last Monday night by pupils of the Elkhart high school. A large crowd was present, and the play was real good.

The Thrift Car

Overland

There are five things to consider when you buy a motor car—

- Appearance
- Performance
- Comfort
- Service
- Price

Owners who have bought the Overland Model 90 have not been worried about any of these things.

Remember this when you decide to buy your car.



J. E. TOWERY
CROCKETT, TEXAS

Chicago Merchant Says Advertising is Success Secret

Chicago.—Thirty-two years ago Henry C. Lytton opened "The Hub," on the northwest corner of State street and Jackson boulevard; and certain wise merchants of the city chuckled heartily.

He had but \$12,000. He borrowed \$9,000 more; and then before he even opened the door he spent \$5,000, almost one-fourth of his entire capital, in—what do you suppose?

Newspaper advertising! Yes, it was a great joke. Not only had this raw youngster moved "way out to the edge of town," where nobody would ever find the place, but he "just threw away 25 per cent of his capital."

Today there is only one of those wise men in business, and he's on a side street, and you hear little about him. Mr. Lytton's store has grown into a State street skyscraper; and in those thirty-two years he has spent more than \$5,000,000 in newspaper advertising.

Mr. Lytton told the story at a birthday dinner the other night in the Blackstone hotel. He's one of those wiry, restless, active captains of industry you read about, with wide shoulders and prodigious fists. He's more than seventy, yet on each side of the bald furrow in the center of his head the hair is jet black, with only a few white hairs showing.

"It may seem strange," he said, "but the people believe what they read in the newspapers.

That's what makes advertising in the newspapers so valuable. I have always made it a point to state the truth exactly, never to exaggerate. I would rather have the customer a little surprised when he looked at the goods than a little disappointed.

"I've tried advertising on billboards, in street cars, in magazines and pamphlets, in novelties. I once sent up a flock of balloons with letters tied to them, and prizes—\$500, \$100 and other awards—to the finders.

"I stuck up sign posts all over the city, with hubs on the top of them, you know, and the street names. Well, some of them went for klending wood; some were torn down by the city when they put up street signs. I tried many other ways of advertising—but the newspapers proved by all means the best, and I kept everlastingly at it. Advertising is to the building up of a business what steam is to commerce."

Expects Too Much

Mayor Ole Hanson is putting a "new sentence" into his speeches: "Congress must pass laws whereby business will know where it is going, how it is going to get there, and how long it can stay after it arrives." The object is all right; but isn't that expecting a good deal of Congress?

We are proud of the confidence doctors, druggists and the public have in 666 Chill and Fever Tonic.—

ABSTRACTS

You cannot sell your land without an Abstract showing perfect title. Why not have your lands abstracted and your titles perfected? We have the

Only complete up-to-date Abstract Land Titles of Houston County.

ADAMS & YOUNG
Crockett, Texas

JOHN SPENCE
Lawyer
CROCKETT, TEXAS

Office up stairs over Monzingo Millinery Store

CRYING NEED FOR PAINT

There is a crying need for paint on thousands of houses throughout Texas—good paint that will beautify and satisfy. If you want the best use Masury. Reasonable in price, and wholly dependable in quality.

T. H. LEAVERTON
LUMBER CO.

"Standing By"

The Graduates of the Grapeland High School will Present
their Annual Play—

"STANDING BY"

A ROMANCE OF THE WAR

at the

**High School Auditorium Friday Night
May 30, at 8:45**

Cast of Characters:

Mr. Carey, a soldier's friend.....	Tom Richards
Ethelind, doing her father's will.....	Adabel Leaverton
Mrs. Carey, with a different view.....	Loreta Sadler
Max Martin, Mrs. Carey's choice.....	John Murchison
Dr. Brighton, a friend of the family.....	George R. Darsey
Mrs. Oakley, a friend of the orphans.....	Helen Montgomery
Mrs. Walton, a mother of a soldier.....	Eura Woodard
Rosa Walton, of the Red Cross.....	Cora Mae Willis
Bobby Walton, a follower of the flag.....	Seth W. Yarbrough
Aunt Polly, black face and tender hearted.....	Minnie Lee Hague
Henry, "wid de expulsion fo'ces.....	Herman Murchison

ADMISSION - - 15 25 and 30 Cents

PROCEEDS FOR BENEFIT OF SCHOOL

**The Thrice A-Week Edition
The New York World**

In 1919 and 1920

Practically a Daily at the price of a Weekly. No other Newspaper in the world gives so much at so low a price.

The forces are already lining up for the Presidential campaign of 1920. The Thrice-a-week World which is the greatest example of tabloid journalism in America will give you all the news of it. It will keep you as thoroughly informed as a daily at five or six times the price. Besides, the news from Europe for a long time to come will be of overwhelming interest, and we are deeply and vitally concerned in it. The Thrice-a-week World will furnish you an accurate and comprehensive report of everything that happens.

The Thrice-a-week World's regular subscription price is only \$1.00 per year, and this pays for 156 papers. We offer this unequaled newspaper and The Messenger together for one year for \$2.25.

The regular subscription price of the two papers is \$2.50.

Can't Satisfy Everybody

While some American papers are criticizing the League of Nations plan on the ground that it is too liberal to Great Britain, British papers find fault with it because it is too much in the interest of the United States.

**Many Texans in Division
To Return Home Shortly**

Washington, May 17.—Official announcement was made by the war department today that the entire Thirty-sixth Division, composed largely of Texans, has been designated for early return home. It is thought they will be demobilized in Texas the last of June.

Third Term for Mr. Wilson?

Woodrow Wilson will be nominated for a third term next year and will have little choice but to accept; he will be "drafted." This is the opinion given by Mr. Norman E. Mack, formerly chairman of the National Committee of the democratic party.

When You Chew Gum

Chewing gum was a habit invented to keep the jaw in motion without saying anything. A lot of folks don't use chewing gum, but get the same results. Chewing gum is like riding a swing. You never get anywhere. If all the energy used in chewing gum in a day were packed in one wallop and aimed at the South Pole, the vibration from it would shake the ex-Kaiser loose from Holland.

A. B. Spence, J. F. Bridges, M. P. Herod and Ben Brooks attended the State Gimmers' Convention, which was held in Dallas the latter part of last week.

No. 768
Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the
THE GUARANTY STATE BANK

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 12th day of May, 1919, published in the Grapeland Messenger, a news paper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 22 day of May, 1919.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$ 65,334.59
Loans, real estate.....	5,115.89
Bills of exchange.....	5,000.00
Bonds and stocks.....	27,250.00
Real estate (banking house).....	3,428.90
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness.....	25,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	2,651.70
Due from approved Reserve Agents, net.....	24,302.19
County Warrants.....	206.60
Cash Items.....	284.65
Currency.....	12,464.00
Specie.....	2,552.30
Interest and Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	1,503.43
Other resources: War Savings Stamps.....	407.57
Total.....	\$176,001.82

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus fund.....	5,500.00
Undivided profits, net.....	2,299.31
Individual Deposits, subject to check.....	105,057.66
Time Certificates of Deposit.....	25,872.55
Bond Certificates of Deposit.....	22,000.00
Cashier's checks.....	72.30
Other liabilities: dividend unpaid.....	200.00
Total.....	\$176,001.82

STATE OF TEXAS County of Houston

We, C. W. Kennedy, as president, and U. M. Brock, as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

C. W. Kennedy, President.
U. M. Brock, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of May, A. D. 1919.
(Seal)

E. E. Hollingsworth,
Notary Public Houston
County, Texas.
Correct—Attest
J. R. Pennington,
M. P. Herod,
J. C. Kennedy,
Directors.

Put Prohibition in the Constitution

That the majority of the people of Texas are in favor of constitutional prohibition, no one doubts, but whether enough interest be aroused to bring out a vote that will truly record the sentiment of the State on May 24 is another question.

The prohibitionists of Texas should realize that they have a special duty to perform in this campaign to put prohibition into the State constitution, for the action of Texas at this time will materially affect the future of the prohibition cause in the whole United States. Texas is the pivotal State because it is the home of the author of the bills providing both for national prohibition and for prohibition in the District of Columbia.

Should Texas fail to adopt Statewide prohibition constitutionally after having tried it by statute, and after its cities had been subject to zone laws, and many of its counties subject to local option laws for years, it would be a repudiation of the work of Senator Sheppard that would have far-reaching effects. Although forty-five State legislatures ratified the Federal amendment, every device that money and ingenuity can supply is being used by the old liquor forces to create the impression that the majority of Americans are against prohibition. An insidious propaganda is being spread broadcast to undermine the work accomplished and to prejudice the people against the law by making them believe it was not fairly enacted, that it is misrepresentative, and that a few have "put something over" on the many.

It would give the stories being told by the hired agents of the distillers and brewers a larger degree of plausibility, would bolster up the liquor cause and give the nullifiers new confidence, should Texas by any means fail to accept prohibition, after its senator, elected by a majority of 40,000 votes in a campaign in which national prohibition was an issue, had led the fight in congress which resulted in the national dry law.

Prohibitionists should arouse themselves to the necessity for action. Many of them seem to be acting like the man who didn't see any use in running to the fire after it was out. But the fire is not out, in this case, by any means. If popular sentiment does not back up the Federal dry law it will become a dead letter.—Houston Post.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

BAPTIST CHURCH

W. E. Ray, Pastor.
C. L. Haltom, Church Clerk
Preaching each first and third Sundays, morning and evening.
Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.
W. D. Granberry, Supt.
Baptist Women's Auxiliary meets each Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.
Mrs. Geo. Moore, Pres.
Mrs. Frank Allen, Sec'y.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

G. H. Farmer, Pastor.
Preaching first, second and fourth Sundays in each month, morning and evening.
Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.
T. H. Leaverton, Supt.
Lucretia Riatt, Sec'y.
Junior Endeavor Society meets each Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.
Ladies' Aid Society meets on Tuesday afternoon after each first and third Sunday.
Mrs. Geo. Calhoun, Pres.
Mrs. Sidney Boykin, Sec'y.
Women's Missionary Society meets Tuesday afternoon after the second Sunday in each month.
Mrs. P. H. Stafford, Pres.
Mrs. G. H. Farmer, Sec'y.
Official Board meets on Monday night following each third Sunday.
J. E. Hollingsworth, Chm.
Miss Blanche Kennedy, Secretary.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

J. E. Buttrill, Pastor.
Farmers' Union Phone No. 59
Preaching each Sunday morning and evening.
Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening.
Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.
M. E. Darsey, Supt.
A. H. Luker, Sec'y.
Junior League each Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.
Miss Hatchell, Supt.
Dorothy Darsey, Sec'y.
Women's Missionary Society meets Tuesday afternoon following the second and fourth Sundays at 3 o'clock.
Mrs. C. W. Kennedy, Pres.
Mrs. Marvin Gilbert, Sec.
Board of Stewards meet on Monday night following each third Sunday.
E. E. Hollingsworth, Pres.
S. E. Howard, Sec'y.

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Grady Scarborough returned home the latter part of last week, after several months service in France. He was with Missouri and Kansas troops and was in the thick of the fight. He was wounded by a machine gun bullet in the shoulder, which caused him to spend quite a while in the hospital. Grady said he was glad to once more be in God's country and that he was not very much in love with war.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arch Holcomb and son Hiram Crawford, returned to their home in Augusta Saturday, after a week's visit with former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Holcomb.—Alto Herald.

Posted—Keep Out!

My pasture and lake west of town is posted and all persons are hereby notified to keep out of same.
Geo. E. Darsey,
Third and Last Notice.

The little folks' musical minstrel, which was pulled off at the auditorium last Friday night, was quite an enjoyable affair and their original jokes and a special drill were greatly enjoyed by a large audience. They showed that they had been carefully trained.

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The Salvation Army Drive

The campaign to provide the Salvation Army with a fund of \$13,000,000 for home work in the United States formally begins next week.

By testimony almost universal, the Salvation Army, in proportion to its means and possibilities, stood first in the affection and esteem of American soldiers in France. For years the Army had studied the art of making small resources yield big results, and this habit gave it a tremendous advantage in practical war work.

No Salvation Army man or woman stands accused of showing the white feather under fire in France; of slighting or scamping hard work; of wanting to be an officer where privates were more needed. "The doughnuts given out at the huts of the Salvation Army," as Gen. Vanderbilt has well said, "reached from the trenches to the soldiers' homes." And the service did not stop with doughnuts at the front.

The Salvationists were with the soldiers under fire. They are coming home with the soldiers, ready to plunge into work at home. They are democratic, non-denominational, efficient. Can there be any doubt of their getting the working fund they so richly deserve?

Hadie Kelley has received his discharge from the army and returned home last week. Hadie made his sacrifice on the battlefields of France, receiving a wound that necessitated the amputation of his right lower limb just below the hip. However, he takes his misfortune philosophically and is glad of his participation in the great struggle. In addition to receiving a substantial pension, the government will put him in school and teach him some useful trade or occupation.

F. A. Lively of Lovelady came up last Friday to attend memorial services at Livelyville.

Jim Cook, formerly of this city but now living in Dallas, is visiting his parents and other relatives east of town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Musick of Lovelady visited relatives and friends here and at Augusta the latter part of last week.

NO newspaper can succeed without advertising, therefore we solicit the patronage of our readers for those who by their advertising help to make this paper possible.

No. 83 Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 12th day of May, 1919, published in the Grapeland Messenger, a news paper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 22nd day of May, 1919.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$ 90,645.17
Loans, real estate	7,925.00
Overdrafts	1,192.20
Bonds and U. S. Certificates	16,100.00
Real estate (banking house)	2,983.03
Bond account	15.37
Furniture and Fixtures	2,365.00
Due from approved Reserve Agents, net	31,083.14
Cash Items	274.53
Currency	7,250.00
Specie	1,675.00
Interest and assessment Depositors' Guaranty fund	1,979.89
Other resources: War Savings Stamps	63.50
Total	\$163,551.83
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits, net	1,363.63
Individual Deposits, subject to check	109,952.32
Time certificates of deposit	11,465.88
Dividends unpaid	50.00
Other liabilities Bond account	10,720.00
Total	\$163,551.83

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Houston
We, George E. Darsey as president, and W. D. Granberry as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
George E. Darsey, Pres.
W. D. Granberry, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of May, 1919.

J. R. Richards
Notary Public,
Houston County, Texas.
Correct—Attest
T. S. Kent,
W. G. Darsey,
M. E. Darsey,
Directors.

Stores Close For Re-Union

We, the undersigned business men of Grapeland agree to close our places of business on June 3 from 10:30 a. m. to 1 o'clock p. m. (new time) in honor of the Confederate Soldiers of Houston county:

Murray & Mangum, Henry Dailey, W. H. Long & Co., T. H. Leaverton, Kennedy Bros., Keeland Bros., T. W. Lewis, City Barber Shop, Guaranty State Bank, W. R. Wherry, Geo. E. Darsey & Co., McLean & Riall, J. F. Lively, S. E. Howard, F. A. Bowman, Willis Goodson, S. T. Anthony, J. T. Rains, J. W. Howard, Owens & Allen, F. & M. State Bank.

T. H. Leaverton returned home Monday night from Austin, where he had been to confer with members of the State Highway Commission regarding the automobile trucks to be given away by the government. He presented the claims of Houston county for seven of these trucks, and was assured by the commission that it would receive favorable consideration.

John Johnston came in Saturday night and will visit some time with his sister, Mrs. M. L. Clewis. Mr. Johnston went through the great war, enlisting in Canada with the Canadian force early in the struggle. He saw some of the hardest fighting and was severely wounded five times, and has not yet recovered from his wounds. He tells many interesting things of the great war.



Columbia Records

New List Received this Week:

When the Boys Come Home (Solo) Louis Graveure	A2709
The Americans Come (Solo) Louis Graveure	\$1.00
When Johnny Comes Marching Home (Solo and quartette)	A2716
Madelon (Solo)	\$1.00
Onward Christian Soldiers (Solo and quartette)	A2706
Stand up for Jesus (Solo and quartette)	\$1.00
Liberty Songs (March) Part I (Educational series)	A7541
Liberty Songs (March) Part II (Educational series)	\$1.25
It Gets them all (Dance music)	A2791
No One But You (Dance music)	85c
By the Camp Fire (Trio, male voices)	A2718
Mammy O' Mine (Duet, male voices)	85c
Dreams (Trio, male voices)	A2717
Alabama Lullaby (Duet, male voices)	85c

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"Keep the Home Fires Burning," "Chong, he Comes from Hong Kong," "On a Little Farm in Normandie," "Little Old Lady of Mine," "Sweet Siamese," "Rainy Day Blues," and many others are some of the records received last week.

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