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PRICE \$1.50 PER YEAR

Christmas Is only a few days off



We will be headquarters for all kinds of **Xmas Goods** Big shipments of Xmas goods arriving every day. Our big display will soon be ready.

KEELAND BROS.
THE PRICE IS THE THING

To The Memory of Charles Dewey Willis

The life of Charles Dewey Willis is never to be forgotten: He was born in Willis, Florida, September 13, 1898, into the honored home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Willis.

In this affectionate home Dewey's early training was above reproach; and as we shall presently see, he never departed therefrom.

In Dewey's early childhood, his father's family moved to Texas and settled on a farm home in the Rock Hill community of this county where he grew into young manhood, and where his useful life has been a blessing to those whose fortunate privilege it has been to become associated with him.

Dewey was religious, affectionate and dutiful. He was a member of the M. E. Church South during the last eight years of his life. His ever enduring patience and diligence made him loved by all who knew him. It may well be said of Dewey that he was an exponent of the cause of his Master for he was devoted to his Church. When there were smiles to spread, Dewey always responded, and when there were burdens to bear, Dewey was never found wanting.

Dewey became a victim of ill health several months ago, and medical aid was summoned; but in vain, for in spite of this precaution, his condition became more serious and finally resulted in his death in a sanitarium in Galveston, on Saturday, November 29, 1919.

Dewey leaves a mother and a host of brothers and sisters to mourn his death, together with many friends who join with his loved ones in sympathy in this time of bereavement.

The writer has known Dewey since his infancy and was intim-

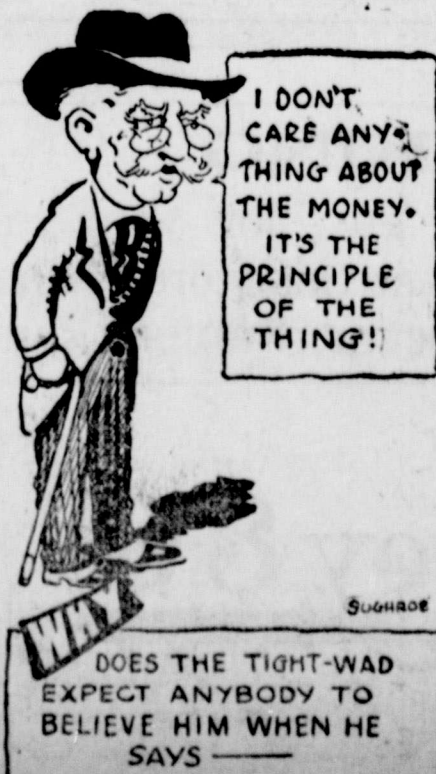
ately associated with him for several years, which gives him an insight to Dewey's inward life which was one with a very promising future, but for his untimely death.

Our earthly nature makes us hate to give you up, Dewey; but as a flower is plucked while in its sweetest fragrance in order that it may become a sacred blessing to human lives on earth, so has God seen it fit to take you from us while your life was yet useful, that you might help to beautify Heaven. God's will, not ours, be done.
His Comrade

DENTAL NOTICE

Dr. C. L. Moore, the dentist, is now in Grapeland, at the Grapeland Hotel, and is ready to do all kinds of dental work. Teeth extracted without pain.

J. J. Knoble was a business visitor to Palestine last Friday.



WANETA NEWS

Waneta, Dec. 8.—Everybody is through picking cotton and wishing for the ground to get dry enough to begin plowing.

The roads are in very bad shape in this part of the county—almost impassable in some places.

Andy Goff is sick at this writing.

Ollie Herrington of Rusk visited home folks here yesterday. He was accompanied home by his friend Mr. Meginnis.

Rev. McQuathy filled his regular appointment at Hickory Grove Sunday.

Edwin Hendricks of Cherokee county is visiting relatives here. John T. Urban of Mabank is visiting J. E. Herrington this week.

Grandmother Sheffield and Mrs. J. S. Sheffield visited Lorenzie Goff and wife Sunday.

There has been considerable moving in this neighborhood the past week.

Charlie Ramey and wife of Liberty Hill were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lively Saturday.

Will Wilson of Rusk visited home folks from Friday until Sunday.

Our school is getting along nicely.

Most everybody is wanting a cold spell to kill hogs.

W. B. More of near Slocum was in our community last Thursday.

Don't Be a Knocker

If your neighbor is prosperous let him prosper.

Do not growl or grumble. Say a good word for him and let it go at that.

Do not be a knocker. If you see that the city is moving along nicely, feel good about it.

Help things along. Shove a little.

Push. Try and secure some of the benefit yourself.

Do not stand around like a cadaver.

Do not waste time feeling sore because some fellow has a little more sand and sense than yourself.

Do a little hustling yourself. If you can say a good word say it like a prince. If you are full of bile and disposed to say something mean, keep your mouth closed.

Do not be a knocker. No man ever became rich and happy minding anybody's business save his own.

No man ever helped himself up permanently by knocking his neighbor down.

Give a kind word. Give it liberally. It will not cost a cent, and you may want one yourself some day.

You cannot afford it. It will not pay. There is nothing in it.

If you want to throw something at somebody—throw cologne, or roses. Do not throw brickbats, or mud. If you must kick—go behind the barn and kick yourself. For if you feel that way you are the man that needs the kicking.

Notice Tax Payers

Mr. Paul Kennedy has again been employed by the school board to collect taxes and he will be in town every Thursday and Friday for this purpose. You are urged to pay your taxes as early as possible, as we need the money badly to carry on our school.

W. D. Granberry
President of Board

Fords for Sale

1 1918 model Ford roadster with new top, for \$300.00; 1 Ford racer at almost your own price.
C. C. Hill.

Santa is Here



Did you see where old Santa left his toys? All the little fellows can tell you McLean & Riall's store is his headquarters. Something for everyone, so do your Xmas shopping early, avoid the last few days rush, by buying early. You do not only avoid the rush, but you get a better selection of gifts.

For Ladies

Kid Gloves Silk Hose Pretty Skirts
Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs
Silk, Crepe de Chine and Georgette Waists

For Men or Young Men

Silk Shirts Silk Hose Suspenders
Paris Garters Belts

We are showing a line of the prettiest men's silk ties that you have had a chance to pick from in many moons.

Toys and Dolls

for the little tots. Come and inspect our line early.

Anything bought now will be carefully taken care of until called for.

McLean & Riall

DEPENDABLE MERCHANTS
Grapeland, Texas

A Christmas Morning Breakfast



WHAT *to* PUT *in* the STOCKING

Timely Gift Suggestions

On this page we list many of the appropriate articles for gifts that will be found at this store. New goods are coming in all the time by express and you will be delighted with our showing. Let us help you do your Christmas planning.



For Ladies	For Men	For Boys	For Girls
Velvet Bags	Silk Shirts	Shirts	Coats
Leather Purses	Silk Ties	Caps	Caps
Silk Hosiery	Silk Hose	Overcoats	Sweaters
Blanket Robe	Bath Robes	Blanket Robes	Blanket Robe
Colored Shoes	Leather Belts	Neckties	Blouses
Kid gloves	Dress Gloves	Shoes	Dresses
Georgette waists	Florsheim Shoes	Hosiery	Bar Pins
Dresses	Mallory Hats	Collar Pins	Brooches
Suits	Overcoats	Cuff Buttons	Beads
Coats	Waldemar Chains	Shot Guns	Camisoles
Hand Grips	Ribbon Waldemars	Pocket Knives	Boudoir Caps
Bar Pins	Collar Pins	Express wagons	Fancy Ribbons
Brooches	Cuff Links	Gloves	Handkerchiefs
Beads	Handkerchiefs	Watches	Hosiery
Handkerchiefs	Sweaters	Chains	Shoes
Table Scarfs	Suit Cases	Sweaters	Purses
Sweaters	Purses	Trunks	Hand Bags

FOR THE TINY TOTS

Rocking Horses
Rocking Chairs
Table and Chairs
Express wagons
Knit Caps
Sweaters
Handkerchiefs



GIFTS FOR THE HOME THAT BENEFIT EVERYONE

Art Squares Table Cutlery, Sewing Machines, Furniture, Table Damask, Towels, Dresser Scarfs, Curtain Scrim, Chinaware, Aluminumware, Cook Stoves, Tables, Napkins, Table Covers, Draperies, Counterpanes Blankets and Comforts.

CHRISTMAS COOKING

You will want the best flour, extracts, baking powder, etc., for your cakes and pies. You will not be disappointed with the kinds you'll find at this store. Phone us for your groceries, fresh fruit, fruit cake ingredients, almonds, pecans, walnuts, butternuts

George E. Darsey & Co.
THE SERVICE FIRST STORE

Ford

"The Universal Car"

The Towy Motor Co. delivered ten Ford One-Ton Trucks to Smith Bros.,—the largest contractors and road builders in the state—last Saturday morning. This order was placed just one week before the delivery of the trucks.

The trucks were driven through the country to Jasper, and will be used by the above firm in graveling the roads.

All trucks were of the new type block motors, equipped with demountable rims and 32x4 1/2 pneumatic tires.

The above firm decided on the FORD after looking over all other makes.

Order now for the
POPULAR FORD TRUCK

TOWERY MOTOR COMPANY

AUTHORIZED SALES AND SERVICE

HUGH L. MORRISON, Authorized Representative

Let It Slip and Was Ruined for Life

What's the matter, young man, young woman? Why are you letting opportunity slip through your fingers? What are your plans for the coming year? Do you intend to qualify for a greater success? A small investment now, accompanied by earnest endeavor and a few months of solid study in our school will mean qualification, a position, promotion, increased bank account and greater satisfaction all along the line of your future life. Why hesitate? Don't you know that Uncle Sam and the business office is calling for young men and women trained as stenographers, bookkeepers, telegraph operators and secretaries? How much longer will you stand aside and make excuses?

You can succeed. Other people—those who are succeeding—nature didn't give a single extra bone or more nerve, muscle or brain cell than you possess. Their success was not a birth-right. It came out of efforts—out of action. They gained a training in our college that developed and broadened and increased their talents—as you should. They took aim at success and fired away until they hit it.

Look around you! Wherever your eye turns you see some man or woman who had no better start than you—with no better general education or "school learning" than you, but who was wise enough to become especial-

ly trained in our special lines and who today is going ahead fast and leaving in the rear those who thought special business training unnecessary.

You should not think of success as a present, which Santa Claus will bring and drop into your stockings while you sleep. Success is achieved by well directed effort.

You have made excuses and halted long enough. Your duty to yourself is to come a decision now. Your best interests dictate a decision favoring your entering our college now.

The object of this appeal is to set you thinking of your future. If we have done this, we feel that you owe it to yourself to investigate the methods of our school and the success of our graduates.

When may we expect you? Write or wire for reservation in America's largest business training school and for free catalogue. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Doc Jones of Trinity was here Sunday. He reports that the Tribune is enjoying a splendid business.

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DAYS
TO
SHOP

READ THE ADS



THE GOLDEN PAST

(By Joe Sappington)

Distance lends a charm to the landscape of the past and the older one gets the more he is inclined to woo the golden dreams of youth and live in the after-glow of yesteryears. Cave Creek, the home of my youth, now that I am approaching the sear and yellow leaf, is looming larger and larger on my mental horizon. Dear reader, if you only knew of the glorious days, the happy hours, the all round hilarious good times and soul-stirring events that took place on Cave Creek away back in the 80's, you would know why I am so bored with the common things of this degenerate age. Today we have nothing to interest and entertain us but moving pictures and base ball and flying machines and automobiles and short dresses and musical concerts and strikes and high prices and railroad wrecks and woman suffrage and classical music and divorces and murders and debts and rheumatism and bath tubs and a few other things such as wireless telegraphy, adding machines, typewriters, sky scrapers, appendicitis, prohibition, oil stocks, astigmatism and doctors who cure all our ills by pulling our legs and adjusting our back bones. But what does this amount to when compared to the old square dance, the camp meetings, the shoutings, the religious debaters, the singing school, the courtship, the school concerts, the candy pullings, the spelling matches, the fist fights, the gander pullings and the horse races we used to have on Cave Creek, to say nothing of the old swimming hole, the country fiddlers, the coon dogs, the melon raids, the school house debates, the wagon circuses, the annual predictions of the world coming to an end and the sweet scent of Hoyt's German cologne?

Who can blame us for wanting to go back to the days of the golden past—to the spring time of gladsome youth? Who is so base as to deny me the sweet privilege of once more stealing out the family mule after all the folks have gone to bed and going in a high lode to a country dance and getting a partner and dancing till rosy morn? It's no one's blame business if I meander back down the trail of the misty past and meet again the old boys at the swimming hole and play alligator and throw mud and tie knots in the legs of some of their cottonade breeches. Who is the tattle-tale to go and tell our daddies if we tie another can to the tail of Aunt Sallie Smith's dog and steal a few more water-melons from old stingy Bill Jones? Who can keep me and the other boys from jumping out at the window when old parson Meadows in his sermon comes to the minor prophets? Didn't we stay with him through the major prophets and keep our seats while Sampson was slaying the Philistines by the thousands with the jaw-bone of an ass? Go and tell our daddies if you want you, you old tattle-tale, but we'll get evn with you some time—you see if we don't.

Oh, if Ponce de Leon had only discovered that fountain of youth, that all who drank its sparkling waters should have perennial youth! Old age is the unheeded scepter that stands in the pathway of youth and dogs his footsteps at every turn of the road, no matter where it leads. He plays no favorites and lays his palsied hand on prince and peasant, on the rich and the poor for age is blind and deaf and dumb and cannot be bribed and none can stay his withering hand. But even Old Age—the toothless, hairless, rheumatic old wreck standing at the end of life's road, cannot hold in thralldom sweet memories of the past. Death, his twin brother, comes at the last and whispers, sometimes gently and sometimes rudely, "Time's up, old fellow," and then the procession to the graveyard, a few tears and a little later on a mar-

Off for Santa Claus Land



ble slab costing about \$78.50 and the world moves on as though he had never lived.

Symptoms of kidney disease should receive instant attention, as neglect is dangerous. If your back aches or you have trouble with the urine, begin taking Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a dependable kidney remedy, particularly beneficial for elderly men. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

Miss Boykin Entertains

Miss Bess Boykin entertained a few couples of young people at the beautiful home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Sid Boykin, Friday evening. There was various games played and every one seemed to have a good time. At a late hour the guests bade the hostess goodnight, and parted for their homes. Those fortunate enough to receive an invitation were:

Misses. Lucindy Darsey, Eva Gene Murchison, Mabel Woodard, Thelma Lee and Dorothy Clewis, Bess Howard, Leta Lively and Agnes Murray. Messers. Jot Davis Hollingsworth, Tom Richards, Otto Walling, Pete Jones, Hadie Gilbert and George Darsey.

Corn Wanted

I want to buy 1000 to 1500 bushels of good ear corn. Will pay \$1.00 per bushel. Bring what you have to sell.

J. W. Howard

Government Needs More Power

Replying to a question from the Senate, as to why "Red" activities had not been suppressed, Attorney-General Palmer said that the Government was doing all it could with the laws now existing. It had caused the arrest of thousands, who were being held for deportation or for such mild punishments as the laws now provide. He warned the Senate that even the limited powers the Government now has would cease in great measure on the declaration of peace, for they are war powers. He asked Congress for new and stronger laws; laws which would give power to the Department or Justice to deal with the situation with the strong hand which the present lawlessness demands.

A chief cause of the spread of "Red" doctrines, Mr. Palmer said was the great number of newspapers and other publications devoted to the cultivation of class hatred. Most of these, but no means all, are in foreign languages.

There are 222 foreign language "Red" papers published in this country, and 105 in English; besides 144 printed in foreign countries but circulated here.

These agencies for spreading social disease-germs must be reached in some way if the evil is to be stopped, Mr. Palmer says.

Frank Edge returned last week from a trip to west Texas, where he spent several weeks, and reports things flourishing in that part of the State.

Courtesy and Service

That is the kind of Drug Store we are conducting. We carry everything that is included in a first-class store, including drugs and sundries, and a full line of stationery, etc. We want you to come to our store to trade, and we will make it to your interest. And we will add service and courtesy to all transactions.

D. N. LEAVERTON
LEADING DRUGGIST

"I Loves Her Most of All"



The Metropolitan Singers

A High Class Musical Attraction

3 Ladies 2 Men

Tuesday Night Dec. 16

High School Auditorium

Don't Miss this Good Number

Make Syrup Out of Your Sweet Potatoes—it's Good

Suppose that the grocer is unable to sell you enough sugar to amount to anything—which is not a supersupposititious case. And then suppose that the sweet potatoes, because of extra cold weather or lack of proper storage facilities, are about to rot—which, as any grower of sweet potatoes will admit, does sometimes happen. Something is wrong in both cases. The old adage says that two wrongs never make a right, but the United States Department of Agriculture files a dissenting opinion. The right of the two wrongs, experts say, is to make the sweet potatoes into syrup. Sweet potato syrup is an excellent sweet.

"Sugar supplies only one substance of value, carbohydrates, to the living tissues of which our bodies are composed," says an expert, "while sweet potato syrup, in addition to the carbohydrates it contains, furnishes soluble and suspended proteins and a number of mineral salts, often in very rich supplies. It represents to a greater or less degree the concentrated essence of the vegetable and has a much marked tendency to unbalance the diet—if, for the sake of brevity, one may be allowed so crude an expression—than do the pure sugars, starches and fats." Sweet potato syrup is not difficult to make. It does not have to be subjected to chemical treatment other than malting, nor to a higher temperature than the boiling point, and that only long enough to cook the vegeta-

ble thoroughly and to concentrate the syrup to a sugar consistency sufficient to preserve it. The making of sweet potato syrup is essentially a home industry. The Bureau of Chemistry has issued instructions as to the making of the syrup, and the States Relation Service has prepared a number of recipes in which sweet potato syrup is said to be superior to many other kinds of syrup, in some cases, to sugar of any kind. All this material may be had free on application to the United States Department of Agriculture.

When your digestion is poor, when your bowels are costive, when your breath is bad, when your stomach is sick or disordered, and you feel languid and low-spirited, Prickly Ash Bitters is decidedly the remedy you need. It cleanses the vital organs, purifies the bowels and imparts a fine feeling of strength vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Special Agent.

Worst Sugar Shortage Yet

The sugar shortage is now worse in the United States than it was at any time during the war. In many restaurants no sugar at all is served, and housewives can get only half pound or possibly a pound at one time. Grocery stores have none, much to the regret of the refiners, there can be no relief until the first Cuban sugar arrives, about the first of the year.

Save That Dollar!

If you have a dollar today and spend it, you only get about half a dollar's worth of anything you buy; that is unless you buy stock in some of these "promising" oil promotions, whose chief selling talk is, "Take a chance, Columbus did." In which case you get nothing but hot air for your dollar.

If you put this same "50-cent dollar" in the bank or into liberty bonds, where it will draw, say 4 per cent, at the end of five years it will have grown to \$1.20. But there is another and much more important phase of the matter. Our scientific, social and business worlds are all governed by the great basic law of action and reaction. As business travels its regular cycle of prosperity, decline, depression and improvement: commodity prices and the cost of living travel with it.

At present we are at the peak of a period of prosperity—a period of high costs. Five years hence, when your dollar in the bank has grown to \$1.20, the wheel will have turned, and we will be in a period of decline or depression. In all probability the dollar will be back to its 1914 basis, where it will buy about twice as much as it will today.

If you spend a dollar today, you lose 50 cents of it. In spending \$100, you lose \$50. A thousand spent today shows a real loss of \$500.

The same dollar put away for five years will show a book profit of 20 cents. Your \$100 will earn \$20 for you. The \$1,000 will grow into \$1,200, netting you \$200 profit without risk or effort on your part.

Further and much more important every one of these dollars should then buy twice as much as it will now.

If you want to make a safe investment that will net you a real profit of about 140 per cent in five years, or 28 per cent a year put aside every dollar you can possibly spare.—Roger W. Babson.

Effects of Prohibition

Since prohibition went into effect in Massachusetts there has been such a marked falling off in tenants of jails that a plan is under consideration of doing away with many prisons, and for effecting a large saving to the State through their elimination. Some of the jails in Boston are being closed and lower courts consolidated because of lack of cases the majority of which were the outgrowth of liquor. It is estimated \$250,000 a year will be saved through this consolidation of courts alone, while the consolidation of prisons will likely save nearly a million. Prohibition is sound economically as well as morally, and beneficial to a State as to an individual—Houston Post.

MICKIE SAYS

COME BY ME—"AN AD IN THE MAIL IS SOON TRUN AWAY, BUT ONE IN THE PAPER IS RIGHT THERE TO STAY." THE BOSS SAYS THAT'S MORE TRUTH THAN POETRY



Cotton Seed

We have secured a car load of first class cotton seed, which we will sell at ACTUAL COST.

Mr. O. W. Davis will deliver these seed for us. Please see him at once if you wish to take advantage of this opportunity to secure first-class seed.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

Lame Back puts a man out of commission while it lasts. Every moment is torture. He can't work, or even get about to amount to anything. For quick relief, apply

BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT

It is a Powerful Pain Relief

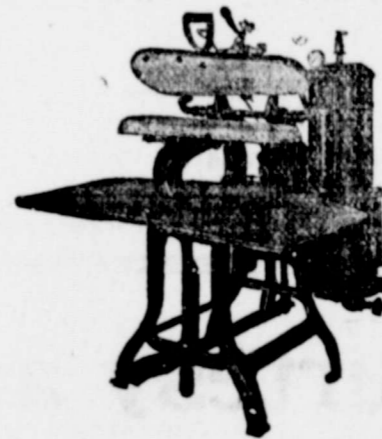
Rub it in well over the affected part. It warms and relaxes the contracted muscles, and relieves promptly. It is equally beneficial for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Stiff Neck, Sore Muscles, Cuts, Wounds, Sores, Burns, Scalds, Tender Feet, Chafes and Swellings.

Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle

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

FOR SALE BY D. N. LEAVERTON

Inspect our line of NEW FALL SAMPLES



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Clewis

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

Of course, if it is out of the question for you to buy a new suit, we can make your old one look mighty good.

M. L. Clewis.

ECZEMA!

MONEY BACK without question if Hunt's Salve fails in the treatment of Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, Itch, etc. Don't become discouraged because other treatments failed. Hunt's Salve has relieved hundreds of such cases. You can't lose on our Money Back Guarantee. Try it at our risk TODAY. Price 75c at



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Our Christmas Girl



The City Meat Market

T. W. LEWIS, Proprietor

Fresh Meats, Bread, Fruit, Packing House Products, Etc.

Fish Every Friday and Saturday

Try our Barbecue—it's fine

Free Delivery

LOCAL ITEMS

John Murchison was up from Crockett Sunday.

See Clewis for that Christmas suit.

Peter Bridges of Elkhart was here Saturday.

Clewis will please you. Have him clean and press your suit.

We have the FORD PARTS that you need.

Brooks Bros.

J. L. Beard of Latexo was transacting business in Grapeland Saturday.

George E. Darsey and Co. are selling blankets and comforts at greatly reduced prices.

W. W. Adams of Percilla was an appreciated caller at the Messenger office Saturday.

For Sale

1 good second-hand Ford car. Sold cheap, if sold at once.

Jack Murchison

Mrs. Bryon Allen and children of Palestine were the guests of relatives here a few days last week.

Of course he'd rather have something that he can wear and enjoy. Why not Select his gift at Darsey's?

Virgil McAnaly returned to Palestine Sunday, after spending a few days at Augusta visiting relatives.

Phone Darsey's for your Christmas groceries if you want to eliminate all risks. You'll find pure groceries there at all times.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR SHOPPING

There is a wire from our store to your home. This means that there is a drug store at your door. Just

Phone 140 or 47

and we'll do the rest. Our messenger is not quite as quick as the phone, but you'll be impressed with the promptness of deliveries. remember your phone, our store and our—

Free Delivery Service

BISHOP DRUG CO.

WE PRACTICE PROFESSIONAL PHARMACY

CARL GOOLSBY Crockett, Texas LIP SHERMAN

Clewis has all of the latest samples and styles.

Every coat in the house, for men, women and children, is marked down at Darsey's.

Jim Ryan of Palestine was visiting his many friends in Grapeland last Sunday.

Miss Mary Bell Grounds of Salmon was a visitor in our city Saturday.

J. E. Hollingsworth left Tuesday for a business trip to Huntsville, New Waverly and other points south.

New Price on Hulls

Until further notice we will sell hulls at \$16.00 per ton. If you need any see me.

O. W. Davis.

If you are still undecided what to give, turn to Darsey's ad and you will find many helpful suggestions.

Cars For Sale or Trade

I have a Ford roadster and a 5-passenger Ford for sale or trade.

Henry Dailey.

Bryan Burns of Houston who has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Anthony has returned home.

We wash cars, charge batteries, fix Fords and repair automobiles.

Service Garage.

Rev. J. L. Willis, pastor the Gallatin circuit, came in Monday and is spending the week with his mother, Mrs. Lucy Willis, in Rock Hill community.

Hogs Wanted

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

Dailey Bros.

We will pay a straight salary \$35.00 per week and expenses to man or woman with rig to introduce Eureka Egg Producer. Eureka Mfg. Co., East St. Louis Ill.

Posts for Sale

Plenty of split post oak posts.

Ed Musick

Elkhart, Route 2

Useless giving is old fashioned. The modern, thrifty people of today believe in giving something that is useful as well as attractive. Don't stay old fashioned. Buy your gifts at Darsey's.

Town Lots

Still have a few choice lots unsold in Selkirk Addition. Better see me at once and select the ones you want.

J. M. Selkirk.

Misses Annie Rainey Hollingsworth, Mabel Ward, Owena Johnston and Melba Brock, and Messrs. Dan McLean, Charles Wall and Morris Long visited in Palestine Friday evening.

For Sale

Macatawa berry plants; better get yours before they are gone. See, write or phone me your wants. M. L. Williams, tf Route 4.

Ain't It The Truth

Money has become so cheap that counterfeiters have been put out of business. All dollars look like counterfeits when it comes to buying the services of a negro woman to do a little washing for the family.—Ballinger Banner-Ledger.

Paying off our Big Debt

The public debt of the United States reached the high water mark on August 31, Secretary Glass tells the bankers. It was then \$26,596,701,648.01. By the 23rd of November, less than three months, it had been reduced by more than \$400,000,000

Xmas Offer Rate

For Mail Subscriptions only to THE HOUSTON CHRONICLE

Daily and Sunday—

One Year \$6.95

Six months \$3.95

Daily only—

One Year \$4.95

Six months \$2.75

This offer for month of December only.

Regular rates effective Jan. 1st, as follows:

1 month 75c

2 months \$1.50

3 months \$2.25

6 months \$4.50

12 months \$9.00

Save \$2.00 by subscribing now. See us at once.

THE PEOPLES DRUG STORE

HONESTY AND QUALITY

WADE L. SMITH

Steel Strike a Costly Failure

The great steel strike, which began September 22, seems to be a complete failure. In the Pittsburgh district, the center of the steel trade, nearly all the men were back at work in the last week of November, or their places had been taken by others. The production of steel would then have been as usual had it not been for shortage of fuel, caused by another strike. The wages lost to the strikers in the Pittsburgh district was almost thirty million dollars, or \$125 to each man who struck. Property was destroyed to the amount of \$150,000. The miners' estimate is that the coal which might have been mined during the strike period and was not would be worth to consumers \$250,000,000. This strike according to the "red" agitators was to have been the beginning of a rebellion which they expected to overthrow American institutions.

Renter Wanted

Renter wanted on halves to work anywhere from 50 to 75 acres. See or write—

R. M. Brooks, 2t Grapeland, R 3, Box 74

John Willis returned Saturday afternoon from Galveston where he had been attending a sick brother whom he thought was improving when he left him but on reaching home was handed a message his brother had died, and he has the sympathy of his many friends here in his sorrow.—Elkhart Record.

For Sale

100 acre farm, immediate possession, 1 mile from Grapeland. Price \$4,500. For further particulars address owner.

J. C. Bodenmiller, 610 Euclid Ave., Beaumont, Texas

C. L. Haltom has resigned his position with George E. Darsey & Co., for whom he has been working for several years, to accept the management of the Texas Holstein Farm. He will remove to the farm with his family about the first of January.

Notice to Stockholder of The Farmers Union Telephone Co.

You are hereby requested to meet at the courthouse in Grapeland Friday afternoon, December 12, at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of attending to some very important business.

T. H. Leaverton, President.

Peanuts Wanted

I am in the market for peanuts and will pay top prices.

J. W. Howard

George E. Darsey & Co. expect to buy more chickens, eggs and turkeys than any other store in East Texas during the next few days before Christmas and will pay you top prices.

Misses Mary Lou Darsey, Gertrude Nation, Maggie Hale and Rena Ross Richards, and Messrs. Dan McLean, George E. Darsey Jr., Jack Murchison and Chas. A. Rose attended the opera play in Palestine Wednesday evening of last week.

DR. G. D. SMALL

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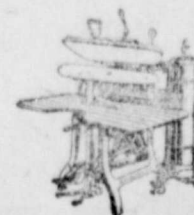
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LONG & CO

BIG CHRISTMAS

OUR STOCK IS UNUSUALLY LARGE for this season. In our stock, we are making great CON
Make Our Store your Headquar

SPECIAL
on Comforts and Blankets
Extra large cotton blank-
et, Xmas price - **\$3.49**
64x76 Woolnap blankets,
Xmas price, pair - **\$4.24**
1 lot heavy weight com-
forts, Xmas price **\$1.98**

STAPLE DRESS GOODS DEP'T.

Extra nice 36 in. French serge
special Xmas price per yd .74c
36 in. dress suiting in plaids and
stripes, Xmas sale price yd .39r
Cotton Poplin in assorted colors,
Xmas sale price per yd. .48c
57 in. table damask, Xmas sale
price per yard64c
64 inch, Xmas sale price78c
67 inch, regular price \$1.75, Xmas
sale price per yard**\$1.48**
Standard quality outing, 27 inches
wide, light and dark colors,
Xmas sale price per yard **22 1-2c**
9-4 Brown Pepperell sheeting,
Xmas sale price per yd.59c
10-4 Bleached Pepperell sheeting,
Xmas sale price per yard68c
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Xmas sale price per yard64c
4-4 "Good as Gold" Bleached Do-
mestic, Xmas sale price.24c
26 in. dress Gingham in broken
lots, Xmas sale price yd.24c
Apron checks, Xmas sale
price per yard**22 1-2c**

SILKS AND TAFFETAS

1 lot 36 in taffeta in fancy plaids
and stripes, Xmas sale price
per yard**\$1.74**
\$2.25 36 in. taffeta, green, black,
blue, navy, grey, sand and bur-
gundy, Xmas sale price yd **1.74**
\$1.25 36 in. Silk Poplin in all col-
ors, Xmas sale price yd.**98c**
\$1.75 silk kimona goods, rose and
blue, Xmas sale price yd. **\$1.34**

GEORGETTE WAISTS

\$5.50 value georgette waists Xmas
sale price**\$4.24**
\$6.00 value georgette waists Xmas
sale price**\$4.49**
\$6.50 value georgette waists Xmas
sale price**\$4.98**
\$7.00 value georgette waists Xmas
sale price**\$5.48**
\$8.00 value georgette waists Xmas
sale price**\$6.24**



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HOSIERY—is always an ideal gift because it not only carries the sentiment of Christmas, but it is practical. We are showing a beautiful line of silk hose ranging in price from \$1.00 to \$3.00 in all popular colors.
PURSES—We have a line of beautiful purses and hand bags ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$4.50
CAMISOLES—A beautiful assortment of Camisoles \$1.00 to \$2.50
HOUSE SHOES—We have a complete line of ladies house shoes in all sizes and colors at per pair \$1.95



NECKWEAR—was never more beautiful than it is now. See our line, and help solve your holiday problem.
GLOVES—We are showing a beautiful line of gloves ranging in price from
BELTS—Men's belts ranging in price from
SILK SHIRTS—Men's silk shirts ranging in price from
CUFF BUTTONS—from

SPECIAL PRICE

40 lb Cotton Mattress, Xmas sale price only**\$8.98**

MEN'S SUITS

Every Suit in the House Reduced
\$40.00 young men's suits, Xmas sale price**\$32.25**
\$37.50 young men's suits, Xmas sale price**\$29.95**
\$35.00 young men's suits, Xmas sale price**\$28.50**

Every overcoat we have is reduced SUITS FOR OUT DOOR MEN

\$15.00 moleskin suits, Xmas sale price**\$12.50**
\$12.50 corduroy suits, Xmas sale price**\$10.00**

BOYS' SUITS

\$11.50 blue serge suits for**\$8.98**
\$9.50 boys' suits for**\$7.98**
\$9 boys' suits, Xmas price**\$7.48**
\$8 boys' suits, Xmas price**\$6.98**
\$4.50 boys suits, Xmas price \$3.98

Bring us your Chickens and Eggs. We guarantee top prices

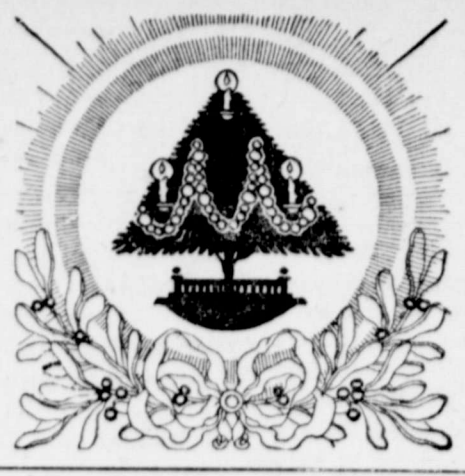
MEN'S PA

\$10 men's dress pants, Xmas sale price only
\$9.00 men's dress shirts, Xmas sale price
\$7.50 young men's suits, Xmas sale price
\$3.50 men's extra socks, Xmas sale price

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CHRISTMAS SALE!

this season of the year and in order to lower this
CONCESSIONS IN THE PRICE
 quarters for Christmas Shopping

All Shoes
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20% off
 No Exceptions!

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as beautiful or desirable as an Xmas
 line, ranging from 50c to \$3.00, and
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 beautiful line of men's gloves rang-
 ing from \$2.00 to \$3.50
 g in price from 50c to \$3.00
 irts ranging from \$6.00 to \$12.00
 25c to \$1.50



Gifts for Children

TOYLAND—Here is where old Santa reigns supreme!
 Velocipedes Dolls Horns Toy Sets
 Trunks Horses Tea Sets Garden Tools
 Rattlers Animals Books Water Guns
 Guns Toys Stoves Drums
 Balls Wind Mills Saving Banks Pianos
 Balloons Hand Bags Pails
 Chimes Watches Toy Dishes

GROCERIES

3 lbs best roasted coffee . . . \$1.00
 4 lbs Peaberry green coffee . \$1.00
 1 lb can fine ground coffee . . 40c
 4 bottles Garrett Snuff 98c
 5 bars Lenox soap for 25c
 9 cans of potash for \$1.00
 7 lbs Arm & Hammer soda . . 50c
 Extra high patent flour, best in
 town, Xmas sale price . . \$3.00

IRON BEDS

\$22.50 white iron beds . . . \$17.50
 \$20 white iron beds \$16.50
 \$17.50 white iron beds . . . \$14.98

KITCHEN CABINETS

\$28.50 kitchen cabinets . . . \$24.98
 \$16.00 kitchen cabinets . . \$14.98

Special prices on Bed Springs.

COOK STOVES AT COST

No. 48-17 Cook stove at . . \$19.95
 No. 48-19 Cook stove at . . \$23.95
 No. 48-19 Cook stove with resor-
 voir, Xmas sale price . . \$29.95
 No. 48-19 Cook stove at . . \$25.95
 No. 48-21 Cook stove with resor-
 voir, Xmas sale price . . \$31.95
 No. 3 tubs, Xmas price . . . \$1.35
 No. 2 tubs, Xmas price . . . \$1.15
 No. 1 tubs, Xmas price 98c

HORSE COLLARS

\$10.00 extra heavy russet leather
 wool face collars for . . . \$7.95
 High grade, russet leather collars,
 Xmas sale price \$4.98
 All leather goods, including
 breeching, buggy harness, bridles,
 etc., going at greatly reduced
 prices.
 Hog fencing, barb wire, wire
 staples and nails at reduced prices.
 See us if in the market.

WOMEN'S SUITS
 Dress pants, Xmas sale
 \$7.95
 Dress pants, Xmas
 \$6.98
 men's dress pants,
 price \$6.49
 extra heavy pants,
 price \$2.95

**REDUCTION ON OUR OVER-
 ALLS AND JUMPERS**
 Heavy blue and striped over-
 alls, Xmas sale price . . . \$1.74
 Jumpers to match \$1.74
 If we had to buy the same overalls
 today, we would have to sell
 them for \$2.50.
Bring us your Chickens and Eggs.
We guarantee top prices

WOMEN'S SUITS
For Christmas
 \$60.00 tailored broadcloth suits,
 Xmas sale price \$38.50
 \$50.00 ladies' brown suit, Xmas
 sale price \$34.95
 \$45.00 blue tricotine suit, Xmas
 sale price \$29.00
 \$38.50 ladies' suit, Xmas sale
 price \$24.50
 \$7.50 blue serge dresses, Xmas
 sale price \$4.98
 \$12.50 blue serge dresses, Xmas
 sale price \$8.45
 \$20.00 blue messaline dresses,
 Xmas sale price \$13.98
 \$30.00 grey wool jersey, Xmas
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THURSDAY, DEC. 11, 1919

THE NEXT ISSUE

From now on the main issue before the American people is Americanism vs. violent radicalism. There is not room in the United States for these two forces, and the last named has got to get out. It must die. The American people are aroused to the issue.

Far-seeing statesmen already note that the next great test at the polls will be Americanism. It is class rule against the great American public—radicalism as opposed to our institutions. The League of Nations, the peace treaty, all these issues sink into insignificance as compared to this great test. Americanism will be the dominant issue.

Senator Borah has stated that in his opinion education will be the tool by which the "red" menace will be fought and killed. He is not so much in favor of deportation as a cure for the evil as he is in favor of a great campaign of education. It is a fact that the truth, wherever it is found, needs but to be held up and it attracts and wins out. There is no fear for the United States in this coming issue. We have but to remember the exhortation, "To thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

We face with confidence this coming issue and welcome the test. America will ring true, and the yells of a small and violent minority be silenced in the great shout of the American people.

AFTER THE LOST HOUR

The advocates of the daylight saving scheme cannot and will not forget it. They are still on the job and putting up a fight to retrieve their set-back. In some sixteen states Chambers of Commerce and other industrial, commercial and social bodies are at work in an endeavor to arouse public sentiment to a sense of the value of the "lost hour."

Marcus M. Marks is President of the National Daylight Saving Association, and in a statement he assures the country that the movement is now fairly under way to "exchange an hour of night for an hour of light." This is catchy and appealing; it's a good slogan and the man who thought it up is a bright one. From Massachusetts to Kentucky and from the east as far west as Colorado the campaign is on. "An hour of night for an hour of light." May sound good and catchy to those favoring it, but we're agin' it.

Practically all of the cotton seed grown in Houston county this year are unfit for planting purposes on account of so much rain, which caused the seed to rot and deteriorate. Seed for next year should be purchased in other parts of the state where the rainfall was not so excessive.

Now get ready for Christmas!

Nobody never regrets having done the right thing.

Make the best of the opportunities you have and new ones will be opened to you.

Advertising is something more than just buying space. It's making the space deliver a real selling talk.

We think the prohibitionists need worry very little about the enforcement of the law. Whisky at \$45.00 per gallon will do its own enforcing.

It is said the silver in a dollar is now worth \$1.05. But try to get that much for it in exchange for some of Mr. Armour's products and you'll find it'll buy about 43c worth of calf liver.

Old Santa Claus up-to-date does not use the sleigh, 'tis said, but travels via the airplane and lowers his gifts by pulley and tackle, so all you kiddies stand clear and do no prowling on Christmas eve night, for Santa these times, like all the rest of us, is in a hurry.

It is a bad day for turkeys. Thanksgiving took its toll; Christmas is just ahead, and Turkey's chased out of Europe and on its last legs in Asia. Looks as if the species might become extinct in the near future. It's a clear case of the gobbler being gobbled.

We urge the women as well as the men to arm themselves with a poll tax receipt. There is going to be something doing in Houston county politics next year, and the pot will begin to boil early. You can't participate in the fun unless you have a poll tax receipt.

While the world in topsy-turvy jerky and panicky, we hear of but mighty few farmers making assignments. And while they often feel they are the oppressed of the nation, yet after all, how little they know of the sudden reverses of fortune, from wealth to pauperism, and a struggle for life in the uncertain speculative world. They are the "reserves" which the army of the nation can drop back to and start anew to victory.

Then And Now

The following item was clipped from the Houston Post's twenty-five years ago column, and furnishes quite a contrast between prices then and now:

Produce is moving freely. Eggs are very scarce and consequently are selling as high as 23c per dozen. Stocks in most lines are full and dealers are in readiness for the holiday trade. Pecans are selling at 3 1-2c per pound, and Brazil nuts at 9c. Some choice oranges are in stock at \$2 a box. Whisky has gone up to \$2 per gallon.

To The Tax Payers Of Houston County

I shall be at the following places for the purpose of collecting your 1919 tax on the dates respectively named, and please remember that next year is election year, and those who expect to vote must pay their poll tax before Feb. 1, 1920, or receive their exemption certificate. It is mandatory for ladies to pay poll tax in order to participate in the election next year.

Kennard—Tuesday, Dec. 16 in the morning only.

Ratcliff—Tuesday, Dec. 16 in the afternoon only.

Weldon—Wednesday—Dec 17

Lovelady—Thursday, Dec. 18.

Grapeland—Friday, Dec. 19.

Hoping you will avail yourselves of this opportunity to pay your taxes. I am,

Yours very truly,
C. W. Butler Jr.,
Tax Collector.

Says Surface Indications Mean Little in Seeking Oil

Ninety-five per cent of all oil discoveries are the result of accident, Dr. H. R. Heyne, formerly chief chemist of the Magnolia Petroleum Company, declared in an address before the monthly meeting of the Technical Club recently at Dallas. Dr. Heyne's subject was "Crude Petroleum." In asserting that surface indications count for very little, he said there is no geological connections in the topography of the fields where oil is found, there being more dry holes drilled on surface indications than there are wells brought in.

"Petroleum was first heard of in America in a letter written by a Franciscan missionary in 1627, who saw Indians using it for healing purposes," he said. "The next mention of it was made by a Moravian missionary, who wrote of its occurrence and use in Pennsylvania. A century elapsed before petroleum was again brought to the attention of the people of the American continent by Benjamin Silliman, a chemist, who published an account of experiments made with crude oil dipped from the surface of streams. Crude oil was first used commercially in 1828 by the city of Pittsburgh in lighting the streets. Seventeen years later it was first used as a lubricant when the Hope cotton factory of Pittsburgh contracted for two barrels a week to oil their spindles. The first refinery in the United States was built in New York in 1855 with a maximum output of 1,000 barrels a year. Two years later this was increased to 15,000 barrels a year, while today 900,000 barrels are produced daily in the United States."

Write To Santa Claus

As been our custom for years the Messenger will print the children's letters to Santa Claus again this year. The children are requested and urged to get their letters to us as soon as possible so they can all be printed in our Christmas edition next week. To insure publication all letters must be in this office by Tuesday noon, December 16, next week.

The Publisher To The Public

I wish to announce that I have purchased the barber shop and good will of Messrs. Denson & Walton, and assure you that I will appreciate your continued patronage. It will be my endeavor to maintain the high standard of service and efficiency established by my predecessors. Thanking you in advance for any favors, I am,

Respectfully,
Alton Frisby

Dead Cow up to Congress

The "dead cow case" is one of the subjects that this congress will have to dispose of one way or the other. This may not be important to the nation as a whole, but it is important to the man the cow belonged to. He is a rancher in the state of Washington. His cow ate some gun powder that a forest ranger left on the range and she died within a few minutes. The officials all along the line felt that the man should be recompensed for the loss of the cow but there was no authority for it. So the claim was passed on and on until finally it reached congress. A bill was introduced providing for a special appropriation of \$60. It was accompanied by a committee report of seven pages, which cost the government several times what the cow was worth. Large numbers of claims against the government growing out of the war are being presented. Most of these will be disposed of in the regular government departments or the court of claims, but now and then there is one which is not within the general laws and these may be presented to congress for special action.—The Pathfinder.

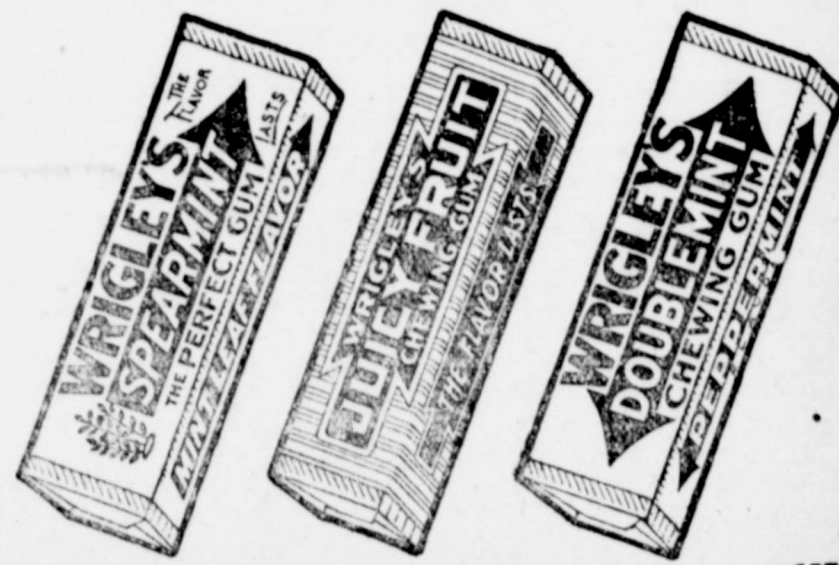
WRIGLEY'S

5c a package before the war

5c a package during the war

5c a package NOW

THE FLAVOR LASTS SO DOES THE PRICE!



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The End of The Line

One cold wintery morning a man of tall and angular build was walking down a steep hill at a rapid pace. A treacherous piece of ice under the snow caused him to lose control of his feet; he began to slide and was unable to stop.

At a cross street half way down the decline he encountered a large, heavy woman with her

arms full of bundles. The meeting was sudden and before either realized it a collision ensued and both were sliding down hill, a grand ensemble—the thin man underneath, the fat woman and the bundles on top. When the bottom was reached and the woman was trying in vain to recover her breath and her feet these faint words were borne to her ear:

"Pardon me, madam, but you will have to get off here. This is as far as I go."

"Not a Sound Till I'm Through"



Long-Distance Tires

Each Man a Master—Each Tire a Masterpiece

You can pay less for tires—but Millers cost less per mile. That's because Millers are built by uniform workmen, trained to a championship standard. So Miller Tires mean no "second bests"—under like conditions they wear alike. And all are long-distance runners. These tires and our service are good associates. Comemake our acquaintance.



Dealer's Name and Address



WADE L. SMITH

LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, Dec. 8.—We are glad to announce that Rev. J. F. Lively will be our preacher for another year. He has done splendid work here the past year, and with the co-operation of the members and the support of all he promises to do all in his power for the church in the coming year. So let us help him all we can and make Livelyville a place where people will like to come. Our preaching day will be every first Sunday, as formerly.

People are very much worried about the astronomers' prophecy regarding the events predicted for the 17th of December. Why worry? It won't help anything, and we are in the hollow of His hand. We know He will keep us, and don't let us cross the bridge before we get to it. (The article printed by the Messenger some time ago, regarding the unusual weather disturbance to take place December 17, was printed in jest. The United States weather bureau has issued a statement to the effect that there is nothing to indicate that there will be such a disturbance, so calm yourselves, dear folks, and pursue your daily routine without fear of molestation. We do not look for weather any worse than that we have been having all the summer and fall.—Editor)

Many young folks from here went to the box supper at Percilla which was given to raise funds for the tubercular home to be built for the soldiers, and they report a fine time. Among those to go from here were: Messrs. Ben Keen, Irma Mills, Raymond Garner, Seth Cunningham, Paul MacDonald, Robert Keen, Bert Robinson; Misses Lila Dennis, Ruby Brown, Belmar Cunningham, Modelle Garner, and some others whose names we failed to get.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Chaffin and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Haltom.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Masters announce the birth of a son.

As we bid our old neighbors farewell, we welcome the new ones. May they be happy and prosperous in their new homes.

Christmas seems to be so close at hand, judging by the toys old Santa is putting away. And it really is. We read the Messenger's Christmas ads and "do your shopping early."

Mrs. E. Howard spent Sunday with Mrs. W. Redmond.

Mr and Mrs. Tom Cook will leave here soon, as we understand Mr. Cook has bought a farm near Percilla.

Mr and Mrs. G. W. Garner spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. John Morris.

Alma Tillman has leased the Lenard Howard place and will move here from Denson Springs in the near future.

"Costs Nothing to Try it." Except When Auto Hits Post

Palestine, Tex. Dec. 7.—A "flivver" driven by a negro boy was almost completely demolished yesterday afternoon when the driver ran into one of the iron "white way" posts on Spring street. The car had a big sign on its side, which read, "It costs you nothing to try it," as it was an advertising car of some character, and when the owners came to pay for the damage they found it cost them a pretty penny to try it.

Barber Shop Changes Hands

Alton Frisby, who has been employed in the Denson & Walton barber shop the past year, is now the owner and proprietor, having purchased the shop last week. Messrs. Denson & Walton have not yet made public their plans for the future. For the present, they will remain in the shop with Mr. Frisby until he can secure other help.

If you have no appetite for your meals, something is wrong in your digestive organs. Take a dose or two of Prickly Ash Bitters, the medicine for men. It cleanses the stomach, liver and bowels and creates appetite, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

Woodmen Elect Officers

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

- Consul Commander—C. L. Haltom.
- Adviser Lieutenant—P. H. Parker.
- Banker—J. S. Eaves.
- Clerk—W. D. Grandberry.
- Escort—Harry Richards.
- Watchman—W. L. Bridges.
- Sentry—Ruel Woodard.
- Managers—E. F. Smith, W. L. Bridges, E. C. Parker.

75 Million Campaign

The Baptist campaign to raise 75 million dollars in the south for church purposes came to a close Sunday night.

The local church was assigned a quota of \$12,000 to be raised in five years—an enormous amount compared to their strength—but they went after it with a will to succeed, and Sunday night reported that \$8,500 had been pledged and they were confident the balance would be forth coming, as the full membership had not been canvassed when the report was made.

EXCHANGE GOSSIP

Emma Goldman hopes to return to the United States as an ambassador. If Emma ever gets into this country again she will have to be smuggled in as commercial fertilizer.—Houston Post.

Methodist pastors in Ft Worth have received an increase in salary. First thing we know we will wake up and find the teachers' wages have been raised and then we'll start listening for Gabriel's horn.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The Publishers' Auxiliary says the profiteering paper manufacturers threaten the life of American newspapers. The price of print paper has advanced until it will no doubt soon be selling by the yard and much higher than calico.—Timpson Times.

Texas republicans have indorsed the fight on the peace treaty in the national Senate. There is some consolation to the democrats in the fact that Texas republicans have to go outside the state to find something to indorse.—Ft. Worth Star Telegram.

The quickest means at hand of deporting the undesirables from this country is almost too slow for the proper protection of American institutions. Huddle all the "reds," bolsheviks, German propagandists and oth-

er "foreigners" into a stock steamer and carry them over the ocean as fast as a full head of steam will pull their rotten carcasses. It is a waste of time for commissions and committees from congress to seek a reason for failure to carry out the provisions of law in regard to deportation of aliens; let the men charged with this duty get busy, and when they fail, kick them out and put others in their places. Ridding this country of alien enemies and all traitorous elements is not a partisan question and demands haste. Soldiers of the Legion and millions of patriotic civilians are tired of such crimes as are being committed by I. W. W's, and like breeds of anarchists and if the government doesn't get rid of them soon, many of them will be wiped out by such an uprising as has never been known before in these United States. The war was fought to make the world safe for democracy and this bunch is endeavoring to make this country unsafe for the pursuits of life, liberty and prosperity. Such conditions must not be permitted to continue in this great country.—Wills Point Chronicle.

The great reason why the Literary Digest is so great is that it has never failed to capitalize every opening that has appeared for the furtherance of that publication's mission as the world's most progressive weekly. It took free and ample advantage of the great achievement it put over when it had to adopt ways and means of printing to get away from the great strike of the New York printers. The publication of a great weekly

periodical by photo-engraving was unknown, but with the aid of the Royal typewriter (it could have been done on any other, also) the job was put over before the printers knew what had happened. And the dear old public, always appreciative of a great deed, responded with eager haste to buy up all the Literary Digests that were for sale, and the supply was away less than the demand.—Newspaperdom.

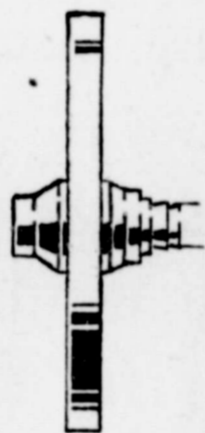
They're now turning the breweries into ice cream plants and replacing saloons with gasoline filling stations. The old time "boozer" drives his car (bought with the money he used to spend for liquor) down to the gasoline filling station, gets a supply of gas and takes his family down to the "brewery" and treats 'em to ice cream. A wonderful change has taken place.—Trinity Tribune.

That Explains It

A statement issued by the Association for the Protection of American Rights in Mexico declares that that country is and has been for sometime in the grip of the I. W. Ws. and bolsheviks.

To Camp Mabry

County Clerk, A. E. Owens, Captain in the Houston county cavalry organization, left Saturday night for Camp Mabry, near Austin, for the purpose of engaging in target practice. He was accompanied by ten select men of the organization. The practice will include the use of the machine gun, rifle and pistol



Studebaker Wheels "Chuck"! Why?

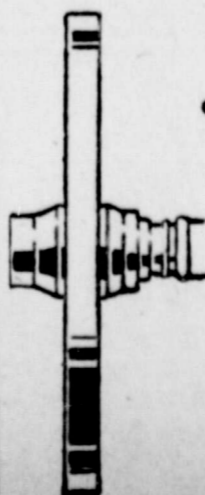
We have been using this space to tell you about the advantages in general of using "auto" track wagons—how they follow the roads or tracks made by automobiles, and why we expect to have nothing but "auto" tracks to sell in the near future, for the simple reason that there will be no demand for any other kind.

Today we want to tell you of one advantage in particular of the Studebaker "auto" track wagon. Studebaker—wagon specialists since 1852—have perfected the mechanical science of putting just the right amount of "dish" into their wagon wheels to make them run on a plumb spoke. They have also figured out and put into their gears the proper set and gather to make the wheels revolve freely and "chuck" between the skein collar and the axle nut. This holds the grease in and keeps it evenly distributed so that there is no unusual wear on the skeins, or the skein collars or axle nuts.

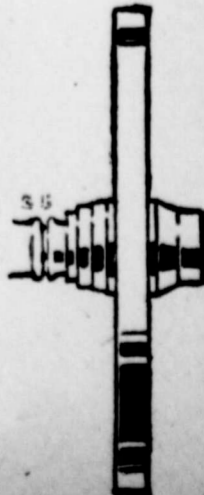
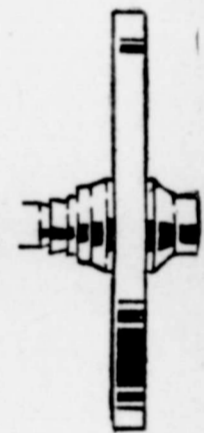
But all these advantages would count for nothing if the wagon could not follow in the track of the automobile. If the wheels on one side run smoothly in the rut while those on the other ride the ridges—as in the case of wide track wagons—the wagon pulls harder, the wheels do not run on plumb spokes and on one side they are bearing against the axle nut; on the other side they bear against the skein collar. There is no "chuck", the grease runs out, and your wagon is shorter lived.

So, in order that the advantages of set and gather will not be lost to Studebaker wagon users, these wagons are built to fit the roads—at least 90% of which are today tracked by the automobile and 100% of which in the near future will be established by both the automobile and "auto" track wagons.

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WHAT CANDLES SYMBOLIZE

Higher Meaning of Little Burning Tapers That Ornament the Christmas Tree.

It is little wonder we cling to the old custom of lighting the little pink and blue and green and yellow candles. For we apprehend, I am sure, not altogether dimly, as we go about touching them into flame, the shining potency of those things they do but symbolize—of goodness, of love, of spirituality, and the far-reaching power of these to lighten the world. It cannot be but the Tinsel Star was right. The gifts and ornaments of Christmas, fair and fitting though they are, might all be done away with and we should still have a very good Christmas indeed, if but the Christmas candles shed their light.

Yet I do not forget that the Paradise Bird scorned the little bits of blackened candles that lay in the Christmas box. We are very human after all, and the candles of our kindness seem but little things sometimes and soon burned out. Fall they may, but there shall be, and with all the more reason, others to take their places.

Over again and once a year the human spirit makes for itself a festival, and under the light of the abiding heavens which do not fail—God's glowing heavens of stars that are forever lighted, forever sure—it lifts up the tapers of its own lighting, tapers which, though they burn out humanly, yet with a touching devotion of faith shall be replaced, relighted, rekindled each year, as the blessed season comes around.

Types they are, these Christmas candles, of our lives, so apt to fail and of our purposes, so easily wasted, but types also of our glowing longings, our luminous, unconquerable hopes; nor can it be said that we have failed so long as we relight them, year after year, a pledge of our own faith in better things, and to do honor to that Little Lord, whom, with touching devotion to the old shining symbol of "a light that shineth in darkness," shedding blessing across our way, we still lovingly and how appropriately call "The Light of the World."—Woman's Home Companion.

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UNION DOTS

Union, Dec. 8.—The pupils of our school are studying hard, but we do not know whether they are studying their books or what Santa Claus will bring them.

Monroe Weisinger and family, Curtis Walling and family and a number of our young people spent Sunday afternoon at R. B. Caskey's

Jimmie Caskey and family spent Sunday with Mrs. C. A.

Walling at Grapeland.

Prewitt DuBose visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Curtis Walling accompanied her husband to his school at Waneta Sunday afternoon.

Misses Clarice and Irene Kolb spent Sunday with Miss Florence Bean of Oak Grove community.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walling, Miss Virgie Lundy and Mr. Bob Denman and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Caskey Saturday evening.

There was quite a crowd of peo-

ple present at Midway Sunday evening despite the threatening weather.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cox and little Louie Oleta visited at the home of Curtis Walling Sunday night.

W. D. Dickey and family, who have been living at Palestine the past few months, will move back to Percilla in the near future, Mr. Dickey having rented Monroe Jones' farm. We understand Mr. Jones will remove to Corsicana.