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## District Court News

Crockett, Texas, October 13, 1920.—The October term of the District Court opened in this city Monday morning with Judge John S. Prince of Athens and District Attorney Dent being in attendance. The Grand Jury was organized with James S. Shivers of this city as forman, and after having been given a general charge, entered upon the discharge of their duties. Tuesday the Grand Jury came into open court and reported that the foreman was sick and unable to attend to the duties, whereupon P. O. Graves of Ratcliff was appointed temporary foreman. Up to Tuesday night a large number of witnesses had been examined.

## Civil Docket

A number of cases were set down for trial, mainly suits involving lands, contracts and notes; none were tried.

## Criminal Docket

No criminal cases have been set, but will be taken up at a later date.

## Divorce Docket

Divorces were granted in following cases: Effie Laurel vs George Calhoun; Archie vs Alex Gary; Alice vs E. D. Robinson; Bettie vs K. L. Scott; Ruth vs John Reeves; Mary Bell vs Albert Daniels; Robert vs Katie Calhoun; Josie vs Ernest Johnston (custody of child given mother); Dave vs Hattie Govan; Elizabeth vs Taylor Leonard; D. L. vs Nan Morrow; Willie vs Walter Traylor; Josephine vs Will Jones; G. P. vs Myrtle Bradberry; Chas. vs Caroline Johnson; Annie vs Luther San-

## School Rally

Miss Ray, superintendent of the school announces that a school rally will be held at the auditorium Friday night Oct. 29, a more definite announcement of which will appear next week. If the present plans are carried out a program of much interest will be rendered and at least one good speaker from abroad will be secured.

ders (children given to plaintiff) Levi vs Rosina Carroll; Hugh vs Nell Bayne; Tom vs Rena Truss; Jackson vs N. R. C. Randolph; Bertha vs Demps Moten Jr; Mann vs Annie Smith; Hattie vs Willie Wilcox; A. L. vs Belton Thompson; Dick vs Sarah Lee; Lent vs Float Thomas; Dave vs Beatrice Duren.

Mr. W. W. Browning of Georgia is here visiting his sister, Mrs. John Green, just east of town. Mr. Browning is an ex-confederate veteran and attended the reunion at Houston. This is the first time he and his sister have seen each other in forty-four years, and it was a happy meeting. A family reunion was held at Mr. and Mrs. Green's last Sunday, which was attended by a large crowd of kinspeople. Miss Willie Browning of this city, Mrs. Wall of Palestine and Mrs. J. B. King of Rusk, all neices of Mr. Browning, were in attendance.

Miss Nell Marshall left last Saturday morning for Taylor where she will be principal of a community school near that place.

## An Old Letter

The following letter was written in 1869 by Mr. Thomas Lively to his son, Taylor Lively. It was handed to us for publication by Rev. J. F. Lively of this city, who was the "baby" at that time, thinking it might be of some interest to some of the "old timers" in this section. Mr. Lively and family just moved from this section to Grayston county, leaving his son here on the old home place. Mr. Lively died about four months after this letter was written:

Grayson County, Texas.  
July 22, 1869.

My very dear R. T. L.:

As I am somewhat at leisure today, I take this opportunity to write you again to let you how we are at this time. We are all enjoying better health than we were when I wrote you last. Your mother is nearly well of her cough and cold, and Sam is improving very fast. I hope we will all be well and hearty again very soon. I hope when you get this letter it may find you in good health and doing well.

Taylor, you never saw such crops with your eyes as there are in this country; if you could see the land and crops here I don't think you would stay there any longer than you could get away, though your mother and the girls are not satisfied with this black sticky land. If you was here you could make three dollars to one there. If you was here you and one of the boys could take the team and make three dollars for every acre of prairie land you would turn over.

# Look!

# Look!

## OUR SALE

is doing more to reduce the price of merchandise in Grapeland than any event for the past two years.

If you are not making profit out of our loss, it is your own fault.

We have the goods and have made the prices--prices that are lower than anywhere in Houston county, and to convince yourself come to see us. Come before

**Saturday, October 16th**

and you will reap a great benefit. Above all things else, COME.

## McLean & Riall

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Grapeland, Texas

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## Big Cut in Prices on

**Groceries, Hardware, Mattresses, Iron Beds, Dressers, Cooking Stoves, Sewing Machines and Leather Goods**

### GROCERIES

6 lb sugar for.....	\$1.00
22 bars of soap.....	\$1.00
5 lb coffee for.....	\$1.00
22 pkg. washing powder.....	\$1.00
6 boxes matches.....	.35
5 cans good Salmon.....	\$1.00
\$1.25 bucket Coffee.....	.90
\$1.50 bucket Coffee.....	\$1.25
3 cans Hominy.....	.25
Extra high grade flour.....	\$3.40
High Patent flour.....	\$3.35
Wheat Bran.....	\$2.45
Wheat Shorts.....	\$2.95
Maze Chops.....	\$2.75
Brown Mule Tobacco per lb.....	.75
1 gallon can Karo Syrup.....	.95
White Star Syrup.....	.95
Evangeline Syrup.....	\$1.00

### HARDWARE

\$3.00 double bit axes for.....	\$2.65
26 inch hog wire for.....	\$6.65
\$1.75 Lantern.....	\$1.40
All Red Cedar Water buckets.....	\$1.95

### MATTRESSES

\$12.50 Cotton Mattresses.....	\$8.75
\$10.00 Cotton Mattresses.....	\$7.50
\$8.50 Mattresses.....	\$6.50
\$6.50 Mattresses.....	\$4.50

### IRON BEDS

\$16.50 Iron Beds.....	\$11.95
\$18.50 Iron Beds.....	\$12.95

### DRESSERS

\$32.50 Dressers for.....	\$26.50
\$37.50 Dressers for.....	\$29.65

### COOKING STOVES

From \$20.00 to \$75.00. Big reduction on every Stove.

### SEWING MACHINES

\$45.00 Sewing Machines.....	\$35.00
\$35.00 Sewing Machines.....	\$27.50

### HARNES AND LEATHER GOODS

\$2.25 Blind Bridles.....	\$1.95
\$2.75 Blind Bridles.....	\$2.25
\$7.50 Horse Collars.....	\$5.90
\$6.50 Horse Collars.....	\$4.90

## KEELAND BROTHERS

Our children are a perfect show here. The people are appointing singings around in the neighborhood just to hear them sing. The old and young are begging them to come to their houses and sing for them. If you were here you could get as many singing schools as you wanted.

I am going to set in Monday to help a man build a house at one dollar and a half a day. The people are begging me constantly to settle in here and put up a shop. I am satisfied if I had up a good lathe that I could sell one hundred stands of beadsteads in five or six miles around, and chairs without number, safes, cupboards, tables, clothes presses, wagons and nearly everything you could mention. The man that I am going to help build a house is soliciting me hard to go in with him and put in a lathe and shop at a fine mill. The man that owns the mill has offered to give us lathe power from his mill wheel and for shop work. There is two more houses wanting built in this neighborhood. One is a large church house and the other a

dwelling house. It may be that I may take one or the other of them to build, and if I do I shall stay in this neighborhood sometime yet. I want to look around. The people are pressing me so hard about work that I have not yet had time to look around much yet. I am going over to Cutlar's as soon as I can. He is on the sandy land and I think I shall like it better than I do this. There is a great deal more fruit and timber and better water. I want to look at the country clean down to Paris in Lamar county, and I should be glad for you to be here and go with me. We would be glad to see you and we want you to come as soon as you can.

Show this letter to all the kin-folks and all others that may inquire after us. Tell them that it is too great a task to write a separate letter to each one of them at this time. Give my love to all who may ask about us. Tell Bill and Hen and Louis and all the rest of the kin to write to me. Write yourself as soon as you get this. Your mother wants to see you badly,

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**Attorney General States  
Opinion on New Election Law**

Austin, Texas, Oct. 9.—Administrative provisions of the suffrage election law enacted at the last special session of the legislature were construed by the attorney general's department Saturday in an opinion written by Assistant Attorney General W. W. Caves to Comptroller M. L. Wiggington. The opinion holds that under the new law nothing further is required of either men or women who paid the 1919 poll tax or procured certificates of exemptions prior to February 1, 1920.

Those who failed to do so, according to the opinion, if otherwise qualified to vote, are allowed until 12 o'clock midnight of October 21, 1920, to pay poll tax and obtain certificates of exemption without paying penalty, interest or costs. The poll tax receipts and certificates authorized to be issued under the new law before October 22, 1920, relate only to the 1919 poll tax and the right to vote at elections held before February 1, 1921.

All persons, both men and women, who desire to vote at elections after February 1, 1921, will be required to pay the 1920 poll tax and get their receipts for that year not later than February 1, 1921. This is also true as to those required to have certificates of exemption for 1921. Beginning with January 1, 1921, women and men alike are subject to assessments for poll taxes and will be required to pay same as a tax regardless of whether each person may desire to vote or not, the opinion states. The new law makes the change in the general qualification of voters, such as age, residence in county and State.

**Pupil's Point of View on  
Better Schools Amendment**

The teacher said to the waiting class,  
"Set forth why the amendment should pass?"  
So little Jonny removed his coat,  
And this is the poem that he wrote:  
"The day is hot, and so am I  
To think that any tight-wad guy  
Would try to save a bean or two  
On better schools for me and you.  
It's hard enough to come all day  
And crack your brains and stop your play  
Without being herded in a shack  
That almost fell down ten years back.  
Or taught by teachers, kids or green,  
Who's ugly, ignorant, or mean.  
So come, all voters, young and gray  
And put it through on election day.  
Forget you're tired, forget you're busy,  
Walk, run, or come in your tin 'Lizzie!'  
If you have never voted before  
in your life,  
Come this time and bring your wife."  
Vote for the Better School Amendment, November 2.

When the breath is bad and the appetite disordered, Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy needed. It purifies the stomach, liver and bowels, sweetens the breath, promotes vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.50 at Smith & Ryans.

**September Eve**



**Married Woman May Vote  
At Bond Election, Ruled**

Austin, Texas, Oct. 9.—It was held Saturday by the attorney general's department in an opinion written by Assistant Attorney General W. D. Dumas to Representative T. S. Johnson of Travis county that a married woman who is otherwise qualified as a voter may vote in a bond election if the community property of the husband and wife is within the county or district where the bond election was held. It was also held that the law in respect to community property qualifies women as property tax payers.

**For Your Earnest Consideration**

School reports show that twice as much money is being spent in the cities for the education of negro children as is being spent in the country districts for the education of white children. Cities are not limited by the constitutional restriction on local taxation. On November 2nd the country districts will be given the same local self government privileges if the Better Schools Amendment carries.

A burning sensation in the throat and chest means bad digestion; and digestive trouble is the starting point for many serious diseases; particularly kidney disease. Better take Prickly Ash Bitters and put your stomach and digestion in sound condition before serious trouble begins. Price \$1.50 per bottle. Sold by Smith and Ryan.

**Wilful Waste Makes Woeful want**

A report has been made to the U. S. Senate saying that the oil supplies in the earth are not expected to last more than twenty years. Forty per cent of the wells and oil fields are exhausted. Coal also is being rapidly used up, and in forty years or less will be too scarce and dear for common use. Natural gas is fast failing, and cities that have used it wastefully for twenty-five years are now forced to economize.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Davis visited in Crockett Sunday.

**Harding Loses Support of  
30,000 California Women**

New York, Oct. 9.—Senator Harding's rejection of the league of nations in his speech at Des Moines last Thursday alienated support of 30,000 women of California, according to a telegram sent to the republican president nominee by Mrs. Fay Wilbur of Leyland Stanford Jr. university, a copy of which was sent to the democratic national headquarters in this city Saturday. In a telegram to Senator Harding, after quoting his "rejection" phrase, Mrs. Wilbur wired: "If these statements are true, I make support of you by 30,000 women in California who stand for immediate ratification of the league and treaty impossible."

**The Inflow of Aliens**

Immigrants are pouring into the United States in larger numbers than for years past. Each one has to pass our Government's agents inspection before sailing and upon arrival. Each must pass the educational test, too, in order to obtain admittance. Millions more would come here from distracted Europe if they could. Last year thousands of aliens here in America migrated back to Europe, but many of them are returning. Others write that it was a sad mistake for them to leave "the good old U. S. A." Large immigration heretofore has been followed by greater activity in many of our industries. Good times have been promoted too, at least for a while.

**Governor Opens Annual  
Fair at Dallas Saturday**

Dallas, Texas, Oct. 9.—The State fair of Texas, opening its thirty-fourth annual 16-day exposition here Saturday, assumed an international aspect for the first time. Besides an enlarged domestic display, Canada and Mexico sent national exhibits. They were financed by the Canadian and Mexican governments and were valued at several million dollars each. The fair was formally opened at 11 o'clock by Governor W. P. Hobby, the feature of the opening ceremonies being a concert by a Mexican brass band of 110 instruments. The band was sent from Mexico City by Provisional President De La Hureta. Speeches also were made by official representatives of the Mexican government.

**How He Could Help**

"Can I do anything for you?" asked the sympathetic motorist of a dusty, grimy individual who was trying to find out the trouble with his car, while a corpulent dame on the back seat kept up a running fire of comment and advice. "Yes, you can," answered the man in trouble. "I wish you'd come over here and tell my wife the story of your life or do something else to keep her from meddling with me until I get this blamed job finished."—Ex. Miss Kathryn Hassel visited home folks at Crockett last week end.

**League Will Last as Long  
As 10 Commandments**

Alton, Ill., Oct. 9.—The League of Nations will last just as long as the Ten Commandments given to Moses on Mount Sinai and just as long as the declaration of independence, Secretary of the Navy Daniels told a large crowd here Saturday night at a rally given under the auspices of the local democratic party. The hostility is not against the league of nations nor against the conduct of the war, but against the taxation after the war, he asserted.

"All large nations of the world" Mr. Daniels declared, "are now members of the league, except Germany, the Turk and bolshevik Russia. I am ashamed of the company we are in."

**A Quiet Week**

Trying to get out a newsy paper with nothing happening to tell about is hard luck and nothing else. No storms, no wrecks, no weddings—no nothing that makes news. One young lady who was going to be operated on, promised to linger along until just before we went to press so we could have a "scoop" on her demise—if luck went against her. She hasn't even gone to the hospital yet. We heard of a big robbery and hold-up with all its trimmings, and it proved to be a water haul. Small child hit by auto—it wasn't even scratched. Woman had been thrashed by her husband—he hadn't been home for a week. Cyclone stood with its tongue hanging out for thirty minutes Sunday, and nothing to tell about that. We had prepared a long article on the drought and along came a refreshing rain and spoiled it all. We can't tell of it, if it doesn't happen.—Farmington (Minn.) Tribune.

**They Didn't Need to Advertise**

Under the above caption an advertising agency recalls the disappearance of Pearlina from the market, and the reason for its eclipse, and then points the moral of the story as follows: "Do you remember Pyle's Pearlina? Once it was the most popular washing powder in America. "In 1907 Pyle's Pearlina ceased advertising. "They did not have to advertise." Pearlina was a good product and everybody knew about it. "In 1914 the Proctor & Gamble Company bought Pyle's Pearlina at their own price to save it from bankruptcy. In seven years the public forgot Pearlina. You have got to do more than make a good product. You must tell your dealer and consumer and keep on telling them the advantage of your article.

If people did not die, if people did not move, if generations did not grow up, if customs and habits did not change, if competitors did not compete, if people were not open to suggestions and receptive to new ideas, then there would be no need of advertising. But until then advertising is the safeguard for the established product, the most certain hope for the new idea."—Advertising Age.

Miss Esther Sterling spent last week end with her parents in Rusk.

**Kill That Cold With**

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## "HOBO Cured My Son"

Sept. 6, 1919.  
In August, 1918, my son Homer Flowers of Blanchard, La., was sick and when examined by a doctor was pronounced to have an attack of Bright's Disease. This doctor gave him two prescriptions which were filled and faithfully taken. His attacks occurred again and again. About October 1st I purchased, on the advice of one of my friends, a treatment of HOBO Kidney and Bladder Remedy, which my son at once began taking. His attacks immediately became less serious, and since Jan. 1st, 1919, he has not had a sick day from this old trouble. I know that HOBO cured my son. This testimony is given absolutely of my own accord.  
R. M. FLOWERS.

In this, and hundreds of other similar cases.

## HOBO Kidney & Bladder Remedy

has proven its wonderful ability to relieve disordered kidneys and bladder. HOBO may be taken with perfect safety. It contains no alcohol, no habit-forming drugs, and leaves no bad after effect. Druggists sell HOBO for \$1.20 per bottle. If YOU have kidney or bladder trouble, GET A BOTTLE NOW!

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## Smith & Ryan

Less Liquor Consumed

Prohibition has surely knocked the spots out of many a drinking man's vision. In 1919 the smallest amount of wines and liquors was drunk in this country in any year since 1870, namely about 992 million gallons or a little over nine gallons per person. In 1911 the per capita consumption was almost 23 gallons. In 1918 over 1,700,000 gallons were consumed, or 16 gallons per person. There should be a tremendous drop for 1920. These figures of course do not include liquor illicitly sold, or such stuff as home brew.

Dr. G. H. Black returned Monday morning from Athens, where he spent several days looking after his farming interests in that section.

### Loss of Farm Population

It is too early to present definite figures, but the census announcements show clearly that there has been a palpable loss of agricultural population in the United States.

California may have gained in this respect and several other states, but the gains have been small, whereas in the settled agricultural region the loss is unmistakable.

In the South, as well as in the grain belt of the middle West, the farm is losing population.

The great farming State of Missouri is shown to have gained but 110,000 population in ten years. St. Louis and Kansas City have gained 160,000, showing a loss of 50,000 for the rest of the State, and when the scores of other Missouri towns which have gained are taken into the calculation, the rural loss must have mounted to large figures.

This loss is reflected in other ways, too, for on the whole there is a loss of production, due to diminished acreage and to a lack of farm help.

The preservation of American agriculture from decay is one of the newer problems which the nation confronts, and preservation entails the other problem of encouraging a movement of people to the farms.

When American agriculture shrivels, the nation is on the pathway to disaster.—Houston Post.

### Philosophy From Henry Ford

Henry Ford has cut the price of his motor cars by 14 to 31 per cent. The cut averages about \$142 on a car, varying with the type. In announcing these reductions Mr. Ford says:

"The war is over and it time war prices were over. There is no sense or wisdom in trying to maintain an artificial standard of values. Inflated values always retard progress. We had to stand it during the war although it wasn't right. This in face of the fact that we have nulled orders for immediate delivery of 146,065 cars and tractors."

### For Sale

If you've a house or farm for sale, Some one has got to tell the tale; How many chickens, ducks and pigs, And wagons, sleighs and other rigs. How many horses, steers and cows— Binders, mowers, drills and plows, And other things about the place, Omitted here for want of space. We tell them where your farm's located.

And what price it is valued. We advertise your shop and benches, Your grindstone, tools and monkey-wrenches—

The acreage your farm contains, And how it carries off the rains, Preventing any chance of floods That rust the beans and rot the spuds.

We state what's under cultivation— And if you're near a shipping station.

How much in orchard—age of trees— And prove your fruit can never freeze.

How many acres in fall wheat— And if you're near the county seat.

The moral of this little tale You shouldn't hesitate to tell it— A little ad will often sell it!

—Orchard and Farm.

### Likes Clean Clothes

"I quit the farm because I did not like to wear dirty clothes," said a boy in Oklahoma a few days ago. We would like to tell this young man how to farm without getting his clothes soiled, but so far we have been unable to find a recipe. But is there any disgrace in wearing soiled clothes during work hours? Half the people in the cities wear them that way. And it is a great feeling to come in from the field late in the evening with the clothes wet with honest sweat, take a bath in a tub of cool well water and lie out in the hammock for a rest. If the boy is not willing to get his hands soiled and his clothing sweaty, he has no place on the farm.—Exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood Eaves have gone to Grandfield, Ok., where they will reside in the future.

### Hold On To What You Have

Sometimes when you think of your life and compare it with the lives of other men you think that you have nearly always been pulling upstream against a strong current.

Don't you sometimes think you are fighting a battle which is not going to bring you much success in the end because you can not see, with your present earning capacity, how you are going to accumulate very much and keep living expenses paid in full.

You have almost a mind to ease up in effort, not to be so saving and stop denying yourself the little pleasures you forego because they are really beyond your income.

Then the thought comes that if you must wind up your life in a charitable institution you might as well go ahead and spend your money, have a good time and get there a little earlier perhaps.

Dangerous line of thought—the thought of a weakling. Stop it.

You are losing pride and ambition.

Don't be a disgrace to your parents, a disappointment to your friends, just because you have not the real manhood to continue a good fight.—Houston Chronicle.

### Adopt a Budget System

It has been found that two families out of three who are classed as poor owe their condition to bad habits of spending rather than actual lack of money, says Boys' Life. It is almost as important therefore that we learn how to spend money as to make it. It has been said that even the great world war would have been worth all it cost if it had only taught us as a nation how to be economical.

A great educational movement is on foot to teach boys and girls how to spend money intelligently. One of the first steps is to learn to keep a budget of expenses, no matter how small they may seem. With such a foundation a boy or girl begins life with an excellent start in the right direction.

The idea is to keep expenditures within your income, whatever it may be. Those who spend a little more than they receive will always be poor.

### DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES

For District Judge, Third Judicial District:

W. R. (JACK) BISHOP  
of Henderson County

For State Senator:

I. D. FAIRCHILD  
of Angelina County.

For County Clerk:

W. D. COLLINS

For Tax Collector:

C. W. BUTLER JR.

For Tax Assessor:

WILL McLEAN

For Treasurer:

WILLIE ROBISON

For County Attorney:

EARLE P. ADAMS

For Sheriff:

O. B. (DEB) HALE

For County Superintendent:

J. H. ROSSER

For County Judge:

NAT PATTON

For District Clerk:

V. B. TUNSTALL

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1:

ED DOUGLASS

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2:

G. R. (ROSS) MURCHISON

For Public Weigher, Justice Precinct No. 5:

C. E. LIVELY

For Justice Peace, Prec't. No. 2:

JOHN GALE

For Constable Precinct No. 2:

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THURSDAY, OCT 14, 1920

Some one said "an apple a day will keep the doctor away." That may be true, but who'll keep the profiteer away?

McSwinney, the Irishman who is purporting to be straving himself to death in a British prison, is a big fake, and might as well take food openly.

For Rent—One Front porch; been used very little; was abandoned on account of waves from Democratic Ocean rolling too close by. Apply to National Republican Headquarters.

Will Hays, national chairman of the republican committee, says Texas is a doubtful state. Ugh, huh! It is doubtful if the republicans will even get so much as a look-in.

Did you ever hunker down by the cow to milk late one hot summer afternoon? And did you milk the pail most full?

And did the cow swipe her tail throught that pail of milk? And did the cow then slap you in the face with the tail?—Son-of-a-Gun, in San Saba News.

And then didn't the atmosphere take on a hazy, bluish color, and old Pide wondered what all the disturbance was about?

One tenth of the population of the United States lives in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia. One-half of the population live in cities. Why look further for the reason of the high cost of living?

The sure cure for the mail order evil is judicious advertising by local merchants in the home newspapers. The local merchant can always sell as cheaply as mail order houses. The trouble is the people have a different belief. Mail order houses have sold people on the thought that they were saving money in buying by mail when as a matter of fact, they can do quite as well in their local stores. Local merchants have it in their power to abate this evil, if not utterly destroy it, by advertising wisely and well, giving description of goods, prices, and other things that the prospective customer is interested in.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Eaves will leave this week for Archer City, Texas, where they will make their home for at least a year. Their change of residence is being made in the hope of benefitting Mrs. Eaves' health. Their numerous friends here wish them well in their new location.

### J. M. Selkirk With the Dead

Mr. John McMullen Selkirk died at his home in this city Wednesday morning at 3 o'clock, October 13, 1920. His death was caused by complication of diseases, superinduced by an attack of rheumatism several months ago. For the past two months he has been confined to his room, most of the time being unable to leave his bed.

Mr. Selkirk was a native Texan, being born August 12, 1852 and was just past his 68th birthday. He settled in Grapeland in the early days, some twenty-five or thirty years ago. He was a member of the Methodist church and served for many years on the official board, being a steward at the time of his death.

His death has brought the bitter cup of sorrow to the lips of his family and numerous friends. He was one of nature's noblemen in its truest sense—brave, generous and manly. His was the soul of honor and his friends and friendship were sacred to him.

It was the writers good fortune to have known him for many years and we only knew him to esteem him more highly as the years passed by. We will miss his kindly smile and friendly greeting. As we stood by his open grave as the last sad rites were performed, and as the clay of earth closed above his silent resting place, we said with the poet:

"Cold in the dust the perished heart may die,  
But that which warmed it once may never die."

The funeral services were held at the home at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. J. E. But-

trill, his pastor, officiating, who paid a beautiful tribute to his memory. Many and beautiful were the floral offerings, which attested to the high esteem in which he was held by his friends and neighbors. His remains were laid to rest in the City Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife and six children: Miss Louise Selkirk, Mrs. Willis Shaver and Will Selkirk of this city; John B. Selkirk of Troup; Ainsworth Selkirk of Goose creek, and Mrs. Lucy Cocke of Jacksonville; also one brother, Mr. Sam Selkirk of Bay City, all of whom were with him when the end came, except his brother, who arrived on the early morning train Wednesday.

### LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, Oct. 11.—Isn't it a good thing this glorious weather is free. If we had to pay for it the way we do for everything else what a debt we would owe!

Our school is in session. We hope we will have a prompt attendance and a good school all around.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Bishop moved to the Silver Creek community, where they will teach school.

Bob Yates and family left here for their new home near Jayton. We hate to see them leave, but wish them well.

My goodness, there is certainly a movement to leave the farm and answer the call of the town. But then, no wonder. Who can live when the price of cotton is below cost of production. How long is the farmer going to stand for it?

Dr. Moore of Grapeland was a

visitor in our community Saturday and Sunday, the guest of O. P. Brown. We were glad to see him and hope he will come back again.

G. W. Garner was the guest of F. A. Lively at Lovelady Sunday and Monday.

Lenard Howard suffered a relapse and is again on the sick list.

We had no Sunday school Sunday, as only a few were present. We urgently ask everyone to be out next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock to arrange for teachers and have a good Sunday school.

Paul McDonald spent Saturday night with Arthur Guice at Grapeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Grounds spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Haltom.

We are glad to see Loyd Mills able to be riding around a little. We certainly hope to see him entirely well soon.

### Rev. Chas. U. McLarty will Preach

Rev. Chas. U. McLarty, Presiding Elder of the Navasota District, will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock and will hold the fourth Quarterly Conference after the preaching service.

The membership of the church is urged to attend and the public in general is invited to be with us.

J. E. Buttrill, Pastor.

Mrs. J. A. Lipscomb of Easterly who has been visiting her father, Mr. A. M. Wrencher, and her sister, Mrs. Roy Brewton, returned to her home Monday.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

Clewis' new fall samples are arriving.

Lower prices on all enamel and aluminum at Kennedy Bros.

William Waggoner of Palestine spent Monday night here.

See the new fall samples at Clewis'.

Walter Mangum is in Crockett serving on the grand jury.

You will find what you need in Ford parts at Hodges' Garage.

Chester Owens spent last Thursday and Friday in Houston.

"Larrapin Coffee" full 3lb can for \$1.25. It's guaranteed at Kennedy Bros.

Mrs. B. S. Elliott of Crockett visited her sister, Mrs. J. C. Kennedy, this week.

**For Sale**

A good milch cow and a good mule Tucker Campbell. 2t Salmon, Texas.

Messrs. T. F. Smith, Tad Burton and Ross Ellis of Crockett spent last Thursday evening here with friends.

**For Sale**

Cows and calves and a pair of heavy young mules W. T. Pridgen.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Spann of Percilla spent several days in Dallas this week at the fair.

**For Sale**

Good seasoned, split oak posts. Give me your order now. Ed Musick, Elkhart, Texas, R. 2.

Capt. A. E. Owens and his company of National Guardsmen have been discharged from duty at Galveston and returned home Saturday morning. Capt. Owens spent Sunday here with his parents and friends.

**Free Coffee**

Our demonstrator from Houston will be here Saturday Oct. 16th and serve "Hot Larrapin Coffee" free. Everybody cordially invited to come to our store and sample same. Kennedy Bros.

W. H. Long attended business in Crockett Monday afternoon.

8 can's tomatoes for \$1.00 at Kennedy Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Edens visited relatives at Daly's Sunday.

Select your suit now from Clewis' new fall samples.

Mrs. A. B. Guice and son, A. B. Jr., visited in Dallas this week and attended the state fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Gossett of Crockett spent Sunday here with Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Hill.

John Murchison and Tom Richards were down from Palestine Sunday.

Curtis Walling who is teaching school near Crockett, was here Saturday.

Will McLean and family and Dan McLean and family of Crockett visited relatives in Grapeland Sunday.

Joe Cook and family left Saturday for near Palestine, where Mr. Cook will teach school in the Magnolia community.

**Position Wanted**

As stenographer. Write Cloie Scarborough, 1000 East 3rd St., Big Springs, Texas.

J. H. Ryan has been real sick for several days. His many friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Maxwell of Crockett were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Maxwell last Sunday.

Ray Baldwin of Huntsville was here Sunday visiting his relatives, Messrs. Claud and Bill Keeland.

To get rid of worms in children give them White's Cream Vermifuge. The little sufferer improves at once and soon becomes healthy, active and robust. Price 35c. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Mrs. C. C. Irby, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Irby and baby of Elkhart were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lewis last Sunday.

A real chef will serve "Larrapin Coffee" free at Kennedy Bros. Saturday, October 16th.

Big size 8 day clocks for \$4.75 at Kennedy Bros. Sale.

Mrs. Richard Pennington and children returned from Houston Monday where they visited relatives.

Curtis Scarborough and Earl Lively, who are working at Crockett, visited relatives at August Sunday.

Mrs. F. J. Morris and baby, Winnie Fred, returned to their home in Tyler after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Edington.

Mrs. Laura Goodson has returned home, having attended the old soldiers reunion at Houston, and visited her daughter, Mrs. A. S. Porter, at Angleton.

**Posted**

No hunting of any kind or trespassing allowed on my place. Ford Newman.

John L. Sullivan of Eastland spent a few days here this week visiting his brothers and meeting his numerous friends.

Mrs. C. F. Stockbridge is quite sick at the home of her brother in Houston where she went on a visit. Her daughter is with her and Mr. Stockbridge spent several days there last week and will return this week. Her many friends here wish her a speedy recovery.

Rev. Chas. U. McCarty, president of the Navasota district, in company with Rev. C. B. Fuller of Lovelady and Rev. G. W. Smith of Belott, were in Grapeland a short while Monday, enroute to Augusta to hold a quarterly conference.

**Help Your Moulters Moul**



THINK of the amount of hen energy, vitality and red blood required to grow a thousand feathers—the average plumage! A moulting hen needs good health—good appetite—good digestion.

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Rev. J. F. Lively filled his appointment at Pierson Chapel last Sunday, eight miles west of Lovelady, and closed his work for the conference year. He was accompanied by G. W. Garner.

J. R. Beeson of Union community and D. J. Knox left Wednesday for Wortham to attend the annual conference of the M. P. church, being the delegates from this circuit.

George Shaver has purchased an interest in the truck line of E. E. Hollingsworth. They have ordered another two and one-half ton truck, which they will put into service to better handle their increasing business. A regular daily service is maintained between Grapeland, Elkhart, Palestine and Crockett.

**What's Matter With Mexico?**

The new government of Mexico thinks that half the revolutions in that country are caused by the intoxicating drinks, mescal and pulque. Gen Obregon plans to make at least the border States "dry," and gradually extend prohibition further south. "Once we get prohibition," he says, "we too will always have ease."

A clear colorless liquid that will heal wounds, cuts, sores and galls is the latest and best production of medical science. Ask for Liquid Borzone, it is a marvel in flesh-healing remedies. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

There is no fun going out between acts any more.

**We are Grateful**

Yes, we are grateful to you for the big business you have entrusted to us since our big 20th Century Sale opened last Saturday, October 9, for it has been far above our expectations, as there have been hundreds of people who came, saw and made their purchases at a great saving, and we are grateful to you for this immense buying that has been done.

Our 20th Century Sale opened with a mighty rush and people have come from far and near and bought the greatest values ever offered by any house in Houston county or the town of Grapeland.

We want to urge you to take advantage of this the greatest sale that you have ever had the pleasure of attending.

We especially want you to call and look over the items that we are offering at a great sacrifice.

**STOP! READ!** And then make a visit to Kennedy Bros. 20th Century Sale and buy your entire fall wants, for that is the sale to attend.

Come. We will be glad to have you come and pay us visit. You are always welcome.

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How often have you heard that expression?

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Visit your County Seat as often as possible  
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UNION DOTS

Union, Oct. 11.—Everybody is nearly through gathering their crop's and a number of them are going west to pick cotton.

Miss Vellie DuBose spent Sunday evening with Gladys Beeson.

Mrs. Jay Thornton and children of Oklahoma are visiting J. R. Beeson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Caskey spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkins spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bunk Smith.

Miss Julia Stockbridge left for Houston last week to see her mother, who has been sick for several days.

Do not neglect the warnings of nature. If your appetite is poor, breath bad, tongue coated, you will be sick unless you take steps to put your system in good condition. Prickly Ash bitters is the remedy you need. It purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and regulates the liver. Price \$1.50 per bottle.—Smith & Ryan.

Quarterly Conference at Antrim

Rev. Chas. U. McLarty the Presiding Elder, will hold Quarterly Conference at Antrim, Friday Oct. 15. Preaching at 11 o'clock in the morning and holding the Conference at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Let everybody help to make this a great occasion for Antrim community.

J. E. Buttrill, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Selkirk and son of Troup are here visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Selkirk. Mr. Selkirk has been sick for some time and his condition is not encouraging.

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PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, Oct. 11.—Bro. Hodges filled his appointment here yesterday and a large crowd attended.

Carlton Smith went to Crockett Saturday on business.

Misses Mamie Bush and Coleman Daniels, who are working in Palestine, visited here Saturday and Sunday.

John C. Alsop of Grapeland visited Weldon Rawls Sunday.

Miss Rosa Branch and Willis Whittaker of San Pedro, were in Percilla Sunday afternoon.

Miss Rezi Jones spent Saturday and Sunday with Misses Louise Selkirk and Elizabeth Leaverton at Grapeland.

Milton Adams, who has been working in Coleman county, returned home Saturday.

Miss Mary Lou Sewell went to Crockett Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sullivan announce the birth of a baby girl, Sunday, Oct. 10.

In all malaria countries the popular remedy is Herbine. People find it a good medicine for purifying the system and warding off the disease. Price, 60c. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Cash for Produce

We are cash buyers of produce and it will always pay you to see us when you have anything to sell, especially chickens and eggs.

J. W. Howard.

Benjamin Franklin "wrestled the lightning from the skies and the scepter from tyrants." If Bennie was in the wrestling business today he might wrest a fine tailormade suit from Clewis.

Farm for Sale

My farm at Grapeland is for sale; will take other farming land in the deal. 130 acres in cultivation, 1 8-room dwelling house, 3 tenant houses; will sell all or part. See me for price and terms. A. B. Spence.

Col. W. S. Walter is building home on the Dr. Cromwell Dts, which he recently purchased from M. L. Clewis.

SPECIAL DAYS WILL FEATURE STATE FAIR

Dallas, Texas.—The great State Fair of Texas which swings wide its gates October 9 for a sixteen day's exposition, has made every effort to take care of all activities by scheduling of special days. Something will be doing each day of the sixteen not alone to attract the great mass of a million and more people who will pass through the exposition gates, but for the particular concern of every organization. Nobody has been overlooked. Sunday, October 10, will be Scandinavian Day; Monday, October 11, Wholesale Manufacturers' Day; Tuesday, October 12, Mexico Day, Dallas Day, Columbus Day; Wednesday, October 13, Fine Arts Day, 36th Division Day; Thursday, October 14, Cattleman's Day, Texas Eclectic



Medical Association Day, Kiwanis Day; Friday, October 15, Texas School Children and Teachers' Day, League of Texas Municipalities Day, Kidd-Key Day, Orphans Day, County Agents Day, Texas Swine Breeders' Association Day, Elks Day; Saturday, October 16, Press Day, Traveling Men's Day, East Texas Day, West Texas Day, Texas-Oklahoma A and M Day, Harrison County Day, Rainbow Day, Boys' Club Day, Cumberland University Day; Sunday, October 17, Junior Chamber of Commerce Day, American Legion Day, 90th Division Day, Legislative Day; Monday, October 18, G. A. R. Day, Women's Relief Corps Day, Texas Holstein-Friesian Breeders' Club Day; Tuesday, October 19, Confederate Veterans' Day, Good Roads Day, Texas Congress of Mothers Day; Wednesday, October 20, Farmers Day, Panhandle and Plains Day; Thursday, October 21, Texas Jersey Cattle Day, Home Demonstration Agents Day, Girls' Club Day; Friday, October 22, Nut Growers' Day; Saturday, October 23, W. C. T. U. Day; Sunday, October 24, Closing Day.

110 MUSIC PIECES TO GIVE HARMONY

Dallas, Texas.—State Fair of Texas officials had made preliminary arrangements when they planned construction of barracks to house the great Estado Mayor Band from Mexico to take care of one hundred men members of the great band. It now develops that there will be one hundred and seventeen pieces of music in this wonderful organization.

The Estado Mayor Band is sent from Mexico City by the Mexican Republic as official recognition by that republic of the great State Fair of Texas, the thirty-fourth annual exposition of which swings its doors October 9 for a sixteen days' show.



Daily afternoon and evening concerts will be given by this remarkable assemblage of musicians.

Persons who have heard this band of over 100 pieces declare the music which it gives forth is in no sense band music. More than that, they declare, it is a combination of band music and orchestra music, bursting forth in one great crescendo of harmony from so many instruments. Inquiries which have been received by State Fair of Texas officials concerning concerts to be given at the state's interest is being taken in its approaching this band show that nation-wide thirty-fourth exposition.

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## Pat Neff Favors Adoption of the School Amendment

Waco, Texas, Oct. 11—Hon. Pat M. Neff, Democratic candidate for governor of Texas, on being asked for an expression concerning the Educational Amendment to be voted on November 2, 1920, in the general election, made the following statement:

"As a citizen of Texas I always have been, am now, and shall continue to be interested in the promotion of the cause of education. The education of the masses of the people being, in my opinion, our best guarantee of sound, democratic government and industrial prosperity."

"I believe all our schools, rural and urban, as well as institutions of higher learning, should be adequately financed, and wisely and economically administered. I am particularly interested in the country public schools of Texas, upon which the farm girls and boys are largely dependent for educational opportunities. I want to see Rural High schools established at suitable points in the rural sections of the state, so that our farm girls and boys may attend good high schools in the country, organized and conducted under rural environment. This is one means of stopping the rapid movement of the people of the country to the city. Such rural high schools should, also, be made social centers for all the people, being common property of all the people of the community. I shall vote for the proposed amendment of the Constitution in the general election, because the said amendment will give the right to the people of the rural communities of Texas to provide financially for better support of the public free schools for the education of their own girls and boys."

## Tenets of Liberty

A requisite for the preservation of American institutions is the universal secular education of the people. Monarchs govern their subjects by authority and precedent; republics by right, reason and free will. Whether one method or the other will be better turns wholly upon the intelligence of the governed. If the subject have not the knowledge and discipline necessary to govern himself, it is better that a king, in whom some skill in the science of government is presupposed, should rule him. As between two stupendous evils, the tyranny of the intelligent few is preferably to the furious and irrational tyranny of the ignorant many. No force which has moved among men impelling to bad action, inspiring to crime, overturning order, tearing away the bulwarks of liberty and right and converting civilization into waste, has been so full of evil and so powerful to destroy as a blind, ignorant and factitious democracy. A republic without intelligence—even a high degree of intelligence—is a paradox and an impossibility.—John Clark Ridpath.

## Have Old Clothes Dyed

Beat the high cost of clothing by having your old clothes dyed. We represent one of the best dyeing establishments in the state and their work is very satisfactory.

M. L. Clewis.

# Renewal Time

A number of subscriptions to The Messenger were out the first of this month. Look at your name on The Messenger you get—the date there shows when your time is out. We hope you will continue as one of our subscribers and

If you are not a subscriber, we solicit you to become one. The price of The Messenger at present is \$1.50 per year; 75c for six months. These prices are subject to advance upon thirty days notice.

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## Revenue Man Pays An Unexpected Visit

An internal revenue agent paid an unexpected visit Tuesday and proceeded at once to find out if any of our merchants had neglected to pay their special taxes on articles which Uncle Sam had designated as revenue raisers to help him out of the hole occasioned by the world war. The first place called at he asked the chief mogul if he had kept a correct account of sales and placed revenue stamps on all articles required. He had not and when asked why said he did not know how. "Well, I will show you" said the internal ("infernal" might better express it) revenues, and he did, for when he left he had sixty-three good American dollars in his jeans to be placed to the credit of Uncle Sam. The next place visited he displayed his badge and called for the firm's note book. Not a single note had on it the required stamp. Stamps and 'trimmings' amounted to \$15, and he sauntered out in search of more of the "root of evil." His next visit netted \$30 which were passed over without any noticeable display of bucking; then a ten dollar call was made, followed by a fiver. In the meantime the word was passed around as to his mission here and business picked up right now at the postoffice. By 3 p. m. Postmaster Crown Dickson had his "sold out" sign up at the stamp window, to the consternation of a few belated patrons, and had ordered a cargo from Dallas p. d. q. or earlier. The situation was relieved by the genial money gatherer announcing he did

not have time to see any more of the "boys" at this time, but would call again at an early day and pay his respects to the leftovers. Unless he travels on a pass, he will save car fare by giving Kilgore the go-by in the future, for the merchants will be all "stuck up" unless the stamp presses at Washington break down.—Kilgore Chronicle.

## The Pilgrim Fathers

The conscience of the United States begins with the Plymouth colonists and was exemplified by the writing in the cabin of the Mayflower. They were representative of a great body of responsible, God-fearing, strong, self-searching and persisting individuals, many of whom remained in England and strengthened her. The rule of the people under the laws of God was their political creed. They were milder and more tolerant than the Puritans. They were more practical and less schismatic than Roger Williams' followers. They were a moderate, just, courageous, humble group, who wrought much for the moral tone of the American people. They made much for a common conscience of the two great English-speaking nations. Though three centuries have elapsed since they landed, the best of American and English characters is still to be traced to them and their influence, and the further either country departs from their ideals the worse for it.—William Howard Taft.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lewis left Tuesday morning for Dallas to spend a few days at the fair.

## EVER BILIOUS?

Charleston, Miss.—Mrs. R. V. Heins, of this place, says: "I have never had to use very much medicine, because if I felt headache, dizziness, or colds, bad taste in the mouth, which comes from torpid liver, I would take a dose or more of Black-Draught, and it would straighten me out and make me feel as good as new. We have used in our family for years

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and it certainly is the best liver medicine I ever saw. It has not only saved me money, it has helped keep my system in shape, and has never weakened me as so many physics do. I recommend it to my friends and am glad to do so." Black-Draught is the old, reliable liver medicine which you have doubtless heard much about. When you feel badly all over, stomach not right, bad taste in your mouth, bilious, or have a headache, try Thedford's Black-Draught. At all Druggists.

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## An Index to Civilization

Two things the Roman Republic builded well; it builded a great system of laws and a great system of roads, and both have endured the ravages of time. The American Republic and several states can do well in emulating the Roman Republic. Wise laws and good roads are a pretty sure index of our civilization. Texas has, under the guidance of Federal government, undertaken a big road program, a program which is commensurate with the greatness of the state. The state is far flung and is as yet undevel-

oped in many sections. Certainly no better means can be found of developing the wonderful resources of the state than that of building good roads to every section, for, while good soils and a good climate may bring from the earth crops sufficient to burst the horn of plenty, good crops will not be produced nor communities built up unless the crops can be marketed and unless the people who raise them have accessibility to good towns and good schools. The good roads program and the good roads administration should be supported heartily by the people.—Farm and Ranch.

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2 lb can Royall Ann Cherries	44c
2 lb can Sliced Apricots	41c
Large can Calumet Baking Powder	25c
7 Cans Tomatoes	95c
4 lb Arm & Hammer Soda	30c
2 cans Dixie Made Sweet Potatoes	41c
Garrett Snuff per bottle	25c
11 boxes Gold Dust	50c
5 Bars Lenox Soap	25c
5 Bars Clariette Soap	25c
5 Bars Bob White	25c
5 Bars Arrow Borax	25c
5 Bars Joy Soap	25c
6 1/2 lb Sugar	\$1.00
Extra High Patent Flour	\$3.40
Wheat Bran	\$2.50
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1869 Coffee 3 lb can	\$1.35
Admiration 3 lb can	\$1.35
Morning Bracer 3 lb can	\$1.21
Maxwell House 3 lb can	\$1.35
Red Ball 3 lb can	\$1.10
5 lb best roasted	\$1.00

## FURNITURE

\$35.00 Dressers	\$15.40
\$35.00 Dining Table	\$26.60
\$55.00 Duofold	\$45.25
\$4.00 Rockers	\$2.85
\$16.00 Kitchen Cabinet	\$13.60
\$30.00 Kitchen Cabinet	\$24.35
2 Inch post Iron Bed	\$11.88
Double cane bottom chair	\$1.00
Best Bed Springs	\$4.62

## HARDWARE

\$2.50 Kelly Perfect Axes	\$2.05
\$5.50 sheet Iron Heaters	\$4.20
10 oz. Wagon Sheets	\$6.41

## LEATHER GOODS

\$10.50 All leather wool faced collars	\$8.63
\$7.25 All leather collars	\$6.50
\$7.75 Wagon Lines	\$6.34
\$72.50 Saddle	\$63.36
\$65.00 Saddle	\$57.60
\$50.00 Saddle	\$44.95

## AUTO CASINGS

\$20.50 Casings	\$16.50
\$13.00 Casings	\$10.92

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### An Old Letter

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and little Sam and Tushe are talking about you every day and wishing you would come. Tell grandma that they are talking about her every day; tell her also to write. All of you write as often as you can. Pshaw, I liked to forgot to say anything to you about little Jim. He is the prettiest and finest child in the state. Tell grandma that he is an honor to the whole generation.

Taylor, do the best you can. Shun bad and wicked company, be sober and moral. Nearly all the people in this neighborhood belong to the Christian church. We stayed all night with Parson Gatewood as we came up here. They tried hard to get us to stop there. We are about ten miles from him. Tell Jim Cunningham I have not forgotten him and will write to him as soon as I can. I am tired writing and will close for this time, as I must write Gise a letter by this mail. May the God of all good and grace bless and preserve you is my prayer for Christ's sake, amen.

Thomas Lively.

Dr. W. D. McCarty, Clarence McCarty and Dr. C. C. Hill were in Houston the latter part of last week, where they were initiated into the mysteries of the Shrine degrees in masonry.

### Notice

If you are in town Saturday don't fail to try a cup of that good "Larrapin Coffee" at Kennedy Bros.

### Renter Wanted

55 acres of good land in cultivation; horses, hogs and plenty of feed; 2 milk cows; want renter on halves. Apply to Bud Brown, Elkhart, Texas.

Mrs. P. H. Stafford, representing the Grapeland Chapter, and Mrs. Walter Newman, representing the Augusta Chapter of the Eastern Star, left last Saturday for El Paso to attend the annual meeting of this order.

### For Sale

A good goober treshing outfit in good running condition; already threshed some this season. See George McCorkle or John Luce, Route 2.

Maj. J. F. Martin and his daughter, Miss Moselle, returned to Grapeland last Saturday morning from Houston, where they attended the old soldiers' re-union, and are spending this week here with their numerous friends. They expect to return to their home in Texarkana the latter part of the week. The major says he is having as good time in Grapeland mingling with his old friends as he did in Houston associating with his old pals.

### For Sale

4 good young mules, 2 and 3 years old.

Laney Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett of Houston are here and will spend the winter with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Anthony.

### Dental Notice

I am now located at the Grapeland Hotel ready to do your dental work. Teeth extracted without pain.

C. L. Moore, D. D. S.

H. M. Haltom, a former resident of this community, now of Reed, Ok., spent several days here last week with friends and relatives. Mr. Haltom said crops in Oklahoma were pretty good, but the slump in cotton had hurt the farmers pretty bad. He is well pleased with Oklahoma and says he is doing well.

Ease the pain of a rheumatic attack by a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relieves tenderness and strengthens the joints. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Whitaker and their daughter, Mrs. Willis of Groveton, will leave today via the auto route for Dallas to take in the fair, and will visit their daughter, Mrs. Davidson, at Seagoville for a few days.

To remove bilious impurities in the system and be made internally clean and healthy, you need the fine tonic and laxative properties of Herbine. It acts quickly and thoroughly. Price 60c. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Walter Brumley returned Sunday to Milford, after spending a few days in the Livelyville community with his family. He was accompanied by C. C. Chaffin.

### Pay Term Ends and Compulsory Period Begins

This week closes the first month of the Grapeland school and the pay term also ends with this month. The compulsory term will begin next Monday, October 18, and will continue in force for five months. The compulsory law applies to children from 8 to 14 years of age. The teachers can supply the parents with any information they desire concerning the law. It is especially pointed out that vague and flimsy excuses will not be acceptable for a child's absence from school during the compulsory period.

Dr. Morrow of Pine Grove, near Athens, visited Dr. G. H. Black and family a few days this week.

Miss Stella Woodard of Huntsville arrived Sunday and went out to Enon, where she will teach school.

### Place for Rent

50 acres on either third and fourth or halves; good pasture; 1-2 miles northeast of town. Laney Johnston.

R. E. Streetman left Sunday morning for Tavenor, in Fort Bend county, where he will teach school.

The Boy Scouts Glee Club will sing at the Christian church Sunday. Everybody is urged to be present.

Marvin Gilbert, Scout Master.

### SALMON NEWS

Salmon, Oct. 11.—We were all glad to see our old friend, Henry Haltom, who spent a few days in this community last week visiting relatives and friends. He says everything is fine in Oklahoma except the price of cotton and cotton picking. We can sympathize with you, Henry, for we have already had our dose.

Sunday school was pretty well attended Sunday, and after Sunday school was over, the church was called into conference for the purpose of calling a pastor for the ensuing year. Bro. Ben Morrison was recalled. He has been a real pastor and has done splendid work this year and are very glad that he will be with us another year.

Mr. and Mrs. Lish Walling entertained a large crowd of young people Saturday night with a singing and candy breaking.

Mrs. Monroe Weisinger is still on the sick list. We hope she will soon recover.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Lasiter is pretty sick at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wherry returned from Houston last Saturday after a weeks visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hollingsworth and little Gene Marie Smith, spent Sunday at Augusta with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Painter and son Harry K. Jr., of Crockett spent Sunday afternoon here with friends.