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Peanut Butter a Good Food; Rich in Protein and Fat

Peanut butter, many people think, is good only for sandwich filling or for spreading on crackers and bread. It can, however, be used in a number of dishes that are cheap, easy to make, and very wholesome, according to home economics specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. Moreover these dishes have the rich flavor of the peanut with the pasty texture of the butter.

Food experts have known for a long time that peanuts were rich in protein and fat, two things that the body needs. Within the last few years these scientists have also learned that there are many kinds of protein and that only those which supply everything needed to make body protein can be called perfect or complete. These complete proteins are found in eggs, milk, and meat. While the protein of peanuts is not complete in itself, it becomes so when combined with that of wheat. For this reason peanuts and wheat eaten together, even in a dessert, reduce the amount of meat actually needed.

Peanut butter, in spite of its name, is just finely-ground peanuts to which salt has been added, and particularly when ground at home or bought in bulk is one of the cheapest foods on the market at present, considering what it furnishes.

Peanut butter can easily be

made at home by putting through a food grinder fresh roasted peanuts from which the red skins have been removed. Salt can generally be mixed in more thoroughly if added to the nuts before they are ground. The machine should be adjusted to grind as fine as possible. If the butter is not fine enough after one grinding, it may be put through the machine a second time.

Impossible to Resist Influence

It is quite impossible to resist the sweet influence of the coming holidays and not feel a thrill of sympathetic delight over that which serves to gladden all mankind. The very air seems to have caught the inspiration of the hour, and no one can fail to perceive, as he hurries through the street, when Christmas is drawing near.

Noah Webster's Fame

Noah Webster, the dictionary maker, was lately denied admission to the Hall of Fame. Whereupon somebody brings it up to his credit that at least he never bragged of being a man of few words.

Rev. B. C. Anderson went to Conroe Tuesday to attend the district stewards' and ministers' meeting of the Navasota district.

There is so much noise it must be a pleasure to be deaf.

Miss Blanton Wants Opinion on School Amendment

Austin, Tex., Dec. 4.—Taking for granted that the better school amendment to the constitution voted on at the state election last month prevailed, Miss Annie Webb Blanton state superintendent of public instruction, today requested the attorney general's department for an opinion as to when the amendment would become effective. It is also desired to know if the amendment is self enacting or whether it will be necessary for the next legislature to pass an enabling act. While Miss Blanton is inclined to the opinion that the amendment is self enacting, she desires to have the opinion of the attorney general's department of the subject.

Officers Elected

The Missionary Society of the M. E. Church met Tuesday afternoon and elected new officers for the ensuing year as follows.

Mrs. C. W. Kennedy, President; Mrs. E. E. Hollingsworth, Vice-President; Mrs. Wade L. Smith, Recording Secretary; Mrs. C. B. Keeland, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. W. L. Mangum, Conference Treasurer; Mrs. A. H. Luker, Local Treasurer; Mrs. J. M. Murry, Agent Missionary Voice.

PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, Dec. 6.—The weather is so changeable the men can hardly tell when to kill hogs, although most everyone have killed some.

There is lots of moving nowadays. Mr. Dan Dickey moved on Mr. Henderson's place, and Mr. Monroe Jones and family have moved back to their home. They lived at Corsicana last year.

Ed Buller is at Timpson, Texas, attending a music normal.

Mr. and Mrs. Jot Wrights baby was kicked by a mule Saturday morning and hurt mighty bad.

Aldine Lively and W. W. Sullivan went to Palestine Tuesday on business.

G. R. Sewell and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Sewell's parents.

Ormie Lively of Oakwood and John L. Sullivan of Crockett were in Percilla a while Saturday afternoon.

Misses Jewel Adams and Leola Belle Dickey spent Sunday with Misses Eva Smith and Leota Duren.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Jones spent last Wednesday night with Mrs. G. R. Sewell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rush of Liberty Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brunson visited Mr. and Mrs. Mills Adams Sunday.

Edd Bobbitt, who is at work near Grapeland, was at home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hendrick and Misses Maudie and Laudie Jones of Waneta visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hendricks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hendrix have moved on Mr. Tom Cooks' place. We are glad to have them in our community.

Messrs. G. R. and John Sewell

and L. C. Henderson went to Crockett Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. George Richards and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arland Gainey.

Mrs. L. C. Henderson entertained the young folks with a party Friday night. Every one seemed to enjoy the party and music very much.

We are getting along fine with our school work, literary society, and basket ball team. We are preparing for a program Wednesday night, December 22nd. Everyone has an invitation to come.

Miss Eva Pearl Smith spent Saturday and Saturday night with her sister, Alma, at Huntsville.

Holiday goods? Well, I guess. Purchased in mid-season, hence the biggest assortment ever carried. Dolls, nice ones, too, cut glass, ivory goods, jewelry, manicure sets, silverware, the life time kind. All on display now. Smith & Ryan.

Don't take too much stock in corporations or yourself.

Speaking of breakfast foods, none beats ham and eggs.

Packers Say Meat Prices Going to Pre-war Levels

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Packers' pork has dropped to the pre-war level of April 1, 1917, according to a review of the meat and livestock situation issued today by the Institution of Meat Packers. Beef prices also have declined, the report says, carcass beef during the last week in November showing a drop of 9 per cent over the price of October 1 and 17 per cent lower than on September 1.

The decline in pork loins during November, the report points out, amounted to 27 per cent; smoked hams 35 per cent; bacon from 15 to 25 per cent, and various other pork products from 10 to 47 per cent.

Declining trends of commodity prices and grain, the report declares, were the chief causes for the reduction in the price of packers products.

"Persons in the trade," the report says, "are reluctant to say whether or not the bottom prices have been reached."

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LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, Dec. 6.—People everywhere are talking of quitting the farm, leaving for good, until the farmer gets living wages for his toil. And no wonder. He has worked in his crop from sun to sun, and not only he himself, but often his wife and children, now that they should reap the reward of their labor they haven't in many, many families, the bare necessities of life, due partly to crop failures and mostly to the pitiful price cotton is bringing. So the farmer, too, shuts up shop and goes cityward where he hopes to find justice which seems to be denied him on the farm.

We didn't have any preaching yesterday, the new preacher having failed to arrive. Quite a number were present, but went home disappointed.

The nice weather has enabled many folks to keep busy cutting wood, killing hogs and moving.

Paul McDonald and Raymond Garner spent the week end in Elkhart visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Rawls of near Crockett spent last week with Mrs. Rawls' sister, Mrs. Rat Jones.

J. W. Ellis is still sick and is now confined to his bed at the home of his son, Dudley.

Mrs. John Adams and daughter, Lola, went to Grapeland on a shopping trip last week.

The little folks around here are busy writing to Santa Claus: hope he will visit all of them.

Garland Ellis of Crockett spent Sunday with his father, J. W. Ellis.

Cleveland Howard spent Sunday afternoon at George Cunningham's.

John Adams and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Brown.

At the Methodist Church

Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Sunday morning subject, "The Greatest Thing of Profit."

Subject at night, "How to be a Happy Christian."

Everyone cordially invited to attend any or all of these services.

B. C. Anderson, Pastor.

NEW PROSPECT NEWS

New Prospect, Dec. 6.—Last Sunday seemed to have been visiting day. There was no preaching, but Sunday school was very well attended. There was a singing at the home of P. L. Herod in the afternoon.

Mrs. Lee Haltom and daughters of Grapeland were visiting Claude Brooks and family last Sunday.

Miss Thelma Wills visited her parents at Lone Pine Saturday and Sunday.

Web Finch and family spent Sunday at Herod Parkers in the Oak Grove community.

Mrs. W. P. Kyle is spending a while with her daughter, Mrs. Ed Musick.

Bob Martin and family from Union Chapel neighborhood were visiting in our midst Sunday.

Our literary society rendered a splendid programme last Friday night. Preparations are being made for another meeting near Christmas. Announcement will be made later.

The new room to our school house is complete and 'tis a nice addition, one the teacher and the pupils may feel proud to occupy.

Gilbert Cherry is up again after having pneumonia.

No sickness reported at present.

Henry and John R. Kyle visited their mother here last Sunday.

Christmas Eve in the Home

Christmas Eve in the home is always a joyful event, or should be. The father has closed his ledger with a "Thank God" that there is now a respite from toil, from the perplexities and cares of everyday life, an oasis in the desert of the year, and yields himself for the time to the pleasure of creating new joys for the loved ones at the home fireside. The mother's heart overflows with love and thankfulness as she watches the innocent and enthusiastic glee of her little ones over their Christmas gifts. And as for the children themselves, what enterity of time could compensate them for the loss of one Christmas?

A fellow has to have more than a wife to start house-keeping.

EPHESUS NEWS

Ephesus, Dec. 6.—The health of the community is good at present and everybody is at work. The cross tie business is increasing and almost every man in the community is making or hauling cross ties.

We are informed that the cut in cotton picking prices is driving the cotton pickers back to good old Houston county, where they can get plenty of sorgum syrup and sweet potatoes to eat. Cotton can go to five cents a pound and we will not starve as long as we have as much to eat as we have now. From what we learn, there were 40,000 syrup buckets sold in Grapeland this fall and all of them are full of good ribbon cane syrup and then some. Times are hard alright, but it don't look like starvation to us. Our clothes may be threadbare, but we will manage to hide our nakedness until clothes come down to pre-war prices. We have never known cotton to stay down and if we judge the future by the past, the day is not far off when we will get a fair price for our cotton. Of course, we won't get as much as it cost to raise it, therefore, we should learn our lesson and not let it cost us so much next time.

If we will not raise so much cotton and raise plenty of everything to eat we will do better. We hear some say that they can't get anything for their hogs and corn and such like. The answer is, don't sell.

To make a long story short, it is well enough to say that if we will quit trying to make money and try to make a living for awhile, we will do much better.

Among those present at Sunday school from other communities was Miss Ruby Davidson of Union Chapel.

Reuben Graham is back home from King county where he has been picking cotton. He says folks out there are blue over the drop in cotton prices. They have enough to make them blue, for cotton is all they have and they can't sell it.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Whitaker spent Sunday at Tommie Graham's.

Prof. Garrett Luce attended the teachers' association at Ft. Worth and reports a fine time.

Some of the young people attended the candy breaking at Deckart Anderson's Saturday night.

Arch McQueen and family spent Sunday with J. B. Kelley at Latexo.

Our school is progressing nicely and, in fact, everything is "setting pretty." (We are glad to hear you say so and appreciate the optimism manifested in your letter.—Editor.)

To a Baby Boy

Hello, red-faced little feller,
What you doin' here?
One fist stoppin' up your yeller,
Other in your ear,
Feet a kickin' in the air,
Slobbering on your chin;
Mighty scanty head o' hair
Don't you ever grin?
Lots o' room which way you turn
World seems big to you;
Lot's o' things you have to learn,
Lot o' things to do.
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Courage all the while;
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Phones—Farmers Union System
Office 51
Residence 11

If prices keep tumbling, it may be that after awhile the lowly nickel will regain its former respectability.

Now is a mighty good time for the farmers of East Texas to put out orchards and revive the fruit industry, which for a long time, held an important place in the scheme of diversification.

For the first time since 1911 there is a semblance of peace and tranquility in Mexico. Obregon has assumed the office of president of the republic, and if he proves to be the leader his friends say he is no doubt the government will soon regain the confidence and respect of the people.

It is not so much the thought of receiving the customary holiday gifts which most pleases the fancy, but rather that pleasure the heart derives from dwelling upon joyful surprises it may bestow upon others. To bring a smile of gladness upon another's face is, indeed, a boon more precious than a Christmas gift, and the joy of bestowing can never be equaled by the receiving.

A Correction

If it happens we print it, and sometimes we print it if it does not happen. This was the case last week in reporting the marriage of Mr. Jim Caskey and Mrs. J. N. Parker. We make it a rule to verify all news items before printing them, but in this case we did not deem it necessary because so many people told us about it and they were sincere in their belief. The parties were the victims of a joke started by someone to have a little innocent fun, and the Messenger was also the victim of the joke in printing it as a fact. We regret it very much, and offer our apologies to the offended parties.

When the kidneys are ailing, use Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a fine kidney tonic. Relieves backache, bladder troubles, indigestion and constipation. Men of advanced years get great relief from its use. Price \$1.50 per bottle. Smith and Ryan Special Agents.

Arthur Owens is here to spend awhile with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas Owens, since turning over the office of county clerk to his successor, W. D. Collins.

LIBERTY HILL NEWS

Liberty Hill, Dec. 6.—A large crowd was present at Sunday school Sunday, which was very encouraging. Let's not let winter time step our Sunday school this year.

Rev. John B. Davis of this community, who has recently been ordained, will leave this week for Huntsville, where he will be pastor of the Huntsville circuit. We are very sorry to lose him and his family from our community, but we wish them much prosperity in their future home.

We are very glad to report that Mrs. Earlie Holcomb, who has been seriously ill for some time is now much better. However, her condition is not yet considered entirely satisfactory.

Messrs. Mote Scarborough and Ed Holcomb left for West Columbia last week where they will seek employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. T. Monley of Palestine spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holcomb.

Frank J. Moore spent Saturday here visiting relatives.

D. E. Holcomb is spending a few days this week in Alto on business.

Distress after eating is due to bad digestion. Herbine helps the digestive process, clears the system of impurities and restores a feeling of vigor and buoyancy of spirit. Price 60c. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Scholarship for Sale

We have a scholarship in the Tyler Commercial College, which we will sell to some young man or woman at a discount. tf The Messenger.

Notice School Tax Payers

I will be in Grapeland every Friday for the purpose of collecting the tax for the Grapeland Independent School District. Please pay your tax at the earliest possible date, as the school needs the money. tf Paul Kennedy, Collector.

If your digestion is bad, your bowels constipated and you don't eat or sleep well, you need Prickly Ash Bitters, the remedy that men use for cleansing the system. It purifies and invigorates the vital organs, restores appetite, energy and cheerful spirits. Price \$1.50 per bottle. Smith & Ryan, Special Agents.

Dental Notice

I am now located at the Grapeland Hotel ready to do your dental work. Teeth extracted without pain. tf C. L. Moore, D. D. S.

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If you are subject to attacks of heartburn or indigestion, it may do you good to learn that Prickly Ash Bitters is a prompt and efficient remedy. It strengthens digestion, relieves heartburn, tones up the stomach and by its agreeable cathartic effect it empties and purifies the bowels. Try it. Price \$1.50 per bottle. Smith and Ryan special agents.

ROCK HILL TIMES

Rock Hill, Dec. 6.—Our community was saddened by the death of Mrs. Alf Matthews, who has been in the asylum at San Antonio, for sixteen years, but his parents reside here, and to show the high respect for him, friends from all the surrounding country attended the funeral, although the weather was very threatening.

Sunday school was not so well attended yesterday on account of bad weather again. Perhaps some of these days the Sunday school will be going regular once more. Here's hoping, anyway.

John Spikes and family of Elkhart visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Little of Antrim visited at C. M. Streetman's Sunday.

Oscar Lowery visited his brother at Carlisle Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Erma English visited friends in Trinity Saturday and Sunday.

Marvin Streetman and family spent Sunday at Z. W. Weisinger's.

Tom Green and son have returned from the western cotton fields and report business in the way of cotton picking very dull. Mr. Nichols and family will return in a few weeks.

Irregularity in the bowel movements makes you feel uncomfortable and leads to a constipated habit which is bad. Herbine is the remedy you need. It restores healthy regularity. Price, 60c. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Cash for Produce

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New Officers Sworn In

Several new faces are now to be seen around the courthouse in Crockett since the new officers assumed their duties December 1. The following officers were sworn in:

- Nat Patton, Judge. (Re-elected).
- W. D. Collins, County Clerk.
- C. W. Butler Jr., Tax Collector. (Re-elected).
- Will McLean, Tax Assessor.
- Will Robinson, Treasurer. (Re-elected).
- J. H. Rosser, School Superintendent. (Re-elected).
- E. P. Adams, County Attorney. (Re-elected).
- Deb Hale, Sheriff.
- Aaron Speer and Ab Beathard (re-elected), Ed Douglass and G. R. Murchison, Commissioners.

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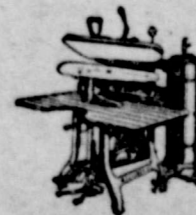
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Former Grapeland Boy is Seeing the World in Navy

Batoum, Georgian Republic, Black Sea Express. October 24, 1920.

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines to let the folks and neighbors and readers know that the U. S. S. Smith Thompson No. 212 is still afloat. She was put in commission Dec. 10, 1919, at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. After fitting out for three weeks with food supplies, we left for Gibraltar on the Sunday morning of February 8, 1920.

After clearing the Delaware Breakwater the crews of the Smith Thompson, Alden and Long took their last look at God's country. When eleven days sailing was over we dropped our mud hook in the port of Gibraltar.

After making two liberties, we set sail for Constantinople, Turkey. While proceeding through the straights of Mersina which divides Italy from Sicily, we could see nothing but mountains and occasionally a volcano, which this part of the world is noted for. There were small towns and villages at the foot of the mountains.

With the exception of a little rough weather in the Aegean sea, we pulled into Constantinople without a hitch on February 26, at 2:45. After thirty-six hours of nothing to do but clean up the ship, we were ordered to Novorossisk, Russia. There we sent a landing force ashore to protect the American ship "Jacona," being loaded with TNT (explosives.) That city now belongs to the Bolsheviki's. After taking aboard twenty-five women and children, we returned to Constantinople and took them to the Island of Proti.

We had plenty of liberty, and remember, dear folks, this country is not dry by a long shot. This city is a historical spot and we will not go into details. We were paid in Turkish gold and have it exchanged for queer looking paper money called Piastres. A gold pound is worth \$4.40 in our money.

After clearing the Dardenells we headed south west through the Eastern Mediterranean. Forty-eight hours later we arrived at Jafra, Syria. The crew was



given leave to go to Jerusalem and Bethlehem; here we have it on most of our forefathers. We saw nearly all the Biblical places and spots. After going to Alexandria, Egypt, and seeing the Pyramids, Syphinx and Sahara desert, we went to Beirut, Smyrna, and then to Athens to see the Acropolis and Temple of Thesus, then returned to Constantinople, our base.

Next, it came our turn as Station Ship at Constanza, Roumania. We had another leave here to Bucharest, the capitol of said country. This is a trip that the crew will never forget, for it is well known as the second Paris of the world. After a snappy trip to Varna, Bulgaria, we put back to Constantinople. Then the next trip is the most exciting one we have had.

We were on our way to the Sea of Azof. While going through the Straight of Kirch we were fired on by the Bolsheviki's. Several missiles hit with in two hundred yards of the ship before Dennikens forces on the other side started firing at them. We were under no orders to fire at

them, so the only thing for us to do was to get out of range, which we did and lost no time about it.

Our first stop on this trip was Sevastopol, Russia. There we only got \$165,000 roubles for a gold pound. Before the war a rouble was only worth 52c. We are now at Batoum, Russia.

Upon our arrival at Constantinople we will transfer twenty-two men to be sent home and discharged.

According to rumors our next trip will be to the Adriatics for a months target practice and speed run. We have been to twelve countries and twenty-five ports. Who said we have not been on the move?

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"Simply Unthinkable"

Roland S. Morris, American ambassador to Japan, in a recent address to the American Academy of Political and Social science asserted that war with Japan was "simply unthinkable."

Mr. Morris will have the support of the great majority of Americans in his statement.

But "unthinkable" is far from possible.

The agitation against Japanese on the Pacific coast and the editorial policy of the jingo press, if continued, readily may bring about a situation which will be embarrassing to the State department. Nor is the danger alone in this country. There is an increasing resentment among the "Yankees of the Orient" against the attempt to class them as an inferior race.

The South probably can appreciate the difficulties of the Pacific coast states to the greater extent than can our Northern and Eastern neighbors.

The race issue has made a white man's government in Dixie necessary.

But the South has learned from bitter experience that no state is greater than the Union. If the West would be guided by experience it will go slow in attempting to adopt legislation which may involve the nation in a dispute with a friendly power.

The doctrine of state's rights was disposed of at Appomattox.—Nashville Tennessean.

Best of All Holidays

Taking it all in all, it may be safely asserted that Christmas is the meriest and best of all holidays, and one which is likely to be observed for ages yet to come. Nations may rise and fall, new beliefs and religions may sweep away the old, but that would seem, indeed, a dreary and empty year which brought no merry Christmas in its annual round. Year which brought no merry his holiday to mankind to gladden the hearts of all with its coming, and may each Christmas be still merrier than the last.

READ THE ADS

65 Hens Bring More Money Than 14 Bale Cotton Crop

Hugo, Ok., Dec. 1.—A flock of sixty-five hens bought last spring has brought O. M. Mashburn more ready cash this year than the the fourteen bale crop which he has produced. The old stock was sold off at an average of \$2.50 a head; eggs brought more than \$350 during the year, and there is on hand a flock of 125 pullets with a valuation of \$2 placed per head.

Money from the sale of the chickens and eggs were used to pay the cotton pickers.

Every Boy's Chances

There are 12 future presidents of the United States now living.

When president Wilson was born Franklin Pierce was president. Anybody who will count will find that his life covers the period of 15 presidents, including himself and his successor.

A child born this year and living to be 63 years old stands a chance of being one of the 15 presidents. In round numbers, at least 10 or 12 boys, and perhaps girls for nobody knows what will happen in the coming years, now living who will be presidents.

Twelve out of the 110 million is not a big percentage. But nobody knows who one of the 12 will be, nor from what humble home he will come. The two men who are up today would not have been picked at birth for future presidents.

The old saying, "Some day you uay be president," has started many a boy off with a courageous heart to tackle life seriously.

The strange thing is, and a review of any period of our history proves it, any boy may reasonably aspire to be president.—DesMoines Tribune.

A remedy that will penetrate is necessary in the treatment of rheumatism. Ballard's Snow Liniment goes right through the flesh to the bone and relieves promptly. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

ITCH!
Money back without question if HUNT'S Salve fails in the treatment of ITCH, ECZEMA, RINGWORM, TETTER or other itching skin disease. Try a 75 cent box at our risk.

Smith & Ryan Druggists

Answer Your Door Bell!

Emerson said that if a man did something better than his neighbor, no matter what it was, the world would make a beaten path to his door.

But times have changed—Now a-days the men who make the "better" things are "making paths" to YOUR door.

Every time a newspaper comes your door-bell. Merchants and a host of people are ringing

manufacturers are waiting on the doorstep to spread their goods at your feet for you to look at.

Don't let the opportunity that advertisements offer you slip by.—No matter what you want, clothing, groceries, a fountain pen or a farm, you will find the "better" ones in the advertising columns.

The advertisements tell you where you can get what you want, when you want it.

Buying with a definite knowledge is so much better than shopping at random. Study the advertisements

YOUR SUBSCRIPTION For the Galveston Semi-Weekly Farm News

Will yield PROFITS in knowledge you could not otherwise obtain.

104 PAPERS \$1.00

A newspaper--feature articles by special writers--livestock, poultry, nursery, farm and garden, recipes, market reports, questions and answers, etc. Eight to twelve pages twice a week. Your postmaster or local editor will send in your subscription.

DO IT TODAY--NOW

The Semi-Weekly Farm News GALVESTON, TEXAS

LOCAL ITEMS

To prevent a cold take 666.

Large size aluminum roaster, only \$3.90, at Kennedy Bros.

A few syrup buckets for sale at Darsey's.

666 breaks a cold quicker than any remedy we know.

Genuine "Griswold" Waffle Irons. Sale price \$1.20 at Darsey's.

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

This is the Christmas to give useful presents. We have them. Kennedy Bros.

Arthur Brooks of Alto spent several days here last week looking after business matters.

Special cut prices on horse collars during our CLEARANCE SALE. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Notice our Christmas show windows when in town. Kennedy Bros.

Rub-My-Tism relieves Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains.

Mrs. W. S. McCarty spent last Sunday in Beaumont with her husband.

Big lot of Boys wagons to be closed out during our BIG CLEARANCE SALE. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

For Sale

2 work horses, sow and pigs, some full blood. Make me an offer. Louie Frisby.

Renter Wanted

To work 75 acres of land on third and fourth. Good land; also hog pasture furnished. Mrs. Lucy Willis, Rte 3.

W. V. Berry and family of Crockett spent Sunday afternoon here with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howard.

Little Vannie Blanch Driskell 8 year old daughter of Oscar Driskell, underwent an operation for appendicitis Wednesday of last week and is reported to be doing nicely.

Berry Plants

Macatawa plants now ready to move. Let me supply your wants while they last. M. L. Williams, R. 4.

C. W. Kennedy is in Waco this week attending the Masonic Grand Lodge as a delegate from the Grapeland lodge.

Several hundred dollars worth of new premiums to be given away for Darsey's Cash Register Checks during our Clearance Sale.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative power of Hall's Catarrh Medicine that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 7c.

Mail Orders Given Prompt Attention

Appropriate

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Christmas Gifts

The question of an appropriate gift is a problem for the average person

That is why we have given such careful thought and attention to the selection of holiday gifts you will find in our store.

No one in the family was overlooked, from the tiniest infant to grand-dad and grand-mother.

DO YOU REALIZE HOW FEW DAYS

A complete line of Jewelry, Watches and Clocks

Novelties and Jewelry in Silver and Gold. Ivory and Silver Toiletware.

An unusual assortment of Rogers and Community Silverware in newest patterns.

REMAIN IN WHICH TO DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING? You readily appreciate the advantage of complete selections and unhurried shopping.

The following articles listed and many more not included in the list are now on display in our show windows and store:

Leather Goods, Manicure Sets, Cut Glass in the latest designs.

Stationery, Fountain Pens and Pencils.

TOYS—Books, and Fireworks for the boys.

DOLLS—for the girlies. The best assortment of dolls seen in Grapeland for many years.

Packages to be sent long distance should be mailed early. We give careful attention to the packing and wrapping of packages to be sent out this way.

SMITH & RYAN

DRUGGISTS

To break a cold take 666.

See our new display of Christmas dishes. Kennedy Bros.

George Moore was in Houston the first of the week on business.

Rub-My-Tism cures bruises, cuts, burns, sores, tetter, etc.

Large size aluminum water kettles in Christmas box, only \$3.90 at Kennedy Bros.

W. E. Holmes of Palestine was mingling with friends here last Thursday.

For Sale

1 dozen Brown Leghorn hens, \$1.00 each.

Mrs. J. S. Weisinger, R 1.

Christmas nuts, fruits and candies now displayed at Kennedy Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pridgen of Houston are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Pridgen.

During our Clearance Sale, we will pay the highest price in cash for your chickens, eggs and butter. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Ross Brock has gone to Livingston, where he has accepted a position with the Livingston Drug Co.

O. L. Lively of Oakwood spent several days last week at Percilla visiting his brother, A. K. Lively, and his numerous friends. He returned to his home Sunday.

We have some property close in that can be bought at a bargain—less than its real value. See Howard Land Co.

A few doses 666 break a cold.

Miss Mary Bell Holcomb of Tyler was the week end guest of C. W. Kennedy.

Let us put away one of these Express Wagons for the boy for Christmas. Kennedy Bros.

Mrs. J. G. Buchannan of Houston, formerly Mrs. Frank Owens of this city, is visiting Mrs. A. A. Allen.

J. O. Shurtleff, lawyer and real estate dealer of Mt. Vernon, spent several days in Grapland last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Driskell wish to thank their friends and neighbors for their kindness to them on account of the death of their baby.

Plenty of crepe paper for your Christmas packages at Kennedy Bros.

I am prepared to half sole shoes of all kinds ranging from 75 cents and up. Harness and saddles also repaired. Work guaranteed. East side of railroad. Rufus Stockbridge.

SEE Darsey for cut prices on iron beds, furniture, bed springs, mattresses and cooking stoves during our BIG CLEARANCE SALE, Dec. 9 to Dec. 24th.

To Scouts' Parents

Read over the Scout oath, laws and duties in your boy's hand book and help him to live up to same.

J. M. Gilbert, Scout Master.

Fancy aluminumware in Christmas boxes at Kennedy Bros.

At the Christian Church

Sunday school 10 a. m., T. H. Leaverton, Supt.

Morning worship 11 a. m.

Evening service 6:45 p. m.

Morning sermon subject, "God's Confidence In Man;" and evening subject, "The Most Eventful Event."

Let's all come early so these services can begin promptly on time.

G. H. Farmer, Pastor.

Renter Wanted

To work 40 to 100 acres of land; will furnish plows and cultivators and teams, cow to milk. Apply to A. N. Edens, tf Grapeland, R. 3.

Will Robbins killed hogs Wednesday of last week and remembered the editor with a generous supply of backbone and spare-ribs, which were appreciated very much.

Miss Mae Dorris, who has been employed by Geo. E. Darsey & Company as milliner in that department, left Sunday for Dallas, to work in a wholesale millinery house at that place, until the spring season.

It is not surprising that bolshevists, who have set up a counterfeit democracy, should be attempting to plaster the United States with counterfeit money.

The Cradle Roll

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Howard Jr. announce the birth of a son Wednesday, December 1, 1920.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sadler announce the birth of a daughter, Sunday, December 5, 1920.

Grapeland Defeats Elkhart

The Grapeland High School basket ball team went to Elkhart Tuesday and defeated that team by a score of 22 to 2.

W. E. Kerr has resigned his position with Kennedy Bros. and returned to Goose Creek where he has accepted a position with a large mercantile company. Mrs. Kerr will join him one day this week. They have the best wishes of their many friends.

Delivery Service

We deliver every Saturday. See us for meats of all kinds; also oysters.

A. E. Murdock.

Brother Gompers is afraid the election of Brother Harding means the destruction of human liberty. Maybe so; anyhow it destroys the human happiness that has been nestling in many a postmaster's heart.

Renew your subscription.

Get a Ford Now!

Having secured an extra allotment of cars for November and December, we can offer immediate delivery on a limited number of each type

TOWERY MOTOR COMPANY

Houston County Dealers, Crockett, Texas

DOWN!!!



Come Prices!

George E. Darsey & Co's.

FINAL CLEARANCE SALE

Thursday, Dec. 9, to Saturday, Dec. 24

Our mammoth stock of General Merchandise will be Sold at Prices that will Clear the Shelves

These prices apply only to goods on hand. Buy now and save money as new goods bought to replace these will have to be sold at higher prices. Many quantities limited. Come Early.

SAVE YOUR CASH REGISTER CHECKS

During this Final Clearance Sale we will continue to give Cash Register Checks which may be exchanged any-time until January 1st for merchandise from our Premium Department.

If you don't see what you want advertised in this advertisement, ask for it.

We have it at Clearance Prices. We can sell you anything you need and will save you money.

Such things as cost and profits have not been considered in making these reductions. Many lines offered at half price and less. We will sell the Goods.

DURING THIS SALE NO GOODS MAY BE RETURNED; NO GOODS WILL BE SENT OUT ON APPROVAL; We prefer to fit all garments and shoes. We guarantee each article as represented and to give satisfaction.

HARDWARE AND FURNITURE

- \$9 8x10 Chiba grass squares . . . \$6.75
- \$9.75 6x9 CONGOLEUM "Gold Seal" squares . . . \$7.49
- \$16.60 9x10 1-2 CONGILEUM "Gold Seal" Squares . . . \$12.83
- \$19.00 9x12 CONGOLEUM "Gold Seal" Squares . . . \$14.65
- \$4.00 24x48 Stetsons Woven Felt Rugs . . . 3.08
- \$5.00 30x60 Stetsons Woven Felt Rugs . . . \$3.48
- \$7.50 36x72 Stetson Woven Felt Rugs . . . \$5.20
- \$2.25 Heavy Galvanized Government Slop Jars . . . \$1.80
- \$1.25 28x28 Stove Boards . . . 98c
- \$1.50 28x34 Stove Boards . . . \$1.30
- \$30.00 Kitchen Cabinets . . . \$23.10
- \$32.50 Helping Hand Sewing Machines . . . \$27.50
- \$12.50 No. 36 Kitchen Safes . . . \$9.08
- \$15.00 No. 46 Kitchen Safes . . . \$13.68

\$1.00 Double Disc Columbia Records for 85c

Get our FINAL CLEARANCE PRICES on COOK STOVES and IRON BEDS, Tinware, Slickers, tables, dressers, bed springs, mattresses, auto casings, inner tubes, Shelf and Builder's Hardware, auto accessories, etc.

BOYS' WAGONS

- \$1.50 22 inch Boys' Wagons . . . \$1.13
- \$1.75 24 inch Boys' Wagons . . . \$1.38
- \$2.50 26 inch Boys' Wagons . . . \$2.00
- \$3.50 30 inch Boys' Wagons . . . \$2.49
- \$6.00 36 in Reinforced Boys Wagon . . . \$4.69

MEN'S HATS

- Benton Hats \$3.00
 - Mogul Hats \$3.90
 - Worth Hats \$4.90
 - Mallory Hats \$5.55
 - \$10 Stetson Hats \$7.50
 - One lot men's staple hats at \$2.00
- 33 1-3 per cent discount on all men's and boys caps and boys hats.

Save Your CASH REGISTER CHECKS

SALE STARTS THURSDAY, DEC. 9th, ENDS SATURDAY, DEC. 24th

George E. Darsey & Co.

THE SERVICE FIRST

GRAPELAND, TEXAS

While others talk low prices

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SPECIAL

Men's 240 weight, Blue Denim Overalls, per pair **\$1.50**
 Men's Blue Overalls per pair **\$1.00**
 DERRICK Work Shirts .. **\$1.25**

FREE!

Merchandise amounting to several hundred dollars is given FREE to our customers as PREMIUMS in exchange for Cash Register Checks. Everybody is something.
Save Your Cash Register Checks

SPECIAL

Women's and misses outing gowns a piece **\$1.50**
 Children's E-Z Union Suits **95c**
 Men's Heavy Ribbed Shirts and drawers a suit **\$1.75**
 Women's Heavy Ribbed Shirts and drawers a suit **\$1.75**

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

may be selected NOW at a saving. Many gift selections in our big stock at CLEARANCE SALE PRICE

SPECIAL

Women's Coats, Suits, Dresses
 Silk Waists and Skirts . . . **Half Price**
 Children's and Girls coats . . **Half Price**
 All Winter Millinery **Half Price**

GLOVES AND HANDKERCHIEFS

are included in our final Clearance Sale and right now you have a complete selection to choose from.

EVERYTHING INCLUDED AT CLEARANCE PRICES

Our stock is too large to enumerate in this ad. You will find lowest prices on all men's and boys shirts, underwear, sweaters, gloves, etc. Women's and Misses underwear, sweaters, gloves, caps, etc. House furnishings, curtain scrim, blankets, counterpanes, towels, draperies, window shades, etc.
20 per cent discount on Trunks and Suit Cases.

DRESS GOODS

1 lot solid color cotton poplin, yd. . **20c**
 1 lot solid color cotton poplin yd. . **25c**
 1 lot solid color cotton poplin yd. . **45c**
 1 lot figured cotton poplin yd. . . . **45c**
 \$1.00 plaid Cotton Suiting yd. . . . **50c**
 \$1.50 plaid suiting wool finish. . . . **90c**
 One lot cotton serge yd. **35c**
 1 lot wool mixed serge yd. **50c**
 25 Storm and French wool serge yard **75c**
 25 Wool Tricotine per yd. . . . **\$1.50**
 \$1.50 36 inch Silk Poplin yd. . . . **90c**
 36 inch silk taffetas, messalines, etc. per yard **\$1.50**
 40 inch Silk Georgette and Crepe de chine per yard **\$1.50**
 1 lot Kimona Outing Flannel yd. . **25c**
 1 lot Kimona Outing yd. **35c**
 Plisse crepes in solid colors for Kimonas per yard **35c**
 Windsor figured crepes for Kimonas per yard. **40c**
 All draperies reduced.

All Men's, Women's and Children's hosiery included in this sale at drastic reductions.

Heavy Grey Socks 3 prs. **50c**
 Dress Socks all colors 3 prs. . . . **50c**
 Women's Black Hose 3 prs **50c**
 Children's Black Hose 3 prs. . . . **50c**
 Reduction on all better hosiery.

SAVE YOUR CASH REGISTER CHECKS

They are Valuable

MEN'S AND BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS

\$60 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **\$35.00**
 55 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **33.00**
 \$50 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **30.00**
 \$45 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **27.00**
 \$40 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **24.00**
 \$35 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **21.00**
 \$30 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **18.00**
 \$25 Men's Suits and Overcoats. **17.00**
 \$20 Boys Suits and Overcoats. **12.00**
 \$18 Boys Suits and Overcoats. **10.80**
 \$16 Boys Suits and Overcoats. **9.60**
 \$12.50 Boys Suits and Overcoats **7.50**
 \$10 Boys Suits and Overcoats. **6.00**
 \$9 Boys Suits and Overcoats. . . **5.40**
 \$8 Boys Suits and Overcoats. . . **4.80**
 \$7.50 Boys Suits and Overcoats. **4.50**

STAPLE DRY GOODS

Best Extra Heavy Outings per yard **17 1-2c**
 36 in. Tiger Sea Island Domestic. **15c**
 36 inch Florence "R" (best) Sea Island Domestic per yard. . . . **20c**
 36 in. Berkley Cambrics per yd. . **25c**
 36 inch Camilla Cambric per yd. **22c**
 30 inch Defender Bleached Domestic per yard **15c**
 36 inch Arlington Bleached Domestic per yard. **19c**
 36 inch Festival Bleached Domestic per yard (the best) **22c**
 Amoskeag A. C. A. Feather Ticking per yard. **45c**
 Best Tupelo Cheviots per yard. . **19c**
 Book Fold Duchess Shirting Madras per yard **25c**
 Good Grade Book Fold Dress Gingham per yard **17 1-2c**
 Fast color Book Fold Dress Gingham per yard **24c**
 Cotton Flannel 2 grades per yard **20c** and **25c**

We have the most complete stock of NOTIONS at the lowest prices.

Every Article of Women's, Misses and Children's Ready-to-Wear at HALF PRICE

SHOES! SHOES!!

Final Clearance Prices have been made throughout our entire stock of All Leather Shoes for men, women and children. Prices have been lowered to the bottom regardless of costs and present value. You can get your size in a shoe you like.

GROCERIES AT CLEARANCE SALE PRICES

When you come to Grapeland don't buy a thing in Groceries until you get our Sale Prices We list a few of our SALE prices below for your own consideration and comparison.

White Wave high Pat Flour **\$2.75**
 45lb can best Lard Compound **\$7.90**
 \$2.00 bucket best Lard Compound. . . **1.75**
 \$1.00 bucket best Lard Compound. . . . **.85**
 Best grade white cooking oil per gallon. **1.25**
 7lb good roasted coffee. **.98**
 4lb best roasted coffee. **.98**
 4 plugs Brown Mule tobacco **.98**
 7 Cans Prince Albert tobacco **.98**
 20 packages Washing Powder **.98**
 20lb Success Soda **.98**
 8 cans lye for **.98**
 5 cans Alaska Salmon **.98**
 3lb best 35c Sausage for **.98**
 4lb California Evaporated Apples . . . **.98**

We have plenty of pennies and will give exact change with every purchase and in addition to selling you your GROCERIES for less than you can buy them elsewhere we will give you CASH REGISTER CHECKS which are redeemable in valuable PREMIUMS at our PREMIUM COUNTER.

Groceries for Christmas Cooking

Our stock of staple and fancy groceries for Christmas cooking is complete. Including apples, Oranges, Nuts, Cocanuts, Extracts, Citron, Mince Meat, Rasins, Pine Apple, Potatoes, Onions and many other useful things to make your Christmas cooking as you would like for it to be.

\$1.00 Double Disc Columbia

Records for **85c**



Darsey & Co.
 FIRST STORE

GRAPELAND, TEXAS
 prices, we make them.

CHRISTMAS SCULPTURE

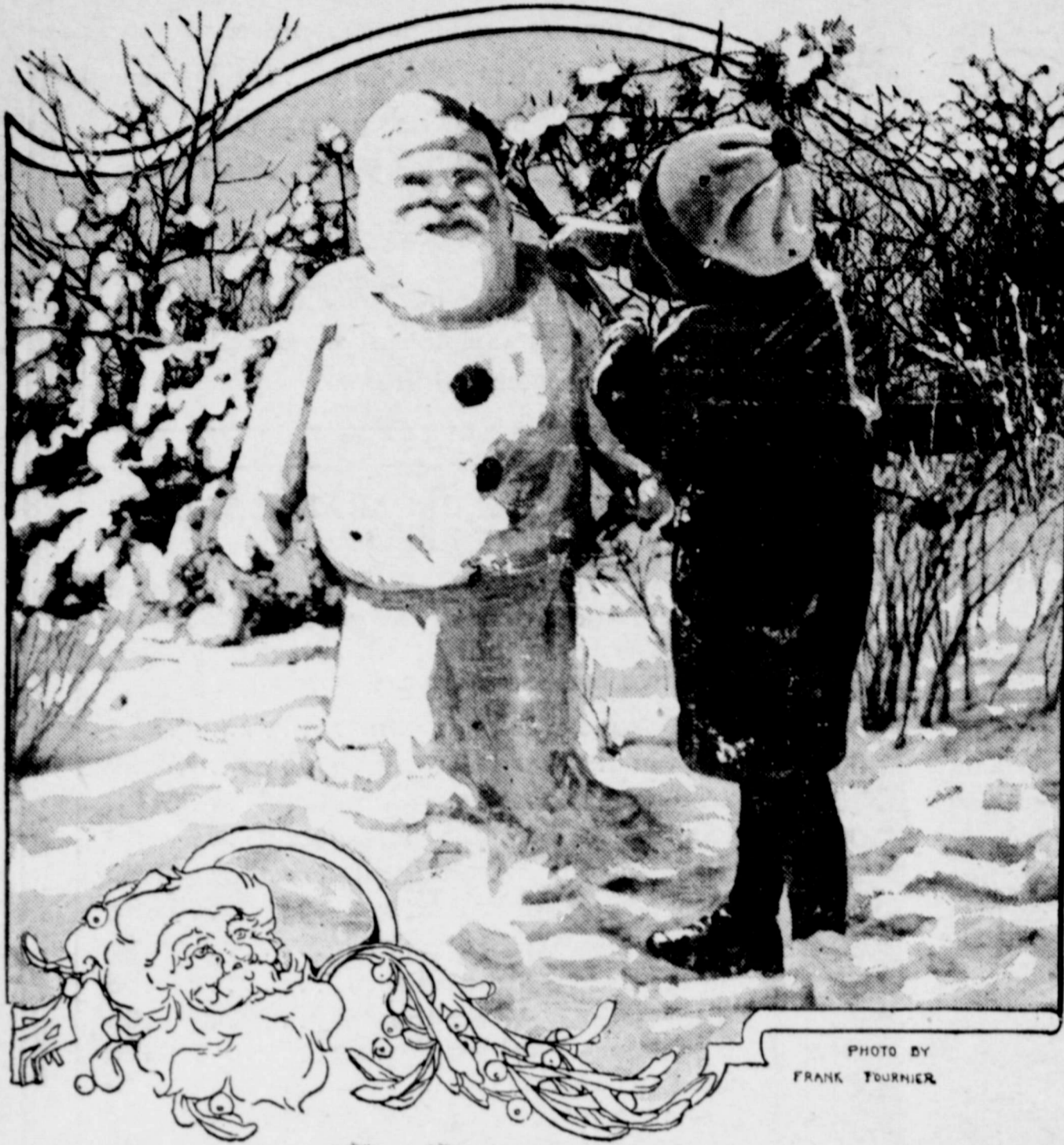


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Letters to Santa Claus

Percilla, Texas, Dec. 3.
Dear Santa Claus:
How are you by now? Please bring me a large sleepy doll and some fruits, and a pair of shoes and stockings, and a ring with a ruby set, and some roman candles and fire crackers, and a story book, a rubber ball. Will close From

Ruby Mae Hendricks.

Percilla, Texas, Dec. 3.

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you this cool day? We are just fine. Santa, please bring us one air gun, pump gun, and a knife and chain apiece, 2 rubber balls, apples, bananas, candy, nuts and all kinds of fireworks. As ever, your little friends,

Wilma and Edwan Earl Hendricks.

Percilla, Texas, Dec. 3.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a rubber ball, a sleepy doll, some gloves and hair ribbon. Don't forget my little brother, Preston. Bring him a rattler and a banana and apple, and please bring me all kinds of fireworks and all kinds of fruits. I will not ask for any more and don't forget all the other little children. Bye bye.

Your little friend,

Lou Ella Hendricks.

P. S.—Bring me a story book.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a drum, a train that will run on a little track, a checker board, knife, fireworks of all kinds, and lots of nuts and candies, and oblige,

Albert Merle Luker.

Under the dry law less wives and mothers take in washing.

Action to Restrict Immigration

The alarming rush of immigrants to our shores has brought from the state department temporary measures to stem the tide until congress sees fit to pass protective legislation. Passports have been made harder to obtain; it is necessary for the applicant aboard to present affidavits from relatives or friends in this country giving the reason for his coming here; he must also tell what his occupation will be and with whom he will reside. It will be useless for relatives in this country to intercede for the immigrant; it is up to him to make application abroad. Steerage rates from Europe are now over \$100, and there are heavy charges for consular fees, passport visas etc.

Has the World Enough to Eat?

While famine is killing its thousands in Europe and Asia, this condition is abnormal and can be tided over by timely and temporary relief, for the world as a whole has enough to eat and likely to have it for sometime to come—this, at least appears to be the conclusion of an editorial in the Journal of The American Medical Association (Chicago). If any are starving, it is due to unequal distribution by which some save too much and others too little. Dismal foreboding of univesral famine have been familiar to scientific men and political economists for many years, but they have never been justified in the event. There is suffering in many places but it is not likely to last long, and there will be food production 'as usual' in Europe, perhaps as early as the harvest in 1921.

Recent students of our situation, quoted by the writer, believe that long before our population is doubled we shall have to begin importing food for our own use. But is our population likely to double? At any rate, we are warned, it is well to look carefully to, according to the writer, wheat, the hog and the dairy cow.—Literary Digest.

A Sailor's Prayer

Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray the Lord my soul to keep;
Grant no other sailor take
My shoes or socks before I wake.
Lord, guard me in my slumber
And keep my hammock on its
number;
May no clews or lashings break,
And let me down before I wake,
Keep me safely in Thy sight
And grant no fire drill tonight,
And in the morning let me wake,
Breathing scents of Sirloin steak
God protect me in my dreams
And make this better than it
seems.

Grant the time may swiftly fly
When I myself shall rest on high.
In a snowy feather bed
Where I long to rest my head.
Far away from all these scenes
And from the smell of half baked
beans,
Take me back into the land,
Where they don't scrub down
with sand;
Where no demon typhoon blows
And where the women wash the
clothes.

God, thou knowest all my woes
Feed me in my dying throes,
Take me back—I'll promise Thee.
Never to leave home again.

O. L. Gibson,
U. S. S. Kanawha,
San Francisco, Cal.

666 quickly relieves a cold.

REMEMBER

That we can send 50 pounds by PARCEL POST and we pre-pay everything we send. This will enable you to get most anything you need out of a Drug Store. We appreciate ALL orders, small or LARGE and fill them promptly. Do not do without something you need—send us your order and ask for your package in the NEXT MAIL.

GOOLSBY-SHERMAN DRUG CO.

Graduate Pharmacists
Superior Service

Crockett, Texas
Dependability

Word of Appreciation

I want to take this opportunity to thank the people for the hearty way in which they have received us and made us feel welcome. I am here to do all the good I can and help along a worthy enterprise.

B. C. Anderson.

It is not necessary to spend one nickel in cash for your Christmas presents. Just go to Darsey's and get them free with DARSEY'S CASH REGISTER CHECKS. Given with every purchase during our CLEARANCE SALE.

Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

A Thrifty Saint

"Don't you think holidays tempt us to extravagance?"

"Not at all. If you will study the pictures of Santa Claus, you will observe he has on the same old clothes he has had for years."

What says you? Let's make Darsey's Big Clearance sale the biggest sale ever held at Grape-land.

Ready For Service

My registered Jersey bull, Financial Prince Premier, is now ready for service. He is purely Jersey Island bred, having only 8 American ancestors; a nephew of Leda Raleigh, who took sweep stakes prize national dairy show at Chicago in 1919, and sold for \$25,000. Texas imports \$50,000 worth of dairy products each year, imported from states where natural advantages are very much inferior to our own. I also have for sale a bull calf about 5 1-2 months old out of a double grandson of Noble of Oakland.

Chas. C. Hill.

To Avoid the Rush

Soldier, just back from his harvest furlough, to the Sergeant—"My father wants to know if I'll get another furlough at Christmas. Here is the picture of the pig that is going to be killed."—Fliegende Blatter.

THIRTY SIX PRETTY Dolls given away for Darsey's CASH REGISTER CHECKS, during our CLEARING SALE.

"it's free!"



\$5⁰⁰ Cash
and a
New Pair of Shoes
will be given to the wearer
who finds Paper in the heels,
counters, outsoles or insoles
of any shoes made by us
bearing this trade mark.



We put all the wear that's possible into our shoes, but don't let it go at that. They're stylish, too. And comfortable. Shoes that you'll be proud of. Buying Friedman-Shelby "All-Leather" Shoes for the entire family is one of the best investments you can make. See your neighborhood dealer and insist on the Friedman-Shelby "All-Leather" trade-mark.

"It Takes Leather to Stand Weather!"

George E. Darsey & Company
Service First Store

Friedman-Shelby
ALL-LEATHER
SHOES

YOUR "PAID" CHECK IS VALUABLE TO YOU

Many disputes over past obligations are avoided by producing your "PAID" check, which was in settlement of the account.

There is no need to have that feeling that you "have paid that account twice."

PAY YOUR OBLIGATIONS BY CHECK which serves as a receipt when endorsed and cashed.

Open an account with us today.

Put your Savings in U. S.
Saving Stamps

GUARANTY STATE BANK

"Always Glad to Serve You"

An Appropriate Christmas Gift

Young folks, here is a Christmas present you can get if you will put the matter squarely up to your parents, in fact they can hardly turn you down, for this is the best proposition you ever put up to them; it is a thing that will win your independence, give you an insurance policy against poverty with the premium paid for life. It is a scholarship in the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, America's largest school of Bookkeeping, Business Training, Shorthand, Cotton Classing, Telegraphy, Business Finance, the school than not only prepares its students in a very efficient manner for the best positions in the largest offices, but secures these positions for them.

The cost of a life scholarship in a course of Bookkeeping is \$65.00, or the two \$110.00, Telegraphy \$65.00, Cotton Classing \$65.00, Business Finance \$65.00. Board and room is from \$18.00 to \$20 per month, payable monthly. The average time for completion in our shorthand course is three months, our Telegraphy five months, Bookkeeping 4 months, Business Finance, five months, our bookkeeping and shorthand combined, five months. Figure up your cost of board and tuition and you will be surprised to find out how little it will cost you to obtain a cash producing education that you can use for a life time. It will be a Christmas present that you will always appreciate, because you will never cease using it.

If you or your parents, as the case may be, haven't the cash to pay for the entire course, we have a note plan, we also have a loan fund in connection with our Endowment Association that may be participated in. The old saying is quite true, "Where there's a will there's a way." If you can't get the money to pay board, do what thousands of others are doing; take a correspondence course until you can enter college for personal work.

See about this Christmas gift. Take it up and discuss it seriously. You can enroll at once; we will not close for the holidays. Convince your parents you are determined to be a success, and that to achieve a success in business you must get a business training.

Write for our large catalogue it is free and it will convince you

and your parents of the importance of our suggestions.

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Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Cotton Reduction Pledge

The American Cotton Association, Texas Division, 606 Trust Building, Dallas, Texas, is proposing the subjoined pledge in its efforts to have the South reduce its cotton acreage next year. This pledge sounds much stronger than that voters participating in the democratic primaries were required to take. In fact it sounds about as strong as we imagine the pledge of the K. K.'s (Ku-Klux-Klan) must have been, but our idea is that a strong pledge, if fairly kept, would knock the persimmons the cotton growers most desire. Here is the pledge.

I do hereby solemnly promise and agree upon my sacred word of honor, so help me God, that during 1921 I will reduce my cotton acreage 33 1-3 per cent below acreage planted in 1920.

I further promise that I will use whatever influence I may have with my friends and neighbors to have them sign and observe a like contract.

Name
Postoffice
County Date

—Troup Banner.

Tomato Growers Organizing

From East Texas comes the report that the tomato growers are planning an organization which shall make an East Texas tomato worth what an East Texas tomato ought to be worth.

Why not? California prune growers have thus got a better price for prunes. They have got a better price for nuts. They have raked in more gold from the sale of the golden orange.

In organization, as in diversification, there is strength. A strong East Texas tomato growers' association would result in the tomatoes grown there selling in the market at a just price instead of rotting in the fields at no price at all.—Dallas Times Herald.

Dr. W. D. McCarty is spending this week at Woodville, where he joined a party of friends on a big hunt.

Christmas Seals of Good Cheer now on the Market.

The Yuletide spirit is heralded by the coming of the familiar form of Santa Claus on the Christmas Seals which are now on sale in Texas and all over the country. Good health is the gift which jolly old Saint Nick is bringing to the people of the Lone Star State.

In the counties which have not been organized with county chairmen and sales teams, many of the people will be given the opportunity of purchasing the little seals of good health through the mails. Into these counties, the Texas Public Health Association is sending thousands of seals, asking the people to buy them. Those who do not receive seals may obtain them, to make their Christmas mail complete, by writing to the Texas Public Health Association at Austin.

The money which is raised in this county will be used wholly and exclusively for health work, especially in the fight against tuberculosis. Ninety-five percent of this money will remain in Texas for anti-tuberculosis work by the Texas Public Health Association and its many local societies in every part of the state, among young and old, and every race and class. The other five percent will go to the national Tuberculosis Association for its national wide work. Therefore part of this five percent will revert to Texas for cooperative work.

The little Christmas seals will fittingly decorate Christmas mail, bring Christmas and New Year greetings, and each represents a penny's worth of good health for Texas.

ANTRIM NEWS

Antrim, Dec. 6.—Thanksgiving has come and gone and now Christmas will soon be here. We have been thinking about having a tree December 24, but have not yet definitely decided.

Mrs. Alice Grey and children spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Mary Gray.

Mrs. S. J. Martin is visiting her son, J. F. Martin and family. Syrup making has been the order of the day, but think everybody is about through now.

A. W. Brinson, who has been visiting relatives in Florida, returned home last week.

J. P. Ellis, who has been visiting relatives in Arkansas and Georgia, returned home Saturday.

Walter Blackwell spent Sunday with Ivey Brinson.

Rev. W. R. Durnell went to Slocum Sunday to fill his appointment.

To The Tax Payers of Houston County

I shall be at Grapeland, Tuesday, December 14th for the purpose of collecting 1920 taxes.

C. W. BUTLER JR.,
TAX COLLECTOR.

An Easy Gift

Small boy, running up and displaying slate:—Just look, uncle, what I've done with my example! Got a whole million! I'll give it to you as a Christmas present." Fliengende Blatter.

Mrs. Sam Denson and baby of Elkhart visited Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lewis the latter part of last week.

FRIENDS



I used to watch for Santa Claus
With childish faith sublime,
And listen in the snowy night
To hear his sleigh-bells chime.
Beside the door on Christmas Eve
I put a truss of hay,
To feed the prancing, dancing steeds
That sped him on his way.

If children of a larger growth
Could have a Christmas-tree
From Father Time, one gift alone
Would be enough for me—
Let others take the gems and gold,
And trifles light and vain,
But give me back my old belief
In Santa Claus again!

Shall America Honor Some Unknown Soldier?

Requests have been pouring in upon our War Department, that the body of some unidentified American soldier who fell in France may be selected for such honors as have been given in France and England. The idea of paying highest respects to an unknown private is one that strongly appeals to the American people.

In France and in England, on Armistice day, the body of some unknown private soldier who fell in the Great War was buried with all the honors that could be given to the greatest general, or to a king.

By these ceremonies the governments and peoples wished to express the gratitude they felt to the common soldier—the "poilu," as the French call him—who made possible the saving of the world from the horror of German imperial domination.

Without much chance of personal glory the common soldiers nobly did their duty and made all time their debtor. And because the body selected for this honor, in each of the countries was that of a man unnamed and unknown, every mother who lost a son whose body was not identified may think that this was perhaps her boy. His name, if known, would not matter; it is enough that he was one of the brave who

died that the world might be free.

In England the ceremonies were attended by the highest in the land; by royalty; by the highest dignitaries of the church by generals and admirals; by men of science and art; by a mighty throng of the common people whose homage was just as true. The burial of this unknown common soldier, the representative of millions of others was at Westminster Abbey, where lie the remains of the most honored men of centuries past. In France there were like ceremonies.

Stewards Elect Officers

The stewards of the Methodist church held their first meeting of the new conference year at the church last Monday night.

Officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows:

M. E. Darsey, Chairman; A. H. Luker, Vice-Chairman; W. L. Mangum, Secretary; Wade L. Smith, Treasurer.

Aluminum ware, White Coat Ware, Cups, Saucers, Plates, Lamps and lots of other nice things to be given away for Darsey's Cash Register Checks during our BIG CLEARANCE Sale.

John Murchison of Palestine was here Sunday.

Newspaper Gems

One of easiest ways to seek death in the old days was to blow out the gas. The present way is to step on it.—Charleston Gazette.

The only wonder is that nobody sold the Atlantic Ocean to the Shipping Board.—New York Herald.

Time was when a woman's face was her fortune—now it is the paint manufacturer's fortune.—Detroit Journal.

In Mexico the "ex" of ex-President is an abbreviation of extinct.—Richmond News-Leader.


We are buoyed up by the statement that the profiteers, somewhere, some day, will get what is coming to them, for they have already got what is coming to us.—Charleston Gazette.

The man who looks for a long period of business depression is quite as foolish as the one who thought war-profits could last forever.—Baltimore American.

Finds Money in Old Boot Leg:—Headline. And a good many manufacturing gentlemen these days are finding considerable money in new bootleg.

Rev. B. C. Anderson and family were given the usual "pounding" in a generous way by the Methodist folks, and on last Wednesday evening quite a large crowd of the members gathered at the parsonage and gave them a "house warming."

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 CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Let's Try Enthusiasm

Why is it that the young men of the farm and the rural town lose interest in their environment and tramp off to the city to be lost—nine tenths of them—in a whirlpool of oblivion?

In our opinion the reason lies largely in the absence of enthusiasm, no matter what tongue it is spoken in. Perhaps you have forgotten how the world was made. 'Enthusiasm' came from the Greek words "en" for in and "theos" for God. When a man was "en theos" the Greek said he had divine spirit in him.

And is it not divine to be enthusiastic? Faith divine moves mountains and so does enthusiasm. But how few of us realize it. Indeed, the editor of this newspaper believes that our rural communities need few things as much or as seriously as enthusiasm. Enthusiasm for our work, no matter what that work is; enthusiasm for the human people who surround us; enthusiasm for our community and its interests, various and sundry; enthusiasm for all things of life and for life itself.

There is hardly one of us who has not the capacity for enthusiasm. The trouble is that we do not cultivate it. Don't be a bump on the log. Try a little enthusiasm. Develop it and you will not only be more and more of a success in your niche, you will not only be a joy to all the people around you, but you will be totally surprised with yourself and also everlastingly pleased with yourself.—Longview Leader.

WANETA NEWS

Waneta, Dec. 6.—We have been having some cool weather the past few days but no ice. Several have been killing hogs.

Will Lively and wife visited Ollie Harrington and wife near Percilla Sunday.

W. B. Moore, wife and daughter spent Sunday with his parents.

Willie Hogan spent Sunday with Charlie Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Culin Barnes and children visited relatives in

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Established in 1879

New term opens December 29

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The Sam Houston Normal has a standing committee on placing teachers in every section of Texas. Its services are free to students. This year the committee has had calls for more teachers than it could supply.

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How to earn a certificate in about five months: Students effecting entrance to any class above the first year, who make two terms' work (Dec. 29-June 6) and pass examinations in one term's work of the next lower class may receive a teacher's certificate of the lower class. For instance a student entering the sophomore class (Dec. 29), completing two terms' work (June 6), and making by examination one freshman term, may receive a freshman certificate.

Plant includes seven brick buildings, complete equipment of libraries, laboratories, demonstration farm, athletic grounds, etc.

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Expenses moderate—free tuition and text books.

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Cherokee county Saturday night and Sunday.

Albert Rich and wife spent Sunday night with the latter's mother Mrs. Jones.

Fate Barnes and family spent Sunday at Tom Barnes at Hickory Grove.

Ross Fortson of the Silver Creek community visited Charlie Killgo Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hendricks entertained the young people with a singing Saturday night.

Miss Lois Powell went to Palestine Thursday and Edley Powell taught school in her place Thursday and Friday.

The Olden Knights Wore Shields

with certain family devices painted thereon. To protect the fair name of these escutcheons, they fought hard and well and dealt squarely and openly.

Knaves without device lived fairly or unfairly as their humor suited. They had no names to protect.

Today the knights of industry have devices—the advertised trademarks of their products. It is even more necessary for them to preserve a bright and spotless trademark than it was for an older knight to keep his shield clean and fair.

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Fighting it Out

There will be some misgivings among teachers and parents who may read of the fistic battles in a Chicago school between boys who had a difference of opinion to settle. Some sentimentalists like to assume that moral suasion is capable of settling anything. They abhor the notion of even a few gentle taps of corporal punishment. So they read that the Chicago teacher permits her pupils to settle their differences with their fists and then shake hands on the result, and they throw back their heads in holy horror.

But the present issue in Chicago is not that of corporal punishment inflicted by the teacher or parent—it is that of the best way for children who have quarreled to decide their grievances. The principal says: "Abe was inclined to be bully. He got licked. The boys will be better friends now, and Abe will not be so quick tempered and hasty in the future."

To the average parent the plan may not appeal at first glance. But on second thought one cannot help but agree with the Chicago teacher when she says any plan which by its prompt action and reaction dissolves a controversy into smiles and hand-shakes and resolutions to do better in the future is a better one than that found in a silent and long-nourished resentment that never finds an outlet.

You can't always tell. A little boy stuck a cow's tail through a knothole in a fence, and a philosopher who passed along on the other side sat up all night pondering on how in the blazes did that cow get through that knothole.—Como Herald.

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