

NEW HOPE LOCALS

New Hope, Aug. 1.—Crops are pretty good at present, only a little rain would help the young corn considerably.

There was only a small crowd at Sunday school yesterday, for most of the people went to Liberty Hill, where they had an all day singing and dinner on the ground.

We had a good crowd at singing last night. We hope to see everyone present next Sunday and Sunday night.

Rev. Andrews will begin his meeting here Saturday, August 6, at 11 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend the meeting.

Messrs. Boyd Dickey, Ira Britton and Sebron Teems and Miss Pearl Shoemaker are attending the singing school at Muse.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brumley of Livelyville spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Brumley.

Marvin Giddings and family of Fair Lee, Texas are here visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Teems are visiting in the Muse community today.

Miss Pearl Dickey entertained the young people with a singing Saturday night. All report a very pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butler of Kennard are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Butler.

Miss Pearl Dickey spent Sunday night with Miss Josephine Teems.

Miss Ida Barnes visited her sister, Mrs. Hallie Sammons, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kellum spent yesterday afternoon with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Butler.

Miss Josephine Teems is visiting Miss Pearl Dickey today.

Revival At The Christian Church

The revival at the Christian church, which was to have been held in June, but was postponed on account of illness of Dr. Kerns who was to have done the preaching, will be held by Rev. Joseph Keevil, pastor of the First Christian church of Palestine.

Rev. Keevil comes highly recommended. He has been in Palestine only a few months, but already he has done a work with the church there that has marked advancement of the kingdom in that city.

The meeting begins Monday night, Aug. 15. Remember the date. The church people are making special preparation for a real revival—not merely a meeting. Everybody is invited and expected to join in this meeting.

The Pastor.

TRINITY RIVER RIPPLES

Reynard, Aug. 1.—Things are evaporating fast and with the weather we are having no kind of insect can thrive to no great extent. The old cotton does not look good from some cause, but most of the young cotton seems to be doing fine. Peas are getting ripe and corn will soon be ready to gather.

Homer and Herman Beazley saved some fine Sudan hay.

Carpenters began work today on Mrs. J. H. Beazley's residence. She is having it recovered and putting in dorma windows.

The sawmill is running on full time cutting lumber and shingles.

The road is full of wagons most all the time hauling ties.

Miss Gladys Denton returned to her home Saturday. Mrs. Tom Kent accompanied her and she and the children expect to be gone a couple of weeks.

Mrs. West is also an absent neighbor, having gone to Crockett to keep house for her father C. H. Beazley, while her mother makes her son, Nugent, a visit at Port Arthur.

Mrs. W. L. Fox spent last week in Grapeland with her sister, Mrs. Eaves.

J. M. Murray in company with Ben and Marshall Brimberry and Homer Wright, spent last Tuesday on the Murray farm. The writer had the pleasure of spending the day with them and rode all over the farm. A. E. Murray, the manager, has everything in good shape, considering the year and if he does not make a pretty fair crop it will not be his fault.

Mrs. Sharp and daughter and Miss Whitaker of Jones School House community spent Friday night with her sister-in-law, Mrs. George Allen, while the men folk were on the river fishing.

W. T. Pridgen was in our midst Wednesday and spent the night with Douglas Beazley.

The Ku Klux Klan are 'cussed' and discussed pretty freely in our midst. It may not be the right way, but it seemed like something had to be done, and like everything good, it is bad when carried to extremes.

At The Methodist Church

We will have our regular services at the Methodist church next Sunday.

Sunday school at 10 o'clock.

Preaching at 11 o'clock and again at 8.

Our revival meeting at Antrim has been postponed. It will begin the third Sunday in this month.

B. C. Anderson, Pastor.

Renew your subscription today

The Port of Missing Men



Streetmans Tell of their Visit to Florida

Blainstown, Fla., July 30.

Dear Editor and Friends:

Monday at 10 o'clock we left Grapeland in a Ford car for Carr, Fla. Before leaving Grapeland we promised to report on the crops as best we could, so here goes:

Generally speaking, this has been a very enjoyable trip and we have had good luck, but we had quite a little bitter along with the sweet. We had rains to contend with every day except the first and last while on our way and this caused roads that would have been good otherwise to be very hard to pass over. At a little town in Louisiana called Bunkie we were told that the roads were very bad and to pass them would require a good Ford, a driver with plenty of nerve and a bunch that believed in the car. We were told at Baton Rouge, La., that the roads were impassable and that it would be useless to try to pass over them for a week, but we went over both places, driving through water a great part of the way that would often come over the running board. Once we crossed a ditch that the water run over the front axle of a preceding wagon. Again we held down a bridge that was floating while the car passed over it.

When we left Grapeland we found poor roads and some very bad roads until we got to Jacksonville. After leaving there we had fine roads and saw good crops until we reached Tyler. Between these places we saw a very attractive little town called Bullard. It was a small town, but well located and well kept, so we liked it very much.

At Tyler we struck the Dixie highway, which joins the Jefferson highway, and traveled a graveled road to Bunkie, La., not far from Baton Rouge. We found a few miles in here that roads were destroyed by storms, or uncompleted, but it was mostly good and had signs to direct us through towns and by turn-out roads. The storm was worse near Longview. The roads were badly damaged and timber that was dense was completely destroyed. It was something terrible to look at and we are glad that we have no first hand knowledge of how it seems to be in one like it.

After leaving Bunkie, La., we had wet, muddy roads the remaining one hundred miles to Baton Rouge. It rained on us along through here and some

times we had fresh gravel to pass over and it was hard to make. We crossed the Mississippi river at Baton Rouge and had a long ride along the river levy; saw the place where the three big rivers come together, saw a steam shovel at work, etc., and went into the worse part of our roads. We found them hard to pass over but made them and only stuck once. We lost about fifteen minutes getting out of a soft place that swallowed the front axle. This one time being stuck, one nail puncture, and three leaves of the front spring broken was all the car trouble we had.

All through Louisiana we found good crops especially along the Red river valley, until we crossed the Mississippi. In the Red river district they have the best cotton land we ever saw. They also raise excellent corn and velvet beans, but it seems that only negroes and aligators can live there. We left the cotton when we left the Red river, especially after crossing the Mississippi, for after then we found no cotton at all through the remainder of Louisiana, all of Mississippi, Alabama and this far in Florida, except just one or two small patches in Alabama and Florida, about enough to make five bales if it made well, which it certainly will not do.

In Mississippi and Alabama we found good roads but plenty of water. In the former state we saw mile after mile of pretty orange groves. Near Mobile we saw a 3,000 acre farm that had 1,500 acres in pecans and 400 acres in orange trees. They were well cared for and bearing well. This was surely a pretty sight. At Mobile we crossed the bay on the Bay Queen. It was something new to the younger of us to ride 18 miles on a steamer that was alive with band music and dancing.

We saw some pretty, large towns on our way, among which were Shreveport, Baton Rouge, Alexander and Mobile, and quite a few pretty little towns, the most attractive of which were Tyler and Bullard, Texas, and Natchitoches and Biloxi, Miss.

We find that times are "hard" in all the coast states and in some places they are almost critical.

We are having a good time in Florida, but things are somewhat different from what we expected and hoped to find them.

We are telling everybody that East Texas is a mighty good place to live and we are sincere in this, for outside of a little place around some of the places

Letter From Hedley, Texas

C. M. Streetman,
L. L. Cook,
N. V. Streetman,
R. E. Streetman.

Editor Messenger:

Thought perhaps my friends in Anderson and Houston counties would like to know something of my home in the Panhandle. I live in Donnelly county ten miles east of Hedley. I have lived here two years and like it fine.

We do not have to work our crops very much. We never chop cotton and thin corn. We raise corn, maize, kaffir and cotton, also plenty of watermelons. I live about 550 miles from Grapeland.

We do not have any church closer than Hedley.

The farmers here use riding plows in cultivating their crops. They never walk.

We take the Messenger and enjoy reading about the old home.

This is a broken country, partly black and partly sandy land. I like East Texas but don't think we will ever make that our home again. I would like to hear from any of the East Texas people.

Cora Foster.

Car of Hogs Shipped

The Texas Holstein Farm and J. W. Howard shipped a car of hogs together to Houston Tuesday.

The Holstein Farm raised most of the hogs they shipped, the oldest being December and the youngest ones March hogs. Their average weight was 188 pounds. They were of the Poland China type.

Willie Gee celebrated his birthday last Sunday, and had as his guests to enjoy the occasion his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Gee of this city, and the following relatives from Elkhart: Mr. and Mrs. Gus Francis, Mrs. and Mrs. Jap Francis and Miss Mabel Francis.

DALY'S NEWS

Daly's Aug. 1.—Crops look pretty well now and we haven't very many boll weevils. We hope to see this pretty weather continue, for it is fine to keep away such insects.

Liston Dailey was bitten by a snake last week and was real sick, but is better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Richards and family are here for the week visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lasiter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Grayson visited Mr. and Mrs. John Spence at Latexo Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Lila Dennis of Oakwood spent a few days with Mrs. Harnden Pennington last week.

Ku Klux Warns Writers

The Messenger received the following communication in Wednesday morning's mail:
Editor Messenger:
Will you kindly publish the following:

It having come to the knowledge of the Ku Klux Klan that several persons around Grapeland have received clandestine letters, some signed K. K. K. and some not signed at all, but all purporting to come from the Ku Klux Klan, we are taking this method of informing the public through the Messenger that these letters have been written by some person or persons for selfish purposes, or for creating prejudice against this organization.

Notice is hereby given that any communication coming from us to any person or persons will be signed "Ku Klux Klan" and will bear an imprint of the seal of this organization, and unless such communication does bear the said official seal it does not come from the Klan.

We furthermore here and now give due specific warning that any person or persons detected in sending anonymous or clandestine letters purporting to come from the Ku Klux Klan will be severely dealt with.

We have eyes with which to see and ears with which to hear, so be careful.

Ku Klux Klap.

CATTLE DIPPING

To The Citizenship of Houston County:

At the beginning of this year the Commissioners Court of your county decided, and wisely too, that we could not possibly comply with the rules and regulations of the State Live Stock Sanitary Commission relative to the systematic dipping of cattle. As a result of our refusal to place this burden on the people, this county was strictly quarantined and we have not been able to move a single head of cattle.

We could not comply with the dipping law for the reason that it would have cost the county in round numbers at least \$16,000. With a valuation of only eight and one quarter million dollars, any one can figure that it would have been impossible for us to have carried on the work. Then too, in times like these, the court could not afford to raise values because the average tax payer finds it a burden to meet the present tax rate. We voted for what we deemed the best interests of the citizens as a whole and our action in the matter was right.

During the first part of last week I assumed the responsibility to call the County Judges together at Austin and as a result of that convention we secured the necessary relief; we made arrangements with the Chairman of Live Stock Sanitary Commission to employ two inspectors for this county, under the strict supervision of Harry McCollum, State Inspector at Palestine. Any person that has cattle to ship, if said cattle will stand inspection and are clear of ticks, you will be granted certificate of shipment.

Before closing this communication, I wish to say that by strict economy, this county will after taxes are paid go on a cash basis.

Respectfully,
Nat Patton,
County Judge.

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