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Largest Cholera Quarantine In History Placed In Texas

The most exclusive quarantine of territory because of the presence of hog cholera was recently established by the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas, 28 counties in the southeastern part of the state being put under the ban. Before the quarantine was put on, herds in the region, which is open-range country, were inspected by veterinarians of the United States Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the State authorities.

Stocker hogs shipped from the region now closed have caused serious outbreaks of the disease, and the quarantine was thought to be the most practical means to prevent further spread. The ruling of the commission, however, permits shipments under certain conditions. For instance, hogs may be shipped to certain approved establishments for immediate slaughter, but the cars in which they are shipped must be labeled "cholera-exposed hogs" and must be thoroughly disinfected before being used again.

Hogs intended for feeding, stocker, or breeding purposes can not be shipped until they have been properly immunized by an authorized veterinarian, and railroads can not accept such hogs for shipment until they have received a certificate from the veterinarian giving the treatment. All wagons or trucks used in hauling hogs to and from the railroad must be disinfected according to regulations. Such hogs must be quarantined on the buyer's premises for 20 days.

Mrs. Luker's Operation

Mrs. A. H. Luker was operated on for appendicitis at her home in this city Tuesday morning. She stood the operation well and is doing nicely. We have every reason to expect a complete recovery within a few weeks. Miss Eva Doss, a trained nurse of Palestine, is with her.

Children's gingham dresses specially priced at The Darsey Co.

New Corn Pest Invades This Country From Mexico

A comparatively new corn insect that promises to become a serious pest has made its appearance in southern Texas and New Mexico, according to reports to the Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture. It is a boring caterpillar closely related to the larger corn-stalk borer of the South Atlantic States, and has been identified by the bureau as *Diatraea lineolata* Walker.

At least two generations occur annually in the Big Bend region of Texas and the full-grown caterpillar of the second generation hibernates in the corn stubble underground. During February many fields were found in this region in which 25 per cent of the corn stubble contained hibernating caterpillars. According to representatives of the bureau who have investigated the situation the distribution is very imperfectly known, but the pest is believed to inhabit most of southern New Mexico, particularly the Pecos River valley, and is numerous in southwestern Texas.

Apparently, it is said, this pest is moving northward from Mexico, where it was abundant and very injurious last season. This species has been known to be present in southern New Mexico since 1913, and was studied in a preliminary way there by a representative of the bureau in the early spring of 1914.

Notice of Election

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held Saturday, April 1, 1922, in the Grapeland Independent School District for the purpose of electing four school trustees for said district to succeed W. D. Granberry, D. N. Leaverton, Henry Dailey and S. E. Traylor, whose terms of office expire.

W. D. Granberry, Pres.,
W. L. Smith, Sec'y.,
Grapeland School Board.

Don't take the chance of loss and waste by putting your Fertilizer out by hand. Go to Geo. E. Darsey and get a Fertilizer distributor.

Grapeland School Wins Many Events in U. I. L. Meet

Below is a list of the events and winners representing Grapeland High School in the U. I. L. Meet held at Crockett last Friday and Saturday:

Literary Events

Declamation—Senior girls, Elizabeth Leaverton, second place. Junior girls Edwina Haltom, first place. Junior boys, Harry Jones first place.

Debate—Senior boys, Otis Pelham, Benny Watts, third place.

Spelling—Senior, Ardolia Bowman, (report not in.) Junior, Edwina Haltom, (report not in.) Sub. Junior, Grace Edington, first place.

Essay—High School, Gertie Mae Shaw, second place.

Track Events

Seniors—50 yard dash, Frank Granberry, second place; 100 yard dash, Derother Guice, third place; 220 yard dash, George Murchison, third place; 440 yard dash, Dave Nuon Leaverton, third place; 880 yard dash, Killough Richards, second place; 1 mile run, Wingfield Lively, first place; Robert Marshall, second place.

Senior—Discus, Wingfield Juniors—50 yard dash, Dewitt Richards, second place; Edwin Scarborough, third place; 100 yard dash, Dewitt Richards, second place, 440 yard dash, Willie Gray Darsey, Rollie Traylor, Leon Clewis, Harry Jones, first place.

Field Events

Lively, first place; Cecil Bean, second place. 12 lb shot, Cecil Bean, first place; Preston Caskey, third place; broad jump, Wingfield Lively, second place; high jump, Derother Guice, second place; Frank Granberry, third place; pole vault, Derother Guice, second place; George Murchison, third place.

Junior—High jump, Dewitt Richards, second place; Pete Murchison, third place; broad jump, Dewitt Richards, second place; Pete Murchison, third place.

Tennis

Girls doubles—First place, Dot Clewis and Elizabeth Leaverton. Singles, first place, Dot Clewis.

Boys doubles—Second place, Ray Norman and Wesley Woodward. Singles, third place, Ray Norman.

Volley Ball

First place. Team, Ruth Clinton, Lottie Walton, Lois Murchison, Ozelle Haltom, Caston Guice, Louise McCarty, Nuna Mae Anderson.

While it will be several days before the final result will be known, Superintendent Boone feels sure that Grapeland will come out with first place in the county when all averages are made up.

We all feel proud of the splendid record made by our school in the event, and extend congratulations to Mr. Boone, the other teachers, and all entrants, for the excellent showing made.

A Car of ear corn due to arrive this week at Darsey's.

Big Shipment of Hogs Go To State of California

Four car loads of hogs were shipped out of Grapeland Monday to a point in the state of California. There were 685 hogs in the shipment, 3 cars of stocker hogs and 1 car of young shoates.

The hogs were sold by J. W. Howard and Henry and Balis Dailey and the buyer stated that the entire lot was the best bred hogs he had found in East Texas, and he has bought them at several places.

Requirements of the ruling of the state livestock sanitary commission had to be complied with, the hogs being loaded direct from the wagons into the cars, and all were vaccinated by an expert veterinarian, who furnished a certificate to the railroad company before the cars were moved.

You must hand it to Grapeland for its large shipments of hogs, eggs, poultry, peas, etc. We have the best market for this class of products in East Texas.

We may eat California's canned goods, but they eat our hogs.

J. M. Murray now spends most of his time on his big farm on Trinity river, but spends Saturday and Sunday here with his family. To the Messenger man he stated that they had to replant most of their corn on account of the freeze the first of March, but otherwise everything was looking pretty good.

6 6 6 quickly relieves a cold.

One Cent a Mile Rate For Veterans Reunion

Memphis, Tenn., March 18—Announcement that the United Confederate Veterans will still be allowed the old rate of one cent a mile to and from the annual reunion in Richmond Va., was made by railroad officials here Saturday.

The cent-a-mile rate will apply only to veterans and dependent members of their families traveling with them, and members of other Confederate organizations. Others attending the reunion will pay one and one half fare.

No Advertising Signs

In California Forests

Advertising signs in the 17 national forests of California must come down, following an order issued by the district forester at San Francisco on January 27. Advertisements printed on rocks and trees are also to be effaced. According to the regulation of the Forest Service of the United States Department of Agriculture, such advertising is prohibited in all national forests without special permits, which are seldom issued. The object of this regulation is to prevent defacing the mountain landscapes of the national forests with billboards and other unsightly signs. (A newspaper is the best medium in which to get your message before the people.)

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10 lbs pink beans \$1.00
10 lbs navy beans \$1.00
5 boxes good matches 25c
\$1.00 bucket Coffee 85c

— Car Load of—
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THE PRICE IS THE THING

No. 183
Official Statement of the Financial Condition of
Farmers & Merchants State Bank

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 10th day of March, 1922, published in the Grapeand Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 23rd day of March, 1922.

Resources:

Loans and discounts personal or collateral	\$ 71,767.17
Loans, real estate ..	12,779.37
Overdrafts	145.18
Liberty bonds and war saving stamps	11,984.40
Real estate (banking house)	2,983.03
Furniture and fixtures	1,500.00
County Warrants ..	71.00
Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand	32,843.11
Interest in depositors guaranty fund	2,396.22
Assessment depositors guaranty fund	3,686.66
Collections	77.75
Total	\$140,233.89

Liabilities:

Capital stock paid in\$	15,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits, net	2,308.30
Individual deposits, subject to check...	79,320.86
Time certificates of deposit	13,704.73
Bonds deposited	11,900.00
Reserve	3,000.00
Total	\$140,233.89

STAE OF TEXAS,
County of Houston.

We, George E. Darsey, as president, and W. D. Granberry as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Geo. E. Darsey, President,
W. D. Granberry, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of March, A. D., 1922.

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

Neff Favors Plan To Give Former Service Men Work

Austin, Tex., March 18.—Governor Neff today expressed himself as being heartily in favor of the movement of the American Legion setting aside March 20 as "unemployed ex-service men's day in Texas." "I am in hopes the people of the state will cooperate with the local posts of the American Legion in bringing the unemployed ex-service men in touch with the open jobs," said Governor Neff. "A job for every ex-service man" is the slogan.

J. H. Powell has been awarded the contract to carry the mail to Percilla and Augusta beginning July 1. Luther Brown has been on this route for the past few years.

Sell me your peas, eggs, hogs and chickens and get best prices.
J. W. Howard.

To prevent a cold take 6 6 6.

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

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 10th day of March, 1922, published in the Grapeand Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 23rd day of March, 1922.

Resources:

Loans and discounts personal or collateral	\$ 78,227.38
Loans, real estate ..	3,555.39
Overdrafts	NONE
Bonds and stocks	23,218.33
Real estate (banking house)	3,428.90
Furniture and fixtures	2,386.70
Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand	47,356.26
Interest in depositors guaranty fund	2,000.05
Assessment depositors guaranty fund	3,148.09
County warrants	2,349.30
Collections	217.54
Total	\$165,887.94

Liabilities:

Capital stock paid in\$	20,000.00
Surplus fund	12,250.00
Undivided profits, net	1,081.24
Individual deposits, subject to check...	100,906.92
Time certificates of deposit	15,479.42
Cashier's checks ..	80.36
Bonds deposited	16,050.00
Dividends unpaid ..	40.00
Total	\$165,887.94

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

C. W. Kennedy, President,
U. M. Brock, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of March, A. D., 1922.

Arwine Skidmore,
Notary Public,
(SEAL)Houston County, Texas.
Correct—Attest:
M. P. Herod,
J. C. Kennedy,
P. H. Stafford,
Directors.

Comanche Man Announces For State Treasury Office

Comanche, Tex. March 18.—W. D. Carrol of Comanche has announced his candidacy for state treasurer subject to the action of the democratic primary election in July.

Mr. Carrol is a native Texan. He was born and reared in Freestone County, moved to Comanche eighteen years ago and served two terms as district clerk. He was connected with the state controller's department under the administration of H. B. Terrell and has been auditor of Comanche County since August, 1919.

In sending in his renewal, Mr. E. M. Kershner of Salem, Ore., says: "We look for the paper each week as we would some friend." Mr. and Mrs. Kershner formerly lived here and will be pleasantly remembered by many of our people.

Palm Olive Shampoo at The Darsey Co.

FROM OAK GROVE

Oak Grove, March 20.—Corn planting is the order of the day at present.

Madie Bean gave a birthday party at her home Friday night, which was enjoyed by all.

We listened to a fine sermon Saturday and Sunday by our pastor. The B. Y. P. Y. from Elkhart visited us Sunday night and rendered a fine program, which was very much appreciated and enjoyed by all present. We invite them back again. Following the program Rev. Funderburk delivered a great message on the "suffering Savior and the sleeping church." Those who fail to hear this young preacher miss a great treat.

We assembled at the cemetery at 3 o'clock in the evening, together with a great concourse of friends and loved ones, to pay the last tribute of respect to Mrs. Ruby Walling funeral services being conducted by Rev. Funderburk and singing by L. N. Lasiter. May the Lord give us and her loved ones vision to see her hand ever beckoning us to higher and nobler deeds that we may meet her in the sweet beyond, where we shall bask in the sunshine of the Redeemer through the ceaseless ages to come, and where the trials and troubles of this life are over. My pen pulls hard to say more about this beautiful life ended here to take up its abode in heaven, but space forbids. But let me commend the following quotation to those who have mothers living: "A mother is a mother still, the holiest thing alive; so high and holy a title as mother cannot too reverently fall from man's lips."

ENON NEWS

Enon, March 20.—This community was saddened by the death of Mrs. Lish Walling Saturday morning, she being sick only a few days. It was a great shock to her relatives and friends. Mrs. Walling was laid to rest in the Parker cemetery Sunday afternoon. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Georgie Coleman, and daughter, Miss Nola, were called to the death bed of Mrs. Coleman's mother Friday evening. We extend our sympathy to the family on account of the death of their dear mother.

Mrs. Chuck Skidmore visited Mrs. M. L. Whitaker Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. M. L. Whitaker visited her parents in the Union Chapel community today.

Miss Velma Whitaker visited relatives in this community last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Joe Colkin, Marshall and Will Brimberry visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Brimberry Sunday.

The debating society Friday evening was very good. On account of sickness part of the program was left out.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ferguson's baby has been sick the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brimberry's baby has been sick the past week, but is better at this writing.

Prof. A. E. Davis and Misses Prudie and I. V. Campbell of Salmon left Saturday for Huntsville, where they will enter school at Sam Houston Normal. Mr. Davis was accompanied by his wife and children.

SLOCUM NEWS

Slocum, March 18.—Most of the farmers are planting corn this week. The gardens are looking better since the last freeze, but most all of the cold-frame tomatoes got killed.

There has been a number of cases of flu in our community this winter.

Rayford Prater, who has been very sick with pneumonia, is up again.

Mrs. Addie Dismuke, who has been very sick, is better at this writing.

J. W. Dismuke is on the sick list this week.

Bud Avorit and sister of Palestine visited their friend, Miss Lillie Mae McDaniel, Sunday.

Misses Myrtle and Katie Taylor, Annie, Lizzie and Omie Vickery, spent the day at Miss Letha Collins Sunday.

Mrs. Opal Stewart is visiting her mother and father at Teague, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Turner visited their relatives near Philip Springs Sunday.

Philip's Springs school will close with a concert March 24. Every body is invited to come.

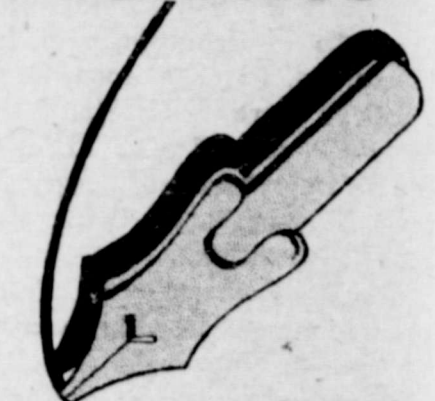
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Vickery, who have been living near Philip Springs, have moved near Slocum to make their home.

T. N. Polk has taken the contract to saw three bills of oil derrick lumber. The well will be drilled some where within 10 miles of Slocum.

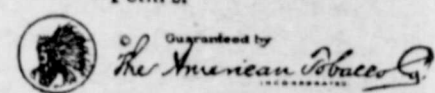
The Messenger received a pleasant call Saturday from A. R. Sheffield, of the Hickory Grove community, who was in the city on business matters. Mr. Sheffield and his brothers are engaged in the mercantile business at Hickory Grove under the name of the Hickory Grove Mercantile Co. He placed a nice order for job printing and ordered the paper one year.

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Yanks Sing "How Dry I Am" When Leaving Rhineland

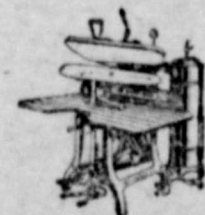
Coblentz, March 18.—While a band played "How Dry I Am," the favorite tune at departures of American troops for the homeland, a train carrying 1,100 members of the American Rhine army left here this evening. Sixty-four German brides are accompanying their husbands to the United States. The American forces on the Rhine now are below the 4,000 mark.

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Railroads Will Not Have To Furnish Receipts Now

Austin Tex., March 18.—Texas railroads will not in the future be required to give receipts to persons traveling over such roads and to shippers of freight in this state, it was announced by Assistant Attorney General T. L. Beauchamp today.

When the Texas railroads enjoined the attorney general from attempting to interfere in the rates fixed by the interstate commerce commission, both passenger and freight, the state of Texas, on behalf of the state railroad commission, obtained from the federal court a modification of the injunction so as to give receipts to passengers and to shippers of freight so that in the event the federal transportation act was held unconstitutional the passengers and shippers could recover the difference between the Texas rates and those fixed by the interstate commission. Since the decision of the supreme court of the United States in the Wisconsin and New York cases it was decided not to continue to fight the case. In the Wisconsin and New York cases it was held that the interstate commerce commission had the power to fix interstate rates.

The action taken by the attorney general's department was approved by the Texas railroad commission.

Let the Office Seek the Man

In all instances the office should be uppermost in the minds of the voters. Let the office seek the man or woman, as the case may be. We should always have the interest of state at heart down to the smallest office, when we cast our vote. We should know or believe that the aspirant for which we cast our vote to be the most competent to fill the office sought for. Many of us vote entirely on friendship basis, not discerning or using any thought as to the competency of the person voted for. While we would be pleased to see a friend elected, and it would be a pleasure to vote for him, if competent, yet, if incompetent, it would be doing a great injustice to the state to vote for him. We should be sure to vote for the most competent person regardless of personal friendship, from the lowest to the highest political office. We must do this if we desire a better state of affairs to exist in our grand old Lone Star State.—Elkhart Record.

Business Houses Will Begin Closing At 6 O'clock

We, the undersigned, will close our respective places of business at six o'clock, P. M., every day except Saturday, from April 3rd. to August 31st., 1922, inclusive.

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Howard & Lockey
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Allen & Leaverton
McLean & Riall
Keeland Bros.
Kennedy Bros.
City Barber Shop
Long's Cash Store
T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.
Clewis, the Tailor
Guaranty State Bank (4 p. m.)
F. & M. State Bank (4 p. m.)
The Messenger. (5 p. m.)

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THE MESSENGER'S AMERICANIZATION SERIES

ROBERT E. LEE

At the bottom of true heroism is unselfishness. Its crowning expression is sacrifice. The world is suspicious of vaunted heroes; but when the true hero has come, how the hearts of men leap forth to greet him—how worshipfully we welcome God's noblest work—the strong, honest, fearless, upright man.

In Robert E. Lee was such a hero vouchsafed to us and to mankind, and whether we behold him declining command of the Federal Army to fight the battles and to share the miseries of his own people; proclaiming on the heights in front of Gettysburg that the fault of the disaster was his own; leading charges in the crisis without a murmur of complaint; or refusing fortunes to go to Washington and Lee University to train the youth of his country in the path of duty—he is ever the same meek, grand, self-sacrificing spirit. As President of Washington College he exhibited qualities not less worthy and heroic than those displayed on the broad and open theater of conflict, when the eyes of nations watched his every action. In the calm repose of civic and domestic duties and in the trying routine of incessant tasks, he lived a life as high as when, day by day, he marshaled his thin and wasted lines. In the quiet walks of academic life far removed from "war or battle's sound," came in

to view the towering grandeur, the massive splendor, and the loving kindness of the character of General Lee, and the very sorrows that overhung his life seemed luminous with celestial hues. There he revealed in manifold gracious hospitalities, tender charities, and patient worthy counsels how deep and pure and inexhaustible were the fountains of his virtues. And loving hearts delight to recall, as loving lips will ever delight to tell the thousand little things he did which sent forth lines of light to radiate the gloom of the conquered land and to lift up the hopes and cheer the works of his people.

Come we then to-day in loyal love to sanctify our memories, to purify our hopes, to make strong all good intent by communion with the spirit of him who, being dead, yet speaketh. Let us crown his tomb with the oak, the emblem of his strength, and with the laurel, the emblem of his glory. And as we seem to gaze once more on him we loved and hailed as the chief, the tranquil face is clothed with heaven's light and the mute lips seem eloquent with the message that in life he spoke:

"There is a true glory and a true honor; the glory of duty done, the honor of the integrity of principle."—John W. Daniel.

ANTRIM LOCALS

Antrim, March 20.—J. H. Edens has been very sick with typhoid fever for four or five weeks, but we are glad to report that he is now improving.

W. F. Franklin had two very sick children last week but both are better.

Gardens are pretty sorry on account of so much wet and cold weather, but if spring time ever comes, stuff will take a new start and grow.

Miss Charm Edens had the misfortune to burn her hand very badly about two weeks ago, but it is about well now.

Sunday was Bro McDaniel's appointment here but he failed to come.

Mrs. J. F. Durnell and daughter, Miss Ester, spent Sunday at the home of A. N. Edens.

Mrs. J. F. Martin and children and Mrs. Arch McQueen and children spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. A. B. Keen.

Charlie Price has been confined to his bed for quite awhile with pneumonia, but we are glad to report him better now.

A. W. Brinson has about completely recovered from an attack of pneumonia.

We learn that J. F. Durnell is on the sick list hope he will soon be well.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Harrington and children spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hudnell.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan is ill at this time.

We had a splendid singing at the church Friday night. There is a move on foot for a singing school to be held here in the

summer. We hope to be able to get up one.

Gardens are pretty, and also have lots of little chicks everywhere, so you see we expect to take good care of our preacher throughout the summer.

Elbert and Limuel Streetman spent the week end at the home of their brother, Chas. R. Streetman, in Palestine.

NEWS FROM ROCK HILL

Rock Hill, March 20.—Our school came to a close Friday and our teachers, Miss Haynes of Hays Spring, and Miss Pridgen, of Daly's, went to their homes. We assure them they will be greatly missed and hope for them a bright future.

We had an extra large crowd at Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. Sunday afternoon. Both were carried on nicely as usual. Next Sunday at 10 o'clock there will be Sunday school followed by services beginning at 11 by our pastor, Rev. Fundeburk. There will be another service and B. Y. P. U. in the afternoon. We want everybody who can to come.

Most everybody has planted corn.

Watch your children for symptoms of worms. They undermine the health and breed sickness. Use White's Cream Vermifuge. It expels worms and restores health and vigor. Price, 35c. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

Otto Walling, who is attending the State Medical College at Galveston, was called home last week end to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, W. T. Cox.

THE MESSENGER

A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

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THURSDAY, MAR. 23, 1922

DRASTIC MEASURES NEEDED

The terrible crime wave which has been and is engulfing all our larger cities, in every section of the United States from New York to San Francisco, has got to be put a stop to, and that very soon, and it is up to the officers of the law and the decent people of the land to see to it that it is. Drastic measures must be used and all the mush that has been flooding the country squelched. The psychics, sentimentalists and idealists must be told to go way back and sit down, while the hangman's noose, the electric chair and the stone walls of solitary confinement get in their curative work. The time is past for bonbons and coddling of criminals, and the time has arrived when a lot of them must have their vile wind shut off.

Pick up any daily in any city of size in the country and the glaring headline each and every day are the same, of murders, burglaries, holdups, bandits, rape and every conceivable outrage, devilish and heinous in its nature. A large percentage of the people have evidently gone crazy, and they have got to be handled accordingly. If a large per cent of them are put to death, the country will be purged of crime, others made to realize that there is a God in Israel, and the world far better off. No man or woman is safe any longer to venture out after dark anywhere. Thousands of murders are being committed and millions of other crimes. It is high time a stop was put to it, and it is all nonsense to say it cannot be done. **IT CAN BE DONE**, and it must be, in the interest of humanity, Christianity, civilization and society in general.

The idea that 100,000,000 decent, respectable people have got to live in constant terror of their lives because five or six million whisky-crazed, dope-blinded, criminal thugs, thieves and murderers are running amuck from coast to coast, is all rank foolishness, and has got to be ended. The officials who are being bribed to protect them must be imprisoned. The tricky lawyers, who are getting them off on foolish technicalities and who, in effect, are in league with them, must be disbarred. The mushy women and addlepated reformers who are molly-coddling them and yelling for

more and more paroles, must likewise be squelched. Stop the maudlin sentiment, and invest at once in several miles of hangman's rope. Down with the criminals! Give some real justice and protection to the decent people **AND DO IT NOW!**

From the way some folks work they are apparently trying to avoid the evils of over production.

The republican congress seems to be trying to devise a tax to pay the soldier bonus that will have to be paid by democrats.

Several states have recently executed murderous criminals, notwithstanding the pleading for them of the usual sob sounds. That is the way to do, and the only remedy at hand that will put an end to murders and murderers.

The workers in the film industry should rise up and demand better morals among the actors. It would be a just demand and the public would back it to a finish. One way to bring it about would be to cut the foolish high salaries of the stars several hundred per cent.

A "revolving fund" is to be supplied for the ship subsidy. A revolving fund is a fund that revolves but never comes back. On general principles we are against any kind of a subsidy. Anything that has to be subsidized to exist had better die. None of the rest of us get any subsidy and if we asked for it we would be given the horse laugh.

Congress may have to save money in other ways, but it does not believe in economizing on seeds for Congressmen to send free to their friends and constituents. The House has voted \$360,000 for that purpose, although the Appropriations Committee had omitted this item from the list of appropriations to be made.

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GRAPELANDS CASH DRY GOODS STORE

**THE NEW WRAPS
CAPES and COATS**

Nothing will add to the smartness of your spring costume so much as one of the attractive models in coats and capes now on display in our ready-to-wear department. The materials, the linings, the the trimmings,—all tailored in fascinating combinations, make them most appealing.
\$9.50 to \$25

CORSETS AND BRASSIERES

The fit and appearance of your costume may be spoiled by an improper corset. In this line, we are showing the newest models most suitable to the present dress and suit styles in

- Corsets
- Corset Brassieres
- Corset waists
- Brassieres

MILLINERY

In this department, you are assured at all times, of the newest hat styles. We have now on display, a complete line of straw and cloth hats for children, and misses.

Place your order now for that Easter hat.

Sports-Wear Dresses

Another new arrival at this store, is a line of the season's smartest sport models in dresses, made in pleasing color combinations from such materials as Mallison's Pongee, etc. A special purchase makes it possible to sell these super values at

\$20.00

Other new arrivals in dresses include taffetas, printed crepe de chine, georgette etc.

"We Show the New Things First"

GRAPELAND HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Elizabeth Leaverton, Editor

Grapeland was well represented at the county meet this year, there being about 35 participants. We are most sure we carried off more points than any other school in Houston county. Of course every body knew that G. H. S. could do it. A full account will be found elsewhere in the Messenger.

There has been quite a number of pupils absent for the past two weeks, due to sickness. Owing to this some of the pupils were unable to go to Crockett to the County Meet.

Mr. Boone received 200 packages of seed from the government Tuesday to be distributed among the pupils.

Mr. Riall came up Monday morning and gave us an encouraging talk. He awarded the different badges given to the pupils who won 1st, 2nd or 3rd places.

The seniors will start practicing their play right away. They are all busy with their school work. Have started Magnetism in Physics.

In Physics class—"Rencher," said Mr. Boone, "What is the unit used for measuring or judging electricity?"

The what sir? asked Rencher. "Correct; the watt is the unit used," replied Mr. Boone.

New Prospect Sunday School Report

Our Sunday school has increased about fifty per cent.

We are looking forward to a day for a grand Sunday school rally and a fine dinner. I hope it will take place soon, for it makes me hungry to think of the good cookies that will be prepared for the occasion.

Mr. Editor, I will send you a special invitation to come and be with us and help to make the day

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A Full Line of
**STAPLE and FANCY GROCERIES
FRESH and CURED MEATS
BREAD, FRUIT, VEGETABLES, ETC.**

We Handle Quality Goods. Phone Orders given Prompt Attention

worth while. We expect to have two or three speakers and some wild Indians of Texas.

We feel proud of our Sunday school leaders. The young people are doing all they can to help. We have someone to make a good talk every Sunday.

We have as good prayer meeting as I ever attended. The largest crowd I ever saw at prayer meeting here was last Sunday night. Everybody is invited to come again. The lesson for discussion in prayer meeting was found in St. Mark 9th chapter. The transfiguration of Christ was the main point in view. Bro. Webb Finch led the song service, and we surely did have some good singing.

The people of this place met Sunday night for the purpose of organizing a "Young People's Union." Derother Guice was elected president; C. C. Rose, vice president; Velma Chandler, secretary. We will have this meeting every third Sunday night. Everybody is cordially invited to come.

Velma Chandler,
Reporter.

Protect yourself from the flies and mosquitoes by screening your doors and windows. Plenty of screen wire in all length from 24 to 36 inches. Also a big shipment of screen doors just received at George E. Darsey & Co. Prices right.

A Warning to Cotton Growers

Five thousand bales of cotton were returned to this country from Bremen recently because of unfavorable marketing conditions in Germany, the owners preferring to pay the return freight to selling in the German market.

Evidently the textile industry in Germany is not recovering as rapidly as expected from the demoralization occasioned by the war. Numerous other reports lately have indicated that Germany was not in a position to buy much cotton in the United States.

This condition should not fail to impress Southern cotton farmers contemplating planting a large acreage this spring. Without a normal European demand a normal cotton crop can not be consumed. The return of this vessel from Bremen is a plain warning to American producers against overproduction of cotton this year.—Houston Post.

The Difference

With most of us men our clothes are in style as long as they are wearable; whereas with the women their clothes are wearable as long as they are in style.—New Haven Register.

The newest things in ladies belts. Henry Dailey & Co.

LOCAL ITEMS

To break a cold take 6 6 6.

Middy Blouses—all prices and all colors. Henry Dailey & Co.

Take your produce to Long's Cash Store.

Another car of Fertilizer due to arrive this week at Darsey's.

The best glove value in town for 65c. Henry Dailey & Co.

New colors in ladies silk hose at The Darsey Co.

You will save money if you trade at Long's Cash Store.

Mrs. Jas. Ellis and son of Crockett are spending the week here with relatives.

Wanted
7,200 eggs at Long's Cash Store.

High-class cleaning, pressing and dyeing. Work called and delivered. Clewis.

Arch Murray made a business trip to Apple Springs, in Trinity county, Saturday.

A shipment of children's strap pumps and oxfords this week at The Darsey Co.

For Service
Fine Jack at my farm at Daly's Fee \$10.00 insured. Arthur Lasiter.

Men: you can get the heaviest grade of SCOTT'S Level Best blue overalls at The Darsey Co. Ask for Lot Ten.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Adams and Mrs. Dora Gray of Palestine visited relatives here Sunday.

Grapeland Bottling Works
For Sale or Trade
see Mrs. Frank Allen.
Cash or terms. For particulars

Fertilizer distributors, Corn and Cotton planters, Cultivators and Guice harrows, at Geo. E. Darsey & Co's.

For Sale
Buff Leghorns eggs, Terrar strain. \$1.00 for 15, no delivery. Mrs. Sarah Gee.

Miss Linnie D. Haltom, who is teaching a music class at Trinity, spent last week end here with her mother.

For Sale
Buff Leghorn eggs, Everett strain. \$1.00 for 15.
H. C. Jones, Route 1.

George E. Darsey Jr. has returned home from Paris, where he spent several weeks visiting his sister, Mrs. Leon Anderson.

White Wyandotte eggs, 15 for \$1.25.
Mrs. C. C. Hendrick,
2t Percilla, Texas.

John R. Owens of Dallas spent Sunday here with his mother and meeting his numerous friends.

Deputy Sheriff C. E. Lively left Monday for Hubbard City, going after one Edgar Johnston, colored, who is wanted here for jumping a past due fine.

Rub-My-Tism, a pain killer.

Alfalfa hay at Darsey & Co's.

New spring hats at Henry Dailey & Co's.

Red Top Sorghum Seed at Long's Cash Store.

Hog fencing and barb wire at Darsey & Co's.

Men's dress shirts \$1.00 each at Henry Dailey & Co's.

New knit ties for men at The Darsey Co.

Soudan seed at Howard & Lockey's.

Rhode Island Red eggs. Setting of 15 for \$1.00.
Mrs. R. B. Edens.

Harvest and field hats for work and fishin'—at The Darsey Co.

Plenty of whole maize, corn chops, shorts and bran at Long's Cash Store.

CAPS—all the new weaves in Lion Brand caps. Henry Dailey & Co's.

A New York newspaper says reading aloud is a lost art. The editor never went to the movies.

Japanese crepe (cotton) in newest shades 35c a yard at The Darsey Co.

See our new, pretty silk pongee, specially priced at \$1.25.
Henry Dailey & Co.

Mrs. P. H. Blalock returned to her home in Livingston Sunday after spending a few days here with relatives.

Barred Rock Eggs
Lee's strain. \$1.25 for 15 delivered.
Mrs. J. V. McAnally,
Augusta, Texas.

Hogs Wanted
Will ship hogs next Tuesday. If you have any to sell bring them. This will be the last shipment we will make.
Dailey Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Darsey and children and Mrs. James H. Ryan went to Palestine Sunday afternoon to attend a special DeMolay and Knights Templar service.

J. W. Jones was over Saturday from his farm across the river. Mr. Jones stated that he had things in fine shape for farming, and the outlook so far was very promising.

The case of the Montana youngster who drove two miles before he discovered his girl friend had fallen out of his buggy only shows how indifferent a hold some people have on their friends.

We are glad to report the condition of T. H. Leaverton much better. He has been in Galveston several weeks taking special treatment, and will soon be able to return home.

Posted
No fishing or hunting allowed on my farm and pasture 5 miles west of Grapeland. Please take notice.
W. T. Pridgen

MICKIE SAYS—

LISSEN, MR. MERCHANT! JUST BECAUSE SOME CITY FIRM SENDS YOU READING NOTICES ABOUT THEIR PRODUCT AN' SETS "TAKE THIS TO YOUR EDITOR—HE'LL BE GLAD TO PRINT IT FREE AS NEWS." THAT DON'T MEAN HE WILL, BY SEVERAL HUNDRED MILES!



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Bran, Shorts, Whole Maize at Long's Cash Store

Save money trading at Howard & Lockey's Cash Store.

Marechal Neil is the best flour, at Long's Cash Store.

Frenco hair nets, double strand, 15c. Henry Dailey & Co.

Rev. Frank E. Luker and J. R. Luker of Alto visited relatives here the first of the week.

The very best percales, 36 inches wide, special price 18c.
Henry Dailey & Co.

When a woman says she wouldn't marry the best man in the world she means she wants a man with a few human faults.

J. T. Parks and family are leaving this week for Edna, Texas, where they will reside in future. Mr. Parks formerly conducted a picture show here, but closed it some time ago.

Stop That Itching
No matter how long you have suffered from a skin disease such as Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Old Sores, Tetter, or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Sore Feet, or Sores on Children, we will sell you a jar of Blue Star on a guarantee. This is a scientific preparation which penetrates the skin going direct to the seat of trouble. Will not stain your clothes. Sold by Smith & Ryan. 7-1

Complaint is made that magazines and joke books are being circulated, the principal purpose of which is to print smutty jokes and pictures. There are always vultures who are trying to sell dirt to the public. They need stiff fines and periods of reflection in jail, to induce them to go into some honest form of earning a living. Normal minded people of adult years do not buy literature with an obscence taint. But there is an impressionable time in the history of many young men, when they can be swayed in almost any direction. You can put a permanent dirty tendency into their minds by feeding them unclean stuff. The young folks who get this streak are not apt to amount to much in business or sport. The authorities of the State of Texas should suppress literature that tends in this direction.—Bartlett Tribute.

Fresh Candies

We have just received a splendid assortment of—

PACKAGE CANDY

Ranging in Price from 10c up to \$3.00 Per Package
Also a few Easter Numbers

This assortment includes Nut and Fruit Specialties, Special Nut Meats, Juicy Cherries, Hard Centers, etc.

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DRUGGISTS

Everything a Good Drug Store Should Have

Wanted to Buy

A few thousand pounds of Cotton Seed

Henry Dailey & Co.

Loyalty to Democratic Standards

Nothing is easier than to blame others if anything is wrong, or to leave the task to others if something a little exacting needs to be done. This is proverbially true with respect to the duties of citizenship, and in the least backward democracies, notwithstanding all national foundations have been shaken during the war, it is still a common thing for citizens to regard the civic error or obligation as that of "the other fellow." With all deep and vital lessons of the war apparently less effective than might be expected, and with public schools weakened and, in scores of communities, closed for lack of teachers, the ordinarily patriotic American finds himself wondering what will arouse the nation to grapple with the problem of today, and to see that the children are properly educated to cope with the questions of tomorrow. In these circumstances especial interest, naturally and properly, attaches to those who took part in the war. They have undergone tests, they have been awakened, presumably they care what is done in their home democracy, and for its future. So when it developed that the demobilized millions of American soldiers and sailors were to be united into a permanent organization, persons concerned for the welfare of the United States began to ask themselves how these active, forceful young men would exercise the immense power likely to be wielded by so great a union as theirs promised to be. Would they be steady? This was one of the first questions. There has not yet been very much to show how they will make their influences felt in the affairs of the nation,

but what there has been is mainly of the sort to give assurance. The few dignified public utterances of the man they have placed at their head have the right ring. It is evidently his purpose to build the mighty structure of the American Legion on broad lines and on a high plane. The importance of so doing is clearly beyond estimation, for this body of young men represents no section of the nation, but the entire republic.—Ex.

The death of an ordinary rooster was deemed of sufficient importance the other day to command space on the front page of newspapers with a telegraph item by the Associated Press. This rooster was known all over the country and was worth a small fortune to its owner—not because he was a thoroughbred and a prize winner in the poultry shows, but because he was the only rooster in captivity who could ride on the radiator of an automobile, smoke cigarettes and dance. These same accomplishments are possessed by a number of young roosters hereabouts, but it does not make them worth anything to their families or their community.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Wade Bolton, Misses Bessie Boykin and Eva Gene Murchison, who are attending school in Huntsville, spent the week end here with home folk

JOHN SPENCE
Lawyer
CROCKETT, TEXAS
Office up stairs over Millar & Berry's Store

SOME SMILES

Customer (looking at socks)—Aren't they rather loud?

Clerk—Yes, sir. They are specially made for people whose feet are in the habit of going to sleep.

"Would you wish the lady's name engraved in the ring?" the jeweler suggested pleasantly.

"Eh? Why, no," the cautious young man responded. "Suppose you just put 'To my beloved.'"
—New York Sun.

Youngsprut—I'm going to get married soon. Often I lie awake half the night thinking of what she has said to me.

Oldboy—Take my advice, son, or soon you'll be lying awake all night listening to it.—Legion Weekly.

Hubby—What's this contraption?

"A labor saving device," said the young wife. "I bought it this morning."

"What kind of labor?"

"Dear me! The agent talked so fast I forgot to ask."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

We were to dine together and I met her in the lobby of the restaurant. The gown she wore began under her arms and ended above her knees. It was filmy and diaphanous.

"I'm so ashamed," she said. "I forgot to powder my nose."—Life.

"How is your son doing in college?"

"Well, he's weak in mathematics. Can't tell what he did with last month's allowance. But he's strong on language. Can ask for more money in a most convincing way."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

House-hold Hints

A solution of borax in water containing a few drops of ammonia will remove lime deposits from the inside of teakettles.

A little borax in warm water is fine for washing windows. Wipe the glass dry and polish with a newspaper crumpled into a wad.

A handy, effective remedy for a scald or a burn is a simple poultice made by mixing oatmeal to a paste with cold water. Cover the burn with the paste and wrap a cloth over it to hold it in place. Sprinkle a thick layer of dry starch over a fresh fruit stain on cloth and leave it there for several hours. The starch absorbs the juice so that the discoloration may be washed out with little difficulty.

Lufkin Remedy cures itch. No unpleasant odor, no grease. Apply according to simple directions, then go right on with your work. Guaranteed by your druggist.

Wanted to Buy

Your peas, eggs, chickens and hogs. Highest market prices always paid.

J. W. Howard

Some Pretty Chickens

H. C. Jones, one of our good farmers living just north of town, was exhibiting some of his fine stock of Buif Leghorn chickens in Grapeland Saturday. The exhibit consisted of two hens and a cockrell. They were as pretty as we ever saw at a poultry show, rich in color and graceful appearance. Mr. Jones stated they were splendid layers, in fact the best chickens he ever raised, being of the non-setting strain.

It strikes us that it would be a good idea to arrange a poultry show in Grapeland and have all the chicken fanciers in this section to bring in their best stock and exhibit them.

LIBERTY HILL ITEMS

Liberty Hill, March 20.—Our pastor, Bro. McAdams, was with us Sunday and preached a fine sermon on tithing, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Mary Cutler went to Palestine Thursday for an operation. We sincerely hope she will recover and be at home with us again.

Mrs. Reese resigned her school and left Saturday for Huntsville, where she will attend Sam Houston Normal Institute.

Mr. Reese and a number of boys attended the county meet at Crockett Friday and Saturday.

Messrs. Garrett and Albert Holcomb of Alto were here on business last week.

Misses Lora Bell Dickey and Mary Abby Langham of Percilla visited here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Era McKenzie and Miss Lizzie Rush went to Grapeland Friday on a shopping expedition.

Not a particle of dandruff can be found after the first application of KESSIDE; it restores falling hair and heals scalp sores. You will be pleased with the quick results obtained. Sold by your druggist.

Maize and Hulls

Car of maize and hulls on the track. Better get your supply at once.

J. W. Howard

Musick—Woodard

Mr. Virgil Musick of this city and Miss Stella Woodard were married in Grapeland Sunday morning at the home of Esq. John A. Davis, who officiated. Miss Woodard is teaching school at Enon. Both parties have many friends in this community who will join us in best wishes for success and happiness.

To Preach Birthday Sermon

Rev. S. F. Terney has announced in the Crockett papers that, providence permitting, he will preach at the Presbyterian church in Crockett on Sunday, March 26, at 11 a. m. a birthday sermon, that date being his eighty-second birthday, to which he invites his friends. He says that if there are any who do not claim to be his friends they are specially invited.

Cold settled in the muscles of the neck, arms or shoulder makes every movement painful. Use Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relieves the pain and relaxes the muscles. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

The big derrick is now completed on the Eastham farm near Weldon, the boiler and drilling machinery in place, and we understand the well will be spudded in early next week.—Trinity Tribune.

For rapid healing there is nothing like Liquid Borozone. It mends torn flesh, heals cuts, burns or sores so quickly no time is lost from work. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

The Cradle Roll

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Walton announce the birth of a daughter Monday, March 13, 1922.

Maize Heads

I have a car of maize on the track. Come in Thursday and Friday and get your supply.

J. W. Howard.

Rub-My-Tism for Rheumatism.

Will Make Several Tests.

A press dispatch from Mexia states that J. E. Winans, a Mexia oil operator, will make several tests for oil in an undeveloped section of Houston county, near Porter Springs, ten miles west of Crockett. The drilling rig for Cox & Winans' first well was hauled out from Crockett last week.—Crockett Courier.

Highway Markers Up

The marking crew for the Jim Hogg highway passed through Crockett last Thursday afternoon on their return trip to Clarksville, having completed their work in marking the above highway which extends from Clarksville to Galveston. Two numerals were placed in Crockett, No. 21 at the corner intersecting the Jas. S. Shivers store, indicating the King's highway entering this city from the east over the San Antonio road, and No. 19 at the corner intersecting the East Texas Motor Company at the northwest corner of the square, indicating the Jim Hogg highway which extends south out of Crockett over the Lovelady road. This highway is being pushed by the Automobile club of Texas, and it is hoped that it will be converted into a hard-surfaced pike at a very early date.—Houston County Times.

Reducing Wartime Navy

Fifty more destroyers and fifty auxiliary ships have been ordered out of commission by Secretary Denby. They will be placed in storage or sold. This makes a total of 150 destroyers and 349 other vessels stored or sold by the Navy Department during the past year. There are 166 destroyers now in service.

Business Improves a Little

Better times are predicted by the Federal Employment Service. In most cities there is more work to be had than there was a few months ago. Building operations in February were more than double those of the same month last year.

Turn Houston County Loose?

No! Catch hold and let's go! Houston county is at the dawning of a better day. We have been tied down and shackled by grieving over past losses long enough. Let's turn our faces to the future, take a new hold and all shout "Let's go!" It is time to forget past losses and defeats. Our opportunities are ahead of us and not behind us. Let's not think of the past except for the lesson it may teach us for the future. The eyes of investors are turning toward Houston county; investors are coming to help us develop our natural resources. People are returning from the drouthy sections of the west, and they are returning as boosters for Houston county. Let's all join them and become boosters for the best undeveloped county, as to natural resources, in Texas. "Let's go!"—Crockett Courier.

Our Honor Roll

The following have our thanks for their subscription:

Grapeland—J. W. Cook, Tom Luce, R. B. Edens

Route 2.—H. W. Whitaker, J. R. Luce.

Route 3.—W. R. Durnell, Mrs. Lucy Willis.

Percilla—Hickory Grove Mercantile Co.

Crockett—C. L. Edmiston.

Salem, Ore.—E. M. Kershner.

Angleton—A. S. Porter.

Colored—H. W. L. Shepherd, Route 4.

When the bowels are costive the waste matter ferments, producing a gaseous condition that is disagreeable. To remove the impurities quickly, a dose of Herbine is needed. It does the work thoroughly and pleasantly. Price, 60c. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

Hogs Wanted

We are in the market for both shipping and stocker hogs from 35 pounds up. If you have any to sell it may pay you to see us.

Dailey Bros.

Mad Dog Killed

Mal Whitaker killed a mad dog Tuesday morning at his place two miles north of town. The dog was a black Shepherd.

If you belch up a bitter tasting liquid, suffering from heartburn and sour stomach, you need the tonic properties of Herbine. It is a purifying and strengthening medicine for the stomach, liver and bowels. Price, 60c. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

Produce Wanted

I want to buy your chickens, eggs and whipporwill peas.

J. W. Howard.

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News Notes From Group A, Vocational Agriculture Schools

By A. C. CASEY, Instructor

Over at the track meet at Crockett Saturday of last week our boys played the group from the other end of the county in a game of basket ball. We won the game in good style; however, the other boys had a good team. It was one of the best games that was played during the entire time. Albert Moor, Mack McCleod, James Avera and Marvin Holcomb from Liberty Hill and Marshall Moore from Augusta composed the team for Group A.

The teachers on the East side of the railroad met and defeated the teachers on the west side in both men's and women's basket ball. Two of our local teachers played with the men. Mr. Reece from Liberty Hill and Mr. Cliburn from Waneta. This is the second year that this side of the road has defeated the other side.

Any one that desires tomato plants should get in touch with Leamon Langham at once and reserve them. He has lots of them now, but they are going fast, and will not take long to dispose of them. Write him at Augusta.

Pearl Dickey says that she is ready to plant her cotton as soon as the weather gets warm enough. She is going to use 200 pounds commercial fertilizer to the acre.

Leamon Langham has his corn up. It was planted in February and went thru the freeze in the ground. It was sprouted at the time which probably accounts for its coming up.

Laudie Jones put eight loads lot fertilizer on her corn project. She should make a good yield. She has had her land prepared a long time.

Reg Chambers and Earnest Hogan have planted corn, but did not fertilize it.

Maudie Jones and Cecil Murdock are getting along nicely with their work. Cecil will use lot fertilizer.

Oveta and Ida Barnes hauled 18 loads of lot measure on two acres corn. They did the work themselves and surely deserve to make a bumper crop.

Corene Scarborough has her tomatoes looking very fine. They are the best I have seen.

Varo Mooney is getting on fine with her tomatoes also. She has some very nice plants.

Albert and Earnest Moore were planting cane Monday of this week when we were there. Ernest has his corn planted already. They both are ready to plant cotton soon.

James Avera is still pegging away at his tomato project. He is a boy that never gives up when he has started anything even if luck runs against him for awhile.

Colen Dickey was on the sick list last week when we were at Percilla. Colen is working well and should have a good project if he has any kind of good luck.

The other boys at Percilla are doing nicely also. The girls are making progress with their sewing.

Preston Lively asked us to prune some pear trees for him last week. The trees were in bad condition. Blight has nearly killed them, and then they had never been pruned before.

Mr. Will Holcomb also asked us to prune some peach trees on his farm. He has some very fine trees, but they have never been pruned in the proper way. They are fine big trees, but the fruit buds on some of them are scarce. Proper pruning prevents this condition.

Elkhart Gets Contract For Test Well For Oil

Announcement is made that one of the big oil companies has finally closed a drilling contract at Elkhart, the contract having been signed up Friday afternoon and an order placed with a local lumber concern for derrick timbers. It is understood the people have ten thousand acres under lease right at Elkhart, some of it extending to the borders of the Elkhart Club Lake property.—Palestine Herald.

Let Clewis keep your clothes repaired, cleaned and pressed.

NEWS FROM SALMON

Salmon, March 20.—We predict the fellow that was out the most yesterday has got the most grit; it was a very disagreeable day with us sand lappers, but every thing looks lovely this morning, except it is just a little bit cool.

There was lots of corn planted last week and still there is a great deal to be planted yet.

We didn't have any Sunday school yesterday, as most every body from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Elisha Walling at the Parker cemetery. Mr. Walling and the children and other relatives have our sympathy in the dark hours of their bereavement. The writer having known Mrs. Walling a number of years can well say that to know her was to love her; the beautiful Christian life that she lived before her husband and children and before the world speaks in loud tones to us; and even she be gone in person, the life that she lived will live on and on in the minds of those that knew her.

Bro. Herod is able to be out again after being confined to his room for some time.

Aunt Tine Penington has been very sick for some time but is reported better at this writing.

Mrs. Dan Trigg of Maydelle came over last week to attend the funeral of Mr. Cox. She returned home Wednesday night.

Misses Minnie Lee and Irena Kersh spent Sunday with Miss Lottie Haltom.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Davis and Miss Prudie and I. V. Campbell left for Huntsville Saturday to attend school.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Cronk entertained the young folks with a party Friday night.

Every body come to Sunday school next Sunday evening at 2 o'clock.

For Commissioner

W. J. Branch authorizes his announcement this week as a candidate for Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, his candidacy being subject to the action of the democratic primary.

Mr. Branch at one time held this office for a period of about nine months, serving under the appointment of Judge Winfree.

Mr. Branch will appreciate the support of the men and women of his precinct and we are sure that if he is elected he will do all in his power to render the very best service of which he is capable.

He promises to do his whole duty and is committed to the idea of freeing the county from debt and ultimately lowering the tax rate, which is a thing desired by every one, to be sure.

Mr. Branch has many friends in the precinct who will be glad of the opportunity to again support him. He made the race two years ago and came within a very few votes of being the lucky man. Give his name due consideration before casting your vote.

Country Getting Sweeter

Each person in the United States used, on an average, 97.8 pounds of sugar in 1921 says the Department of Commerce. For the year before, the average was only 91.4 pounds. Cheaper sugar and prohibition are given as reasons for the increase. The total for 1921 was ten and a half billion pounds.

FOR COMMISSIONER

The Messenger is authorized this week to announce the candidacy of Charles A. Story for Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, subject to the will of the voters in the democratic primary in July.

Mr. Story is a farmer and resides on his farm in the Hays Spring community a few miles west of town. He is one of our good, substantial farmers, and there is not a better man to be found anywhere than Charlie Story.

He was raised around Crockett and Grapeland, and is therefore well known by most of the people. For two years he was jailor at Crockett while George Waller was sheriff.

Mr. Story says he aspires to this office because he believes he is qualified to fill it and that he can accomplish some good for the people.

In the event of his election he promises to discharge his duties in such a way that no one will ever regret having voted for him. He believes in an economical administration of its affairs and will work to the end to get the county out of debt and on a sound financial basis.

Mr. Story will certainly appreciate the support of both men and women, and asks them to withhold their support from any other candidate until he has a chance to see them and present his claims. We commend his name to you for your serious consideration.

Why So Much Crime?

Five prominent lawyers from different parts of the United States, a committee of the American Bar Association, have been meeting in Washington to study the causes of the wave of crime which has been passing over the country. They questioned a number of experts on criminology.

Few of these agreed on the causes of so much crime. Some thought it due to the moral effects of war, some laid it to slow and cumbersome processes of enforcing law, some held prohibition responsible, while others said that one cause is a growing belief that the courts favor the rich, arising through the fact that court procedure is apt to be expensive.

While Congress Debates Bonus

As planned by the American Legion, March 20 was "American Legion Unemployment Day." The Governors of several states co-operated with the Legion by asking the public to help provide employment for the greatest possible number of veterans. Governor Davis of Ohio said, in his proclamation to the people: "It is pointed out by the Legion that of the veterans of the World War alone, 700,000 are jobless and in distress—many of them with families. It is well for us to remember that these men whom the American Legion seeks to help are those who defended all that is held dear by the American people and rendered the highest sacrifices and service in the supreme crisis."

Stop spending so much time in cussing the high cost of living and a little more in reading the advertisements of price reductions in the Messenger.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Messenger is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic primary:

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2: G. R. (Ross) MURCHISON (Re-election)

CHAS. A. STORY

For Tax Collector:

HARRY LONG

JOHN L. DEAN

R. S. WILLIS

JOE GREEN

For County Treasurer:

WILLIE ROBISON (Re-election)

FRANK H. BUTLER

MRS. GEO. BRAILSFORD

For County Clerk:

W. D. COLLINS (Re-election)

MRS. KARL (Winnie) PORTER

For District Clerk:

V. B. TUNSTALL (Re-election)

A. B. (Poor Albert) SMITH

Mrs R D (ETHEL) CALHOUN

For Tax Assessor:

WILL McLEAN (Re-election)

For Public Weigher:

VIRGIL MUSICK

JACK MURCHISON

JACK BEAZLEY

C. E. LIVELY (Re-election)

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1:

JOHN C. LACY

WILLIE HOLCOMB JR.

W. J. BRANCH

For School Superintendent:

J. H. ROSSER (Re-election)

J. A. BYNUM

For County Judge:

NAT PATTON (Re-election)

LEROY MOORE

For County Attorney:

EARLE P. ADAMS (Re-election)

For Sheriff:

O. B. (DEB) HALE (Re-election)

Government Aids Disabled Veterans

About 30,000 disabled World War veterans are now receiving free hospital treatment at a cost to the government of \$60,000,000 a year. Nearly 100,000 others are taking vocational training, which alone means an annual expense to the country of \$30,000,000. Each month the veterans' bureau at Washington mails 650,000 checks representing \$42,000,000 to disabled men or their dependents.

Uncle Sam's insurance business has interested 600,000 ex-soldiers who have taken out \$3,500,000,000 in policies. About 1,300,000 claims for compensation are now on file and the bureau employs 4000 ex-service men and women to carry on its work. So far, \$300,000,000 has been paid out in compensation benefits, and favorable action has been taken on 148,000 insurance claims totaling \$1,300,000. The bureau's last appropriation amounted to \$510,000,000 which is more than the entire expenditure of the whole country in any year prior to 1897.

People make fun of the old time country motto: "God bless our home," but it's better than the modern city apartment sign, "no children allowed."

Formerly people did too much mooning, but now they do too much moonshining.

6 6 6 cures Chills and Fever.

THE "OLD RELIABLE" THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

White Haired Alabama Lady Says She Has Seen Medicines Come and Go But The "Old Reliable" Thedford's Black-Draught Came and Stayed.

Dutton, Ala.—In recommending Thedford's Black-Draught to her friends and neighbors here, Mrs. T. F. Parks, a well-known Jackson County lady, said: "I am getting up in years; my head is pretty white. I have seen medicines and remedies come and go but the old reliable came and stayed. I am talking of Black-Draught, a liver medicine we have used for years—one that can be depended upon and one that will do the work."

"Black-Draught will relieve indigestion and constipation if taken right, and I know for I tried it. It is the best thing I have ever found for the full, uncomfortable

feeling after meals. Sour stomach and sick headache can be relieved by taking Black-Draught. It aids digestion, also assists the liver in throwing off impurities. I am glad to recommend Black-Draught, and do, to my friends and neighbors."

Thedford's Black-Draught is a standard household remedy with a record of over seventy years of successful use. Every one occasionally needs something to help cleanse the system of impurities. Try Black-Draught. Insist upon Thedford's, the genuine.

At all druggists. U. 759

THE SANDMAN STORY

JACK FROST

ONE clear, cold night Jack Frost looked out over the land from his home away up North. "I am going to keep out of sight tonight," said he. "I will go from tree to tree and house to house and I will go so softly that no one will suspect me and spoil my fun."

Jack Frost was in a mischievous mood and bent upon having what he was pleased to call a good time. "I guess people will open their eyes in the morning," he said, as he glided up the side of the mountain.

Jack Frost rolled in the snow until he was white and sparkling, not at all the glistening Jack he was usually when he went abroad. "Now for the fun," said naughty Jack; "I will begin with the little trees."

In a few minutes the trees were all frosty looking; then to the big trees he went and covered them, giving the



He could not resist.

tips of some of the branches a dash of his old-time brilliancy; and when the moon was up it looked as if some one had hung diamonds on them.

Jack could not help making things beautiful even when he was bent upon mischief, but the poor trees had not expected his visit and most of them were spoiled.

Then Jack crept along to a singing brook, rippling softly in the moonlight, and here he had fellow thieves over it an icy cover and stifled its voice, and the jolly little brook looked

through its glassy roof wondering what happened when only a short time ago it was so happy.

"I think that will do for outside work tonight," said the mischief-maker. "Now I will look inside the houses, and see what I can find to do there," but he could not resist the temptation to paint his frost work pictures on the windows, temples and flowers and birds and tall trees.

Then through the rooms he crept and on a table in one room Jack spied a vase of flowers. He touched it softly and snap, snap, the pretty vase fell to pieces, but the flowers stood beautiful in the ice which had once been water.

"They will be surprised when they see that," said bad Jack Frost, "and now I know there must be something worth spoiling in the dining room, but there in the fireplace was a log of wood which was still burning. Jack felt its warm breath and quickly ran into the kitchen.

"My, it is lucky I got out of there," said he. "I wouldn't live long in a place like that. Now I will take a look in the pantry; there must be something I can do in there.

"Ah, a pitcher of milk and I am thirsty." His frosty lips touched the milk and soon it was frozen solid, and when this was done Jack saw a basket of fruit on the floor close by the pantry door.

"They thought the fire would keep in the stove all night, but it didn't. They left the door open thinking I would not dare to come in," said Jack. "Won't they be surprised in the morning when they find this fruit hard as stone?"

He touched each with his frosty finger tips, and just as he was thinking the water pipes in the kitchen would be the next upon which to work his frosty tricks he heard a sound that made him tremble with fear.

It did not take him a second to run out of the house, for Jack knew the sound. It was the crackling and snapping of the new fire in the kitchen stove. He had been so intent upon doing mischief that he had over-stayed his time and it was daylight.

Jack Frost is a fearless fellow, but there is one thing from which he will always run, and that is a good hot fire, so he could not stay to see if every one was surprised by his visit, which served him right for spoiling so many things. Don't you think so?
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Deciding Where To Buy

The success of a business depends on its ability to analyze the mental operations of the public, and to determine how people decide as to where they shall buy goods. The merchants who read the public mind most accurately get the business.

When one finds that he needs something the question comes up where that article should be bought. From some source back in the mind the suggestion comes that such and such a place would be a good store to visit for that purpose. Whence comes that suggestion?

In the majority of cases, it is created by the store that has made the most effort to impress its reputation on the public mind. People remember the things they hear about constantly, and they forget other things that are rarely called to their attention. The advertised store conforms to the laws of psychology, by constantly calling public attention to its enterprises, its goods, its methods, its prices, and the advantages of trading with it. Consequently the inner consciousness, when asked what or where a person should buy, is apt to respond by suggestion certain advertised goods.

It is of course true that while a store by advertising can always draw in a lot of new trade, it can't keep it unless it really does give good values. But advertising helps a store do that, notably in these two ways.

1. Advertising encourages

merchants to handle big lots when such are offered them at low figures. They know that by appealing to the public by advertising, they can swing these big lots and turn them into money in a short time. Thus buying in a large way and taking advantage of special opportunities, they are able to offer special values.

2. Advertising increases volume of trade, thus reducing the operating and overhead expense per article, making it possible to cut prices to the public. The advertised store buys and operates at low figures, and can thus make low prices.

None Dislike Advertising Nor Disbelieve In It

Advertising is a peculiar thing. There are merchants to be found in almost every town who do not believe in advertising—that is the paid kind.

They will say that advertising is worth nothing to them and will bring them no business, yet practically any of these are tickled to death to have something said in their local paper in favor of their business. Most of them like to have something nice printed about themselves. So at last analysis it seems that everybody believes in advertising, but quite a lot do not want to pay for it. The fact that big concerns of the country which operate on a strictly business basis, spend millions of dollars annually in advertising ought to convince any one that advertising pays.
—Denton Record-Chronicle.

Always an Eye to Business.

"Some of you old chaps did a great deal of dancing at the big party."
"Yes," replied Mr. Cumrox. "The next time we give one, I'm going to see if I can't get mother and the girls to give me a concession to open a little stand in the hall and sell rheumatism liniment to the departing guests."

Nothing Else to It.

"Algernon, I cannot be engaged to you any longer."
"Why not? Some whim, I suppose."
"Because yesterday I married Mr. Flubbub."
"In that case I guess I'll have to release you, kid."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Safe Topic.

"Daughter," said Mr. Wimples, "that young chap who comes around here to see you so often is as dumb as a fish. I can hardly get a word out of him."
"Why, father, he doesn't know what to talk about when you are present."
"Then he is a fool. Doesn't he know we are having weather every day?"

True.

Jack—How did Bob come to lose Gladys?
Henry—Oh, he swore he'd always keep her in mind.
"Well?"
"His rival came along and took the girl herself in his arms."—London Tit-Bits.

Going to Look It Up.

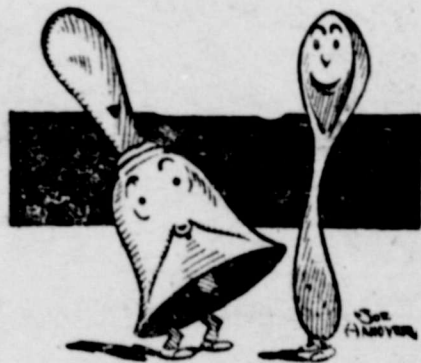
"You can't park your car here."
"But I've already done it, fierce minion of the law."
"Mebbe so, I'll have to take your name down, and while you are about it, just tell me how to spell that 'minion.' It don't sound like a polite word to me."

Of Course Not.

Editor—When you send manuscript madam, always put in a stamped envelope with it; otherwise you won't get it back.
"But I don't want it back."—Life.

Reaction.

"Father," said the small boy, "what is a pessimist?"
"A pessimist, my son, is usually an optimist who has overworked and is compelled to take a vacation."



RIGHT

Spoon: What kind of bells do you prefer?
Mr. Bell (who has a nagging wife): Dumb bells!

Real Money.

"I'll bet a thousand dollars!"
Announced a boastful Ben.
But he changed his mind about it
When I said I'd bet him ten.

Got to Have Her.

"The cook says we must get another housemaid."
"We have two already, enough to care for the work."
"But they need a fourth at bridge."

Clever.

Friend—How did you ever get such a pleasant expression on that homely Miss Faussee's portrait?
Artist—I got her to telling me about men she might have married.

Co-respondents.

"My wife's affections have been hopelessly alienated."
"By whom?"
"By all of the handsome movie actors she sees."—Film Fun.

Fitting Food.

"That girl has a complexion like peaches and cream and lips like twin cherries."
"Then no wonder they say she is sweet enough to eat."

Brief and Pointed

A good many dead people tell lies in the libraries.

When a time comes when you don't know what to say, don't say it.

Jonah must have got a lot of inside information from the whale.

We pass many a crisis. We also pass the buck.

The chief yellow peril is their ability to undersell us.

DO IT NOW.

He was going to be all that a mortal should be—Tomorrow.
No one should be kinder or braver than he—Tomorrow.
A friend who was troubled and weary he knew.
Who'd be glad of a lift and who needed it, too;
On him he called to see what he could do—Tomorrow.
Each morning he stacked up the letters he'd write—Tomorrow.
And thought of the folks he would fill with delight—Tomorrow.

It was too bad, indeed, he was busy today.
And he hadn't a minute to stop on his way.
More time he would have to give others, he'd say—Tomorrow.
The greatest of workers this man would have been—Tomorrow.
The world would have known him, had he ever seen—Tomorrow.
But the fact is he died and he faded from view.
And all he left when living was through was a mountain of things he intended to do—Tomorrow.
—Grit.

PLANTS THAT STRANGLE TREE

Almost Incredible Power Displayed by Vegetation That Seems to Be Almost Negligible.

Some years ago an asphalt tennis court was laid down near Harwick, England. All went well at first. The asphalt was laid as smooth as a billiard table and left to set.

Next morning there was a bump as large as an inverted soup plate in one corner of the court. By midday it had grown to the size of a pudding basin, and then the workmen hacked up the court to see what had caused the mysterious swelling. It was nothing more formidable than a mushroom.

Even tiny plants are incredibly strong. A little seedling will push its way through several inches of hard soil, and if a stone hinders its progress, the wee plant will thrust it aside. Toadstools have been known to push over a strongly built wooden fence.

Sometimes climbing plants kill the trees and bushes which they use as supports. Honeysuckle, for example, clings tightly to the stem of a tree; the tree exerts its enormous force to burst its bonds, but the thin stalks of the climber are even stronger, and in the end the tree dies of strangulation.

MATTER OF OXYGEN SUPPLY

Why Heated Objects Are of Varying Color Is a Matter of Simple Explanation.

The color of a heated object depends largely upon the temperature to which it is subjected. When, for example, a poker is placed in a fire, it will first turn a dull red, then a bright red, and finally a glaring white.

The same principle applies to a flame, the outside of which is far hotter than the inside, and, in consequence, gives off a brighter light. This difference in temperature is due to the fact that only the outer portion of the flame comes in contact with the oxygen of the air, while the inner part has to be content with the small amount of this inflammable gas which reaches it still unconsumed.

The heat is greatest where combustion is fastest and most complete, and it is for this reason that the outer part of a flame is a bright yellow while the interior is a dull blue.

Gobbler Wanted Care of Family.

A gobbler which seemed very much pleased and elated when the little turkeys were hatched and were able to follow him around last year is owned by a New Brunswick farmer. This past summer he tried to coax the early chickens from the hens. Then when the turkey hens began to set the gobbler was missed for several days. He was then found setting on a hen's nest hidden in the grass. He sat on the eggs until they began to hatch. The gobbler, however, was so heavy that he crushed the chickens, so he had to be taken away from the chicks. By that time the turkey hens had hatched their young and the gobbler was consoled by having them follow him around.



EXPENSIVE

1st Neighbor: Didja ever stop t' figger out what it cost t' raise a cat or a dog, Bill?
2nd Neighbor: No! But there's a neighbor's cat 'round here what's cost me 'bout a bushel of brick-a-brac, two alarm clocks, and a shoe jes in th' past month.

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- Palm Beach Suits,
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- Ivory Garters,
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