

# The Grapeland Messenger.

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## Soil Improvement Campaign To Be Started November 6

The average cotton yields of this county are very low. Why? The soils if handled as similar soils are handled elsewhere are capable of producing a bale of cotton to the acre. Why don't these in this county produce this yield? Why is it that one field on the farm will produce two or three times as much as another field? Why is it that Farmer Jones' land produces two or three times as much as neighbor Smith's fields when there is only a fence between them?

How thick should cotton be left on the land? What variety yields the best and gives the farmer the biggest profit? What is the best kind of fertilizer to use on the different soils? How much should be used per acre? How and when should it be applied?

What is the best method of cultivating cotton? How late in the summer should cultivation be continued?

Does it pay to apply weevil poison to cotton? Under what conditions will these practices be profitable? How and when should it be applied?

These and other practical farm questions will be discussed at the various meetings during the Soil Improvement Campaign in this county on November 6th. In fact, nothing but really practical, every day farm questions will be discussed and inasmuch as these bear directly upon the profits of the farmers of this county it will be to the interest of every one within reach to attend the meetings and take part in the discussions.

The whole purpose of the campaign is to bring about a greater production per acre in the county through the use of practical, profitable means.

We will hold three meetings, one on H. J. Arledge's Blue Lake Farm at 9:00 a. m.; on Burt Arnold's farm two miles south of Crockett on the Pennington road, at 1:30 p. m., and one on Dr. Even's farm at Belott, at 3:30 p. m.

R. R. Morrison,  
County Agent.

A car load of bedsteads, dressers, springs, mattresses, tables, chairs, rockers and kitchen safes to arrive this week. Be sure to see us and get our prices on anything in the furniture and stove line. Our prices are right.

George E. Darsey & Co.

## Grapeland's 1st Fair Opens Tomorrow!

Grapeland's first community fair will open tomorrow—Friday. Everything is in readiness for the big show.

A parade of decorated cars, headed by the Palestine Kid Band, will open the fair at ten o'clock.

The exhibits, school displays, athletic contests, etc., will be held in the school building and on the spacious campus. The horse and mule races and bronco riding will be held on the Selkirk field just north of the school building.

Proceeds from the various concessions and contests will go to the Parent-Teacher's Association for the supplying of much needed equipment for the school building and grounds.

In addition to the various exhibits of farm products, needlework, etc., several of Grapeland's prominent merchants will have elaborate displays on many interesting things.

The prize committee held their final meeting Monday night and apportioned the prize money to the various departments. Some good cash prizes are offered for poultry, livestock, etc. Various other items will be given cash prizes. Many entries have been booked by the committee in charge of the different departments.

The old curiosity shop is going to attract lots of attention. A great many relics and heirlooms have been assembled by the committee, which will occupy a prominent place in the school building.

### Better Baby Show

The Better Baby Show will be held the first day in the school auditorium between the hours of 10:30 and 12:00 o'clock a. m.

The committee in charge announces the following rules and prizes:

Best baby under 6 months, \$5.00. \$2.50 by fair and \$2.50 in gold by Guaranty State Bank.

Best baby from 6 months to 1 year. \$5.00. \$2.50 by fair and \$2.50 in gold by Farmers & Merchants State Bank.

Best baby from 1 to 2 years old \$5.00. \$2.50 by Smith & Ryan and \$2.50 by The Grapeland Messenger.

Best twins under 1 year. \$5.00 by the Ku Klux Klan.

### Prize for Oldest Lady, Oldest Man and Largest Family

To the oldest lady attending

### LIVELYVILLE ECHOES

Livelyville, Oct. 21.—Only a few more days, in fact as soon as the next Messenger comes out, the fair is here, and we do hope it will be a great success. The people of Grapeland have worked so hard to make it one. We hope the people of the country will respond and do their bit as only in co-operation lies success. Let's all go to the fair, and bring something to exhibit.

A great number of our young folks went to Union last Friday night to the pie supper and took part in the cake walk. 22 pies were sold, averaging about \$1.25, and Miss Ruth MacDonald won the cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Masters spent Saturday with the former's sister, Mrs. Howard Denman.

The moving fever is somewhat prevalent here, altho it is not at its highest as yet. Mr. R. F. Hale moved back among us last week. We are glad to have him back.

### At The Methodist Church

Sunday school at 10 a. m. As I go to Percilla, for the morning hour, and Bro. Parker is to have his farewell service at the night hour, there won't be any preaching at our church for the day, but be sure and go to Sunday school.

B. C. Anderson.

### Local Ku Klux Klan Makes Donation to Tom Kent Jr.

Tom Kent Jr., of the Reynard community, sent the following communication to The Messenger, asking that it be printed, and to also express his deep appreciation to his unknown friends for their thoughtfulness in making such a generous contribution and for their words of condolence:

Grapeland, Texas, Oct. 21, 1922.  
Mr. Tom Kent Jr.,  
City, Route 4.  
Dear Mr. Kent:

We deeply sympathize with you in your deep sorrow. In such a trying ordeal as that through which you are now passing, we realize that human words are inadequate, but there is a source inexhaustible and free from which you may gather strength and comfort. We point the way to Him "who doeth all things well."

Enclosed is \$75.00 in currency, which is a gift from the Klan, which you may use to help defray your burial and other expenses, which we assure you was given cheerfully. "We are not for self, but for others." Lone Star Klan No. 23, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Grapeland, Texas.

(SEAL)

### The Cradle Roll

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. York of Hays Spring community Tuesday, October 25, 1922.

Mrs. Laura Goodson has recovered from a recent severe attack of dengue fever. Mrs. Goodson says that if there is anything worse than dengue, she would like to know what it is.

## FAIR WEEK

Due to arrive this week, a special line of men's dress shoes—shoes that are made every part SOLID LEATHER, and priced to suit every pocket book. We want every man to see these wonderful values before making a purchase. It may mean a saving of **\$2 to \$3.50**

We have replenished our dry goods again and we invite your special attention to our line.

Ginghams at ..... 15c  
Heavy outing per yard ..... 17 1-2c  
Brown domestic per yard ..... 10c to 15c  
Hose for the entire family at prices that are sure to please you.

Don't forget our grocery department.  
Paris Special Flour per bbl. .... \$7.50  
45 lb can Lard ..... \$5.50  
12 1-2 lb Sugar ..... \$1.00

Come to see us for whatever you may need. We can supply your needs at money saving prices.

WE BUY COTTON

**McLean & Riall**  
DEPENDABLE MERCHANTS  
Grapeland, Texas

## SPECIAL PRICES for the Fair

New Club shot gun shells ..... 85c  
Smokeless powder shot gun shells ..... \$1.00  
High Patent flour per sack ..... \$1.75  
12 lbs Sugar ..... \$1.00  
30 lbs Irish Potatoes ..... \$1.00  
5 lbs Best Coffee ..... \$1.00  
25 bars Laundry Soap ..... \$1.00

We are the people that keep the price down in Grapeland.

**Keeland Bros.**  
We Want to Buy Your Eggs

### At the Christian Church

Bible school 10 o'clock, morning worship, 11 o'clock.

Subject of sermon: "The Ten Virgins."

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30.

We will have no preaching service on Sunday evening. All are invited to hear Bro. Parker in his final sermon at the Baptist church.

Arthur Hyde, Pastor.

# STAR THEATRE

Always Worth While

Louis B. Mayer

Presents

MILDRED HARRIS CHAPLIN

-- in --

"THE INFERIOR SEX"

First National Attraction



Direction of Joseph Henaberry

What is love? Have you ever loved? Will love ever cease? See for yourself.

Friday

Show starts at 1 p. m., 2:15, 3:30, 7:30, and 8:45

No Increase in Prices



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

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

Ladies, let Clewis have your old winter coat suit, waist and skirt dyed.

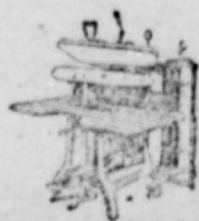
Mrs. C. W. Kennedy is in Dallas this week attending the Grand Lodge of the Eastern Star.

## A GOOD SUIT

Lasts and holds its shape

A Poor Suit soon becomes shoddy and shapeless

Have your suits tailor-made. They fit, wear and look to best advantage.



M. L. Clewis

### UNION CHAPEL NEWS

Union Chapel, Oct. 23.—Sunday night, Oct. 15th, Mrs. Mary Cutler and Mr. Charley Spruill were married at the church, Rev. W. R. Durnell officiating. We wish for them a happy married life.

Quite a crowd of people from here attended the singing at Ephesus and report a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Olan Weisinger and baby have gone to Houston where Mr. Weisinger has a position.

The young folks at the Spruill home entertained their friends Saturday night with a musical.

Mrs. Alice Pelham has returned from Grapeland, where she spent a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Davidson and daughter, Miss Ardell, were shopping in Crockett Thursday.

Mrs. S. J. Martin is visiting her son, J. F. Martin and family, at Antrim.

Mrs. Omega Marshall and daughters, Misses Nannie and Flora, were the guests of Mrs. G. W. Weisinger Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Smith spent Saturday night with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Davidson.

### Fifth Sunday Meeting

Following is the program of the Fifth Sunday meeting of the Anderson County Missionary Baptist Association to convene with Lone Star Church, beginning Thursday at 7:30 p. m., Oct. 26th: Introductory sermon—Eld. B. F. Wright.

Friday morning, 10 a. m.—Give exegesis of Rom. 1, 16-17, W. D. Andrews and O. P. Meadows.

11:00—Preaching by Joel Bowman. 12:00 Dinner.

Evening—2 o'clock Exegesis of John 15, 1-2. Jim Roach and J. S. McDaniel.

7:30—Sermon by Eugene Roach.

Saturday morning, 10 o'clock—The Atonement—W. D. De-foor, W. R. Durnell.

11:00—Sermon, O. P. Meadows Evening 2 o'clock—The Law of Church finance. Does the scripture teach that the church of Christ is under the Law of the Tithe?—D. C. Dove, affirms, W. R. Durnell denies.

7:30—Sermon by W. D. De-foor.

Come and be with us. You are welcome.

John R. Luce, Deckert Anderson, Committee.

### UNION DOTS

Union, Oct. 22.—Our school is progressing nicely, but we are sorry to learn that our principal has the dengue fever. We hope that he will soon be able to be at school again. We hear that Curtis Walling will take his place while he is sick.

Alfred Caskey and family spent Sunday with George Smith and family.

Miss Luna Stockbridge visited Misses Pauline and Lela Bre- nen Sunday.

Miss Ina Mae Weisinger spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Nannie Lea Ashwood.

Miss Annie Mae Garrett visited Miss Grace Caskey Saturday night.

Arthur Caskey spent Saturday night with Olan Brown.

Our pie supper was a decided success. The pies and cake walk brought us \$21.75.

Miss Dorothy Wright had as her week end guests Misses Artie Davis, Audrey Chaffin, Sammie Lea and Una McDaniel.

Josiah Caskey and family spent Sunday with John Ash- wood and family.

Jim Owen Herod entertained the young folks with a cream supper Saturday night. All report a nice time.

Be convinced what Bile Cutters are. Write for a free trial sample; a postal card is all required. Address Jno. L. Guice, Dayton, Texas.

### ANTRIM LOCAL NEWS

Antrim, Oct. 23.—We regret very much to learn that Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Harrington are preparing to leave us and move to Hays Spings. We will miss them very much.

Mrs. S. J. Martin is now visit- ing her son, J. F. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Little spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Edens.

Mrs. S. J. Martin and Mrs. J. F. Martin and children spent Sunday with Mrs. A. B. Keen.

School is progressing nicely and the pupils all like their teachers fine.

Most everyone attended the funeral of Mrs. Molly Williams. She used to reside in this community and was known and loved by all who knew her. She is sur- vived by her three daughters and two sons, Mrs. Jesse Roberts, Mrs. Willie Allen and Mrs. Willie Foreman, all of Grapeland; Lin- zy Williams of near Sandy, and B. F. Collins.

Miss Esther Durnell, who has been at Laporte the past sum- mer, is now visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Durnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch McQueen and children spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Harrington.

### PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, Oct. 23.—Most of our people attended the fair at Augusta Thursday and Friday and report that the only thing short about it was that it did not last long enough. Of course we have met a few persons who claim that they did not like the fair much, but from the interest they seem to have taken in it we must judge that they are very much like the man who had eaten the greater part of a sixty pound watermelon when asked how he liked 'em, he said, "W-e-l-l I don't like this kind of water- melon much."

A few of our school children preferred to go to school rather than go to the fair, and all of our teachers remained at their posts. This was a little excep- tion to the general rule among school teachers, and most cer- tainly is commendable.

Mrs. Calvin Daniels entertain- ed a number of young folks with a party Saturday night, we

Now smoked by a million men who love a superior cigarette



15 for 10c

The American Tobacco Co.

understand for the benefit of the M. E. Church Sunday school.

Rev. B. C. Anderson, of the M. E. Church, filled his appoint- ment here Sunday afternoon.

Charlie Dickey and James Cook, formerly of Percilla but who now reside at Palestine, were here Sunday visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman's daugh- ter of Tulsa, Okla., Mrs. Cross is here on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Henderson were visited the past week by Mrs. Henderson's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. White, of Mount Vernon, Texas.

This leaves us with a pretty brisk norther and still dry and dusty and with no sickness worth a mention and everybdy making ready for the Grapeland fair Fri- day and Saturday.

### Hulls and Meal

I have plenty of Hulls and Meal now on hand. Those who want to buy their winter feed had better get your supply for they are going higher.

J. W. Howard.

## Special Subscription Offer!

THE MESSENGER ONE YEAR FOR \$1.25

Regular Price \$1.50

This offer good for Friday and Saturday Only-- Fair Days--October 27-8

### Visit Our Booth

in the school building, see our exhibit of job printing. Someone will be in charge to take your subscription and receipt you for same.

WELCOME TO GRAPELAND AND TO THE FAIR

The Grapeland Messenger Houston County's Leading Newspaper



**At the Fair Grounds**

Don't fail to visit our booth at the Fair Grounds where we have arranged a display both interesting and instructive. Souvenirs to the kiddies.

**Come to the Fair**

A trip to GrapeLand and the Fair would be incomplete without a visit to this store. We invite you to make our store your down town headquarters.

Shop Early

**SEE OUR BIG DOLLAR DAY ATTRACTIONS**

Shop Early

**3 Days of Superlative Values**

That you might make your trip to GrapeLand and the Fair profitable as well as one of pleasure, we announce one of the biggest money saving events ever held in GrapeLand for both days of the Fair and the following Monday, October 30th. Our \$ Days are really worth while events for our customers and we invite you to share in these real super values.

**BARGAINS \$ WHOLE FAMILY**

This entire store has been scoured for the best values we can give and you will find no more complete stock anywhere of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats and Millinery. This is really and truly a bargain event for every member of the family. Listed in this advertisement are some of the values we give—come and see the others.



- 27 in. good quality apron check gingham, 8 yards for . . . \$1
- 27 in. Eagle Book-fold Dress Gingham, 8 yards for . . . \$1
- 27 in. Festival Book-fold Dress Gingham, 6 yards for . . . \$1
- 32 in. Spencer Long Fold Dress Gingham, 5 yards for . . . \$1
- 36 in. Fast Color Fairy Percale 6 yards for . . . \$1
- 27 in. light and dark outing, 7 yards for . . . \$1
- Quilt Calico in assorted solid colors 10 yards for . . . \$1
- Best grade Tupelo Cheviots, a good shirting 6 yards for . . \$1
- 36 in. good quality Bleached domestic 7 yards for . . . \$1
- 36 in. heavy LL brown domestic 9 yards for . . . \$1
- Men's extra full and heavy blue work shirts 1 for . . . \$1
- Women's good quality pure silk hose a pair . . . \$1
- Children's Cadet hose, the best in town 3 pairs for . . . \$1
- Curtain goods and draperies pretty patterns 10 yards for . \$1
- 36 in. cretonnes for coverings, etc. 5 yards for . . . \$1
- REMNANTS of some of the best selling dress fabrics.



**NOTICE:** Prices on merchandise listed in this advertisement apply only to stock on hand. To get the best selections, you must shop early.

**9-4 SHEETING**

For Dollar Days only, we offer a good quality, full 81 inches wide brown economy sheeting at only 2 1-2 yards for . . . \$1

**SWEATERS**

One would not expect to find at this time so good a line of sweaters as we show. We have all grades and prices as low as . . . \$1 and up.

**GOOD OIL CLOTH**

During these three \$ days we will sell a standard grade of white and fancy oil cloth at 3 yards for \$1

**SPECIAL VALUES IN OUR READY-TO-WEAR DEPARTMENT**

No better opportunity will be presented to you than this, to select that new fall COAT, COAT SUIT or DRESS.

Special values will be offered in this department on women's and girls wearing apparel. If you would know what's new, be sure and visit this section whether you wish to buy or not.

We Show The New Things First

**Ladies Gowns**

A splendid value in ladies gowns made from solid white and striped outings, neatly trimmed and well made. For only . . . \$1

**WOMEN'S SHORT COATS**

Good for early morning and cold day wear are these women's short, heavy fleeced coats. We have about two dozen of these coats, to be sold at only . . . \$1

**DUPLEX WINDOW SHADES**

A limited quantity of Manhattan Duplex (green and white) window shades here. They are on good rollers, 36 in. wide, 6 feet long, unit wrapped, at only . . . \$1

**GREEN WINDOW SHADES**

We have selected one number in a reasonably fair quality (not the best) window shades in solid green at 2 for . . . \$1

**SPECIAL VALUES IN OUR MEN'S CLOTHING DEPT**

In every line of men's and boys' wearing apparel and furnishings sold at this store, you can come near to finding just what you want at a price most reasonable. We will have some special values for you for \$ Day. Come to see us.

**WORTH AND MALLORY DRESS HATS**—new styles for men and younger men—regular \$5 and \$6 values—→ for \$ Days only . . . \$4.00

**SHOES**

An advertisement from this store would fail to carry to you the greatest merchandise news we have to offer if we did not mention the extra good values we are offering in ALL LEATHER SHOES. Our shoe stock is one of the best in East Texas and here you can safely select shoes for every purpose, made all leather throughout at prices that are within the reach of all. We feature

- Men's Dress Shoes . . . \$3.50 to \$112
- Men's Work Shoes . . . \$2.50 to \$5
- Boys' Dress Shoes . . . \$2.50 to \$5
- Boy's Work Shoes . . . \$2.50 to \$4
- Ladies and misses dress and work shoes and slippers . . . \$2.50 to \$9
- Children's 50c and up according to size.

It takes leather to stand the weather

**Men's Heavy Shirts**

A real value here are the big lots of men's heavy overshirts. A number of patterns in all sizes to select from at only . . . 75c and \$1

**THE DARSEY CO.**  
GRAPELAND'S CASH DRY GOODS STORE



**THE MESSENGER**

A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner



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**OUR PURPOSE**—It is the purpose of The Messenger to record accurately, simply and interestingly the moral, intellectual, industrial and political progress of Grapeland and Houston County. To aid us in this, every citizen should give us his moral and financial support.

THURSDAY, OCT. 26, 1922.

**LIFE**

Just how much are you putting into life? There is much that could be said about the unearned increment of money where great fortunes are inherited and the millions keep on increasing while the possessor lives the life of idleness, a hindrance instead of a benefit to his fellowmen; if in no other way, by example he sets before them to either criticise or follow as they will.

You may be able to cheat with money and reap a certain amount of satisfaction in its gain, but with life it is different. You get out of life just what you put in its making. If you mix charitableness, cheerfulness, forgiveness, and goodfellowship with the many other valued and important things of life, you will reap a harvest of love and honor from your associates. If you mix disloyalty, bigotry and vice, you can expect nothing but a harvest of hatred and misery.

Life pays its debts in kind, and it is impossible to escape the reaping. No doubt you are careful and shrewd when investing your money, but how about the investments you have made and are now making in life? Few of us seldom stop to think what the dividends will be until we are bowed down with a load of sor-

row and despair as our share in the greatest co-operation of Divine origin.

A California murderer asked that a jazz band play while he was being hanged. We know of nothing which could make death more welcome.

Samuel Gompers' denunciation of our Mexican policy is interesting in that it is the first intimation that we have a Mexican policy.

We will never be entirely satisfied with things until some scheme is devised that will make getting up early these frosty mornings a little easier.

The chaplain of the United States Senate most always prays for the country at large. He likely takes a look around the Senate and comes to the conclusion that they are past praying for, and widens his sphere.

Alvin Owsley, a Texas boy of Denton, is the new national commander of the American Legion, having been elected to this office at the national meeting in New Orleans last week.



**Infinite Wisdom and Knowledge**

O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or what hath been his counselor?—Romans 11: 33, 34.

**Uncle John's Josh**

WE HEAR THAT THE BIG MOVIE "DICTATOR" SAYS THEY WILL PRODUCE BETTER PICTURES - WHERE THERE IS A WILL THERE'S A HAYS!



**TRINITY RIVER RIPPLES**

Reynard, Oct. 23.—The death angel has again visited our community and this time the saddest of all, in that it took a young wife and mother, Mrs. Tom Kent. A home is broken up and as the whole family needs sympathy, yet Tom is the worst hurt of all. We can speak this from experience and can only say to him to meet his trial like a man. He is only experiencing what hundreds of others have passed through, but it hurts just the same. It is hard to think that we will never see Miss Louella, Mrs. Rials or Mrs. Chiles any more soon. They have gone on a long visit, but thanks for the hope that they will come back some day or we will go to them. This is no hope against hope; we speak with authority.

A light sprinkle, enough to lay the dust and break the monotony a bit.

Farmers are practically thru gathering, but plenty of work to do yet.

Some are enthusiastic about the fair and some do not care either way, but think all who can will be there from down this way.

The Chiles boys saved their late peanut hay nice and fine, but had no nuts much.

Douglass Beazley had some

trouble with his late corn and early hogs, but it is about ready to house.

P. L. Fulgham made 116 gallons fine syrup off of one-half acre; have sampled it and it is fine. Wish we could all do that way, but so few can for the want in the main, of water.

Cannot do much plowing or digging post holes until it rains.

Miss Ruth Kennedy was a visitor to Houston the week end.



WHAT a wonderful boy they say he is—David Gladstone, fifteen years old, four feet tall, and yet a freshman in the College of Arts and Pure Sciences of New York University. He plans to enter law school as soon as he has completed his college requirements. Education? A prodigy, one of the seven wonders of the world. Ain't it a funny idea when those who see the setting of the sun know that a boy of seven—the age of reason—always has a much better education than Gladstone when he is taught, and really learns that happiness comes from making the other fellow happy. That's the meat. Why fuss over a trimmings?

**JOHN SPENCE**

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

**Dr. A. M. FISHER**

Successor to Dr. Pelt  
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 Your Patronage Solicited  
 Grapeland, Texas

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You cannot sell your land without an Abstract showing perfect title. Why not have your lands abstracted and your titles perfected? We have the

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**J. W. YOUNG**

Crockett, Texas

Let Clewis have your old hats cleaned and reblocked.

**Ford Casings**

**\$8.50 to \$12.90**

**Cord Casings \$11.90**

**THE BEST MADE**

**Norman's Garage**

J. C. Norman, Proprietor

**Richard Lloyd Jones tells About Our New Crop, Culture.**

IN 1847 a play by an American author was produced in a New York theatre. It was the custom then, as long since, for Americans themselves to believe that that which represented purest culture must come from over seas.

Before the curtain rose on this new play, the leading actor stepped before the footlights and read a poem-prologue which scoffed at the idea that an American could write a drama, and then rebuked the sneer by emphatically declaring that an American can. The audience greeted the patriotic plea and the play with cheers.

Since that day many Americans have written many great plays. An American culture has expressed itself as well in the field of fiction, poetry and philosophy; in art, music and in science.

Culture is just as much a crop as corn. It is the refinement of the product of the cultivated field. Growing great crops, producing great bulk, we have refined our output into the best makes of food and clothes the world has ever known. From the earth we dig both gold and iron ore, and through the refining processes we produce the delicately intricate watch.

The genius that can dig out the hillside and convert it into a watch can find the melody of the brook in the string of the violin.

An American pianist who had acquired international note went abroad to play. With the skill of 1922 she had the frail faith of 1847, and had to go abroad to discover America.

In her first performance only once, and then for an encore, did she play a composition penned by an American composer. The critics rebuked her.

"We know what European music is," they said. "We came to get your message. We came to rejoice over the harvest of your crop of culture. Give us not that which is ours; give us that which is yours."

America is developing an architecture as distinct and as secure as that of Ancient Greece or Rome. One of our greatest sculptors found his art on the parched plains of Utah. One of our greatest painters came from a little town hidden in the foothills of the Adirondacks. He has pictured for the future historian the romance of the opening West.

O. Henry, the master artist of short-story writing in the English language, found his fiction in the ranch life of Texas.

When a \$10,000 prize was recently offered for the best contributed movie scenario, it went to an unknown writer from Apalachicola, a small town with a big name. Brains are found on Main Street as well as on Broadway.

The phonograph, the radio and the moving picture screens are building, not only appreciation, but the creative genius to which appreciation responds.

We need no longer look east for the finer things. That east is looking westward for that which we have to give.

We are ripening a crop of culture just as surely as we are ripening a crop of corn.

AFTER EVERY MEAL  
**WRIGLEYS**



Satisfies the sweet tooth and aids appetite and digestion.

Cleanses mouth and teeth.

A great boon to smokers, relieving hot, dry mouth.

Combines pleasure and benefit.

Don't miss the joy of the new WRIGLEY'S P-K—the sugar-coated peppermint tid bit!



Save the wrappers

Good for valuable premiums

Recipes Wanted

I am in receipt of a letter from Hon. Clay Stone Briggs, asking me to assist in securing all the recipes on the uses of sweet potatoes in preparing palatable dishes, for the purpose of assisting the department of agriculture to prepare a bulletin on the uses of our East Texas sweet potatoes.

Mr. Briggs says that: "It occurred to me that a government bulletin issued on the uses of the sweet potato would be of the highest benefit and advantage to the growers generally, inasmuch as the farm bulletins are received in all parts of the United States, and thereby consumers will become acquainted with the various palatable dishes that can be prepared from the East Texas sweet potato. I therefore asked the department of agriculture to have such a bulletin prepared." The department of agriculture stated in their reply to Mr. Briggs' inquiry, that they did not have sufficient material for such a bulletin, but that they would be glad to cooperate with him in issuing such a bulletin if

he could secure the available material.

Therefore, I am taking this means of asking the ladies of Houston county to assist me in placing before the people of the United States one of the principal farm crops, by mailing or handing Miss Nay Barnett, home demonstration agent, or myself, all good recipes you have for preparing dishes from East Texas yams. These recipes should be most carefully prepared so that anyone who desires to make the dishes from sweet potatoes can meet with the greatest success.

R. R. Morrison,  
County Agent.

Grounds School News

Our school under the management of W. G. Luce as principal and Mrs. Dave Gallant and Miss Ida Mae Lockey as assistants, opened October 1 with 81 in attendance. Our attendance with more than 100 coming regularly is almost 100 per cent. Most everyone is showing an interest that bespeaks of the good year's work.

Master Jim McCarter, one of

our intelligent young grammar school pupils, has just returned from the State Fair where he was the guest of the State Fair management, having won a free trip there by the good record he made in the Boy's Club work, which was under the management of the County Demonstrator, Mr. Morrison. Jim is preparing a paper telling all about his experiences at the Fair and with the consent of the Editor the account will appear in the next issue of the paper.

We have organized a Literary Society and expect to give several programs during the course of the year.

We are also going into Inter-Scholastic League work and hope to make some school "pep-it-up" to win first honors.

Reporter.

In all malarial countries the popular remedy is Herbine. People find it a good medicine for purifying the system and warding off the disease. Price, 60c. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

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A REAL  
**Bargain Sale!**

We are going to offer our entire stock of Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, Clothing, Ladies' Ready-to-wear, and in fact, everything in our store, at Real Bargains for 8 Days, Beginning Friday, Oct. 27, Ending Saturday Night, Nov. 4th

There is nothing reserved in our stock. Everything goes at a real bargain, and we ask that you get our prices before buying; and we assure you by so doing that you will profit by seeing our goods at the real bargains we are offering.

In our shoe department, we can fit the entire family and at a price that will not hurt your pocket book, and also a line of shoes that we can stand behind.

We have full line of boy's and men's clothing and we will appreciate you giving them a look over and we assure you that we can save you money on your suit. We are going to have cold weather soon and it will be worth your time to get your suit and your boys suit from us as we are going to move them and we are putting a price on them that will move them.

Our Ladies Ready-to-wear is complete and we ask that you visit our store and look them over and get our prices; as we are offering our entire stock at a real bargain.

We have a full and complete line of groceries and feed and we ask you to let us fill your bill as we will save you money.

On account of space and time we are not quoting prices; but remember that we are offering our complete stock of dry goods, groceries, shoes, hats, clothing and in fact, our entire stock at real bargains.

We realize the necessity of making a dollar go as far as possible and we are desirous of assisting you in every way possible and we are going to offer these 8 days of real bargains to our many customers and trust to have the pleasure of saving you money.

**Make our Store your Headquarters during the Fair**

Remember that this SALE is a REAL BARGAIN SALE and that we are going to save you money on your bill

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Our deposits doubled in three week's time, and still growing, both in amounts of old satisfied and in new customers coming to us, all of which we are appreciative.

Our customers like our way of doing business and you will, too, if you once try us. Ask some of our customers. They will tell you about us.

We try to make our bank an open public place for our customers to meet and transact any business with each other, lending any assistance we can in transacting such business.

REMEMBER THE FAIR Oct 27-28th. Make our bank your headquarters when not at the fair grounds.

**Guaranty State Bank**

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Hands and Face, Scalp diseases, Old Sores, and Sores on children, also for feet troubles. Guaranteed by Smith & Ryan.

**Spends \$2000 to see Football Game**



Mrs. D. H. Richardson, 86, of Davenport, Ia., spent \$2,000 to see a football game and "it was worth it" she says. She chartered a special car and took 25 relatives from Iowa to New Haven, Conn., to see their team beat Yale, 6-0.

Mrs. Richardson happy and confident that her "Hawkeye Boys" are going to be declared the national champions this year, posed for this picture as her "special" started its triumphant return from the Yale Bowl.



**District Court News and Other News from Crockett**

Crockett, Texas, October 24. Since Monday of last week, District Court has been doing comparatively little until Monday, 23rd, when things began to pick up. Judge Bishop said that the cases on the Criminal Docket were going to be disposed of, or he would know the reason why; from the way things began to move, he meant what he said. As soon as the jury was empaneled, cases were called rapidly.

Up to Tuesday night, following disposition had been made of those called: J. D. Morgan, 12 cases, set for Monday, October 30th; Willie B. Ellis, burglary, dismissed; Cleve Yarbrough, manufacturing intoxicating liquor, 2 cases, dismissed; Lee Johnson, assault to rape, dismissed; Ellis Scarborough, unlawful disposition of mortgaged property, dismissed; Anson Johnson, hog theft, 2 years; Leroy Owens, hog theft, 2 years; Milton McCarter, selling intoxicating liquor not guilty; Tom Terry, assault to murder, reduced to aggravated assault and defendant fined \$25.00; A. D. Morgan, swindling, indictment quashed; John Jackson, manufacturing intoxicating liquor, defendant now in insane asylum and case dismissed; John R. Anderson, burglary, plea of guilty and suspended sentence asked for; witnesses J. E. Cook and Mr. Holburn fined \$25.00 each, and attachment asked for; at five o'clock case had not been completed.

**Diverces Granted**

Hulda vs G. L. Denby; Rosetta vs Clem Marshall; Willie vs Pinky Ardey; Maggie vs Levi Sells.

**Civil Docket**

Mrs. Ida Goodrum vs C. E. Schafd, Receiver M. K. and R. R. Co; suit for damages for death of husband; judgment for Mrs. Goodrum for \$4270, judgment for minor, \$1000.

H. F. Moore, President First National Bank, Crockett, on Saturday, October 21st, suffered a stroke of paralysis while returning from the Country Club. His condition for a time was critical, but he is gradually improving, and Tuesday was considerably better.

The revival meeting at the Methodist church conducted by Dr. Thacher continues to draw good crowds. There are two services each day, morning and evening. Good sermons, that are

both interesting and instructive, are delivered. The music by the combined choirs of all the churches is excellent.

Dengue fever is still holding its own, and there are now a large number of cases reported; it seems to be worse within the corporate limits, and the different business houses have been hard hit, in some instances only one clerk being left out of four or five. In only a few cases has the disease been fatal, and these were coupled with other complications. At one time, there were two hundred cases reported by Dr. R. E. Dillard, County Health Officer.

A negro woman named Margaret Thompson, living east of Crockett, Monday night dropped dead while preparing supper for her family. Her health had been exceptionally good for a number of years, and it was a source of pride to her that she had never been sick for over fifteen years.

**The Lapwa Fair**

The Lapwa fair, representing the communities of Liberty Hill, Augusta, Percilla and Waneta, was held at Augusta last Friday and Saturday. Large crowds attended each day to view the exhibits gathered from the different communities.

Various amusements were put on for the benefit of the visitors, including a splendid program by the school children.

The ladies art exhibit and the curios probably attracted the greatest attention. The art exhibit deserves high commendation, for it was extensive and some very elaborate pieces were shown. In the curio department was shown many things of interest, among which we mention a quilt entered by Mrs. Etta Mitchell 150 years old.

The agricultural, livestock and poultry exhibits were not as extensive as the promoters had hoped for, but the quality was good. All in all the fair was a success and worth the efforts put forth by the promoters. We congratulate them upon their progressiveness and public spiritedness.

**Ginner's Report Shows Big Increase in County**

There were 13,823 bales of cotton ginned in Houston county from the crop of 1922, prior to Sept. 25th, 1922, compared with 5,098 bales ginned to Sept. 25th 1921.

E. B. Hale, Agent.

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GRAPELAND FAIR Oct. 27-28

**KENNEDY BROTHERS**

**House Burned**

Oscar Beazley's home in the Reynard community was destroyed by fire last Thursday night. The house was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Meeks. The loss to Mr. Beazley was considerable; he had no insurance, and in addition to losing a large quantity of his household goods, 1,800 pounds of seed cotton was burned. Mr. Beazley returned home Monday night from Eldorado, where he has been working at a gin, and did not know of his loss until reaching here. He says he will rebuild.

**Soil Improvement Campaign**

November 6th I am going to hold three field meetings on soil improvement in Houston county. We will have with us on this date some of the best agronomists in the south, some of whom are J. C. Pridmore, agronomist of southern soil improvement committee, Shreveport, La.; H. H. Williamson, state agent of the extension service, College Station, Texas; W. B. Lanham,

assistant director of the extension service, College Station; A. P. Swallow, horticulturist of the extension service, College Station; E. A. Miller, sweet potato specialist of extension service, College Station, and J. E. Stanford, district agent, College Station. In addition to the above we will have with us an able representative from the Dallas News and several farm papers.

These meetings will be held in the fields, where an analysis of the soil will be made to find out what your soil is in need of to make it produce the best results and the fertilizer mixture to be used to obtain these results.

The hour and place of these meetings are announced in this issue of this paper.

R. R. Morrison, County Agent.

F. M. Patton and family of Belitt are moving to Grapeland to make their home and will occupy the residence opposite W. F. Murchison on the Augusta road. Mr. Patton is one of Houston county's best citizens and we are indeed glad that we can number him as one of our residents.

**Mrs. Tom Kent Jr. Dead**

Mrs. Tom Kent Jr. died at her home in the Reynard community last Saturday morning, October 21, 1922, after an illness lasting three weeks. Deceased is survived by her husband and eight children, two of whom are twins only three weeks old, her mother, Mrs. F. M. Denton, and several sisters and one brother.

Interment took place Sunday morning in the Daly's cemetery, services being conducted by Rev. M. L. Williams.

To the heart broken father, children, other relatives and friends, the Messenger joins in extending condolence and sympathy.

Mrs. J. P. Royall left Tuesday for Lake Charles, La., where she will spend some time visiting her daughter, Mrs. Marvin Gilbert. She will also visit another daughter, Mrs. A. M. Wodell, at Shreveport, before returning home.

A REAL BARGAIN SALE Friday and Saturday at—Long's Cash Store.

**poem by UNCLE JOHN**

I love to talk with fellers, with a glitter in their eye, in defiance of the panic that is slowly passin' by. . . I love to see 'em swagger, an' to elevate their chin—an' to hear 'em speak of pluggin' till their ship comes in. . .

I like to run across 'em, as we travel on ROUGH SEA our way. . . I take a lot of stock in what they SAILORS do, an' what they say. . . I get my inspiration, and the firm desire to win, from the feller that's a-pluggin' till his ship comes in.

I ain't got time to listen at the bird of grim despair,—that dots on disappointments, till they get him by the hair,—but you'll see my spirit quicken, like you'd stuck me with a pin—when my neighbor speaks of pluggin' till his ship comes in!

*For your Uncle John*