

# The Grapeland Messenger.

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## Bond and Tax Measures Will Have to be Revoted

Some time ago voters of the Grapeland Independent School District voted upon and carried by a large majority the propositions of raising the tax rate not to exceed \$1.00 on the one hundred dollars valuation and to issue bonds in the sum of \$25,000.00 for a new high school building. It now develops there was a flaw in the election in that only twenty days notice was given, when the new law calls for thirty days. This flaw prevents the board from selling the bonds or enforcing the collection of the new tax.

It will all have to be done over, and a petition is being circulated this week asking the board to call another election in conformity with the new law. No doubt the board will order the election within the next few days. It is expected that both measures will carry by heavy majorities as they did before.

The vote in the previous election was as follows:

For the bonds 142; against 57. For the tax 138; against 59.

## Phone Line Being Rebuilt

The telephone line between Grapeland and Reynard is being rebuilt by the owners who live along the route. The line has been out of commission for quite awhile.

## Rebuilding Home

S. N. Boykin is rebuilding his home in South Grapeland, which was destroyed by fire last October. A great deal of material is on the ground and the carpenters are expected to be busy by the first of next week. The home will be modern and up-to-date in every respect and will be a credit to our city.

## Too Much Competition



## Norman's Garage Buys Bridges—Finch Garage

A deal was closed Tuesday morning whereby J. C. Norman proprietor of Norman's Garage, acquired the garage of Bridges & Finch. The two garages will be consolidated and Mr. Bridges will work for Mr. Norman.

## Hogs Strayed

I have lost 2 hogs, 1 large black hog bought from George Cunningham, and 1 small spotted hog bought from Lowe Clark. A suitable reward will be paid for their recovery.

J. W. Howard.

To prevent a Cold, take 666.

## S. E. Traylor Buys Business At the County Seat

S. E. Traylor, formerly with McLean & Riall, has bought the Boston Dry Goods Store at Crockett, assuming charge last Thursday. He expects to remove his family there this week and make Crockett his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Traylor will be greatly missed by Grapeland people and their many friends wish for them happiness and prosperity in their new home.

## At the Methodist Church

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

Your presence will be appreciated at any or all of these services.

Preaching at New Prospect at 3 p. m. Come.

B. C. Anderson, Pastor.

666 quickly relieves a cold.

## Senate Asks For A Six Month's Session

Austin, Texas, Jan. 15.—Demand that Governor Neff call special sessions of the legislature to carry out his legislative program, or that the legislature take immediate steps to submit to a vote of the people, the question of extending the legislative term to six months, was made in the senate this afternoon by Senators Dudley of El Paso and Davis of Dallas.

Probably the most important measure introduced in the senate today was that of Senator Baugh of Ruppels, proposing the reduction of the house membership to 75 and the senate to 25, with a 12-month session every two years at \$3600 salary.

We are out for more business this year. It will pay you to see us before you buy anything in either dry goods or groceries. Kennedy Bros.

## Grapeland May Get An Electric Light Plant

It is within reason to expect that Grapeland may be fortunate enough to get a light and ice plant during this good year of 1923.

A Mr. Harris of Palestine, who is said to understand the business, has been here and made an investigation of the matter with a view to putting in the plant.

A canvas of the town was made to ascertain how many lights would be used and practically every residence signed for lights.

There the matter now stands and the Messenger has no more information to give, but we sincerely hope the gentleman will carry the proposition to a successful conclusion.

## Notice to Cattle Owners

A meeting of all cattle owners of Houston county is called for Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the court house at Crockett. The meeting is called for the purpose of considering tick eradication in Houston county. Mr. Boog-Scott, Chairman of the Livestock Sanitary Commission, will be present; also County Judges of counties adjacent to Houston county have been invited to be present.

Leroy L. Moore,  
County Judge.

## A the Christian Church

Bible school at 10 o'clock. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Christian Endeavor at 4:45. Evening service at 7 o'clock. Mid-week prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Morning subject—Christian Education.

Evening subject—The Plea of the Disciples (continued.)

Arthur Hyde, Pastor.

## Box Supper

The Senior Class will give a box supper Friday night at the auditorium to raise money to help pay for their year book, "The Sand Burr." Please come.

Big line of plow goods at Keeland Bros. Best price in town.

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Oats, Chops, Bran  
Shorts, Maize,  
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GET OUR PRICES!

We are the People that Keep the  
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The people that keep the price down

## Farming Time

Farming time is just around the corner and we are ready with the kind of tools you are sure to need:

Steel Plows, Chilled Plows, Cast Plows and Plow

Repair Parts

The Famous B. F. Avery Kind.

Let us show you the kind that will render you most service at the least cost.

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SALMON SAYINGS

Salmon, Jan. 15.—The weather still continues to be dry. We had a shower Sunday but not enough to do any good, nothing more than to lay the dust.

The most of the farmers are back on the job again; some are breaking land, while others are cleaning up and getting ready for the plow.

Joe Lambright has moved out of the city just north of town on Odie Killion's place. He said he hated to give up city life, but had to get out so he could learn his boys how to farm.

Slocum's basket ball teams, both boys and girls, came down last Friday afternoon and defeated our boys and girls. We did not learn the score.

Mr. Glenn and son, Ben D, and Norman Lasiter spent Sunday morning on Mr. Glenn's farm, near Elkhart.

Some of our folks attended the all day singing at Union Chapel Sunday and all spent a very pleasant day.

Rob Reed has opened up business in the barber shop at Glenn's store.

Oscar Garrison and Andrew Killion are both driving a new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Glenn entertained a large crowd with a singing Saturday night.

There will be singing at the church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Everybody is invited to come.

A bad wound, burn or cut should be cleansed of dirt or impurities and dressed with Liquid Borozone. It heals the flesh with marvelous speed. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

666 cures Dengue Fever.

Day By Day In Every Way



Emile Coue, a little French druggist of Nancy, is in the U. S. to teach auto-suggestion. "Day by day, in every way I am getting better and better," cures sickness if said repeatedly and believed, is his claim.

Champion American Butter Cow



May Walker Ollie Hempstead, a 7-year old Holstein, of Austin, Minn., is the U. S. champion butter cow over all breeds and ages for 1922. She produced 1218.50 lbs. of butter fat or 3160.6 lbs. of milk.

PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, Jan. 15.—The singing at Percilla Sunday night was again the best you ever heard and was attentively listened to by every one present except a few who seemed to be not quite caught up with their talking. Come again next Sunday night, friends, and if you can't sing why talk. Be like the old gentleman was when there was coming up a bad storm. He told his family that each one must get a book and read and all those who could not read must spell.

Miss Alda Lively and Miss Ina Fur together were given a birthday party Saturday night at Miss Ina's home. Their little friends, both boys and girls, in the neighborhood of their respective ages were present and all had quite an entertaining time, in the mean time being served with refreshments consisting of chocolate, sandwiches, and two of the best cakes you ever saw, prepared by the mothers of the two girls. The two girls were also showered with a number of nice presents by their little friends.

Arthur Branch of Goose Creek is visiting home folks here this week.

Miss Annie Hughes, of Palestine is here visiting Miss Elizabeth Sullivan.

Inasmuch as we have come to the last feed of corn and must go about killing hogs today without waiting for winter, we beg to ring off for this time.

"I Can't Afford it"

"I can't afford it." Honest words and true. How often we hear them. How often we have said them ourselves, but did we have the honesty of our convictions to do without the things desired or to refuse them to loved ones asking for them.

The cost of living is much more than in the years past. Brought on perhaps by greed or selfishness of parties in power. But what have you or I done, as to personal needs? Have we denied ourselves as much as we could? We can have what we need. The Bible says, "Owe no man anything, but to love one another."

The curse of debt is the "white man's burden." How many sleepless nights the father spends on account of it, and shall we go in selfish indulgence adding burden to burden by our lack of self-denial? Give up this or that pleasure; this or that indulgence in clothing, or home luxuries. Cut it out until you can afford it and then only indulge in the fear of God. Be honest with yourselves. "Hard times" will not be the bugbear it now is with the most of us. Contributor in San Marcos Record.

STYLE



This hat and scarf of plain brushed camel's hair is appropriate for all kind of winter and spring sport wear. It is the new year showing of the Style Service designers in New York. The hat and scarf are soft and warm and are obtainable in varying shades from burned desert sand to tropical blues. They are comfortable—and flattering—as you can see.

Our Honor Roll

The Messenger thanks the following for their subscription: Grapeland—Kennedy Bros., J. W. Howard, Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Mrs. T. F. Dailey, J. J. Johnston, Alton Lively, Tom Luce, Miss Blanche Kennedy.

Route 1.—Lenard Howard.  
Route 2.—J. T. Skidmore.  
Route 3.—Mrs. Rhodie Chaffin Elkhart—J. I. Stedman.  
Brownfield—Mrs. Berta Beazley. (By Mrs. Jack Spence.)  
Charing, Ga.—J. T. Garrett. (By J. J. Brooks.)  
Nacogdoches—Mrs. Tom Clinton. (By Alton Lively.)  
Houston—Odell Denson, L. R. Caskey.  
Lamesa—Mrs. Gilbert Cherry. (By Mrs. Lewis Herod.)  
Augusta—C. A. Moore.  
Coledge—Mrs. J. T. McKnight.  
Trinity—John B. Selkirk.  
Colored—Mrs. Lizzie Denby, Grapeland.

MUTT AND JEFF SHOW COMING

The Mutt and Jeff Musical Comedy Company will appear in Grapeland, Thursday this week one night only under their big tent theatre. This is not a movie but a real stage show of thirty people. A novelty jazz orchestra, special scenery, electrical effects, pretty girls, funny comedians, elegant costumes. This company has played all the big city theatres and now for the first time touring the country under canvas. Mutt and Jeff are famous the world over as real laugh producers and it's a show for the whole family.

There are many advantages in fall breaking. More vegetable matter is needed in many soils. By turning under weeds, stalks and other material the soil may be improved. Fall is the best time to turn under weeds and stalks.

Rub-My-Tism for Rheumatism

LIVELYVILLE LOCALS

Livelyville, Jan. 15.—It is almost spring like as far as the weather is concerned, but in spite of the warm spell, folks are killing hogs, but perhaps it isn't so much a question of zone, latitude, etc., as it is the knowledge of how to cure and keep meat that counts and folks here know how—that's all.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Johnson were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Masters Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Fulton spent Monday in Grapeland shopping and visiting Mrs. Mal Whitaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Denman spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Brannen and Mr. and Mrs. John Masters.

Miss Louella Holcomb was on the sick list the early part of the week but is much better now.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garner visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Woodard in Elkhart last Monday.

Dan Shipper motored to Crockett Saturday to attend the show.

Misses May Belle and Pauline Brannen spent Sunday with Mrs. Ellmore Keen.

There was preaching at Centreville Sunday night and many people from here attended.

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

Christian Endeavor Program

The Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday afternoon at 4:45 p. m. and all the young people of the town are invited.

Following is the program for January 21:

Leader, Edith Richards.  
Hymn, Bring Them In.  
Hymn, I'll Go Where You Want Me to go.  
Prayer, Bro. Hyde.  
Scripture reading by leader.  
Hymn, Let me Walk By Thy Side.  
Discussion of the lesson.  
Special music.  
Announcements.  
Hymn, Let The Lower Lights be Burning.  
Mizpah benediction.

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"Built Me Up"

"I USED Cardui for years and it did me more good than any medicine I ever used," writes Mrs. M. C. Ragsdale, of Fort Towson, Okla. "I used to suffer with womanly trouble that weakened me until I was a mere shadow, nervous, and could not sleep. I did not feel like I could live."

"It seemed that nothing helped me till I heard of Cardui and began to use it. It

strengthened me and, as 'twas recommended to do, it regulated and built me up till I was like another woman." If you are weak, run-down and feel that you need a tonic, take Cardui, the woman's tonic, the tonic about which you have always heard, the tonic that helps weak women regain their strength. Cardui acts on the womanly system and helps relieve pain and discomfort due to female ailments. Try Cardui, today, for your trouble.

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The Woman's Tonic



### Surprise Birthday Party

Rev. B. C. Anderson, pastor of the Methodist church, had a birthday last Wednesday, but it would have passed without notice had it not been for Mrs. Anderson planning a surprise party for the occasion.

Bro. Anderson was just a little mystified at seeing such a large number of people at prayer meeting, but the reason of their presence dawned upon him when he saw the crowd filing into the parsonage after services.

In the dining room on the table was the cake with burning candles, surrounded by numerous gifts of useful things, tokens of good will and wishes for many happy returns of the day.

The time was spent in a very

pleasant way for quite awhile and refreshments of cake and chocolate were served by Mrs. Anderson.

Oh, yes; there were 48 candles burning around the cake, but Bro. Anderson declared it was a mistake, saying he was not near that old.

To drive out worms that are eating away the strength and vitality of your child, use White's Cream Vermifuge. It expels the worms without injury to the child. Price 35c. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

Difference between classical dancing and taking a bath is you use water in bathing.—Washington News.

## SOME SMILES



### A Good Reason For His Name

The new "pahsun" had arrived but a few days ago, and was making his pastoral rounds in order to get acquainted as soon as possible with all the members of his flock. He found the family of Brudder Ebenezer St. John Julius Caesar Pompey Napoleon Bonaparte John Wesley Jones rather a large one. In fact there were 17 of them, and the "pahsun" almost despaired of ever being able to call them all by name. But he determined to try and so began to learn their names from their mother. When she came to the youngest of the 17 she called him Judas Isariot.

"Judas 'Scariot, sistah!" exclaimed the new preacher. "Why sistah, how come yuh gib yo' chile any sich name es dat? Does yuh know who dat Judas 'Scariot was?"

"Why, cos I does," replied the old mammy. "En doan I know what de Good Book done say 'bout dat man? Hit say hit war better fo' him ef he hain't never been borned, en dat's why we done named dis niggah Judas 'Scariot."

### Bluffing Again

Teacher: "An abstract noun is something you can see but can't touch. Now, Willie, give me an example."

Willie: "A red-hot poker."—(Boy's Life).

### Painless Dentistry

Aunt Ethel—"Well, Beatrice, were you very brave at the dentist's?"

Beatrice—"Yes, auntie, I was." Aunt Ethel—"Then here's the half dollar I promised you. And now tell me what he did to you."

Beatrice—"He pulled out two of Willie's teeth!"

"Do you want employment?"

"Lady," answered Plodding Pete, "you mean well, but you can't make work sound any more invitin' by using words of three syllables."—Washington Star.

During the impaneling of a jury the following colloquy occurred: "You are a property-holder?"

"Yes, your honor."

"Married or single?"

"I have been married for five years, your honor."

"Have you formed or expressed any opinion?"

"Not for five years, your honor."—American Medical Association Journal.

"Don't be afraid," said an aviator to a timid passenger. "All you have to do is to sit quiet."

"I know all about that," retorted the passenger. "But suppose something happens and we begin to fall?"

"Oh, in that case," the aviator reassured him, you are to grasp the first solid thing we pass and hold tight."—Legion Weekly.

### TRINITY RIVER RIPPLES

Reynard, Jan. 15.—The phone boys are doing some work, putting in some posts that will be here for their great-great-grandchildren. There will be an unbroken line of posts from Grapeland to the river of lasting material, and the Grapeland and Reynard highway, especially from the two mile branch to mouth of Eaves' lane, looks like progress.

H. & G. Beazley sawed and dressed the cross arms for the phone line out of selected stuff.

J. S. Eaves has done some lasting work on his farm in fencing his garden—good posts and good wire, and by the way, a chicken proof horse lot.

W. L. Fox has new posts on the ground around nearly all his side fence and other improvements too numerous to mention. It seems like we are going to have a year of activity.

Our school have their fountain in operation and are going to have a basket ball team. Let's give the teacher all the help we can.

The following were out of community visitors Saturday night and Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kyle and son, J. D., and Elaine Rials and J. C. Moore. All found a place to sleep and something to eat and livened us up a bit by their presence.

Homer Beazley, who is working in Crockett, was home Saturday and Sunday with his family.

W. J. Kyle and crowd, W. P. and Mrs. Chiles, Master Jack Allen, Oscar Beazley and little daughter, Hattie, Homer Beazley and family and ye scribe ate dinner with Mrs. W. P. Kyle and boys yesterday.

Very little gardening yet. Believe Mrs. Douglass Beazley leads along that line. She has a thousand onion plants set out.

Mrs. Henry Musick is spending a while with her son and family.

Sorry to hear of G. B. Kent being so much out of commission and hope he may soon be in gear again.

Mrs. Geo. Mobley says I was mistaken about John A. being the only living witness to that marriage, that she was there.

### A GOOD SHOW COMING

The original and only authorized Mutt and Jeff Musical Comedy Co. will come to Grapeland one night only, Thursday Jan. 18. For good singing, dancing and pure fun they excell all other shows traveling. A real laughing show for kids from five to sixty. Fifteen big song hits. Don't fail to attend. Popular prices. In cold weather tent is heated.

### Uncle Johns

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For sick headache, backache, heartache, nervous weakness and constipation, Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy that men use. It purifies the bowels, tones the stomach, clears the brain, sweetens the breath, restores energy and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Smith & Ryan Special Agents.

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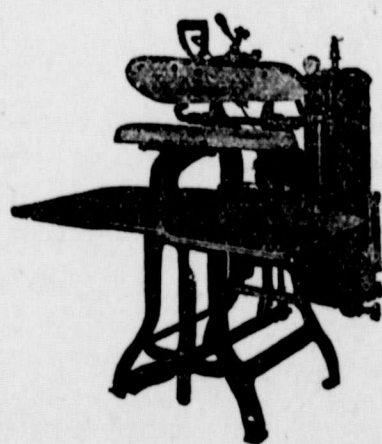
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Ladies work given special attention. Try us.

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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.

Much of the fast driving is done by those who are not going anywhere in particular.

You can growl yourself into disfavor easier than you can work yourself into favor.

The law of supply and demand regulates all commodities, but cuts little ice in love and politics.

Uncle Zeke says: "The T in T-bone steak is supposed to stand for tender, but it does not always do it."

In moving in and occupying the Rhur section of Germany, it looks like France has spilled the beans.

With the development of the radio the bit of slang, "I'll tell the world," may become a reality in a general way.

There were crazy people before jazz came into vogue, but its coming did not restore their sanity.

Every day in every way our roads are getting worse and worse. What are we going to do about it?

An authority on the subject says spring fashions will be a revelation. We doubt if there is much more to reveal.

Child labor is wrong and we are opposed to it, but this should in no way interfere with any girl doing up the dishes for mother.

Probably the Lord did not answer your prayer because you asked for an automobile instead of for health and ability to work and earn one.

An agricultural paper says that a farmer who attends to his work at this season of the year has plenty to do. This is also true of any man who attends to his business, at any season of the year.

Members of the Texas Press Association will gather in Austin February 8 and 9 in a business meeting, the first meeting of its kind to be held. The Association is fostering some proposed laws affecting the newspaper business which they hope to have enacted by the legislature.

The fellow who is not doing it, and never did much of anything, can always see plainly just how it ought to be done.

The wealthy breakfast food barons have been at it quite awhile and have made barrels of money, but none of them have ever produced anything that will equal ham and eggs.

Texas ought to provide amply for its schools and fight ignorance in every possible way. Ignorance is the greatest foe the world as and it's ignorance that is at the bottom of nearly all the wrongs.

There is just one rule for keeping well and happy as long as you live and that is common sense. There is a monitor in the back of the forehead that tells us how to use it, but people do not obey it. Lack of common sense and judgment is responsible for most everything that ever ailed anybody. We should use common sense in eating, drinking, working, playing, choosing a wife and everything else. Then all would be well.



## W. M. S. Meeting

The Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church was entertained on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. M. Murray.

Nineteen members were present. Mrs. Cleve Sadler's name was added to our roll as a new member. Mesdames. Reagan Long, W. E. Keeland and Miss Esther Davis were welcome visitors.

The following officers were installed for the ensuing year:

Mrs. A. H. Luker president and reporter; Mrs. W. L. Smith Vice president; Mrs. C. B. Keeland corresponding secretary; Mrs. B. C. Anderson treasurer; Mrs. A. M. Fisher recording secretary; Mrs. George E. Darsey local treasurer; Mrs. J. M. Murray agent for the Missionary Voice.

An interesting Bible lesson was a part of the program, after which the business session was taken up. A membership campaign was launched and each member made a committee of one to solicit new members. A report from the "capsule" activities was made and showed much enthusiasm having been manifested. It was voted to have our annual tea and social the first part of February, which we will say more about later.

The hostess, assisted by her daughter, Miss Ardis, and Miss Rosalie Howard, served a delicious salad course with hot chocolate and cake. Reporter.

## Bridge Party

Mrs. Jack Murchison delightfully entertained with a Bridge party at her home Saturday morning in honor of Misses Ina Kenley and Rildia Bee O'Bryan, visitors of Miss Olive Kenley. After the games a delicious salad course was served.

Those enjoying this hospitality were Misses Ina Kenley and Rildia Bee O'Bryan of Groveton, Misses Berryman, Kenley, Watson, Darsey, Eva Gene Murchison, and Mrs. Dick Murchison.

Car of Pea Green Alfalfa due to arrive this week.

Long's Cash Store.

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IN EVERY Way GRAPELAND'S CASH DRY GOODS STORE and BETTER

# Buy Blankets Now at these Reductions

We have only few pairs of high-grade blankets in our stock and to close them out right now when you'll need a new pair, we are offering them at prices that will not be duplicated soon. These blankets come in solid grey, tan and white with colored borders and also assorted plaids.

## Every Pair is Guaranteed

\$3.50 64x76 Middlesex Blankets a pair .....\$3.00  
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\$4.50 66x80 Nashua Woolnap Blankets a pair ....\$4.00

A few assorted pairs of higher priced all wool and wool mixed blankets at similar reductions.

## THE THINGS YOU NEED

This store is the one place in Grapeland where you can send or come to for anything you need in wearing apparel, shoes or dry goods. We keep new goods coming all the time and are saving our customers time, worry and money. If you are not already one of our customers, you will find that this is a mighty good place to trade. A guarantee goes with everything we sell, and quality considered, our prices are lowest. If we can serve you, let us know.

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36 in. Heavy LL Brown domestic ..... 15c  
36 in. heavy Sea Island domestic ..... 17 1-2c  
36 in. Fairyland bleached domestic ..... 15c  
36 in. Festival bleached domestic ..... 17 1-2c  
36 in. Cambrics ..... 25c  
40 in. extra heavy brown domestic ..... 20c  
27 in. Fast color gingham ..... 20c and 25c  
32 in. Fast color dress gingham ..... 30c and 25c  
32 in. fine dress dress gingham ..... 50c  
36 in. fast color Fairy Percale ..... 20c  
28 in. Mississippi extra heavy chevots ..... 20c  
81 in. bleached Garza sheeting ..... 60c  
79 in. brown Garza sheeting ..... 55c  
81 in. bleached unbranded sheeting ..... 50c  
Ladies' hose up from ..... 10c  
Men's hosiery up from ..... 15c  
Children's ribbed stockings up from ..... 15c

These are just a few items quoted from our regular stock and are given to show you the advantage of making this your shopping place. We have the most complete stock of dress goods you'll find anywhere.

## VISIT OUR STORE DAILY

If you would keep i ntouch with what's new you should visit this store every day. New goods from markets in every section of America are now enroute and there'll be something doing all the time. We could not begin to tell you of the many happy merchandise surprises you will find here from time to time and trust that you will visit us often.



## Local News

666 Cures Malarial fever.  
107 for Chills and Fevers. At the Drug Store.

Automobile tubes and casings at Kennedy Bros.

107 for Colds and Fevers. At your Druggist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kennedy visited in Crockett Sunday.

Garden wire, hog wire and barb wire at Keeland Bros. Best price in town.

Attend the box supper Friday night at the auditorium given by the Seniors.

Buy your groceries from us. We have a complete line.  
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If you need a good mule see me. I have a few for sale for cash or good notes. T. H. Leaverton.

**For Sale**  
Complete 30-foot steel tower, pump and wind mill outfit, 110 feet of 2 inch pipe. Price \$50.  
C. M. Streetman.

**Hall's Catarrh Medicine**  
Those who are in a "run down" condition will notice that Catarrh bothers them much more than when they are in good health. This fact proves that while Catarrh is a local disease, it is greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which assists in improving the General Health. Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

ONION SETS—Red, yellow and white. Long's Cash Store.

Bile Cutters. No nausea, no griping. At Your Druggist.

We have a lot of nice alfalfa hay.  
Kennedy Bros.

V. B. Tunstall of Crockett was a business visitor to Grapeland Monday.

30x31-2 Goodyear tire \$8.50. Best price in town.  
Keeland Bros.

Miss Sarah Mac Crook of Crockett was the guest of Miss Lucindy Darsey Sunday.

Pure Rhode Island Red eggs, \$1.00 per setting.  
3t Mrs. Herbert Leaverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett visited relatives here Sunday afternoon.

**Peas Wanted**  
I will buy your whipporwill peas. See me for prices.  
J. W. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lacy and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lacy of Crockett were visitors to Grapeland Sunday afternoon.

**Frost Proof Cabbage Plants**  
100, 35c. Over 200, 25c per 100. Post paid.  
Jesse Barnes, Trinity, Texas.

**Mules for Sale**  
I have a few good work mules to sell for cash or secured notes.  
T. H. Leaverton.

Red rust proof seed oats at Kennedy Bros.

**Flower Pots**  
All sizes at Long's Cash Store.

12 1-2 pounds of sugar \$1.00 at S. E. Howard's.

Miss Dorothy Clewis spent the week end in Crockett with Miss Noma Hassell.

We are headquarters for farm supplies. Try us.  
Kennedy Bros.

Shipment of dresses due. Be sure to see them by Saturday. McLean & Riall.

**WANTED**—A good place to work on 3rd and 4th.  
B. H. Kolb.

107 for Colds, Chills and Fever. No cure, no pay. At your Druggist.

Try Kennedy Bros. first for groceries, farm supplies or any thing in dry goods.

Seniors will give a box supper Friday night at the auditorium. You are invited, please come.

Time to repot flowers. We have all size flower pots.  
Long's Cash Store.

If you have visitors please phone their names to the Messenger office. The favor will certainly be appreciated.

**For Sale**  
Any one desiring a first-class mower and rake see F. P. Kennedy, Grapeland, Texas.

A good Kimball piano for sale at \$150.00. Can be seen at Star Theatre, Grapeland. Write V. B. Tunstall, Crockett, Texas.

George E. Darsey Jr. returned Sunday night from Paris, where he spent a week visiting his sister, Mrs. Leon Anderson.

**For Sale**  
Kelley walking cultivator, used very little; will sell right.  
2t Webb Brooks.

If you know any news, have any visitors, or know anything that might be of interest to our readers, call up the Messenger office and tell us about it.

Plants—Best grown. All kinds. Write for price list or see nearest dealer. John J. Brooks and Son, Plant Growers, Box 133, Elgin, Texas. 4t

**P.—T. Meeting Friday**

The Parent-Teachers Association will hold their meeting at the school building day afternoon. All urged to attend and welcome. Mrs. Luke leader.

Mrs. Lula Ty.  
**Corn for Sale**

I have a car load of Illi corn. If you need any see once.

J. W. Howa

**Notice—Posted**  
I am not going to allow more hunting, fishing or trapping on any of my premises. Please take notice and stay out.  
George Calhoun.

666 Cures Bilious fever.

## These You Need Now:

### Stock and Poultry Tonics

We have the best--DR. HESS' LINE.

### Liquid Smoke

We have two sizes:  
Deam's, per bottle - \$1.00  
and the old reliable Figaro Preserver.

### Hog Tonic

We have HOGTONE \$1 a bottle, an excellent liquid worm expeller and appetizer.

## Smith & Ryan

DRUGGISTS

Everything a Good Drug Store Should Have

## STAR THEATRE

Always Worth While

### Friday Night

### Mack Sennet

Presents his biggest and best Comedy

5—Reels—5

### "Married Life"

with BEN TURPIN

—Also—

2—Extra Reels—2

Good comedy, altogether 7 reels  
ONE CONTINUOUS LAUGHTER  
From Beginning to End  
Come out. It will do you good  
NO EXTRA CHARGE

### SLASHED PRICES THIS WEEK

on FEED and FLOUR to make room for another car:

Ruth flour, extra fancy \$1.95  
Invincible flour, fancy 1.85  
Fancy meal, water ground .70  
Pure corn chops 2.00  
Best wheat shorts  
Red oats, 5  
Wheat

## A Few Cents

Will work wonder the way

## George E. Darsey & Co.

GENERAL MERCHANTS

COTTON AND COUNTRY PRODUCE BUYERS

Groceries  
Tobaccoes  
Snuff  
Syrups  
Corn, Oats, Hay, Bran,  
Shorts and other feed stuff  
Wagons  
Breaking Plows  
Middle Busters  
Steel Plows  
Kelley Plows  
Georgia Stocks  
Corn and Cotton Planters  
Fertilizer Distributors  
Plow parts and fixtures  
Cooking Stoves  
Heating Stoves  
Stove Pipes  
Bedsteads  
Dressers  
Bed Springs  
Mattresses

Sewing Machines  
And house keeping outfits  
Dry Goods  
Clothing  
Shoes, Hats and Ready-to-wear for men, women and children.  
Seed Corn  
Seed Oats  
Seed Potatoes  
Cane seed  
Garden Seed  
Onion Sets  
Black Draught  
Wine of Cardui  
Quinine  
Calomel  
Pills  
Ointments  
Liniments  
Cough Syrups  
Chill Tonics  
Mineral Water  
And a good line of staple drugs

### COFFINS, CASKETS AND BURIAL GOODS

We solicit and will appreciate your business, and we believe that with the volume of business we do and with our thirty-six years' of successful merchandising experience, we are in a position to give, and will give you, as good or better service than any house in Houston County.

Whenever you have anything to sell or want to buy be sure to see us, as we want your business.

**GEO. E. DARSEY & COMPANY**  
GRAPELAND, TEXAS



## A black and white portrait of a man with a mustache, wearing a suit and tie. The image is framed by a thick black border. The man has dark hair and is looking slightly to the right. The background is dark and textured. In the bottom right corner, there is a small logo that reads "ALFRED HENRI".

"In the last five years advertising has made money for us. Every cent we've spent has come back to us, and brought another with it. But, our real profit—our big profit from that advertising is banked in the minds of the people. Ours is the best known business of its kind in town. And that is worth a lot of money to us."

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**GET IT OUT**

S. E. HO  
THAT FUNNY MUTT  
AND I

**Poem**  
by **UNCLE JOHN**

reflect the overshoes my Aunt Malindy wore. . . . The  
to last her mebbe seven year or more. . . . They  
as wax, fer keepin' out the snow,—we likened  
maps of Mexico. . . . There weren't  
no moisture filtered through, when Aunt Ma-  
lindy strode acrost the fields to Centerville, or  
up the county road. We'd allers hear her comin'  
long before she landed there, for the overshoes  
we'd used to wear . . . an' when she firmly  
stepped off their spacious soles, the pups would  
hunt their holes!

There has got a pair,—or maybe it's a set,  
anywhere, whenever walks is wet. . . .  
mounted on their dainty toes, and a crup-  
son on, I s'pose. . . . Seeh  
baskets ain't built  
Ethel's  
the big  
the bi-  
if Aunt  
could be ag-

*from Uncle John.*

J. D. Halkom  
Palestine community, but  
near Palestine was  
on business  
his numer-  
Halkom says he  
his new location



## THE MESSENGER'S AMERICANIZATION SERIES

### The Problem of Americanization

The story of America is not told in the story of the Pilgrim Fathers; it is not told by the battles of Yorktown or Gettysburg or the Argonne; it is not told in the statesmanship of our Jeffersons or in the poetry of our Bryants or the philosophy of our Brownsons, or even in the inventions of our Edisons. These are but isolated expressions of our spirit, our yearnings and our achievements of higher things; these have been made possible because since the dawn of our nation thirty-five million souls have sought our shores to build here their firesides and their altars, and to cast their fortunes with the fortunes of free America.

Today for the first time in our history Americans are asked to Americanize themselves and to change their narrow attitude toward their foreign-born neighbors. For the first time Americans are becoming aware that they have in their midst thirteen millions of foreign-born human beings who will be assets or liabilities in proportion as the native-born appreciate or neglect them.

The practical programs of Americanization insist on campaigns of publicity, on the teaching of English and citizenship, of factory-schools, and of a wider use of public agencies and libraries. To this end the school, the settlement house, and the church are invited to do their share; and well they may, for the work is urgent, and these are obviously the first steps in the program. They are good as far as they go; but if we look into the matter more closely, we find that they are but palliatives or the second best thing, and that the real remedy must be sought in some-

thing more fundamental.

If we are serious and really wish to make our foreign born real Americans, let us throw aside our national sham, our economic and our social sham and try to make America what the foreigner thought it was before he came into our midst. Let us give the foreign born an American standard of living and we will at once solve 90 per cent of our problem; give them a living wage, safeguard his health by factories and sanitary housing; give him a chance to work without the exploitation of demagogue, capitalist or labor leader; give him and his children a chance to play—opportunities for wholesome recreation. Give him the essentials of education and make adult education as compulsory as that of the child.

Last but not least give him a chance at the higher things of life, the good, the beautiful, and the true. Do this and you give him an American standard of living and automatically, by a natural evolution, he will learn the English language, he will cease to live apart, he will really live and not just exist, and he will be conscious of the benefits of American life and institutions. There will be no need of pressure from without; economic and social conditions will lift him out of the slums into better neighborhoods, will give his children a better education, will give him an appreciation of America and its spirit, and lo! he will be an American second to none. America will then and then only be the true melting pot, and, as Zangwill well says: "The East and the West, North and South the palm and the pine, the pole and the equator, the Crescent and the Cross—how the great Alchemist melts

and fuses them with his purging flame! Here shall they all unite to build the Republic of man and the Kingdom of God. Ah, what is the glory of Rome and Jerusalem where all nations and races come to worship and look back compared with the glory of America, where all races and nations come to labor and look forward!"—Frederick Siedenburg.

#### Good Advice for All Boys

The pages, or errand boys, of the United States Senate were entertained with a Christmas dinner by Vice-President Coolidge. Besides the dinner there was a fine program. Many of the pages gave toasts that would have done credit to grown men. The Vice-President made a speech in which he called the boys "My fellow public servants."

Among other things he said: "Always be true; be attentive to all requests; think not merely of pay day but give the best of your ability to the work of the thirty other days of the month."

"Acquire habits now that will warrant success in after life. You boys are favored and much will be expected of you. I have no doubt you will become men of character and ability. You must be thrifty, and remember that to honor thy father and thy mother is the beginning of wisdom."

Avoid irregularity in the bowel movements; it leads to chronic constipation; a condition that poisons the blood and breeds disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a man's remedy for putting the system in order. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Smith & Ryan Special Agents.

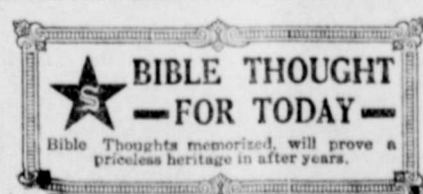
#### Poisoned from Canned Fruit

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howard and three of their children were real sick for awhile Sunday night from ptomaine poison, resulting from eating canned fruit.

Take a dose of Herbine when you are bilious or constipated, or your stomach is out of order. It is a marvel of promptness in correcting these conditions. Price, 60c. Sold by Smith & Ryan.

#### HOMEY PHILOSOPHY for 1923

EVERYBODY shouts "The King is Dead, Long Live the King," just because everybody shouts it, but what's the use unless we're goin' to make the new King's reign worth while. The old bird with the scythe is on the job again and we're all cut down another notch. Old King 1923 is only going to last twelve months no matter what we shout, so we'd better hustle if we want to make any kind of a record. Gee, five minutes gone writing this and nothing said. Thousands of other fellows doing the same thing. Just like a Portugese meetin'. Everybody talkin' an' nobody listenin'. Maybe if everybody listened an' nobody talked we'd hear the word worth while, the word that comes from Conscience, the admonition of the Great Creator. Let's listen.



Sing and Rejoice:—Sing, O heavens: and be ye joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the Lord hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.—Isaiah 49: 13.

### Go To Church Next Sunday

GOING to church may be a habit. Even so, we must admit that it is a very good habit. Many men and women go to church who are not church members, and who never even expect to become members of any religious body, but simply because they appreciate the refining influence of the service.

We have excellent churches here in this town. We have eloquent ministers in the pulpits of all denominations. Our churches have well trained choirs. The music in our churches is exceedingly attractive to those who have adequate notion of the good things of life.

Suppose you decide to go to church next Sunday. It will do you good. You will be fully rewarded in going. Perhaps you have not been in years. Perhaps you may think that when you take your seat in the pew you will really feel like a stranger. But do not let that disturb you. Go! Forget yourself. Think of what the minister says. Consider well and carefully his message. Enjoy the music.

Regardless of what your religious views may be, and it is certainly true that in our America of freedom of thought every citizen has the right to worship his Creator according to the dictation of his own conscience, you must admit, if you think at all, that the church has a very important place in the social scheme of our world. Think about this! Think about your welfare! Go to church next Sunday!

#### A Tank That "Swims"

A new war invention was tested at New York recently. It is something like the "tanks" used in the World War but is far more effective. This tank raced along good roads at a speed of thirty miles an hour, climbed and descended steep hills, ploughed through mud and then "swam"

across the Hudson River under its own power—a distance of two miles. It carried several heavy guns and a crew of eight men. It is sixteen feet long and six feet wide. The tank was invented by Walter Christie, of the War Department Motor Ordinance Company, and was made at Hoboken, New Jersey.

666 cures LaGrippe.

## You Need A System

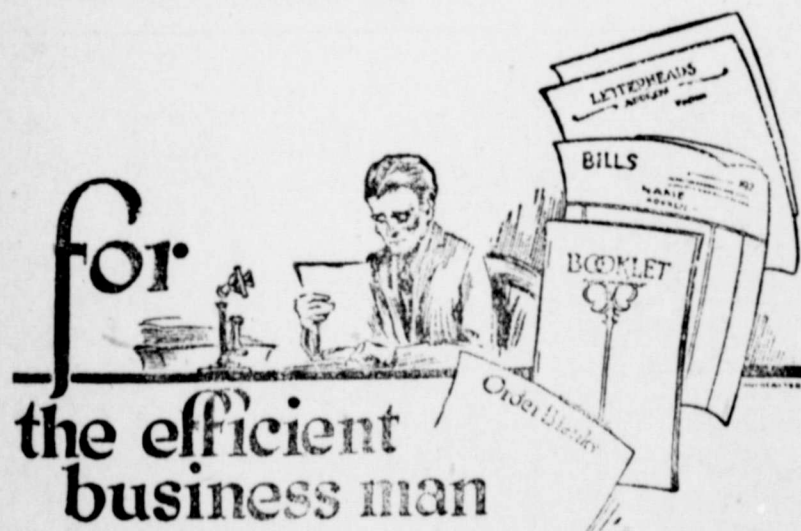
Are you tired of flouncing around, not knowing whether today's work and profits tends to riches or poverty? Whether you overpaid the last grocer bill? Whether the butcher charged you twice? Whether you forgot to get a receipt? YOU NEED SYSTEM IN YOUR BUSINESS—the kind of system that a check account with this bank will supply.

It's a very simple matter to deposit your money here and pay your bills with your personal check on us. We furnish pass book and checks and explain all details.

## Guaranty State Bank

U. M. BROCK, Cashier.

## Good Printing



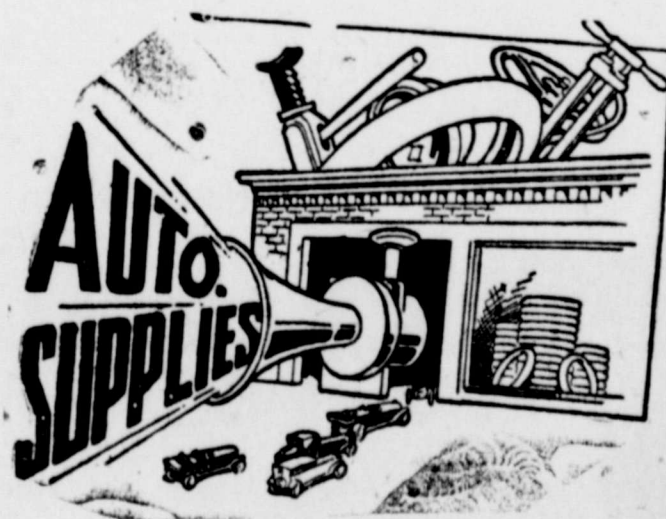
The efficient man would as much think of sending poor, unattractive printed matter as he would an unkept, careless, or ill-bred salesman.

Your printing often introduces you to your business prospects. If it fails to make an acquaintanceship, it's an unsatisfactory job. Particularly does it apply to the stationery you use—as well as other printed matter.

We are equipped to handle any printing job you may want and we take pride in turning out only the best work.

#### THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

Booklets, Business Stationery, Office Forms



## GAS and OIL

## Norman's Garage

J. C. NORMAN, Proprietor



Household Hints

Before attempting to polish dark wood furniture, carefully wash article with vinegar and water mixed together in equal proportions to remove all traces of dirt; then apply polish.

Attractive designs may be made quickly and easily in pie covers and other pastry crusts by folding and cutting with scissors.

The polish on gunstocks and wooden handles of tools soon wears off. If you want a lasting polish, soak the wood in linseed oil for about a week, then rub the surface with an oilsoaked cloth a short time each day for a week or so. It is especially worth while to do this on a gunstock.

Put patch pockets on your aprons under the edge, on the wrong side. They will be just as handy and will not catch on things.

An egg which has been accidentally cracked may be preserved by pasting over the opening a strip of paper wet with some of the white of the egg. To keep yolks of eggs from drying keep covered with cold water until ready to use.

What we seem to have is a government of the people, by the politicians and for the corporations.—Farm & Ranch.



Bermuda onion sets at—Howard's.

Miss Lileene Brown visited relatives and friends in Palestine last week.

Try a sack of "LaFRANCE" flour and you will have no other. It's GOOD flour. Kennedy Bros.

Rev. B. C. Anderson went to Huntsville Wednesday morning to attend a meeting of the ministers of the Navasota district.

Mrs. G. M. Pridgen left last week for Houston to join her husband, Col. G. M. Pridgen and a party of friends, in an extended visit to Washington, D. C.

For Sale or Trade

Will sell my farm 3 miles north of town, or will trade for smaller farm, taking the difference in cash.

J. S. Weisinger, R. 1.

Attention Ladies

We have an up to date line of canned goods: Kohinor Corn, California Sugar Peas, Heinze Baked Beans, Sun-Maid Raisins, Libby's Peaches and Apricots. Phone us your orders.

Long's Cash Store.

To my Friends and Customers

I have sold my garage to Mr. Norman and will in future be with Norman's Garage. I invite my friends and customers to bring me their auto work at my new place.

Carl Bridges.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sewall and Mr. Sewall's sister, Miss Lela, of Overton spent several days here last week visiting Mrs. Sewall's sister, Mrs. F. M. Boone. While here Mr. Sewall made an investigation of conditions with a view of locating and engaging in the mercantile business. He was very favorably impressed and may return in the near future to make this his home.



Performance is the Best Test

The Oliver No. 2 Walking Cultivator has for years demonstrated its efficiency to do good work where a light, simple and easily operated cultivator is required. Its extreme simplicity gives to it ease of operation. It embodies only those features that are necessary for good work. Unnecessary levers, and heavy mechanical devices are not found on the Oliver No. 2 Walking Cultivator. Springs counter balance the weight of the gangs eliminating neck weight and making it easy to lift the gangs to clear trash or swing them toward or away from the row. The shanks can be equipped with shovels or sweeps, and Spring tooth attachments can be furnished for surface cultivation.

SOLD EXCLUSIVELY BY

KENNEDY BROTHERS

Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Ellis and children were over from Rusk last week end visiting relatives and friends. Mr. Ellis informed us that he had sold his grocery and market at Rusk, but had made no plans for the future.

J. S. Weisinger informs us that his son, Fletcher, who recently moved to Midlothian, was in a Dallas sanitarium where he underwent an operation for appendicitis last Saturday. He reported his condition as favorable.

Miss Mabel Boykin has returned from Lufkin, where she had a pleasant visit with her friend, Miss Mary Tenney.

W. G. Darsey and son and Henry Dailey were in Ft. Worth the first of the week on business.

Misses Ina Kenley and Rilda O'Brien of Groveton were the week end guests of Miss Olive Kenley.

Keeland Bros. have received a big car of oats, bran, chops, maize, shorts and corn meal. Best price in town.

The Messenger greatly appreciates any local items phoned in or sent to the office. If you have visitors please tell us.

SPECIALS

FOR

Saturday

12 lbs Granulated Sugar	\$1.00
5 lbs Good Ground Coffee	\$1.00
14 lbs Blue Rose Rice	\$1.00
Texas Queen Extra High Patent Flour per sack	\$1.90
25 lb sacks corn meal per sack	65c
Gray wheat shorts (white bags) per sack	\$2.00
Mill run Wheat Bran per sack	\$1.65
Feed Oats per sack	\$3.25
Seed Oats per sack	\$3.50
40 lbs potatoes for	\$1.00

Less amount at 3c per pound.

Car Choice Alfalfa Hay due to arrive this week

If you will trade with us we will save you money.

Bring us your produce. We pay the highest price.

Long's Cash Store

HOME SWEET HOME

Oscar always wants to know who's laughing at him

by Terry Gilkison

ALL THE LATEST



HOME HABITS

HAVE YOU SENT US A "HOME HABIT" LATELY? IF NOT - WHY NOT - WE WILL PRINT IT - HERE'S ONE J. BARTH OMNIA SENT - MY WIFE CHEERS WHEN I PRACTICE MY LODGE SPEECHES AT HOME -