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GRAPELAND, TEXAS, MAR. 20, 1924

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Proceedings Of Commissioners' Court 28-29

The commissioners of Houston county met in regular session at Crockett Monday, March 10, and among other things transacted the following business:

Motion carried authorizing the issuance of \$150,000.00 bonds in the Crockett road district, which is district No. 3. These bonds were recently voted to build hard surfaced roads in that district, which will be supplemented with state and federal aid.

Motion carried to balance County Treasurer's books, the amount involved being \$64.43. This amount has been carried by the treasurer for the past five or six years. It was not an error on the part of Mr. Robison, the treasurer.

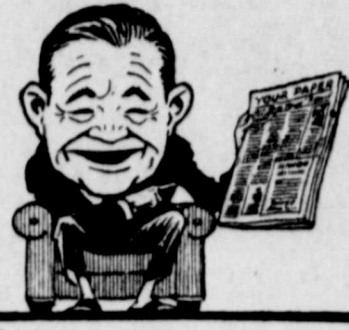
Motion carried to employ H. G. Guinn to find and designate the Selby land in Houston county, make a plot of same and sufficient field notes and furnish other information necessary to file suits for the collection of back taxes on this property. Mr. Guinn is to be paid \$10.00 per day for his services and to employ additional help not to exceed 3 in number at a reasonable cost to aid him in this survey. It seems that the Selby land has been "lost" for several years and back taxes to the amount of about \$15,000 has accumulated against it.

Motion carried to increase tax on dipping cattle from 5c to 10c to take effect immediately. The object in doing this is to meet additional expenses incurred in filling the pens with sand, cleaning the vats and other incidentals.

Motion carried to allow the County Judge \$36.00 as expenses to represent Houston County before the State Highway Commission to secure state and federal aid for Road District No. 3 and represent the county with delegates from Trinity and Polk counties to secure, if possible, the designation of a state highway from Crockett to Livingstons through Pennington and Groveton. If this highway is secured either a concrete or asphalt road will be built.

Result of the election in the Latexo school district was canvassed and declared to be 20 for the tax and 15 against.

Motion carried to designate the boundary lines between the four commissioners' precincts as follows: Nos. 1 and 2, the Palestine road from court house square at Crockett north to the intersection of this road and I-G. N. railroad, thence down said railroad to the county line. Nos. 2 and 3, from courthouse square on West Main street to the West San Antonio road and with said road as it is now known as Highway No. 21 to Big Creek, and thence down Big Creek to Trinity River. Nos. 3 and 4 from the street leading out from court house square to an intersection with Pennington road at corner of Jess Woodard's home, thence down said Pennington road to county line between Houston and Trinity counties.



My home-town paper's ads I scan
For bargains offered by each man
Who keeps a store in this live town—
His goods are all of high renown.

The price is right—the weight o. k.;
He's on the job both night and day.
That's why I never send my gold
To money order houses distant—cold;
But spend it here, where I can see
The benefits it brings to me.

My home-town merchant paves each street,
His taxes helps build our schools so neat;
So when my house needs a coat of tan
I patronize our own paint man,
And all things else, both hair and hide
I buy right here where I reside.

BUY FROM MERCHANTS WHO ADVERTISE IN THE
GRAPELAND MESSENGER

Financial Statement Of Houston County

County Judge Leroy L. Moore issued the following statement regarding the financial statement of Houston county, which appears on another page of this issue:

"The following statement of the county dates back to March 1, 1923, at the time our first annual financial statement was issued and brings all accounts in full to March 1, 1924. A comparison of the former statement with the following will show quite an improvement in the county's affairs. The general fund of the county is clear of all indebtedness with a cash balance of \$5,730.24 after paying all current expenses for the year 1923 and paying \$19,036.45 outstanding indebtedness as evidenced by outstanding warrants on March 1, 1923. A comparison of the two statements will mark the progress made in one years time."

FORMER ELDER VISITS FRIENDS

Rev. E. L. Shettles of Austin spent from Saturday until Monday in Grapeland with his friends, being a guest of Rev. B. C. Anderson while in the city. He preached at the Methodist church Sunday morning and night to large audiences.

Rev. Mr. Shettles was formerly presiding elder of the Navasota district. Two years ago he superannuated, since which time he has been living in Austin and is connected with the State University in the collection of historical matter of Texas and the southwest.

GREAT PICTURE COMING TO THE STAR NEXT WEEK

The local management have secured the celebrated picture "The Merry Go Round", which will be shown here next Monday and Tuesday nights.

It is the story of the love and lives of a Count and a peasant girl, who believes the count to be a "necktie salesman" as he introduces himself. She fell in love with him, later to learn that he was married and a member of the hated nobility. Can love with it's power, bring them together to be happy with such a difference existing? How is it done? There are many tense situations in this super-jewel photoplay, which stars beautiful Mary Philbin and Norman Kerry.

George Hackathorne, the noted character actor, a wizard with his emotional pantomime, is seen at his best in this wonder picture.

Actors of this picture are said to have lived the lives of the parts they carry in this stellar attraction.

The local managers of the Star are getting some very high class pictures and hope to please their patrons with this special picture better than they have ever been pleased.

VOTED TAX

On Saturday, March 8, the people in the Ratcliff road district voted a 15c maintenance tax to apply on the roads in the district.

The royalty of Europe is creditably portrayed in the great picture "Merry Go Round" which comes to the Star Theatre Monday and Tuesday nights.

Banquet Enjoyed By Chamber of Commerce

Forty-four members of the Grapeland Chamber of Commerce gathered around the banquet table at Murdock's Cafe Monday night and enjoyed an hour and a half of social intercourse, as well as transacting some business matters pending for action.

The committee appointed at a previous meeting to see about incorporating the town reported that they engaged Mr. J. H. Ellis of Crockett to make the survey. The petition for the election was circulated at the meeting and will be presented to the Commissioners' Court when it meets in regular session next Monday. The Chamber of Commerce at a previous meeting went on record favoring incorporation, and it is the consensus of opinion that the proposition will meet with very little opposition.

Henry Dailey, T. H. Leaverton and R. B. Edens were appointed as a committee to investigate the cost of constructing a bonded cotton warehouse.

The committee of the Grapeland Cemetery Association reported that they had sought information as to how to proceed, and was granted more time to complete their labors.

Mr. Murdock was given a rising vote of thanks for the manner in which he served the guests, the menu consisting of beef roast and brown gravy, baked ham, peas, creamed potatoes, pickles, fruit salad, coffee, ice cream and cake, and was congratulated upon installing such a nice and up-to-date cafe.

The meeting adjourned to meet in regular session the first Monday night in April.

MAKING THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE ATTRACTIVE

Some people don't like to go to church on Sunday evening—at least, so they say—and good people too. Now, it occurs to me that maybe we are not doing all that we might to make the night service attractive. Good congregational singing is appreciated by all church goers and if they can be assured of that at the evening service, many will go that otherwise would not.

We are striving to have just that asset to our evening service at the Christian Church. An invitation has been extended to the young people of the church to form a young peoples choir for the purpose of leading in the music on Sunday nights. The first practice is to be held on Wednesday evening of this week at 6:45 o'clock. All who will take part are invited to come out to this practice.

The service of next Sunday night will be featured also by a sermon addressed primarily to the young people on the subject of "Baseball and Fair Play". The baseball bee is buzzing and you will want to hear this message on a subject so popular at this season. All are welcome.

Reporter.

Keep the bowels active and the digestion good if you would enjoy health. A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters whenever disorders appear will keep a man on the active list. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

It is desired that every member of the Grapeland Poultry Association attend the two-day school, which will be held in the auditorium at the high school building. Not only are members of the local association invited and urged to attend this two-day event, but all men, women, boys and girls who desire to learn more about the poultry industry are cordially invited to attend. If you are not already a member of this local organization, instruct the secretary, John R. Owens, to enroll your name.

Remember the dates, Friday and Saturday, March 28 and 29.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS VOTING SPECIAL TAX

There seems to be an awakening among the people of Houston county along educational lines, judging by the number of elections held and to be held in the various school districts of the county to increase the local maintenance tax.

Nine school districts have already held, or will soon hold, elections for this purpose, as follows: Percilla, bond and tax; Latexo, tax; Union, bond and tax; New Prospect, tax; Ash, tax; Enon, tax; Waneta, bond and tax; Arbor, tax; Weches, tax. The main object in increasing the local maintenance tax is to secure more aid from the state.

OUR HONOR ROLL

The following have our thanks for their subscription since last week:

Route 2—W. S. Tyer.
Route 3—J. O. Brown.
Crockett—C. L. Edmiston, Will McLeap, Rev. S. F. Tenney, Dr. E. B. Stokes.
Salem, Ore.—E. M. Kershner.
Palestine — Mrs. Elizabeth Sullivan.
Colored—Cooper Ray, Route 3; June McGill, Grapeland.

Singing at Union Chapel

We will have singing at Union Chapel Saturday night. We want to start our choir practicing again. We invite all who will to take part with us.

G. W. Weisinger.

AT METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m.
Preaching at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at Percilla at 3:00 p. m.

Your presence at these services will be appreciated. Remember it is only a little better than a week until our meeting begins. Are you ready for it?

Last Year's Business



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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, MARCH 20, 1924

BERRIES ARE A PROFITABLE CROP

This is an ideal berry country, and most all kinds of berries grow to perfection.

The writer was much interested in reading an article on berries, written by L. T. Leard of Lindale, Smith county, where the people are very largely interested in berry culture, and where is located the Ogburn canneries, the largest in the state. Mr. Leard said he moved to East Texas from Arkansas in 1918, and bought a small tract of land near Lindale, on which were a few berries and some fruit trees, and he said they decided to plant more berries as a side line, because he said he was of the opinion he would have to depend on cotton for a money crop. But he found that berries paid well, and he enlarged his acreage to 24 in blackberries. Out of this crop he said he made more money, and made it easier than he made from cotton. And he says it is an easier crop to cultivate and grow. Last season Mr. Leard said he netted \$1,800 from his berry crop, and between the rows he was able to grow all the food and feed crops he needed.—Palestine Herald.

In conversation with a representative of the Ogden Canneries of Lindale, last fall during the GrapeLand fair, he stated that the soil of GrapeLand country was exceptionally fine for successful berry growing. But the all important thing to be considered is a ready market for any product when it is grown in large quantities. GrapeLand could in all probability secure the location of a cannery here that would use all berries grown. Then local farmers could have the assurance of a market.

"Daughterly probe starts with an amazing tale," says the headline. We predict that it will end with a "dull, sickening thud."

Economy tip for girls: You can save money this spring by cutting off about two inches of your ear bobs.

Gas played a big part in winning the recent war. It is now playing a big part in deciding the fate of politicians.

If we make Washington the nation's art capitol, we already have a fine start for exhibits done in oil.

The Standard Oil Co. of California has started a movement that should be quickly followed by every large business concern in this country guilty of the practice, and that is, removing road signs along public highways. The Standard Oil Co. is tearing down 25,000 of these signs from along the highways of California, which they placed there at an enormous expense, but realize that the public wants to see nature's beauty when driving without blur of obnoxious signs. The newspapers and

magazines of this country offer a more profitable way of reaching the public, anyway. If the signs are not removed voluntarily they should be removed by law, especially along state and national highways.

The newspaper as an advertising medium is well established and advertisers find it the best paying medium. The old custom of tramping around in search of new goods, cheap wares and bargains has long since been abandoned. The people now depend on the newspapers for this information. If you do not advertise you cannot expect a customer to wear out a pair of \$10 shoes to hunt you up. He won't do it. Nearly everybody reads the newspapers and if you are not there you are not "in it."

There are people in this country, just lots of them, who still argue that cotton is the only "money crop" for this section. Last fall when everybody's pockets were stuffed with cotton money, they cited that fact to prove their contention. But where is the cotton money now? It has gone out of the country to buy feed for hungry farm animals, many of them not now strong enough to break the lands properly for planting. Growing cotton to the neglect of feed and food crops reminds one of the pup that chases his own tail—it does not get one anywhere.—Troup Banner.

A Chicago professor who ought to know better says that 90 per cent of the women are homely and it is their skill at camouflage that gives the impression of freshness and beauty. The poor old nut! He is a regular old dried up herring and wouldn't know beauty if he was to meet it in the middle of the road! It is the other way 'round. It is the 90 per cent of our women who are beautiful, and even the other 10 per cent are not homely. The old professor has evidently been looking in the glass. Is the sunlight beautiful? Is the song of the birds beautiful? Are the up-turned faces of the roses and pansies beautiful? Are the dancing waves of the ocean beautiful? Are the silvery moon beams beautiful? The dew that sparkles in the early morning sun like millions of diamonds, are they not beautiful? Well, then all of these things put together does not approximate the exquisite beauty of our beloved American women!

HIRAM HARDTHINKER

Says:

Gold doesn't necessarily have to glitter to attract the attention of the bill collector.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONER GILMORE ANNOUNCES



HON. C. E. GILMORE

of Van Zandt County, State Railway Commissioner

Clarence E. Gilmore, Chairman of the Railroad Commission, has officially announced as a candidate for a second term as Railroad Commissioner and will in due season file formal application with the State Democratic Executive Committee.

"The transportation problem is one of paramount importance, not only to our agricultural interests, but to every other industry in Texas and to the solution of this problem and to every other duty required of the Railroad Commission. I have given and will continue to give every minute of my time and all the energy, enthusiasm and ability I possess," said Chairman Gilmore. Commissioner Gilmore has the reputation of being one of the hardest workers among all the officials of the State government. He is the Chairman of the State Railroad Commission.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

The path that leads to happiness often crosses a bridgeless stream of tears.

Some people are disagreeable because they are unable to attract attention any other way.

Long before the word camouflage was known we were told that all is not gold that glitters.

Never put off till tomorrow what you can do to-day; but, on the other hand, don't be too previous.

You never can tell. Many a woman is almost as much pleased with her husband as he is with himself.

There's a difference between the fellow who arises to the occasion and the one who is always up in the air.

No matter how up-to-date she may be, no woman wants the latest thing out when it comes to husbands.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

PARSON IS A MIGHTY FINE PREACHER, CEPN HE EXPOUNDS ON DE TABLE SO HAHD WID HE FIS' A MAN JES' CAINT TAKE A NAP!



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PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, Mar. 17.—We are still having winter and plenty of rain. The farm land here is well watersoaked and very little of it prepared for planting. This means a slim prospect for a corn crop this year. But our farmers are hauling out their feed stuffs and fertilizer for a bumper cotton crop. If our community succeeds in making a big cotton crop and they fall short elsewhere, of course we will be able next fall to pay the feed and fertilizer bill and have plenty of money left to buy smoke to put up our meat; but if we all succeed in making a big cotton crop and the price goes down to about 8c, which it is sure to do, the merchants will probably be compelled to carry over about 75 per cent of the feed and fertilizer bills and we shall have to again resort to the old foggy way of smoking our meat with chips.

But nevertheless, the weddings still go on here. We had two last week. Mr. Johnnie Wilkins and Miss Ina Rogers were married Wednesday, and Mr. Dave Oats and Miss Willie Miles were married Saturday.

Mrs. Joe Langham is attending the bedside of Mrs. M. E. Dotson in a sanitarium in Palestine, where Mrs. Dotson has undergone a surgical operation. Mrs. Dotson is reported to be getting along well.

Mrs. C. E. Jones is in Crockett with her little granddaughter, who is reported to be suffering with a severe case of pneumonia.

Weldon Rawls, who has been attending school at Huntsville, was a pleasant visitor here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wilson of Rusk visited kinfolk here Saturday and Sunday.

Glenn Sullivan of Palestine paid his brother, W. W. Sullivan, here a short visit Wednesday.

Will Lively made a trip to Palestine Saturday to undergo medical examination for appendicitis.

Mahlon Wright and family visited Leonard Wright here Saturday and Sunday.

Charlie Dickey and wife of Palestine visited relatives here Sunday.

Power of mind is the power that rules the world today, and he who knows best how to use that power is the one who will win, no matter what his work may be.—(Efficiency).

Brings Wonderful Divining Rod



Boris Sandloff, Russian scientist and psychic expert, has just arrived in this country with his divining rod which, he claims, can detect all concealed symptoms of guilt in criminals and find hidden oil wells and gold deposits. The photograph shows him demonstrating the rod on his wife.

The Development of Our Railway Net in Texas

By Walter Splawn, R. R. Commissioner of Texas.

(Fifth Article)

The most important assistance to railways during the period 1870 to 1890 was state aid. This took two forms: one the granting of State bonds, the other State land. In 1870 an act by the Legislature provided that State bonds should be furnished the International-Great Northern railroad to the amount of \$10,000 per mile. An act of 1871 likewise provided that \$6,000,000 of 8 per cent 30 year State bonds should be furnished the Texas & Pacific railroad company. However, neither of these bond issues was made available for railway purposes. There was such opposition that some of the State officials refused to sign the bonds and the next Legislature repealed the law.

From 1869 to 1873 there were no land grants for the benefit of railroad construction. In 1873 an amendment to the Constitution made land grants to railroads lawful. From 1873 to 1875, 42 companies were chartered, 12 of which carried on construction and 10 in sufficient amount to obtain land. Under this law 16 sections were granted per mile constructed.

However, the International-Great Northern and the Texas & Pacific each received 20 sections per mile. This was because of a compromise after the failure of the proposal to furnish aid to these roads by means of State bonds. The International-Great Northern also received tax exemption for a period of 25 years. In 1876 a general railroad incorporation and land grant act provided that a road should receive 16 sections of State land for each mile constructed.

LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, March 17.—Mr. and Mrs. Ed Keinsel and their daughters, Dorothy, Bobbie and Edith, and P. C. MacDonald of Palestine visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garner and family Sunday.

Misses Mamie and Corra Ferguson left yesterday for Huntsville to attend the normal the spring and summer term.

Several from here attended Sunday school at Percilla. A large crowd was present and all said they enjoyed the evening very much.

Lula Hale visited Rosa Lee Howard Sunday.



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THE PASSING DAY

By Will H. Mayes, Department of Journalism
University of Texas

According to figures from the treasury department, Texas country banks rank fourth in deposits, being outranked only by those of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Texas country banks show nearly as much in individual checking accounts as the seven Pacific states combined, including California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Nevada and Arizona, these having a total of \$278,283,000 as compared with Texas country bank total of \$256,497,000. Bank deposits are the best evidence of a country's prosperity. If you have been thinking about striking for the "golden west," you had better stop and think over these figures.

Another indication of the prosperity of Texas is that manufacturing enterprises are increasing throughout the state more rapidly than ever before. Texas has been sending North and East for most of its manufactured products because it has

not had enough capital to establish the necessary factories. The money has been needed to buy homes and to carry on the necessary commercial enterprises. Conditions are changing, farmers are getting out of debt; merchants are getting enough money to conduct business; banks have more than they can lend; and capital is seeking investment. Especially is Texas seeing the folly of sending cotton to Massachusetts or to England to be manufactured and shipped back. More cotton mill enterprises are under way now in the state than in all the past years together. When Texas goes to manufacturing the products of its fields and forests and mines it will be rich beyond the dreams of a Midas.

About ten years ago Richard Lynn, an educated musician, then nearly 70 years old, arrived in Pecos, Texas, in search of health. He had been trained as a violinist under master musi-

cians in this and foreign countries, but broken in health and strength, he was unable to play the music he loved so well. He at once endeared himself to the community through his love of music and his kindly interest in everyone about him. He set about to cultivate in others the same musical spirit that had ennobled his own life, and organized the Tri-City Symphony Orchestra, composed of the musical talent of the nearby towns of Pecos, Toyah and Barstow. He gave the last ten years of his life to that service and built up in those West Texas towns a musical interest that has become the strongest elevating influence of the places. "Dad" Lynn, as he was lovingly called, has passed on to where, relieved from physical infirmities, he will delight his soul in the music of celestial symphonies, but he left an influence that will live forever. "Dad's" life was a success that cannot be measured. Would that every community could have one of his kind!

With the right kind of co-operative effort Texas will soon lead California as a poultry and egg state. Brown county last year marketed over a million dollars' worth of poultry products and perhaps a number of other counties did as much or more. The San Saba turkey crop amounted to \$150,000, and the turkey growers there are planning for a larger output this year, in spite of the low prices of the past season. Another year they will market to better advantage. Mrs. Garret, of Richland Springs, has received from Pennsylvania a mammoth bronze tom, for which she paid \$300. Another citizen of the county has bought the pair of Narragansett turkeys that took first prize at the Arkansas and Missouri state fairs, the tom weighing 38 pounds and the hen 25. Texas will soon be leading not only in quantity, but in quality of poultry production. "Whatever is worth doing is worth doing well."

San Augustine business men have raised a purse of \$600 to be awarded as prizes to the farmers and boys' and girls'

club members making the greatest number of pounds of lint cotton, the greatest number of bushels of corn and the greatest number of bushels of sweet potatoes per acre this year. This promises to be a great contest, and San Augustine merchants are to be commended for giving this substantial encouragement to increase farm production.

The Amarillo Ad Club has planned an old fashioned farmers' sales day. Every farmer will be invited to bring his surplus stock, farm implements and other goods he may wish to dispose of. This will be sold at auction and the advertising and other expenses of the sale will be borne by the merchants composing the club. That is a splendid idea that could be profitably followed in every town in Texas. Such efforts on the part of business men, as is shown now in many Texas towns, to bring about a feeling of fellowship between the town and country communities is bound to result in a spirit of goodwill that will result to the advantage of all.

A subscriber to the Alto Herald has paid \$108 on subscription, extending it 72 years in advance. Editor Weimar and the subscriber are both going to try to live out the time, the subscriber to get his money's worth, and Weimar to "keep the paper going." This is told in the hope that the subscribers to this paper may catch the spirit of the Alto Herald subscriber, and rush into the office to pay—no, that is hoping too much, for there is only one man of that kind living. I may at least hope that every subscriber may catch a seventy-secondth part of the Alto man's spirit.

ANTRIM LOCALS

Antrim, March 17.—Mrs. J. S. Sandoval and children and Miss Katie Martin of Houston are now visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. F. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Little and baby spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Edens.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch McQueen entertained the young people last Friday night with a singing.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Lawrence of Ephesus recently moved into this community and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martin recently moved to Rock Hill.

Mrs. Emily Blackwell and children and Mrs. Maud Gibson and two children spent Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jno. F. Martin.

Mrs. W. R. Durnell is still on the sick list but we hope she will be better soon.

Eula Maud and Edith Lois Durnell spent Sunday with Lillie Ruth Durnell.

Quite a crowd of boys from New Prospect came over and played basket ball with the boys of this community Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martin recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Jno. F. Martin.

Misses Zelma Blackwell and Gracie Gibson visited Minnie Ola Martin Sunday afternoon.

ONE IN TEN

Neglecting a little wound, cut or abrasion of the flesh may in nine cases out of ten cause no great suffering or inconvenience, but it is the one case in ten that causes blood poisoning, lockjaw or a chronic festering sore. The cheapest, safest and best course is to disinfect the wound with liquid Borozone and apply the Borozone Powder to complete the healing process. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by

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- Seal brand string beans, per can20c
- "Our Darling" sweet corn, per can20c
- Del Monte peaches (halves) per can35c
- Argo red salmon, per can35c
- Campbell's tomato soup, per can15c
- Campbell's vegetable soup, per can15c
- Harvester plum preserves, per jar35c
- Harvester raspberry preserves, per jar35c
- Harvester blackberry jam, per jar35c
- Armour's Veri-Best strawberry jam, per jar 35c
- Armour's Veri-Best Cherries (whole), bottle20c
- Quart jar sour pickles50c
- Quart jar sweet pickles45c
- Pet Milk, large size15c
- Pet milk, small size10c
- Durkee's salad dressing35c
- Sun Maid raisins, per package25c

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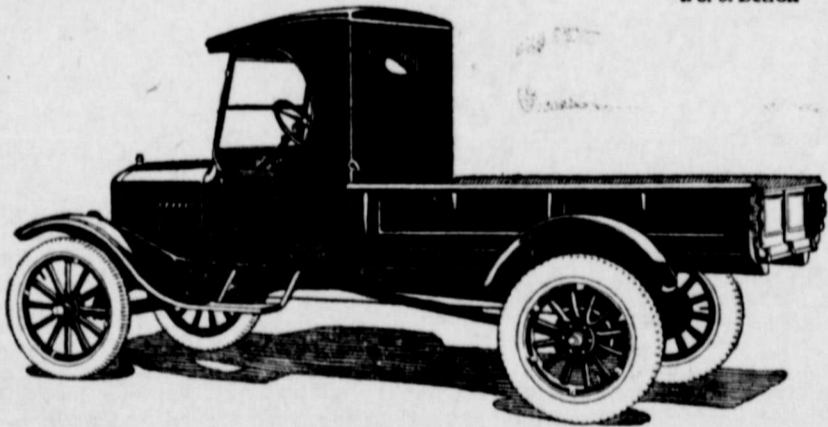
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Built of heavy sheet steel, strongly re-inforced, this staunch truck is designed to withstand severe usage in a wide range of industries. Generous loading space, four feet by seven feet two inches, permits easy handling of capacity loads and provision is also made for mounting of canopy top or screen sides.

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Buy it at Ryan's Drug Store.

Children's Play Suits 75c and \$1.00 at Keeland Bros.

Old hats made new. Have Clewis to clean and reblock them.

Ferguson's Yellow Dent and white seed corn at Darsey's.

Fresh garden seed at Kennedy Bros.

Planters and planter parts at Darsey's.

Ladies wash dresses \$4.95 down to \$1.25 at Keeland Bros.

Planters and cultivators at Darsey's.

FOR SALE—1 dozen Rhode Island Red hens. R. B. Edens.

New dress goods received at Keeland Bros. this week.

Parts for Kelley plows, planters and cultivators at Darsey's.

Monte Carlo voile, yard 69c at Keeland Bros.

4000 new spring samples just arrived at Clewis'.

Men's Velour hats \$4.95, \$4.50 down to \$3.95 at Keeland Bros.

O. W. Davis has sold his saw mill east of town to Julian Walling.

You will always save money by trading at—
Long's Cash Store.

FOR RENT—Rooms for light house keeping. Mrs. J. W. Jones.

SUN SET COFFEE SERVED FREE FRIDAY AFTERNOON AT RIALI'S STORE.

Plenty of pea green alfalfa hay.
Long's Cash Store.

Mrs. Chas. Royall of Oakwood spent last week end in Grapeland visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones.

The Power of Love is the basic theme of "Merry Go Round" at the Star Theatre next Monday and Tuesday nights.

Want to buy a good young milk cow.
C. A. Campbell,
Salmon, Texas.

FOR SALE
Buff Leghorn eggs, \$1.00 per setting; by mail \$1.50; baby chicks \$18.00 per 100.
2t pd. H. C. and Durall Jones

Buy it at Ryan's.

Seed corn at Darsey's.

Ryan's Drug Store has it.

Red top, Amber and Orange cane seed at Darsey's.

Smokeless shells 95c and 90c at Keeland Bros.

Buy your milk drinks at Ryan's Drug Store.

Fine shirts and fancy ties at Keeland Bros.

Plenty of fertilizer to arrive at Darsey's this week.

3 bottles Garrett Snuff 95c at Keeland Bros.

LOST—Life insurance papers. Return to Bob Owens.

Buster Brown shoes for girls and boys at Keeland Bros.

We now have plenty of cement well curbing.
T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Nat Patton of Crockett was a visitor to Grapeland Tuesday a few hours.

Hay, chops, bran, shorts, oats, hen feed and baby chick feed at Keeland Bros.

LOST—Big Poland China sow, crop and underbit in left ear.
Lee Grayson.

Come to our store Friday afternoon and drink a cup of good coffee FREE. W. A. Riall.

Try some of our "Made Right" flour. You'll say it's good.
Kennedy Bros.

Get that early variety of seed corn—matures in 80 days.
Long's Cash Store.

To see perfectly see Dr. Shelfer at J. H. Ryan's drug store Friday, April 4th. Eyes examined, glasses fitted.

Let us show you our new line of paints; all shades and colors for \$2.25 per gallon. T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Don't take the chance on wasting your fertilizer. Go to Darsey's and get you a fertilizer distributor. You will save by it.

Planting Seed All Kinds
Seed potatoes, seed corn, cane seed, Mebane cotton seed, garden seed at Keeland Bros.

Before you buy plows see our line. We sell the famous Oliver plows, planters and cultivators.
Kennedy Bros.

Miss Mary Selman Drew of Livingston was the guest of Miss Nuna Mae Anderson a few days this week.

Everyday Bargains

Every day is bargain day the The Darsey Co. It makes no difference what you have in mind to buy, you will find that your dollars will have greater buying power at this store than elsewhere. Another advantage in trading at this store is the fact of the wide variety and selections of styles, fabrics and patterns here, making it easier for you to find just what you are looking for. If you are not already one of our customers, we invite you to come here any day, everyday, where you you'll find what you want at a price you won't mind paying.

WE GUARANTEE ABSOLUTE SATISFACTION

MEN'S WEARING APPAREL

Hart Schaffner & Marx and Styleplus guaranteed clothes are featured in our men's wear department. Nowhere will you find better materials, more easily fitting models or more exclusive patterns than are shown in these two popular lines of men's spring suits
\$25 \$30 \$35 and up to \$47.50
Other 3-piece suits at . . . \$15 \$17.50 \$19.50

We invite the menfolk of this entire vicinity to come, see and try on the following new things here in:

- Stetson Hats
- Perfecto Shirts
- Arrow Collars
- Worth Hats
- Florsheim Shoes
- New Ties
- Pep Caps
- Cadet Hosiery

LADIES READY-TO-WEAR

If you would know what's new in women's wear, you'll find no better criterion of fashion than our ready-to-wear department. Charming styles in ladies' spring coats and silken frocks, ladies', misses' and children's wash frocks, blouses, etc. and a line of Millinery that is second to none in East Texas. There is a chicness and individuality about styles here that you are bound to like and we are glad to number among our customers some of the best judges of values and most discriminating in taste.

THE NEW DRESS FABRICS

- Dress Gingham at 20c to 65c
 - Check Gingham at 15c
 - Genuine Everfast Suiting at 50c
 - 40 inch organdies at 50c
 - 36 inch organdies at 25c to 50c
 - Tissue Gingham at 25c to 65c
 - Dotted Swisses at 50c to \$1.00
 - 40 inch Voiles at 25c to 65c
- Lowest prices in town on Staple Dry Goods

See the New Styles in Spring Footwear for Men, Women, Boys, Girls and Children

THE DARSEY CO.
GRAPELAND'S CASH DRY GOODS STORE



YOUR ORDER FOR GROCERIES OR CHOICE MEAT



When you give us your order for groceries or meats you are assured that it will be filled with the choicest products possible to secure and the prices will be as low as a big volume of business and a small margin of profit can make them.

Parlor Meat Market
J. B. Lively, Prop. - Phone 45

Ladies new underwear, teddies \$4.00 down to 75c at Keeland Bros.

If you are not able to buy a new suit. Clewis will have the old one dyed

We frame pictures. Have a new lot of moulding.
T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Mrs. Lee Beavers of Crockett is spending the week in Grapeland with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Murchison.

Nutrition experts declare milk to be the most nearly perfect food we have, as well as one of the cheapest, for it can take the place of so many more expensive foods. You will find a fresh supply from our own registered Jersey at Ryan's drug store every day in the week.

Men's B-V-D style underwear \$1.00, 75c and 50c at Keeland Bros.

WANTED—1000 boys, ages 16 to 99 years to look over my new spring samples. Clewis.

We have a large line of horse collars, pads, plow lines—anything you need to farm with.
Kennedy Bros.

Mrs. W. J. Wilkins left Wednesday morning for Houston in response to a message announcing the serious illness of her little granddaughter, baby of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Dickey.

If you expect to do any painting see T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co. We have a guaranteed paint at \$2.25 per gallon.

In our market you will find the best of meats.
Keeland Bros.

Fix your well for all time with cement curb. We have a large stock on hand.
T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

TAKEN UP
At W. T. Pridgen's farm, 4 unmarked red shoates. Owner may have same by paying for this ad. Jim Robertson, Route 3. 1t pd.

Real life and real love, showing the joys and tragedy of both, as depicted in "Merry Go Round" will hold your interest until the end. At Star Theatre next Monday and Tuesday nights.

The carriage that formerly carried the Austrian Emperor is used in filming "Merry Go Round" which will be shown to Grapeland lovers of moving pictures next Monday and Tuesday nights.

Did you know that you could buy a guaranteed paint for \$2.25 per gallon at T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co's.?

COTTON SEED WANTED
If you have any cotton seed for sale we will buy them.
Henry Dailey & Co.

Dr. G. Ward Shelfer, optometrist, of Dallas, who has been coming to Grapeland for years will be at J. H. Ryan's drug store Friday, April 4th, and at W. P. Bishop's drug store, at Crockett, Saturday, April 5th. Eyes examined, glasses fitted.

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BRIDGE CLUB BANQUET

The Thursday Bridge Club complimented their friends and members with a St. Patrick's banquet served at the Murdock Cafe Tuesday evening from 8 to 10 o'clock. The guests, upon arrival, were ushered into the spacious new Cafe, made all the more attractive by a profusion of reasonable decorations. The

national color of the Emerald Isle predominating. After a short period of jovial conversation, the guests found their places, designated by place cards of clover leaf design, at the long table, where Miss Adabel Leaverton, in her usual charming manner, presided as toast mistress. A bountiful three-course dinner was served ending with a refreshment

course consisting of green and white brick ice cream and angel food cake with emerald icing. The table was most pleasing to behold, adorned in the center with a huge Blarney stone and decorated with pear blossoms and other spring time flowers, candy snakes and specially chosen favors and decorations. The latter included green paper hats and clover leaves for the girls,

and paper horns, Missouri mer-sham pipes and shillalabs for the men, the latter being served with the refreshment course. During the progress of the dinner, Miss Leaverton gave a most sincere and hearty welcome which was responded to by Rev. Mr. Hyde with a "Bachelor's Soliloquy." Others responded with short, witty talks, and Mrs. Leon Anderson, in a jovial way, presented the members of the club and their escorts who were of Irish descent (and some who were not). A majority of the guests responded with toasts. It seemed that only a short time had elapsed when the girls arose and sang "Good night, Boys, we're going to leave you now," and the boys, realizing that one of the most pleasant social events of the year was drawing to a close, reluctantly arose and the scene of the happy occasion was soon vacated, but will be remembered for some time to come.

Brighten Up Your Home



Now is the time of year to "touch up" your furniture by using Sherwin-Williams brighten up paints and varnishes. We have a paint or varnish for every purpose. Tell us what you want to paint or varnish, we'll tell you what to use.

Sherwin-Williams products covers more surface and lasts longer, hence is cheaper.

A Graduate in Pharmacy Here

SMITH'S DRUG STORE
Everything a Good Drug Store Should Have

NOTICE

Red and black spotted barrow hog, weight about 90 pounds; both ears cut off, taken up at my place. Owner may have same by paying for this ad and feed.
It. pd. Jim Musick.

Mrs. Rube Yelvington, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Haynes, in the Hays Spring community, left Tuesday for her home in St. Louis, Mo.

PURE BUFF LEGHORN

Eggs, 50c setting at home; by mail \$1.50. I get average of 45 dozen eggs a week from 140 hens.
2t. pd. Chuck Skidmore.

FOR TRADE

5-room house and 4 acres, in city limits, GrapeLand. Good Ford car first payment, balance easy terms. Might trade for acreage. Box 308, Crockett, Texas.

A quart of milk contains the same "energy" value as eight eggs, or 2 pounds of potatoes, or three-fourths of a pound of cheese. You get all this energy and food value in the pure Jersey milk used in the milk shakes and milk chocolates served at Ryan's fountain.

COMING TO PALESTINE

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SPECIALIST
in Internal Medicine for the past twelve years
DOES NOT OPERATE
Will be at
O'NEIL HOTEL
MONDAY, MARCH 31
Office Hours: 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
ONE DAY ONLY

No Charge for Consultation
Dr. Mellenthin is a regular graduate in medicine and surgery and is licensed by the state of Texas. He does not operate for chronic appendicitis, gall stones, ulcers of stomach, tonsils or adenoids.

He has to his credit wonderful results in diseases of the stomach, liver, bowels, blood, skin, nerves, heart, kidney, bladder, bed wetting, catarrh, weak lungs, rheumatism, sciatica, leg ulcers and rectal ailments.

Below are the names of a few of his many satisfied patients in Texas.

John W. Hairton, Route 4, Cameron, Texas. stomach trouble.

Mrs. E. E. Howell, Big Springs, Tex., high blood pressure.

Mollie Counts, Point Blank, Texas, heart trouble.

Mrs. T. P. Gunnels, Gause, Texas, gall stones.

T. E. Acker, Maydelle, Texas, adenoids. (daughter.)

Mrs. M. L. Long, Pilot Point, Texas, gall stones.

Remember above date, that consultation on this trip will be free and that his treatment is different.

Married women must be accompanied by their husbands.
Address: 211 Bradbury Bldg., Los Angeles, California.

STOP THAT ITCHING

Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet.
For sale by
Wade L. Smith

"COLD IN THE HEAD"

is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Those subject to frequent "colds" are generally in a "run down" condition. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a Treatment consisting of an Ointment, to be used locally, and a Tonic, which acts quickly through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, building up the System, and making you less liable to "colds." Sold by druggists for over 40 years.
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

ANOTHER BIG SHIPMENT OF Virginia Hart Wash Dresses

ALL NEW STYLES

Cheaper in price than ever and more economical than making them \$1.25 to \$2.25

We are daily receiving new goods. Our piece goods department is completely stocked.

New printed crepes and voiles, solid color crepe de chine, all kinds and colors of suiting including Indian Head.

We also have a complete line of laces, embroideries and novelty trimmings.

Come in and ask for what you want. We have it.
Gingham—any required shade of solid or fancy colors at 18c to 30c



Look Over These Prices On Work Clothes

- Chocolate Retan outing Bal, per pair \$2.50
- Smoked Glove outing Bal, per pair \$2.50
- Chocolate Glove outing Blucher plain toe per pair \$2.75
- Smoked Glove chocolate trim outing Bal per pair \$2.75
- Khaki Pants \$1.75
- Year Wear Pants \$2.00
- Bearcat special overalls, pair \$1.50
- Dixie King overalls, none better for \$1.75
- 10 oz. brown duck pants, pair \$2.50
- Big Yank, Derrick and Carleton work shirts for \$1.00

SPRING APPAREL FOR MEN

Men! our stock of spring apparel is complete in every respect. We have the largest and most varied line of shirts in GrapeLand in all solid colors and in a wide variety of stripes. We have in our spring stock for men a complete line of the following:

- SHIRTS, HATS, SHOES, HOSE, UNDERWEAR, SUITS, PANTS, TIES, ETC. IN FACT, EVERYTHING THAT SPRING CALLS FOR.

WHY?

Why suffer with that dread disease
When I can quickly give you ease?
Not only ease, but make you well
And send you on good news to tell.
See me at John R. Taylor's, 5 miles north of GrapeLand.
2t. G. W. North, Osteopath.

Henry Dailey & Co.

Where the Price is absolutely right

Come to Look and You Will Remain and Buy!

This Department is stocked with a complete line of Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes. Nothing too good for Young America. Buy them. Buster Brown Shoes for Boys and Girls. Men's work and dress shoes and Ladies' Spring Footwear

WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' SHOES

- Here is the "DEBUT SANDAL"—the most popular style to date for 1924:
A-160 Women's patent Debut Sandal, plain toe, 1-inch rubber heel, welt Hasmer last \$5.50
- T-228 Women's Ideal nut brown calf, Pick-a-boo Oxford, half double sole, rubber heel, McKay, Betsy Ross last \$4.95
- Stitch downs in strap and sandals, patterns over good looking, right fitting lasts at very popular prices.
- L-167 Girls' patent ventilated sandals, grey Elk quarter, rubber heel, Nancy last \$3.45
- Same in Mahogany at \$3.45
- L-115 Girls' Log Cabin Suede, short lace oxford, rubber heel, Moccasin sole, Wenonah last, at \$4.45
- D-174 Women's Biege Suede, Spanish heel, Lucy last, at \$7.50
- D-173 Women's Jack Rabbit Grey Suede, Spanish heel, turn Lucy last, at \$7.50
- A-111 Women's Black Suede, imitation tip rubber heel, Pogo last, at \$6.95
- It is good taste to wear sport shoes throughout the year.

- F-377 Girls' Pocahontas Moccasin, Elk trimmed, rubber heel, Buster Brown. \$3.50
- T-250 Girls' patent ankle strap \$2.95
- T-281 Girls patent imitation tip, fancy Inlay red at \$2.75
- T-255 Fancy Foxed patent st \$2.95

INFANTS SHOES

- N-101 Child's kid, three button, plain toe, no heel, turn Fairy last, colors black and white, at \$1.35
- 3283 Infants white sheep, button, soft sole, at 65c

MEN'S AND BOYS' SHOES

- Outing Bals are merely another name for inexpensive work shoes.
- 067 Men's smoked Elk, clinched nailed and sewed, Army last, at \$2.95
- 068 Men's oak sole, Munson Army last \$6.00
- 052 Men's chocolate outing bal, army last, at \$2.25
- C-241 Men's U. S. Army unlined, soft cap, Munson Army last at \$4.50
- M-239 Boys' U. S. Army, tan blucher, soft cap, sizes up to 6, at \$3.95

- Boys' tennis bals at \$1.50
- E-242 Boys' Buster Brown Mahogany, Goodyear welt, Buster last, at \$4.50
- Some men want straight lasts—
- E-32 Men's Mahogany, lace, single sole, rubber heel, Piedmont last, at \$6.00
- E-19 Men's brown kid lace, single sole, rubber heel Piedmont last, at \$6.00
- B-241 Men's black kid, Army foot, rubber heel, combination last, A instep, C ball \$6.95
- M-250 Men's elozed felt blucher \$3.95
- M-204 Men's black box calf dress shoe \$2.95
- Men's Tennis shoes at \$1.50
- High school students and college men never unconsciously assume the role of style dictators of men's shoes. What they select is by sellers.
- B-188 Tan calf lace oxford, square vamp, fancy stitched, wingfoot heel, Brewster's combination last, at \$7.00
- B-189 Gun metal calf oxford, fancy stitched single sole, wingfoot heel, at \$7.00
- E-93 Men's Mahogany oxford, extra good value at \$4.50

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YOUR SHOE FRIENDS - - GRAPELAND, TEXAS

KEEPS THE PRICE DOWN

SHOE DEPARTMENT
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Financial Statement of Houston County

The Annual Financial Statement of Houston county from March 1, 1923 to March 1, 1924 herein follows. A comparison of this statement with the former one issued on March 1, 1923 will show the marked progress of the finances of the county:

FUNDS	Cash Available	Bonds and Warrants Outstanding	Cash Reserved to Pay Bonds, Warrants and Interest Outstanding	NET LIABILITIES
County General	\$ 5,730.24	\$ 4,695.61	\$ 4,695.61	
Jury	4,883.05			
Court House and Jail	4,052.00			
Jail Building		5,000.00	546.20 Warrants,	\$ 4,453.80
Road District No. 1 B, Current	195.06	36.65	36.65	
Road District No. 1 B, Sinking		15,000.00	1,375.17 Bonds,	14,000.00
Road District No. 3 A, Current	2,839.58			
Road District No. 3 A, Sinking		96,000.00	11,679.80 Bonds,	90,000.00
Road District No. 3 A, Highway			Overdraft,	75.75
Road District No. 4 E, Sinking		41,000.00	7,348.09 Bonds,	39,000.00
Road District No. 6 D, Current	23.39			
Road District No. 6 D, Sinking		16,000.00	723.98 Bonds,	16,000.00
Road District No. 7 F, Sinking		41,000.00	5,254.32 Bonds,	39,000.00
Road District No. 8 G, Current		4,528.98	748.55 Warrants,	3,780.43
Road District No. 8 G, Sinking		42,000.00	4,181.34 Bonds,	40,000.00
Road District No. 9 H, Current	5,150.44			
Road District No. 9 H, Sinking		85,000.00	1,790.36 Bonds,	85,000.00
Road District No. 10 I, Current	165.14			
Road District No. 10 I, Sinking		58,000.00	5,708.42 Bonds,	56,000.00
Road Dist. No. 12 J, Current, 15c Tax	776.44			
Road District No. 12 J, Sinking		16,500.00	1,197.70 Bonds,	16,500.00
Road Dist. No. 44 K, Current, 15c Tax	598.05			
Road District No. 15 M, Current		3,211.90	Warrants,	3,211.90
Road District No. 15 M, 15c Tax	252.20			
Road District No. 15 M, Sinking		67,000.00	5,719.61 Bonds,	65,000.00
Road District No. 16 C, Current	240.08			
Road District No. 16 C, Sinking		38,000.00	4,676.79 Bonds,	36,000.00
Road District No. 16 C, 15c Tax	1,234.96			
Road District No. 16 C, Highway	69.42			
Road and Bridge No. 1		2,856.76	640.74 Warrants,	2,216.02
Road and Bridge No. 2		529.05	299.87 Warrants,	229.18
Road and Bridge No. 3		2,841.31	1,718.49 Warrants,	1,122.82
Road and Bridge No. 4		5,789.19	1,020.45 Warrants,	4,768.74
Road and Bridge No. 1, Road Hands	100.08			
Road and Bridge No. 2, Road Hands	134.36			
Road and Bridge No. 3, Road Hands	66.89			
Road and Bridge No. 4, Road Hands	63.52			
Road and Bridge, Current		1,266.38	1,200.82 Warrants,	65.56
Road Construction Warrants		96,000.00	5,053.06 Warrants,	94,000.00
General Highway Fund	4,582.82			
Highway, West San Antonio	305.86			
Highway, East San Antonio	107.36			
Highway, Kennard		180.79	161.13 Warrants,	19.66
Highway, Ratcliff	66.13			
Highway, Orphan District, Lovelady	44.64			
Plat Book, Sinking		9,000.00	1,842.49 Warrants,	7,500.00
Public Improvement	2,805.27			
Levee District No. 1, Current	4,636.09			
Levee District No. 1, Sinking		210,000.00	16,923.61 Bonds,	206,000.00
County Treasurer, Com. Account	1,666.68			
Cattle Dip Account	41.96			
Houston County Paving Fund, Sinking		8,000.00	1,334.99 Warrants,	7,000.00
Commissioners' Precinct 1, Highway				
Commissioners' Precinct 2, Highway				
Commissioners' Precinct 3, Highway				
Commissioners' Precinct 4, Highway				
Trinity River Bridge, Sinking	643.03		Overdraft,	32.70
			Overdraft,	70.23
Cash on Hand	\$ 41,474.74			\$831,046.79

RECAPITULATION

County Bonds	\$496,500.00
Levee Bonds	206,000.00
Warrants, Road Contract, Smith Bros.	94,000.00
Warrants, Plat Book	7,500.00
Warrants, Jail Building	4,453.80
Warrants, Paving Square	7,000.00
Warrants, Precincts, 8 and 15 Dist. etc.	15,592.99
Total	\$831,046.79

Has Experience Any Value?

Fresno county is one of the largest, richest and most prosperous counties in California, a state famed for its paved highways.

That county has spent millions of dollars on paving permanent highways and has mapped out a program to spend millions more.

Without going into detail of arguments pro and con, it will be sufficient to note following principal features of this county's policy with respect to highway construction:

1. That all hydraulic concrete roads should be surfaced with asphaltic wearing surface.

2. That the major portions of the highway should be constructed entirely of asphaltic

type.

3. That on roads of lesser importance, and on roads where the soil conditions were unfavorable for immediate standard highway construction, oil-treated gravel should be employed, for surfacing for several years, and until such time as a proper foundation was formed, upon which a standard asphalt surface could be placed.

4. That the mountain roads not to be paved should be improved by double tracking, daylighting curves, reducing grades, and improving drainage conditions.

5. That, where reasonable bids are submitted, all work should be done by the contract system, under proper inspection and supervision in preference to day-labor methods.

6. But regardless of overloaded trucks, that concrete bases should in all cases have bituminous tops applied as soon as it may be done. The original idea of the commission that bare concrete is not a fit material to receive the impact of heavily loaded vehicles still appears to be sound.

ABSTRACTS

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

Only complete up-to-date Abstract Land Titles of Houston County.

J. W. YOUNG
Crockett, Texas

SOME SMILES

Professor Biologer—"Where do bugs go in winter?"
Absent-Minded Student—Search me.

Brownson—"It's really marvelous the wonderful force Niagara has. Do you know, when we first saw it, for a full minute my wife couldn't speak!"

Suffragist—"We believe that a woman should get a man's wages"
Married Man—"Well, judging from my own experience, she does."

"Mamma," complained little Elsie, "I don't feel very well."
"That's too bad, dear," said mother sympathetically. "Where do you feel worst?"
"In school, mamma."

Salesman—"Here is a very nice automatic pistol, lady. It shoots eight times."

Fair Customer—"Say, what do you think I am, a polygamist?"
—"American Legion Weekly."

"You say that public official had nothing to say?" said the editor.

"Yes," answered the self-confident reporter, "but he talked three-quarters of an hour before I discovered it."—Washington Star.

Mose—"Say, Ephriam, is you in favor ob dis heah Mellon tax dey's all talkin' about so much?"
Ephriam, hitting Mose square

in the jaw and knocking several teeth out—Melon tax? Take dat, niggah! Maybe nex' time you'll think twice befoah you p'oposes such a calamity to me.

"Are the many automobiles in your town a factor towards prosperity?"

"Bet your life they are!" cried the enthusiastic contractor. "They've enabled me to put two big additions on the hospital."—Legion Weekly.

"When I was in India," said the club bore, "I saw a tiger come down to the water where some women were washing clothes. It was a very fierce tiger, but

one woman, with great presence of mind, splashed some water on his face—and it slunk away."
"Gentlemen," said a man in an armchair, "I can vouch for the truth of this story. Some months after the incident occurred, I was coming down to the water. I met this tiger, and, as is my habit, stroked its whiskers. Gentlemen, those whiskers were wet."—London Tit-Bits.

"Where is the island of Cocos situated?" asked the teacher a foreign-looking boy.

"I dunno, mam."
"Don't know where your ar comes from?"

"Yes, mam; we borrow it from next door."—Judge.

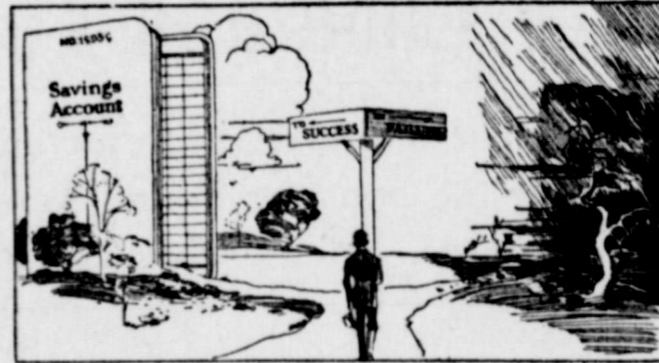
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The Poor Old Apple Core

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POULTRY DEP'T.

J. R. Owens Poultry Editor



POULTRY ASSOCIATION MEETING SATURDAY

All members, and those who desire to become members of the Grapeland Poultry Association, are requested to attend a called meeting to be held at the Grapeland High School Auditorium Saturday of this week at 2:00 p. m. Some preparations needs to be made for the holding of the two day Poultry Instruction Course which is to be held in Grapeland Friday and Saturday, March 28th and 29th. Prof. Reid, Head of the Poultry Department of A. & M. College will spend both days here. We are indeed fortunate to secure such an imminent authority and instructor as Prof. Reid and everyone interested in better poultry, whether in a small way or on an extensive scale, should be glad of this opportunity to learn more of the scientific methods of caring for and feeding for better production. Come to this meeting Saturday and let's get ready for the Poultry School.

Don't fail to see "Merry Go Round" at the Star Theatre next Monday and Tuesday nights, March 24th and 25th.

We have no more right to consume happiness without producing it, than to consume wealth without producing it.—George Bernard Shaw.

EGGS FROM PULLETS POOR FOR HATCHING

Pullets never should be used as breeders unless they are early hatched and handled under the most favorable conditions, says Noel Hall, extension specialist of the Missouri state poultry experiment station, at Mountain Grove, Mo.

The following are the essential points in producing hatching eggs from pullets:

First, the pullets should be early hatched. It is necessary for the fowls to be mature for the best results.

Second, they must have been raised properly—they must be well developed. Eight-months-old pullets that have been fed and housed properly are better than twelve-months pullets handled under favorable conditions.

Third, the pullet should be brought into lay early in the fall and winter and allowed a rest before breeding season. This allows them to be in good physical condition for the production of hatching eggs.

Fourth, a good ration should be fed throughout the winter, but the pullets should not be forced for production. The breeding ration should contain about three-fourths as much protein as the laying ration.

Fifth, the pullets used as breeders should be supplied an abundance of green food. It will pay to use Alfalfa meal or sprouted oats when other green feed is not available.

We are prone to attempt two businesses in one. Commercial egg production and good hatching eggs seldom come from the same flock at the same time. Best results are secured from the flock handled especially for one or the other.

Pullets to be used in the breeding pens next Spring should be culled carefully and placed in separate quarters. Then they should be fed on a breeding ration and not forced for production.

Breeding from pullets is to be discouraged. It is generally conceded that the best results are obtained from hens that have

completed one laying year. However, with special care, good results can be secured from well-developed, vigorous pullets if they are not forced for production.

Sixty Per Cent Hatch Is Considered About Right

If you buy eggs for hatching, don't look for 90 or 100 per cent hatches. Breeders are, as a class, conscientious, and will sell what they believe to be fertile eggs, from good stock. But even from the healthiest of fowls and of the highest quality, there will be chicks off-colored and defective in some points. A 60 per cent hatch is good, and if half of these prove good birds in color and shape it will be a good hatch.

Eggs for Hatching Need Most Careful Attention

Under average conditions it is not desirable to keep eggs that are to be used for hatching longer than ten days. Satisfactory hatches may be obtained after keeping them over three weeks if they are carefully turned and kept at a temperature of about 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Experiments show that the longer the eggs are kept the lower will be the percentage of chicks.

The eggs should be turned once a day. Eggs shipped from a distance should be carefully unpacked and left in a quiet place 24 hours before being placed under hens.—E. J. Peterson, North Dakota Agricultural College.

Hens With Cold Feet Do Not Produce Many Eggs

With eggs bringing exceptional prices the object of the poultryman is to get his hens to lay the largest possible number of eggs at a minimum of expense, and one way to gain this end is to keep the feet of the hens warm, says A. C. Smith, head of the poultry division at University Farm at St. Paul. "Hens with cold feet do not lay," adds Mr. Smith. "Frozen ground, snow and mud make cold feet. A dry floor in the hen house with from four to eight inches of straw in which the hens may constantly scratch will not only keep the hen's feet warm but will help insure good health, which is absolutely essential to egg production."

Farmers Help Themselves

It is found that more than two billion dollars' worth of business was done last year by organizations of American farmers.

It has long been said that the agriculturist is primarily a business man, but it is only of late that he has compelled recognition in this capacity by adopting the most-up-to-date methods of business men in other lines.

Collectively he is the greatest of capitalists, also the greatest of producers. His weak point has been distribution. When he learns to distribute his products as manufacturers do, he will have his business built upon a rock. Through co-operation and the employment of skilled executives to handle his goods, he may do for himself more than the government can ever do for him.—St. Joseph Gazette.

MOTHERS

Watch for symptoms of worms in your children. These parasites are the great destroyers of child life. If you have reason to think your child has worms, act quickly. Give the little one a dose or two of White's Cream Vermifuge. Worms cannot exist where this time-tried and successful remedy is used. It drives out the worms and restores the rosy hue of health to baby cheeks. Price 35c. Sold by

WADE L. SMITH

Crowding of Chicks Bad Condition in Brooding

One of the most disastrous conditions, according to officials of the United States Department of Agriculture, that can occur in the brooding of chicks is to allow them to crowd together. Crowding is caused either through the chicks becoming overheated or chilled, usually the latter. Crowding may not only cause loss through death of many chicks, but many others may suffer to such an extent as never to regain normal health. Crowding is an indication of improper methods of brooding, and the normal development of the chicks is interrupted.

In order to prevent chicks from crowding employ the following suggestions given by the department:

Be sure to have good ventilation in the brooder, but avoid drafts. If there is danger from overheating, bank the fires in coal brooder stoves or burn a lower flame in the oil burning brooder. Open the windows slightly, but be sure to avoid a draft over the chicks or they will catch cold. On the other hand, if the chicks are chilled they are bound to crowd. When they are first put in the brooders the temperature should be about 98 degrees F., and it should be maintained fairly constantly for a week or so, depending upon weather conditions. As the chicks get older the temperature should be lowered gradually; the cooler the weather the less the temperature is lowered. If the chicks start to crowd, it is fairly certain that they are too cool and more heat should be supplied. Watch the brooder room carefully and try to keep the chicks comfortable.

THE LATEST FAD

He listens on his radio
With fond, enraptured ear
To lectures that he would not go
Across the street to hear.
—Boston Advertiser.

The United States is bounded on the north by peace and cold waves, on the east by Wall street, on the south by revolution and hot tamales, and on the west by real estate men.—Toledo Blade.

TOO MUCH BUNK

"I got an idea," says Farmer Brown,
"There's too much buncombe floating around,
You can't go here and you can't go there,
And you can't go travelin' anywhere,
But what some feller is on your trail,
With a sure investment that cannot fail,
He tells you how you can get rich quick,
And his method, it sounds pretty doggone slick,
He tells you how to make dollars grow
Until you will be jes' rollin' in dough,
He'll sell you mine stock for a song
That's going to be double fore very long,
And he puts up such a winning speil
You feel yourself ownin' an automobile,
A place in the country and one in town,
And a private yacht—for a dollar down,
But hang onto your dough for a rainy day,
And make your money in the good old way,
Save up your dollars as wise folks do,
And the poorhouse never will yawn for you."
—Creede, Colorado, Candle.

HABIT

Webster defines habit as an aptitude or inclination for some action acquired by frequent repetition, or in decreased power of resistance.

Since habit is such a strong force in our lives, every one should form the right habits and then not break them. When a habit is formed, it is difficult to change from that habit due to the decreased power of resistance.

Our idea of a rich man is one who can buy necessities for his car and accessories for his wife.—Snap Shots.

JOHN SPENCE
Lawyer
CROCKETT, TEXAS
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Signs You Can Believe In
If your breath is bad and you have spells of swimming in the head, poor appetite, constipation and a general no-account feeling, it is a sign your liver is torpid. The one really dependable remedy for all disorders in the liver, stomach and bowels is Herbine. It acts powerfully on the liver, strengthens digestion, purifies the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy, vim and cheerfulness. Price 60c. Sold by
Wade L. Smith

Clean=Up!

We are soon to begin the campaign to clean up our little city and make its outward appearance beautiful, which is very much needed, and should be entered into heartily by every citizen. Simultaneous with this is to be begun at the Methodist Church a campaign the purpose of which is to cleanse and beautify the inner man, which is more important, according to Holy Writ, than the cleansing of the outer man. But is it not worth while to carry these along together? Let's make it complete by going the whole way.

OUR REVIVAL BEGINS SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1924

- B. C. ANDERSON,
Pastor.
- A. H. LUKER,
Pres. Board of Stewards.
- M. E. DARSEY,
Supt. Sunday School.
- MRS. LEON ANDERSON,
Pres. Missionary Society.



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Next door to our filling station we operate a first-class garage with Mr. Carl Bridges in charge. He is an expert mechanic and will do you a first class job. Bring your car troubles to him.

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Naturally a wife's first thought when shopping for foods is what will my husband like best for breakfast, dinner or supper?—and you can come to this store knowing that you will be able to select from the choicest viands the market affords. Yet our prices are very reasonable.

- Prattlow No. 3 Bartlett Pears, per can 35c
- Prattlow No. 3 Apricots, per can 35c
- Prattlow No. 3 Yellow Cling Peaches, per can 35c
- Empson's Columbine Colorado Sugar Peas, per can 25c
- Empson's cut Wax Beans, per can 20c
- Empson's No. 3 Sauer Kraut at 20c, 2 cans for 35c
- Van Camp's Pork and Beans, per can 15c
- Scott Co's. Lye Hominy, per can 15c
- Swift's Ham, per pound 24c
- 45 lb can Swift's Jewel Compound for \$6.75
- 10 lbs granulated cane sugar for \$1.00
- TEXAS QUEEN FLOUR (none better) per sack \$1.80

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She loved because she thought he was one of her own class, but she lived to rue it when she found out he was in reality one of the hated aristocracy.

She found love—love that she had dreamed of in the arms that belonged to another, then love turned to hate.

Underneath gaiety of gay Venice there often lurks many heartaches. A specimen of the cruelty practiced by concessionists is shown in this powerful picture of love and life.

A FORTUNE WAS SPENT TO MAKE THIS PICTURE
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A Great Story, Filmed in a Great Way
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Star Theatre

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One wins a woman by saying she is beautiful; one wins a man by asking his advice.—Selected.

After an absence of two months attending Post Graduate school **DR. A. ARTHUR SPEEGLE** Surgeon Rooms 3-4-5, Kane Drug Co. Building Palestine, Texas Will reopen his office and Sanitarium March 10

Little Marie was seated at the breakfast table one morning, when, as usual, eggs were served. Either Marie was not hungry or she was tired of eggs, for she very earnestly said:

"I wish to goodness that hens would lay something besides eggs."—Farm Journal.

The old time Cupid is now a back number; the modern one shoots only with Pierce-Arrows. Louisville Times.

Four cars of genuine Virginia-Carolina fertilizer due to arrive at Darsey's this week.

Rev. Arthur Hyde was in Palestine a few days last week attending a meeting of the Christian Endeavor workers.

The old reliable Meridan fertilizer at Kennedy Bros. None better anywhere. Make more cotton on fewer acres, less work.

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CARS FOR SALE

Fords and other cars for sale at a bargain on fall time. Life insurance written in good companies, fall given on first premium. C. C. Officer.

Buck Thomas left Wednesday with his little 5-year old girl for Austin to have her take the Pastuer treatment for rabies. She was bitten by a dog a few days ago. The dog was not killed, but as maddogs have been reported throughout this section for months, Mr. Thomas did not want to take a chance.

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UNION CHAPEL NEWS

Union Chapel, Mar. 17.—The cold weather and rains have caused everything to be late; no corn planted yet and very few garden plants up.

Miss Opal Marshall of near Grapeland spent last week here with Misses Nannie and Flora Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Smith and son and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Garrett were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Cutler Sunday.

G. W. Weisinger and daughter, Miss Irene, attended the County Meet Saturday. They were accompanied by Misses Ella Cutler and Opal Marshall of near Grapeland, who were guests of Miss Irene Saturday night.

Mrs. William Marshall and children spent Saturday night with Mrs. G. W. Weisinger. Mr. and Mrs. George Mosely

and children of Shilo visited latter's sister, Mrs. Paul Weisinger, Sunday.

Rapid heart throbbing is not necessarily mean heart disease; generally it is caused by a disordered stomach. Prepare for yourself by taking Prickly Ash Bitters; if the stomach at fault the heart symptoms quickly disappear. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

Why wait until your neighbors are through putting fertilizer? Buy you a distributor and put out yours when get ready. Go to George Darsey & Co's. and buy your distributor.

Mrs. Swanson Yarbrough, son, and Mrs. Ida Totty daughter, Miss Eola, of Palestine were visitors with relatives in Grapeland Sunday afternoon.

Irregular bowel movements should be corrected, as they lead to chronic constipation. Take a dose of Prickly Ash Bitters at bed time and you will get its beneficial effects after breakfast next morning. It empties the stomach and bowels and makes a man feel fit for the day's work. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

If it is jewelry we have it at Ryan's.

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ANNOUNCEMENT
I take pleasure in announcing to my friends and general public that Dr. G. Ward Shaffer, optometrist, of Dallas, now with Brown & Montgomery, Inc., will be with me again Friday, April 4th. Phone for appointment and call early as possible, as he will be here one day only this trip. Eyes examined, and glasses fitted. J. H. Ryan, Druggist.

Now is the time to get your fertilizer. Four cars due to arrive this week at Darsey's.

Mrs. Mollie Barrett of Huntsville is here on a visit to Mrs. C. B. Keeland.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the Grapeland Independent School District at the courthouse in the town of Grapeland on the first Saturday in April, same being the 5th day of said month, for the purpose of electing three trustees for said district to serve two years to succeed Henry Dailey, C. W. Kennedy and W. E. Keeland, whose terms of office expire on said date.

E. W. Davis is hereby appointed manager of said election, which shall be held in conformity with the general election laws of this state.

Henry Dailey,
President School Board,
Grapeland Ind. School District.
Attest:
Wade L. Smith, Sec'y.

Home-made ribbon cane syrup at Darsey's.

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Political Announcements

These announcements subject to action of democratic primary in July.

For Commissioner Prect. 1:
S. W. Duitch,
C. B. Lively

For Commissioner Prect. 2:
C. A. Story (Re-election.)

For County Treasurer:
Frank H. Butler

For Sheriff:
O. B. (Deb) Hale (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:
Will McLean (Re-election.)
Ben Brimberry

For District Clerk:
A. B. (Poor Albert) Smith
(Re-election)

For Tax Collector:
John L. Dean (Re-election.)

For County Superintendent:
Mrs Gertie Sallas (Re-election)



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