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Denton, Texas, July 6.—Will C. Edwards, publisher of the Denton Record-Chronicle and candidate for the democratic nomination for lieutenant governor, Saturday gave out the following statement for publication:

"I am seeking the nomination for lieutenant governor for the honor and for the opportunity of rendering some service to Texas. The only pledge or promise I make is to try to represent fairly and justly every citizen and section of Texas and to give the affairs of that office the very best that is in me to give. If I go to Austin as lieutenant governor it will be as 'my own man,' beholden only to the whole people, with no pledges nor promises outstanding that would embarrass or handicap me in the rendering of the very best service of which I am capable to the entire state.

"As a matter of course, I favor an economical, efficient administration of the state's affairs. I believe Texas needs a better distribution of its tax burdens rather than additional taxes, and that if every citizen were contributing his just part there would be available without any new taxes the means for taking care of the needs of state government on the basis of which its relative importance and wealth among the states entitle it.

"Believing that in education lies the solution of the bulk of our governmental and economic problems of the day, I am interested in every phase of education and shall work, as I have worked as citizen, editor and legislator, for the upbuilding of the educational system of the state from the bottom to the top. I have stood always for law enforcement against all law violators."

COUNTY SHORT COURSE

The annual county short course for club boys and girls will be held at Crockett, July 23rd and 24th, under the direction of the county farm and home demonstration agents. The district farm agent, Mr. Stanford, and district home demonstration agent, Miss Sallie Hill, will be here to help insure a profitable as well as enjoyable time. All who came last year remember what their presence here means in pep and enthusiasm.

Besides various forms of entertainment, several contests will be held, for which prizes will be given. The winners in the following contests will be sent to the state short course to be held at A. and M. college, July 28th to August 2nd: Stock and grain judging, a team of three boys; poultry judging, a team of two, either boys or girls; clothing contest, a team of two girls; and one woman as winner in the kitchen contest.

A contest in making button holes will be held for the first year club girls and a contest in making a hemmed patch will be held for second year girls. Remember the date, July 23rd and 24th, and make your plans to be here.

Big trade campaign closes July 26th.

Keeland Bros.

PRESIDENT'S SON IS WITH THE DEAD

Washington, July 7.—Calvin Coolidge Jr., son of the president, died tonight at Walter Reed Hospital of blood poisoning. The end came after the boy had battled with the utmost bravery and fortitude for five days against a disease which had racked his body with pain and sapped the reserve strength of his frail constitution.

President and Mrs. Coolidge, who had maintained constant vigil at the hospital, were at his bedside, hopeful and cheering and comforting their son to the last.

A sinking spell, the fourth he had suffered in twenty-four hours, brought death. Notwithstanding the use of oxygen and other restoratives, the courage which had withstood crisis after crisis and had beaten death off repeatedly, was unable to meet the final attack. The collapse began at 6:30 o'clock and he gradually sank into eternity. He died at 10:59 o'clock.

House Cleaning Service

Thursday Morning

The Baptist church is the place, Eleven o'clock the hour. We are asking the business men to close their places of business for one hour and come with us. If you miss this service you will regret it. There will be nothing to offend any one but will help all. Come on and be with us.

The meeting at the Baptist Church will continue through Friday night and possibly longer.

MASONIC NOTICE

Grapeland Lodge No. 473, A. F. & A. M. will hold their stated meeting Saturday night, July 12, at which time the new officers will be installed for the ensuing year. All members urged to attend. Visitors welcome.

C. M. McCarty, W. M.
F. M. Boone, Sec'y.

QUEER QUERIES

Have you seen a sheet for the river bed?
Or a single hair from a hammer's head?
Has the foot of a mountain any toes?
And is there a pair of garden hose?

Does a needle ever wink its eye?
Why doesn't the wing of an army fly?
Can you tickle the ribs of a parasol?
Or open the trunk of a tree at all?

Are the teeth of a rake inclined to bite?
Have the clock hands any left or right?
Is the garden plot quite deep and dark?
And what is the sound of a birch's bark?

Nor you, nor I, nor anyone
Can see a thing in this but fun!

UNION DOTS

Union, July 7.—Sam Duitch gave an entertainment Saturday night. All reported a nice time.

The Union baseball team defeated the Shady Grove team by the score of 6 to 2 in a well played game at Crockett last Friday July 4th. Denson pitched excellent ball for Union. Union won her sixth consecutive game the next day by defeating the Lone Pine team by a score of 11 to 6. The same teams will play again next Thursday, July 10th. This promises to be one of the hardest games of the season.

Miss Luna Stockbridge spent Saturday night with Mrs. Adelia Matteson.

Alfred Brown spent the week end with relatives in Pedro community.

Meeting begins at Midway the 16th of July. Everybody is invited.

Ben Brown and family spent Sunday with Joe Nelson and family.

Read all the ads.

UNION CHAPEL

Union Chapel, July 7.—Most everybody celebrated the 4th. Quite a lot went on the creek picnicing.

Ed Smith and family and Wilburn Smith and J. T. Skidmore and Lewis Garrett and wife attended the Smith reunion on the Neches river the 3rd and 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Martin and Miss Edna Lee and Maggie Lee spent last week end with relatives at Dalys.

Mr. and Mrs. Terrel Smith and baby of Oak Grove and Mr. Rose and Miss Fannie Mae visited Mrs. Gaylon Skidmore Sunday.

Mrs. Charley Spruill of near Grapeland spent several days last week with her son, Roscoe Cutler and family.

Mesdames Omega Marshall and Alice Pelham spent Sunday with Mrs. S. J. Martin.

Mrs. Edgar Pendergrass and children spent several days last week with her son, Claude Lakey and wife at Rock Hill.



M. W. SPLAWN

ROCK HILL LOCALS

There is quite a bit of sickness in our community at present; mostly colds, due we suppose from the unusually cool nights we are now having.

Mrs. Bessie Weisinger and Mrs. Cora Box are both on the sick list.

B. B. Crawford's team ran away Saturday morning, running the wagon over Mrs. Crawford and though bruised up considerably, there was no serious injury.

Rev. L. D. Funderburk filled his appointment at this place Saturday night, also Sunday night.

Rev. C. A. Campbell, one of our old pastors, was present Sunday and preached an impressive sermon on the "Awfulness of Sin." We were glad to have him with us again. His son, Harris, accompanied him.

R. F. Kolb and family left Sunday morning via auto for Rotan, where they expect to stay about three weeks. They will visit Elmo and Alvis Kolb and Luther Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Matthews were called to Dalys Thursday on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. W. W. Pridgen.

C. P. Kay and family spent Saturday night and Sunday at J. R. Taylor's at Center Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hamlett spent the Fourth here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor. All spent the day on the river fishing, but fish were not very plentiful.

Lloyd Crawford and sister, Miss Era, attended the picnic at Elkhart Friday.

Next Sunday is the time our revival begins. The pastor will be assisted by his son, Rev. Everett Funderburk of Rusk. We are trusting that we may have a great revival.

Vote for Clarence E. Gilmore of Van Zandt county for railroad commissioner. When elected to the railroad commission to serve a six-year term the democratic party recognized ability. To his well-balanced mind he has now added six years of remarkably fruitful experience. No problem, however great or small, has come before the railroad commission for consideration that Mr. Gilmore has not made a careful study of it. He works for the state just as he would in private business—with keen competition across the street. In other words, just because he has a stated salary and a private office down in the Capitol, he has never once been known to lie down on the job, or in the slang of today—pass the buck.

M. W. SPLAWN WILL HEAD UNIVERSITY

Austin, Texas, July 5.—Dr. Walter M. W. Splawn, member of the railroad commission, has accepted the appointment of president of the University of Texas, it was announced late Saturday afternoon by the board of regents. He was appointed last month, the appointment hinging upon the declination of Dr. Eugene Bolton of the University of California, who gave out the now famous "go-to-hell interview." Dr. Bolton Saturday wired the board that he would not accept the place. After the receipt of this wire Dr. Joe Wooten and H. A. Rowe, members of the board, called upon Dr. Splawn and notified him of his appointment. He will begin his new duties September 1. He formerly was an instructor in economics at the university.

Dr. Splawn's resignation from the railroad commission is expected to be filed August 1 or 15. After this is done it will be necessary for the governor to appoint a commissioner to serve for two years, since the date for filing for a place on the primary election ballot is long past.

Splawn was appointed to the commission when Earle B. Mayfield was elected United States senator. Mayfield was serving a six-year term. Under the law Splawn would have served until the next general election. Then it would have been necessary for some one to be elected to serve the remainder of the unexpired term, which will be two years. Dr. Splawn was a candidate for re-election, but had no opponent. This will leave the place vacant when he resigns. It is expected that a large number of applicants will seek the position.

ANTRIM NEWS

Antrim, July 7.—W. R. Durnell preached at Ephesus Sunday and was accompanied by his daughter, Eula, and Miss Ethel Kiser.

Josiah Caskey and family of Grapeland visited at the home of J. F. Martin Saturday night and Sunday; also Oren Caskey, Raymond Masters and Otha Brooks visited there Sunday.

Mrs. A. N. Edens is visiting her son at Goose Creek.

Mrs. Mary Wynne and children of El Paso are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Durnell, other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Arch McQueen and children visited at the home of Ernest Dixon Saturday.

William and Guinn Caskey are spending this week with Chester Martin.

A. W. Brinson and Emmett McElroy spent Sunday with J. F. Martin.

FOR SALE

One extra good Jersey cow cheap.

C. A. Campbell,
Salmon, Texas.

The revival is still in progress at the Baptist church and will doubtless continue through Sunday. The crowds are holding up fine and the interest is good. Rev. R. E. Day is delighting the people by his splendid preaching.

Focusing



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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, JULY 10, 1924

OVERPRODUCTION FARMERS' WORST ENEMY

There has been much talk about the toll taken by numerous middlemen, thus bringing about low prices to producers and high prices to consumers. It is true that middlemen have multiplied rapidly and that farm products are shuffled around too many times before the final destination is reached, all of which adds to the price to the consumer and reduces the price to the producer. Yet, if producers will look over the years of their experience, they will find that in years when production has just about enough to satisfy the demand, or perhaps just a little under, prices have responded and the short crop has brought them more money than the bumper crop.

The law of supply and demand is often crippled in its operation, but in the final analysis, it is found on the job. No matter how valuable an article may be in normal times, overproduction will cheapen it. "There can be too much of a good thing," using the slang of the day to express the thought. Too much gold lowers its buying power by increasing prices of things we buy. Too many diamonds would make them cheap and reduce the demand. One loaf of bread might be worth 25 cents to a hungry man, but after he had eaten it and his hunger was satisfied he would not pay 2 cents per loaf if a hundred were available at that price, provided he could not dispose of them at a profit. Cotton is the most valuable and the most useful fiber in the world, but we can have too much cotton at one time. If a 12,000,000-bale American crop is enough to meet the demand, a 13,000,000-bale crop would sell at a reduced price. It does not pay to increase acreage of any crop on the theory that the same commodity sold at a high price the previous season.—Farm & Ranch.

Every summer has its hot wave, but the cool ones last week were something unusual.

What difference does it make if the income tax has been cut? The outgo will be the same, if not a little more.

You can best test the standing of this community by counting the noses at church and at the carnival. We believe the church is drawing the best crowd.

Frank Weimar, editor of the Alto Herald, will have the deep sympathy of his many newspaper friends on account of the death of his father, Mr. James B. Weimar, who died at the family home in Tennessee July 2, 1924.

The 1925 convention of the Texas Press Association goes to East Texas and the city of Tyler. The Tyler country is the land of P's according to Henry Edwards of the Troup Banner; potatoes, pumpkins, pies, persimmons, peaches, pretty girls, pines, pater, punk and peanuts.—Billie Smith, in San Saba News.

Righto, Billie. East Texas has all of them. But we have another important item that should be classed with the P's: Politicians a plenty.

The oft quoted expression concerning the way of the transgressor is well fitting when the possibilities of transmitting thumb prints by telephone are considered. One of the strongest defences behind which criminals prey upon society is the easy change of identity.

When John Doe is wanted in the west for murder he emigrates to the east as John Smith. After a few robberies he goes south as Peter Jones. Identification of John Doe as John Smith or Peter Jones is hard. Locating him is harder.

Thumb prints do not change when the name is changed. Hereafter suspects can be identified by telephone thumb prints. The government will have quite a large number of registered thumb prints when the bonus blanks are in. The complete registration of every individual is just a step around the corner. When it occurs the identity of us all will be no secret. That is another blow at the transgressor.—E.

"NINETEEN YEARS AGO"

News Items Taken from File Copies of The Messenger Nineteen Years Ago

The Farmers Union held their big picnic at Tyer's Lake on July 7. Among the prominent local people taking part in the exercises were: J. F. Garrett, president of the District Union, Willie Campbell and D. W. Martin, county president. T. M. Walton of Jacksonville delivered the principal address.

Misses Jessie and Ethel Fitchett of Percilla went to Elkhart Saturday to visit their sister, Mrs. Sherman Lively.

W. B. Faris, Agent, advertised nice negligee shirts for 50c.

Arley McCelvey and R. L. Brooks were here from Ratcliff Friday.

Miss Linnie Garrett went to Palestine Monday to visit relatives.

Miss Dora Leaverton and little Miss Adabel returned Tuesday from Palestine, where they had been visiting Miss Eola Totty.

Mrs. Jas. Owens and children left Saturday for England, Ark., to spend some time visiting relatives.

Jim Stokes of Walker county was in Grapeland Saturday. Mr. Stokes was a citizen of Grapeland during the early days and conducted a business where George Whitley is now located.

Miss Nora Chaffin of Dallas is in the city visiting Misses Cora and Ida Woodard.

Rev. F. A. Downs of Jacksonville was conducting a revival at the Methodist church.

THE EXCEPTION AND THE RULE

A man who doesn't smoke or drink or gamble, who is true to his wife and always gives first consideration to his home, is looked upon as a paragon of virtue. But the woman who doesn't smoke or drink or gamble, who is true to her husband and concentrates her attention upon the welfare of the home—why, there are so many millions of such women in the country that you wouldn't think their achievements as anything worth noticing."—Savings Journal.

They now are manufacturing a paper for printing that will not burn. This will enable editors to express their real opinions on a lot of subjects that they didn't dare put on the old-fashioned or garden variety of news print.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 1924, published in the Grapeland Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 10th day of July, 1924.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$127,778.50
Loans, real estate	6,295.00
Overdrafts	1,711.92
Bonds and Stocks	7,734.40
Real Estate (banking house)	2,983.03
County Warrants	1,734.56
Furniture and Fixtures	1,500.00
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	42,527.56
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	3,060.67
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	3,748.18
Total	\$199,073.82

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus Fund	16,500.00
Undivided profits, net	2,971.76
Individual Deposits, subject to check	122,324.47
Time Certificates of Deposit	34,377.59
Bonds Deposited	4,900.00
Other liabilities	3,000.00
Total	\$199,073.82

State of Texas, County of Houston.

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

GEO. E. DARSEY, President.
W. D. GRANBERRY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of July, A. D. 1924.

J. R. RICHARDS, Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.
CORRECT—ATTEST:
W. G. DARSEY,
M. E. DARSEY,
MRS. C. B. DAILEY, Directors.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

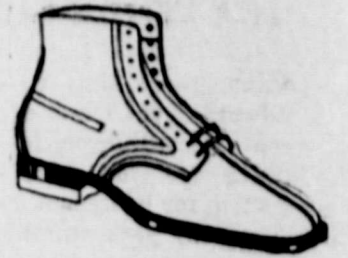
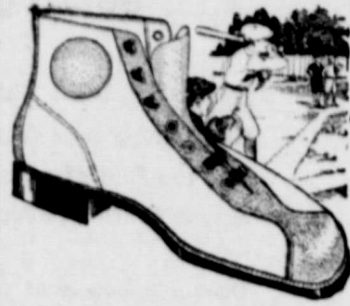
TAIN' NO SENSE ER DE STO-KEEPUM CHEATIN' ME OUTEN MAH MONEY. CASE HE KNOW GOOD EN WELL HE GWINE GIT IT ALL ENNY-HOW!



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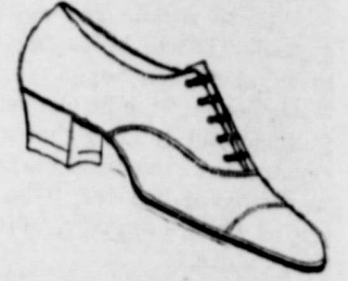
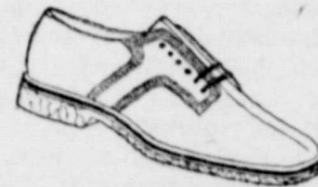
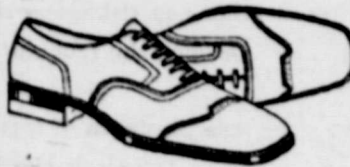


Brand new up-to-date line of men's, women's and children's shoes. No old stock; all bought brand new straight from the factory at

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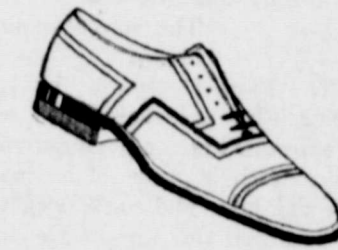
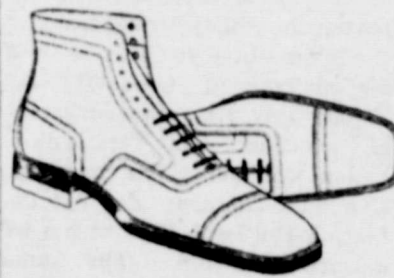
- \$2.50 men's work shoes — \$1.95
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- \$3.50 ladies shoes — \$2.95
- \$4.00 ladies shoes — \$3.45

Children's shoes up from 65c to \$3.50



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WE KEEP THE PRICE DOWN



CENTER GROVE NEWS

Center Grove, July 7—Mr. and Mrs. John Tyer and Barton Taylor and family from here, Pat Taylor and family and Jim Bean from Grapeland spent the 4th on the creek fishing. They report a good time and plenty of fish.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hail of Livelyville visited J. I. Steadman and family Saturday night and Sunday.

Nathan Baker and wife visited near Grapeland Sunday.

Mr. Bradley Ellisor and Miss Floy Day were quietly married Saturday night, July 5th. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Frank Lively near Grapeland and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ellisor of this community. We wish them a long and happy married life.

Alton Baker and family visited in New Prospect community Sunday.

A revival meeting will begin at this place Saturday, July 12. Rev. Starkey is expected to help in the meeting. Come and hear him preach.

Ed Tyer, Carl Steadman and Edgar Dickson are at work near Elkhart this week with the rail-fencing gang.

Mr. and Mrs. Baily Beeson of Elkhart visited Mrs. Sudie Salmon Saturday night.

Read all the ads.

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SOME SMILES

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She—I can't do two things at once.—Stone Mill.

Mother—My Angel, I wish you wouldn't paint!

Daughter—Did you ever see an angel who wasn't painted?—Purple Cow.

Anne—Does your husband remember the anniversary of your marriage?

Grace—Never; so I remind him of it in January and June and get two presents.

"Waiter, what is this on the bill?"

"Bungalow fluff, sir, at 40 cents a portion."

"But what is it?"

"Formerly cottage pudding, sir, at 15."—Judge.

Joe—Ophelia is a funny flap-

per.
Hank—How's that?
Joe—Well, last night when I stole a kiss from her and it landed on her chin, she said, "Heaven's above."

Boy—Say, mother; this book says that in the ocean the big fish eat up the little sardines. Is that true?

Mother—Yes, I believe it is true.

Boy—How do they open the cans?—Christiania Tyrihans.

"I needed a hired man pretty bad," said Farmer Fumblegate. "So I went to town yesterday to try to hire one, but couldn't get any."

"All busy?" asked Farmer Flint.

"Eh, yah!—playing checkers. So when I found I couldn't hire any of 'em I took a hand in the game myself."—Kansas City Star.

After the epidemic had been checked an old Negress protested vigorously when the health officers started to take down the sign they had put up on her house. "Why don't you want us to take it down?" one of the officers asked.

"Ere ain't be'n a bill collectah neah dis house sense dat sign was nailed up. You-all

please let it alone?"—People's Home Journal.

If you can't be happy at home, the chances are you'll never be happy anywhere else.

After daughter gets to be 16 her mother starts telling folks that she herself was married when very young.

The man who thinks all the joys are downtown should take his wife along with him on some of his pleasure seeking excursions.

Nothing surprises the woman who marries a man to reform him like the success of her efforts.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the county of Houston, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for a period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the estate of Otto Fritz, Deceased, Chas. Fritz has filed in the County Court of Houston County, an application for the Probate of the last Will and Testament of said Otto Fritz, Deceased, filed with said application, and for Letters Testamentary which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the second Monday in August A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of August A. D. 1924, at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this 18th day of June A. D. 1924.

W. D. Collins, Clerk, County Court, Houston County, Tex.

Don't leave somebody else to do your voting, for you and then kick at results. "Your" government will be just as good as you help make it, and no better.

IN THOSE "GOOD OLD DAYS"

Fifty years ago nobody ever got a wrong number. Nobody ever got an electric light bill. Nobody ever had a flat tire. Nobody cussed static. Nobody read titles out loud in a movie.

Nobody had heard of Hi Johnson, Bob La Follette, the farm bloc, the German crown Prince, Mah Jong or jazz.—Western Press.

One trouble about the Far East is that it isn't far enough.—Columbia Record.

Satisfied Customers

Keeps our Service Department busy every day. To satisfy every patron we have is not an easy thing to do always, but we have realized that it can be done, and we strive to increase the efficiency and speed of our service every day. The reason we feel that we are satisfying our patrons is because of their repeated calls. We want to give every car owner who trusts us with his work, 100 cents worth of service for every dollar we charge him. If this will not insure the stability of the foundation of our SERVICE DEPARTMENT, then we don't know what will.

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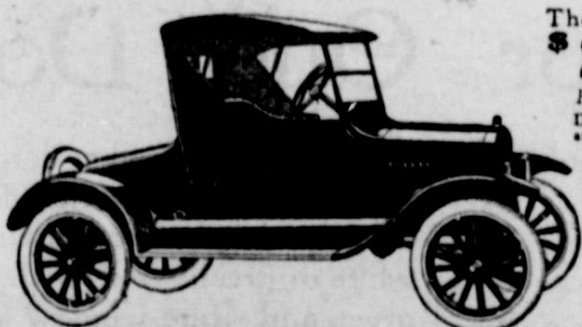
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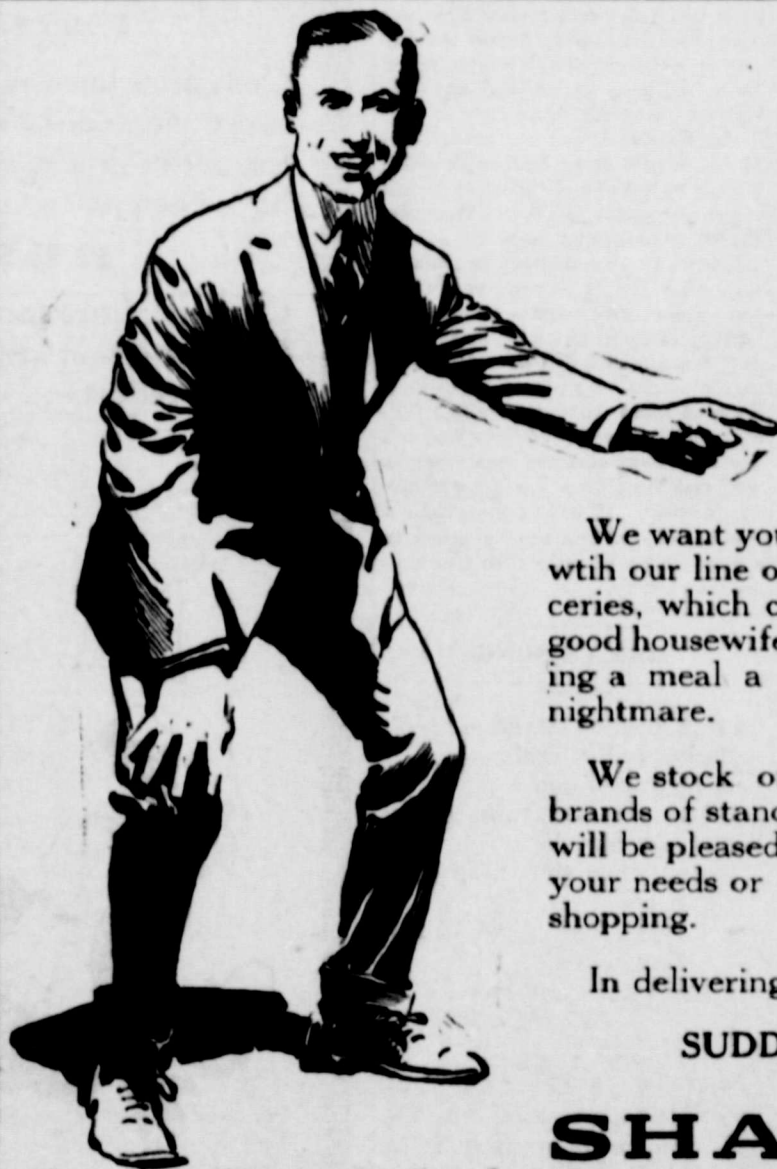
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We want you to become acquainted with our line of staple and fancy groceries, which comprises everything a good housewife needs to make preparing a meal a pleasure instead of a nightmare.

We stock only the best known brands of standard quality goods and will be pleased to have you phone us your needs or call here and do your shopping.

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GAS, OIL, ACCESSORIES

NORMAN'S GARAGE

J. C. Norman, Prop.

HISTORY OF METHODISM

(By Nuna Mae Anderson)

(Editor's Note—This is the sixth and last of a series of articles dealing with local history written by students of the Grapeland High School.)

The religious life of a community is one of the most important factors in it; one that every good citizen is more or less interested in. As we find it here in America this is largely identified with and being encouraged by certain evangelical denominations. And now it is my purpose to write on what part Methodism has played on this life in Grapeland. Methodism exercised a great influence on the religious life of the community even before it became an organized body. Methodist preachers have preached in and around Grapeland ever since there has been a Grapeland but it is my purpose to write of it as an organized church and in doing this we must necessarily give a history of its leaders, as it necessarily revolves itself around these.

Methodism began its organized life in Grapeland in the spring of 1888. Pope Pledger assisted by Bro. Boiton from Crockett did the organizing. The charter members were Bro. Durant, Mrs. Hanah Johnson, John Foster and wife B. F. Hill, Mrs. P. C. Yarbrough and probably others. It was organized in a little boxed school house, which stood where the present Baptist church now stands. All the different denominations held their Sunday school and church services in this little house. Two or three years later a new school house was built where Mr. Walter's cottage now stands and the Methodist with other denominations used it for their services. Bro. Pledger was pastor for two years and was followed by L. A. Burke, who remained for one year. It was called the Augusta circuit the year that Bro. Burke preached here. Bro. J. L. Whitescarver was sent to the work as a supply in December 1890, and remained for one year until December 1891. He was followed by J. R. Ritchie, who came in 1891 and remained until December 1892. J. T. Smith was presiding Elder and during this year held a meeting which was very successful and many people were brought into the church, some of whom are still active members at this time. The church and Sunday school were steadily growing. Pro. Smith held a debate with a Christian minister by the name of A. J. McCarty and after this Methodism was thoroughly established in Grapeland. Brother Ritchie was followed by Brother J. L. Whitescarver, who supplied the work for the second time from December 1892 to 1893.

Then came D. L. Cain who remained from December 1893 to December 1895. During his pastorate the old Methodist church that has just been torn down was built and was dedicated by L. M. Fowler, who was presiding Elder. The new church created new zeal and enthusiasm among the workers. At the time this church was built it was considered about the best in East Texas. Brother Cain was followed by W. F. Hardy who served from December 1895 to December 1896. During his pastorate an acre of land located where Frank Leaverton's dwelling now stands and the old parsonage which stood where Wright Pridgen's home now stands were purchased. Brother Hardy moved into the new home and was the first itinerant Methodist preacher to live in a parsonage in Grapeland. Brother H. B. Smith followed Hardy coming in December 1896 and staying until December 1898. Then came J. B. Luker in December 1898 and served until December 1902. C. M. Cagle was appointed to the Grapeland work in December 1902 and served until December 1903. Then came J. E. Morgan who served from December 1903 until December 1905. He was followed by C. S. Coberly who stayed from December 1905 to December 1906. Then followed J. C. Cameron

who stayed from December 1905 to November 1908. Up until this time the annual conference had been held in December but was now changed to November. A. L. Carnes was assigned the Grapeland charge in November 1908 and served until November 1910. Then came W. A. Cravens, who stayed from 1910 until 1913. H. A. Matney served from November 1913 to November 1915. B. C. Ansley was appointed to the charge in November 1915 and remained in charge from year to year until 1918. He was in Grapeland during the darkest days of the world war and made many Liberty Loan and Red Cross speeches. He was followed by J. E. Buttrell who stayed from November 1918 to November 1920. During his pastorate the old parsonage was sold and the present one was built. Then comes B. C. Anderson in November 1920 and is still in charge. He found them talking a new church when he came but no special move was made in this direction until in the fall of 1922 when a building committee was appointed and this committee began collecting money for building purposes in the fall of 1923. The committee was successful in collecting these funds and the new building is now under construction.

On April 2, 1924 a large number of the church members gathered at the place where the new church is to stand and held a dirt breaking service. Bro. Hughes of Crockett, who was at that time holding a meeting here was present at the service and made a talk. Some of the older members of the church gave talks and in these talks outlined the progress of the Methodist church in Grapeland. Immediately after the dirt breaking service the workmen began work.

It was found that a good deal of the material in the old church could be used in the new so a public working was announced and every one that would devote a days labor was invited to come. On the morning of April 15th between forty and fifty men gathered and began tearing down the old church. During the morning the men worked steadily and were rewarded at the noon hour by a bountiful dinner served by the women of the church. Before the day was over the old church was no more. Nails had been pulled and the lumber sorted for future use.

The Sunday school and church services are now being held in the auditorium at the school house and will continue to do so until the new church is completed.

I wish I was better acquainted with each one of these pastores and could give some outstanding feature of each, but not being that well acquainted I will have to forego that pleasure. I am sure there were some of these pastores that I failed to get a record of but we can say that most of these men wrought well and the church has gone steadily forward. It has grown from a membership of less than a dozen to a membership of more than two hundred and fifty.

MAMA'S SONG

Sing a song of sixpence,
Pocket full of cash,
Left in trousers on a chair,
Which was very rash.
Wifey saw him do it
—And when she heard him snore,
She helped herself to thirty cents—
There wasn't any more.
—Chicago Blade.

And yet the Christian martyrs didn't have much on the man who stands in front of a beauty parlor and waits for his wife.—Rochester Times Union.

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White pumps and oxfords for sports, street and afternoon wear; colored suede, buck and kid footwear for travel and general wear to match any costume; black, grey and brown suede satin, kid and patent for evening and the more formal affairs.

You can select the right style in the right size and width from our ample stocks. We will appreciate the opportunity to fit you.

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Our showing in white footwear includes white canvas oxfords, strap pumps, cut-out pumps, etc. in plain and with kid and buck trimmings. Also the very smartest styles in kid strap cut-out pumps. These have been priced in four groups at only

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Our entire lines of colored footwear including every wanted style material and color in the the better grades selling upward from \$4.90, have been placed in three groups at only:

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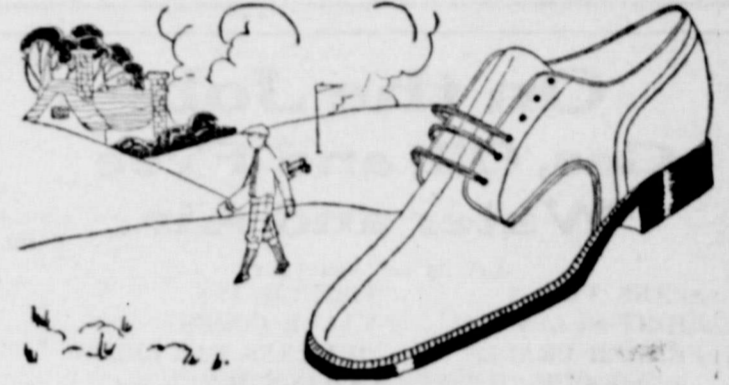
Other qualities for ladies at \$2.25 and up. Children's footwear in all size ranges at a liberal reduction. Our sizes are now complete.



SUMMER HOSIERY SPECIALS

Super-values are offered at this store in Ladies silk hosiery. You can select here most any shade at a price that seems ridiculously low.

\$3.00 As-You-Like-It, full fashioned with silk garter top a dandy value for only **\$2.19**
\$2.50 Paris pure thread guaranteed silk hose, full fashioned all shades for only **\$1.90**
\$2.00 Cadet and other full fashioned pure thread silk hose, all shades for only **\$1.60**
\$1.50 Full Fashioned Cadet Silk Hose in a dozen summer shades for only **\$1.20**
\$1.00 Ladies Silk Wunderhose and other good brands, with seam back, only **89c**



MEN'S OXFORDS

Men's Trousers Crease Atlantic Special Oxfords in black and brown calfskin, all sizes for **\$5.00**
Florsheim Styles of the Times in the Wales, Brighton and other new toes in brown, light tan and black at only **\$9.00**
Special values in other all leather shoes

Say Mister, Hurry Down And Slip Into One Of These New SUMMER SUITS

Yes sir, you will have to hurry to profit by the savings offered here. They're going fast.
\$15 Palm Beach, Mohair and Prado Cord Suits **\$12.90**
\$10 Lorraine Sersuckers and Spanish Linens **\$8.90**
\$7.50 Fair quality Seersuckers **\$6.49**
Extra trousers to match cords, linens and Seersuckers.

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Of course there are more than two other exceptional offerings here for the men folk, but we want to emphasize the special values in

STRAW HATS AND DRESS SHIRTS

You'll look a long time before you'll find values equal to the ones at The Darsey Co.

Specials for One Dollar

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| Big lot ladies and children's footwear only \$1 | 8 yds. yard wide brown domestic \$1 |
| 2 men's Blue Work Shirts for \$1 | 8 yds. yard wide bleached domestic \$1 |
| 9 prs. men's colored dress socks for \$1 | 2 1-2 yds. bleached or brown sheeting 9-4 \$1 |
| 6 yards Fast color yard wide percal \$1 | 2 white or green window shades for \$1 |
| 2 yds. Everfast Gingham \$1 | 1 green and white window shade \$1 |
| 6 yds. good dress gingham \$1 | 4 prs. Turkish towels for \$1 |
| 8 yds. Apron Check Gingham \$1 | 3 prs. children' 50c 3-4 socks \$1 |

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I am an experienced electrician and would be glad to figure with you on wiring your house. I will give you absolutely dependable wiring at a very reasonable price. I am located at the Goodson Hotel where you can reach me by phone. It is my purpose to locate in Grapland permanently. Will appreciate your patronage.

Bert Kelly

Locals

If you need an iceless milk cooler go to Long's Cash Store.

Sam Long of Huntsville was here last week-end.

Misses Griffin and Brown of Conroe visited Mrs. J. S. Hunt last week.

Remember next Saturday is Baptist Day at Ryan's Drug Store.

We deliver parts, gas, oil and grease.

Carlton Motor Co.

Tom Kent Jr. and Emory Long are taking their vacation this week at points in south Texas.

New fresh drug store merchandise arriving almost daily at Ryan's Drug Store.

Keep your milk and butter fresh with an iceless milk cooler. Sold at Long's Cash Store.

Mrs. Ray Pegg of San Antonio arrived Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Weisinger, just north of town.

FOR SALE

A good Jersey milch cow with young calf.

C. L. Haltom.

Mrs. W. H. Lively and daughter, Miss Anna Cecil, have returned from their visit to Port Arthur.

Mrs. J. W. Jones left Sunday for Oakwood to spend a while with her son, C. C. Jones and family, and her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Royall.

If you are skeptical about our \$2.25 paint, let us show you some of our jobs here in town. They will convince you.

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Jas. M. Ellis of Crockett, accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ellis of this community, spent last week-end at Murchison with relatives.

Bathing suits and caps at Ryan's Drug Store.

Get an iceless milk cooler at Long's Cash Store.

A. S. Moore was here Monday meeting his numerous friends.

Big trade campaign closes July 26th.

Keeland Bros.

Miss Clarice Stewart of Houston is the guest of Mrs. J. S. Hunt this week.

NOTICE FOR SALE CHEAP

1 carbide light plant with all fixtures. See A. B. Guice.

Remember next Saturday is Baptist day at Ryan's Drug Store.

Rev. G. W. Henderson has returned to Austin, after spending quite a while here with relatives and friends.

Try a can of "Mrs. Tucker's Shortening" made from pure cotton seed oil. Long's Cash Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhea of Forney came in last week to visit the later's mother, Mrs. E. C. Hill.

Try our \$2.25 paint. We know it will give satisfaction. It has satisfied others.

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

GRAVEYARD WORKING

There will be a graveyard working at the Antrim cemetery Wednesday, July 23. All interested parties please take notice. Committee.

Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. Wade L. Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kennedy and Misses Frances Stafford and Blanche Kennedy left Monday via auto for San Antonio, Del Rio and a fishing trip to Devil's river.

SPECIAL

1 1-8 inch screen dor, made of white pine, well built, special price \$2.25. We also have a complete line of screen wire and screen mold.

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Buy your Ice Cream and cold drinks at Ryan's fountain.

John Tyer of Palestine was in the city Monday.

Mrs. Dora Gray of Little Rock, Ark. is here on a visit to friends.

Big trade campaign closes July 26th.

Keeland Bros.

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

150 Buff Leghorn pullets, March hatch, for sale.

Dural Jones.

Big trade campaign closes July 26th.

Keeland Bros.

Buy your drugs, toilet articles, etc. at Ryan's Drug Store. New fresh drug store merchandise at legitimate prices.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. Ryan spent a very pleasant Fourth of July at Marquez, where they were met by Mr. Ryan's people from Centerville.

THE CRADLE ROLL

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Collins Friday, July 4, 1924.

Mrs. Leonard Sullivan of Crockett and Mrs. A. S. Porter of Angleton are here on a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Goodson.

Misses Loye Darsey, Rena Ross Richards, Lucindy Darsey and Mabel Boykin left Saturday night for California, where they will spend several weeks on their vacation.

Robert Carr and Miss Carrie Lee Lawrence of Ephesus community were married in Grape-land Saturday, July 5, at the home of Rev. A. A. Allen, who officiated.

SCREEN DOOR SPECIAL

A splendid value in screen doors, 1 1-8 inch thick, made of white pine, well built, for only \$2.25.

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

Misses Zona Mae and Louise Morehead of Salmon are spending the week with Misses Hazel and Opal Burden.

FOR SALE

Practically new Ford car; also a Buick; both touring cars. Easy terms. C. C. Officer.

Tucker Campbell of Salmon is at Gilmer, taking special lessons in one of Vaughn's music schools.

J. O. Edington left Wednesday morning for Rochester, Minn., where he goes for treatment for his hearing by Mayo Bros. Harry Richards is acting agent during his absence, and Miss Loraine Edington is looking after the express.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sewell spent Sunday in Overton visiting relatives. They were accompanied home by Miss Leila Sewell, who will remain here a few days and assist Mr. Sewell in the store; also Mrs. Belle Foret and son of El Paso, cousins of Mr. Sewell.

Texas has too few officials who place the public interest above their own political fortunes to lose one when they have him. Clarence E. Gilmore, who is asking for a second term as railroad commissioner, is that kind of an official and should receive the votes of all democrats who appreciate an earnest, honest public officer.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

I wish to announce to the public that I have bought the interest of Mr. Frank Leaverton, making me the sole owner of the gin formerly operated by Herod & Leaverton. I have installed new and modern machinery, and have employed Mr. Pink Stringer and Mr. B. R. Guice, both of whom are practical and experienced gin men; and you are assured of the very best service with them in charge. I am desirous of receiving a liberal share of your ginning this fall and will spare no efforts to please you. I will certainly thank you for your patronage.

O. W. Davis.

Coins have threads like auto tires. This lets them travel faster without skidding.—Lynn Item.

Once upon a time there was a man who obtained satisfaction out of a postoffice pen. He hurred it out the window.—Chicago Blade.

W. W. Eaves and family have gone to Plainview, where they will make their home. Mr. Eaves sold his interest in the barber and tailor shop to his partner, Mr. Campbell.

We have a splendid value in a screen door, 1 1-8 inch thick, white pine, well built, for \$2.25. In addition to this special, we have a complete line of screen wire and screen mold.

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

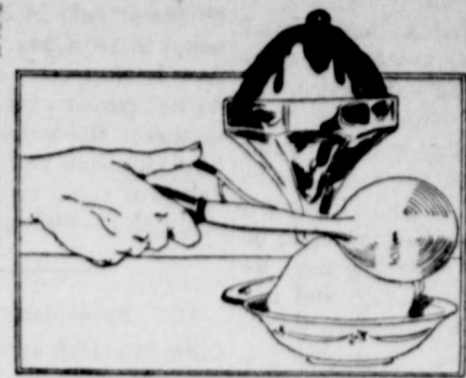
Dr. D. E. Hughes eye specialist of Nacogdoches will be in Grape-land Tuesday and Wednesday, July 22nd and 23rd at the Goodson Hotel. Satisfaction guaranteed.

CATARRH

Catarrh is a local disease greatly influenced by Constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which gives Quick Relief by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces and assists in ridding your System of Catarrh. Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

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is a prescription for Malaria, Chills and Fever, or Bilious Fever. It kills the germs.



A HEALTHFUL HABIT

Dropping in here for a dish of our delicious Ice Cream is not only a healthful habit, but it is a most enjoyable one. Served to your liking, plain or with a topping of your favorite flavor.

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Everything a Good Drug Store Should Have

Royal Comedy Players

Grapeland July 19

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Watch for further announcement in The Messenger

THE WAY OF THE ONE-CROP FARMER

Out in the Northwest, the one crop farmers—plungers in wheat—are calling for help. Many have already lost their farms. Some are holding on simply because the owners of the mortgages don't want to be bothered with foreclosure. Others are giving new mortgages with the hope that they will be able to stage a comeback and pay their indebtedness. Conditions are said to be desperate. President Coolidge, in a special message to Congress, urged immediate relief, suggesting some financial arrangement which would make it possible for farmers to adopt a well balanced program and put it in operation.

High prices for wheat during the war and immediately thereafter is the primary cause for the distress in the wheat growing States. It made gamblers out of the farmers. They said, "Wheat will always bring a good price—it is the staff of life and there is a shortage in the world. I'll make my money by growing wheat and can easily buy what else I need." They talked like our cotton farmers are talking now, and acted much the same. They increased their wheat acreage, cast aside all thought of diversification and started in to get rich growing one crop. It never occurred to them that the one crop system would soon destroy the fertility of the land, or if they did, what did they care just so long as they "got theirs." Well, they got theirs—they reaped what they had sown. Now they will, with the help of the Government, try to get back to a sane basis of farming.

How like present conditions in Texas. A fairly successful yield of cotton with big prices has turned the heads of many farmers and they are confident that it will pay them to plant

every foot of ground to cotton to the exclusion of feedstuffs, foodstuffs and everything else which goes to make up a well balanced farm program. They are destroying the fertility of their soil on a gamble that they will make a lot of money out of cotton before the farm becomes worthless, and posterity can go elsewhere for all they care.

Unless a halt is called in the program of the cotton farmers, Texas cotton growers may yet become principals in the same role now being acted by the wheat farmers. Thirty cents is not a permanent price for cotton, and if it could be made so, the decrease in acre production, due to constant cropping, root rot and insects, would eventually make the cost of production greater than the amount received.

One crop farming never paid in the long run. It has been tried in every section of the country and failure has always resulted. A balanced farm program which provides for the upkeep of the soil, and no program is well balanced unless soil fertility is considered, is the only safe and sane road to success. Those who follow it are not found in the bread line, or asking Congress for a handout—Farm & Ranch.

Japan complains of America's "lack of humanity and sympathy." What does Japan think the United States was doing last summer just after the earthquake devastated the islands.—paying off a grudge?—Kansas City Star.

The quantity of bone used in the making of Mah Jong sets inclines us to believe that the Chinese must have found a cemetery in which all the dead politicians are buried.—Columbia Record.

Hot Weather Specials

We are this week showing some Hot Weather Specials in our ladies wear departments.



SHOES

We are showing two very special numbers in ladies shoes. The very latest styles out since the 15th of June. You can be assured that you have the latest style if you buy either one.

Black patent one strap Gypsy Sandal with creased stitche vamp \$5.50
Black Satin Gun calf trimmed one strap sandal \$5.00

DRESSES AND APRONS

We have just received a shipment of Hot Weather dresses made of voile and organdy and also of tissue and organdy combinations in a wide variety of shades. Neat and cool guaranteed fast color. Gaze Marvel fabrics at only \$2.25

LACES

We have one of the most complete assortments of laces that we have had this season. 20 patterns of white lace in widths from 1-2 to 1 1-2 inches at per yard only 5c

MEN!

We have just received another shipment of Palm Beach and Seersucker pants. A complete run of colors and sizes—be sure to see them.

We also have the new Prince of Wales ties in that new popular shade of Poudre Blue Baby Jacquards in a pleasing range of colors at 75c



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Where the Price is absolutely right

NO "BAD" BOYS

When is a boy a "bad" boy? Never, says a London magistrate. His long experience, he declares, has shown him that boys fall into line with the gang spirit, and look for a chance to show off, but are not inherently vicious. On the principle of overcoming evil with good, he wants boys kept busy, and not permitted to drift aimlessly into vicious courses. If parents fol-

lowed the magistrate's prescription undoubtedly there would be fewer lads in corrective and penal institutions. The unhappy fact is that too many parents do not care to take the trouble to direct the activities of their own children, and would rather delegate their responsibility to strangers.—Public Ledger.

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

A Suggestion

—of immediate value.

Readjustments in business and finance will open doors to many in the years now just ahead—live people will walk through them—to wider fields of profit and growth.

Will you have the needed cash in hand when your door swings open?

Get ready by saving—do it here and now—

Farmers & Merchants State Bank
Grapeland, - Texas

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

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 1924, published in the Grapeland Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 10th day of July, 1924.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$ 90,822.52
Loans, real estate	3,783.74
County Warrants	110.93
Bonds and Stocks	40,325.11
Real Estate (banking house)	3,428.90
Furniture and Fixtures	2,386.70
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	44,223.13
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,716.42
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	3,749.23
Total	\$191,546.68
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 20,000.00
Surplus Fund	12,500.00
Undivided profits, net	2,566.73
Individual Deposits, subject to check	123,631.05
Time Certificates of Deposit	29,298.90
Bonds Deposited	3,550.00
Total	\$191,546.68

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

C. W. KENNEDY, President.
U. M. BROCK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of July, A. D. 1924.

O. W. DAVIS, Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
J. R. Pennington,
J. C. Kennedy,
M. P. Herod,
Directors.

PERCILLA NEWS

Percilla, July 7.—We are still having cool, dry weather. Crops are not doing much.

Riley Wright and family of Oklahoma are visiting relatives here this week.

John Tyer of Palestine was here yesterday to attend the Christian meeting.

Miss Alda Lively is visiting in Maydelle, Cherokee county.

Adelle, Edith, Lillian Grace and Henry Bush, children of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bush of Palestine are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Elkins and little son from near Longview visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Lively Friday.

There was a singing at Percilla Sunday afternoon, which was attended by almost every one. Among the visiting singers were Messrs. Ozelle and Ezelle Murdock, Norman Lasiter, J. O. Herod, Carl Spruill and Alvin Ferguson.

A lot of men spend their lives trying to live up to the promises they made to a lady in the moonlight.—Wilmington Every Evening.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL STOCK LAW ELECTION

On this the 9th day of June, 1924, the Commissioners' court of Houston County, Texas, being in regular session came on to be considered the petition of Glen Beasley and one-third other freeholders residing in the territory now described as Common School District No. 55 of Houston County, Texas, praying for an election to be held within the territory now covered and described as Common School District No. 55 of Houston County, Texas, to determine whether or not horses, mules, Jacks, Jennets, and cattle shall be permitted to run at large within this subdivision of Houston County, Texas, as said election being petitioned for under the Chapter 6 Articles 7235 to 7255 of Vernon Sale's Statutes as amended by Chapter 72 General Laws of the 33rd Legislature, and chapters of 26 and 99, General Laws of the 34th Legislature, and Chapter 131, General Laws of the 35th Legislature and Chapter 10 of the 3rd. Called Session of the 35th Legislature and Chapter 13 of the 4th Called Session of the 35th Legislature, and Chapter 35 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the 36th Legislature and Chapter 105 of the Acts of the 36th Legislature, and Chapter 50 of the General Laws of the 3rd Called Session of the 36th Legislature, and chapter 32 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the 37th Legislature and Chapter 10 of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the 37th Legislature with reference to the mode of preventing horses and certain other animals from running at large within all counties mentioned in the statutes, and it appearing to Court that said petition is in due form and signed by the proper number of freeholders who are qualified voters, said petition is therefore in all things granted.

It is therefore ordered that an election be and the same is hereby

ordered held in said territory, a subdivision of Houston County, Texas, which is a duly defined school district heretofore designated by this court as described in Vol. 1, page 64 of Record of School District Field Notes of Houston County described by field notes as follows:

Beginning on La Riviere & Greenwood Leagues line half way between the N. E. & S. E. corners of La Riviere League.

Thence S. 55 W. through La Riviere & Thompson Surveys about 9650 vrs. to Trinity River.

Thence down said River to mouth of Elkhart Creek.

Thence up said creek to mouth of Little Elkhart Creek.

Thence up Little Elkhart Creek to a point S. 35 E. from Daniel McLean & Chairs Leagues corner.

Thence N. 35 W. at about 3050 vrs. passing said corner and with the line of said surveys 550 vrs. to the S. line of the La Riviere League.

Thence N. 55 E. 20 vrs. to S. E. corner of same.

Thence N. 35 W. 2790 vrs. to the place of beginning containing 11600.5 acres.

Said election shall be held on the 12th day of July, A. D. 1924. Qualified voters who are freeholders in this district shall be permitted to vote, and those in favor of the above named animals being permitted to run at large in the district shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "against the Stock Law", and those against the animals mentioned in this petition from running at large in this district shall have printed or written on their ballots the words "For the Stock Law", and said election shall be governed by the General election laws of the State of Texas.

Said election shall be held at the special voting box of Reynard, Texas, Houston County Texas, and Mr. Herman Beasley is hereby appointed manager of said election, which voting box is situated in said school district number 55, and a copy of this order signed by the County

Judge shall serve as a proper notice of said election, and the County Judge is directed to cause said notice to be published in a newspaper published in said district, if there be one, and if no newspaper be published in said division of the county then by posting copies of such order within three public places within the subdivision, for not less than thirty day preceding the date of said election.

Leroy L. Moore, County Judge.

Don't forget the name of the remedy you need when the stomach or bowels are disordered. Prickly Ash Bitters quickly corrects such troubles and makes you feel bright and cheerful. Every man should have a bottle at home all the time. It is the dose taken promptly that prevents sickness, misery and expense. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith Special Agent.

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.

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By L. F. Van Zelm
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Felix D. Robertson

The Common Sense Candidate for Governor



The "Common Sense Candidate," That is the title by which Felix D. Robertson, candidate for Governor, is known throughout the State. It came to him through his record as judge of the City Court of Dallas and later of Criminal District Court No. 1 of Dallas and was earned through his native Texas ability to see through the tangled problems of law to the common sense and the human justice in these problems as they were presented to him.

As a common sense candidate Felix D. Robertson is opposed to the army of boards, bureaus and commissions that give a few men fat salaries and fine titles, but increase the burdens of the taxpayers. He believes there are too many idle public employees with their feet on mahogany desks spending their time doing nothing but waiting for their swollen salaries.

"We have too much government; too many boards, bureaus and commissions; too much buck passing; too much theory; too many idle employees," he says.

When elected Governor Judge Robertson promises to sweep all this useless expense out of the state house at Austin.

Judge Robertson is an elder in the First Baptist church of Dallas. His reputation as a Sunday School lecturer extends throughout the State and he is regarded as one of the most inspired of speakers on religious subjects and the Protestant faith.

When he was City Judge the newspaper men of Dallas called him in all reverence of spirit, "the Praying Judge." This was because when often some erring youth or some slip of a girl confronted with ruin, was brought before him, he was not the unfeeling magistrate, but showed himself kindly in heart and ready with Christian advice. Often he would adjourn court and on his knees pray that such a one might be turned to the better life.

Himself a man who has made his way up by hard work, Judge Robertson sympathizes with the worker, whether in the field or in the shop. He is a lifelong Democrat. He was born in McLennan county, his grandfather being General Jerome P. Robertson, commander in Hood's Brigade of the Confederate army. His father is Gen. Felix H. Robertson, who was a Brigadier General in Joe Wheeler's corps in the Confederate army. During the world war Judge Robertson was a major in the 132nd field artillery of the Thirty-Sixth Division.

Judge Robertson has been a lifelong prohibitionist, having been active in his fight against the liquor interests for more than twenty years, and an advocate of woman suffrage.

He believes in and stands on the following planks:

- Better schools.
- Better public roads.
- Free textbooks.
- Help for ex-service men.
- Strict law enforcement.
- Organized labor.
- Prison system reform.
- Homes for tenant farmers.

The Commonsense Candidate is a firm believer in rural schools, declaring there should be an apportionment of at least \$15.00 per capita for pupils of the same.

The motto to which he has always adhered is: "In a democracy like Texas the children of the poor must have their chance."

Vote for Felix D. Robertson for Governor
The Common Sense Candidate

(This ad is paid for by Felix D. Robertson's friends)

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Preaching Sunday morning and night, if the meeting should close before Sunday.

The difference between a house and a home is an automobile.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Preaching at Hays Springs

THE PASSING DAY

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

One who travels a bit over Texas is forced to the conclusion that the prosperity of the people in the different sections of the state is in almost exact proportion to the extent to which diversification of crops is practiced. Where cotton is the only crop grown and the farmers buy everything for their families and their stock, the houses are unpainted, the farms look worn and dilapidated and there is a general air of poverty and thriftlessness. Where cotton and corn are grown the farms look a little better. Where, in addition to these are fruits and vegetables and all kinds of feedstuffs the appearance of poverty is changed to one of thrift.

I am aware that the people have been told this many times and that they still go on growing cotton and figuring on the gross price received per acre, without stopping to count the money that is paid out for feed bills and living expenses. Strange to say, they are encouraged just now to grow cotton to the exclusion of other crops by many merchants, and especially by merchants who are also farm landlords. These get their percentage of the gross income of the farmer and are not concerned about his living expenses so long as they do not exceed his receipts. In fact, as long as the farmer can pay his debts with his cotton the landlord-merchant figures that it is better for him, for he gets about all the farmer makes either in rent or in payment for feed, clothes and provisions.

A salesman who travels in both Arkansas and Eastern Texas told the writer recently that there is a noticeable difference between farm conditions in the two states—that Arkansas looks far more progressive and that the farmers are making more money, are living better and are seemingly much better contented. When asked for a reason for it, he said that it was because they nearly starved to death from 1914 to 1917 in Arkansas growing cotton and that they now produce everything they need for a living, so far as it can be done, on their farms. The result is that they do not get into debt for these things, and their cotton money is almost clear profit.

Exclusive cotton farming not only is poor business for the farmer, but it results in the farmer and his help being idle about half the year, while he and his family work themselves nearly to death the rest of the time. The only way to succeed in any business, and farming is a business, is to do steady, everyday work with time off occasionally, for vacations. No one can succeed by working half the time and idling the rest of the year. The manufacturer who would work his plant half the time, and let everything go to waste except his chief product would soon be bankrupt. His success depends on full time operation, on keeping his expenses at the minimum, and on the elimination of waste. The farmer needs to learn that he should apply the same principles to his business.

Successful merchandising is done the same way. The merchant whose store force is idle more than half the year is not likely to make much profit from his business. In those sections where only one crop is grown business is good while the crop is being marketed, extra and

often incompetent help has to be employed during the rush season, and the rest of the year the sales force is standing around consuming the profits of the busy season. Rents and overhead expenses go on without interruption even though business all may stop.

The only successful way to farm, to manufacture goods, to merchandise, to do anything is to arrange for a steady output of labor and effort and a steady income. It is easier to do this on the farm than anywhere else, and yet it is less practiced there. Our soil and our climate lend themselves to varied production of crops and farmers can grow almost everything in Texas, but they are not doing it in many sections of the state. It is something that each one can do for himself without waiting for his neighbor to act, or without asking permission from others.

A drowsy, half-sick, discouraged feeling is caused by a torpid liver and impurities in the stomach and bowels. Prickly Ash Bitters is a prompt and efficient remedy. Men who work need its cleansing and stimulating effect. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith Special Agent.

LIVELYVILLE NEWS

Livelyville, July 7.—It would not have been amiss if we had built a big fire, although it was July 4th. Cotton is beginning to feel the cold too.

Mr. and Mrs. John Masters and family visited Mr. Frank and Claud Masters Sunday.

The preaching here was well attended. Bro. MacMillan delivered a good sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunk Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkins Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Brown entertained several week-end guests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Swiney and boys and Miss Ruth Mac-

Donald left Sunday to visit Mrs. Cora Bailes and family at Marthville, La.

Isom Garner from Ft. Worth is here visiting his brother, G. W. Garner.

Ingram and Shaver are putting in a saw mill on G. W. Garner's place and have nearly everything on the place to erect houses and getting things in shape.

Andrew Kirkwood and son, Earl, also Raymond Garner all from Eustace, spent the week end here with relatives. Wayne Caskey and J. G. Garner went home with them.

The man who most loudly curses crooked officials most adroitly dodges taxes.—Birmingham News.

Dr. Elliott, we notice, has revised his five-foot shelf to include a bank book. This addition gives him a well-balanced library.—Columbus Dispatch.

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Colorado is near to you—and so the cost of a vacation in this fascinating Skyland is so low that it will surprise you.

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Of these 1500 miles you may include in your trip as much or little as you desire. You may elect to remain in Colorado or you may go on, if you wish, to Yellowstone or Glacier Parks. Via the Denver Route you can arrange your trip to suit your time and vacation allowance.

Special low summer tourist fares and summer train service are now in effect. Through sleepers from New Orleans, Houston, Austin, San Antonio, Dallas, Fort Worth and Intermediate points. Excellent dining car service for all meals. Call on me or write me for further information. Let us help you plan your trip this summer. No obligation whatever.

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Something to Think About

By F. A. WALKER

SCALING HEIGHTS

YOU may often be filled with wonder at the apparent ease with which some of your friends, of no pronounced ability, climb steadily and unerringly to the heights.

To your mind they are deficient in mentality and power of endurance, yet, in spite of your doubts, they keep mounting surely day by day, brushing aside difficulties with no observable effort and holding fast to their places.

Opposing forces do not daunt or discourage them.

They plan and execute. They refrain from boasting, yet within their hearts there is an ironlike resolution to stay in the fight until they meet victory.

Often they are footsore, exhausted in body and spirit, but never are they in a mood to admit defeat. They know quite as well as you that their talents are limited and their faults many. It is this conscious knowledge of their frailties that makes them persist without pause in their commendable effort.

While you are having jolly times at night among the bright lights, they are seeking in the solitude of their room the precious nuggets of wisdom, digging deep below the surface.

They have become students of biography, following seriously the biased trails of the noble men and women who only a few years ago passed over the highway to fame and left their signboards at the fatal crossroads, where all later travelers may stop, read and gather new courage.

It must be a shallow sort of human being indeed who cannot see the value of such observation and study.

But whatever it may be with regard to the frivolous and fun-loving, this idea of following step by step the rugged paths of the great, striving to comprehend their emotions and to emulate their examples, is not only profitable to the earnest student but extraordinarily inspiring.

What dullard seeking improvement fails to find encouragement in reading of such men as Washington and Lincoln?

Who does not glow with inspiration when he beholds blind Milton groping his way to the heights sublime?

Those who cry "impossible" are those who need most to familiarize themselves with the trials of the immortals who overcame and won imperishable crowns.

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This country spends more than \$30,000,000 a year for pencils. Most of this is probably due to the wear and tear of figuring out tax returns.—Taunton Dispatch.

The Why of Superstitions

By H. IRVING KING

JAY BIRDS

A SUPERSTITION found in many sections of the country but especially popular in the South is that a jay bird disappears every third day. On that day he is on duty in hell where he goes to tell the devil of "backsliders." The more common form of this superstition is, perhaps, that the jay bird is never seen on Friday as on that day he is carrying sticks to the devil for him to make fire with.

This superstition is a direct inheritance from Norse mythology and German folk-lore and originates in exactly the same way as the magpie's reputation as a bringer of bad luck. In fact the jay-bird superstition more closely follows the ancient magpie myth than does the modern magpie superstition itself.

In the days of Odin and Thor the witches were accustomed to hold high carnival on Walpurgis night, when they transformed themselves into magpies and flew away to Blakulle to consult the devil.

At first it would appear strange to find the jay bird—the most noticeable specimen of which in this country is the blue jay—inheriting a magpie myth. But ornithologists tell us that the magpie and the jay are very closely related and that the blue magpie of Europe is a connecting link between them. In fact, as well as in superstition, they merge into each other. Therefore, when we consider the bad habit of the magpie in making periodical visits to the devil in Blakulle it is not surprising that the jay bird should be suspected of a similar practice.

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PERCILLA NEWS

(Delayed)

Percilla, June 30.—We are now having some fine weather and the farmers around here are nearing the end of the present crop cultivation.

Clarence Denson of Houston was here last week visiting home folks, and returned home Sunday accompanied by his sister, Miss Lottje, who goes to Houston for several weeks visit.

Miss Erma Lou Elliott returned home from Palestine Saturday, where she spent several days visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Lively of Palestine, spent the week-end here, visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones.

Miss Mary Alice Bobbitt of Grapeland is visiting relatives here.

Mr. H. C. Henderson went to Palestine Saturday to work at the barber trade.

Our Sunday night singing is still growing. There was a large crowd, including homefolks and visitors out Sunday night.

The former crown prince of Germany is now selling threshing machines. The one operated by his father didn't prove a success.—Tampa Tribune.

MEN YOU MAY MARRY

By E. R. PEYSER

Has a man like this proposed to you?

Symptoms: Dark, handsome, very young, very swell. Treats you "fine." Talks of his ventures, how he made so-and-so sit up and take notice, how he made \$50,000 without turning a hair, how he bluffed "so-and-so" and made a clean \$10,000. How he bought a Rolls-Royce, which, though you know him months, never materializes; the great job he is about to get. Very excitable and temperamental, has an airplane, too, somewhere, which you haven't seen.

IN FACT

He is always up in the air.

Prescription for his bride:

Make yourself able to believe anything.

Love to be forgotten—admire his delightful lack of thought for anything as small as yourself.

ABSORB THIS:

To have is not always to hold.

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Political Announcements

These announcements subject to action of democratic primary in July.

For Congress, 7th District: H. L. Nelson (Galveston Co.) Clay Stone Briggs (Galveston Co. Re-election.)

For District Attorney, Third Judicial District: Ned B. Morris, Jr. (of Anderson County) W. D. Justice (Henderson Co)

For Representative: C. C. Rice (Re-election) For County Treasurer: Frank H. Butler Willie Robison (Re-election)

For Sheriff: O. B. (Deb) Hale (Re-election) J. L. Hazlett R. R. (Boss) Scarborough

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. Bertie Sallas (Re-election)

For County Clerk: W. D. Collins (Re-election)

For County Attorney: Earle P. Adams (Re-election)

For County Judge: Leroy L. Moore (Re-election) Nat Patton

For Justice of Peace Prec't. 5. Jno. A. Davis (Re-election.)

For Commissioner Prec't. 1: S. W. Duitch, C. B. Lively, W. H. Holcomb Jr., C. W. Jones, Jack Manning

For Commissioner Prec't. 2: C. A. Story (Re-election.)

For Public Weigher: C. A. Mills, Homer Jones

For Constable Precinct No. 5: H. J. Shaw.

For Justice Peace Prec't. No. 5: John A. Davis (Re-election)

GATEWOOD—MURCHISON

Wade Gatewood and Miss Pearl Murchison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Murchison, were married last Saturday night at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. B. C. Anderson officiating.

We understand they will make their home in Palestine, where Mr. Gatewood has lived for some time, although for the past few months he has made his home in Grapeland.

A large circle of friends extend them congratulations and best wishes.

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

TRINITY RIVER RIPPLES

Reynard, July 7.—Crops are about worked out of the grass and are doing nicely now, though all crops are about 18 to 20 days late.

Bro. Anderson filled his appointment here yesterday and our meeting is set for the 3rd week in August.

Lonnie Kent and daughter, Miss Maggie of Geona, spent Saturday at the home of P. L. Fulgham.

The 4th was spent quietly. Quite a few gathered at the old Chiles home and ate dinner on the branch and returned to the house after dinner and spent the afternoon in pleasant conversation and Leland Chiles and Homer Beazley rendered some nice music on the violin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Chiles and E. L. Smith spent the 4th at New Prospect. Miss Maud Fulgham spent Friday at Crockett with friends. Frank Fulgham spent the 4th in Grapeland.

Homer Beazley, who is with the paving works at Houston, spent the 4th at home with his family.

NEXT SATURDAY IS BAPTIST DAY

AT RYAN'S DRUG STORE

Every time the cash register rings for merchandise sold, for prescriptions filled, or for bills paid a certain per cent (a tidy sum) will drop into the till for the

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BOB DAY is after this fellow



Come out and hear him

Prescriptions Filled by Registered Pharmacist

RYAN'S DRUG STORE

Quality, Service and Fair Prices

spent the 4th at home with his family.

Miss Eva Platt returned home Saturday from Rock Hill where she had been visiting.

Quite a crowd of young people from New Prospect were in our midst Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Vera McCall Cook returned to her home at Houston Wednesday.

C. C. Smith and family and their niece, Miss Florence Newsome spent Friday at the Lock and Dam.

Mr. Roquemore, who has been visiting his niece, Mrs. Herman Beazley, has returned to his home at Oakwood.

Mrs. Kyle and Mrs. E. E. Tucker of Daly's spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. A. Allen.



WHY MARCH WAS MILD

THOUGH March is a blustering tease, at times he can be as nice mannered and sweet as his sisters, April and May.

One year April opened her eyes and jumped out of bed. She thought she must have overslept, for she plainly heard someone saying: "Come out! The sun is warm." But the next words that April heard filled her with fear.

"We can fool the earth folks for a while, March. You know you are sometimes very much like me, at the first of your coming."

It was old February trying to entice March to come out cold and blustering, that he might have an excuse for staying longer; and April knew that she and her sister May would have to stay late in their beds if March listened to the tempter.

March dearly loves a frolic. He likes to blow and bluster and scare folks with his roar, sending hats and umbrellas scattering and flying about. So he put on his heavy boots and thickest coat, intending to be ready



March Liked to Blow and Bluster. for February's coldest breath. Poor little April began to weep—she knew that unless something was done at once she and May would have a short time to sleep, she whispered to her sister.

"May, May," she softly called, "wake up! wake up; old February is trying to get brother March to go out on a frolic and you know he will forget to come home if he does that."

May woke up with a sweet smile. "But what can we do?" she asked, "March is such a blustering creature he quite frightens me."

"But you must help me," said April. "We will tell him how wicked old February is and that he only wants him to come out, roaring and cross so he can keep the earth covered with snow longer."

March was working fast to get ready when his sisters, hand in hand, tugged at his coat. "Oh, I say, let a fellow alone, can't you?" he began crossly. April began to cry, the tears streaming down her pretty cheeks.

March turned to say something very cross again but caught May's smile and stopped. "What do you two want?" he inquired in a softer tone.

"Please don't go out with old February, brother," April begged. "He is trying to make you forget your work. You know you always get things ready for us by driving old February home. He does not want you to break the icy coverings of the ponds or make the earth soft for us."

"Please, brother, don't make us stay in bed much longer," pleaded May with her sweetest smile. "I have some of the loveliest flowers you ever saw this year, but if you go to frolicking with old February, poor sister April cannot get her work done and I shall have so much to do that I am afraid some of my prettiest tints will quite be spoiled."

May smiled again at her brother and April's eyes filled again with tears ready to fall.

"Oh, I say, April, don't cry again. I must go, because it is time for me to be out, but I'll show that old February his time is up."

Off came his heavy coat and out he went and old February, chuckling to himself outside, turned and fled when he saw March.

Over the field March chased him, breaking up the ice and melting the snow as he went, and in a few days not a sign of February remained.

Folks said that year, that March was like a lamb, he was so mild, but they did not know that it was because of his sister April's tears and his sister May's smile that he was so gentle.

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