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COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

Special Session Held Last Week—Business Transacted.

A special session of the commissioners' court was held last week, beginning January 5 and continuing two days, at which the following claims were allowed:

J. R. Monk, hauling lumber.....	\$ 1 09
Will Dennis, road work..	30 50
S. H. Lively, road work..	12 00
J. A. Harrelson road work.....	14 00
G. R. Murchison, road work.....	14 00
J. M. Creasy, road work..	6 00
J. C. Lacy, lunacy fees...	17 60
O. Petersen, work on pump house, etc.....	286 45
E. Winfree, lunacy fees, postage, etc.....	8 10

The court passed an order rescinding a former order granting a change in the public road leading from Pennington to Kennard and declared the same null and void, owing to the fact that the road was not laid out according to law.

It was ordered by the court that Sheriff J. C. Lacy be advanced \$100 on his ex officio service, to come off of his account in the February term of the commissioners' court, to assist him in paying his travelling expenses now in going after criminals who have run off.

Mrs. Mary Bland was allowed \$7.50 for taking care of Emma Bland from now until the February term of the court.

The petition of citizens of Prairie Point school community, asking for a school district, was granted.

An order was passed declaring null and void a former order granting a public road from Robinson's store to Latexo.

The following sums were allowed for court attendance: E. Winfree, \$6.00; S. H. Lively, \$6.00; G. R. Murchison, \$6.00; J. A. Harrelson, \$6.00; J. M. Creasy, \$6.00

Our Schools.

The midwinter examinations at the State University found many freshmen unequal to the work and ninety were sent home to make better preparation.

It is gratifying to hear excellent reports from all who have gone from Crockett to the great schools where much is demanded and where, we may suppose, personal merit and individual achievement are the only influences that determine a student's rank.

It is thought by many who have given the matter close study that our university is requiring too much of the affiliated schools. We believe that the tendency to increase our courses of study may eventually force our high schools to attempt too much of work that properly belongs to the college, but if our university exerts a potent influence for thorough work in the affiliated schools the result can be only a fortunate one.

That our colleges and universities are demanding better English—and that includes ability to think as well as facility in the use of our "mother tongue"—is most just and necessary. The requirements, as yet, in all other depart-

ments—mathematics, science, history, latin, etc.—emphasize quality of work; the insistence is for knowledge, on the part of the pupil, that he can readily use. This certainly is wholesome for the Texas high schools.

However, it means that the passive, indifferent pupil of a progressive high school must fail of graduation. A pupil can not just sit in a school room and absorb the principles used in solving the problems in English and history, in mathematics and science; he must enter the contest to win a great prize, and having entered rejoice in every strenuous effort required. Let such be the attitude of any boy or girl and success must follow. Not one of the "ninety" excused from the university, I am sure, had manifested such zeal in his home school. It serves as a warning to both parents and teachers and it should arouse the students of our high school to do their utmost.

We hope the patrons of the Crockett school will note carefully the "monthly reports" of their children. These reports will clearly indicate whether the pupil is on the failing line or not.

R. R. Sebring, Supt.

From Holly.

The Xmas holidays past, our people are busying themselves with the work of the new year. We trust 1909 brings us added prosperity.

Rev. Worhck filled his regular appointment at the Christian church Sunday.

Mr. Joe Baker has recently moved back to our community from Wise county.

On Tuesday night of last week Mr. Lee entertained the young people of Holly with a party at his home.

Dr. J. R. Miller spent last week in Galveston.

Mrs. J. J. Barron has been on the sick list for some time. We are glad to learn that she is improving.

Mr. Jack Sisson has moved from our community to Groveton. Mr. Bud Sanders now occupies the house made vacant by the moving of Mr. Sisson.

Mrs. Adeline Brown and family of Houston have recently moved into our community.

The following young people from Lovelady were visitors in our town Sunday: Misses Frankie Denton, Annie Cactor, Mollie Cactor, Ollie Stephens, May Ella Click and Mr. Jake Cactor.

Mr. J. M. Satterwhite and family of Pine Grove were visitors at the home of Mr. J. D. Baker Sunday. A. C.

Many little lives have been saved by Foley's Honey and Tar, for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. It is the only safe remedy for infants and children as it contains no opiates or other narcotic drugs, and children like Foley's Honey and Tar. Careful mothers keep a bottle in the house. Refuse substitutes. McLean's Drug Store.

If you will take Foley's Orino Laxative until the bowels become regular you will not have to take purgatives constantly, as Foley's Orino Laxative positively cures chronic constipation and sluggish liver. Pleasant to take. McLean's Drug Store.

CHRISTMAS BELLS.

(Written for the Courier.)

To and fro in great confusion,
They madly ring without a pause;
Ring in deafening tones at random
As a child would ring for Santa Claus.
Faces peering through the windows,
Pictures there of wild delight;
Others view in consternation
The busy world at half midnight.

And we hear them like a fancy
Ringing in a childish ear—
Dreaming of the promised reindeer,
Jingle, jingle—very near.
Distant bells that ring in laughter,
Like the ripple of a stream;
Or Cupid, with his bow and arrow,
Aiming straight at love's young dream.

Ring, ringing! Nearer, nearer,
All in tune along the line;
Now we catch the toneful meaning
In a sort of mimic rhyme.
But hark! The measured tones are fal-
ling,
Fall as only tears have fallen
O'er the solemn vows once pledged,
Like a dirge or funeral bell.

Silver bells of memory
Ring to awake the slumbering past.
The somber pictures in the firelight
The ruddy glow has cast.
Let grand old bells of liberty
With their metal burnished bright,
Ring out in air as if beware!
Of alarming fires at night.

Let their clamorous sound come bound-
ing,
With a wild and joyous cry;
Rolling from the mighty hilltops,
Illustrious names that never die.
Spread abroad our love of freedom,
While they ring a proud hurrah!
For the breeze that blows a "Bonny
Blue Flag"
"That bears a single star."

Let Moscow's ancient "King of Bells"
Ring in the homeward bound,
While pulses thrill and hearts stand
still,
Is heard the joyous sound.
Ring for the absent, far away,
Deserted and alone;
Ring out glad tidings while we may,
They are one day nearer home.

Hear the village bells keep ringing,
Tolling for the dying year;
Hear them speak in broken accents
Of what was held to us most dear.
Hear them chime a solemn anthem,
As it nears the set of sun,
Ring in painful recollections
Of our task we left undone.

The echoes ring a welcome warning,
Proclaim the hallowed morn,
In silver tones of sweetest music,
Our Saviour, Christ, was born.
Ring as the pure in heart would ring,
As each would raise a hand
To ring in sacred praises
For God and our native land.

Ring for the Chapter good and strong,
Those generous hearts and true;
For the ties that span 'round the house-
hold band
Since the days when life was new.
Ring for the future blessings rare,
For hopes without a fear;
For the "Lone Star" state in its grand-
eur waits
The rise of the new-born year.
Mrs. C. R. Stephenson.

U. D. C. Reception.

On Friday afternoon, Jan. 1st, Mrs. Nunn and Mrs. Corry threw open the doors of their hospitable home to the U. D. C's. and their friends and entertained them in their usual delightful manner. An invitation to this home always makes glad the heart of the recipient and great crowds responded on this occasion. On entering the guests were greeted by three little ladies, Lillie Belle Hail, Mack Burton and Lucile Millar, and then presented to a line of fair young girls, "sweet sixteens," advanced pupils of Mrs. Corry.

In the line were Misses Kathleen Hail, Virginia Chamberlain, Bella Lipscomb, Pauline Durst, Janette and Margaret Sebring, Otis McConnell, Louise Moore, Brownie Collips and Augusta Adams. The guests were then taken in charge by Miss Etta Hail and conducted into the parlor to be greeted by Mrs. Nunn with gracious words of welcome and good wishes for the New Year. Mrs. Nunn was assisted in receiving by the officers, ex-officers and honorary members of the chapter, namely, Mesdames Adams, I. A. Taylor, Hattie

Collins, Sheridan, John Wootters, Madden, Estelle Wootters, Julia Barbee and Pinkney Hail; also Misses Long, Howard, Foster and Bayne, Mesdames Annie Jordan and Peyton Denman.

In the dining room, which was a veritable vision of loveliness with Xmas decorations and shining cut glass, Mrs. Corry was assisted in serving delicious chocolate, cake and bon bons by Mesdames Virginia Collins and Lucia Painter.

The music, in charge of Mrs. Pinkney Hail, seemed greatly enjoyed by all. There were old time Southern melodies, patriotic songs in which a number of the guests joined, a quartette by Mesdames LeGory, Hail, F. Arledge and J. Arledge, solos by Mesdames LeGory, Hail and Miss Wall, and a beautiful instrumental solo by Mrs. Denman. We were delighted to have present several of the veterans.

At a late hour the guests departed with regrets that it was so soon over and heartfelt wishes for a "Happy New Year" for our host and hostess. X.

Notice of Director's Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the directors of the Texas South-eastern Railway Company, and each of them, that a meeting of the Board of Directors of said company is hereby called to be held at the principal office of said company in the town of Diboll, Angelina County, Texas, at 2:30 p. m. on Saturday, being the 27th day of Feb., A. D. 1909, for the following purposes, to-wit:

1. In pursuance of authority from the stockholders of said company, to authorize the issuance, execution and registration of the bonds or obligations of said company in such denominations, to such amount, and upon and for such time, terms and conditions as said Board, in pursuance of authority, to be granted by the stockholders, may, in their discretion, under the law, authorize, and to authorize the execution of a mortgage upon all or any part of the property, rights and franchises of said company to secure such bonds, same to be upon such terms and conditions as said Board may authorize under the directions of the stockholders.

2. To authorize the president of this company, or other proper officer, to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue and register said bonds and mortgages and to take all steps and incur all expenses necessary to that end.

3. And generally to do all things necessary to carry out the above purposes, and likewise to secure the issuance, approval and certification of the stock of said company, in the manner required by law.

T. L. L. Temple,
Pres. of Said Co.
E. C. Durham, Sec'y.

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Racking lagrippe coughs that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. The sore and inflamed lungs are healed and strengthened, and a dangerous condition is quickly averted. Take only Foley's Honey and Tar in the yellow package. McLean's Drug Store.

Every Mother

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or cold. It may lead to croup or pleurisy or pneumonia—then to something more serious. Ballard's Horehound Syrup will cure the trouble at once and prevent any complication. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

College Fete.

Saturday evening, January 2nd, Miss Alline Foster entertained complimentary to Messrs. W. N. and J. L. Lipscomb, Harvey Bayne and Jo Ed Winfree, who were home for the holidays from their various colleges. This was one of the most unique and brilliant dinner parties ever given in hospitable old Crockett. Miss Alline is perfect in the role of hostess and her charming hospitality will forever be a delightful memory to the honorees. Four bright-eyed young girls were bidden to help make "time pass with flying feet"—Misses Kathleen Hail, Otice McConnell, Bella Lipscomb and Virginia Chamberlain. The dining room was beautiful in its decorations of Christmas bells, holly and mistletoe. To describe the dinner table in its perfection of detail would be to "paint the lily, gild the rose." A large, circular mirror rested on the center of the table; on it stood a candelabra aglow with four shining candles as a gentle hint that the four young collegians should "let their light shine" to illumine the world. From the mirror pennants of Southwestern and State Universities and A. & M. College stretched across the table to the corners. These made brilliant dashes of color. Holding these pennants in place were silver horse shoes, expressive of "Good Luck" wishes for the New Year to all assembled from the gentle heart of the fair hostess.

Wit, repartee and tales of college pranks made a delightful accompaniment to the six course banquet. The last course consisted of tiny pots, containing miniature Christmas trees, beneath which reposed delicious bon bons.

The plate favors were small pennants in collegelcolors, which will be preserved as souvenirs of a most happy evening. L.

Cured of a Severe Attack of Bronchitis by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"On October 18th last my little three year old daughter caught a severe cold which resulted in a bad case of bronchitis," says Mrs. W. G. Gibson, Lexington, Ky. "She lost the power of speech completely and was a very sick child. Fortunately we had a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house and gave it to her according to the printed directions. On the second day she was a great deal better, and on the fifth day, October 23rd, she was entirely well of her cold and bronchitis, which I attribute to this splendid medicine. I recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy unreservedly as I have found it the surest, safest and quickest cure for colds, both for children and adults, of any I have ever used." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

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As a rule a man will feel well satisfied if he can hobble around on crutches in two or three weeks after spraining his ankle, and it is often two or three months before he is fully recovered. This is an unnecessary loss of time, as by applying Chamberlain's Liniment, as directed, a cure may as a rule be effected in less than one week's time, and in many cases within three days. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

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- ☐ Are they in this community?
- ☐ Are they among the people with whom you associate?
- ☐ Are they with the neighbors and friends with whom you do business?

If so you want to know what is happening in this community. You want to know the goings and comings of the people with whom you associate, the little news items of your neighbors and friends—now don't you?

That is what this paper gives you in every issue. It is printed for that purpose. It represents your interests and the interests of this town. Is your name on our subscription books? If not, you owe it to yourself to see that it is put there. To do so

Will Be To Your Interest



BY HARRIS FRANCIS NOAKE.

ARTIST'S WORK TOO TECHNICAL.

A Human Song-bird once lit in a Neighborhood that knew more about the Wagner who built Sleepers, than the one who wrote Sonatas, and held Grand Opera in about the same Regard a woman does her husband's Stenographer. This Harmonic Soul could sit at a Hapsichord all Night, Shuffling up the Black notes and dealing them out with no visible signs of being Fagged. She spent two Years and a pile of Money, somewhere on the Other Side, Knocking the teeth out of a Piano and having her Voice Plowed and Scraped over by a Turk, who for decency's sake, passed in as Signor. He charged so much the Minute, so every time the Warbler Juggled the Scales for half an hour it cost somebody about Fourteen dollars. The Thrush wanted to become Finished, so whoever was her Check-book allowed the Sig. to go right through his Jeans and take out enough to do a good Job. Therefore, she went right up to the Scales, running over them before they could get out of the way, and Knocked down the Pins as fast as the Signor set them Up. She always felt Safe in trying Swells, because they kept the doors Barred and had Guards posted outside, till she had passed over the Rough Spots. She only Rested long enough to have the Piano put back in Shape for another Thrashing. After trying out one of Beethoven's Classics, the Music Box was covered with bumps from Loud Pedaling while the Key-board was smeared with Black and Blue Spots. Her work soon showed signs of Technique, while her Pipes Churned out any note in the Book, without Tearing. Some of the Light Exercises she Grappled with, sounded to the untrained ear about the same as a Car Wheel running on a Dry Axle. She could go over to the Piano in the Morning and Grind out 28 pages of Schiller, which in Professional Circles is considered no Sinch on an Empty Stomach. Before the Cantata Player Wised up to the French Dialect, and while she was Flunking through the First Steps, it's Ten to one that Sig. called her a lot of names not in our present Lexicon. After she had Scared all the Bad Passages into Behaving, and could reel off the June Song from Faust, backwards, the Professor wrote out a Recommendation and told her when the Boat Left. On getting back to the neighborhood, she declared herself Open to All-comers going right on with her with her Musical Riots where she had left off. She couldn't understand why the surrounding Natives didn't Heap of her Neck, knowing how long she had stayed away, Gathering a Polish. Finally she decided to hold a Musicale and give the Izzies an excuse for laying Awake nights. If they don't Love Art for Art's Sake, it's up to me to teach them, she said. One night, a handful of Egar Yaps grouped in the Parlor, wondering if there would be anything to Eat and Hoping that the Concert would be Short. The Human Lark came on and Dove into a Hill of Cadenzas, fishing out a Grouchy looking volume from which she said she would Chirp just one Brief Section. Then she commenced Mowing down the high notes. Some mean being out Front kept count and afterwards said there were 49 pages not including the Home Run. Everybody Yawned and wished themselves home among the Dressing Sacks and Carpet Slippers. The Feminine Paderewski saw the Score go up with no Hit to her Credit, so again went to Bat with her eye on a Knockout. She Shook up one of Liszt's Boiling Specialties till the Spinnet Shivered all over and the Spectators had to get a Strangle hold on their seats. But nothing doing. The Crowd laid a Wet Blanket over her last Effort, so she concluded that the only way to bring in a Run was to Warm them up with a little Tea then get back on the Diamond. While she was out, Stirring the Cereal, some Selfish Hoodlum sneaked over to the Organ and Beat out a Strip of Rag-time and sang something about That Welcome on the Mat, ain't meant for you. The Audience rose, Scoundrel and nearly Jerked his arms from their Sockets. He had Hit them where they Lived. Out in the Pantry, they found some one all Balled up in a Bunch, and concluded it was due to her working Overtime at the Music-chest.



"KNOCKING THE TEETH OUT OF A PIANO."



"SHE COMMENCED MOWING DOWN THE HIGH NOTES."



"BEAT OUT A STRIP OF RAG-TIME."

Scattering Congrats all over the arms from their Sockets. He had Hit them where they Lived. Out in the Pantry, they found some one all Balled up in a Bunch, and concluded it was due to her working Overtime at the Music-chest.

Deduction: It's Pretty Hard to get the Old Herd Used to New Feed.
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Mix half ounce of Concentrated pine compound with two ounces of glycerine and a half pint of good whiskey; shake it well each time and use in doses of a teaspoonful to a tablespoonful every four hours.

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This is said to be the quickest cough and cold cure known to science, and at the same time it has a splendid tonic effect which benefits the whole system. The Concentrated pine is a special pine product refined for medical use and comes only in half ounce bottles, each enclosed in a round case, which is airtight, to retain all the original strength of the fluid, but be sure it is labeled "Concentrated."

VAIN THREATS.



Jimmy Juggins—If you do not consent to my marriage with your daughter, I swear I'll kill myself.
Her Pa—Ha, that's good; you'll save me the trouble.

DREADFUL DANDRUFF.

Girl's Head Encrusted—Feared Loss of All Her Hair—Baby Had Milk-Crust—Missionary's Wife Made

Two Perfect Cures by Cuticura.

"For several years my husband was a missionary in the Southwest. Every one in that high and dry atmosphere has more or less trouble with dandruff and my daughter's scalp became so encrusted with it that I was alarmed for fear she would lose all her hair. After trying various remedies, in desperation I bought a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment. They left the scalp beautifully clean and free from dandruff, and I am happy to say that the Cuticura Remedies were a complete success. I have also used successfully the Cuticura Remedies for so-called 'milk-crust' on baby's head. Cuticura is a blessing. Mrs. J. A. Darling, 310 Fifth St., Carthage, Ohio, Jan. 20, 1908."
Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

Opposed to Toll Roads.

Maryland, following the recent lead of Pennsylvania, is moving to abolish toll roads. Gov. Crothers has expressed the hope that before his term is ended every tollgate in the state will be abolished and every road free. He believes that the work of the good roads commission will ultimately result in wiping out the gates. "The tollgate," says the governor, "is not of this age and has no proper place in this time. It is ridiculous to think of charging people money for coming to your city."

Valuable Conch Shells.

The conch shell is highly prized in India. In many of the temples they are blown daily to scare away the malignant spirits while the god receives his daily meal. A conch with the spiral twistings to the right instead of to the left is supposed to be worth its weight in gold. Some years ago a conch of that description was offered for sale in Calcutta, with a reserve price of a lakh of rupees placed on it. It was eventually bought in for \$20,000.

Too Skeptical for Fairies.

The modern child believes in fairies probably no more than he does in Santa Claus. The next generation will most likely dispense with children's books altogether. And yet, it is said, and no doubt truly, that there was never an age when so much literature for children's use was written.—Ladies' Field.

ROSY AND PLUMP

Good Health from Right Food.

"It's not a new food to me," remarked a Va. man, in speaking of Grape-Nuts.

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Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY.

LEGISLATURE AND RAILROAD COMMISSION ARE TO MEET.

A FORECAST FOR THE WEEK.

Supreme Court May Pass on the Presbyterian Church Case—Texas Railroad and Oil Cases.

Austin, Tex.—There is much scheduled for this week, some of it a positive reality and the remainder prospective. The legislature is to meet tomorrow, Tuesday, and the railroad commission is going to hold its regular monthly hearing on the same day. The Supreme court of Texas sits on Wednesday and the United States Supreme court reconvenes this week following the holiday recess. The interstate commerce commission will most likely give notice of time and place of resumption of the Texas rate hearing during this week, and the Texas commission will take action on Chairman Mayfield's motion to have a hearing in February to build a new straight mileage cotton tariff.

The Texas Supreme court may hand down its decision in the all-important church case, involving the union of the Presbyterian churches, as involved in the case of Brown vs. Clark, from Marion, and which has been under advisement for some time.

The United States Supreme court may act on the three Texas Waters Pierce anti-trust cases. They have been under advisement for a long time, and action has been expected for many days. It is talked in Austin here that Mr. Pierce would gladly stand trial if the case should be reversed, and that he hopes for such a decision before he is tried in Travis or other Texas county on charge of venue.

The Interstate Commerce commission adjourned at San Antonio with the understanding that the Texas rate case would be taken up in the new year as early as possible. Washington and the middle of February have been suggested as the probable place and time for resuming, because adjournment would be about the time President-elect Taft shall be inaugurated. Definite information, or rather, formal notice, in this matter is expected at the railroad commission's and attorney general's office this week.

Commissioner Story will return to Austin from San Marcos this week, and is believed to be in hearty accord with the proposition of Chairman Mayfield to set down the matter of promulgating a new cotton tariff with a view of eliminating the differential and adopt straight mileage throughout. Judge Story favors that proposition, though he may desire different rates than proposed.

Candidates for Clerkships.

Austin, Tex.—The lobbies of the hotels in Austin are alive with animated masses of humanity, and about the most energetic of the lot is the candidate for the legislative clerkship. There are dozens of these offices, and most of them are to be supplied by the vote of the bodies. The members are interested in the speakership race and have little time to bestow upon the aspirant to a clerkship, hence the necessity for quick work on the part of the latter. Some of the candidates have no opposition and are resting easily. Clyde Smith of Wichita Falls and R. M. Gilmore are not opposed for secretary and journal clerk of the senate.

San Antonio, Tex.—Miss Adina De Zavalla, chairman of the executive committee of the Daughters of the Republic faction headed by Mrs. Wharton Bates, announced Sunday that she will write Governor Campbell in opposition to the State taking over the Alamo and contesting the statements in the petition of the Rebecca J. Fisher faction. She will represent that the real daughters do not desire the State to take over the property; denying the assertions of the Fisher sides.

Houston, Tex.—Messrs. F. Charles Hume, state senator, and A. W. Haxthausen, representative, from this county, left Sunday for Austin to be present when the legislature convenes. Mr. Haxthausen states that he will vote for Mr. Kenedy for speaker of the house.

Austin, Tex.—Col. A. T. McKinney of Huntsville, a veteran member of the legislature, reached Austin Sunday and went to work for Mr. Davis for speaker. He will manage the Davis campaign. W. A. Palmer and Bob Braham, also of Huntsville, are in Austin.

Austin, Tex.—Senator Earl B. Mayfield of Bosque county will introduce in the senate a bill which is the counterpart of that to be introduced by Mr. Moller in the house abolishing the Houston-Galveston differential.

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PAY YOUR POLL TAXES.

Almost from time immemorial the Courier has been warning, with the regularity of the clock, the voters of Houston county to pay their poll taxes within the limit prescribed by law. This season is no exception and the Courier now reminds all voters again that their poll taxes must be paid by the first day of February if they expect to participate in any election during the year. This warning applies to city as well as county poll tax payers. If a voter cannot pay all of his taxes before the first day of February, he can pay his poll taxes separately from his property taxes and thus save his right to vote. A 10 per cent penalty will be added to all taxes not paid by the time fixed by law, which is February 1, but paying the 10 per cent penalty after that time will not entitle the tax payer to vote in any election during the year.

Charity is the rarest and the most necessary of all virtues. Charity does not mean merely the giving to the poor or to the missions. Charity for the views of others, charity for the shortcomings of others, charity for the religion of others are some of its uses. Without charity there is no religion and no good can be seen in any outside thing.

The Texas legislature is now in session. Congress will be lost sight of for the next few months and then the work of the legislature will be the all-absorbing topic for the rest of the year. The legislature will undo much that it did a year ago and do much that will have to be undone a year from now.

Senator Tillman has been caught in the meshes. He has been caught up with in a public land scheme that makes him smell as bad as if he had had some kerosene poured on him. He is now in the same class with Senator Foraker and others. How the mighty are falling!

A large number of farmers will raise the majority of their supplies at home during 1909. It is obvious that a cash system must be adopted very gradually, but it is the only highway that leads to independence and prosperity for the South.

When you pay your poll taxes and other taxes come right across the street and renew your subscription to the Courier, the paper that reminds you, from the standpoint of a public journal, that your time-limit is nearly up.

What Pays Best?

Of course the average weekly newspaper has a job office attachment and is supposed to derive a profit from what it turns out in this branch of the establishment, but it is worth much more to the patron to carry advertising in a newspaper than to put out a bunch of handbills now and then. In the latter way twice as many readers are reached, and above and

beyond all they are impressed with what is constantly before them. The newspaper advertisement, if properly handled, is not something before the reader this week and conspicuous by its absence the following week, but it is there to confront him every time he opens the pages of his local publication. In this way he is impressed, the advertiser's name and business is stamped on his memory, his expenditure has been put where it will do the most good. Print and pay for and distribute all the handbills you feel disposed to do, but don't forget the advertising columns of the newspaper if you want real good recompense for money invested.

Winter's Chilling Blast.

Crockett experienced its first blizzard of the winter Monday night. The thermometer had a drop of fifty degrees in twelve hours. Sunday was balmy, men going about town in their shirt sleeves as though summer was at hand. Monday morning a stiff norther was blowing and the velocity of the north wind increasing as night drew on. Sleet set in at midnight and everything was wrapped in ice Tuesday morning. The cold wave struck Oklahoma Sunday morning, Dallas Sunday evening, Crockett Sunday night, Houston Monday evening and Galveston Monday night. Farmers estimate that the present hard freeze is worth much to them in the way of enriching the soil and destroying insects. They are of the belief that a good crop year always follows a hard winter. The temperature dropped from 70 to 20 degrees at Crockett.

Favors Anti-Spitting Ordinance.

Crockett, Texas, Jan. 6, 1909. Editor Courier: In these days of much agitation throughout the United States in regard to sanitary methods and preventatives for the spreading of disease, especially tuberculosis, I think it proper and good for the general health of the community that the city council ought to pass an ordinance against spitting on the sidewalks, and make it a finable offense.

An ordinance similar to the ones in force in cities like Houston, Galveston and other large Texas cities, where public health is protected in such a manner. It would not cost the city anything, and it will undoubtedly save many a one from some dreadful disease.

It is a recognized fact that the habit of spitting on the sidewalks causes disease to spread broadcast, and that thousands die from its causes, not to say the amount of damage that is done to ladies' wearing apparel, and the unsightly appearance of the sidewalks at times. No one will dispute the fact that with little more care than we are used to take, thousands of lives can be saved to the union.

The United States government is aiding in this fight for public health with all the strength and vim characteristic of Uncle Sam. Our efficient state health officer, Dr. Brumby, is untiring in his efforts to stamp out disease for the good of all. Through his efforts the tuberculosis exhibit in Houston was assured and proved a success in every respect. Municipalities, by ordinances, and corporations, by rules and sanitary methods, are striving to stamp out disease for the sake and the uplifting of humanity.

So let us keep apace with progress and science, let us join forces and help stamp out disease by urging our city fathers to pass an anti-spitting ordinance and thereby assist in this noble work.

Respectfully,
John D. Friend.

Anniversaries.

Nineteen hundred and nine has opened its portals upon us.

"What brings you to us, oh silent year, Pride of triumph, failure's fire? Smiling cheer, or secret tear? Or bring you, at last our heart's desire? Oh year of grace, bring what you will! Of joy or sorrow, good and ill. Our past we know, to see the whole. And bear ourselves with equal soul."

Nineteen hundred and eight has passed so swiftly, so soon, but like all the years that pass it leaves its work incomplete, and it is left to us to take up the threads and weave them into the whole, until our sheaves are gathered and garnered.

"With faith in God,
Hope for ourselves and
Helpfulness, for others.
Charity and love
For all human kind."

And while we go on with the work before us, let us with reverent and uplifted hearts revert to our past, and do honor to those who sacrificed so much and gave up all for constitutional right and liberty, for our Southland, our heroes dead and living, "The Confederate Soldiers," by suitable observance of the days set apart, "Our Anniversary Days."

January 19th, the birthday of Generals Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. Let us suggest that the exercises be held in the church, or the school-hall, if possible, that the children may participate. Let no pains be spared to make the hall fitting and beautiful for this observance. Have the portraits of the knightly Lee, the grand commander of our Army of Virginia, with that of Gen. Jackson on his right, the great Christian soldier, "The right arm," as Gen. Lee expresses him, both draped with the flag they loved so well, and with wreath of laurel over each picture.

An oration or character sketch of these "Two Immortals," followed by appropriate music and song, with recitations in which the children should join.

March 19th, Texas Heroes' Day, most appropriately named, as Texas Independence was declared in March. Dedicate this day to those heroes of Texas, the officers, the privates, from Albert Sidney Johnston to the private soldier who proved himself by his acts worthy of a place in the temple of fame.

April 26th, Memorial Day. These exercises should be of a strictly religious character and should be held in a church or at the cemetery. Wreaths of evergreens, emblems of immortality, and flowers should be placed on the grave of each Confederate soldier, the exercises closing with "Old Hundred," sung by all.

June 3rd, our Legal Holiday, in honor of the great man, who was the representative of the Southern cause in its every phase. President of Confederacy, Commander in Chief of all its Armies and Naval forces. On this day, all Confederate Soldiers, Daughters of the Confederacy, Sons' Association, the youth and the children by whom Mr. Davis said "he would like to be remembered," should assemble, and with appropriate exercises, tell to the world what manner of man he was, and how much the South honors, loves and reveres his memory.

September 10th, Anniversary of organization of the Daughters of the Confederacy and held in honor of Mrs. S. C. Goodlet, through whose instrumentality the order was founded. History of her work and character sketch of Mrs. Goodlet.

17th September. Date of the battle of Shrapshurg, where Gen. Hood and his "Immortals" made a name for themselves that will go down through the ages. This day

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observed by description of the terrible battle, and character sketch of Gen. Hood; not forgetting to tell how this brave, loyal son of the South, though born in Kentucky, claimed Texas as his State, when his sword was drawn in defense of the South and when the reaper death came to claim him, remembering the love and devotion of his old Texas Brigade, he said, "I leave my children to Hood's Texas Brigade."

October 8th, Birthday of Hon. John H. Reagan, "Texas' grand old man, the Great Commoner," who spent a long and useful life in the service of his country, maintaining a character for honesty and probity never brought in question, serving during the war, in the cabinet of President Davis, his valued counsel and advice was sought and respected. His loyalty and friendship for Mr. Davis continued through his life, and he never failed to defend his chieftain when occasion required.

The people of Texas honor him for his consistent and loyal devotion to their interest and to duty. He had served under three flags as a Texas citizen and was true to each. In observance of this day, the flags of the Republic of Texas should mingle its folds with the star-spangled banner of our reunited country, and the Southern Cross our own Confederate banner, "all wreathed around with glory." A sketch of the life and character of Judge Reagan can well be given as an example and inspiration to the youth of our country.

Crosses of honor shall be bestowed on January 19th, April 26th, June 3rd and October 8th.

Each Chapter report to Chairman of Anniversaries observed, with programs of observance.

With hope that 1909 may bring to each member of the division health, happiness, prosperity and happy fulfillment of our work, we are,

Yours faithfully,
Mrs. D. A. Nunn,
Crockett, Chairman.
Mrs. John H. Reagan,
Palestine.
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