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BUTTER AND EGGS ON UPWARD TREND.

Prices Marked Higher Monday—Unusual Demand for Milk Responsible for Rise in Butter and Eggs.

Representatives of the big manufacturers of condensed milk are reported to be touring many of the heavy milk producing states offering premiums over the prevailing rates for milk in order to get supplies to fill their contracts for condensed milk for the armies that are being assembled in the United States. This has resulted in an increase in the price of butter in primary markets, Elgin quotations having advanced 3 cents per pound recently, which makes northern creamery butter worth 45 cents per pound here at wholesale.

Texas creamery has advanced to 39 to 40 cents per pound. Good rains over the state have been of benefit to the range and the milk supply has increased in Texas, but the greatly increased demand has offset the increase in supply.

No cheaper prices for butter are in sight and oleo prices are in sympathy with butter. Oleo manufacturers in recent advices to the Jones-Brewster company of Houston advised that the outlook was for the greatest demand ever known for oleomargarine.

The demand has been extremely heavy since butter has been so high.

Instead of coming down at this season of the year, as is usually the case, eggs have reversed the process and have gone higher, strictly candled fresh eggs selling at 32 cents per dozen wholesale in Houston Monday.

Dealers who usually store liberal supplies of eggs during April and May have done little or no storing this spring because of the high prices and the result is there are very few eggs held in the coolers in Texas. When receipts drop off during the next two months when the weather becomes very warm and the egg receipts show heavy loss off, it will be necessary to go to Kansas for a supply of eggs and prices are bound to be still higher.—Houston Post.

Commercial Club Report.

Guess it is safe to say that the commercial club rooms present one of the busiest places in the county these days.

Mr. Cook, demonstration agent, has his hands full organizing the forces among the Crockett ladies to carry forward the canning campaign that is being extended all over the county. The various committees meet once or twice a week and discuss plans and make appointments for the country meetings and it is pleasing to see the interest that is manifested in this splendid work. The county commissioners appropriated money sufficient to pay the expenses of two women experts who will arrive in a few days and remain about two months, visiting the rural school houses and holding schools of instruction and helping in other ways to get the people to can fruits and vegetables on a scale never before attempted.

Mr. W. B. Page's committee having in charge the campaign to get the new Junior A. & M. College located at Crockett is one of the

most active bodies of this sort that has ever been called together for work of this kind. The committee meets nearly every day and from what can be overheard it is very certain that no feature is being omitted that might in the slightest degree contribute to the success of the movement, and while it is too early to make any predictions as to the probable results, the members who are devoting so much time to the work all wear hopeful smiles and express themselves as well pleased with general conditions bearing on the situation.

Now that Hon. J. F. Wolters of Houston has accepted an invitation to deliver one of his excellent, patriotic addresses here on Wednesday, June 20, the crowd will undoubtedly be large. As Colonel Wolters is obliged to return to Houston on the midnight train, it has been decided to tender him an informal reception at the country home of Secretary Fisher from 8:30 o'clock to train time. The park at the Oaks will be illuminated by electric lights, as Col. C. E. Hayes has generously offered the use of his demonstrating plant for the purpose.

The entire membership of the commercial club and some of the prominent citizens of adjoining towns will be invited, and the wives and daughters of the officers of the club will assist Mrs. Fisher in serving the refreshments.

The secretary has just received a new supply of government bulletins, forwarded through the courtesy of Representative Gregg, who, by the way, has kept the commercial club rooms supplied with an abundant supply of helpful bulletins ever since the rooms have been at the service of the public. This last supply is displayed in one of the front windows, and if no one is on duty you are at liberty to help yourselves.

Grapeland is speculating considerably as to how Crockett is going to repay the chautauqua obligation, and the more they talk and speculate the bigger the crowd is going to be. This agitation is doing its work beautifully, if the talk one hears on the street every day is any criterion. One hundred well-filled autos is the very least number that will let Crockett out with credit, and a hundred and fifty would be a whole lot nicer. Remember the day, Tuesday, June 19, the day before Col. Wolters speaks at Crockett. H. A. Fisher.

City Officials on League Committees.

Houston, Texas, May 24, 1917.—Mayor J. B. Marmion of Houston Heights, president of the League of Texas Municipalities, today announced the membership of the 14 committees that will prepare for discussion the various topics on the program for the annual convention.

Crockett was honored by the naming of Mayor J. H. Painter as chairman of the committee on Sewerage and Sanitation, and Alderman L. L. Moore a member of the committee on Taxation and Assessment.

The meeting at which these committees are to report is the fifth annual convention of the League and is to be held in Dallas, June 20, 21 and 22. June 21 will be devoted to three joint sessions with the Texas Town and City Planning Association.

ANOTHER WARNING IS ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

Attorney General Declares That Steps Will Be Taken to Stop Any Attempt to Interfere With Draft.

Washington, May 28.—Nine indictments returned by a federal court in Texas against leaders of an alleged conspiracy to hinder army draft registration and two arrests in Virginia on similar charges were cited by Attorney General Gregory tonight in another warning that the department will deal relentlessly with persons who attempt to interfere with the execution of the draft law.

"There are indications," said Mr. Gregory, "that attempts will be made in one or two of the Central Western cities to make registration ineffective. The department is prepared to care for such emergencies. Its agents will be instructed to see that registration officers perform their duties properly and that they are not interfered with in the performance of their duties."

Petition for Discharge.

United States of America, Eastern District of Texas, ss. In the United States District Court in and for said District. In the matter of W. H. Henry, bankrupt. In bankruptcy No. 2000. Petition for discharge.

To the Honorable Gordon Russell, judge of the district court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas: W. H. Henry of Crockett, in the county of Houston and state of Texas, in said district, respectfully represents that on the 23rd day of April, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Act of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the court touching his bankruptcy.

Wherefore he prays that he may be decreed by the court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said bankrupt acts, except such debts as are excepted by our law from such discharge.

Dated this 24th day of May, A. D. 1917.

W. H. Henry, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

Eastern District of Texas, ss.

On this 29th day of May, A. D. 1917, on reading the foregoing peti-

tion, it is ordered by the court that a hearing be had upon the same on the 29th day of June, A. D. 1917, at the office of Hon. J. W. Fitzgerald, Referee in Bankruptcy, at Tyler, Texas, in said district, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed in said district, and all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the court that the clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order addressed to them at their places of residence as stated.

Witness the Hon. Gordon Russell, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Tyler, Texas, in the said district, on the 29th day of May, A. D. 1917. (Seal of the Court.)

Attest: J. R. Blades, Clerk.
By H. C. Blades, Deputy.

Graduating Class Complimented.

Friday evening at 7 o'clock Mrs. R. H. Wootters and Mrs. J. W. Markham complimented Miss Nannie Smith and other members of the graduating class with a picnic at Mt. Vernon, the beautiful country place skirting the north banks of the Hurricane. Being about two and a half miles out, the delightful drive out and back was an enjoyable feature. The crowning feature of the picnic was the elegant luncheon spread at sunset, in which the hostesses had the assistance of Mrs. F. G. Edmiston, Mrs. Albert Smith, Mrs. C. W. LeGory and Mrs. J. D. Sims Jr. An out-of-town visitor and special guest was Mrs. Luther Eastham of Huntsville. Mr. W. B. Cook, the county demonstration agent, started a camp fire and gave a practical demonstration on how to prepare quickly a camp fire lunch, at the same time demonstrating his ability to get others to do things. He soon had every one at work, all doing something in the making of Hamberger sandwiches and coffee which were to be served with the lunch that followed. Arthur E. Owens was entitled to the prize, and the only reason he did not get it was that none was offered. Thanking their hostesses for a very pleasant evening, the happy picnickers returned to town to dream of picnic lunches and all the accessories of such occasions.

UNITED STATES IS DOING ITS SHARE IN THE GREAT WAR.

One Hundred Thousand Americans Will Soon Be in France—Flotilla of Destroyers Doing Good Work.

London, May 28.—An official statement issued here Monday says that counting the Americans serving in the British and French armies and the additional units ordered to France there will shortly be 100,000 Americans in France.

The statement says 3500 war airplanes will be constructed and 6000 aviators trained in the United States this year.

The official statement was issued by the British war office Monday with the object of showing America's complete participation in the war and its ability to give immediate powerful aid. It refers to the draft bill, which will give an army of 2,000,000 men, and says there are prospects for the greatest success for the loan of which \$750,000,000 already has been advanced to the allies.

The statement declares that flotillas of destroyers are co-operating with the entente allies in the submarine zone, that one army division, a force of marines and nine regiments of engineers have been ordered to England, hundreds of these having already arrived.

"Together with the Americans already serving in the British and French armies," the announcement says, "these additional units will shortly give a total of 100,000 Americans in France, equalling five German divisions."

Details are given of the increase in the National Guard and regular army and doubling of the navy personnel, the statement then says:

"Fourteen thousand Americans of the best type are now assembled in 16 camps to receive intensive training with a view to become officers in the new army."

The announcement says the conferences with the Anglo-French commissions have been completed and that comprehensive plans have been made for industrial mobilization, including the construction of thousands of miles of railroads. The statement adds:

"Arrangements have been made for the construction of 3500 airplanes and the training of 6000 aviators this year."

Crockett Girl Marries in Wharton.

Much surprise and interest was created in Crockett Saturday over the news of the marriage of one of Crockett's charming young ladies, Miss Mary Fifer, to Mr. L. A. Nott of Charlotte, North Carolina, the ceremony occurring in Wharton at the home of the bride's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barbee. Mr. and Mrs. Nott arrived in Crockett Monday for a short visit with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Fifer and family, leaving Tuesday afternoon for Charlotte, North Carolina, where they will make their home. The bride was born and reared in Crockett, and by her charming manners and sunny disposition has endeared herself to all our citizens. For the past two years she has been teaching in the Wharton High School. The groom is a former South Texan and is at present holding a responsible position with the Southern Railway Company of Charlotte, North Carolina.

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In case of errors or omissions in legal or other advertisements, the publishers do not hold themselves liable for damage further than the amount received by them for such advertisement.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Courier will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the management.

CONTINUOUS CULTIVATION INCREASES YIELD.

The practice of laying by the crop too soon costs the farmers of Texas millions of dollars every year. The Texas Industrial Congress explains the reason as follows:

In Texas the rainfall is the chief factor in making the crops, especially for corn. Of the total rainfall practically one-half evaporates into the air, one-third passes into the rivers and the sea, and the remaining one-sixth is used by plants. Assuming that our rainfall during the growing season is above 25 inches—and this is true east of a line drawn from Quanah to Corpus Christi—this ratio would give 4% to 6 inches of rainfall with which to make crops. From 7 to 10 inches are required to make 50 bushels of corn or 35 bushels of wheat.

This great loss by evaporation is not realized because we do not see it. Yet wherever the sun's rays beat down upon exposed ground the soil water is being drawn up, changed to vapor at the surface and lost into the air. The loss of vaporized soil water can be cut off by spreading a blanket mulch of fine, loose soil, by means of frequent cultivation, over the fields.

Roughly speaking, crops need one-third of their water supply before the fruiting stage, and two-thirds in making the fruit or grain. Thus, to stop cultivation when the cotton is blooming or the corn bunching to tassels, leaves the sun and hot wind to suck away much of that needed two-thirds, changing the ears to nubbings and reducing the number of bolls and quality of lint. The last cultivations are the important ones, adding as much as 25 per cent to the yield and providing all the profit. It is for this reason that Colonel Exall urged cultivation until the bolls were opening and the kernels hardening on the cob.

TAKING A DOUBLE CHANCE.

Crockett people who make the habit of crossing over to the left hand side of the street to stop their automobiles and other vehicles should hold only themselves to blame if they get run into. They take a double chance, for the law not only gives the left side to those coming from the front, but also to those overtaking from the rear. All vehicles should stop on the right hand side, and it is better to walk across the street after getting out than to violate the rule by stopping on the wrong side.

The Commercial received a proposition to bid on the printing of a county fair catalogue from a neighboring county this week. Of course the Commercial needs all the business it can get, but under the circumstances it will not bid on the work. These things are done for the purpose of hammering on the local newspaper. Newspapers make mistakes by doing these things. Many of our largest business con-

cerns and corporations go away from home to hammer their local papers with cut-throat prices obtained by getting bids on a close margin of profit from other places and sometimes the work is done at a loss, and is sorry and inferior work at that. The local newspaper is generally working for the good of the community while some others are just riding and the local newspaper is unwise when it makes it impossible to succeed in business. The local newspaper should help and boost those who are worthy and appreciate it—and leave the others to make their own way.—Georgetown Commercial.

PROFITABLE CROPS FOR STUBBLE LAND.

"Too much emphasis cannot be laid upon the importance of following oat crops with cowpeas, peanuts or soy beans," says Osce Goodwin, a prominent Dallas business man, in a letter to the Texas Industrial Congress. "With the good rains we have had the land is in fine condition and the farmers should reap satisfactory results by planting these crops on their stubble land. It not only means a great deal to them, but to the country as well, and the present requirements for food stuffs and forage crops of all kinds will make it exceedingly profitable to grow these crops. The cultivation of a leguminous crop, such as cowpeas, peanuts or soy beans, adds nitrogen and humus to the soil and also prevents leaching."

Secretary Houston of the United States Department of Agriculture recommends the planting to the fullest extent of the grain sorghums. He states that experiments made by the Bureau of Chemistry have shown that good bread can be made with three-fourths of wheat flour and one-fourth of flour substitute consisting of either corn, kaffir, milo, feterita, soy bean, peanut or cottonseed meal. Besides being a food for man the grain sorghums can be used in the manufacture of industrial alcohol, starch, etc., and a good market for these crops is assured by present conditions.

MOST EFFECTIVE SUBSTITUTE FOR WHEAT.

Ordinarily the quantity of corn produced in the United States is from three to four times the quantity of wheat, but only a very small portion of the crop—from 5 to 10 per cent—has been used for human food. This amount may be estimated in normal times at about 200,000,000 bushels a year. Not over 5 per cent has been exported in peace times. A relatively slight increase in corn acreage, therefore, will place many millions of bushels more of human food at the disposal of the world without interfering in any way with the feed needed for the support of live stock.

In the past, with an abundance of grain of other kinds, corn has not been in great demand for human consumption. But with other grains no longer abundant, circumstances will compel more general recognition of the value of corn as human food. The department is urging strongly the wider use of corn in the diet. It is the best substitute for wheat that we have and can be utilized in breads, mushes and a variety of other ways. We should make every effort to avail ourselves of it.

City Directory for Crockett.

With our sewer system, including a modern disposal plant, well under way, and to be finished within the next two or three months, the query naturally arises, what shall be the next move in the progress and development of our city? We believe we reflect the sentiment of a large element of our citizens when atten-

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AN INVITATION

We wish to say to those who are thinking of attending the normal at Grapeland that we expect to make your stay with us as pleasant and as profitable as it is possible for us to do.

We have arranged for several social features which will give rest and recreation from hard study and at the same time beneficial in an educational way.

We have arranged for you to secure board as reasonable as the high cost of living will permit. Below you will find a list of citizens who will board students, and the price to be charged.

We will gladly welcome you to our town and expect to make you feel so much at home that when the normal is over you will want to come back again.

Hoping that you will join us the very first day, and wishing each of you a very profitable session, we are,

Very respectfully yours,

CITIZENS OF GRAPELAND.

Below is a partial list of those who will take from two to eight boarders and the price charged. There will be others if necessary to care for the student body:

Mrs. W. N. Richey, \$20 per month.
Mrs. Maud Allen, \$5 per week.
T. S. Kent, \$20 per month.
Roy Brewton, \$20 per month.
O. W. Davis, \$20 per month.
E. W. Davis, \$20 per month.
Mrs. Geo. Calhoun, \$20 per month.
Mrs. J. J. Brooks, room 8 at \$1 per week.
Mrs. A. W. Pelham, \$18 per month.

Howard Guice, \$20 per month.
J. W. Howard, \$20 per month.
J. I. Bean, \$15 per month.
Mrs. M. L. Clewis, room 4 at \$2.50 per month.
F. W. Leaverton, \$20 per month.
Mrs. J. F. Haltom, \$20 per month.
C. F. Haltom, \$15 per month.
W. F. Murchison, \$20 per month.

AND MANY OTHERS.

tion is called to the need of a city directory.

No city can justly claim to be a progressive community that does not issue every year or two an attractive directory that not only contains a classified list of the names of its citizens, but the large amount of other information that such a publication should contain.

There are two essentials preparatory to any publisher undertaking this work. Labeling our streets and numbering the stores and houses must be done before it is possible to compile the material for a city directory, and this expense, which is not great, falls upon the city and the individuals. The city should erect posts at all street corners containing suitable painted signs, and the property owners will be expected to pay for the store or house number when called upon by the solicitor for information who represents the publisher of the directory. We are informed that reliable

parties are ready to undertake the work of getting out a directory as soon as the city does the preparatory part of posting the streets and deciding in what order the lots shall be numbered where this detail has not already been taken care of. H. A. Fisher.

The Montgomery county tomato crop is estimated by the Conroe Courier to cover 600 acres. It is now ready for shipment and will bring at present prices about \$60,000 to the growers. This is cash money which comes at a time when other money is scarce on Texas farms—and the tomatoes are feeding a hungry people at comparatively low prices. Texas awoke early to the necessity for growing food crops and the country now is eating the results. Other results are being put into Texas banks to the credit of Texas farmers.—Houston Post.

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THE GOVERNOR SIGNS MANY APPROPRIATION MEASURES

All Items for Eleemosynary Institutions Approved—Signatures Put to Many Others.

Austin, Tex.—Governor Ferguson broke the record when he approved this week the bill carrying appropriations for the eleemosynary institutions for the ensuing two fiscal years without vetoing a single item. This bill not only provides for maintenance, but for new buildings and improvements. Its total is \$4,659,398, divided between the two years as follows: First year, \$2,667,151; second year, \$2,002,246.

It is probable that the State Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Carlsbad received more money for new buildings than any other state institutions, though the Orphans' Home was well treated, as was the Southwestern Insane Asylum at San Antonio and the new feeble minded colony at Austin, which is to be opened late this year. A resume of the appropriations allowed each year for the respective institutions is as follows:

	First year.	Second year.
Orphans' Home	\$226,435	\$84,330
Confederate Woman's Home	36,570	30,990
Confederate Home	143,970	101,170
Negro School for Deaf and Dumb	93,230	43,930
Girls' Training School	80,510	40,850
Tuberculosis Sanitarium	319,020	266,640
Austin Insane Asylum	\$65,530	\$44,330
San Antonio Insane Asylum	560,840	362,390
Terrill Insane Asylum	357,880	354,880
State Pasteur Institute	5,150	5,000
State Hospital for Crippled Children at Galveston	7,740	7,740
Feeble-Minded Colony	132,556	55,240
Epileptic Colony	129,900	121,780
The Juvenile Training School	204,430	182,930

The San Antonio Insane Asylum was the only hospital for the insane to receive appropriations of any consequence for enlargement.

Extra appropriations were made for other state institutions as follows: Orphans' Home—Standpipe and water system, \$15,000; four new employees' cottages, \$4,800; deep artesian well, etc., \$25,000; and administration building and equipment, \$100,000.

Confederate Home—Heating plant, \$25,000; and repairs, \$11,100.

Epileptic Colony—Sewage disposal plant, \$4,000.

Negro Deaf and Dumb Institute—Dormitory for boys, with chapel and recreation and class rooms, \$40,000.

Juvenile Training School—Additional land, \$50,000; central school building, \$37,500; remodeling and fireproofing administration building, \$5,000.

Girls' Training School—Enlarging two dormitories, \$17,000; plumbing, heating and lighting two dormitories, \$13,500; additional fire protection, \$3,000. In this institution eleven officers are provided for to safeguard the inmates.

Tubercular Sanitarium—Dormitory with equipment, \$70,000; new pumping station, \$10,000; X-ray equipment, \$4,000; nurses' building, \$20,000; laundry building and equipment with dormitory above, \$25,000; additional to storeroom and employees' dormitory, \$10,000; steam and sewerage changes, \$5,000; building for superintendent, \$10,000; sewerage plant, \$15,000; wooden bungalows, \$5,000; several outbuildings and improvements, \$12,000 for both years.

Feeble-minded Colony—Dormitory and equipment, \$26,000; central kitchen, dining room and refrigerating plant, \$50,000; barn, sheds, dairy and farm stock, \$6,000; completing storeroom and quarters now in construction, \$6,886.

The bill permitting absentee voting in primary elections, also the bill appropriating \$1,500 to cover expenses and printing of the constitutional amendment to be voted on, likewise the bill appropriating \$250,000 for the organization of the home guard ranger force not to exceed 1,000 men were also approved. The governor signed the Morris plan loan bank bill, providing banks for poor people who can not furnish security. He also approved the bill giving to the State University control of the buildings and property of the present blind institute upon the completion of the new institution north of Austin, which may be next fall; the bill amending the warehouse law and which is a ninety-day measure, becoming effective August 15. It makes the following changes in the present law: Reduce the number of managers from two to one; reduce the ginner's bonds to not less than \$250 nor more than \$1,000; provides for one sample unless owner requests that it be not taken, and a second sample for the ginner is made optional; changing the method of wrapping so as to have complete wrapping after compressing; all rules and regulations of the warehouse commissioner governing ginning are subject to review by the board;

THE FOOD SURVEY BILL PASSED BY THE HOUSE

Appropriates \$14,770,000 for an Immediate Investigation of Country's Food Resources.

Washington.—The administration's food survey bill was passed by the house Monday without a record vote. It appropriates \$14,770,000 for an immediate investigation of the country's food resources and for measures to stimulate production.

The agricultural department expects to present a fairly accurate estimate of food resources within three weeks after the bill is signed by the president, Secretary Houston said Monday. As soon as the measure becomes a law the department will start its 17,000 employees and the 150,000 voluntary crop reporters to work on the investigation. The preliminary report to be made within three weeks will be supplemented by a further complete report within six months if necessary.

Material gathered will be turned over to Herbert C. Hoover, who will be named to head a food administration board as soon as the pending regulatory food measure becomes a law.

The survey bill virtually passed as it came from the committee. Miss Rankin, the woman representative from Montana, inserted an amendment which would require the department of agriculture to use women in the survey work whenever practicable. An amendment by Representative McKenzie of Illinois would make all persons employed under the bill liable to military service, and another would permit citizens to refuse to go more than 300 miles from their homes or places of business to testify in a food inquiry.

As originally drawn the bill carried more than eighteen million dollars, but committee changes reduced the total. These are the principal amounts appropriated:

For seeds, \$5,775,000; education for increasing production by waste elimination and conservation, \$4,348,000; general survey, \$2,522,000; eradication of live stock disease and live stock improvement work, \$685,000; miscellaneous items, \$547,000; and eradication of plant diseases and insects, \$441,000.

Making rapid progress in revising the house war tax bill, the senate finance committee Monday decided to exempt from taxation many articles levied upon by the house; to substitute stamp taxes for the manufacturers' gross sales plan of the house, and to consider new taxes upon second-class mail matter.

All agreed that there should be no direct taxation of jewelry, motion picture films, chewing gum and self-played musical instruments.

For the house gross manufacturers' sales tax of 5 per cent the committee determined to substitute stamp tax on the following:

Mechanical musical instruments, including talking machine records, athletic goods, perfumes, cosmetics and patent medicines.

TEXAS LINES SHOW INCREASE.

Railroads of State Are in Healthy Condition, According to Auditor's Report.

Austin, Tex.—According to a statement of earnings of Texas railroads covering the first nine months of the current fiscal year, as made by Auditor W. E. Fitzgerald of the Texas railroad commission this week, Texas lines showed healthy increases in all income accounts and promise to break the high record in gross operating revenue.

For the nine months ended March 31, 1917, the gross operating revenue was \$104,792,828, an increase of \$19,193,165, or 22.42 per cent over the same nine months of the preceding year. The total operating revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1916, was \$113,644,013, or approximately \$9,000,000 more than for the nine months of this year. Taking the monthly average, the gross operating revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1917, will easily exceed that of the previous twelve months, and thus establish a high water mark.

The comparisons for the respective nine months periods for items in results from operation of Texas lines all show increases, the exact figures being as follows:

Freight revenue, \$73,484,826; increase, \$13,026,054, or 21.54 per cent.

Passenger train revenue, \$28,810,233; increase, \$5,719,246, or 24.77 per cent.

Other revenue, \$2,497,767; increase, \$447,855, or 21.85 per cent.

Total operating expenses, \$71,472,530; increase, \$7,025,105, or 10.90 per cent.

Income from operation, \$33,320,297; increase, \$12,168,050, or 57.53 per cent.

It will be noted that the income from operation shows what may be termed a remarkable increase, even though operating expenses advanced nearly 11 per cent.

ALL SOUTH TEXAS HEEDS CALL FOR INCREASED PRODUCTION

Rio Grande Valley Awaits to Need for Conservation—Many Towns Have Canning Plants.

Corpus Christi, Tex.—South Texas has heard the call of the world for increased production and conservation of food and feed stuffs and is answering the cry in magnificent fashion. In the Rio Grande Valley section, where in recent years several million dollars has been spent in irrigation plants and big canals, pumping water from the Rio Grande for irrigation purposes, every foot of land adjacent to the canals and laterals is being put to work.

Already 700 cars of cabbage and onions have been shipped from the territory during the present season and a close survey indicates that within the next four months no less than 2,500 cars of cabbage, onions, potatoes, cucumbers, beans, cauliflower and other vegetables will be shipped from the counties of Cameron, Hidalgo and Nueces.

A survey made by W. J. Doyle, industrial and agricultural commissioner for the Gulf Coast lines, shows that in the three counties 11,000 acres have been planted in cabbage, 1,450 acres in onions, 3,000 acres in beans, 800 acres in tomatoes, 2,500 acres in potatoes and 2,000 acres in other foods. The Rio Grande Valley alone expects to ship more than 1,000 cars of potatoes.

The acreage in the three counties in cotton will amount to 110,000 acres and 60,000 acres have been planted in corn, Kaffir corn, milo maize, feterita, Egyptian wheat and other crops.

The valley is also assuming importance as a producer of sugar, the mill at San Benito alone during the past season shipping out 1,206 tons of refined sugar. Total shipments of sugar over the Gulf Coast lines for the season amounted to 8,496 tons. The valley is an ideal section for the industry, the average production being twenty-five tons of cane to the acre and the cane producing 225 pounds of sugar to the ton.

Experience has taught the farmers that the time often arises when vegetables can not be sold at a fair profit, and to assure them of a market at all seasons of the year for cabbage, onions, beets, beans, tomatoes and other vegetables, canning plants are being installed and will be in operation within another sixty days.

At Pharr the Rio farm demonstration bureau is putting in a modern plant that will have a capacity for canning 10,000 cans of vegetables daily and the plant will be operated to its complete capacity.

In Corpus Christi work has started on a plant to pack shrimp, oysters, fish and all manner of vegetables.

Several other communities of the section are perfecting plans for similar enterprises.

On hundreds of the farms home canning plants have been installed.

NO LIQUOR AT ARMY POSTS.

Unlawful to Sell Intoxicants in Any Form to Officer or Enlisted Man While in Uniform.

San Antonio, Tex.—The United States army is dry.

There will be no liquor allowed in army camps, army posts or any reservations of any nature.

It is now unlawful for any man to sell intoxicants in any form to any man in uniform—officer or enlisted man.

Any man violating this law is liable to a fine of \$1,000, or imprisonment for one year. These are maximum penalties.

The order has been received from Washington to enforce the new law rigidly, and information from headquarters of the Southern department, at Fort Sam Houston, is to the effect that the law will be enforced to the letter.

Colonel Omar Bundy, adjutant general of this department, received a wise from the adjutant general of the United States to the effect that the new "bone dry" army law now is in effect, and dealers in intoxicants must act accordingly.

Texas Has Sixty-Six Wet Counties.

Austin, Tex.—Approximately two hundred liquor license permit renewals are daily being issued by Controller Terrell at the present time. Of the 3,248 licensed saloons in the state, it is estimated that 2,400 of them expire between May 1 and July 15. The controller's department has already issued 1,000 of these renewals and many applications for renewals are being received daily. Of the 3,248 licensed saloons in the state, 1,744 are liquor and 1,504 are malt, this being the last count made by the department several months ago. Texas now has sixty-six wet counties, Harris county leading with 437 licenses, Bexar county second with 411, El Paso 348, Galveston 208, Dallas 201, Tarrant 186 and Travis 101.

MANY LIVES ARE LOST IN CROSS-COUNTRY TWISTERS

In Six States Vast Areas Lay Desolate Wastes and Property Loss Reaches Millions.

Chicago, Ill.—About 161 persons are dead and more than a thousand are suffering from injuries and still other thousands are homeless as the result of freakish windstorms of fierce velocity which swept sections of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Kansas and Arkansas on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The property loss, it has been estimated, will aggregate millions. Vast areas lay desolate wastes. The landscape is strewn for miles with all manner of debris and the dead bodies of horses, cattle, hogs and other animals.

Reports indicate that a large number of farm implements, needed to produce the crops sorely needed this year, were ruined. Crop damage is said to be not heavy in grains.

The heaviest toll of life was at Mattoon, a city of 10,000 population, in the broomcorn country of Central Illinois, where fifty-four are known to be dead and 500 injured, with a property loss approximately \$2,000,000.

Charleston, Ill., ten miles east of Mattoon, also was partly wrecked Saturday with a loss of 38 lives and 150 injured. The property loss there will aggregate a million dollars.

The next most serious loss was at Andale, Kan., where 26 were killed and many injured on Friday. Dublin, Ky., suffered 3 dead and 17 injured.

South Dyersburg, Tenn., was reported to have lost 6 killed and a considerable number injured in a tornado which swept Dyer county Sunday.

Near Blytheville, Ark., 9 persons were reported killed and a dozen hurt.

Reports from Indiana show at least seven persons killed at Hebron, Kouts and other places. More than 200 were injured in the Indiana region swept by the storm.

Smaller towns in Illinois lost a dozen dead on Saturday with two score injured, while in the southern part of Illinois windstorms killed a half dozen and injured a score.

Governor Lowden sent state troops to Mattoon and Charleston to assist in relief work.

Sunday one of the hardest storms in years visited North Texas and the section of country near Boyce City. The rain, wind and hail, accompanied by a terrible electric storm, lasted during the whole night. Sabine Creek, about one mile east of that place, is running fully a mile wide, which indicates a rain to the north bordering on a waterspout.

Reports from neighboring towns are to the effect that they have also suffered more than at this immediate point. Numerous barns and outhouses have been demolished.

South Texas Oil Fields.

Houston, Tex.—Failure of completed wells at Goose Creek to get new production and the decline of wells already in caused the Goose Creek oil field to lose first place in coastal production during the past week and the steadiness with which Humble's small producing wells are bringing out the oil enabled that field to slip back into the place it held for so long. Goose Creek's production for the past week averaged about 18,000 barrels, or practically 2,500 barrels less than Humble. Humble's production during the past week was 20,500 barrels per day, as compared with 19,500 per day for last week, and Goose Creek's average daily production for the past week was nearly 7,000 barrels less than it was the week before.

Grain Dealers to Aid Nation.

Galveston, Tex.—A resolution pledging the support of the membership to President Woodrow Wilson, especially in the administration's plan of conducting the war, and encouraging the production and conservation of food, was adopted at the closing session of the Texas Grain Dealers' Association's annual convention Saturday. The following officers were elected to serve during the forthcoming year: T. E. Connally, Clarendon, president; W. M. Priddy, Wichita Falls, first vice president; B. E. Clements, Waco, second vice president; H. B. Dorsey, Fort Worth, secretary-treasurer (re-elected).

Body of Man Found by Boys.

San Antonio, Tex.—With the hands tied behind the back and the skull crushed, the lifeless body of William Murray, a Southern Pacific railway engineer, was found in Salado Creek near San Antonio by boy scouts Tuesday.

Another Gusher Brought In.

Houston, Tex.—Goose Creek reported another oil gusher this week, the well making about 6,000 barrels of water and oil. This is the Bush No. 5, on the east side of the creek, and is the property of the Gulf Production Company.

TEXAS STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR CONVENTION

San Antonio Selected as the Meeting Place in 1918—Edward Cunningham Re-elected President.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Officers of the Texas State Federation of Labor were elected and San Antonio given the 1918 convention at the final session of the convention Friday.

Edward Cunningham of Bridgeport was re-elected president of the organization by acclamation.

Other officers elected by acclamation were as follows: W. J. Morgan, El Paso, first vice president; Miss Myrtle Berry, Dallas, second vice president; George H. Slater, Galveston, secretary-treasurer, re-elected; E. A. Harrell, Waco, reading clerk, re-elected, and V. Woods, Fort Worth, sergeant at arms.

H. L. Spencer of Houston was elected as the delegate from the organization to the convention of the American Federation of Labor in Boston next year.

On account of a clause in the report of the committee on constitution and by-laws which recommended that two additional vice presidents be added to the organization, the report as a whole was tabled indefinitely following a battle royal which was waged all day long between the minority and majority on this one point.

In the decision as to the city getting the next convention, the fight was the hottest it has probably ever been. Roll call of each member had to be gone through with to determine the city getting the gathering. When the final vote was counted San Antonio had 222 votes, Galveston 97 and Beaumont 47.

A motion was made and passed by a majority vote to increase the pay of the president and legislative chairman of the organization \$45 per month each and to also allow the secretary-treasurer \$6.50 per day for expenses on the road while traveling in the interest of the federation.

Assembly Indorses Woman Suffrage.

Dallas, Tex.—In resolutions paying a tribute to the "influence of women, which has been invaluable in moral reforms," and stating that the Presbyterian church "believes in utilizing every possible force in the new and larger work lying before this country," the one hundred and twenty-ninth general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America, in the closing hours of its nine-day session at Dallas Friday went on record as asserting its "belief in the justice, wisdom and righteousness of the immediate enfranchisement of women throughout the nations."

Dr. Waite Electrocutted.

Ossining, N. Y.—Dr. Arthur Warren Waite was executed at Sing Sing prison Thursday. Dr. Waite, dentist and tennis player of repute, was convicted on June 1, 1916, of poisoning his wealthy father-in-law, John E. Peck of Grand Rapids, Mich. The crime is best explained in the words of the district attorney, Edward Swann, who told the jury: "The cause of this deed was solely the desire for money. There were no angry passions involved, no sex relation, no envy, hatred or malice; nothing but the purpose of obtaining easy money."

Kansas Wheat Crop is Short.

Topeka, Kan.—A prospective yield of 40,000,000 bushels of winter wheat in Kansas this year, the lowest yield in twenty years, despite the fact that reports indicate the acreage is larger than any ever devoted to a single crop in the state, is far from optimistic news contained in the state's crop situation as found May 19, issued this week by J. C. Mohler, secretary of the Kansas state board of agriculture.

Town in England Bombed.

A Town on the Southeast Coast of England, via London.—Women and children who had stood for hours in a long line in the busiest street waiting to purchase potatoes were the principal victims of the German airplane raid Saturday. Intent only on not losing their places in the line, the women and children had little warning of the raid and were easy victims of the German airmen, who dropped their deadly bombs indiscriminately.

Brown Texas Golf Champion.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Benny H. Brown of Houston is the new golf champion of Texas. Brown won this honor \$64 urday when he defeated the veteran, Commodore Bryan Heard of Houston, in the finals of the Texas State Golf Association tournament at Rivercrest Country Club, 3 up and 2 to play.

May Abolish Death Penalty.

Springfield, Ill.—The question of abolishing the death penalty for murder in Illinois

FOR TEN-YEAR-OLD

Daintiness of Finish Marks New Frocks for Young Girls.

Pique Strongly Favored, Among Other Sturdy Tub Fabrics, for Children's Dresses This Season.

The little frock shown in the accompanying sketch designed for a girl of eight to twelve years, is made of fine white pique and is trimmed with a very narrow soutache braid applied in conventional design. The oddly shaped little collar or jacket is separate from the frock proper. The latter is cut on simple, straight lines. The waist fits easily and extends a trifle



Tub Frock for Ten-Year-Old.

lower than the normal waistline, where the skirt is attached by large flat or box plaits.

The flat plaits are more effective, and are also more easily laundered, which is a feature worth considering. The sleeveless jacket is exactly alike back and front, and it fastens with small buttons on the left shoulder and at the side. This is really not necessary, except that when opened and laid flat on the board it can be more easily ironed than when the shoulders are seamed. Daintiness of fit distinguishes this little frock, and the same holds true of all apparel designed for members of the younger generation this season.

The frock may be braided in color if desired, although as designed all white is used, and this would undoubtedly prove the most satisfactory. A bright touch of color may be given an all-white frock by a bow of bright ribbon at the throat, and the frock in question is toned up by using a soft sash of wide taffeta ribbon, which ties about the waist, peeps beneath the jacket underneath the arms, and falls in loops and ends at the back.

To make this frock for a ten-year-old girl four and a half yards of material 36 inches wide will be required.

Pique is very strongly favored for children's dresses this season, and another fabric that is accorded approval in the selection of sturdy tub fabrics is a washable crepe.

Ginghams, chambrays and various heavyweight linens are also good, but pique ranks well at the top of the list.

Brazil Takes Defensive Measures.

Rio de Janeiro.—The Brazilian foreign minister Saturday presented to congress a message signed by President Braz, in which it is stated the sinking of Brazilian merchantmen by German submarines obliges the government to take measures of defense against the Teuton U-boats. The utilization, but not confiscation, of German vessels interested in Brazilian seaports is suggested.

Men Physically Unfit May Farm.

Washington.—An agricultural army, composed of those disqualified from military service, to use public lands and be advanced money, implements and seed by the government, was proposed in a bill introduced Friday by Senator Lewis of Illinois. Half the crops would go to the government.

French Commission Reach Home.

Paris.—Marshal Joffre and former Premier Viviani arrived at Brest Wednesday on their return from the United States.

DRAFT REGULATIONS BEING WORKED OUT

Jury Wheel System May Be Used to Select the First Half Million to Go to the Front.

Washington.—Regulations to govern exemptions under the selective draft are being worked out by Provost Marshal General Crowder with a number of prominent lawyers. Although the plans are not yet complete, it is probable the jury wheel system will be followed in selecting those who are to go into the first army of 500,000, and not until the names have been drawn and each registration district has provided the number apportioned to it will exemption will be passed upon, and if he is exempted another will be drawn to fill the vacancy.

The law provides for local exemption boards in each county and for each 30,000 in city populations. Boards of review also will be established on the basis of one or more to each Federal judicial district. All the boards will be composed of civilians. Secretary Baker said Tuesday the process of selecting them had not been worked out.

General Crowder said that only confusion would result from the reported intention of men above the fixed age to register on June 5.

"This is mistaken patriotism," he said, "and registrars will be instructed to accept cards only from men between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive."

Press Censorship Rules in Effect.

Washington.—Censorship regulations prepared by the committee on public information which American newspapers are asked to observe in the national interest and in the absence of any actual censorship law became effective Monday.

Manufacturers' Sale Tax Cut Out.

Washington.—Proposals for a 5 percent tax on manufacturers' gross sales in many industries and for greatly increased surtaxes on big incomes were stricken out of the war revenue bill Saturday by the senate finance committee, cutting down by many millions the total revenue provided for as the measure passed the house.

Red Cross to Raise Fund.

Washington.—The greatest campaign the Red Cross ever has waged designed to raise \$100,000,000 to care for American soldiers who fight democracy's battle and to lend a helping hand to thousands in the districts already devastated by the war, was launched Thursday at a meeting of representatives of the larger cities of the country.

Deny Passports to Americans.

Washington.—Emphatic disapproval of the peace propaganda of European socialists was expressed Wednesday by the American government, which denied passports to American delegates to the Stockholm conference and issued a warning that any American taking part in the negotiations would be legally liable to heavy punishment.

Vegetables Are Not Scarce.

Washington.—High prices for fruits and vegetables can not be defended on the ground of a supply shortage, in the opinion of the agricultural department, which announced Wednesday that detailed shipping figures show a shortage of only old potatoes and strawberries.

Indians Offer to Quit Fighting.

City of Mexico.—A delegation from the state of Oaxaca, claiming to represent several thousand Zerrano Indians who have been in arms against the government in that state, arrived Sunday to ask for terms under which the Indians can surrender.

Searching for Pink Weevils.

Brownsville, Tex.—Close investigations are being made by the United States department of agriculture on both sides of the lower Rio Grande for the presence of the pink boll worm.

Government Makes Another Loan.

Washington.—Another loan of \$75,000,000 was made to Great Britain Friday by the United States, bringing the total loaned to that nation thus far \$400,000,000 and the total of loans to all allies to \$745,000,000.

British Transport Torpedoed.

London.—The British transport Transylvania was torpedoed on May 4 with the loss of 413 persons. Twenty-nine officers and 373 of other ranks, also the ship's captain, Lieutenant S. Brenell, and one officer and nine men of the crew were lost.

Many Get Seeds for Crops.

San Antonio, Tex.—With 10,000 pounds of seeds in their possession, farmers of Bexar county have begun the actual work of increasing the food crop.

BAD HABITS OF POSTURE.

They Lead to Deformity and Chronic Disease if Not Corrected.

The significance of the postures habitually assumed by individuals is the subject of serious consideration by physicians at present. Exhaustive investigations seem to indicate pretty conclusively that bad postures, such as stooping shoulders, contracted chests or protruded abdomens, are not merely the result of careless habits in the individual, but are due to some slight physical deformity which should be corrected. Generally speaking, persons who have had posture habits are not very robust.

Every one has observed that persons who are fatigued drop into bad postures temporarily, and there are many examples of unusually robust persons with whom bad posture is chronic. Nevertheless, tendency to bad posture undoubtedly leads to the trend toward weakness and chronic disease, particularly in individuals who are not naturally rugged.

The robust child or the adult who takes an adequate amount of recreation from work does not usually fall into bad habits in sitting or standing; in fact, he is able to combat the condition of study and work which make for bad posture. The less robust child and the overworked or too sedentary adult, on the other hand, are obliged to make persistent efforts to avoid bad posture habits. And, although these habits may have no very detrimental effect upon the general health during childhood, they are likely to result in chronic diseases later in life as a result of the anatomical deformities produced.—Exchange.

Platinum in Coins.

The only instance in which platinum has been used for coins was by the Russian government between the years 1828 and 1845, when they made pieces of 8, 6 and 12 rubles. Coins and medals have been struck in this metal by other governments simply for commemorative or experimental purposes, but never for circulation, like the case of the Russian government. Up to within fairly recent years counterfeiters of gold coins have been made of platinum and then gilded. That was only when the price of platinum was about half that of gold.

Nervous Systems.

In man and all of the higher animals the nervous system centers in the brain, and life is dependent upon the condition of the brain, so that the slightest injury to it means death or derangement of faculties. But in the case of the worm and other creatures of the lower kind the nervous tissues are distributed over the body and do not center in the head, so that a worm may be cut in half and still live.

Lumber Town Is Wiped Out.

Thibodaux, La.—The lumber town of Bowdix, about forty miles from Thibodaux, was practically wiped out Thursday as the result of a fire which originated in the upper end of the Bowdix Lumber Company's plant. Property damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

Four Swedish Steamers Taken.

Petrograd, via London.—Four Swedish steamers with cargoes of varied character, bound for Russia, have been captured by a German submarine in the Gulf of Bothnia.

Rebel Chief May Give Up Arms.

City of Mexico.—Juan Bonilla, representative of Emiliano Zapata, the rebel leader, conferred Sunday with General Pablo Gonzales, minister of communication, with regard to the surrender of Zapata.

Miners Accept Wage Scale.

Du Bois, Pa.—Representatives of 45,000 miners of the Central Pennsylvania bituminous coal fields Friday voted 113 to 49 to accept the wage scale agreement recently drafted in Washington.

English War Mission Departs.

Washington.—The British war mission left American soil and crossed into Canada Friday after six weeks' conferences which have reached into every phase of American life, and is expected vitally to affect the future of this country if not of the world.

Onion Monopoly Is Charged.

Boston, Mass.—Eighty-eight corporations and individuals were indicted by the federal grand jury Friday for conspiring to monopolize the interstate commerce in onions.

Deeper Sand Furnishes Big Find.

Houston, Tex.—The Ada Bell Oil Company brought in a 400-barrel well Monday at Batson on the Mill home lease. The oil was found at a greater depth than other producers in the field.

Lightweight Title Leonard Won.

New York.—Benny Leonard won the world's lightweight championship by knocking out Freddie Welsh in the ninth round of a 10-round match Monday night.

BENEFIT EVENT FOR RED CROSS

Great Automobile Race on Texas State Fair Track Saturday, June 2.

SPEED KINGS ARE TO CONTEST.

Speed demons of world-wide fame will be seen in action in Dallas Saturday, June 2, when the greatest automobile race scheduled for the Southwest will be run off on the speedway at the State Fair of Texas.

Featuring the day will be a one hundred mile race and for this event a purse of \$2,500, together with a valuable trophy cup, has been offered to the winner. In addition to this long grind for the famous drivers, several preliminaries for short distances will be run off.

The big race will be under the direction of the State Fair of Texas and the occasion will be a benefit for the Red Cross Society. Recognizing the invaluable work being done by this Society, the directors of the Fair decided that encouragement should be given and as a result a liberal percentage of the receipts of the day will be turned over to the Red Cross Society.

Official sanction of the meet has been granted by the International Motor Contest Association, of which the State Fair of Texas is a member. This means that records established at this meet will be official. G. Huff Darward, widely known, as a direc-



R. E. L. KNIGHT, President State Fair of Texas.

tor of such automobile race meetings, has been secured by the State Fair to manage the meet and is actively directing arrangements.

Acknowledged to be one of the fastest dirt tracks in the country, the speedway at the State Fair grounds offers an alluring prospect to the topnotchers among the professional auto racers. Supremacy on the dirt track is a mooted question among the drivers and an opportunity to meet the challengers for first honors will be welcomed by all of them. For this reason and because of the liberal purse hung up, it is expected that the entrants in the big race will bring together the most famous aggregation of professional drivers that has been assembled in the Southwest. Fred Horey, recognized by many as king of the dirt track, has asked for an entry blank, and in all probability will be on hand when the starter cuts the racers loose June 2nd.

Last season during the Texas State Fair the speedway at Fair Park was declared by drivers racing there to be one of the best dirt tracks over which they had piloted a car. Since that time considerable labor has been put on the track ironing out some slight imperfections and hardening the surface on the treacherous turns. By the time the classic events of June 2nd are ready to go, the track will be as near perfect as it can be made, according to Manager Darward.

Manager Darward has just returned from the East and North where he attended some of the race meets being held and where he advertised the Dallas meet among the drivers. As Dallas, by reason of the date selected, can fall into a circuit of race meets, including St. Louis, St. Paul, Detroit, and others, many of these drivers will come direct from the East to this city.

Special rates on all railroads.

AUTO RACES FOR THE

BENEFIT OF RED CROSS

Dallas, Texas, May.—Speed kings of the dirt track will assemble in Dallas for the classic one-hundred mile race to be run off Saturday, June 2, over the speedway at the grounds of the State Fair of Texas. The meet will be a benefit for the Red Cross Society and was arranged through a desire of the directors of the State Fair of Texas to encourage the work of this organization. While the feature of the day will be the "Century Grind", there will be several races over short distances as preliminaries to the big event. The superiority of the Dallas speedway over other dirt tracks of the Southwest is one reason for the kings of the speed world wanting a chance to race over this course. The championship on a dirt track for the one hundred mile distance is a title somewhat in dispute among the greatest of the professional drivers and it is almost certain that a number of claimants for honors in this division will enter for

the Dallas meet.

For the big race of the day a purse of \$2,500 has been offered, and in addition to this there will go to the winner a valuable trophy cup.

Preparations for the State Fair of Texas for the season of 1917, contemplate the greatest exposition that has ever been held of a similar nature. Premium lists have been enlarged in every department, new structures erected to house many classes of exhibits and in general the scope of the entire fair has been widened. Special rates on all railroads.

IS SINGING A LOST ART?

For the People at Large It Certainly Is, Says This Critic.

Singing, as far as most people are concerned, is a lost art. Thousands attend operas, recitals and musical comedies; tens of thousands wind up phonographs. But, as for singing themselves informally at their work or play, they have forgotten how. In times past people of all ranks sang together as a matter of course. Sailors sang at their work; peasants, shepherds, cowboys, all had their favorite and appropriate songs. The songs of children at games, the lullabies of mothers, are in the collected ballads and folklore of many peoples.

"The pastimes and labors of the husbandman and the shepherd," says Andrew Lang, "were long ago a kind of natural opera. Each task had its own song; plowing, seeding, harvest, burial, all had their appropriate ballads or dirges. The whole soul of the peasant class breathes in its burdens as the great sea resounds in the shell cast up on the shore."

Nowadays the whirl of machinery makes all the noise. The workers in mills might find it unsatisfying to sing at their work, but it is doubtful if they would sing even if their voices could be heard, while singing in an office or store would pretty surely be stopped by the "boss" or the police. Thousands congregate every night in the silence of moving picture theaters, and even in the churches where singing by the congregation used to be customary the attendants now usually listen in silence to a paid singer.

Singing in this age is largely confined to the professional performer, drunken men and phonographs.—Indianapolis News.

A Hemming Tip.

In sewing hems of towels or sheets or muslin, in starting them from the end place a piece of paper under the needle and sew through it for about two inches, then on to the hem. This will prevent the clogging of the thread and needle. Then after tearing off the paper the threads are there for tying the end.

Height of Hopefulness.

He—After I am out of college, darling, I may have to wait a few months before I can make enough to support you. She—It is so hard to wait. He (bravely)—I know it. But of course you know the world doesn't know anything about me yet.—Exchange.

Ambiguous.

"How are you, old man? Feeling pretty strong?" "No, only just managing to keep out of the grave."

"Oh, I'm sorry to hear that!"

Reason, prudence, caution, courage, justice, co-operation and conciliation are requisites to economic growth and strength.—Elbert H. Gary.

Speak to the Horses.

The human voice has more or less marked influence on all animals. In managing horses especially the voice is of the greatest use. It should be quiet and, though confident and masterful, not loud and boisterous. No one should ever speak to a horse without at the same time touching to it.

Love and Strife.

Of a truth love and strife were afortime and shall be, nor ever, methinks, will boundless time be emptied of that pair. And they prevail in turn as the circle comes round and pass away before one another and increase in their appointed time.—Empedocles.

His Little Task.

"Very suspicious man, they say." "Very. Bought a dictionary last week, and now he's counting the words to see if it contains as many as the publishers claim."

John Adams.

John Adams, who died in his ninety-first year, was the oldest of our ex-presidents.

Doesn't He, Though?

Back—Confess, now, Henry, you don't pay as much attention to your wife as you did before you were married? H. Peck—Lord, yes! I mind twice as quick now.

Not Necessarily.

"The face is the index of the mind, it is said." "Oh, I don't know. Because a woman's face is made up is no sign that her mind is."

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**COTTON PRICES ARE
HIGHEST IN HISTORY**

**Futures Establish New High Level During
Past Week—Spots Soar Highest
in Half a Century.**

New Orleans, May 27.—The favorable weather reports from the belt and a strong spot demand last week put the price of cotton on the market to the highest level ever recorded against futures and to the highest levels in half a century against spots. The July position reached 21.37 cents a pound, and in the spot department middling 21.19.

The lowest prices were made around the opening of the week, while the highest prices were recorded on the week end. At the topmost level contracts showed a net rise of 77 to 108 points, while the close was 66 to 95 points up. Middling closed at its best, a net rise of 106 points. At lowest levels contracts were 26 to 39 points under the previous rise of 103 to 139 points, or almost exactly \$7 a bale on the strongest month, July.

Weather and crop accounts reflected the effect of too low temperatures over the belt and told of much replanting and of damaged young cotton, leading to expectations of a very low initial crop condition report from the government. In the spot department the total

sales for the week of 31,975 bales were the largest in a long time. On Friday the total sales of 18,949 bales were the largest single day's turnover in about 20 years. They contained a single transaction of 14,200 bales of hedged cotton.

Versatile and Obliging.

Recently there appeared in a London newspaper an advertisement for an experienced insurance clerk, wages fifteen shillings a week. The advertiser got a lot of sarcastic letters, like the following, and he deserved them, too, says an exchange:

Dear Sir—I would respectfully apply for the position you offer. I am an expert in insurance in all its branches. In addition, I converse fluently in Gum Arabic, Gorgonzola, Zola and Billingsgate. I write shorthand, long hand, left hand and right hand. I can supply my own typewriter if necessary, and I may mention that I typewrite half an hour in ten minutes—the record for Great Britain. I would be willing also to let you have the services, gratis, of my large family of boys, and, if agreeable to you, my wife would be pleased to clean your office regularly without extra charge. The cost of postage for your answer to this application can be deducted from my salary. Please note that if you have a backyard I would make bricks in my spare time.

New Law for Auto Owners.

The law consumed a page in the Houston Post, and it would take a person some time to learn every part of the law. Every automobile owner should supply themselves with a copy of the new law, which will go into effect on the first day of July. Below are a few of the main points of the law:

All motor vehicles must at all times be provided with adequate brakes in good working order.

No muffler cut-outs shall be used in any town or any highway near a closely built up section; and all vehicles shall be so arranged as to prevent any unnecessary noise.

No drunk or intoxicated person shall drive a motor vehicle in this state.

All vehicles shall be driven in a careful manner with due regard for the safety and convenience of pedestrians.

No vehicle shall be left in any public highway unless the brakes are set and the motor stopped thereon.

Two vehicles passing each other shall have the right of way and no other vehicle shall pass or attempt to pass such vehicles.

All travel shall be on the right hand side of the road unless the road on the left shall be clear and unobstructed for at least fifty yards ahead.

All vehicles shall be driven at a rate of speed both reasonable and proper. No vehicle shall exceed 25 miles an hour anywhere nor in closely built up territory 18 miles an hour; nor in town or city 15 miles an hour; nor in business districts more than 10 miles an hour; nor in passing other vehicles on the road more than 15 miles an hour.

The registration fee collected by the State, under authority of the new state highway commission law passed by the regular session and to become effective as to fees on July 1st, will be considerably higher than the autoists have been accustomed to pay.

The minimum charge for a license will be \$7.50, and the charge above that is based on 35 cents per horsepower for pleasure vehicles. For commercial vehicles the charge will run from \$20 per year up, according to the carrying capacity per wheel.—Rusk County News.

Letter from Negro Pastor.

To the negroes of the south: The time has come for us to think of the great war that is ahead of us. Let us remember where we live and who we are depending on for food, clothes and education, and have been for these fifty odd years. Let us stand by the flag of democracy, and stand like brave men for our rights and country. The white man of the south is letting us live together, so let us stand together, and be willing for our boys to go out on the battlefields and die for our country. The great problem is now before us. Let us think of our wives and our daughters, of their great suffering. If we can not go ourselves, we can show which side we are on and look for victory to be ours. The negro must realize this for himself.

Rev. H. C. Thompson, (col).
Rt. 2, Crockett, Texas.

A restaurant in Houston carried a page ad in yesterday's Post, and it was headed "Good Doughnuts." The whole page ad was used in telling what good doughnuts this place served. If a restaurant sees that it pays to spend money in advertising in this way, it seems that some of our merchants should wake up to the fact that it would pay them to try advertising.—Polk County Enterprise.

Any business man living in the Twentieth Century should know the value of advertising. If he does not it's simply a sign that he isn't a business man!—Houston Post.

The
FLAVOR LASTS
in
WRIGLEY'S
If pleasure made price
its cost would be thrice

WRIGLEY'S
SPEARMINT
PURE MINT FLAVOR

WRIGLEY'S
JUICY FRUIT
PURE FRUIT FLAVOR

WRIGLEY'S
DOUBLEMINT
PURE MINT FLAVOR

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UNITED
STATES
733

Chew it after every meal

Redpath-Horner Chautauquas

Chas. F. Horner, Manager

KANSAS CITY, MO.

May 18th, 1917.

The Crockett Courier,
Crockett, Texas.

Gentlemen:

We have observed with much delight the liberal space which the Courier has given the Chautauqua.

You are getting out a very neat and newsy sheet, and are to be congratulated.

The special page of Chautauqua advertising, used along with the paid ads of your local merchants, is a pretty fine idea.

Again we thank you for all this fine publicity.

Very sincerely yours,

J. F. RODABAUGH,

Secretary.

**Round Trip Tickets
At Reduced Rates**

ON SALE DAILY TO

Aransas Pass	Marlin	Port Lavaca
Brownsville	Mineral Wells	Port O'Connor
Corpus Christi	Palacios	Rockport
Freeport		Seadrift

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SUPERB
DINING
CAR
SERVICE

I. & G. N.

STANDARD
SLEEPERS
ON NIGHT
TRAINS

Look for Early Announcement of Popular Excursion to

GALVESTON

Summer Tourist Tickets to Northern and Eastern Resorts
on Sale Daily Commencing May 15

LONG LIMITS—LIBERAL STOPOVERS

NEWLY BALLASTED ROADBEDS—FAST SCHEDULES

For Travel Information See Nearest I. & G. N. Ticket Agent, or Address

D. J. PRICE

General Passenger Agent
Houston, Texas

QUICALINE
FOR
MALARIA—CHILLS & FEVER
SAFEST—PUREST—BEST

The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from the Courier Building.

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line.

Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bills.

In case of errors or omissions in legal or other advertisements, the publishers do not hold themselves liable for damage further than the amount received by them for such advertisement.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Courier will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the management.

Levelady News.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Collins have returned from Austin and San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker and Misses Jessie Standley and Pauline Barron spent the week end in Galveston.

Mrs. W. T. Finley of Lakeland is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jones, at Hickory Lawn.

Mrs. H. M. Barbee is in Crockett with her mother, Mrs. Estes.

Miss Margie Rayburn returned Sunday from C. I. A. at Denton.

N. H. Moore of Austin and Dr. S. H. Moore of Houston spent Sunday with Postmaster and Mrs. C. B. Moore.

Mrs. Walter Mangum and little Miss Sybil of Weldon were guests of Mrs. J. M. Murray last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tuck have returned from Bryan and other points.

Miss Bessie Hutchings of Trinity spent Sunday with relatives.

Miss Fay Murray returned last week from Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Davis and Miss Hazel spent Sunday on Nevil's Prairie.

Mrs. Mollie Burroughs has returned from a two weeks' stay with her son, Ben Burroughs, at Taylor.

Notice by Publication of Final Account.

The State of Texas—To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

T. W. Thompson and F. H. Hill, executors of the estate of David T. Adair, deceased, having filed in our County Court their final account of the condition of the estate of said David T. Adair, deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration, you are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a newspaper regularly published in the County or Houston, you give notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the August term, 1917, of said Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in the city of Crockett, on the first Monday in August, 1917, being the 6th day of said month, when said account and application will be considered by said Court.

Witness, A. E. Owens, Clerk of the County Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at my office in the City of Crockett, this 29th day of May, 1917.

A. E. Owens,

Clerk County Court,

3t. Houston County, Texas.

Opposes Contests and Schemes.

The editor and publisher of the Carbon County Journal, Red Lodge, Mont., Charles H. Draper, is one of the many to be commended for their opposition to contests and other advertising schemes designed to increase the circulation of newspapers. Mr. Draper believes in selling the Journal upon its own merits alone and in announcing the em-

ployment of a circulation manager recently stated that he would employ no clubs or popularity appeals to get business.

Concerning contests and other prize schemes for getting circulation the Journal says editorially: "There is no doubt that considerable money could be diverted to the Journal coffers through entering into one of these contests and furthermore there is no doubt that the promoters thereof would leave town with a sum which would be far in excess of any legitimate salary they might have earned. The public would put up this money, as it has done in the past, somewhat grudgingly in many instances, but under the clever pressure brought to bear they would feel compelled to stand for a five or ten-dollar 'touch' or an advertising contract which they did not want.

The Journal is an institution organized and equipped to do a publishing and newspaper business. It sells advertising space at rates which are eminently fair and reasonable to those who can use advertising space; it sells subscriptions at prices which only pay for the white paper used in the papers covered by the same; it sells printing of all kinds on prices based upon cost plus a reasonable profit; but it does not and will not become a party to any scheme which proposes to extort from the public or any part of the public an exorbitant charge for any of these services or which would result in forcing the public to buy, under the guise of helping a candidate in a popularity contest, anything which it did not want or could not use."

The Journal is the official newspaper of the county and the subscription rate is \$2 per year in advance.

The News printed a dispatch a few days ago announcing that the secretary of commerce had ordered the closing of the fish hatchery at San Marcos. The general explanation is that the Texas legislature failed "to enact the necessary laws for the successful operation of the hatchery." The commissioner of fisheries reports that "the principal species of fish handled at our hatchery at San Marcos receives no protection during the spawning season, and the state has shown a persistent disregard for elemental principles of fish culture, with the result that the work of the hatchery is to a great extent nullified." But this appears to be the least of the complaints. It seems that a necessary procedure in bass culture is the collection of the brood fish by means of nets, but the use of the net is prohibited by the Texas laws, and, to quote the commission of fisheries, "the county attorney of Hays county, in which the San Marcos station is located, acting under an opinion of the Texas attorney general, has intimated to our superintendent at San Marcos that he intends to enforce the law against employes of the bureau of fisheries." The department is hardly to be blamed for closing up the fish hatchery in Texas if it can operate only at the risk of having its men put in jail for doing the work of fish propagation.—Galveston News.

Saloons Banish Free Lunch.

Fort Worth, Texas, May 29.—The serving of free lunches in Fort Worth saloons will be prohibited on and after Saturday of this week. The city commission, at the request of the Retail Liquor Dealers' association Tuesday, passed an ordinance prohibiting the serving of the lunches and assessing a fine of from \$1 to \$50 for every violation.

Liquor men asked for the legislation, owing to the fact that proventer has gone so high they could not afford the expense.

What You Are.

A long time has passed since the ownership of a motor-car was an evidence of wealth.

We all drive now. Not merely bankers, head waiters and master plumbers, but the lower classes also. Even editors of magazines.

The number of automobiles is being added to at the rate of more than a million a year: a million new cars mean two million new drivers.

If driving is to continue to be safe and enjoyable for all of us, it must be made so by a tremendous exercise of courtesy on the part of every one.

Let me set down here some observations founded, not on police law, but on common sense plus courtesy.

First. However unflattering it may be to the rest of humanity, I know of no better rule than always to assume that the other fellow is a bigger fool than you are.

Assume that he is going to turn the next corner without giving any signal.

Assume that his wife, who is with him, may at any moment take a fancy to a wild rose at the edge of the road, and have the car brought to an abrupt stop.

Assume, when you turn a corner, that he will be coming around from the other way, too fast and on the wrong side of the road.

In a word, keep a sufficient distance between his car and yours, so that nothing he can possibly do can involve you in trouble.

Second. A horn can be either the voice of salvation or an instrument of torture, according to how it is used.

The courteous driver can make his horn say either "Please be careful" or "Curse you, Charles Montagu, get off the road." His horn never

says one when it should say the other.

Incidentally, the best drivers blow the horn least.

Third. The courteous driver stays just as close to the edge of the road as it is possible for him to get. He never feels called upon to assert his dignity or to maintain his rights by edging as far in as he can.

He knows that the middle of the road belongs to no man.

Fourth. The courteous driver never uses his blinding headlights except on a road entirely unlighted; and he turns them down at the first sign of an approaching car.

Fifth. The courteous driver recognizes that pedestrians and horse vehicles have rights as well as he. He remembers—however irritating they may occasionally be—that, after all, the road belonged to them for years before it belonged to the motor-car.

It is the law of the sea that the sail-boat must give way to the row-boat. The power-boat must look out for the sail. Always the stronger must give way to the weak.

What is law for the sea ought to be the self-imposed and cheerfully accepted etiquette of the road.

Finally. The courteous driver—

and his wife—make up their minds at what rate they like to travel best, and they jog along happily, at that rate, enjoying the view, untroubled and untroubling.

If the occupants of another car desire to travel faster, they then let them pass. They never race: never put on full speed when they hear a horn sounded behind them.

Never, under any circumstances, do they push ahead of a car in front by invoking a burst of speed, and then slow up so that their dust spreads over the car behind.

In all the category of meanness, there is no meaner trick than passing a car and then slowing down.

Let me see you drive and I'll tell you what you are.

I can stand by the side of the road and pick out the wife-beaters, and the fellows who are cheating the government on their income tax, the fellows that talk loud in theaters—

—and, thank God, the great overwhelming majority of good husbands and fathers, decent citizens and courteous gentlemen—the wholesome folk who observe the etiquette of the road.

Bruce Barton.

Wall Paper Time

We carry a well selected stock of wall paper—many pretty, new and exclusive designs. Make your selections here and you will have no cause to regret it.

THE McLEAN DRUG COMPANY

THE REXALL STORE

Our business for last Saturday and this week has far exceeded our most sanguine expectations.

There Is a Reason

The universal cry for lower priced merchandise is finding a ready answer at our store.

The American people are never lacking in appreciation. They are appreciating the values we are offering them in our sale, and they are showing their appreciation by their very liberal patronage at our counters.

The inducements that we are holding out to keep business going are meeting with ready response. There are very few trade or military slackers in Houston county.

Our sale, which began Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, will continue until Saturday night, June 9th, as advertised.

Crockett Dry Goods Company

H. L. MORRISON, Sales Manger

Don't Let Your Dollar Be a Slacker

"Business as usual" has become the universal slogan. To keep business as usual every dollar must do its full patriotic duty. If you have a dollar to spend, spend it—but spend it wisely.

Many wise spenders are buying their drug store needs from us because of the quality and service they get here. This same quality and service awaits you. Why not avail yourself of it?

Crockett Drug Company

The House of Service

Local News Items

Vocal Class Gives Musicales.

The vocal class of Miss Evelyn Wall gave a musicale Friday evening at the home of Judge and Mrs. W. B. Wall. Every available seating place in the home was filled with the admiring friends and relatives of the class and of the capable instructor. Every number on the program was enjoyed to the fullest, as evidenced by the prolonged encores. The musicale was a credit alike to the class and to Miss Wall.

Registration Cards Issued.

Registration cards were issued Monday to nine applicants between the ages of 21 and 30 inclusive. These applicants live in other counties and are sending the registration cards to the sheriffs of the counties in which they live. All men who are within the registration age and are away from home should apply to the county clerk for a registration card to be mailed to the sheriff of their home county. On registration day, June 5, the sheriff will register the applicants. County Clerk Owens expects to issue many more cards before June 5, the day on which all must register.

Dr. Bogue Resigns.

The Courier regrets to learn of the resignation of Dr. H. P. V. Bogue as president of Mary Allen Seminary. Dr. Bogue's resignation was sent in some time ago, but has only recently been accepted. He will return to his former home in New York state and pass his remaining days among the people whom he served as pastor of a Presbyterian church for many years. For a long period he was

pastor of a congregation at Avon, near Troy, N. Y. Leaving there, he lived for a short time in the northwest. Following the death of Dr. J. B. Smith, former president of Mary Allen, he was selected to fill the vacancy thus created. He immediately came to Crockett, where he has since resided as president of the school. Under his management the school has maintained the high standard established by its former president. During his residence in Crockett Dr. Bogue has made many friends who will join the Courier in regretting his departure, but at the same time wishing him the happiness that is the merit of a well rounded-out and active Christian life.

Protracted Meeting.

I am expecting to have the assistance of Rev. Frank Wright and Rev. Young in a protracted meeting to begin on Sunday, June 10. Mr. Wright is said to be a fine preacher and a sweet singer. Mr. Young will lead the singing. We hope to have the cooperation of our brethren of the other churches, and of our people generally. Let us all have faith to expect and to pray for a great spiritual blessing for our town. I would specially request that our friends throughout the community will try to be present at all the services as far as may be practicable.

S. F. Tenney,

Pastor Presbyterian Church.

Graduating Class Complimented.

Miss Violet Phillips entertained at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Phillips, Saturday evening with a dance party. Members of the Crockett High School graduating class were the honorees. About fifteen couples participated in the pleasures of the evening. Under spreading trees and over a

velvety lawn were inviting seats that gave relaxation between times. Dainty programs contained fourteen regular and four extra dance numbers. Music alternated from the piano and victrola. Fruit punch was served between dances and a refreshment of ice cream and cake was served late in the evening. The hostess was very gracefully assisted by Miss Gladys Dawes. About fifteen couples enjoyed the pleasures of the evening, which were brought to a close by the early approach of Sunday morning.

Entertained With Dance Party.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cartwright entertained with a dance party Tuesday evening at their home on east Public avenue. The honorees were Miss Nona Queen of Kerens and Miss Mary Anne Kolts of Houston. The music was from the victrola. The programs were beautifully hand-painted in design and contained fourteen regular and one extra dance numbers. About sixteen couples participated. Sandwiches and fruit punch were served between dances. Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Jensen and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thompson assisted the host and hostess. A most enjoyable evening was reported by all who participated. On account of the warm weather, the veranda was used for dancing. The lawn, bedecked here and there with pretty porch sets, was surpassed only in its beauty by the charm of fair maidens and the hospitality of host and hostess.

Automobile Registrations.

No. 435, C. H. Hayslip, Crockett, a Chevrolet touring.
No. 436, John Wolf, Crockett, an Overland touring.
No. 437, L. P. Reed, Volga, a Ford touring.
No. 438, Miss Modelle Jones, Percilla, an Overland touring.
No. 439, J. C. Meriwether, Kennard, a Ford touring.
No. 440, J. W. Hogg, Crockett, a Ford touring.
No. 441, J. P. Hail, Crockett, a Chevrolet touring.
No. 442, J. A. Brinkman, Crockett, a Buick roadster.
No. 443, M. D. Murchison, Grapeland, a Buick touring.
No. 444, Louine and John T. McLarty, Crockett, a Ford touring.
No. 445, Pratt Lee, Crockett, a Buick touring.
No. 446, W. W. Aiken, Crockett, a Dodge touring.
No. 447, B. C. Jones, Crockett, a Chevrolet touring.
No. 448, Miss Anna Beeson, Crockett, an Overland touring.

Commissioners' Court.

The county commissioners' court, at its recent regular session, taking into consideration the expense it has been to in building dipping vats for the benefit of the stockraisers of Houston county, felt that it should not be put to more expense and made the order that after the vat has been once charged with the dipping solution, the users of the vat must thereafter bear the expense of the dipping solution. The court felt that it had already been very liberal in this connection.

The county clerk was instructed to notify the parties on whose land the dipping vats are located to appear before the court at its next regular session, June 13, 1917, and sign an agreement which will be prepared for them, setting out the terms, restrictions, etc., under which the vats may be used by the public. This will be done in order that the public may know just what it is entitled to.

The court having previously passed an order for an election to be held on July 21 for the purpose of electing a public road superintendent, an election for road district advisory boards was ordered to be held on the same day.

Something Good Offered You Saturday by

Johnson Arledge

Read carefully and save money by buying from this list Saturday. These prices are for CASH ONLY.

TELEPHONE 29 -- AUTO DELIVERY

Corn Meal, 35-lb. sack . . . \$1.40	10c American Sardines . . . 5c
Light Crust Flour, 48-lb. sack for . . . \$3.50	Three 1-lb. packages Arm & Hammer Soda for . . . 25c
Old Homestead Flour, 48-lb. sack for . . . \$3.25	Two-pound can Delmonte Asparagus for . . . 25c
Old Homestead Flour, 24-lb. sack for . . . \$1.65	25c can Salmon for . . . 20c
Anchor High Patent Flour, 24-lb. sack for . . . \$1.65	20c can Pink Salmon for . . . 15c
A A A Special Patent Flour, 48-lb. sack for . . . \$3.00	Compound Lard, per lb. 18 1/2c
A A A Special Patent Flour, 24-lb. sack for . . . \$1.55	Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup, per gallon . . . 75c
Five pounds Roasted (whole or ground) Coffee for . . . \$1.00	Five bottles of Garrett's Snuff for . . . \$1.15
Five pounds Best Green Rio Coffee for . . . \$1.00	Three boxes of Crinkle Corn Flakes for . . . 25c
Best Granulated Sugar, 9 1/2 pounds for . . . \$1.00	Campbell's Pork and Beans, cheaper than dried peas, 1-lb. net weight can, 20c seller . . . 15c
Y. C. Cane Sugar, 10 1/2 pounds for . . . \$1.00	40c Pure Apple Vinegar . . . 35c
	50c White Pickling Vinegar (same brand sold for 15 years —best you can buy) . . . 40c

Fruit Jars Cheap as Tin Cans—Can Be Used Year After Year

One dozen Pint Jars . . . 55c	One dozen Economy Tops . . . 25c
One dozen Quart Jars . . . 65c	Jar Rubbers, white, dozen . . . 5c
One dozen Half-gallon Jars . . . 85c	Jar Rubbers, best, red, three dozen for . . . 25c
One dozen Extra Tops . . . 25c	

EVERY ITEM GUARANTEED

Bring me your Poultry, Eggs, Beeswax and Hides. I am always in the market and always pay the top price. Ask your neighbor.

JOHNSON ARLEDGE

Information Regarding Registration Day.

Following is a list of the registrars for the various voting precincts:

- No. 1—Augusta, A. S. Moore.
- No. 2—Antioch, Clarence Davis.
- No. 3—Ash, George Lansford.
- No. 4—Arbor, Pinckney Smith.
- No. 5—Belott, J. W. Lockey.
- No. 6—Crockett box 1, W. G. Cartwright and M. P. Jensen.
- No. 7—Crockett box 2, W. P. Bishop and A. C. Collins.
- No. 8—Crockett box 3, C. D. Towery and T. A. Hays.
- No. 9—Crockett box 4, A. M. De-cuir and Jno. D. Morgan.
- No. 10—Creek, J. D. McCullar Jr.
- No. 11—Dodson, W. H. Threadgill.
- No. 12—Daly's, Tom Kent Jr.
- No. 13—Daniel, T. L. Glenn.
- No. 14—Freeman, A. E. Buffington.

No. 15—Grapeland box 1, J. E. Hollingsworth.

No. 16—Grapeland box 2, J. M. Owens.

No. 17—Holly, J. E. Driskell.

No. 18—Kennard, C. Latimer.

No. 19—Lovely, J. N. Collins and C. C. Murray.

No. 20—Percilla, O. Dennis.

No. 21—Porter's Springs, A. B. Mulligan.

No. 22—Ratcliff, J. R. Connor.

No. 23—Shiloh, Hardy Bitner.

No. 24—Tadmor, J. W. McMorris.

No. 25—Tyer's Store, R. J. Dominny.

No. 26—Volga, H. M. Robinson.

No. 27—Weches, J. W. Gregg.

No. 28—Weldon, B. E. Goodrum.

On registration day, June 5, registration places will be open from 7 a. m. until 9 p. m. Failure to register lays one liable to one year in

federal penitentiary. Ignorance excuses no one. If you expect to be absent on that day, come to the county clerk of your county, who will instruct you how to register. If you are sick on that day, send a reputable citizen to the registrar of your voting precinct, who will instruct him how to register you. All cards must be in on June 5. The registrars listed above have tendered their services free, so be as considerate of them as possible, as they will be extremely busy that day. Instructions as to how to answer questions will be posted outside the registration places. Study same thoroughly before going inside to register.

A. E. Owens,
County Clerk.

Where Enlistments Come From.

The Richardson Echo notes that "among the daily enlistments in Dallas not one in fifty come from Dallas," and suggests that the farm boys "are flocking to the standard and answering the call, while the city loafer is standing on the street corner making his usual observations and remarks." The Echo estimating that Dallas alone has about 2000 loafers "who are not worth anything to the town or country." That's one of the admirable features of the selective draft, the boys who are doing their bits on the farm helping produce the stuff that feeds nations will be exempt, while the boys without jobs and without desire to get jobs will be the first included. That just the reverse is true under the volunteer system is the worst indictment of the plan the president opposed. —Denton Record-Chronicle.

"BUY AT HOME"

If you buy out of town and we buy out of town, and all our neighbors buy out of town, what will become of our town? Ever think of it?

BUY IN CROCKETT

The New Edison



"The Phonograph With a Soul"

Is the instrument of which the St. Louis Republic says:

"The problem of music in the home is solved when the singing of the greatest artists is made possible by an instrument that does not betray itself in the very presence of the artists."

VISIT OUR STORE. We want to give you a pleasant hour of music.

Phone 47 or 140

Bishop Drug Company

THE PROMPT SERVICE STORE

Local News.

Ernest Clark of Mineral Wells is here.

Miss Louine McLarty is visiting in Caldwell.

For cleaning, pressing and repairing phone 38. tf.

Miss Ruth Warfield has returned from school at Dallas.

Imported Leghorn hats in Knox shapes at J. C. Millar's. tf.

John Wootters is at home from Baylor University, Waco.

Queen Quality, the Shoe de Luxe, sold by Jas. S. Shivers & Co. tf.

Col. W. W. Lively, who was very sick last week, is improving.

Wanted—Second-hand ice box. Inquire at the Courier office. 1t.*

New shapes in soft collars—two for 25 cents at J. C. Millar's. tf.

Mrs. C. L. Edmiston and children are visiting relatives in Marlin.

A complete, up-to-date abstract. tf—adv Aldrich & Crook.

No. 666 will cure Malaria or Bilious Fever. It kills the germs. 17t.

Mrs. W. E. Mayes of Mineral Wells is visiting friends here.

A United States flag was raised this week over the postoffice.

All new shapes in Arrow collars, two for 25 cents, at J. C. Millar's.

666 will cure Chills and Fever. The most speedy remedy we know.

Miss Willie Jensen is again at home, her school having closed.

Miss Irene Henry will leave Saturday night for her home in Mineola.

Rub-My-Tism—Antiseptic, Anodyne—Kills pain, stops putrefaction.

John Cook is at home from the Southern Methodist University at Dallas.

Miss Beth Lundy is at home from the Texas Presbyterian college at Milford.

Mrs. A. R. Spence is visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Hicks, in San Antonio.

Mrs. Frank Craddock of San Antonio is the guest of Miss Emma Craddock.

Mrs. A. H. Wootters and Miss Delha Mildred Wootters are visiting in Houston.

Mrs. Corinne N. Corry is a visitor at Washington during the Confederate reunion.

Armistead Aldrich of Bay City is spending a vacation with relatives and friends here.

Misses Sue and Bee Denny have returned from their visit to Cloudcroft, New Mexico.

A report of the last session of the Cadman Club will appear in the Courier next week.

Holeproof hosiery in all the new shades—each pair guaranteed—at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's. tf.

Arthur Thomas of Waco was here Saturday and Sunday to arrange for registration.

Misses Otice and Maude McConnell returned Monday night from their visit to Longview.

Tennis shoes are just the things for warm weather. You can get them at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.

Misses Clarite Elliott and Jennie McLean are at home from Ward-Belmont College, Nashville, Tenn.

We are showing something new in soft shirts—red, white and blue. tf. J. C. Millar.

Miss Eloise Dillaye of Houston is visiting Dr. H. P. V. Bogue and other relatives at Mary Allen Seminary.

Misses Sarah Mac Crook and Dewey Kennedy will return this week from Baylor University, Belton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jo Ed Winfree and children of Houston are visiting relatives and friends in and near this city.

For Rent—Large furnished room, lavatory, electric lights, without bath, \$6.00 month. Address P. O. Box 203. tf.

Lost—Link cuff button, inlaid with mother-of-pearl. Finder will please leave same at this office and receive reward. 1t.*

Murdock Denny, Tom Brailsford, Hunter Warfield and Oscar Hooks have returned from A. & M. College, College Station.

Judge E. Winfree and daughter, Mrs. James Crawford, left Friday afternoon for the Confederate reunion at Washington.

Ford Roadster for Sale.

Have for sale a Ford roadster, practically new—a bargain. See Dick Daniel, Crockett, Texas. 1t.*

Blackberries.

You can get all the blackberries you want at 25 cents a gallon as long as they last.

4t. J. D. Caskey, Route 1, Grapeland, Texas.

The friends of Gause Patton will be glad to note that he has again embarked in business. Read his ad. in this week's Courier.

Just arrived—a shipment of misfit suits and pants. Buy a suit and save from \$7.50 to \$10.

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That we have "scad oozles" of money to loan on good farm lands. 4t. Madden & Denny.

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Ford for Sale.

Have for sale a 1917 model 5-passenger Ford in good condition. See Wade Buchanan, Crockett, Texas. 1t.*

Mrs. Robert Allen of Latexo, who has delighted Crockett audiences on several occasions, will sing the offertory at the Baptist church Sunday morning.

Do not worry about the warm weather. Let Jas. S. Shivers & Co. fit you in a genuine "Keep Kool" Palm Beach suit and you will be comfortable all the summer. Prices from \$7.50 up. tf.

Frank Craddock Jr. of San Antonio was here this week, returning home Tuesday night. His wife will remain until some time next week and will be accompanied home by Miss Emma Craddock.

Hunter Warfield and H. F. Moore Jr. enlisted in the First Texas Cavalry at Houston last week. Since then D. M. Winfree, John B. Ellis and Frank Betts have enlisted to go with the same company of cavalymen, and Howard Jordan has transferred his enlistment from the navy to the same cavalry organization.

Real Estate and Loans.

We have real estate for sale and we would like to examine any vendor lien notes you may have for sale.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS

Following a most successful term, which closed with a musicale Thursday afternoon, May 24, Miss Evelyn Wall has decided to continue her class in vocal instruction during the early summer months.

Nugent Beazley, in the engineering department of the United States government at Port Sullivan, Texas, was at home on a visit and to register Tuesday. He is engaged in Brazos river work for the government.

For Sale or Exchange.

One second-hand buggy.
One second-hand harness.
One second-hand delivery hack.
One second-hand horse.

A. M. Decuir, Druggist, tf. Under Pickwick Hotel.

Boarding House for Rent.

The Aldrich house, almost within the business district, has recently been renovated and otherwise improved. It is desirably located for a boarding house and will be rented on reasonable terms. For particulars apply to B. L. Satterwhite. tf.

Mr. J. D. Glenn of the Concord community and Miss Mineola Brannen, a daughter of Jap Brannen of Trinity county, were married at the Presbyterian church Friday, June 1, Rev. S. F. Tenney performing the ceremony. The Courier hastens to extend congratulations and best wishes.

Notice by Publication of Final Account.

The State of Texas—To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

T. W. Thompson and F. H. Hill, executors of the estate of David T. Adair, deceased, having filed in our County Court their final account of the condition of the estate of said David T. Adair, deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration, you are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a newspaper regularly published in the County or Houston, you give notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the August term, 1917, of said Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in the city of Crockett, on the first Monday in August, 1917, being the 6th day of said month, when said account and application will be considered by said Court.

Witness, A. E. Owens, Clerk of the County Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at my office in the City of Crockett, this 29th day of May, 1917.

A. E. Owens,

Clerk County Court,

3t. Houston County, Texas.

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