

The Crockett Courier.

"Quality, Not Quantity."

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District Court News.

Last week was the seventh and last of the fall term of the district court. Two convictions were had during the last half of the week, following the publication of this paper. They were in the cases of Sherman Nixon and Frank Brown. Sherman Nixon, who had been granted a new trial, was again given 25 years for wife murder. Frank Brown, who was also tried for wife murder, got off with three years. Nixon and Brown are negroes.

Seven men convicted at this term of the court are ready for the penitentiary. They are as follows:

H. J. Beachum, white, 5 years for rape.

Walter Jones, white, 6 years for rape.

Sherman Nixon, negro, 25 years for murder.

Lonnie Jordan, negro, 2 years for assault to murder.

Frank Brown, negro, 3 years for murder.

Tut Elam, negro, 2 years for burglary.

Norman Smith, negro, 5 years for theft. This defendant also has a two years suspended sentence hanging over him which he will now have to serve. The suspended sentence was for burglary.

Notice of Road Tax Election.

Notice is given that an election will be held at Crockett, Texas, on Tuesday, December 11, 1917, on the question of voting a special road tax of not to exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred dollar valuation of property situated in Road District No. 3, and to determine whether or not such special tax shall be levied and collected to create a maintenance fund for the benefit of the said Road District No. 3 in Houston County, Texas.

E. Winfree,
County Judge.

Some Renewals.

Subscribers continue to renew for the Courier and more of them will come in now since the Courier has installed its linotype. Following are some of the renewals since last issue:

J. N. Click, Lovelady.

C. H. Click, Lovelady.

C. H. Hansen, Crockett.

B. M. Hicks, Weches.

Lee Rich, Route 6.

E. A. Williams, Route 4.

J. A. Harrelson, Lovelady.

N. B. May, Weches.

J. H. Rosser, Route 2.

H. A. Salisbury, Route 4.

J. P. Christian, Route 5.

C. Lancaster, Crockett.

Will G. Smith, Jacksonville.

E. K. Capriellan, Crockett.

M. W. Wells, Ratcliff.

Oscar Williams, New Willard.

D. C. F. Snell, Route 4.

O. T. Ratcliff, Ratcliff.

Petition for Election.

Friends of the road bond issue in the Belott, Creath and Weches communities say that they are going to change the district bounds and petition for another election right away. They do not want to lose that \$30,000 offered by the government to supplement the bond issue voted by them. The government offers \$30,000 to be expended on the San Antonio road between the Crockett road district and the Neches river provided the people of the communities affected express a willingness to cooperate by voting for the bond issue.

Cotton Seed.

The United States Food Control has stopped us from buying cotton seed for our own account for a short while. We suggest to those having seed for sale that they hold them until February. Nuf sed.

Houston County Oil Mill and
Manufacturing Company.

Road Election Ordered.

The commissioners' court, sitting in special session Wednesday and acting on the petition of voters residing in the Belott, Weches and Creath communities, ordered a road bond election for Saturday, December 29, 1917. A new district has been outlined to be known as Houston county road district No. 4. The district embraced is published in the election order, appearing in another place in this paper. The friends of the bond issue say they are determined to carry it in order to get the benefit of that supplementary offer of \$30,000 made by the highway department of the government.

Lew Wallace Killed.

Lew Wallace, a prominent citizen of Madisonville, was shot and killed in the northern part of Madison county Sunday by a negro with a Winchester rifle. Mr. Wallace was in Crockett last week with Mr. John McIver, also of Madisonville. While a trans- river resident, he had many friends on this side who regret to hear of his death. It was Mr. Wallace who gave his blood in an effort to save the life of his friend, Lee Rogers, at Mineral Wells a year or so ago.

The Courier's Wish.

Mr. E. A. Williams, living between Crockett and Creek, called at the Courier office Saturday and renewed his subscription for the twenty-eighth time. Mr. Williams has lived in Houston county for forty-five years and for more than half of that time has been a reader of this paper. The Courier hopes that Mr. Williams may not only live to read this paper many more years, but that his remaining years may be as pleasant as have our associations with him.

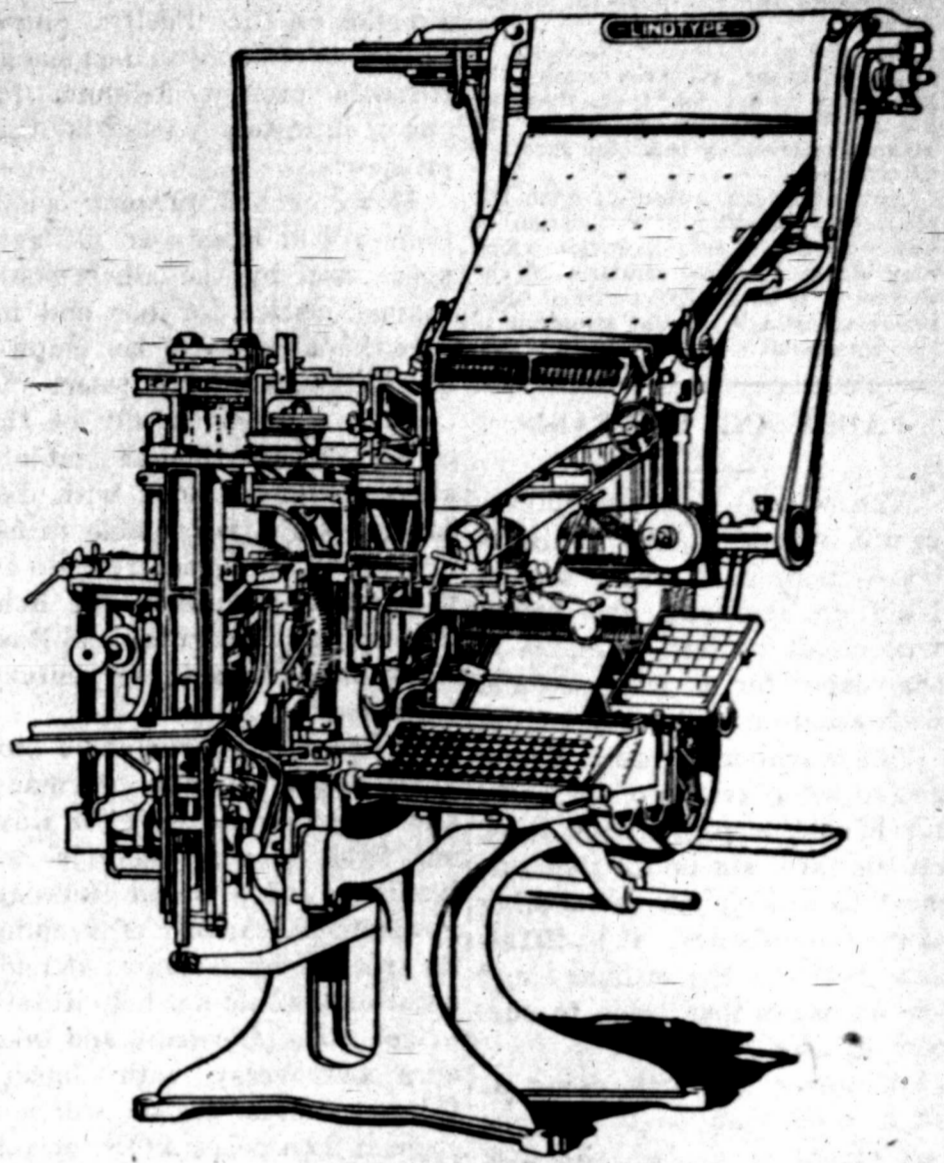
Red Cross Success.

The play, "Microbe of Love," presented Tuesday evening by Crockett talent for the benefit of the Red Cross, was a success from every viewpoint. The receipts amounted to \$160 or more. Counting each admission at 50 cents, 320 people attended, but as some people paid as high as \$2.50 for a ticket, the attendance cannot be reckoned on the basis of office receipts. The hearty encores evidenced the enjoyment of all witnessing the play.

Special Meeting.

Sunday morning there will be a service at the Baptist church of unusual importance. Officers and leaders of the church and Sunday school are to be elected for another year, and as the present pastorate will close with this year, a pastor will be called perhaps at this meeting. Every member of our church is urged to be present. Our friends are cordially invited to attend this service. M. L. Sheppard.

Why buy your Tombstones and Monuments from a traveling stranger? When you can get what you want from I. B. Lansford here at home and save money.



A LINOTYPE MACHINE.

The Courier has adopted the linotype way. Its printing equipment now contains a Model 5 Mergenthaler. The body type of the Courier is no longer set by hand.

Times and methods have changed. We were first content to follow a single path afoot or horseback through the forests. Sometimes we dragged a sled behind a horse or an ox. Then we widened the path until a wagon could pass, drawn either by horses or mules. Wagons became too slow, and buggies and carriages were the next resort. Then came the railway train, and not content with that mode of travel we now have the automobile and the flying machine.

For ages type-setting has been by hand, a single letter being picked up and placed at a time. A number of years ago the type-casting machine, casting a line of type at a time—therefore designated the linotype—was invented, but they were so expensive that it was thought that only the big dailies

could ever use them. They have gradually been placed in towns smaller and smaller until today the town of Crockett's size without its linotypes does not exist.

The Courier, keeping step with its neighbor cities, has installed the linotype and adopted the linotype way. It is a costly venture, but we have taken the plunge, believing that such a progressive step will be appreciated by our patrons. Realizing that the local newspaper, to truly represent the progress of its community, must take the lead in every progressive movement, the Courier has discarded the old way and adopted the new.

But the Courier must be considered as a strictly business institution from now on. Improved methods bring about increased expenses that can only be met by increased business. We believe the abundant prosperity which the country is now enjoying justifies the progressive step which the Courier has just taken.

Adler Appeals Case.

Chas. Adler, convicted at the recent term of the district court for the murder of Ned Wellborn at Lovelady last summer and given ninety-nine years in the penitentiary, asked for a new trial. Failing in that, he gave notice of appeal to the court of criminal appeals. While awaiting the result of the appeal, he will have to remain in the Houston county jail, as his case is not a bailable one.

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Houston.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston County, on the 28th day of November, 1917, by John D. Morgan, clerk of said Court, for the sum of Seventeen Hundred and Forty-eight and 48-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment of foreclosure, in favor of Mattie Denny in a certain cause in said Court, No. 5543, and styled J. S. Jackson vs. Unknown Heirs of Barton Clark, deceased, et al,

placed in my hands for service, I, R. J. Spence, Sheriff of Houston County, Texas, did, on the 28th day of November, 1917, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Houston County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 179 6-10 acres on the Barton Clark, league and the Burrell Morris survey, situated about 22 miles southwest of Crockett, and most generally known as the "Jeff Stubblefield" place, and being the same land described in said judgment and to which reference is here made for a better description of said land, and levied upon as the property of J. S. Jackson, and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1918, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House door of Houston County, in the City of Crockett, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said judgment and order of sale, I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. S. Jackson.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper published in Houston County.

Witness my hand, this 28th day of November, 1917. R. J. SPENCE,
3t Sheriff, Houston County, Texas.

Pure Ribbon Cane SYRUP

We have just distributed with local merchants a car load of pure ribbon cane syrup under our label of "East Texas Brand." This syrup is packed by Geo. L. Singleton, Arnaudville, La., and is the same syrup we have sold here for several seasons. It is manufactured in open pans like our home-made, but he is better prepared to make good syrup than most farmers, and this syrup is guaranteed ABSOLUTELY PURE, just as fine as you ever used, and equal to anything made in Houston county. BUY A CAN, taste of its goodness, then get a case from your grocer before the supply is exhausted.

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The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from 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.

LABOR AND THE FARM.

The surest means of success in life is honest, painstaking labor. There is no better way to build up character and attain true manhood and womanhood than labor for a purpose and with a definite aim.

This is true in farming. Young people who have an opportunity for honorable painstaking labor on the farm should do their utmost to accomplish something above the ordinary. It is difference between the ordinary and the excellent that leads to success in any business.

Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well. No one can afford to neglect the task before him. Excellence in work gives satisfaction that is worth all the effort it requires. Little things on the farm require great pains, great earnestness and great diligence. There are no little things to those who do great work in life.

The farm and everything on it is worthy of the best effort. If the work does not inspire you it is because you have not learned of its importance and the excellence of labor for a purpose. Be sure you master your work and you will get pleasure from it. Give your work a touch of personality, making it individual and distinct. This may require zeal, patience and persistence, but it will help build character and represent the ideals of the laborer.

A GERMAN-RUSSIAN PEACE.

The possibility of a separate peace between Germany and Russia, with Russia becoming a potential ally of Germany, is not overlooked by the war offices of the allies, but there are difficulties in the way. If Russia can form a stable government able to execute its agreements, Germany will be quick to treat with it on liberal terms, not so much for the military assistance to be rendered as for other advantages.

Such a peace would, for instance, release several hundred thousand Austrian prisoners, many of whom are capable of further military service, and it would enable Germany to return to Russia more than a million Russian prisoners who are now more or less a burden. Russian prisoners might return to productive pursuits and render assistance to Germany in the way of food supplies.

Below the surface, however, the situation is not promising for Germany and Russia. A stable government in Russia capable of executing the agreements of a separate peace is anything but

probable. The Russian people are not united upon anything, and there is no assurance that any government could remain in power long enough to fulfill any important treaty agreement.

Even if that were possible, Russia appearing in the role of a neutral and upon terms of friendship with Germany would immediately invite trouble in its eastern empire. Japan could and probably would render immediately necessary all of Russia's supplies on the Pacific shore. Such a diversion would exchange Russia's present dilemma for one of infinitely less inviting prospects.

However bad present conditions are in Russia an ultimate peace won by the allies would compel justice for her and insure the integrity of her empire, but if Russia should desert and become a potential ally of the central powers, then the entente allies would not look with disfavor upon a reasonable measure of Japanese enterprise on the Pacific littoral of the Russian empire, and in the end Russia would be ruined for a century to come.

So beneath the surface a separate peace between Germany and Russia is not easy for Russia, first, because there is no likelihood of a stable Russian government capable of keeping its treaty engagements; second, because it would not help Russia to get rid of Germany and take on a controversy with Japan; third, patriotic Russia will not consent to a peace which means dismemberment and the utter suppression of Russian ambitions for all time.

It is true that such a treaty might be negotiated with the Bolsheviki—a treaty that would apparently grant to Germany the realization of its dream of a heart-of-the-world empire reaching from Berlin to Bagdad.

But the western allies are not to be disposed of, regardless of what happens in the east. That Prussian wall is going to be battered down in time, and then the heart-of-the-world idea must crumble. Russia in any event must undergo important changes as a result of the war. Such changes with the allies dictating peace would be to her advantage, and an advantage worth suffering for. The change involved in a German peace would be her utter ruin.—Houston Post.

From Camp Travis.

To the end that parents, relatives and friends of the soldiers now composing the 90th Division, National Army, stationed at Camp Travis, San Antonio, Texas, may be kept informed as to the health, progress and general welfare of the men composing his army division, General Henry T. Allen commanding has established a publicity bureau. This publicity bureau will each week send to the country newspapers of Texas and Oklahoma items of interest concerning the soldiers at Camp Travis. Every effort will be made to so localize these items that each newspaper will be supplied with news that relates to men from the county in which the particular newspaper is published.

General Allen is well pleased with the progress the soldiers now at Camp Travis are making. If the intensive training schedule that has been followed up to this period continues to produce such splendid results, it is the belief of those high in command here that the 90th division will

be trained to energetically uphold the liberties of the world at a date much earlier than has been planned. The first French officer who reached Camp Travis to assist in training this Division in the finer points of the war game expressed himself as being agreeably surprised at the result of the training so far given.

To the end that there be no irksome periods of training General Allen has given especial attention to providing ample and healthful recreation for the soldiers of his Division. All clean athletics are given official and energetic encouragement and allotted hours each week are devoted to sports that make supple the muscles, make keen the eyes and have in them the zest of contest.

The general health of the Camp receives the constant attention of all officers, under direction of the Medical Corps. Skilled attention is given in every case even to slight indisposition. The sanitary regulations are formulated with the sole idea that the soldiers now at Camp Travis remain healthy in body.

Nor is the moral and spiritual side of the soldiers overlooked. The camp is fairly dotted with Y. M. C. A., Knights of Columbus, and Young Men's Hebrew Association buildings. In these buildings every effort is made to provide entertainment, instruction and recreation for the soldiers. The moral atmosphere surrounding the camp is more pure than is to be found in any city of 30,000 population in the United States. Instances where soldiers in uniform are seen in the slightest degree under the

influence of intoxicants are so rare that literally thousands of soldiers at Camp Travis have not once seen a soldier either under the slightest influence of intoxicants, or with the smell of intoxicating liquor on his breath.

The protecting laws of the Nation are keeping the soldiers clean in body. Each soldier has had impressed upon his mind the extreme importance of being clean in his thoughts and leading a cleanly life. The social features are gradually being developed and soon will be of sufficient variety to provide entertainment for all spare hours. Many homes in San Antonio make it a practice to invite soldiers to Sunday dinners and at some churches in San Antonio invitations are extended to all soldiers who attend service to accompany members of the congregation to their respective homes and break bread under family influences.

General Allen wishes a word of encouragement and cheer be sent to relatives and friends of soldiers that the men at Camp Travis are proving worthy of the best traditions of this nation and that they are responding to the call of the hour with a zeal that marks a high point

in the training of the armies that have made history.

An Outside View.

W. W. Aiken, publisher of the Crockett Courier, one of the oldest and best papers in East Texas, has purchased a linotype machine. This is a progressive move for this editor, and not only for him but for the citizenship of his town. Editor Aiken has never been overburdened with support from his town, but that has not stopped him from getting out one of the leading weekly papers, and the merchants at Crockett should see to it that his efforts are duly appreciated in placing this machine in their town.—Ratcliff Herald.

Try Courier advertisers.

Newspaper Man Exempted.

The national army appeal board for the First Indiana district at Laport exempted Jos. M. Stephenson, business manager of the South Bend News-Times, on industrial grounds, it being held by the board that the operation of a newspaper is just as essential for the winning of the war as fighting in the trenches.—American Press.

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We wish to call the attention of our friends and customers to our just having received a car of MICHIGAN SALT. This salt comes a little higher than Texas or Louisiana salt, but it is worth twice what the latter costs. Don't take chances on losing your meat by using cheap salt that will cake on your meat. Using it once will convince any one what it is worth. We sell it for \$1.00 per hundred pounds.

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¶ When you have to buy a pair of shoes don't forget that you can buy them just a little cheaper at Satterwhite's store. The McElwain-Barton Shoe—one of the largest shoe companies in the United States.

¶ We also carry a full and complete line of Dry Goods, receiving new ones every day and selling them on a very close margin.

¶ And when it comes to Groceries we defy them all for quality and cleanliness. Our prices are always right and our goods are clean and fresh.

¶ When in town come to see us. We can show you just the same as we can tell you.

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Government Gives Classifications to be Assigned in Accordance With Replies to Questionnaire.

Washington, Nov. 14.—The five classes into which nine million men registered for military duty—and those who are registered thereafter are divided and the order in which they will be called for service were announced officially today in the provost marshal general's questionnaire, which every registered man must fill out and file.

Contrary to some published reports the order does not exempt married men as a class but it does place married men with dependent wives and children far down on the list of liabilities. In fact, the questionnaire indicates that only men of the first class will be called to the colors except in the gravest emergency. The five official classifications of registrants follow:

Class One.

Single man without dependent children. Married men with or without children, or father of motherless children who has habitually failed to support his family. Married man dependent on wife for support. Married man with or without children or father of motherless children; man not usefully engaged, family supported by income independent of his labor. Unskilled farm laborer. Unskilled industrial laborer. Registrant by or in respect of whom no deferred classification is claimed or made. Registrant who fails to submit to questionnaire and in respect of whom no deferred classification is claimed or made. All registrants not included in any other division of this schedule.

Class Two.

Married man with children or father of motherless children where such wife or children or such motherless children are not mainly dependent upon his labor for support for the reason that there are other reasonably certain sources of adequate support (excluding earnings or possible earnings from the labor of the wife) available, and that the removal of the registrant will not deprive such dependent of support.

Married man without children, whose wife, although the registrant is engaged in useful occupation, is not mainly dependent upon his labor for support, for the reason that the wife is skilled in some special class of work which she is physically able to perform and in which she is employed or in which there is an immediate opening for her under conditions that will enable her to support herself decently and without suffering or hardship.

Necessary skilled farm labor in necessary agriculture enterprises. Necessary skilled industrial laborer in necessary enterprise.

Class Three.

Man with dependent children [not his own,] but toward whom he stands in relation of parent. Man with dependent or infirm parents. Man with dependent helpless brothers or sisters. County or municipal officer. Highly trained fireman or policeman, at least three years in service of municipality. Necessary custom house clerk. Necessary employe of United States in transmission of mails. Necessary artificer or workman in United States Army or ar-

senal. Necessary employe in service of United States.

Necessary assistant, or associate or hired manager of necessary agriculture enterprise. Necessary highly specialized technical or mechanical expert of necessary industrial enterprise. Necessary assistant or associate manager of necessary industrial enterprise.

Class Four.

Man whose wife or children are mainly dependent on his labor for support. Mariner actually employed in sea service of the merchant marine of the United States. Necessary sole managing, controlling or directing head of necessary agriculture enterprise. Necessary sole managing, controlling or directing head of necessary industrial enterprise.

Class Five.

Officers, legislative, executive or judicial, of the United States or of State territory of District of Columbia. Regular or duly ordained minister of religion. Student, who on May 18, 1917, was preparing for ministry in recognized school. Persons in

military or naval service of the United States. Alien enemy. Resident alien, not an enemy, who claims exemption. Persons totally and permanently physically or mentally unfit for military service. Persons morally unfit to be a soldier of the United States. Licensed pilot, actually employed in the pursuit of his vocation.

Members of well recognized religious sect or organization, organized and existing on May 18, 1917, whose then existing creed or principles forbid its members to participate in war in any form and whose religious convictions are against war or participation thereof.

Registrants to be Added.

Legal and medical advisory boards now being organized in every community will aid the registrant in making his answers. He will indicate in what occupations he considers himself expert and from that list it is proposed to create separate groups of men trained in any particular trade or profession should the need arise for them. The questions on the subject

of dependents are framed to meet every possible circumstance and to draw out every bit of information that might be of value to the boards in fixing the class to which a man is to be assigned. No detail of the status of dependents of possible or actual outside sources of income has been overlooked.

Seven Days for Replies.

Seven days are allowed registrants after receipt of the questionnaire to fill it out and return it to the local board. Officials here believe that classification by the boards will be a routine process requiring little time.

The registrants, after filling in the inside of his questionnaire indicates on the front the class to which he believes he should be assigned. If the board agrees there is no further action necessary by either party until the individual comes due for military service and is called upon for physical examination.

If the boards disagree and place the registrant in another class the machinery for appeal to the district board is set in motion automatically.

Now in Infantry Brigade.
George L. Payne of Crockett, who is one of the 46 men from Houston county in training at Camp Travis, San Antonio, was transferred Monday from Company A, 315th Engineers, to the 108th Infantry Brigade, he having been assigned as clerk in that branch of service.

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GLASSES SCIENTIFICALLY ADJUSTED FOR DEFECTIVE VISION.

Some Bargains!

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| BRAND NEW FORD, Five-Passenger Car (Never used. First man with cash gets it) | \$500.00 |
| FORD ROADSTER, 1917 Model (Has good starter—run only short time—better than a new one) | \$450.00 |
| MAXWELL, Five-Passenger (In fine shape, and worth really within \$100 of a new one. A real bargain) | \$500.00 |
| DODGE BROTHERS Touring Car (Run about 5000 miles and looks like new. Will sell quickly—a real snap) | \$750.00 |
| 1917 Model STUDEBAKER, 6-Cylinder, 7-Passenger (With \$50 seat covers, bumper, etc., and would cost today over \$1500. Looks and runs like new.) | \$975.00 |

We have three Chevrolets, good condition, will sell at bargain prices. Come and see them, and we will interest you.

Every used car we sell has been thoroughly inspected, any needed work done, cleaned and oiled, and we guarantee them in good running condition and more than worth the money we ask for them.

We will be glad to show any prospective customer our Dodge Brothers and Buick automobiles, and will demonstrate on request. These two automobiles represent the very highest quality, and give you most efficient service at a minimum cost. While we have sold both faster than we have been able to get them to date, we could arrange for early delivery on either.

The East Texas Motor Company

To the Tax Payers Of Houston County

I shall be at the following places on the dates respectively named for the purpose of collecting your taxes and you should have in mind that after February 1st there will be ten per cent penalty. Also you will be deprived of the right to vote during the year 1918; and this will be election year for county officials:

Grapeland, Saturday, December 1.
Lovelady, Saturday, December 8.
Kennard, Friday, December 14.
Ratcliff, Saturday, December 15.

I am yours to serve,

C. W. BUTLER JR.,
Tax Collector.

Lawyers to Aid Soldier Boys.

To the Lawyers of Crockett Bar: A meeting of all the lawyers of Crockett is hereby called to meet at the court house next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for the purpose of organizing the members of the bar to aid all registrants for military service in answering questions bearing upon their qualifications for such service.

The undersigned have been appointed by the military authorities of the government as the "Legal Advisory Board" for this county, and it is made their duty to "mobilize" the lawyers of the county for the purpose above stated and to give "free legal advice to registrants" in filling out the questions they are required to answer.

This is being done by the lawyers all over the country under the rules and regulations of the government and under the di-

rection of President Wilson. This is a duty which no lawyer can or should refuse to perform and we know that the members of the Crockett bar are not going to be less patriotic than their brothers in other parts of the country. Therefore we earnestly request that EVERY lawyer in the county be with us at the time and place above designated, so that we may thoroughly organize for this work and agree upon a plan of action whereby the service may be systematized and equitably distributed. Respectfully,

J. W. Madden,
B. F. Dent,
D. A. Nunn,
Legal Advisory Board.

Battle Lake Boy in France.

The Battle Lake Review: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Everts received a letter from their son last Monday, first news for nearly two

months. The letter read: "Arrived safely in European port. Feeling fine. This is all I can say. Ambrose."

And this school boy, Battle Lake's first volunteer for the navy, only 16 years of age, not through with high school, this fine, clean, clear-eyed boy is taking a man's part in the great adventure, the greatest war the world has ever seen, and we have left with us great hulking scoundrels, going up and down the land, pretending patriotism but plotting dissension and sedition, so that this boy's battles for freedom may be lost. Why, the Review will praise our soldier boys and give its time and space and money every day in the week for them, and damn the rotten-hearted yellow back-boned breeders of dissension and discontent if it is sued for libel every week. We'd paint a word picture of these yellow pups and skin 'em and hang their mangy hides on the fence if we knew afterwards we'd go to jail for it.

It costs something in this country to denounce hypocrites, to love liberty and keep a clear conscience and do the right. It is costing this Battle Lake school boy and other boys at the front something and it is costing their mothers and fathers something, but how little it is costing us in comparison, to back them up, and kick the daylight out of the skunks who run at the mouth in criticism of these boys and of this government and of this loyal people.

Up with the Flag! Hurrah for the boys who go! God bless those who back them up, but to Hell with the curs who bark and bite at the government.

Leaders of Men.

We cannot be greater than our leaders. And so long as men of demonstrated capacity are disregarded, and Bull and Pull are supported for office in their stead, we shall continue to be incompetent for the emergencies of peace as well as war. Whether we are called upon to meet an invader or not is beside the point. Whether you stand ready to shoulder a rifle or play slacker is not the question. There's a three hundred and sixty-five day patriotism, and no other sort is genuine. America needs you and your help year in and year out.—Herbert Kaufman.

It seems hardly fair to say that we can not be greater than our leaders, yet when we look at the countries that have been ruled by incompetent and selfish leaders it is hard to escape the conviction that the majority can not rise higher than their leaders. We can not escape the responsibility for the deeds of men we place in office. They are there by the permission of a majority unless there is something badly wrong with the franchise. Even then in a republic the people have permitted whatever irregularities in voting the system may have adopted.

If people would be willing to assume full responsibility for the mis-rule and incompetency of the men they elect there would be fewer such officials. While it is not possible for voters to know in advance how men will act upon certain issues and business questions the fact remains that unfaithful leaders owe their positions to electors.

It is certainly necessary to apply the test of efficiency to public officials as well as private individuals. Unless we select leaders who are competent and

then cooperate with them we cannot expect to excel in the great struggle for democracy and good government. — Farm and Ranch.

Enjoy Home Papers.

There is a corner in every Army Y. M. C. A. building at Camp Travis which rivals even the letter writing tables and the phonograph in popularity. It is the corner where the home town papers hang.

At any hour of the day, a scattering of rookies may be found, examining the home town paper rack or settled into chairs encircling it, with their heads wrapped in the printed sheets. In the late afternoon, when the long hours of drill are over and the men come pouring into their Army Y. M. C. A. club even before the checker and domino players have assumed their places and the inevitable group of music bugs have taken possession of the victrola and the piano, and the letter-a-day contingent lines up before the counter where the free stationery is dispensed, there is a rush for the newspaper row.

"The men don't miss a line in the papers from home," said one of the secretaries in charge of one of the Army Y. M. C. A. buildings. "They devour the society columns like debutantes and don't even skip the household hints and beauty recipes."

It is not uncommon to see half a dozen men from the same community reading over each other's shoulders, according to the association secretaries. "Look at this!" and "what do you think of that!" are usual exclamations of such a session.

Special newspaper racks are being designed to accommodate the great numbers of newspapers which it is necessary to keep on hand in order to give every rookie reading from his own home town. Papers from a dozen of the larger cities and towns contributing men to the cantonment come regularly to all of the Army Y. M. C. A. buildings at Camp Travis.

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Houston.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Precinct No. One of Houston County, on the 21st day of November, 1917, by C. R. Stephenson, Justice of the Peace for precinct No. 1, of said county, for the sum of forty-four and 78-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of First National Bank of Crockett in a certain cause in said court, No. 5976, and styled—First National Bank, of Crockett vs. Cato Woods, placed in my hands for service, I, R. J. Spence as Sheriff of Houston County, Texas, did on the 22d day of November, 1917, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Houston County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Situated in Houston County, Texas, about nine miles West of Crockett, being a part of the J. R. Burleson survey, being 78 acres off the N. E. end of a 378 acre tract sold by A. B. Burton to Sol Woods and others by deed recorded in Volume 59 page 364, Houston Co. deed records: beginning at the N. or N. W. corner of said tract; thence S. 35 E. 1124 varas to N. E. corner of same; thence S. 55 E. 392 varas corner; thence N. 35 W. 1124 varas; thence N. 55 E. 392 varas to place of beginning; and levied upon as the property of Cato Woods, and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1918, the same being the first day of said month, at the Court House door of Houston County, in the City of Crockett, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said execution, I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Cato Woods.

And in compliance with law, I give notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper published in Houston County.

Witness my hand, this 22d day of November, 1917.
R. J. Spence,
S. Sheriff, Houston County, Texas.

FEW VISIT INLAND TURKEY

Americans Are Not Acquainted With Thriving City of Kaisariyeh, an Ancient Metropolis.

Of the real Turkey few Americans have a clear picture. Constantinople and Smyrna, a few seaports—thousands of Americans have seen those. Very few Americans have made the inland voyage. Behold, then, the city of Kaisariyeh, half-way between the Mediterranean and the Black sea, served by no railroad, yet a thriving place of 60,000 people, playing something like the role of a Chicago to Constantinople's New York, writes a correspondent.

Approaching Kaisariyeh of a morning one sees it haloed by a haze of light blue smoke. It rises from the fumes from the charcoal braziers, which are set out on the roofs until they are well alight, for these first fumes from the slowly burning charcoal, odorless and scarcely visible, are fatal in the inclosed air of a room. Later the clear sunlight bathes the housetops and the towering form of Mount Argaeus rises like a snow-capped sentinel behind the city. The streets are full of a motley crowd, gray-bearded sheiks of the old regime pausing to exchange the elaborate bows and greetings ordained by formality, and young officers of the Young Turks' party riding by on restless horses.

At sunrise, noon and sunset, the boom of a single cannon thuds out from the roof of the old palace. This cannon serves as the town clock, and as all the ritual of prayer and fasting commanded by the prophet for the different feasts is regulated by its thunder, the old man who serves it is one of the most important local functionaries.

HISTORIC OLD SUN TAVERN

One of Boston's Landmarks, Built in 1690, for Many Years Used as a Fish Market.

One of the early taverns of Boston was the Sun tavern which stood but a few feet from the water's edge and was built about 1690. For some years it was kept by a Huguenot from Rochelle named Cogneau. He made it one of the most popular of taverns and it was particularly popular with the young men of Boston and surrounding country, partly for the reason that mine host Cogneau had several very attractive and lively daughters who added a great deal to the charms of the hostelry. Their father had the privilege of seeing two of them married in the tavern, one of them becoming the wife of Col. William Parfrey, the famous Revolutionary patriot. He became the grandfather of the noted writer, John G. Parfrey.

Another daughter of this genial host of the Sun tavern married a successful printer named Fleet. During the siege of Boston the British seized the house and they changed its name to the King's Arms. But when the Red Coats had been chased out of Boston the sign of the King's Arms quickly disappeared and the old sign of the Sun Tavern took its place and the tavern took on its olden time popularity. It has for many years been used as a fish market.

Grant Got Him a Job.

Col. John S. Mosby, the well-known Confederate cavalry leader, had a high opinion of General Grant's magnanimity. He wrote a letter, quoted in his just published "Memoirs," to General Grant in 1885 asking the former president to aid him in securing employment from some corporation. Grant was then, unknown to Mosby, on his death bed. But he dictated a note to Governor Stanford of the Union Pacific, says Mosby, "asking him, as a personal favor, to take care of me. I was made an attorney in the company and held that position for sixteen years. In Grant's death I felt that I had lost my best friend."

Invented Graham Flour.

The use of Graham and whole wheat bread has spread remarkably in the last few years. The inventor of Graham bread and flour was Rev. Sylvester Graham, a New England clergyman, who died in Northampton, Mass., 60 years ago, having devoted the major part of his life to the advocacy of a vegetarian dietetic theory. In 1839 he introduced Graham bread, made of unsifted wheat flour, and thereafter urged its use in books, pamphlets and lectures. At first the masses of housewives turned a deaf ear toward his arguments, but gradually Graham flour won its way and became an established commercial product.

A Bad Precedent.

"Why do you want a divorce from your husband?" asked a friend of the family.

"Because he isn't the man I thought he was when I married him," sobbed the young wife.

"My dear child, a general application of that principle would break up nearly every home in the country."

Round Trip Tickets At Reduced Rates

ON SALE DAILY TO

Aransas Pass
Brownsville
Corpus Christi
Freeport

Marlin
Mineral Wells
Palacios

Port Lavaca
Port O'Connor
Rockport
Seadrift

—VIA—

SUPERB
DINING
CAR
SERVICE

I. & G. N.

STANDARD
SLEEPERS
ON NIGHT
TRAINS

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

**CROCKETT RAPIDLY
MOVING FORWARD**

Great Improvement in Our Publicity Department—Means Much for Crockett and Houston County.

The linotype has arrived. Type setting by electricity. A machine operated by one person that does the work of four expert compositors and does it better.

What does this mean to Crockett and Houston county? Much more than it is easy to explain to the average layman, those not versed in the details of newspaper making, and that includes practically everyone not actually engaged in the business.

The newspapers should be the leaders in every movement for growth and development of the sections served by them. This is especially true of the country newspaper. There is so much that should be done in every community that effects the public welfare. The individual, whether engaged in merchandizing or following a profession, is particularly interested in making a living for himself and family through his chosen occupation. It is the mission of the newspaper to interest itself in the general affairs of the community; to ascertain what is needed and lead in its accomplishment.

To do this work effectively it is necessary that publicity in sufficient detail should promptly be given all subjects worthy of consideration. The news of the day, particularly that pertaining to local events, must be presented in a manner that requires sufficient space. The large amount of labor involved in every department of newspaper making is of a specialized character, notably type setting, and the finished product must appear at a given time.

COMPARED TO PLOWING.

The typesetting has always been the bane or bug bear of the country newspaper office work. It occupies the same important relationship that plowing does to farming, and because of the difficulty in getting enough of this most essential work done when required, it has been necessary to employ substitutes in the shape of ready printed pages and ready set matter known as "boiler plate." This material for filling in the space had to be prepared many miles from home and was necessarily foreign matter, and the home interests suffered just in proportion to the amount of it used.

THE NEW ORDER OF THINGS.

With the introduction of the linotype all these objectionable features disappear, as the type setting is as readily done as the plowing, when a tractor that will pull three or more plows is introduced to the heavy work of the average farm. In other words, this marvelously constructed machine "eats up copy" like the automobile "annihilates distance" on a hard-surfaced highway. All of the home news can now be printed in detail.

COMMUNITY CORRESPONDENCE.

Regular correspondents from every community in the county can now find ready acceptance for their weekly contributions. The editors will no longer be compelled to refuse offers of local matter they would like to print because of lack of space.

The two or more pages that have heretofore been filled with this outside matter will be available for printing home news and discussing topics that should prove helpful in our material development. There is really no limit to the progress that can be made in a community properly served by a press equipped with the linotype.

CROCKETT NEWSPAPERS IMPROVE.

The Crockett Courier office has one of these machines installed and this issue of that paper clearly indicates the improvement that is to follow. The Houston County Times has a linotype ordered and when that arrives and gets limbered up the Secretary has this suggestion to offer: that the Courier and the Times be issued several days apart, one the first and the other the last of the week, thus giving us semi-weekly local newspaper service. This would prove of value to our merchants, as they could place their bargains before their customers while they are new and fresh instead of having to "wait a week" as is often the case under present conditions. And our local news would be so much more attractively handled.

A PROGRESSIVE STEP.

We wish to repeat, that our publicity department in equipping their offices with linotype machines has taken a most important step, the value of which cannot be justly estimated at this time. We have always possessed the natural elements that make for permanent prosperity, and now that we have the effective channel through which to let the world know about it, our progress is sure to be accelerated. Such a combination is sure to win.

H. A. Fisher.

Sings Praises of Old East Texas.

"Yes, East Texas today is witnessing what one might term a carnival of prosperity," remarked Colonel R. T. Milner, who is stopping at the Hotel Cotton for a day or two, having come for a conference with the Federal Loan Bank.

"A good cotton crop, a fairly good feed crop and high prices for everything the farmer has to sell is the cause," he says. "My travels for the last six months have led me from the Little Cypress Bayou north of the Trinity river west to the Sabine river east. The area covered is a marvelous country, abounding in soil, timber and water such as is little understood by those who have never taken the time and pains to visit and study that section. Someday East Texas will maintain the densest population of any other portion of this great State. I have seen on the same farm in hundreds of instances, corn, cotton, ribbon cane, sweet potatoes, peas, peanuts and every kind of vegetables known to the garden, besides cattle and hogs; yet agriculture in most of this area is in its infancy. Land is still cheap and hundreds of thousands of acres have never felt the hand of the husbandman. I have traveled miles and miles on public roads without seeing a house or a field.

"There are yet remaining vast forests of timber—primeval forests—unscared by axe or saw. If this area were surrounded by an impenetrable wall the enclosed inhabitants would possess all natural means and resources essential to a great civilization. Extending through

"Birds of a Feather"

Live boys and "live" clothes are one and inseparable—the average youngster hates to get out of a neat-looking suit, and particularly so if it is a

Right-Posture Suit,

which means the best of cloth and cut that a limited amount of money will buy. They look even better out in the daylight of the street than here on a rack, which isn't true of most clothes.



Made with a webbed insert in the back of the coat that doesn't hamper the lad, but encourages right posture, nevertheless.

JAMES S. SHIVERS

CROCKETT'S BIG STORE

are inexhaustible beds rich in iron, oil and other minerals. A soil fertile beyond the comprehension of the average man is found in every East Texas county. A climate as hospitable as any in the Southwest, and innumerable running streams—God's free gift to man—induced the first settlers to come and dwell in East Texas. These hundreds of small streams come together and form two rivers in the southeast portion of the State, whose waters in the near future will admit the largest ships in the whole world.

"Passing from the more agriculturally developed section through the timber belt I was amazed to find in Jefferson county thousands of bushels of rice yet shocked in the fields. While there the large rice fields were veritable beehives, wagons, wagons everywhere were rushing with great loads of rice. The unthreshed rice was being rushed to the threshers and the threshed rice was being rushed to the warehouses at the various stations. And such magnificent roads! Two mules to the wagon and two tons and more to the wagon.

"Yes, great is East Texas."—Houston Chronicle.

Community Cooperation.

A little thought on the subject will invariably convince one that the degree of satisfaction we get out of life depends largely upon the conditions prevailing in the community in which we live.

Whatever advantages the community affords we enjoy, while to whatever extent the locality is deficient, or poor in public utilities and opportunities, we who make up its population are

circumscribed in life's pleasures and comforts.

Theirs are the most satisfying lives who live in a well-equipped community and who go to make up a congenial neighborhood. It goes without saying that a prosperous population is almost always a contented, happy population.

One of this country's greatest financiers made the statement a few years ago that one of the prime reasons for the increasing cost of living was the lack of well-directed effort on the part of small-town community people. He went on to explain that lack of cooperative effort on the part of people living in small towns naturally resulted in an impoverished community—one in which life becomes a burden rather than a pleasure. It is from localities and conditions of this kind that the large cities draw their myriads of young men and women, boys and girls.

For most of us a community must have a minimum equipment, strong church advantages, good schools, good roads, easy communication with the outside world and adequate shopping and marketing facilities. These essentials make possible the many other elements necessary to a prosperous neighborhood.

The above mentioned advantages are all community institutions and can only be secured and maintained through the cooperation of the people in the community.

'Tis an old saying, but true enough to repeat, that an individual gets out of the community no more than he or she puts into it. Selfishness is, there-

fore, the most effective bar to our happiness. Each of us should and must be willing for every other person in our community to enjoy some of the fruits of our individual labor and sacrifice; we receive in return, however, the benefits of our labor and sacrifice multiplied by the number of cooperating neighbors we have. Thus by each contributing our share of labor, money or patronage we share in the general benefits and advantages resulting from the united effort of all of us.

No person is apt to look upon schools, churches, parks, pavements, etc., as commercial. We rather consider them as institutions better off if kept out of commercial and political influence. However, we must remember at all times that these advantages are to a large extent made possible, and maintained by the business interests of the community of which the retail store is a dominant factor. Consequently the prosperity of local retail merchants has much effect upon these community blessings and, therefore, it is to our best interests to patronize local stores whenever possible.

Your home merchants are an inextricable part of your community life. They can serve you to as good advantage as anyone else anywhere, and it is to your interest in dollars and cents to trade with them, all things being equal.—R. V. Holland in Holland's Magazine.

Fords for Sale.

I have a few Ford cars all in good condition. If interested see me at once.

T. R. Deupree.

The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from 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.

Notice of Election.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Houston.

On this the 28th day of November, A. D. 1917, the commissioners' court of Houston County, Texas, being in special session, came on to be considered the petition of S. J. Patton and more than fifty other persons praying that bonds be issued by the territory hereinafter described and designated as road District Number Four of Houston County, Texas, in the sum of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars bearing five per cent. rate of interest, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the orders of this court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed thirty years from their date for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof; and it appearing to the court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident property tax paying voters of said Road District Number Four, and that the amount of said bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said Road District Number Four of Houston county, Texas, which is hereby designated and created as such Road District Number Four

—NO. 1096—

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the

Lovelady State Bank

at Lovelady

State of Texas, at the close of business on the 20th day of November, 1917, published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed and published at Crockett, State of Texas, on the 29th day of November, 1917.

RESOURCES:

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| Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral | \$15,084.69 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 1,117.30 |
| Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net | 48,224.01 |
| Due from other Banks and Bankers, not subject to check, net | 12,000.00 |
| Cash Items | 154.00 |
| Currency | 7,149.00 |
| Specie | 1,337.45 |
| Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund | 750.00 |
| Other Resources as follows: U. S. Certificate of Indebtedness | 30,005.26 |
| Total | \$115,821.71 |

LIABILITIES:

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| Capital Stock paid in | \$25,000.00 |
| Undivided Profits, net | 952.11 |
| Individual Deposits, subject to check | 89,749.53 |
| Cashier's Checks | 120.07 |
| Total | \$115,821.71 |

State of Texas, County of Houston.

We, K. D. Lawrence, as president, and W. V. Henson, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

K. D. LAWRENCE, President.
W. V. HENSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 26th day of November, A. D. 1917.

C. B. MOORE,
Notary Public, Houston Co., Texas.

Correct-Attest: A. A. WALLER,
W. E. ELKINS,
H. H. LARUE,
Directors.

of Houston county, Texas, and which is described by field notes as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Antonio Barrazo League on the West bank of the Neches River in said Houston County, Texas. Thence South 45 West with the S B line of the Barrazo League 4200 vrs to the S W corner of same. Thence North 55 West 670 vrs J. G. Minto North corner. Thence North 70 West with A. A. Bain line 210 vrs his North corner, also the East corner of the Wm. Whitely survey, continue same course North 70 West in all 1845 vrs to the North corner of said Wm. Whitely survey. Thence South 18 West 4458 vrs with the Sanchez line to Sanchez S W corner. Thence with the said Sanchez W B line North 45 West 1300 vrs to the Northeast corner of the Ann Porter survey. Thence West with Ann Porter N B line 1015 vrs her N W corner on Wm. Vaughn E B line. Thence North with Vaughn E B line 457 vrs his N E corner. Thence West with the N B line of the W Vaughn survey and the S B line of the Robert S. Patton survey 2338 vrs stake on the E B line of the F. B. Conner league, also the N W corner of the Chas. Johnson survey. Thence North with the East Boundary line of the F B Conner League to Hickory Creek. Thence in a South-easterly direction with said Hickory Creek through the Francis B. Conner League line about 5000 varas to where said Creek crosses the W B line of the Francis B. Conner League and the E B line of the R. R. Russell League. Thence West with said Creek 3446 varas to stake on the W B line of said Russell Survey. Thence South with the line of the J. C. Teague and R. R. Russell surveys 3400 vrs to Russell and Teague corner. Thence West with Teague S B line 2200 vrs corner. Thence South 400 vrs another of Teague's corners. Thence West 2800 vrs to Teague's S W corner. Thence North 3898 vrs intersects Jacob Masters Jr. League. Thence N 45 West 750 vrs Jacob Masters Jr. corner. Thence South 45 West with his line 2000 vrs his south corner. Thence North 45 West 3750 vrs Jacob Masters Jr. West corner. Thence North 45 East 5682 5-10 vrs N E corner of said Masters League and N W corner of the J. Strode League, continuing same course with N W B line of said Strode League 2150 vrs to corner of said Strode League on S B line of Wm. Davis League. Thence West with the S B line of the said Wm. Davis League 1447 vrs to his S W corner. Thence North 2379 vrs to the S E corner of the M. Sallas League an Ell corner of said Davis League. Thence North 38 West with the line of said Davis and Sallas Leagues 2860 vrs to San Pedro Creek, being the N W corner of said Davis League. Thence down said creek with its meanders to where same crosses the W B line of the Dan McLean League and continuing down said Creek with its meanders through the said Daniel McLean league to the N B line of same on the Joel Young S B line. Thence East 400 vrs to Hardy Ware S W corner. Thence North 25 East with Hardy Ware W B line 4030 vrs stake on the bank of Neches River. Thence down said River to beginning.

It is therefore considered and ordered by the Court that an election be held in said Road District Number Four of Houston County, Texas, on the 29th day of December, A. D. 1917, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order to determine whether or not the bonds of said Road District Number Four of Houston County, Texas, shall be issued in the sum of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars, bearing five per cent. rate of interest and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the orders of this Court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed thirty years from their date, and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said Road District Number

Four of Houston County, Texas, subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity. Notice of said election shall be given by publication in a newspaper published in said County for four consecutive weeks before the date of said election, and in addition thereto there shall be posted notices of such election at three public places in said Road District Number Four for three weeks prior to said election. Said election shall be held at the regular voting box at Weches and at the regular voting box at Belott and at a special voting box at Creath, which said voting boxes are situated in said Road District Number Four of Houston County, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, viz: at Weches, John Lovelady and Ed Smith; at Belott, Tom Duren and Will Creath; at Creath, M. B. Creath and Joe Merriwether. Said election shall be held under the provisions of Road District Act passed at the first called session of the 31st Legislature, and under the Road District Act passed by the regular session of the 35th Legislature, and only qualified voters who are property tax payers of said Road District Number Four of Houston County, Texas, shall be allowed to vote and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the issuance of the bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof," and those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the issuance of the bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof." The manner of holding the said election shall be governed by the laws of the State governing general elections, and copy of this order signed by the County

No. 8742.

Reserve Dist. No. 11.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The First National Bank

At Lovelady, in the State of Texas, at the Close of Business November 20, 1917.

RESOURCES.

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| a. Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c) | \$117,652.06 |
| Total loans | 117,652.06 |
| Overdrafts, secured, \$2,300.00; unsecured, \$597.14 | 2,897.14 |
| a. U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value) | 6,250.00 |
| Total U. S. bonds (other than Liberty Bonds) and certificates of indebtedness | 6,250.00 |
| a. Liberty Loan Bonds, unpledged, 3 1/2 per cent and 4 per cent | 9,200.00 |
| Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription) | 950.00 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1,858.00 |
| Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank | 12,350.34 |
| Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks | 97,810.73 |
| Net amounts due from banks, bankers and trust companies other than included in Items 13, 14 and 15 | 3,080.47 |
| Total of Items 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 | 100,891.20 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer | 312.50 |
| Total | \$252,361.24 |

LIABILITIES.

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| Capital stock paid in | \$25,000.00 |
| Surplus fund | 5,500.00 |
| a. Undivided profits | \$ 6,848.66 |
| b. Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid | 1,886.67 |
| Amount reserved for taxes accrued | 210.00 |
| Circulating notes outstanding | 5,950.00 |
| Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days): | |
| Individual deposits subject to check | 181,943.18 |
| Total demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40 | 181,943.18 |
| Time deposits subject to Reserve (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings): | |
| Certificates of deposit (other than money borrowed) | 28,650.02 |
| Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 41, 42, 43, and 44 | 28,650.02 |
| Liabilities other than those above stated | 146.05 |
| Total | \$252,361.24 |

State of Texas, County of Houston, ss:

I, W. H. Collins, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. H. COLLINS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of November, 1917.
C. B. MOORE, Notary Public.

Correct-Attest: GEO. C. EMBRY,
JACOB EMBRY,
J. A. HARRELSON,
Directors.

Judge of said County shall serve as a proper notice of said election, and the County Judge is directed to cause said notices to be published in a newspaper published in said Houston County or in said Road District Number Four of Houston County, Texas, if there be a newspaper published therein, for four successive weeks next preceding said election, and cause to be posted a

notice thereof at three public places in said Road District Number Four of Houston County, Texas, for three weeks prior to said election.

E. Winfree,
County Judge, Houston County, Texas.

Our good friend, T. S. Cook, formerly of Augusta, advises us that he has moved to Alto.

Your Thanksgiving Dinner



In a poorly furnished dining room should be a reminder to Santa Claus what to bring you for Christmas.

The dining room should be the best furnished room in your home. The whole family spend more time in the dining room together than any other room in the home, then why not make it the most attractive room?

How about that Buffet, China Cabinet, Dining Table, set of Chairs, or perhaps the full suite?

Our divided payment plan was designed for your convenience. Just a little down and a small payment each month puts our furniture within reach of all. Buy now and enjoy the use of your purchases while paying for them.

Our large stock is awaiting your inspection. Here we show all the new dining-room furniture in the popular period patterns. We also carry a complete line of period patterns in bed-room furniture, including Old Ivory, White Enamel, Bird's Eye Maple and Quartered Oak—moderately priced.

CALLAWAY & MOORE

Furniture and Undertaking

Your Credit Is Good

Queen Theatre Program

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29
William S. Hart appears in his own story
"The Narrow Trail"

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30
Alice Joyce and Harry Morey in a five-reel Vitagraph feature
"Her Secret"

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1
"Beware of Strangers"
In five reels. In this story there are tense love interest, exciting action, gripping climaxes, an exceptional cast of players, wonderful scenic effects and a convincing lesson. Matinee begins at 1:30 p. m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3
"The Fighting Trail"
Twelfth episode. Also two high-class comedies. Matinee today at 4 p. m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4
Pauline Frederick is featured in a five-reel Paramount feature
"Better Self"

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5
Jacky Saunders in a five-reel feature
"Bob the Fixer"

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6
This is our feature night for the week, and we are fortunate in booking for tonight "Billie Burke" in
"Arms and the Girl"
An Artcraft picture (auff said.) Matinee at 3 p. m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7
Five reels—Peggy Highland in
"Babette"

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
"Girl Without a Soul"
Starring Viola Dana. Matinee at 1:30 p. m.

"A QUEEN GUEST ENJOYS THE BEST"

Local News Items

Mrs. Madie Stokes of Mineral Wells and Mrs. Effie Bartlett of Bartlett, are being entertained by friends in this city.

Mrs. J. H. Ellis and Henry Ellis left Friday night for Camp Bowie where they were called on account of the illness of John B. Ellis.

Money to loan on farms, long time, easy terms, no delay, or extra red tape.—J. S. French at Earl Adams' Jr. office, Crockett, Texas. 1t

Make W. C. Munn Company's big store your headquarters when in Houston next time. Everything provided for your convenience. 6t

Taking advantage of a traveling orchestra, a dance was given by the young men of Crockett in Bromberg Hall Tuesday evening.

The minstrel show in Crockett Wednesday laid in supplies for a big Thanksgiving dinner. The show is travelling and living in its own private cars.

Keep Houston county money in Houston county by buying your Tombstones and Monumental Goods from I. B. Lansford, Crockett, Texas. 2t

Your holiday dinner won't be complete without one of those Home-Baked fruit cakes—per pound, 45c. 1t. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

One of the most versatile companies of players ever appearing in a feature film enact the Selig drama, "Beware of Strangers," at the Queen Theatre Saturday, December 1. 1t

The friends of Rev. Chas. U. McLarty are rejoicing over his return to the pastorate of the First Methodist church of this city by the Texas Annual Conference, which adjourned at Palestine Monday. 1t

Turn to the next column.

Mr. T. D. Craddock suffered a stroke of apoplexy at his home in this city Thursday and has been confined to his room since. His friends hope for his early recovery.

Misses Lounita Hodges and Maniafrano Bonds, Judge and Mrs. Mills Q. Reeves and Mr. Albert S. Maier of Palestine made up an automobile party visiting Crockett Wednesday.

Corn Grinding Every Day
And shelling free. Leave your corn, shelled or on the cob, at the Commercial Club any day before noon, and get the best meal you ever had at 2 p. m. 2t H. A. Fisher.

Fancy Work Sale.
The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will give their annual fall bazaar Tuesday afternoon, December 4, at the church parlors. The public is cordially invited. 1t

Special Sale.
On Ladies' Hats, in Silk, Beaver, Plush and Velvet. Sold from \$3.00 to \$6.50 wholesale, trimmed and untrimmed, bought from the factory at a closing price. Your choice for \$2.48. A look will convince. 1t. J. A. McConnell.

W. O. W. Notice.
All members of Myrtle Camp No. 277 W. O. W. are requested to meet at Woodman Hall Tuesday night, December 4, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of initiating candidates and electing officers. Plenty of refreshments. C. D. Towery, Con. Com. 1t. C. H. Callaway, Clerk.

Card of Thanks.
To our dear friends who showed us so much kindness and sympathy during the prolonged illness of our precious boy, he joins us in saying our hearts are overflowing with gratitude, and we are unable to express our sincere thanks to you. Respectfully, 1t. I. A. Daniel and Wife.

Turn to the next column.

Ike Lansford has opened a new garage and general repair shop in the iron building formerly occupied by the Cotton Chopper Co. opposite the city pumping station. 2t

Mr. M. W. Wells of Ratcliff and Mr. J. N. Click of Lovelady are some of our subscribers renewing for the twenty-eighth time. They are among the county's most honored citizens and the Courier hopes that they may live long, continue to prosper and renew often.

A Baby Car.

Which actually runs twenty-five miles an hour, is on exhibition at our store. This small car will be given away by us. Come in and see the car, do your drug buying here and get the tickets. 1t. Crockett Drug Co.

Money to Loan.

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Worth Seeing.

The smallest automobile which actually runs is now on exhibition at the Crockett Drug Co. Bring in the children to see it—it's worth your time. It will be given away absolutely free. Come in, do your trading here and find out about it. 1t. Crockett Drug Co.

Train Strikes Automobile.

An automobile belonging to George Calhoun of Grapeland was struck by the northbound Sunshine Special at the crossing two miles north of Crockett Monday afternoon. Only the front part of the car was damaged and it is almost a miracle that no one in the car was injured or killed.

Saved Railroad Fare

A man came all the way from Palestine the other day to buy shoes for his entire family.

After comparing prices elsewhere, he found that he could shoe himself and family here at prices so much lower than other merchants were selling at that he not only saved enough to pay railroad fare, but realized that he was still ahead, after paying all expenses.

Buy where you get your money's worth

N. L. ASHER

Just as Easy

to do your trading with us. You get inducements by buying here. No one knows who will get the smallest car exhibited in Crockett. It may be your boy or girl. Look it over. Come to see us. 1t. Crockett Drug Co.

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Houston. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston County, on the 28th day of November, 1917, by John D. Morgan, District Clerk of said County, for the sum of Fifteen Hundred and Thirty-five and 38-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment of foreclosure, in favor of Mattie Denny in a certain cause in said Court, No. 5543, and styled J. S. Jackson vs. Unknown Heirs of Barton Clark, deceased, et al, placed in my hands for service, I, R. J. Spence, Sheriff of Houston County, Texas, did on the 28th day of November, 1917, levy on certain Real

Estate situated in Houston County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 168 4-10 acres on the Barton Clark league, situated about 22 miles southwest of Crockett, and most generally known as the "Jeff Stubblefield" place, and being the same land described in said judgment and to which reference is here made for a better description of said land, and levied upon as the property of John M. Stubblefield, and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1918, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House door of Houston County, in the City of Crockett, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said judgment and order of sale, I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said John M. Stubblefield. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper published in Houston County. Witness my hand, this 28th day of November, 1917. R. J. SPENCE, 3t. Sheriff, Houston County, Texas.

What We Are Here For

WE'RE here, first, to sell you Furniture—and the other important things usually carried in a modern furniture store, including as complete a stock of home furnishings as can be found in east Texas.

But selling you things is not our whole function. We're here to see that you get complete satisfaction from your purchases after you have made them.

We're here to help you in the selection of suitable home furnishings, and we're prepared—and eager—to render you a type of service which you will find highly acceptable and a source of great economy. Accept this service.

DEUPREE & WALLER

FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKERS

PHONES: STORE, 75; T. J. WALLER, 211; S. M. MONZINGO, 79

You Can Rely On What You Buy

—"Square dealing" is the basis of every successful drug business. This is true because a business firm has character just the same as people have. When we started in business we realized that it was our mission to safe guard the interests of our customers.

—To do this has required constant care. It has demanded careful and intelligent buying, the inspection and testing of goods received, the proper care of goods while in stock, and accurate handling, dispensing and selling.

—We endeavor to give superior service in every department of our business. Our constant growth convinces us that our policy of "square dealing" has pleased our customers.

Let us supply your drug needs,
"You can rely on what you buy."

BISHOP DRUG COMPANY

Prompt Service Store. Phone 47 or 140.

Local News Items

R. R. Nunn is visiting relatives here.

Buy Texas Queen flour from Arnold Bros. It.

B. F. Dent and Nat Patton went to Austin Monday.

Ernest Clark of Mineral Wells is spending the week here.

A complete and up-to-date abstract. tf. Aldrich & Crook.

Texas Queen flour is better. Try a sack. It. Arnold Bros.

Get your home-baked fruit cakes from Crockett Grocery & Baking Co. It.

The First National Bank's statement on the first page speaks for itself.

Pure peanut oil per gallon \$1.75. It. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

The residence of D. C. Francis was destroyed by fire Sunday night. No insurance.

We guarantee Texas Queen flour against any brand. It. Arnold Bros.

Ten pounds Y. C. Sugar for \$1.00 at Crockett Grocery & Baking Company. It.

A. L. Prewit and family have moved to El Paso for the benefit of Mr. Prewit's health.

Rutabaga turnips per pound 5 cents. It. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Mrs. Herman Howard and little son of Augusta are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Howard.

Highest market price paid for hides, green or dry. It. Arnold Bros.

High grade Jersey cows for sale by J. G. Matlock, six miles east of Crockett, on Route 6. tf

Pure sugar cane syrup per gallon 95c. It. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss and family were in Crockett this week enroute Palestine to Navasota.

We sell Limited Coffee on a money-back guarantee. It. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Mrs. Effie Bartlett of Bartlett and Mrs. Madie Stokes leave this afternoon for Mineral Wells.

J. M. Harkins and Miss Clara Harrison of Kennard were married in this city Saturday evening.

R. E. Thorns of Helmic, Texas, desires to keep posted in regard to Houston county affairs and knows no better way than through the Courier.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holaday and little daughter of Austin visited here Saturday and Sunday.

For Rent.

Store building under telephone office. Apply to J. S. Cook. tf

Lost—Bunch of keys. Finder return to John Harris at the Racket Store and receive reward. tf

Howard Stockton, training at Camp Bowie, Fort Worth, was at home this week on leave of absence.

Peanuts Wanted.

We want 200 bushels No. 1 white Spanish peanuts.—H. J. Arledge & Co. tf

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Painter and Miss Lucia Painter returned Sunday night from Houston and Galveston.

Your next visit to Houston will be incomplete unless you visit the W. C. Munn Company's mammoth store. 6t

Aunt Jemima's Pancake flour makes better hot cakes—per package, 15c. It. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

To the Public.

We are again in the market for cotton seed. tf. R. E. Hale.

Syrup Cans.

7000 in stock. Price 13 1-2c each by the 100. Jas. S. Shivers.

For Sale.

Three or four hundred bushels of good ear corn. It. W. E. Hail.

Saddle for Sale.

Man's saddle, in fine shape, will sell at a bargain. It. H. G. Patton.

J. W. Brightman called Tuesday to congratulate the Courier on the installation of a linotype and to renew his subscription.

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Fresh shipment Dromedary Dates per package 17 1/2 cents or two for 35 cents. It. Crockett Grocery & Baking Co.

Miss Kate Sturgis of Route 3 renewed for the Courier Saturday. Miss Sturgis is one of the Courier's most appreciated subscribers.

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Jesse Aldrich of New York spent Thanksgiving and the remainder of the week with his mother, Mrs. Collin Aldrich, and family in this city.

Fords for Sale.

I have a few Ford cars all in good condition. If interested see me at once.

tf. T. R. Deupree.

For Sale.

Three mares, one colt, wagon, buggy, harness, plows, planter, etc. For particulars inquire at Houston County Warehouse. 2tt

Dr. M. A. Thomas called Monday to congratulate the Courier on its installation of a linotype machine and to "prove his faith" with another year's subscription.

Holiday Display

Will be on exhibition at the Mayes building next to the Commercial Club rooms on Wednesday, December 12, 1917. It. Crockett Drug Co.

Money! Money!! Money!!!

Money to loan on farms anywhere in this section. Money quick, long time and easy terms.—J. S. French, at Earl Adams' Jr. office, Crockett, Texas. tf

Voting Tickets Given Away

With all Holiday purchases. Get your friends and folks to buy their Christmas goods with us. It's free to all. Maybe you can win the small car. It. Crockett Drug Co.

The ladies of the Christian church will serve oysters—fried, stewed or raw—also hot coffee, cake and chocolate, in the Lewis building Saturday, December 8, from 11:30 a. m. to 10:30 p. m. The patronage of the public is invited. It.

Money to Loan

We buy vendor lien notes—Loan Money on long time. Have been doing it for fourteen years with Houston county farmers. We can refer you to a host of farmers we have helped and they now own their farms clear. See us before placing a loan with anybody.

The Firm that Gives Personal Service to Farmers.

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Office North Side Public Square. CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Christmas Is Right Here!

HADN'T YOU BETTER WHISPER US YOUR WANTS?

Our line is "SOME LINE" this season. Come, look and if you don't see what you want, ask for it.

McLEAN DRUG COMPANY

THE REXALL STORE.

Christmas Is Nearly Here.

All the little folks are on the alert. It's days of expectancy until then. Make their hearts glad, reflect your prosperity in making this a time of joy. Our goods will be on display on Wednesday, December 12, 1917, in the Mayes building next to Commercial Club rooms. It. Crockett Drug Co.

Judge Porter Newman of Durant, Okla., with his wife and baby, spent last week at the old home in Augusta. The judge paid the Courier a visit Saturday and took occasion to remark on the growth and improvement of the town. However, he expects to see greater improvements in our roads, streets and sidewalks the next time he comes.

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Cotton Seed.

The United States Food Control has stopped us from buying cotton seed for our own account for a short while. We suggest to those having seed for sale that they hold them until February. Nuf sed. Houston County Oil Mill and Manufacturing Company. tf

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