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## PREPARES TO AID SOUTHERN FARMERS

Harding Administration Takes First Step Toward Solving Agricultural Problems.

Washington, March 28.—The war finance corporation Tuesday night issued a call for a conference here April 4th of Southern bankers to discuss methods by which the exportation of Southern agricultural products may be financed. Announcement of the conference followed discussion of the farmers' problems by the cabinet Tuesday, after which it was said definite plans for farmer relief probably soon would be put forward.

Announcement of the conference was confined to the bare statement of the call and the date. In the light of the day's developments, however, it was regarded as the first step by the new administration looking to a solution of the farmers' difficulties.

Several other such meetings are planned, it was stated. Secretary Hoover expects soon to meet with representatives of the agricultural industry to talk over with them the problems which beset their industry.

Officials of the finance corporation desire, it was said, to explain to the Southern bankers, on whose shoulders fall the burden of providing funds for the export of cotton and other products, just how far the federal agency can go in supplying the money they seek. In this connection it was deemed likely that the treasury's position with respect to exports to Germany also would be made clear.

The corporation already has approved a loan of \$6,000,000 for the financing of shipments to States in Central Europe, and Secretary Mellon has said there was no objection to loans on exports to Germany provided the finance corporation was given good security by the exporting houses.

There have been indications on several occasions that the corporation was ready to extend aid in shipping to Czecho-Slovakia and Poland, although a public statement to that effect never has been made. In these two countries exporters have reported great opportunities for the marketing of cotton and other exclusively Southern products.

### Cotton Interests Come First.

While there was no official expression Tuesday night, it apparently was the program of those officials having to do directly with the farming industry to spread the conferences over several months in which time representatives from the various sections of the country may be called here to see what can be done for them. Finance corporation officials have said several times that the Western and Middlewestern farmers must be given consideration soon. It apparently was the consensus of opinion in the cabinet discussion, however, that the cotton interests should be the first to receive attention.

The meetings which Mr. Hoover will call, it was said, would be entirely informal and will seek to develop a program of co-operation with practical limits for the disposition of crops. Some officials were said to fear that unless the farmers can be given assurance of a friendliness on the present government market of their prod-

ucts, there will be reductions in the acreage of all crops. It was indicated that first-hand information obtained in conferences such as those proposed by Mr. Hoover might suggest new methods for domestic handling and exportation of all agricultural products.

## FARMERS ADVISED TO PLANT PEANUTS

Suffolk, Virginia, March 16, 1921.

Editor Courier:

The conditions now existing in the world of business farming as well as manufacturing, cannot be cured now by further waiting for some great change to take place. Every man must do his part, and the farmer, the balance-wheel of the world industry, cannot hope to see business return to its normal basis until he sets to work to perform his important task, and the sooner he realizes this the sooner will business be on the upward march. One of the most important questions now confronting the agriculturist is "What shall I plant that will with reasonable certainty bring me in the greatest revenue?" It is a matter that should be given careful consideration. Let us for a moment, consider that with the over-production of cotton and the enormous surplus carried over for the past two seasons, there is little that could be expected from this source during the year 1921. Therefore, it would seem to me, that the safest course to pursue at this time would be to turn attention largely to peanuts, as there is certainly less probability of suffering loss on peanuts as they can be utilized for so many and varied purposes; and besides, if they are properly harvested, they will keep for a long time in good condition. It is perfectly natural for the farmers throughout the south to be somewhat undecided, on account of the low prices that have prevailed on the 1920 crop, as to whether it will be for their best interest to plant peanuts to any great extent this season. It is the opinion of a great many farmers in this section that even if the prices are low the peanut crop is a greater revenue producer than some of the other staple crops, such as cotton and tobacco. I would not advise growing peanuts only, as it is always safer to diversify the crops; but I do advise that peanuts play a large part in the diversification where the soil is adapted to their growth.

The heavy importation of peanuts from the Orient during 1920 was the most potent factor in the decline in prices; but with the almost absolute certainty of a prohibitive tariff on peanuts and peanut oil, there is every reason to believe that the 1921 crop will be in good demand, and at reasonably good prices.

Surely the peanut market is not permanently crippled, for the valuable properties contained in peanuts, both as a food product for human consumption and as feed for stock, are too well known for the demand to cease. Furthermore, vast and varied experiments have revealed the fact that the peanuts contain properties yet to be discovered as each experiment brings to light some new and hidden properties before unknown. I unhesitatingly say—plant peanuts. J. A. B.

## INVESTIGATION INTO RAILWAY SITUATION

Calls Conference With the I. C. C. Labor Board Chairman.

Washington, March 29.—President Harding Tuesday began an inquiry into the plight of the railroads following a discussion of the situation at the cabinet meeting which revolved around what was termed "the \$700,000,000 deficit" of the carriers.

Secretary of the Treasury Mellon called the attention of the cabinet to the inability of the railroads to show a profit on the basis of present freight and passenger rates and increased wages.

Following the meeting it was announced that President Harding has asked E. E. Clark, chairman of the interstate commerce commission, and R. M. Barton, chairman of the railroad labor, to confer with him on the situation. The conference will be held as soon as Judge Barton can arrive from Chicago.

It was made known that the president and cabinet members in their discussion viewed the railroad situation as of great concern to the entire country. The position was taken that the government should do something to help to facilitate the return of the railroads to former conditions.

That the present freight and passenger rates are too high was asserted. High freight rates as affecting the movement of agricultural products were uppermost in the discussion. Instances were cited wherein it costs more to ship agricultural products from the Middle West to the East than it does to bring them from foreign countries. This situation, it was felt, is of vital importance in connection with the foreign trade problems as well as with reference to the protection of agricultural producers.

Just what can be accomplished by the administration is a matter of speculation.

### Baptist Notes.

Meeting held by Starnes and Cohen netted Baptist church fifty new members. Offering for all purposes connected with meeting was near \$800. These workers will be remembered a long time in Crockett for the good they accomplished.

Baptist Sunday school has organized a class for young men and ladies and opened up with the lucky number of thirteen present Sunday. They elected Mr. Clifford Kennedy as teacher. May this good work prosper. Our Sunday school has enjoyed good attendance this spring and we hope the meeting will be cause of still larger attendance.

The roof of the church has recently been covered with heavy paint and it is hoped that all the leaks are stopped by this means.

During meeting the church raised more than \$800 to pay off obligation incurred from work done on inside of church last year.

Baptists show up as follows in states named below:

Alabama has one Baptist to every 5 of population; Georgia has one Baptist to every 4 of population; Mississippi one to every three of population; North

Carolina has one to every five of population; South Carolina shows one Baptist to four of population; Virginia one to five and Texas one to nine of population. Texas Baptists must emphasize the work of evangelism more and more.

L. L. Sams.

## JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

The Courier's list of subscription renewals is not large this week, but what it lacks in quantity it makes up in quality. One subscriber, in sending in his renewal by mail, writes as follows: "Am enclosing check to cover for another year's subscription. I enjoy your paper." We thank him for his words of commendation.

Callers at this office report too much rain and slow progress in farm work. Among those calling to renew or subscribe or sending in their renewals and subscriptions since last issue may be mentioned the following:

G. W. Ferguson, Augusta Rt. one.

Judge J. S. Prince, Athens. W. A. Sowers, Brawley, Calif. W. L. Lawson, Lovelady. Dan P. Craddock, Kennard. J. B. Womack, Weches.

Chas. Lee Manning.

Charles Lee Manning, in the forty-third year of his life, died of typhoid fever at the home of his brother, John Manning, near Crockett on Friday of last week. The family of his brother being ill of the fever, Mr. Manning had gone to assist in caring for them when he himself was stricken. His home was in Crockett, where he was engaged in business and where his wife resides. He left no children.

Chas. Manning was a member of the Baptist church. Besides the wife, he leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Manning, who live on the Rusk road north of Crockett, and also five brothers and two sisters, all living, and the brothers and sisters all being younger.

Funeral services were held at the Manning cemetery or family burial ground, ten miles northeast of Crockett, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. L. L. Sams of Crockett conducting the religious services. Quite a number of people from Crockett attended the services in spite of the threatening weather. The deceased, having lived in Crockett for several years, all the while engaged in business here, had built up an acquaintance and established himself in the friendship of the people in a way that has left an indelible impression. He came to Crockett from Kennard, but was reared at the old home ten miles northeast of Crockett. While in the vigor of life and usefulness, his passing brings unusual sadness.

### Good Morning.

Goldsmith said, "Man wants but little here below?" Perhaps he was right in the seventeenth seventies, but in the nineteenth twenties man needs considerable. However, a careful study and use of the advertisements show how easily all needs can be met.

Experiments in making photographic maps of forests from airplanes have disclosed that the best work can be done in autumn when colored foliage differentiates between hard and soft wood trees.

## DOZEN BILLS ARE TO BECOME LAWS

Measure to Regulate Live Stock Business Is Most Important.

Austin, Texas, March 29.—An even dozen bills were filed with the secretary of State Tuesday by Governor Neff to become laws without his signature. The bills thus become laws 90 days after adjournment of the legislature on March 12.

The most important measure of the lot is the senate bill by Dudley of El Paso, requiring live stock merchants to give bond and regulating the transactions of the live stock business. When this bill was introduced it contained a clause requiring all payments in such transactions to be made by cashiers' checks or bank exchange. This clause was stricken out by an amendment in the senate.

There was also a bill abolishing the defense of assumed risk as a bar to recovery in damage suits, the bill requiring embalmers to obtain licenses from the State embalming board and the bill authorizing cities of over 50,000 population to amend their charters by a majority vote of its qualified voters, so as to extend their corporate limits to include adjoining and contiguous territory. The other bills were of minor importance.

### Mr. James N. Tyer.

Mr. James N. Tyer, long a resident of Houston county, died at his home on the Rusk road north of Crockett Saturday night. Mr. Tyer was past 70 years of age. He had lived at what is known as Tyer's Store for many years and had long been noted as one of the county's most prominent citizens and farmers. He was not only prominent in the industrial and political life of his community, but in the social and religious life as well. His leadership was perhaps most prominent in church and school promotion work, in the interests of which he was untiring in his efforts. Loving humanity, he was always at peace with his fellowman. As a true citizen, husband and father, he had few equals. He leaves the loving wife and a large family of children to mourn his passing away. Appropriate funeral services were held Sunday afternoon and interment followed in the Tyer community cemetery. The services were attended by a number of Crockett people.

### Maundy Thursday.

Maundy Thursday was observed with appropriate ceremonies by Scottish Rite Masons of Crockett on Thursday, the 24th inst. After the rendition of a suitable program the Mystic Feast was served, with the following members of the Rite participating: R. H. Wootters, J. W. Markham, M. Bromberg, H. L. Ellis, H. J. Trube, J. C. Wootters, Geo. McLean, D. G. Moore, B. M. Chamberlain, G. L. Cook, J. A. Cook, J. S. Cook, C. W. LeGory, W. G. Cartwright, N. L. Asher, S. L. Murchison, C. W. Butler Jr., G. D. McClain, Will McLean, F. G. Edmiston, F. A. Smith, E. C. Arledge, C. M. Neal, W. P. Bishop, John LeGory. Other members of the Rite residing in Crockett were unavoidably prevented from participating on account of absence and other causes.

# STYLE

**Says Schopenhauer is the Physiognomy of the Mind**

Style is that which reflects the personality, the soul of the individual or institution. Let him who mocks at style recollect that if lace is sold at a higher price than gold, it owes its chief value to its elegance and not its material. So does style impress itself in

## A Modern Drug Shop

Many customers clamor for quality regardless of price. Our careful buying enables us to combine the features of best quality, approved style and a fair price.

## Goolsby-Sherman Drug Co.

GRADUATE PHARMACISTS.

Two Phones: 47 and 140

Dependability Superior Service

### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Ross Sams is visiting in Waco.

R. L. Shivers will sell you groceries for less. tf.

You can get Graham bread and flour at the Bakery. 1t.

Reduced prices on dry goods and shoes at R. L. Shivers'. tf.

Miss Louell Long of Lovelady is visiting Miss Ernestine Hale.

1921 Frolic, High School Auditorium, Friday night, 8 o'clock. 1t.

A. E. Owens, former county clerk, was a visitor here Tuesday.

Bruce Smith was a visitor at Shreveport the first of this week.

Mrs. James S. Shivers and children are visiting relatives in Houston.

Hon. Chas. C. Rice returned last week from Austin and the legislature.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smith and children have returned from Fort Worth.

Mrs. Hallie Collins and son are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bayne at Camden.

Wanted—You to have the best time in your life at the 1921 Frolic Friday night. 1t.

Miss Hattie Stokes returned Wednesday to Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

Don't forget to telephone 182 your order—the Bakery; best delivery service in town. 1t.

George Manning of Ranger was here to attend the funeral of his brother, C. L. Manning.

Miss Grace Smith of Longview visited relatives and friends in this city from Friday until Sunday.

America's foremost cartoonist and comic artist will be with the 1921 Frolic Friday night. High School. 1t.

Miss Sue Denny, teaching in Galveston, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Crockett.

Gersham Lansford, now living at Eastland, was called here last week by the illness and subsequent death of his father, Mr. M. E. Lansford, whose home was in the Porter Springs neighborhood.

Miss Leita Cunyus returned Saturday afternoon from a three weeks' visit with friends in Dallas.

Rid your chicken house and chickens from fleas and mites. Bishop's Drug Store has the right kind. 1t.

Laugh and live. See the black face farce comedy at the 1921 Frolic Friday night. High School Auditorium. 1t.

Preston Beard and Oscar Burnett of Henderson were week-end guests of Miss Archie Mae Satterwhite.

Miss Sadie Scott of Graham came over from Baylor University to be the week-end guest of Miss Queenie V. Sams.

Miss Queenie V. Sams, a student of Baylor University, Waco, is spending a brief vacation with her parents in this city.

The latest fad in sport wear is the Priscilla Dean Tam. In all the new colors, Suede like, for \$2.50 each at the Vogue Millinery. 1t.

You can find Arseniate Lead, Calcium Arseniate, Paris Green, Kreso Fly Swat, Shoo Fly, Cow Ease and sprayers at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

Paul Stokes and John Wooters, students of the University Medical College at Galveston, were week-end visitors with their parents in Crockett.

**Kasch Pedigreed Cotton Seed.**  
This is the best seed that can be planted. We have limited amount. 3t. Arledge & Arledge.

**School Entertainment.**  
A play will be given by the students of Daniel-Bellview school at the time of graduation exercises, Saturday night, April 2. 3t.

Colonel James C. Sullivan, staff correspondent of the Houston Chronicle, spent the week-end with friends in Crockett. Colonel Sullivan was until recently a cavalry officer and instructor.

**Vulcanizing and Radiator Repairing.**

This is to notify the public that we have installed a first-class vulcanizing plant in connection with the radiator repair shop, and are now in position to make new casings out of old ones, and old, leaky radiators better than new. Prices reasonable—all work guaranteed. Wheeler & Escott, First National Bank Bldg., Crockett, Texas. 1t.

**Jurors Excused**  
This is to notify the jurors who were to appear at Crockett, April 4th, to serve as jurors that they are excused and need not appear. By order of the court. V. B. Tunstall, District Clerk.

**Notice.**  
All persons wanting their names on the election ticket for the city election on Tuesday, April 5, must give them to C. A. Hassell by noon Monday, April 4. C. A. Hassell, City Secretary. 1t.

**Plants for Sale.**  
Choice frost-proof cabbage plants—Early Flat Dutch, Early Jersey and Charleston Wakefield. Post paid, prompt shipment. One hundred, 35 cents; three hundred, \$1.00. Jesse Barnes, Trinity, Texas. tf.

**Elimination.**  
At the beginning of last week the I. & G. N. Railway company discontinued the use of train auditors and at the end of the week it discontinued the use of train porters. The Courier's information is that one passenger train each way a day will be discontinued Sunday. The company claims to have lost heavily on recent train operations.

**Please Notice.**  
Any one finding A. M. Decuir's cattle out of their range about Hopewell church on Pennington road, please phone or write the undersigned. (Brand is Z. D.; mark, crop off right, two splits in left.) Information at any time will be appreciated. Notify J. T. Dorman, R. F. D. No. 5, or phone 418, 3 rings, Crockett, Texas; or Mrs. A. M. Decuir, phone 295, Crockett, Texas. A. M. Decuir. 2t.

**Card of Thanks.**  
We take this method of expressing our sincere thanks to you, our friends and neighbors, for your many deeds of kindness, words of sympathy, and the many beautiful floral offerings, which expressed your love for us in the sad death of our son, husband and brother, C. L. Manning. May God bless every one of you is the prayer of every member of this family. John Manning, Wife and Family. 1t.

**Card of Thanks.**  
We wish to express to our friends our appreciation for their kindness and many tokens of sympathy in our sorrow and bereavement in the death of our husband, father and brother, Wyatt Driskell. May the Lord reward you for your kindness to us. Mrs. Wyatt Driskell and Children, Mrs. Nora Kennedy, Mrs. Edna Selkirk, Mrs. Fannie Goodson, J. D. Driskell. 1t.

**For Sale.**  
Young cow with heifer calf, three to four months old; a second cow will be fresh in two to three months; a third cow will be fresh with its first calf in about three months. All these cows are of fine strain, red-poll and Jersey mixed. They are in fine condition and will command the approving judgment of any critic. All of them may be seen at the writer's home at any time. W. B. Page. 2t.

**Election Notice.**  
Be it ordained: By the City Council of the City of Crockett in session assembled that an election be and the same is hereby ordered to be held in the City of Crockett, Texas, on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1921, for the purpose of electing three Aldermen, one City Marshal and a City Secretary; and Jno. C. Lacy is hereby appointed manager of said election. C. L. Edmiston, Mayor. Attest: C. A. Hassell, City Secretary. 3t.

**Word of Gratitude.**  
Please express through the columns of your valuable paper the gratitude and heartfelt thanks of the undersigned to the neighbors and many friends for kindness and sympathy so freely shown, and the beautiful floral offerings during the last sickness and death of our beloved father, M. E. Lansford. May the pathway of each of you be strewn with flowers while you live, and may God's blessing rest with you; and in the end, eternal joys in the Great Beyond. Lovingly, I. B. Lansford, Mrs. Mattie Cook, E. M. Lansford, J. C. Lansford, George E. Lansford, G. C. Lansford, Mrs. N. E. Wolfley. 1t.

**Attempted Hold-Up.**  
Thursday evening, following the Lyceum entertainment in the High School Auditorium, the entertainer, Mr. Jones, was the victim of an attempted hold-up. As Mr. Jones was leaving the school house, after the crowd had gone, a young man unknown to him accosted him on the outside in the darkness and demanded that he give up his money. Mr. Jones threw his hand back to his hip pocket, which ordinarily would have been a foolish thing to do, but which proved effective in this instance, as the would-be robber took fright at this and disappeared in the darkness. At this moment Mr. Jones became afraid that the man would return with a confederate and he also ran, reaching town almost breathless. The officers were notified and an investigation made, but no trace of the would-be robber could be discovered.

**MONEY TO LOAN**  
BUY VENDOR LEIN NOTES. AETNA LIFE INSURANCE. **B. B. WARFIELD** CROCKETT, TEXAS.

**'AGENCY OF GOOD SERVICE'**  
General Insurance Town and Country **THOS. B. COLLINS, AGENT** Crockett, Texas, Phone 380

**Buried at Lovelady.**  
The remains of Wyatt Driskell, a brother of J. D. Driskell of Crockett, reached Lovelady Friday morning and were laid away Friday afternoon. Mr. Driskell died on Wednesday at Burkburnett. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. S. Allhands, pastor of the Christian church in Crockett, the deceased being a member of the Christian church.

Mr. Driskell was 41 years of age, and of his family the wife and three children are left. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. Driskell, who once lived at Lovelady, but later at Elkhart, and who are now living at Troup. The parents were unable to attend the funeral on account of illness.

Following the religious service, the Masonic lodge took charge of the funeral obsequies. The large floral offerings attested the popularity in which the deceased was held by his fellowmen.

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**SHOW ON APRIL 1**  
At High School Auditorium

## GOMPERS STANDS PAT ON ATTITUDE

"Unpatriotic," He Says of Labor Leaders Who Favor Soviet Rule

Washington, March 27.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, Sunday denounced as "unpatriotic Americans" those labor leaders who have severely criticized his refusal to endorse the Russian soviet government or to urge its recognition by the United States.

Flat refusal to recede in the slightest from his position was expressed by Mr. Gompers in a 2500-word letter to the Central Trades unions of Kalamazoo, Mich., Phoenix, Ariz., Laramie, Wyo., and other similar labor organizations which had adopted resolutions condemning the present administration of the federation because of its Russian stand, as subservient to capital and against the best interests of the workers. The action of these bodies, the letter said, apparently was based on conclusions drawn from "utter misinformation of the true situation in Russia."

"In the many years I have been an official of the American Federation of Labor," the letter said, "no document has been received by me containing more misinformation or conclusions based upon such a lack of knowledge. It is true I have read much of the propaganda that is being circulated throughout the United States in favor of the bolsheviki government of Russia and it is true that the letter adopted by the Kalamazoo trades and labor council gives voice to that propaganda.

"In these days it is past understanding how American citizens can bring themselves to aid and comfort a propaganda that has for its purpose the destruction of the trade labor movement in America and the overthrow of our republic."

The letter quoted from numerous official announcements of the Russian government as to the necessity for "militarization of labor" in order that masses of labor should be moved about, "ordered and sent from place to place in the same manner as soldiers," and commented on measures which Trotzky had taken to force the return to work of railway and bank employees who had "voluntarily" quit their positions.

"Does the Kalamazoo Trades and Labor council support this program for the United States?" Mr. Gompers inquired.

The federation president declared that "the communist party in Russia—the real rulers of that country—numbered less than 10,000 members." This was shown, he said, by the fact that while each member of the party was entitled to an allowance of two pounds of bread a day, less than 10,000 applications for that allowance were made to the food commissaire.

Assertion of the Kalamazoo central body that unemployment in America would be relieved by lifting the embargo on Russia, Mr. Gompers denied on the ground that there is no such embargo and if there were, lifting it would have no material effect on trade relations.

"It may be news to you that the greatest amount of American manufactured articles sent to Russia, outside of munitions, was in 1913," he wrote, "and then amounted to only \$40,000,000."

Trade relations with the United States were formally resumed in 1920, the letter continued, with the removal of the embargo and today there is no obstacle in the way of the Russian people dealing with the United States as far as the latter is concerned.

"Millions of dollars are known to have been sent from Russia to the United States to pay those who circulated bolsheviki prop-

aganda," Mr. Gompers said. "If those who have consciously or unconsciously aided in this circulation have failed to be rewarded, they have missed a great opportunity for gain, for their services have been well worth financial recognition by Lenine and Trotzky.

"When the people of Russia elect a representative government, the American Federation of Labor will be the first to demand its recognition."

It is understood that about 60 central labor organizations and individual locals have gone on record in more or less heated terms as opposing Mr. Gompers' anti-Russian policy. At federation headquarters, small importance was attached to this opposition, which was declared to represent only a small percentage of the entire membership of the organization.

### A Good Woman.

Mrs. W. V. Adams of Los Angeles, California, died at the home of her brother, A. J. Bates of Daniel & Arrington Farm, March 21. She was born in McMinnville, Tenn., and at an early date Mr. Bates came to Texas and she came later. Making her home in Ft. Worth, she married Mr. Adams.

Mr. Adams had five children and Mrs. Adams raised them, and she had one daughter of her own. She lived in Ft. Worth eighteen years and then moved to California. There she lived till two years ago when Mrs. Adams visited her relatives and family. She went to Dallas for treatment, but the doctors failed to do her any good. She then came to her brother, Mr. Bates, Jan. 3, 1921.

She was a devoted Christian, and everybody loved her. She will be missed by everybody that knew her.

In love she lived,  
In peace she died;  
Her life was craved,  
But God denied.

A Friend.

### This Means You.

Would you study this advertisement if it appeared under a head like the following:

"This is intended for you if you have long feet and like fried apples?"

When you read an advertisement, do you realize that you are one of a vast audience of readers and that each one of those readers is visualizing the day's store news?

Do you know that a store's ads are a part of that store's service to you? That they are compiled by experts in order to conserve time and energy for you; to help you solve your buying problems with a minimum of effort? Then why not take advantage of them?

### Liquor Is Brought Into Court As Evidence.

Chicago, March 27.—The courtroom of Federal Judge K. M. Landis resembled a well stocked liquor store Sunday. Before the judge's bench were stacked 4412 quarts of whisky, one barrel of port wine, and seven gallons of sherry.

The liquor is to be used as evidence in the trial of J. Newton Roe, L. C. Pranz and Fred Wortman, charged with violating the Volstead prohibition act. The trial will be started Monday and guards are watching the liquor until the case is disposed of.

Governor Neff may not be right all the time, but if he can manage to bump off about one-half of the hangers-on in the various state departments we'll guarantee that not more than half the people will censure him. There are a lot of office holders and a few departments that couldn't tell if their lives depended upon it of any real service they are rendering the state or its people—Exchange.

Leather made in India from lizard skins is being used for women's and children's shoes and other articles formerly requiring calf skin or kid.

## CROPS BLIGHTED; LOSS IS ENORMOUS

Sudden Freeze Causes Damage Running Into Many Millions.

Kansas City, March 28.—Based upon reports from many districts of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas, officials of farm and horticultural associations here said Monday night that enormous damage had been caused by freezing temperatures which prevailed over the Southwest Sunday night.

Little hope for early fruit crops in Missouri and Kansas was indicated, although it was said that the later crops probably had not suffered materially.

The sudden cold snap was preceded by warm weather in most localities and officials said in many places fruit trees were in bloom. Grain crops were said to have been well advanced and in some sections jointing had taken place. Fields which had not been pastured were damaged Monday night, the reports here indicated.

Oklahoma's State board of agriculture estimated Monday that the loss of early fruit in that State would approximate \$11,250,000 and said that 75 per cent of the crop was ruined.

Springfield reported a sheet of snow and ice covering southern Missouri Monday morning. All early varieties of apples, peaches, plums, pears and cherries were in full bloom and the loss undoubtedly will be large, agriculturalists said. Another freeze was predicted for Monday night in that section. Strawberry and other berry crops are not believed to have suffered.

Reports from Wichita, Kan., were that Arkansas valley fields of early grains were frozen down Monday morning. Wheat which had not been pastured was damaged particularly, while oats, which had been planted early on account of the open season, suffered most from the freeze. Alfalfa fields were all discolored and no fruit is expected this year in that section except in a few protected orchards, the reports said.

The peach and apricot crops at Arkansas City, Kan., and vicinity are a total loss, reports indicate, and a complete survey of the damage will not be made until after the thaw.

### Missionary Society.

The Woman's Missionary Society held its regular monthly social meeting on Monday, with the ladies of west side as hostesses, at the pretty home of Mrs. Louise Leediker.

Despite the fact that a wintry gale was blowing, a large number was present and all felt amply repaid by the excellent entertainment provided. The following beautiful songs were sung:

Duet—"Sweet Genevieve"—Mrs. Pinkney Hail, Mrs. Decuir.  
Solo—"Red, Red Rose"—Mrs. Decuir.

Solo—"I Love Thee True"—Mrs. Hail.

Encore—"Sewanee."

Solo—"I Love Thee Truly"—Mrs. Decuir.

Readings were given by Fay Daniel and Nina McClain.

Miss Sedgewick, a Red Cross worker, was present and made an interesting talk upon the work being done since the war.

The serving of delicious cake and hot chocolate completed the program. Reporter.

### CROCKETT TRAIN SCHEDULE.

South Bound

No. 1, Sunshine Special.....2:50 P. M.

No. 5, Houston Limited.....1:49 A. M.

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### CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS,

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

You are hereby commanded to summon M. L. Herbage by making publication of this Citation one in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, Texas, on the fourth Monday in March, A. D. 1921, the same being the 28th day of March, A. D. 1921, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1921, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 5899, wherein S. M. Monzingo is Plaintiff, and Boyd Beets and M. L. Herbage are Defendants, and said petition alleging:

Suit upon promissory note for the sum of Sixteen Hundred (\$1600.00) Dollars executed by defendant, Boyd Beets, on February 22nd, 1921, payable one day after date to plaintiff at Crockett, Texas, with eight per cent per annum interest thereon from date, and providing for the usual ten per cent. attorney's fees, alleging that said note is past due and unpaid, and plaintiff has placed same in the hands of his Attorney for collection.

That at the time of the execution and delivery of said note and as collateral security therefor the defendant, Boyd Beets, endorsed and delivered to plaintiff that certain promissory note for the sum of Sixteen Hundred (\$1600.00) Dollars

executed by defendant, M. L. Herbage, on the 29th of April, 1920, payable to the order of the said Boyd Beets, thirty days after date.

That at the time of the execution and delivery of said note the defendant, Boyd Beets, also transferred, assigned and delivered those nine certain promissory notes of date, December 1st, 1918, for the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty (\$750.00) Dollars each, which were executed by C. L. Murphy and W. J. Murphy to M. L. Herbage in part payment for Lot No. 18 in Block No. 2 and the North half of Lot No. 5 in the Poole pasture and the Pybus ranch subdivisions in the A. Heimans Survey, the Jacob Schenck Survey, the T. L. Vallow Survey and the H. N. Gove Survey, embracing 240 acres of land in Matagorda County, Texas, which said notes were payable to the said defendant, M. L. Herbage, on or before December 1st, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927 and 1928, respectively, and which said notes were placed as collateral with the defendant, Boyd Beets, to secure the payment of his certain promissory note, and which said notes were transferred and assigned to plaintiff by the said defendant, Boyd Beets, to secure the payment of his certain promissory note.

Plaintiff prays judgment for the amount due upon his said Sixteen Hundred Dollar note; that the said notes held by the defendant, Boyd Beets, be ordered sold as under execution, and title thereto made to the purchaser.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1921.

(Seal) V. B. Tunstall, Clerk,  
District Court, Houston County.  
By J. B. Stanton, Deputy.

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## FIVE DETECTIVES IN CHICAGO SUSPENDED

Officers Fail to Render Assistance to Dying Comrade.

Chicago, March 26.—Five officers were suspended from the detective force tonight after witnesses had accused them of hiding behind telephone poles and refusing to answer the dying cries of their comrade, Detective Sergeant Patrick O'Neill, who was fatally shot Wednesday night while trying to arrest Tommy O'Connor, an alleged gunman, who is charged with alleged slaying of at least three men.

While the search for O'Connor was being extended today to all parts of the country, Charles Fitzmorris, chief of police, concluded his inquiry into the events leading up to the death of O'Neill. According to witnesses the six officers from the detective bureau surrounded the house in which O'Connor was supposed to be hiding while being sought for murder.

Neighbors told of being aroused by several shots and of finding five of the detectives hiding behind telegraph poles. "Paddy O'Neill has been shot," one of them was quoted as saying, "and we are afraid to go into the back yard until reinforcements arrive."

Meanwhile, according to witnesses, the dying officer was heard to cry "Joe" three times. Detective Sergeant Joe Roynan, O'Neill's partner, heard the cries and began to weep, but no one went to the assistance of the wounded man, according to witnesses, until the arrival of a police wagon full of gray-haired patrolmen who had been held in reserve at the station.

According to the testimony O'Neill lay for more than fifteen minutes without any effort being made to aid him after he was shot and there was no attempt made to pursue the slayer.

The order of Chief Fitzmorris suspending the five men read, in part, as follows:

"O'Neil, shot and wounded to death, lay in the yard struggling with fast ebbing strength to lift himself and calling feebly until he became unconscious. Nobody went to his aid. It was not until the ambulance from the Englewood station, several miles away, arrived that anyone went to his side, and then it was the crew of the ambulance that went in."

## SOUR STOMACH INDIGESTION

Theford's Black-Draught Highly Recommended by a Tennessee Grocer for Troubles Resulting from Torpid Liver.

East Nashville, Tenn.—The efficacy of Theford's Black-Draught, the genuine, herb, liver medicine, is vouched for by Mr. W. N. Parsons, a grocer of this city. "It is without doubt the best liver medicine, and I don't believe I could get along without it. I take it for sour stomach, headache, bad liver, indigestion, and all other troubles that are the result of a torpid liver."

"I have known and used it for years, and can and do highly recommend it to every one. I won't go to bed without it in the house. It will do all it claims to do. I can't say enough for it."

Many other men and women throughout the country have found Black-Draught just as Mr. Parsons describes—valuable in regulating the liver to its normal functions, and in cleansing the bowels of impurities.

Theford's Black-Draught liver medicine is the original and only genuine. Accept no imitations or substitutes. Always ask for Theford's. E. S.

to the yard and picked him up. "O'Connor, from the testimony of witnesses, escaped through the back yard and across the prairies on a course that must have taken him directly across O'Neill's body, and although he fled across on open prairie nobody pursued him.

"From the investigation I have made, the blame for the escape of Officer O'Neill's murderer rests definitely and squarely upon the other members of the squad that accompanied him."

The detectives suspended were: Joseph Ronan, W. G. Fenn, Charles L. McShane, W. J. Carter and Edwin M. Halpin.

## WOOD CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE SUED

Congress Hotel Claims \$12,465.45 for Various Expenses.

Chicago, Ill., March 26.—The campaign committee for Major General Leonard Wood was sued for \$12,465.45 for rent and other expenses by the Congress Hotel today. The bill against the committee covers the months of April, May and June, 1920, when the committee's headquarters for the Wood republican national campaign was located at the hotel.

Members of the committee named in the suit include William Cooper Procter, A. A. Sprague, J. J. McGraw and Fred Stanley.

Items named in the hotel's sworn bill of expense include \$10,000 for parlors where headquarters was maintained. Among the items included in the charges were \$1,365 for meals. Other items covered broken chairs, laundry bills, shoe shines and room rent.

Colonel Procter, one of the defendants, was chairman of the committee and this week sued Major Sprague, another defendant, for \$110,000 alleged to be due on joint notes signed to cover funds secured for the campaign.

## "IF A MAN DIE, SHALL HE LIVE AGAIN?"

Why seek ye the living among the dead?—Luke xxiv, 5.

No other event in the history of all the ages is at all comparable with the resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth.

Its stupendous significance lies in the fact that it answers for all time to come the all-important question man had been asking himself from the beginning, "If a man die, shall he live again?" The belief in the immortality of man is as instinctive as his desire for life; and so when he arrived at a state of spiritual exaltation that told him of God, he at once had kindled within him the hope that there would come a time when the question of his immortality would be convincingly and satisfactorily answered. And yet there are those today who, notwithstanding what has gone before, notwithstanding they see about them season after season the revivification of plant and vegetable life as well as many other evidences of the continuity of life, affect to believe that the life of man, God's greatest work, ends when his body ceases to manifest evidences of life. The poet Young asks impressively and logically:

"Shall man alone, for whom all else revives, No resurrection know?"

Man's body goes back to the dust because that is where it came from, but we are told by one who had both reason and spiritual vision, centuries before the Messiah appeared in Judea, that the dust "shall return to the earth as it was; and the spirit shall return to God who gave it." The life, works, words, crucifixion and resurrection of the man of Galilee gave assurance to all humanity that the grave is not the end.—Galveston News.

## MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF LIQUOR

Big Raid in New York Held Up Awaiting Review Of Court Action.

New York, March 27.—The halting of a big raid scheduled here Saturday, in which federal prohibition agents planned to confiscate approximately \$200,000 worth of wines, was the direct result, it was announced, of a recent ruling in a South Carolina court that the Volstead act supercedes the old internal revenue laws. If the decision is upheld by higher courts it is expected, the announcement said, that \$1,000,000 worth of liquor seized here by federal agents must be returned to owners.

The decision was handed down in the Fourth States circuit court of appeals on March 10 and officials and attorneys here declare most of the liquor confiscations were made under the old revenue laws.

Robert A. Peattie, assistant United States district attorney, advised federal Supervising Prohibition Agent E. S. Langley to postpone the raid until Monday. Mr. Peattie said Sunday his advice to the prohibition agents would be in the light of the court's decision.

Attorneys representing defendants in liquor cases here hold that illegal sale of any portion of a stock does not justify the seizure of the entire stock. United States Commissioner Hitchcock last Friday returned about \$20,000 worth of confiscated liquor to defendant, basing his action also on that decision.

Following that action Charles H. Griffith, former chief assistant of the United States attorney who represented the defendants, declared he would immediately seek to have restored about a quarter million dollars worth of liquor seized from another dealer he represented.

### A Picnic.

Thursday at 5 p. m., we left Crockett for the 4 mile Bayou. After we arrived, some fished, some talked and walked among the pretty, green woods and some broiled bacon. When we all got hungry we spread our lunches and anything you want to call for we had it on the table. After lunch we chatted a while, then returned to the city. Those who had the pleasure of enjoying this picnic were: Misses Mabel Hollingsworth, Ora Clark, Betty Minor, Nina Ruth Minor, Jeanette Craddock, Pearl Nelson, Pearl Arnold, Alta Stokes, Margery Ellis, Oda Bell Paul, Helen Guinn, Virginia Powell, Helen Tunstall, Hula Mae Robison; Messrs. Mack McCarty, Harvey McCarty, Earl Bryant, Dock Jones, Neal Clements, Phil Moore, Longie Parker, Stanley Hall, T. D. Craddock Jr., Tom Adams; Mrs. Joe Adams, Mrs. T. D. Craddock, Mrs. Will Denny and Mrs. Sue Wootters.

Listen! Boys and girls, we are going to have a picnic every month, and the way for you to have part in these picnics is to come and join the Methodist Sunday school or league, or you may join both.

Supt. of Publicity.

### Love Conquers Fear.

Pittsburg Chronicle - Telegraph: "Twas a night in a garden enchanted and Algernon and Rose sat closely together beneath the golden moon.

"Algernon, dearest, I want to ask you something," she breathed.

"Sweetest! Pet! Ask me a hundred—a thousand—a million things!" he explained in reply.

He gazed down into that lovely face; she looked up into dear gray eyes, and they came a little closer.

"Darling," she sighed, "a spider is tickling my neck. If I let go one of my hands from yours to drive it away, would you think it unkind of me?"

## Fine Cotton Seed

This is the time, if ever, to buy cotton seed that will produce the staple, and this will mean thousands of dollars to Houston county, both in price and yield. We are prepared to sell on fall terms to parties giving us good notes.

### PLANT SOME OF YOUR LAND IN LONE STAR SEED

And build up your grade of cotton. Our price is \$1.50 per bushel, and seed is sacked in 3-bushel bags. A small lot of Mebane left to go at 70 cents per bushel.

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## FARM BODIES ASK AID OF CONGRESS

Lower R. R. Rate, Tariff Revision, Liberal Credits Suggested.

Washington, March 28.—A "get together meeting" of farmers' organizations represented here was announced for April 14 Monday, at which time, it was said, an effort would be made to unite upon an agricultural program for recommendation to President Harding and congress.

Lower freight rates, tariff and revenue legislation, more liberal extension of credits, regulation of future grain exchanges and extension of the co-operative and marketing associations are some of the matters which, it was said, will probably be considered.

The movement to get together was said in agricultural circles to have been "spontaneous," although partly an aftermath of the airing of differences before the house banking and currency committee during the last session of congress.

The American Farm Bureau federation has announced a meeting of its executive committee and one member from each State in Washington, beginning April 11, when a legislative program will be discussed. The National Farmers union has called a meeting here for April 20. The National grange, the Pennsylvania State grange, the Milk Producers association, grain and live stock men, cotton growers and other farmers' organizations are expected to meet here about the same time, as well as participating in the joint conference.

### Easter Services.

An interesting program was rendered at the Methodist church on Easter Sunday morning. The program consisted of organ solos, vocal quartets, vocal solos and anthems. Prominent on the program were Mrs. J. P. Hail, Mrs. A. M. Decuir and Miss Jennie McLean.

At the close of the programme Mrs. Decuir was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses as a token of appreciation for her faithful and untiring services as organist—Miss Elizabeth Arrington making the presentation speech, and closing with the following words: "We give you these flowers because we love you!"

Following is a tribute of love

to Ruby M. Decuir:

Dear heart of gold,  
While yet life pulses warmly,  
And friends are gladdened  
By the sunshine of your smile,  
We'd have you know  
How more than dear we hold  
you,  
And cherish and adore you  
All the while.

We'd wreath a chaplet  
Of our love, and crown you—  
A blessing in our midst  
From day to day!  
With your music you can  
Lift us nearer Heaven,  
You're a blessed inspiration  
On our way.

Reporter.

The coal deposits of Saghalian, believed to be among the richest in the world, will be exploited by Japanese interests aided financially by the government.

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- 9 cans Standard packed Tomatoes ..... \$1.00
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- 22 boxes good Laundry Soap ..... \$1.00

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### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

You can make that old winter hat into a new spring one with that new hat dye at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

Frank Foster of Trinity was here Sunday.

Hit o' the Season—1921 Frolic—8 big vaudeville acts. 1t.

Will Bishop's Drug Store deliver? Phone 95 and see. 1t.

C. H. Hanson is building a new residence in south Crockett.

Mrs. James H. Smith has gone to Glenrose for a brief stay.

Buy your cultivators from R. L. Shivers when in need of one. 1t.

Mrs. Carl Goolsby is recovering from an appendicitis operation.

Reward—For capture of bad man. See him in the 1921 Frolic. 1t.

Mrs. John LeGory and Mrs. C. P. O'Bannon are visiting in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayes Hale have gone to San Augustine to make their home.

Go to Goolsby-Sherman Drug Company and get your ticket for the 1921 Frolic. 1t.

Frank Craddock of San Antonio was a visitor with relatives in Crockett this week.

Miss Edith Harvey of Shiloh was a visitor in Houston the latter part of the week.

Mr. J. W. Goodwin left last week to visit his daughter, Mrs. C. A. Weaver, in Corsicana.

We have the best delivery service in town. 1t. Crockett Bakery.

See the Royal, the Great, the clever amazing magician. 1921 Frolic, High School, Friday night. 1t.

Miss Irvine Talley spent a few days last week in Grapeland and Augusta, visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Wilma Shivers, teaching at Elkhart, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Crockett.

Misses Lena Corley and Leola Kittleband of Midway were visitors in Crockett the first of this week.

**House for Rent.**  
House in west Crockett, has five rooms; known as the Ben Janes house. Phone or call on C. W. Jones. 1t.

Wanted—You to bring your questions in an envelope to be answered by Madame Zourlylie—1921 Frolic. 1t.

Do you need strength to make the spring on? Bishop's Hypophosphates will give you strength. Price \$1.00. 1t.

Tad Burton, Johnson Phillips and Smith Wootters of Houston were in Crockett for the week-end Easter celebration.

The greatest selection of millinery of the year is now being shown, at greatly reduced prices, at the Vogue Millinery. 1t.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Slaughter, who have been living at Palestine for the last two years, have returned to Crockett to make their home.

Hemstitching and picoting, buttons made to order. All work guaranteed. Miss Zollie Kleckley, Crockett, Texas. 2t.

**Milch Cows.**  
A few good milch cows for sale or will trade for yearlings. F. L. Hill, Rt. 3, Crockett, Texas. 2t\*.

On April 1 T. A. Sifford will retire as night watchman to become care-taker at the Crockett Country Club. He will be succeeded as night watchman by J. A. Brooks.

Cards received by the friends in Crockett of Miss Bee Denny, who is spending the winter at Balboa Heights, Panama, announce that she is having a most delightful sojourn in the canal zone.

Miss Elise and Mary Hall, students respectively of the Texas University and the Whittier School at Austin, were Easter visitors with their sister, Mrs. J. B. Deal. Their home is in Amarillo.

**Just Received.**  
Our 16 per cent phosphate at lower price. Will exchange phosphate and meal, also maize heads, for cotton seed for few days. Houston County Oil Mill & Mfg. Company. 1t.

We are glad to announce that Mr. Johnson Arledge is now with us at the Bakery, and is very anxious to have all of his old customers to come to see him at his new place. He brings Chase & Sanburn agency with him. Crockett Grocery & Bakery Company. 1t.



W. H. FARLEY  
Who is to lecture in Crockett, April 4, on "Getting the Most Out of Retailing."

**Card of Thanks.**  
I take this method of thanking our many friends of Crockett and vicinity for their kind assistance and expressions of deep sympathy during the illness and death of my beloved wife.  
1t. A. D. Bowman.

Rev. I. A. Caesar, one of the old-time colored preachers of Crockett, died Monday and was buried by his people Tuesday. His funeral was attended by a number of the white people, who cherished great respect for his simple but exemplar life.

**Duren & Shields**  
Offer for Saturday only:  
10 lbs sugar for \$1.00.  
White Crest flour, \$2.90.  
7 bars Ideal soap for 25c.  
We also carry a line of feed. Look for our location in the Patton block. 1t. Duren & Shields.

**Good Show Coming.**  
The Hi Y Fun Makers will appear in the High School Auditorium Friday night, April 1. If you do not like fun and do not want to laugh, you are advised to stay away. But if you want to get rid of that grouch, you are advised to be present in person. Seats for this rare entertainment of fun and frolic are on sale at the Goolsby-Sherman Drug Company.

**Sent to Missouri.**  
The remains of Mrs. A. D. Bowman, who died at the Bowman home on the Grapeland road two miles north of Crockett last Thursday, were sent to the old home in Missouri for interment on Friday afternoon's train. Mrs. Bowman died of paralysis. She leaves the husband, Mr. A. D. Bowman, and several children. Mr. Bowman and family and other bereaved relatives have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad loss.

**Porto Rico Potato Slips.**  
Genuine Porto Rico potato slips from certified imported seed. Guaranteed free from weevil and disease. Quick shipment guaranteed after April 1st. Satisfaction guaranteed or money cheerfully refunded. 500, \$2.00; 1,000, \$3.50; 10,000, \$30.00, all plants shipped prepaid. Do not be misled with cheap diseased slips at cheap prices. I can't grow all the plants in the world, but I do grow the best. C. H. Melton, Devine, Texas. 2t.

**Sang at Easter Services.**  
Miss Clarite Elliott, who is visiting Miss Lounita Hodges in Palestine, has received most complimentary mention in one of the Palestine papers as having sung in the Easter services of the First Methodist church of that city. Before going to Palestine Miss Elliott sang at a Masonic entertainment in Crockett and was the recipient of numerous compliments following. She is gifted with a pleasing voice that is not only appreciated in Crockett, but in Palestine, Tyler and other cities as well. 1t.

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**75th Birthday.**  
Dr. J. B. Smith of this city celebrated the 75th anniversary of his life on Saturday, March 26. Those of his immediate family present to join in the celebration were: Jack Smith and daughter of Longview, Doc Smith and family of Nacogdoches, Mrs. W. J. Wood and children of Trinity and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Kennedy and children of Crockett. It was a happy reunion of father, children and grand children, and an occasion long to be remembered. An elegant dinner was served in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Kennedy.

**Trustee Election Notice.**  
Notice is hereby given that an election for County School Trustees will be held on the first Saturday in April next at the various places in the county where elections are held for District Trustees. Each voter may vote for a trustee at large, while those in Precincts Nos. 2 and 1 will vote also for a county trustee from their respective precincts. The County Trustees in Precincts (Commissioners' Precincts) Nos. 3 and 4 hold over until next year. Nat Patton, County Judge, Houston County, Texas. 4t.

**Lost or Stolen.**  
Black roach-mane pony, about fifteen hands high, will weigh between eight and nine hundred pounds; has a white spot in her face, and left forefoot is white; marked over-slope on tip of right ear. She was seen at Mr. Frank Patton's last Tuesday, March 22, at his place north of the Creath and Weches road, at what is known as Creath, Texas. She was going northwest of Creath. Liberal reward for her return or any news of her. Please write 1t. Frank Holcomb, Crockett, Texas, Route A. c M. B. Creath.

**Card of Thanks.**  
Dear friends—we as a bereaved family have come together in one accord to give thanks to the many kind and loving friends who assisted us and visited our home during the long illness of our dearly beloved husband and father, who now is deceased and gone from us. If we could speak from a thousand tongues, with a power that could be heard from the shining watery coast of the Atlantic to the far Pacific, we could never find words to express to you the gratitude and thanks that we owe our many friends. Thanking you again, one and all, we remain in love, Mrs. J. N. Tyer and Children. 1t.

**Mrs. Elizabeth English.**  
Mrs. Elizabeth English, a sister of Mrs. Barlow, died at the home of her sister in Crockett Saturday. Mrs. English was 71 years of age and had been living with Mrs. Barlow for some time. Funeral services, conducted by Rev. L. L. Sams, the Baptist pastor, were held Sunday. The remains were taken to the English cemetery or family burial ground, on the Kennard road east of Crockett, for interment Sunday afternoon. Those who knew Mrs. English best speak in the kindest terms of her Christian life and character. It is the passing of another one of Houston county's time-honored citizens.

**Hon. Judd Mortimer Lewis.**  
This gifted writer, speaker and poet of Houston, Texas, will address the people of Crockett and vicinity next Sunday at the regular 11 o'clock service at the Methodist church. Mr. Lewis is one of the many laymen of Texas who are finding time from their business pursuits to use his time and talents in the cause of good morals and religion. Those who hear him will enjoy an intellectual treat, and everybody is invited to be present at this service. The speaker's reputation as a writer and speaker is such as to need no encomium from us, and we trust he will have an audience worthy of this reputation. Let everybody turn out and hear this gifted man's earnest message. Board of Stewards.

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## The Crockett Courier

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## THE SOUTH AND THE TARIFF.

Representative Fordney is reported as desirous of holding a congressional hearing for the purpose of ascertaining the views of the South on the tariff question. He says he would have Southern men testify concerning conditions in this part of the country and voice their opinions on the need for a high tariff.

Much will depend upon the character of this proposed hearing as to whether it will be of any real value to congress in its consideration of the tariff, at the new session. If it should degenerate into a mere effort to make it appear that the South is backing up the republican scheme for levying protective tariff duties, Southern people should protest. There is danger that the witness box would be packed with spokesmen of special interests, who would put the South in a false light.

On the other hand, if representatives of the consuming masses in the South be invited to appear before the committee, as well as the representatives of big business operating in the South, and of special interests bent on boosting prices of their particular product, no objection to the hearing could be offered. But the people in the South who are not concerned with special interests far outnumber those who are, and if they demand to be heard, they can forestall any scheme to deliver the South over to the protectionists.

The spokesmen of special interests will be on hand to press their claims. Who they are is pretty well known, and what they will have to say is also known. There are certain manufacturing interests that want a protective tariff for the same reason that Northern and Eastern manufacturers want a high tariff. They desire government aid in suppressing any possible competition from foreign sources. There are also certain classes of producers in the South who have been lured into the protectionist camp by false reasoning. Some of these are producing articles which America exports and does not import, except in negligible quantities. Yet they have been led to believe that a protective tariff on their products would help them. Apparently, they are unable to see that the advocates of protection among Northern manufacturers are merely seeking to throw them a sop while they load manufacturers' articles down with a tariff that will make them the absolute masters of the consuming public of America.

The consumers have a right to be heard in this matter. And lawmakers ought to give as much weight to their claims as to those of special interests seeking to manipulate markets through tariff legislation. If this hearing is held, let the Southern people be on their guard. If they are vigilant and demand their rights, there will be found no reversal of the time-honored position of the South upon the question of the tariff robbery.—Houston Post.

## Too Many District Courts, Declares Governor Neff.

Austin, Texas, March 29.—Governor Neff declared Tuesday that a "considerable number" of the district courts of Texas should be abolished. At present he said there are too many of these courts and that more money is wasted "by idle courts than by any other department of our government." The governor's remarks were made in giving his reasons for vetoing a house bill which proposed to establish a new district court composed of Young, Clay and Archer counties.

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

## Change in Train Schedules.

Effective to-day (Thursday) two passenger trains, one each way a day, are discontinued at Crockett. No. 8, the 4 o'clock morning train from Houston, and No. 3, the 10 o'clock morning train to Houston, are the trains discontinued. Nos. 1 and 2, the south and north Sunshine Specials, will meet at 2:50 p. m. at Crockett. No. 4, the local passenger from Houston, will arrive at 6:37 p. m. instead of at noon as heretofore. There is a slight change in No. 5, the night train to Houston, which will come at 1:49 a. m. instead of 1:30 a. m. The north and south day trains, the Sunshine Specials, will continue to supply a through service between Galveston and St. Louis. The north-bound night train will connect at Palestine for San Antonio and at Longview for Dallas and St. Louis. The south-bound night train will bring the San Antonio, Dallas and St. Louis connections, going through to Houston and returning from Houston as No. 4 at 6:37 p. m.

## Body Returning.

Mr. J. M. Carlton, living on the Arbor road six miles southeast of Crockett, informed the Courier Saturday that he had received a message from Washington advising him of the receipt in New York of the remains of his son who was killed in France. The message further advised that the father would be notified of the time of forwarding the remains and the time of arrival at Crockett. The deceased will be remembered by his friends as Shade Carlton. He was killed while serving as a member of the 47th infantry, regular army, and was the second Houston county boy to give up his life on foreign soil, Lieutenant Tom Brailsford being the first. The Tom Brailsford Post of the American Legion, the local organization, will furnish a military escort and burial for their comrade, Shade Carlton, who fell in arms. On the arrival of the corpse all that remains of Shade Carlton, draped in the United States flag, will be conveyed to the home of his parents and from there to the community cemetery for the last honors.

## Mr. M. E. Lansford.

Mr. M. E. Lansford, one of the county's oldest and most respected citizens, died at his home in the Porter Springs community Thursday of last week. Funeral services, conducted by Rev. L. L. Sams of Crockett, were held at the family residence Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment followed in White cemetery, near Porter Springs.

Mr. Lansford was in his 81st year and had been a member of the Baptist church for many years. He was not only one of the county's oldest, but one of the county's best citizens. Noted for his kindness, generosity and honesty, he gathered friends throughout his long life, and his life was one of great usefulness in his community. It is the passing away of another one of Houston county's rugged landmarks.

Seven children, all of whom were present at the funeral, are left to mourn the loss of father. They are: I. B. Lansford and Mrs. S. A. Cook of Crockett, E. M. and C. G. Lansford of Eastland, J. C. Lansford of Tyler and G. E. Lansford and Mrs. B. F. Wolfley of Porter Springs.

## District Court.

The spring term of the Houston county district court convened in regular session Monday morning, District Judge Bishop presiding and District Attorney Dent representing the state. Mrs. Bandy of Athens is again the court stenographer.

The grand jury was empanelled as follows: I. A. Daniel, Joe Green, W. H. Holcomb Jr.,

## CHANCES TO SAVE OFFERED THROUGH THIS PAPER

BY CAREFULLY READING THE ADVERTISEMENTS IN THIS PAPER YOU CAN OFTEN SAVE MONEY ON YOUR PURCHASES. THE THINGS YOU NEED MAY BE OFFERED JUST A LITTLE BIT CHEAPER TODAY THAN THEY WILL BE AT ANY OTHER TIME.

THE NEW RUG FOR THE PARLOR, THE NEW DINING ROOM TABLE, THE NEW SUIT, THE SACK OF FLOUR, THE PAIR OF SHOES OR THE NEW HAT MAY BE ADVERTISED TODAY AT A SAVING WORTH WHILE.

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## TRADE AT HOME SUPPORT THE TOWN THAT SUPPORTS YOU

Lang Smith, George H. Denny, J. W. Shivers, J. M. Creasy, Frank E. Taylor, R. L. Turner, Frank Butler, J. M. Owens and Ben A. Speer. J. W. Shivers was appointed foreman. Receiving the customary charge, the grand jury retired to enter upon its deliberations.

Mr. McPhail was appointed door bailiff and the following as riding bailiffs: C. C. Mortimer, Arthur Holcomb, Houston Betts, M. C. English and Frank Terry. A case which has been pending on the criminal docket for the last two terms was dismissed. It was that of the state against Coon Wolf, charging horse theft. The case was dismissed on the motion of the district attorney.

The civil proceeding of Dell Crawford et al. against Helen Cone et al., in which the will of the late J. G. Matlock is being contested, is set for trial on April 11.

The present week will be taken up with the non-jury civil docket and the divorce docket.

## I. C. C. Told Present Rates Doom Truck Industries.

Dallas, Texas, March 28.—More than 100 persons, including representatives of South and West Texas fruit, melon and truck growers, railroad executives, representatives of Oklahoma and Mississippi and two members of the Texas railroad commission, attended the opening session of a conference here Monday before members of the interstate commerce commission, which was requested by the shippers in an effort to obtain a reduction in what they term "an abnormal and ruinous railway rate on certain vegetables and fruit," so that their crops may be produced and shipped to market.

In pointing out the position of the interstate commerce commission at the conference. W. W. Hardie, a director, who is presiding, said that from time to time allegations had been

made that the high rate on vegetables had seemed to restrict the movement to market. This applied not only to Texas, but to Colorado, Georgia and other States. The interstate commerce commission, he said, has no power to reduce railway rates, except at a hearing, and as this meeting was not a hearing, but a conference with the carriers, the carriers had the right to reduce rates if they saw fit.

This is no time for reduction, he added, unless it can be shown that such is needed. There were 3,000,000 wage earners reputed to be idle in the country, he said, and consumption as a result was less than normal. One point to be considered in making a rate reduction was, if it would be absorbed by middlemen, causing a loss to the railroads and bringing no relief to the producer.

The object of the conference, as set forth by C. E. Gilmore, of the Texas railroad commission, was to save the present crop as well as those in the future. It was added by Earle B. Mayfield, another member of the commission, that the crops can not move unless rates are reduced and it is to the interest of the carriers to reduce rates, that the producers may realize something for their labor rather than destroy this industry.

"If it is destroyed," he concluded, "the producers will go out of business and the railroads have nothing to haul."

Under the present rate the producers who testified alleged that many of them would be forced to suspend business, as they could not afford to produce vegetables and fruits and ship them to market at a heavy loss. A fifty per cent reduction of the present rate was asked for in order that the remainder of this year's crop and those in the future may be moved to market. The hearing will be concluded Tuesday.

Among those in attendance are Horace Booth of Houston, J.

S. Hershey of Galveston, William F. Murray of Tyler, W. B. Farrar of Tyler, Sam H. Cowan of Fort Worth, E. M. Gleason of Texarkana, Ed P. Byers of Fort Worth and P. W. Cole of Austin.

## About 7000 to Resume Work at Overland Plant.

Toledo, March 29.—Between 6000 and 7000 employes will return to work at the Overland automobile plant here Monday, Vice President Charles B. Wilson announced Monday. The plant closed down November 1, 1920.

## DID YOU KNOW

That the majority of the diseases of the human body originate in the mouth. Unclean teeth eventually mean decayed teeth, and when your teeth begin to decay, then you begin to lose your health. Did you ever notice that man with the clean set of teeth is always smiling. Go to your doctor or dentist first and come to us for the remedies they will advise. We carry a full assortment of tooth pastes and powders, and antiseptic mouth washes, as well as tooth brushes of all kinds.

Jno. F. Baker

THE REXALL STORE

## MASKED MEN BIND POSTAL MESSENGER

Two Taken From M., K. & T.  
Train at Durant Held for  
Investigation.

Denison, Texas, March 24.—Two masked men late Wednesday night held up and robbed a postal messenger while transporting mail from the union station to the Denison post office.

The postal officials refuse to divulge the amount of loot secured by the robbers. Stopping the messenger the bandits forced him to drive them to a lonely section on the outskirts of the city. After binding him, the robbers cut open the registered mail sacks, secured what they wanted and scattered the remainder. After several hours' effort the messenger succeeded in extracting a knife from his pocket and cutting the ropes which bound his feet. He immediately informed the police of the robbery.

Two men were taken from a north-bound Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train early Thursday morning and lodged in jail here Thursday in connection with the hold up. Formal charges have not been filed, but Fields is said to have identified the men.

They were captured at Durant, Okla., after they had caught a northbound train at Denison. Postal officials refuse to give out any denials of the hold up nor would they give any indication as to what the registered mail pouches contained.

### County Meet of the Interscholastic League.

The county meet of the Interscholastic League in Houston county was held at Crockett on March 18 and 19th. The occasion was well attended by visitors from the various sections of the county, and intense interest was loudly manifested by the spectators as their respective champions scored advantages in the several contests.

The Crockett school scored the most points and Weldon was a close second. The highest individual point winner was Jack Mason from the Ratcliff school.

A spirit of genuine sportsmanship was evident in all the teachers and contestants. Mr. Huffer from San Houston Normal assisted and acted as a judge in all the literary events, while Messrs. Gee and Mayes from the same institution directed and managed the athletic events; and such was the judgment and kindness of those gentlemen that no contestant was ever inclined to question their fairness or reject their decisions.

Besides the events provided for in the league laws, there were various games for the little fellows and games for the teachers. The races and games for the children drew great interest from everybody and, of course, go a long way toward getting enthusiastic leaguers for the coming years. Possibly the star event of the meet was the basket ball game between the teachers east and those west of the railroad. The score was close, resulting one in favor of the east. So confident are the teachers of their skill in the game that they hereby challenge the bonafide teachers in the free schools of any county in the district to meet and play them at the district meet. Any county whose teachers wish to be "mopped up on" (?) should communicate, through their county superintendent, with the county superintendent of Houston county.

It is hoped that many of our teachers will go to the district meet at Huntsville. Do it partly out of a spirit of fun and recreation and partly out of an aim to acquire ability in coaching your pupils for next year's contests. For as our schools are all in the league this year, so will they be next year, with the added ex-

perience which will enable us to acquire pleasure and greater moral and physical education from it.

Permit us to respectfully observe that it is possible for the selections in declamation to be such as would legally eliminate a contestant, no matter how well they are delivered nor how beautiful the selection. There are certain rules which apply to the selection of material, and these rules should be carefully observed, else the director of declamation might have to rule the selection out.

A Leaguer.

### Clara Hamon's Movie Career Not Meeting With Favor.

Oklahoma City, Okla., March 24.—Managers of every motion picture theater in Oklahoma City late Thursday said they would not consider running now or at any future time, pictures in which Clara Smith Hamon, recently acquitted of murder at Ardmore, Okla., is starred. Their announcement follows one by Tom H. Boland, Tulsa, Okla., manager for Oklahoma of a national motion picture exchange, that his company would not consider for release any Clara Hamon pictures.

Portland, Ore., March 24.—The Motion Picture league of Oregon, comprised of exhibitors, Thursday announced adoption of resolutions pledging its members to refuse to display any film in which Clara Smith Hamon, recently acquitted at Ardmore, Okla., appears.

Birmingham, Ala., March 24.—Motion pictures featuring Clara Smith Hamon will not be shown in Birmingham, owners of moving picture theaters here announced Thursday, giving as a reason that she is "not an actress" and that the pictures might appeal only to the "morbidly curious."

### Statement of the Ownership, Management, Etc.

Required by the act of congress of August 24, 1912, of the Crockett Courier, published weekly at Crockett, Texas, for April, 1921:

State of Texas, County of Houston. Before me, a notary public in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared W. W. Aiken, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor, publisher, business manager and owner of the Crockett Courier, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, postal laws and regulations, to-wit:

1. That the name and address of the publisher, editor, managing editor and business manager are: W. W. Aiken, Crockett, Texas.

2. That the owner is: W. W. Aiken, Crockett, Texas.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgages and other security holders, owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages or other securities, are: None.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company, but also, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders, who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bonafide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds or other securities than as so stated by him.

(Signed) W. W. Aiken.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of March, 1921.

(Seal) Tom Aiken,  
Notary Public.

## FOUND GUILTY IN EMPTY GRAVE CASE

Charged With Swindling Life  
Insurance Company  
Of \$5000.

Aspermont, Texas, March 25.—Byrd Jackson Cochrain, defendant in the "empty grave" case, charged with swindling the Southwestern Life Insurance company of \$5000, was found guilty by a jury late Friday night and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. The jury was out eight hours.

Motion for an instructed verdict by the defense was overruled by Judge Chapman. In his charge to the jury the judge dwelt at length on the aspect of the case presented by the defense that even if the "mystery" was proven, it was not planned in an endeavor to defraud the insurance company, but to aid Cochrain in escaping extradition to New Mexico to face a charge of murder.

### Famous Case.

The defense rested without submitting testimony additional to that offered by the state, claiming evidence offered was not sufficient to convict.

The "empty grave case," as it was known, was one of the most famous in the history of Texas. A prosperous farmer, Cochrain, the father of five children, was supposed to have died at his home here on March 10, 1919. The body of the supposedly dead man was laid out at his home and covered with a sheet. Prayers were offered, the coffin carried out of the home and buried in the Johnson chapel.

Three insurance companies later paid policies to Mrs. Cochrain. She died at Sterling City in May of 1920. More than eighteen months after the supposed death and burial of Cochrain, in May of 1920, Cochrain was arrested on a goat ranch near Sterling City. The grave in the chapel was opened, but nothing was found there, not even the coffin.

### Fake Burial.

Cochrain then said that he believed he had been "doped" by Mexicans and buried by his family in good faith and that the Mexicans later dug him up. He claimed that he had been carried to New Mexico, where he was wanted on a murder charge, but that he escaped. This theory was abandoned by the defense at the trial and the fake burial admitted.

In plea thereof, however, the defense asserted that the "empty grave" burial was staged for the purpose, not of defrauding the insurance companies, but to avoid Cochrain being returned to New Mexico.

Twenty-four witnesses were placed on the stand by the prosecution in an endeavor to prove the fake burial had been made in order to defraud the insurance companies.

Cochrain faces two other indictments, but it is understood they will not come up at this term of court. C. O. Hoggett and Wayne Ussery, alleged by indictment to have been accomplices of Cochrain, however, will be tried soon, according to District Attorney Joe C. Randell.

### Too Many "Drives."

When we pick up a newspaper the first thing we usually see is where another big "drive" is on for the starving Armenians or the Near East Relief. In fact, it is nothing but "drives" until one is simply appalled. I see in this morning's Post where several business men have signified their intention to a certain party of "having" their workers donate to the "drive" which is on for the Armenians. We think that the word "asking" them to donate instead of "having" them do so would sound more appropriate.

The workers of a great many businesses in Houston are woe-

fully underpaid, in fact, they can hardly exist on their meager wages, then the employer comes along with a smile and "has" his workers go 100 per cent for relief drives, when he knows they can not afford to do so in any justice at all to their families or themselves. Then he gets a big "writeup" saying his workers go 100 per cent for so and so.

Let's stop so many "drives" along every line unless it be one to take little, overworked, underfed children out of our Southern cotton fields today. I have often seen tiny tots, working nearly all day in the hot sun, picking cotton in rags and dirt when they should have been at play. I have heard of no "drive" for our own little neglected ones whose childhood is robbed of happiness and play through hard toil beyond their strength for very existence.

There are rich people here and elsewhere who may donate to the numerous drives for foreign relief, but, for heaven's sake, don't "have" the poverty-stricken workers give their few hard earned dollars. It is not Christianity to do so. The Bible passage, "He that provideth not for his own," is, in our opinion, as applicable to a nation as to an individual. We have heard them sing, "Give flowers to the living today," but let's not send all our bouquets across the sea, but tender a few posies to our needy, helpless ones at home.

Mrs. Eldora Reynolds.

### Mrs. Mattie C. Darsey Dead.

Mrs. Mattie Clower Darsey, wife of Mr. E. H. Darsey, died Monday morning, March 21, 1921, in a sanitarium at Dallas, following an operation which was performed on her throat Saturday morning. She had been in Dallas about three weeks taking treatment under a specialist prior to the operation.

Mrs. Darsey was born in Henry county, Georgia, October 2, 1857. She was married to E. H. Darsey November 8, 1877. Surviving her are eight children and her husband: Messrs. W. G., Speer, George R., Melvin, Miss Esther and Mrs. Loye Stowe of this city, Joe Darsey of Alpine, Texas, and Mrs. Fannie Nutt, who resides in Georgia; also a step-daughter, Mrs. Clara Barfield, also residing in Georgia.

She with her husband and children came to Texas in Nov., 1902, settling east of town, later moving to Grapeland where she was living at the time of her death. In early youth she united with the Methodist church and lived a consistent Christian life all through the years.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Tuesday afternoon by her pastor, Rev. B. C. Anderson, assisted by Revs. Farmer and Newland, and interment took place in the city cemetery.

The funeral was attended by a large number of people and the floral offerings were many and very beautiful, attesting the high esteem in which this good woman was held by her many friends.—Grapeland Messenger.

### Harding Capitulates; Finds He Can't See All Callers.

Washington, March 25.—President Harding has made his first capitulation.

He surrendered Friday to Father Time, convinced that he could no longer discharge the important duties of president of the United States and attempt to see every one who seeks to confer with him.

The president said he had been setting aside much time every day since his inauguration for appointments, but that he had now discovered this impossible program if he were to discharge his full duty as chief executive. Some time, he said, must necessarily be devoted to hard work, no matter how happy it would make him to see every one who wished to see him.

As a consequence the president will make appointments only on Monday, Wednesday and Friday instead of every week day as has been the rule since March 4.

## SURVEY OF COTTON NEEDS SUGGESTED

Oklahoma Tells Harding Big  
Cut In Acreage Is  
Likely.

Washington, March 24.—A world survey of the cotton needs, and how much of this would be demanded of the United States, was today suggested to President Harding by Representative Oliver of Oklahoma, who explained that the matter had already been discussed with Secretary Hoover at the department of commerce. In view of the large cotton crop as reported by the bureau of the census, being 13,365,000 bales, it was thought that the acreage at next planting would be considerably reduced, unless it could be shown the world would not only need, but take, a large share of the American production.

It is suggested that data be gathered through all governmental agents in the consuming countries, as was done through the state department, resulting in a report last fall which reduced to figures the number of bales various countries throughout the world would consume in their first after-war year of operations.

Of necessity the undertaking requires time, and Mr. Oliver expressed the belief that it should be inaugurated without delay.

Connected with the survey, it was advocated that arrangement be worked out to afford long-term credits to the foreign purchaser, a matter that is deemed vital if the American crop is to be marketed to advantage of the producer.

With long-term credits available, the belief is that cotton shipments can begin practically as soon as the crop is ready for the market, and not require long periods of holding in which the producers do not secure full benefits of the demand. Europe is regarded as being in a better condition to purchase than during the present season, and plans have been suggested to the administration for a full restoration of trade facilities through which the United States, particularly as to cotton, would be able to deal directly with the consuming countries in place of enabling some of the European countries to act as brokers or middlemen, as has been the practice since the war closed.

### Mart Man Is Victim of Affray in Beer Saloon.

Wichita Falls, Texas, March 24.—Jack Collingsworth, 30 years old, is dead and A. C. Carpenter, 27, of Mart, Texas, is in jail charged with murder as a result of an affray in a near-beer saloon in the rear of the Hearn hotel here Thursday night. Three shots fired at close range took effect, one of them severing Collingsworth's spinal cord.

Carpenter admitted to police that he killed Collingsworth, asserting that the latter had threatened to either kill him or run him out of town. Collingsworth had a knife in his hand when Carpenter shot, the latter claims.

The dead man is survived by a brother, J. M. Collingsworth, in Fresno, California.

He was released from the county jail Tuesday under bond on a charge of selling narcotics.

### Cattle Tick Law Upheld.

Austin, Texas, March 23.—The tick eradication law passed by the thirty-sixth legislature was held constitutional by the court of criminal appeals in a decision in three cases today. The cases were those of W. B. Walker, Jack Lee and W. C. Smallwood, all of Gregg county. The defendants had been fined twenty-five dollars for violation of the law.

The government of Argentina will establish a naval aviation school near Buenos Aires.

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### PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 10c 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.

The advertising rate of the Ladies' Home Journal is \$12 per line, or \$160 an inch. A full page in colors costs \$11,000 and if on the back, \$15,000. The Saturday Evening Post charges \$10 per line and \$10,000 for the back page. Those sums are paid because big business men want publicity. We leave it with our readers to decide, if the firms who pay these prices believe advertising pays.—Honey Grove Citizen.

### RESTORING BETTER BUSINESS.

One reason why business is slow in many lines and why so many people are out of employment, and why the railroads are cutting forces and discontinuing trains, is because so few people seem willing to do a real man's day's work. If the people of the country will make up their minds to really go to work, and quit fussing about many things that are a pretext to get out of work, things will pick up very quickly. The congress is figuring on an emergency tariff, started in the old congress, and think this will save the present situation. It might help in a pinch, but as a permanent proposition it will hurt rather than help. But aside from the foreign market there is a big home market that can be greatly increased if the wheels of progress can get under way again.

Our difficulties, after all, are largely involved in the question of work, and until there is a definite understanding as to labor and its conditions there is not going to be any material improvement in the present conditions.—Palestine Herald.

### OFFICIAL BUNK.

In the Monthly News Bulletin, issued by the Texas department of agriculture, we find the new commissioner of agriculture, Hon. George B. Terrell, indulging in the following language:

"Present conditions invite socialism and soviet rule, and if we would stem the tide now rising in Europe and sweeping this way, we must meet it, not with force or coercion, but with a business system that will guarantee cost of production, and a profit on the labor and investment.

"If we would make our property safe, we must make conditions such that farming will be profitable and men can buy and pay for homes. Under a free ballot our republican institutions cannot long stand with more than half of our people without homes, and hundreds of thousands suffering for the bare necessities of life. It is a state of affairs that should not exist in a land of plenty, and in the richest country in the world. Conditions must be changed to save the country from the fate of other unfortunate lands. Remember Russia! And watch North Dakota."

It is unfortunate, we think, that the agricultural commissioner has not gotten a broader vision of what the trouble is in this country and added words of

constructive advice rather than contributing to the mental poison on which too many people have already been over fed. Mr. Terrell certainly knows that the present situation and hardship is not one peculiarly applicable to the farming class, but that it is a universal condition under which every man of every calling and profession is called upon to bear his part of the burden. The contributing causes are largely misunderstanding, mistrust and lack of confidence. The farmer is no worse off than the newspaper man and the latter is in the same boat with the man who works for his daily wage and with the merchant who buys his stock on a declining and unsteady market.

If the manhood of America cannot face a crisis and rise above it we are indeed threatened with socialism and soviet rule. However, we are pleased to believe that American men—Texas men—are made of better stuff.

Mr. Terrell would have served his state and his people in a good way if he had pointed out that we are faced with a condition where honest cooperation is necessary on the part of every citizen and where only hard work and honest efforts will work a way out.

He might have said with President Harding that "there is no easy way out," but that our salvation must come from hard and intelligent effort.—Anderson County Herald.

### HOW HIGH PRICES AFFECT PRODUCTION.

The ill effects of exorbitant prices for meat are found to be more numerous than appears at first glance. That they work a hardship on the consumer is readily apparent. He is the most conspicuous among those who are hit by this form of profiteering. He is by no means the only one.

The cattle and hog raiser has found that because of the exorbitant prices the consumer has been forced to pay, the consumer has cut down on consumption, with the result that live stock prices have fallen. Cattlemen have found their business scarcely profitable for the last two years, although consumers have noticed little reduction in the prices they have been compelled to pay for beef.

This reduction in consumption of meat has gone further than the grower of live stock for meat purposes, however. It has struck the producer of corn a blow. Iowa, the greatest of corn producing States, attributes her unusually large carry-over of corn not only to the bumper crop that was grown, but to the smaller amount consumed in the feed pens, where meat animals are fattened for slaughter. The Iowa farm bureau estimates that feeding of cattle for the markets in Iowa slumped 30 per cent during the last year. Other authorities claim the reduction is even greater.

Now we have the farm bureau of Iowa calling upon the farmers of that State to curtail production of corn, very much as the Texas farm bureau is urging the curtailment of cotton acreage in Texas. Iowa has more corn than there is demand for, because, for one reason, meat prices have been so high as to lessen the demand for corned meat animals, notwithstanding the price of corn is close to normal.

This is a clear example of the evil that has resulted from the delay in readjusting prices to the consumer in harmony with the prices received by the producer. Those who have stood between the producer and the consumer and kept them apart through exorbitant profits have been guilty of a crime toward both.—Houston Post.

The Australian state of Victoria will erect an electric power station where it can utilize a deposit of brown coal estimated to contain 150,000,000 tons in an area of about a square mile.

## NOTABLE BUSINESS LECTURE COMING

Arrangements have been made by the Commercial Club to bring to this city on Monday, April 4, at 8 o'clock in the Baptist church, the most famous American business lecture on the platform: "Getting the Most Out of Retailing." Under this head, Mr. W. H. Farley, well known business expert and organizer, will discuss the various questions that are of special interest to merchants and business men everywhere. He will show how co-operation and organization will make for a better community or city. He will show practical improvements in service and store organization that will please the general public and draw trade. He will show how proper advertising will change losses to profits. How systematic continuous newspaper advertising pays the largest dividends of all. How system enables a merchant to know at all times the conditions of his business instead of guessing is now more than ever before absolutely essential to success.

With the aid of six thousand feet of moving picture film, Mr. Farley will give a most interesting and timely discussion.

It isn't theory. It isn't over the heads of people. It is solid horse sense applied to merchandising. Practical, every day, concrete experiences given in this way with lecture and pictures make a double impression—through the eye and the ear—that is sure to be of lasting benefit to every business man or sales person who attends this lecture.

Every merchant or wife of a merchant, every salesman or clerk, every business man, and all those interested in seeing Crockett become a better business center should not fail to hear Mr. Farley.

A glance at this outline of the lecture is sufficient to show its great value:

Retail Failures and Their Causes.

Store Organization.  
Newspaper Advertising.  
Window Displays.  
The Business of Clerks.  
Salesmanship.

There will no charge for admission.

### Simon Bennet OK'd the Account and Lost.

Simon Bennet had the reputation of being a first-class business man. He was a good buyer, a good organizer and the fifty or more men and women whom he employed in his printing establishment all said he was a dandy boss.

Henry Miller was a pressman. He had worked for Simon a year or so and was apparently a steady, reliable man. One day, just before last Christmas, he stepped into the front office during lunch hour, approached Mr. Bennet's desk and said: "Mr. Bennet, you know I have had considerable sickness in my family and what with doctor's and druggist's bills I have been pretty close run for money. Now the wife and kiddos need some new duds and I need a new suit and some shoes. I can get all the things we need for a hundred dollars, and the Golden Rule Store will let me have the goods on credit, provided you will O. K. the account. I can pay it all right after the holidays, and I'll appreciate it very much if you will call up the Golden Rule and tell them to let me have what I need."

If this had been a matter affecting his own credit or the credit of his business, Mr. Bennet would have approached it with considerable thought. But without hesitating a moment he picked up his phone, called the Golden Rule Store, got the credit man on the wire and told him that Henry Miller was all right and to let him have the merchandise he wanted and he would O. K. the bill.

Miller got his merchandise and

before the first of February had left his job with Bennet, removed to another city with the bill of the Golden Rule unpaid.

Now the Golden Rule credit man had entered on Henry Miller's credit card, "Guaranteed by Simon Bennet," and when Miller failed to pay the bill, a statement was sent to Mr. Bennet, with a polite request to remit.

"You're crazy," said Simon to the credit man. "Yes, I may be, but do you deny that you agreed to O. K. this bill?" "No, I admit that I did. But I never had any idea that I would be asked to pay it."

Moral—Don't O. K. a credit account any more than you would endorse a note, unless you expect to pay the account if the party you recommend doesn't.—Exchange.

### Plea Against Arson in Texas Is Made.

Austin, Texas, March 26.—George W. Tilley, state fire marshal, has issued a plea to stamp out the crime of arson in Texas, declaring that it has increased in the same ratio with other crime and that the fire waste is entirely too large. His statement follows:

"The state fire marshal's office is putting forth every effort possible to reduce to a minimum our annual fire waste. Basing my conclusions on information coming to this office from every section of the state, it seems that incendiary fires are becoming general and frequent, and that the crime of arson has increased in the same ratio as any other crime during our present and unabated crime wave. I, therefore, deem it will not be amiss for me to call the attention of the law-enforcement officers of the various counties and municipalities of Texas to existing alarming conditions and ask their co-operation and support in my efforts to bring to speedy justice persons guilty of the crime of arson in this state.

"I want to especially call upon the city fire marshals of our state and ask their loyal, untiring support in this movement. The city fire marshal by being alert and vigilant can contribute immeasurably to the success of suppressing the crime of arson and the lessening of our stupendous annual fire waste.

"Our normal annual fire waste is appalling, and adding to this the enormous waste caused by incendiary fires brings about a situation or condition that should arouse every patriotic, law-abiding citizen like a midnight fire alarm.

"Let us use every effort to stamp out the crime of arson and do our best to reduce our annual fire waste, that Texas may be made safe for life and property."

### Houston Express Messenger Is Shot by Special Agent.

Shreveport, La., March 24.—L. H. Jones, express messenger on the Houston and Shreveport railroad, leaving Shreveport for Houston Wednesday night, was shot and probably fatally wounded by E. E. Ransom, special agent of the express company. Jones was taken off the train at Timpson, Texas, and carried to the hospital. Ransom continued on to Houston.

According to a statement by Jones to officers at the hospital, the difficulty arose over a ham which Jones had in his possession without an express tag on it.

According to information received Thursday night, both men are residents of Houston. Ransom, who lives at 2508 Genessee street, refused to give any details of the difficulty except to say that the affair arose over a business matter. It was learned Jones was not fatally injured and had been removed from the hospital to his home, 1520 Everett street.

The value of Canada's mineral production last year has been estimated at \$200,000,000 as compared with \$176,686,390 the previous year.

## BOLD ROBBERY AT JACKSONVILLE

The crime wave that has been so pronounced in a number of places has reached Jacksonville. One of the boldest holdups of record was staged in this city last night when Judge M. L. Earle, while on his way home from town about 8:15 o'clock, was held up at the point of pistols and relieved of two very valuable diamonds of the estimated worth of \$2500 or \$3000, and some pocket change.

The robbery was committed on the Cotton Belt right-of-way almost in front of the residence of Mr. J. A. Templeton, and not far from the Central Baptist church and at a time when revival services were in progress at the church. Mr. Earle says that at the place above mentioned as he was leisurely going home a man rose up in front of him, seemingly coming out of the ground, a few steps away and hurriedly approached him. Mr. Earle says he knew then what was up. The man commanded him to "stick 'em up." Mr. Earle not being versed in hold-up terms, did not understand his meaning, and was a little slow in complying with the command, and after repeating it to him several times the thug jabbed him in the stomach with his pistol in order to more deeply impress Mr. Earle with what he meant. At this time, Mr. Earle says a man appeared at his rear and began going through his pockets. The man in front made a grab for his diamond ring. The ring fit the finger pretty tightly, and, of course it did not come off the finger at the effort. Judge Earle says he told the man there was no use in snatching that way, he would assist him, whereupon he dampened his finger and removed the ring, handing it over to the robber. The robber did not wait for Mr. Earle to remove his diamond stud, but made a successful snatch for it. He also undertook to take Mr. Earle's watch which was in his right vest pocket. At Mr. Earle's request he did not take his watch. Mr. Earle had a five dollar bill in his pants watch pocket which the robber overlooked. When they had finished they told Mr. Earle to turn around and go back the way from which he came, which he did. After he had walked about forty steps he looked back over his shoulder, and says that neither hair nor hide of them could be seen.

Of course, Mr. Earle could not see the man behind him, but says the fellow in front of him appeared to be of medium stature, about twenty or twenty-one years old.—Jacksonville Progress.

Holland expects to produce more than 300,000 tons of beet sugar in the 1920-21 season as compared with less than 239,000 tons of all kinds of sugar in the previous season.

An inventor has combined a gasoline pocket cigar lighter and a lead pencil holder.

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