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## EDITORIALS BY

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What the Former A. & M. President Writes in the Rusk County News.

Ninety-three per cent of every dollar of our federal taxes go to pay for war and preparation for war, so say the authorities at Washington.

We need about 20,000,000 homes in America dedicated to higher notions of life than dress, extravagance, indecency, and destruction. We need a great revival of common sense, common honesty and old-fashioned self-respect. If the future is to bring contentment and stability to our institutions, the young people must be true to the principles that are at the bottom of Christianity.

When we talk about vanity and extravagance we make no reference to the band of noble women and men in this country who see it and deplore it as much as we do. Upon that band must depend the salvation of our country. We only hope to stir and put in motion a sentiment that will spread and expand throughout all the land so that sanity may again be enthroned as it was in the best days of this Republic.

The sad news comes from the experts at Washington that 10,000 farmers of the South will die this year as a result of starvation. The cause is attributed to our system of farming, the production of cotton to the exclusion of food crops. Certainly the South has had many reasons why it should produce more food and less cotton, but this starvation story, famine if you please, is the stoutest lesson yet given us.

The president of the United States should appoint a day for the restoration of our people from the bondage of debt, extravagance and vanity, and call upon every preacher in the nation to preach and pray for a return of reason and sound living. There will be no honest children born of a people whose desire for the foolish things of this earth transcend their desire for good. The extravagance of living contracted during this war seems to stay with the people like the appetite of the drunkard after the bottle has been taken from his mouth.

## YOUNG WOMEN LEADING THEIR HUSBANDS TO PERDITION.

A young woman of good sense and fine character is a jewel, a fit subject for marriage, qualified to adorn a home, and fitted to bear and rear children. A foolish young wife is calculated to bring ruin upon the bravest young husband. If she is a victim to fine clothes and disposed to venture into habits of extravagance, financial ruin and wreck are almost sure to be the fate of that union.

Not long ago I met a man yet

young in years, the president of a college, who told me of his struggles through school, the hardships he was forced to endure, and finally his marriage to a splendid young woman, the noblest gift of God to man, and the only thing that he was able to give her was his college pin, and how she appreciated it—more than if it had been a diamond ring.

Another man, a few months ago, now the owner of a good home in one of the best East Texas towns, and a good farm out in the country, told me that his wife to be exacted but one promise of him, and that was, he should buy a home.

A sensible woman of noble heart and soul can shape the life of almost any young man of pride and ambition. But a thoughtless woman who feasts her soul upon fashion and light society will often destroy the highest aspirations, the manhood and pride of the noblest young man.

The old man was right who said one of the outstanding evils of the times is vanity. A distorted mind, though found in the most beautiful physical form, is worthless for the real things of life. A pretty face covered with the costliest cosmetics, and fingers covered with diamond rings can never add to life that which nobility of soul and loftiness of character furnish. How often are jewelry and fine clothes evidences of the absence of character!

Yes, character is an expression of a noble soul moved and controlled by a strong, healthy mind. Not so very long ago the young wife of a navy officer was asked if she had imbibed the popular habit in high society of smoking cigarettes. "No, indeed, and I never will," she replied, "first because I have been raised to abhor the practice; second, it is beneath the dignity of a true woman, and third, I have more respect for my husband."

Self-respect and self-sacrifice are characteristic of a good person. Without them there is little hope of success in any vocation of life.

There can be no progress along lines worth while without high purpose, and all material things should be subordinated to that high purpose.

The life that yields any influence must be a sensible life, a life that impresses itself favorably upon those with whom it comes in contact.

Many a life has yielded itself to the enticements of dress and extravagance but to become a sad disappointment and a failure, and of all the words in our language none is more sad than failure.

I wish I could impress upon the mind of every young man and woman the importance of mind over matter, and lead them to see the beauty and grandeur in a life dedicated to the things that make for a better and happier world.

Two young lives linked together in high purpose, consecrated to duty, inspired by love and hope, struggling to meet the

## BUSINESS REACTION REFLECTED IN JULY

Unemployment and Depression of Production Outstanding Features.

Washington, July 31.—Business reaction in basic lines of industry still was reflected during July in volume of business, extent of unemployment and depression of production, said the monthly review of economic conditions issued tonight by the federal reserve board. It was added that seasonal dullness in practically all lines of trade presented material alteration in general business conditions.

Copper and zinc which were said to suffer from lack of demand and extreme depression of prices were mentioned especially in connection although the board declared there had been noticeable improvement in production of cement and structural steel as a result of growth in building operations.

Midsummer retail business, the board asserted, has been in some respects better than usual while the outlook for a satisfactory autumn in a number of lines, such as knit goods and cotton textiles, was decidedly encouraging. Consumers' demand as reflected in the volume of retail trade continued as good or better than at this time last year.

Continuing prospects of excellent food crops was declared to be the most hopeful feature in the general outlook. Little change in the cotton crop was noted with about two-thirds of last year's production expected.

Price changes during the month have shown no pronounced tendency, the board stated.

Great stability was manifested in the textile, boot and shoe industries, although important declines have taken place in other lines, such as iron and steel, and particularly automobiles.

The unemployment situation has remained practically unchanged, according to the review, with labor authorities reporting serious depletion on the savings of men who have been out of work as well as of unemployment funds of trade unions.

Desire to see a resumption of full production, the board said, apparently has led to operations of some plants on a nonprofit making basis with wage scales correspondingly reduced or employees working on part time.

Money rates have become distinctly easier, the review continued, but fluctuations in exchange and in stable foreign financial conditions have prevented any material improvements in foreign trade. Coincident with the falling off in this trade, the board added, there has been a reduction in the proportion of

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this country's commerce transported in American vessels and a corresponding increase in the proportion carried in foreign bottoms.

## The Dipping Situation.

Crockett, August 2, 1921. To the Citizenship of Houston County:

At the beginning of this year, the Commissioners' Court of your county decided, and wisely too, that we could not possibly comply with the Rules and Regulations of the State Live Stock and Sanitary Commission relative to the systematic dipping of cattle. As a result of our refusal to place this burden on the people, this county was strictly quarantined and we have not been able to move a single head of cattle.

We could not comply with the dipping law for the reason that it would have cost the county in round numbers at least \$16,000. With a valuation of only eight and a quarter million dollars, any one can figure that it would have been impossible for us to have carried on the work. Then, too, in times like these, the court could not afford to raise values, because the average tax payer finds it a burden to meet the present tax rate. We acted for what we deemed the best interests of the citizens as a whole and our action in the matter was right.

During the first part of last week, I assumed the responsibility to call the county judges together at Austin and, as a result of that convention, we secured the necessary relief; we made arrangements with the chairman of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission to employ two inspectors for this county, under the strict supervision of Mr. Harry McCollum, State Inspector at Palestine. Any person that has cattle to ship, if said cattle will stand inspection and are clear of ticks, you will be granted certificate of shipment.

Before closing this communication, I wish to say that by strict economy, this county will, after taxes are paid, go on a cash basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Nat Patton, County Judge, Houston County, Texas.

## Price of Candy from Gumdrops to Bonbon Cut in Half.

New York, July 31.—A cut of approximately 50 per cent in the price of all candy from gumdrops to bon-bons, was announced today by a chain candy store company, following a general agitation against the price of ice cream, cold drinks and confectionery.

Benjamin Miller, one of the company officials, made public a memorandum which he said had been sent to the National Confectioners' association. It said: "It's time we got down to reason in this matter. We have been making, not 100, but 300 per cent profit for a long time. This kind of business, if kept up, would create a panic."

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## JURIST ORDERED TO LEAVE TEXAS BY ANTI-K. K. K.

Warning Given Judge Clark Of Fort Worth Will Be Defied.

Waco, Texas, July 31.—Warning former District Judge Erwin J. Clark to leave Texas within 30 days or it would "plant" him, the alleged anti-Ku Klux Klan of Texas made its first appearance here Sunday. Judge Clark has announced that he will not budge from the city and defies the so-called organization to do its worst.

The note, slipped through the mail slot in the judge's office door in the Provident building some time Sunday afternoon, says:

"Judge Clark: You are one of the leaders of the K. K. K. in Texas. You must leave the State in 30 days or we will plant you. (Signed) XXX Anti-Ku Klux Klan of Texas."

Judge Clark found the note about 4:30 p. m. On questioning the janitor, it was found that the note had not been in the slot at shortly after noon, when he cleaned up. The judge then brought the note to a local newspaper office, with the following statement:

"I do not consider it as coming from any reliable source, as the handwriting is rather primitive; but for the benefit of the public, I wish to state that I am not a leader of the Ku Klux Klan, nor even a member of that organization.

"Furthermore, I was born in Waco 36 years ago, and expect to spend the remainder of my life here. If this bunch of \* \* \* think that they can run me out of Waco or the State, they had better get busy right away, and I'll give them back 29 of the 30 days."

The note was scrawled on cheap note paper, in pencil and in very poor handwriting. "It may be only a practical joke," said the judge, "or again it may not. If it's a joke, then I probably won't hear anything more of it, but if it is intended seriously, and there is such a thing as an Anti-Ku Klux Klan in Waco, then they are jumping on the wrong man, because I refuse to be bluffed out. Decent language fails to describe my opinion of a man or group of men that would write such a thing as this."

## Jury Postponed.

By order of County Judge Nat Patton, the Courier is authorized by Sheriff Deb Hale to say that the county court jury summoned by the sheriff to appear Monday, August 8, are herein notified that they will not appear until Monday, August 15. This notice will be considered as official, and county court jurymen summoned for Monday, August 8, will not appear until Monday, August 15, but all such jurymen should appear on the latter date.

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Miss Clara Barclay of Ratcliff was a visitor in Crockett Wednesday.

Miss Katy Berry was operated on for appendicitis Tuesday morning.

B. F. Thomas has returned from his visit to a sister at Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Velma Parks of Grape-land is the guest of Miss Nell Ferguson.

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Mrs. Will Dupuy of Kennard was visiting her aunt, Mrs. Thos. Self, this week.

John King of Denton is visiting in the home of his aunt, Mrs. Clifford Kennedy.

Hon. and Mrs. John B. Peyton of Trinity were visitors in Crockett for the week-end.

For your luncheon you can find dollies, favors and place cards at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

Johnson Phillips and Smith Wootters of Houston were week-end visitors in Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray, formerly of Kennard, have gone to Amarillo to make their home.

Luther Eastham and family of Huntsville were visitors in Crockett at the end of last week.

#### Watch Lost.

Between Austin's and Eardley's on Lovelady road, a gold watch. Return to this office or to Albert Aikman and receive reward. 1t.\*

Miss Lola Janes has gone to Houston where she will spend some time with her brother, Will Janes.

Mrs. H. A. Fisher has returned from St. Louis and was accompanied by Mr. Fred E. Fisher of Joliet, Ills.

Miss Jennie McLean, who is spending the summer in New York, is expected home during the month.

Mrs. J. L. White and children of Bessemer, Ala., are visiting at the home of Mrs. White's brother, P. D. Austin.

Miss Mildred Beard, who was the guest last week of Miss Mary Frank Smith, has returned to her home in Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Goolsbee of Bryan are here in their automobile to visit Mr. Goolsbee's mother and family.

Murdoch Denny left last week for New York, where he has a valuable position with the General Electric Company.

Miss Marjorie Kingsbury, who was the guest last week of Miss Bernice Hail, returned Monday evening to her home in Palestine.

Miss Annie Beathard, who has been attending the S. H. N. I. summer normal at Huntsville, has returned to her home at Belott.

Misses Johnnie and Janie Price and Maurine McMahan, all of Palestine, are visiting Misses Fannie Pauline Kennedy and Jeannette Craddock.

J. H. Green and family have moved from the Lone Pine community to Crockett and will make their home here. They are welcomed by our citizens.

Col. Theodore E. Otis of New York, interested in one of the oil well projects contemplated for Crockett, returned Sunday from a business trip to Waco and Houston.

#### Third Contract.

The Courier hears of another oil drilling contract to be let this week, which will be the third in the Crockett territory. The well now drilling is said to be around 2500 feet with prospects good for locating the oil.

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Mr. Turney of the Pennsylvania-Latex Oil Company, who has been east, is expected to return to Crockett this week, when new developments in the oil-prospecting situation are also expected.

Mrs. Frank Hudson returned last week from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Chas. J. Dewitt, in Montgomery, Ala. Mrs. Hudson's friends will be glad to know that she has completely recovered from her recent operation.

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The law requires that you warn out the hands and work the roads twice each year. The long wet spring has handicapped all, hence you have not been called on before. Now since summer has come and people are generally up with their work, I take this method of asking the overseers to call out all hands and put in the time as required by law. Respectfully,  
1t. J. A. Beathard,  
Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

#### Established Own Firm.

Hon. N. B. Morris, for a number of years the legal representative of the I. & G. N. railroad at Palestine, but who later formed a law partnership in Houston under the firm name of Garrison, Pollard, Morris & Berry, has withdrawn from that firm and established a law firm of his own. The new firm will be under the name of Ned B. Morris, but Mr. Morris will have the assistance of his son, L. W. Morris, in taking care of his law business.

#### Watermelon Picnic.

Monday evening at five o'clock Mrs. G. D. McLain, superintendent of the primary department of the Methodist Sunday school, assisted by Mesdames Phillips, Leediker, Norris, Stokes, Parker and Maness, gave to the primaries a picnic on the lawn of the Methodist church.

The children were entertained with games and kodaking. They made a free will offering of over eleven dollars with which to buy

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a small organ for the primary department.

They were served with a feast of watermelon. As they sat up on the grass eating melon many a happy chuckle went the rounds. The entire occasion was a delightful one. Teacher.

#### Pretty Wedding.

Last Saturday night, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hassell in Crockett, the friends of the family witnessed an unusually beautiful home wedding. Only the relatives and a few intimate friends were present.

The bride and groom, Miss Mabel Hassell and Mr. George R. Straughan, stood under an arch of flowering rose bushes on the veranda of the bride's home. Mr. Jack Barbee stood with Mr. Straughan and Misses Bessie Satterwhite and Marian Foster stood with Miss Hassell. The color from shaded lights blended beautifully with the natural decorations of vines and flowers. Rev. E. A. Maness, pastor of the First Methodist Church, performed the ceremony.

The bride and groom were the recipients of many beautiful presents; aluminum, linen, cut glass and silver gifts galore. After the ceremony and congratulations, delicious cake and cream were served to the wedding guests. Mr. and Mrs. Straughan left Crockett Saturday night for their future home in Bryan, Texas. They carry with them the well wishes of the entire city.

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## SOME OF THE MEN OF EARLY VIRGINIA

### Patrick Henry.

Perhaps no one person had more to do in bringing independence to the United States than Patrick Henry. It is said that in his early life he made a failure in his attempts to run a store, and also failed in farming. The authorities state that he had a fairly good education. The Bible and Butler's Analogy were especially favorite books with him. He was born in Hanover county, Virginia, in 1736. His father was from Scotland, and his mother was a widow at the time she married Colonel Henry. It seems due to the influence of the preaching of two eloquent Presbyterian preachers, James Waddell, a blind preacher, and Samuel Davis, that Patrick Henry was first prompted to start on his career as an orator. He studied law, and with some difficulty succeeded in passing an examination so as to be licensed. He seems to have had a moderate degree of success in practicing law, especially being made very conspicuous by his eloquent pleading in his first case in court—"The Parson's Case." He gained the case, "the young orator was caught up and carried on the shoulders of the excited crowd." He was then quite young, but had been married several years.

In 1765 he was elected to the Virginia legislature, called the House of Burgesses. He succeeded in having passed a set of patriotic resolutions that expressed resistance to the idea of taxation from the mother country, and foreshadowed the independence that eventually came. He had encountered much opposition to these resolutions. It was in that oration that he cried out, "Caesar had his Brutus, Charles the First his Cromwell, and George the Third—" and before he could finish the sentence the speaker cried out "treason," and members of the house echoed back, "treason, treason!" Mr. Henry undismayed continued, saying: May profit by their example; if this be treason, make the most of it."

Later, when the revolution was approaching, he made a speech of such marvelous eloquence, in the old St. John's church in Richmond, Virginia, that it was perhaps the turning point in leading to independence. It was then that he uttered the noted words: "Give me liberty or give me death!"

He became governor of Virginia, and was elected for the sixth time but declined to serve as governor at his last election. He had the honor of being the first governor of Virginia, and conducted the duties of his office so well that even his political enemies among the aristocrats were disappointed.

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crats were disappointed. He continued to be a prominent factor in his influence in Virginia, and in the Continental Congress, in bringing about independence of the United States, and framing their constitution. He was elected to be a member of the Virginia legislature in 1799, but died before he could take his seat. While he was governor he married his second wife, Miss Dandridge, who proved to be a true and loving help-meet though much younger than he.

When the end came he had a disease that would probably be called in our day appendicitis. "His end was quite in keeping with the life he had led, simple and dignified, without confusion or fear. When told of his critical condition, he bowed his head in prayer for his family, his country, and his own soul. He lingered only a little while, comforting his relatives, and expressing his thanksgiving for having been permitted to serve his country in so many ways. He passed away, bearing especial

witness to the support of the Christian religion, June 6, 1799." S. F. Tenney. Crockett, Texas.

### Historic Home of Thomas Jefferson Is Offered For Sale.

New York, July 27.—After refusing for many years to sell Monticello, estate of Thomas Jefferson in Albemarle county, Virginia, Jefferson M. Levy now offers the historic mansion and grounds at private sale, but would be glad to sell it to the nation for \$500,000. It has been in the possession of his family since 1833 when Commodore Levy of the United States navy acquired the house and grounds seven years after the death of Jefferson.

"The place has become a great care and expense to me," said Mr. Levy Wednesday, "and I am getting too old to stand the burden."

Mr. Levy added that several years ago both Andrew Carnegie and Jacob H. Schiff had told him

they would be willing to buy the historic estate and present it to the nation as a Jefferson shrine.

Both offers were refused, Mr. Levy said, because he had the idea at that time that the nation itself might buy the Jefferson mansion as a summer White House for the president.

Mr. Levy said that he had expended more than \$1,000,000 on the estate, now comprising 700 acres, and its price to private buyers certainly would run into the millions. If the mansion went to the government, he said, he would give the art objects, which experts say would bring at auction \$250,000 or more.

Mr. Levy estimated that 50,000 persons visited the mansion annually, and added that it had been necessary for him to charge a fee of 50 cents.

Two rivers will be harnessed to provide electric light and power for the Philippine provinces of Bataan and Pampanga and the smelting of large deposits of magnetic iron ore.

### Man Found Killed After Warning Some Time Ago.

Palestine, Tex., July 27.—Dick Lewis, sawmill man and charcoal maker, well known in the section around Elkhart, was found shot by a pistol, evidently discharged at close range.

A few weeks ago Lewis received a small black coffin, made of pasteboard, with a notice that he must leave this section. He turned same over to the county authorities, but it was generally believed same was a joke. Lewis had a case in the county court here over a timber controversy and his attorneys were waiting for him to try the case when notified of his death.

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## RECOMMENDATION OF NEFF DECLINED

House Adopts Substitute Bill For Suspended Sentence Law.

Austin, Tex., July 25.—By a vote of 75 to 56 the house adopted a substitute bill for the original bill to entirely repeal the suspended sentence law and thus refused to accept the governor's recommendation to wipe the present law from the statute book and it will be pending tomorrow morning subject to amendment and awaiting final action.

The substitute offered by Representative John Davis of Dallas is practically the same bill passed at the regular session and vetoed by the governor. It would except from the benefit of the suspended sentence law the felonies of murder, rape, perjury, burglary of a private residence, arson, incest, bigamy, abortion and violation of the liquor laws. An effort to table the substitute was lost by a vote of 52 to 72. The substitute also would require that the suspended sentence be resisted by the district attorney. This is intended to prevent compromise agreements between the district attorneys and the defense.

Representative Baldwin of Slaton opened the argument against the original bill which calls for absolute repeal of the suspended sentence law. He invoked the principle enunciated by Christ when he told the woman sinner to "go and sin no more." He appealed to the house not to cut off all mercy to the first offenders.

### Law Is Discriminatory.

Representative Melson, who introduced the bill, charged that the suspended sentence law was discriminatory in its application and advocated tightening up the

machinery of prosecution. Representative Crumpton opposed repeal of law. He declared that a jury was better able to determine whether a man is entitled to clemency in local cases than the chief executive of the state.

That the legislature should not shut the doors of mercy was the appeal of Representative Miller of Dallas against the repeal bill. He favored the substitute, however, on the grounds that there were some crimes for which little mercy should be shown.

Representative Martin of Lamar opposed the substitute because he said it defeated the purpose of the original bill.

Representative Lackey of Dewitt submitted figures intended to show that the number of suspended sentences is very small as compared with the number of indictments. He declared that less than 2 per cent of those granted the suspended sentence were reindicted.

Ben L. Cox of Abilene spoke against the repeal of the suspended sentence law, saying it is a meritorious statute and moved that the bill and all pending amendments be indefinitely postponed. This motion was lost, 30 to 102.

John Davis of Dallas advocated the passage of the substitute.

Mr. Melson yielded to Mr. Coffee, who closed the argument for the original bill to repeal the suspended sentence law and was against the substitutes. Mr. Coffee severely attacked the law, saying it was responsible for increased crime and more criminals abroad.

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Suggests Saving Conservatively Estimated Nearly \$50,000 a Year.

Austin, Tex., July 27.—Governor Neff sent another message to the legislature today urging the things he has already strongly recommended, especially the consolidation of departments, ending duplication in state work, reducing traveling expenses of state employes and general moves of economy. The message is in part as follows:

"All duplications, each overlapping department and every useless office in connection with the state government should be abolished. We have too many boards, bureaus and commissions. The state is burdened with governmental agencies. We have too much machinery and consequently too much overhead expense. The government should be simplified. There is no excuse for duplication and triplication of work.

"If the people are to be given an effective government, if they are to be relieved from mounting taxes, we, their representatives, can make no better start than to begin by overhauling the administrative agencies of the state, wiping out some, consolidating others, reducing to a minimum the lengthy list of state employes, and demanding of all those who remain on the payroll an honest day's work for an honest day's pay.

"The principle of concentration and correlation should be applied

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to our state government as it is applied to the business world. In keeping with the above economic principles, I renew my former recommendation that the work of the warehouse and marketing department be transferred to the department of agriculture.

"The salary of these employes, together with their traveling expenses and upkeep of office, will be a saving, conservatively estimated, of \$50,000 a year.

### Eighteen Year Old Boy Drowns in Trinity River.

Norman Spence, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Spence of Latexo, lost his life by drowning in the Trinity river last Friday morning about 9 o'clock. The accident occurred at Kickapoo shoals, about 20 miles west of Grapeland.

His body was recovered the next morning, after parties had been fishing for it all night. The water at this particular place is said to be very treacherous and where he drowned was about 50 feet deep.

Mr. Spence and family and sev-

eral others of Latexo had spent a few days there fishing and were preparing to come home when the accident happened. Young Spence and a few others were in swimming, when he was seen to go down, and some of his companions made an effort to reach him.

His remains were buried in the Hays Springs cemetery Saturday afternoon. Rev. R. F. Hodges, his pastor, and Rev. B. C. Anderson of this city conducted the services.

Young Spence was said to be a splendid young man and had a wide circle of friends. His untimely death was a great shock to the entire community in which he lived.—Grapeland Messenger.

For store entrances a Boston man has invented apparatus which provides a current of air that keeps out insects, dust, rain, snow, cold air in winter and hot hot in summer.

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Cures Malaria, Chills and Fever, Bilious Fever, Colds and La-Grippe, or money refunded.

## LOANS ON FARMS

LANDS BOUGHT AND SOLD

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Crockett, Texas

## SOLONS REFUSE TO CONDEMN KU KLUX; VOTE IS 69 TO 54

Patman Resolution to Oust Organization Is Tabled In House.

Austin, Texas, July 27.—The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan were paraded oratorically Wednesday through the lower house of the State legislature under the rhetorical leadership of Representative Patman of Cass county with the net result of a vote to leave them alone, so far as the State legislature is concerned. The house by a vote of 69 to 54 tabled the denunciatory and ouster resolution introduced by the gentleman from Cass.

Mr. Patman, in urging the adoption of his resolution, declared that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan were stirring up "civil war" in Texas and in other States of the Union.

Stigmatizing the organization as illegal and opposed in every particular to the constitution of the United States and the bill of rights, the man from Cass said that men who masked their faces and wore robes the better to conceal their identity were lawbreakers and a menace to the freedom and liberties of American citizens.

In the resolution submitted by Representative Patman the legislature was asked to denounce the activities of the klan and called upon Colonel William H. Simmons of Atlanta, known as the imperial wizard of the organization, to cease and discontinue the activities of the klan and to withdraw such representatives of the organization who might at this time be in Texas under the direction and control of Colonel Simmons in an alleged investigation of lawlessness among the members of the organization.

### Newspaper Accounts.

Replying to questions as to his knowledge of the existence of the Ku Klux Klan, the man from Cass said that he had read accounts of the activities of the klan in the newspapers of Texas and assumed that the accounts were accurate. In further replying to questions as to his knowledge of specific acts of lawlessness committed by bona fide members of the organization Representative Patman said that masked men had committed acts of lawlessness and these masked men had been reported as being members of the Ku Klux Klan in Texas.

Representative Merriman of Jefferson here asked the gentleman from Cass to yield to a question and asked Representative Patman what his religious affiliations were, if any. Representative Patman said his parents were "primitive Baptists," and that so far as he was a member of any religious denomination, he was inclined to the faith of his parents.

Asked the direct question, "Are you a member of the Knights of Columbus?" Representative Patman replied: "No, sir, I am a thirty-second degree Mason," and then proceeded to inform the house that members of the primitive Baptist denomination were opposed to all secret fraternal organizations and that being a member of one of the greatest of such organizations he was not permitted active membership in the denomination known as the primitive Baptists. He urged the members of the

house to support his resolution as the organization at which it was aimed was in the Cass county man's judgment an illegal and lawless one.

Representative Cox of Abilene addressed the house and pointed out that if the alleged Ku Klux Klan was an illegal and lawless organization, existing statutes, State and federal, were amply sufficient to cope with the situation and cited to the house federal statute No. 10,183, federal code, describing what are illegal activities of masked men or groups of men and prescribes a penalty on conviction thereof of not more than \$10,000 and not more than 10 years in the penitentiary.

### Cane Growers Will Organize in Huntsville August 10.

Huntsville, July 30.—W. G. Dodd, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Huntsville, after meeting and advising with many cane growers of East Texas, has issued a call for a meeting in Huntsville on August 10 of all interested in cane and syrup. It is not a theory, but a fact that cane growing is one of the most profitable industries of East Texas. This is the experience of men who raise and market in the stalk and as syrup. The demand for East Texas ribbon cane syrup has never been entirely supplied and the price has always been such as to yield fine profits.

The object of organizing the East Texas cane growers is to secure more cane planting and syrup making, to market the products, standardize the quality of the syrup, the size of the cans and the labels, so that syrup labeled with the East Texas organization name will be absolutely as represented.

Organization will be along the lines of the tomato exchange of Jacksonville which has done so much to lift the farmers in that section out of debt and enable them to become lenders instead of borrowers of money.

From San Augustine June 24 the tomato growers had shipped seventeen cars of tomatoes. The members met that night and passed resolutions to increase the acreage next year. Gregg county has also decided to increase its acreage.

What is proving a good thing for tomato growers will be a good thing for cane growers—co-operation and increased acreage.

The meeting at Huntsville August 10 is the initial step and no doubt will result in more cane planting, with its attending financial gain, as this crop is just as important as tomatoes, watermelons, wool, cotton, potatoes, etc., and the result will add to the prosperity of all East Texas cane growers.

### Our Advertising Service

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Why, just buy Camels and look at the package! It's the best packing science has devised to keep cigarettes fresh and full flavored for your taste. Heavy paper outside—secure foil wrapping inside and the revenue stamp over the end to seal the package and keep it air-tight.

And note this! There's nothing flashy about the Camel package. No extra wrappings that do not improve the smoke. Not a cent of needless expense that must come out of the quality of the tobacco.

Camels wonderful and exclusive Quality wins on merit alone.

Because, men smoke Camels who want the taste and fragrance of the finest tobaccos, expertly blended. Men smoke Camels for Camels smooth, refreshing mildness and their freedom from cigarette aftertaste.

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## REPORT EXONERATES GUARDS WHO SHOT WHITE PRISONERS

Two Men Slain at Eastham Prison Farm When They Try to Escape.

Huntsville, Tex., July 27.—Reports have reached the prison officials here from the Eastham State farm in Houston county giving the details of the killing of two white prisoners at the farm last Friday while they were attempting to escape. The report includes the verdict of the justice of the peace who held the inquest and exonerated the guards who did the killing.

According to the report of J. P. Fairfield, manager of the farm, a squad of 20 prisoners were being taken to the fields about 2 o'clock when four of them riding mules attempted to make their escape by riding into a corn field. John A. Wells and Charley Whitley, guards, opened fire on the escaping convicts with the result that George W. Ludwig and Jack Baldwin were killed. Ludwig was serving a term of five years for robbery, having been sent to the prison from El Paso county. Baldwin was serving a two-year term for theft of over \$50. He was convicted in Stephenson county.

There were two others who tried to escape at the same time that Ludwig and Baldwin made their dash. They were E. N. Smith and L. L. Frisbie. The two latter made signed statements relative to the attempted

escape. Both statements were practically the same and stated that they tried to ride into a cornfield and make their escape.

According to Sam T. Beeson, camp physician, Ludwig was shot in the back, the bullet going through the body and coming out through the breastbone; he also had his left arm broken by a shot and a flesh wound in the side.

H. N. Robinson, justice of the peace of Houston county, held an inquest immediately after the shooting and said that the guards acted within their rights and doing their duty, in shooting the prisoners who were attempting to escape.

### Male Help Wanted.

Idle? Big business is ready for you. Sell 137 products direct to farmers on credit. If you own team or auto, are under 50, can give bond, we start you. Twenty million use our products. Good territory open. Write J. R. Watkins Co., Dept. 115, Winona, Minn. It's your life chance. It.\*

### Some Postscripts.

When in need of printing see what the Courier can do before you go elsewhere.

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## How Would You Feel

after you recovered from a long serious attack of sickness, and your Health and Accident Company cancels your policy? And you cannot again get other insurance. Why carry insurance in such a company? Would you buy a life insurance policy that was cancellable at any time the company saw proper? No, you would not. Why not get a policy in a company that issues a non-cancellable contract and be protected and stop worrying?

We will write good healthy risks without medical examination from \$15 to \$50 per week, in a good strong old line company. Would be glad to explain this wonderful policy. Insure today and be in "Clover."

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**PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.**

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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 GOVERNOR'S WISE COURSE.**

Whatever one may think of the various policies Governor Neff is urging upon the legislature, friends and foes alike must agree that the governor followed a wise and patriotic course when he requested the authors of the resolution for a vote of confidence in him to withdraw it from the legislature.

While intended as an act of friendship, the resolution is undesirable for one reason because it is unnecessary. The governor of Texas does not stand or fall by the favor or disfavor of the legislature, as the prime ministers of France or Britain is dependent on the support of their parliaments for their tenure of leadership. Governor Neff might conceivably lack the confidence of every member of the legislature and still remain as governor, and still have the people, or vice versa.

He is at the head of a separate and distinct branch of the government and what another branch thinks of him personally is not a matter of official moment. The governor is responsible to the people, not the legislature.

These considerations might be waived for the sake of courtesy in an ordinary time, but with some members of the legislature in their present attitude toward the governor, it is clearly undesirable to make the governor's personality an issue in the legislature. There is no surer way to get a legislative body to do nothing than to get into a wrangle over the personality of the executive.

The experience of congress during the last session when President Wilson was the issue bears strong testimony to the unwisdom of such a course. The bitter opposition to the president on the one hand and the unfailing loyalty of his supporters on the other hand created a deadlock which brought grievous ills upon the country, by postponing the settlement of problems demanding solution at the time.

It is bad enough to have the governor as an unofficial issue between legislators. If he should be gotten before them officially, the ensuing partisan wrangling would displace necessary work by the legislature.

The governor is right when he says the legislature was not called to "discuss me." The measures he offers ought to be considered on their merits and not according to the opinions the members may have of the governor submitting them. The governor has placed the State under obligation to him for declining to let himself be a football for the legislature, and for sug-

gesting that the body get down to work on the serious business before it.—Houston Post.

**Automobiles in the Philippines.**

In the far-away Philippines the automobile as a means of transportation is making hard competition for the railways, according to Harris Waite, of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, who has just returned after two years spent in the islands.

American built good roads is the answer.

There are only three islands in the Philippine group with any railroads at all, and on these the highways cover a great deal more territory.

All over northern Luzon are bus lines covering routes of 150 miles and more. These busses are equipped with pneumatic tires. Trucks honk back and forth between the plantations carrying, hemp, copra, tobacco and passengers.

In the Island of Leyte an enterprising truck owner has a fleet of sixty two in operation, all running on big Goodyear pneumatics.

Even in Mindanao, the most backward of the islands and largely inhabited by wild natives, many miles of good roads have been built, especially leading out from the port town of Davao. And the natives will carry their hemp into market, sell it, buy a few clothes and provisions, and then have a glorious time with the rest of their earnings riding back and forth in auto busses over the macadam stretches.

The Sultan of Sulu has a car or two to tour through his kingdom, although he is more apt to come into Manila where he can go farther for his money. His cars are Goodyear-equipped.

There are about 8,000 foreigners on the islands, excluding the Chinese who do 85 per cent of the retail business on the islands. But the native Filipinos are also good customers for automobiles and tires.

The automobile has become so much a part of the ordinary daily life that little thought is now given to the many unusual and strenuous uses to which it is constantly being put, and to the very remarkable manner in which it stands up under every severe test.

A party of Chicago business men at luncheon in their club discussed this matter, and as a result a bet was made on the question of crossing the continent by motor car. L. B. Miller, manager of the Victor X-Ray Corporation, undertook to make the trip to San Francisco inside of ten days, driving his standard Elgin Six Coupe, equipped with Goodyear cord tires, the same car he used in his business every day. The distance of 2,485 miles was made in seven days from the time he left Chicago. The trip was made without a mechanical trouble of any kind, and the Chicago air was still in all the tires at the end of the journey.

This is only another one of the miracles of the present, that ordinarily go unnoticed by reason of the ready acceptance of the idea that anything is possible with the automobile.

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To turn out that job of printing when-ever you need it. Our prices are right.

Putting it off today won't get it done tomorrow. An advertisement in this paper today will bring business tomorrow.

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WHEN YOU WANT THAT NEXT JOB OF PRINTING.

YOU WILL GET FIRST-CLASS WORK, AND YOU WILL GET IT WHEN PROMISED, FOR HAVING WORK DONE WHEN PROMISED IS ONE OF THE RULES OF THIS OFFICE.

IF YOU PREFER, SEND THE ORDER BY MAIL OR BRING IT TO THE OFFICE IN PERSON.

## Let Us Show You What We Can Do

**In Days of Old.**

"In days of old, when knights were bold," it wasn't a question of advertising. Our early forefathers—with a club—calply but firmly impressed their buyers that their goods were meritorious.

That day is past.

We often feel like dragging the ancient club from the family closet—and using it, too. But it isn't being done this year. More artistic methods are in vogue. Here's a tip: You've gotta tell 'em if you wanta sell 'em.

**Hey There.**

How about your letterheads, billheads, statements, envelopes, cards, etc? Don't wait until they are all gone and then ask us to rush them out in a hurry for you. Good work requires time and our motto is that anything that's worth doing is worth doing well.

Let the Courier have that order while we have the time to do your printing as it should be done.

**Agents Wanted.**

We want a lady or gentleman agent to handle city trade in Crockett and other vacant cities. This is a wonderful opportunity as you will be retailing the genuine J. R. Watkins Products including Watkins Coconut Oil Shampoo, Garda Face Powder, Fruit Drinks and over 137 other products. Write today for free sample and other particulars. The J. R. Watkins Co., 67 Memphis, Tenn. It.\*

If you want what you want when you want—in the printing line—the Courier has it.

**Notice.**

The International & Great Northern Railway Company, James A. Baker, Receiver, hereby gives notice that it will sell at Lovelady, Texas, on the 30th day of August, 1921, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, between the hours of 10:00 a. m. and 11:00 a. m., at the freight depot of the said International & Great Northern Railway Company, the following described property, to-wit:

Three boxes Animal Tonic and three boxes Patent Medicine, said shipment covered by Hamline Transfer, Minn., to Lovelady, Texas, waybill 23240, date November 4, 1920, consigned to V. O. Shropshire, Lovelady, Texas, and shipped by International Stock Food Co.

Said goods are hereby advertised for sale in accordance with the Texas Statute Law covering the sale of refused and unclaimed freight for freight and other legally accrued charges.

C. W. Stephens,  
4t. Agent for Receiver.

**Notice.**

The International and Great Northern Railway Company, James A. Baker, Receiver, hereby gives notice that it will sell at Crockett, Texas, on the 22nd day of August, 1921, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, between the hours of 10:00 a. m. and 11:00 a. m., at the freight depot of the said International and Great Northern Railway Company, the following described property, to-wit:

Three sacks of cotton seed, said shipment covered by San Marcos to Crockett waybill No.

St. 3, November 1, 1920, consigned as follows: Two sacks to shipper's order, notify Caesar Jones, and one sack to shipper's order, notify Wm. Reece, shipped by O. W. Cliett.

Said goods are hereby advertised for sale in accordance with the Texas Statute Laws, covering the sale of refused and unclaimed freight for freight and other legally accrued charges.

G. H. Henderson,  
4t. Agent for Receiver.

## SOUR STOMACH INDIGESTION

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

East Nashville, Tenn.—The efficiency 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. 28

## Your Friends Buy Wisely So Can You

Buying foodstuffs doesn't consist simply of shoving your money over the counter and taking the stuff home. Any one can do that, but it requires good judgment to buy wisely.

Ask any of your friends what they think of our foodstuffs. You will find that most of them buy from us, know that they get the genuine article, and are never overcharged.

You can buy just as wisely as your friends. Try us a few times, and your own good judgment will tell you that you have made no mistake.

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### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Go to R. L. Shivers for dry goods and shoes. 2t.

Miss Emily Berry of Palestine is the guest of Miss Odell McGee.

Mrs. J. R. Foster and Miss Alice Foster are visiting in Houston.

Phone 95 when you want drug store goods. Bishop will deliver. 1t.

Miss Eula Mae Riall of Grape-land is visiting Miss Mary McLean.

James S. Shivers and family have returned from visiting at Denton.

Oscar Reynolds of Rusk spent Sunday with relatives near Crockett.

Mrs. W. W. Latham and children of Port Arthur are visiting in Crockett.

See R. L. Shivers for all kinds of leather goods. 2t.

## GEE! AIN'T IT HOT?

I'll say so. But listen, if you will just slip over to Baker's and get under one of those electric fans, and on the outside of a delicious

### ICE CREAM SODA

or one of the many other cooling and refreshing drinks that we serve, it will help you to forget the heat. Try it.

GET IT AT  
BAKER'S

# Jno. F. Baker

THE REXALL STORE

R. H. Wootters has returned from his ranch near Roswell, New Mexico.

Miss Boots Wharton of Conroe is visiting Misses Marjorie and Sue Morrison.

Miss Florence Arledge returned Monday from a visit to friends at Fullerton, La.

W. G. Cartwright left Sunday afternoon for the St. Louis and Chicago markets.

Diarrhoea, dysentery, cholera infantum are relieved with Bishop's Bowel Remedy. 1t.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Collins and little son returned Monday to their home in Groveton.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Beatty returned last week from their automobile trip to Colorado.

Tad Burton has returned from Houston, where he had employment with the Texas Company.

Miss Mattie Leigh Mosely of Marshall is the guest of Misses Katherine Hassell and Sara Mac Crook.

C. P. O'Bannon has returned from St. Louis, which city, he says, is much hotter than Crockett.

Talley cards, nut cups, favors, place cards and Dennison's crepe paper and napkins at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

William Austin of Palestine visited home folks Sunday and was accompanied by his brother, Dozier Austin.

Misses Kate Newsom and Loreta Sadler of Houston are visiting Misses Effie May and Katy Lacy of this city.

At the July term of the commissioners' court W. D. McGuire was appointed constable in the Lovelady precinct.

Mrs. B. S. Elliott and Miss Clarite Elliott have returned from visiting friends in Fullerton, La., and Galveston.

Cards from J. H. Painter and family at Los Angeles tell of the enjoyable trip they are having. They say California is a wonderful country, but they expect to return to Crockett when the weather gets cooler.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hayden Austin and little daughter of Palestine were guests in the home of P. D. Austin Sunday.

Dr. John R. Ross of New York, a large investor in the Aurora Oil Company, was in Crockett several days this and last week.

Miss Mary Straughan of Lovelady was a guest of the Misses Hassell for the Hassell-Straughan wedding Saturday evening.

Two new brick houses are being built a block west of the Court House square and the Courier's information is that they will be occupied as soon as completed.

L. V. Jacobi sustained a badly cut hand from a piece of falling plate-glass on Thursday of last week, and as a result he is carrying one of his hands in a bandage.

#### Cheap Feed.

Having bought the J. D. Woodward feed business, am closing out maize heads at a special price. If needing any feed, buy now. 1t. A. W. Ellis.

#### Bride Honored.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reed Nunn of Houston are spending a few days with relatives and friends in Crockett. Mrs. Nunn is a bride of only a few weeks and before marriage was Miss Olivette Wise of San Antonio. As a former student of Texas University, she had already formed a considerable acquaintance with Crockett young people, a friendship that is largely added to and strongly fortified by her visit in Crockett this week. A number of social affairs were planned in honor of the young bride.

#### Music Program.

The following program of music will be given at the Methodist church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock:

- Organ.
- Offertoire—Read. "In Summer."
- Hymn No. 290—Junior choir.
- Solo, Elizabeth Arrington.
- Quartette, "Abide With Me"—Misses Irma Lee Austin, Maxine Collins, Aileen Powell, Beth Tunstall.
- Chorus, "Swing Song."
- Incidental trio—Anna Belle Smith, Inez Lewis, Dorothy Deupree.
- Offertory, Hymn No. 106.
- Solo—Cora Charles Stokes.
- Hymn No. 31.

#### First Methodist Church.

Services very well attended last Sunday. Next Sunday Rev. C. B. Fuller of Lufkin, the district evangelist of the Navesota district, will fill the pulpit of the Methodist church, both the morning and evening hour. He is a spiritual preacher of magnetic power. He always stirs the hearts of his audience with a new fervor with his helpful messages. Come out and hear him. Sunday evening at eight o'clock Mrs. Decuir, the peerless junior choir director, will give another of her most attractive music programs. Entire public cordially invited to attend all of our services. Pastor.

#### Visitors Entertained.

A dance party was given by some of the young men of Crockett in the club rooms of the American Legion Monday evening. This form of entertainment was selected to compliment the city's visitors and it proved

a most pleasing one. Enticing music was furnished by "Mike & Hike's Jazz Band," a pleasing combination of local talent. Among the visitors for whom this dance party was given were Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Nunn of Houston; Miss Grace Smith of Longview, guest of Miss Florence Arledge; Miss Mattie Leigh Mosely of Marshall, guest of Misses Hassell and Crook; Miss Kate Newsom of Houston, guest of Miss Katy Lacy; Miss Ruth Haberle of Jacksonville, guest of Miss Helen Guinn; Miss Boots Wharton of Conroe, guest of the Misses Morrison; Miss Marjorie Kingsbury of Palestine, guest of Miss Bernice Hail; Messrs. Smith Wootters and Johnson Phillips of Houston, John King of Denton and Lawson Keene of Louisville, Ky. The dance was adequately and properly chaperoned and one of the social enjoyments of the closing summer season.

#### With Our Subscribers.

Callers at the Courier office during the last week say that if seasonable weather keeps up fairly good crops may be expected, although all crops will fall below the average. The prospect of a short cotton crop has already had its effect on the market as evidenced by the recent price advance. Nothing but a short crop this year can save the cotton market.

Among those calling to renew or subscribe or sending in their renewals and subscriptions since last issue are the following:

- A. J. Thomasson, Creek.
- Mrs. T. Thompson, Montalba.
- E. O. Allee, Elmendorf.
- O. A. Reynolds, Rusk.
- John Berry, Crockett Rt. 5.

## Reduced Prices on Men's Oxfords

All \$12.50 Stacy-Adams Oxfords  
to go at ----- \$9.95

All \$10.00 Florsheim Oxfords  
to go at ----- \$6.95

All \$8.00 Bostonian Oxfords  
to go at ----- \$4.95

An odd lot of \$5.00 and \$6.00 values,  
sizes 5 to 8, to go at ----- \$3.45

### STRAW HATS MUST GO, TOO

All \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$6.50 Sailor  
Straws, Leghorns and Panamas to be  
closed out at ----- \$2.45

All our \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 Sailor  
Straws and Panamas to be closed out  
at the extremely low price of ----- \$1.95

### SPECIAL PRICES ON SUMMER UNDERWEAR

# MILLAR & BERRY

Men and Boys' Furnishers

#### Road Improvement.

A Belott citizen has demonstrated to the rest of Houston county what may be accomplished by the proper effort for road improvement. Dr. C. W. Evans made the statement at Belott Friday that he would give \$100 toward improving the Belott and Crockett road if \$1000 could be raised for that purpose. Bill Ashby overheard the doctor's challenge and lost no time in accepting it. Mr. Ashby started a subscription list with Dr. Evans' donation, which was cheerfully contributed by the doctor under the proviso stated, and came to Crockett to raise the \$1,000. Despite the fact that it was Saturday and a busy day, the \$1000 was oversubscribed in Crockett, and it was stated that the list would be swelled to over \$1200 by farmers of the Belott community and along the road. Teams will be started to work right away and kept busy until the money is expended. Many farmers who have layed by their crops have volunteered to contribute labor in the absence of money. Gravel will be used in surfacing, and it is expected that within a few weeks the Belott road will be the best in the county. This is the right spirit and sets an example for the rest of Houston county in the matter of road improvement.

A new bath tub enables a person to bathe while seated instead of reclining, or only the portion accommodating the feet being used if desired.

Holland has no quarries, and imports all the stone that it requires for every purpose.

Try Courier advertisers.

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## ENFORCING THE LAW.

Sid Hatfield's explanation that he "does not pose as a gunman" was entirely unnecessary. Hatfield is city marshal of a mining town in West Virginia, where a strike is going on. The operators sent thirteen detectives to the town and they were carrying pistols. Hatfield said it was against the city ordinances to carry pistols, and asked the mayor for warrants to arrest the thirteen detectives. He got the warrants and undertook to serve them. After the smoke cleared away, it was found that several of the thirteen detectives were dead. It was unnecessary for Hatfield to say he did not "pose." Certainly he was in action, with no time to pose.—Marshall Messenger.

Sid wasn't one of these fellows who are all the time saying that you can't enforce the law without public opinion to back you up. Sid figured that what an officer of the law needs to enforce the law is backbone and he estimated that his spinal column was stiff enough to stand the strain. It was a straight shooting officer with a straight backbone can create a little public opinion, if necessary, when the law is plain and the violation of it is arrogant. Most of these officers who are complaining about inability to get the "co-operation" of the public are really held up by their fear of the consequences of doing a little "operating" on their own hook. Any man who enforces the law with a weather eye out for his re-election is likely to be a poor enforcer of the law. It is the man who does what he knows is his duty, let the bootleggers fall where they may, who gets the dirty work cleaned out. Public opinion does make the law, but public opinion has nothing to do with a man's oath to enforce the law as he finds it on the statute book. If a public official proves false to the oath he is sworn, though he have all the public opinion in the country to indorse him. When public opinion interferes with a man's oath to the point where he can't live up to it, it is time for him to resign and move out of the country. Come to Texas.—State Press.

## ADVERTISEMENT.

Texas Highways Magazine: Bradstreet's Commercial Agency employed hundreds of trained men throughout the country collecting and tabulating information to show that 84 per cent of the business failures in 1920 occurred among firms which did not advertise. This fact should be quite significant to those who say, "We are cutting down on our advertising because it costs so much money." Which is the cheapest, success or failure?

Failure is the cheapest. That is why so many choose it. It is like the would-be passenger who was buying a ticket to Springfield—he wanted to go to whichever Springfield was the cheapest. When business is on the boom, when there is as much drop-in trade as a large staff of salesmen can comfortably wait on, advertising isn't an urgent proposition. It looks like things are coming so nicely that it would be a pity to try to change them for either better or worse. "Why should I spend money on advertising when I can't get goods as fast as I can sell them?" the genial merchant used to say to the advertising solicitor. "Aye, but these good times may not last forever," the solicitor would reply, "therefore it be-

## OIL WELL PROMOTION AND POSSIBILITIES

Editor Courier:

As one of the very few who have given their best efforts and their untiring energies for the past two years or more to the purpose of securing the drilling of a thorough "test" well for oil in this county, I will thank you to publish the following statement:

As above indicated, what we see going on at the well near Crockett is the culmination of no small amount of toil, time, study and expense on the part of not exceeding a half dozen men in this town, and from the very first we have worked against fearful odds, receiving no encouragement whatever from those who should have been most interested in the success of the enterprise.

But the well is now rapidly going down, and we will soon know what the developments will be. The gentlemen who thought enough of the enterprise to put their money into it all seem to be most estimable fellows, and I doubt if a more competent set of drillers ever drilled any well, even in the "proven fields." Mr. T. S. Robinson, with whom the Crockett Oil and Gas Company made the drilling contract, is on the ground, actively interesting himself in every detail of the work and is well pleased with the progress of the well and the indications for oil. Mr. Robinson sub-let the contract to Messrs. Jas. T. O'Hara, Frank H. Riddle and Lewis A. Townsend, who organized the Aurora Oil Company, and who have the final contract to drill and are doing the work. Mr. O'Hara is in charge of the drilling, and it is only just and fair to him to say that what he has done and is doing show that no mistake was made in his selection to supervise the work. He seems to be strictly "onto" his job, and everything just goes on like "clock-work." Down to this time he has performed his drilling contract "to the letter." And it is both amusing and interesting to visit the well and watch the activities of the drilling crew. Not a "hitch" ever occurs in their work. Every fellow knows his place and how to fill it. Probably in the next thirty days, or less time, we will know "what's what." Mr. Townsend, is in charge of the business end of the undertaking, and he tells me that everything is in good shape, and that Messrs. Riddle and Schmahl of

hooves you to lay the foundations of a permanent business by attracting to your store those who may be depended upon to come when times are not so good." Some heady storekeepers needed no prodding in this direction. They knew that the time to prepare for rough going was when they were sitting pretty. You can pick out the steady and consistent advertisers by the fact that, despite the devastation, they are manifesting every sign of permanence, whereas many of the nonadvertisers have joined the defeated candidates on the journey up Salt Creek. It was the age of steam that inaugurated modern production and distribution, but it was the age of advertising that stimulated and sustained the wish of human beings to raise and broaden their standards of living.—State Press.

Aurora, Illinois, who are putting up the most of the money for the company, and who were here last week, were well pleased with the way things are going on generally.

All this is very encouraging, and we, the people of Crockett and Houston county generally, should feel deeply grateful and appreciative towards these people for their confidence in the prospects for oil and for their willingness to invest their money in an effort to develop an oil field for us. They may not find it. No one can tell about that. But they are doing their best and are not afraid to put their money into it. Thousands of dollars have already been spent in the work, and thousands more will have to be spent to complete it. It is costing us nothing. Not a dollar is going into it except what they put up. Of course, if they develop a good oil field they will make lots of money out of it. And who will say they do not deserve it? But if they get a "dry hole," just think of the loss to them. To drill a well now, in territory like this, costs all the way from \$30,000 to \$100,000, every dollar of which will be absolutely thrown away if they do not find oil in paying quantities.

So, we see that it is all a mere "game of chance"—a "gamble," as it is called in oil parlance. It is a great big risk, with the chances vastly against them, as is always the case in "wild cat" territory. But they have thought enough of us and our outlook for oil to invest their own good money in the enterprise. If they win, we all gain by it financially. If they lose, they lose all they have put into it, while we lose nothing, except the hard days

## Your Copy

for that newspaper advertisement or circular may express your ideas but effective typographical display is necessary to get best results.

With your knowledge of your business and our knowledge of the printing art we can co-operate to mutual advantage.

Remember the Courier Is Always at Your Service

of toil and time and cost incurred by those who sought to have the test made. But we were willing to make this sacrifice in the hope of helping out the town of Crockett and the county of Houston in a financial way. And, under existing circumstances, where is there a people who need it worse than we?

Now, in view of these facts, what should be our attitude towards these people who, in trying to help themselves, may greatly help us, all at their own cost and expense? Instead of "knocking" on them, should we not extend to them the "glad hand" and give them all the assistance we can and extend to them all the praise they deserve? Is it not high time for "street rumors" to stop, and for bickerings and criminations and re-criminations to come to an end? The situation demands that we should be more generous-hearted than that, and show to these people that we appreciate their efforts in our behalf and that we are their friends. Let us try that a while and I believe we will get along better and get better results. For no business concern is apt to succeed where those in control of it are constantly being "nagged" at and hounded by gossip-mongers and tale-bearers. Such a course is liable to disgust them and lead them to entirely abandon the enterprise. This is the danger point in this whole proceeding, and I would remind everybody who has the success of this undertaking at heart to profit by this warning, and to muzzle the mouth of those who have no interest in it, and who would be glad to see it become a failure. I have worked too hard

on this thing to see it spoiled by such methods.

Believe not what they say "they say,"

But only what you know you know, For falsehood travelth wondrous fast, While truth—it creepeth passing slow.

J. W. Madden.

## Farmers Urged to Grow Cucumbers for Pickling.

Eagle Lake, Texas, July 31.—Farmers are being urged through the local newspaper to give some attention next season to the growing of cucumbers for the pickling industry, the paper urging them to put in a small acreage in connection with their other crops which will bring in some early money. Cucumbers are grown extensively around Rock Island, this county, where a pickling company maintains a sub-station during the cucumber season, and the paper quotes a Rock Island banker who states that farmers in the Rock Island community made from \$50 to \$150 per acre this year on cucumbers.

Farmers are also encouraged to plant an acreage in sweet potatoes next season sufficient to secure a potato curing plant. The Chamber of Commerce is behind the move and it is believed that no trouble will be experienced in getting a sufficient acreage to secure the curing plant which will be put in by a San Antonio concern.

Water tanks that work successfully are being made in Australia from native clays, one of 10,000 gallons capacity having been constructed.