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"Quality, Not Quantity."

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STREET PAVING PRELIMINARIES

A committee from the city council will visit Lufkin this week to look into the paving question. At a meeting of the council last week a vote was taken and the council voted unanimously for the paving. The next step is to gather data as to cost and the kind of pavement best adapted to Crockett's needs. With this information in hand, the council will proceed to ask for bids for the paving. But the council wants first to decide what kind of paving to put down and the probable cost. The council has in view the paving of two thirds of the public square, the whole street from the court house to the railroad station and the two streets leading east from the square to the Baptist and Methodist churches. The county will be asked to pave a third of the court house square, the court house being county property. A third of the cost of paving the court house square will be borne by the city at large and the remaining third by the abutting property owners. By this arrangement the cost, if wisely and judiciously made, will not fall heavy on any one. If the county is not willing to pay its third of the cost of paving the court house square, it is proposed to leave a third of the square around the court house unpaved, but the cost to each taxpayer of the county will be so small that it is believed they would rather pay the additional tax than to get out of their vehicles into the mud when they come to town. It is well enough, however, to inquire into the cost and see if it is worth it. When the committee returns from Lufkin the council will be able to determine the probable cost of the kind of pavement decided on for Crockett. Every taxpaying citizen of the county has an interest in the court house square, as the court house belongs to the county—every taxpaying citizen, whether he lives in town or out of town.

James Brown Dead.

Mr. James Brown, a former citizen of Crockett, died in Oklahoma City, where he was engaged in the cotton business, Wednesday night of last week. The remains were shipped to San Antonio, where his wife and son reside, for interment Sunday. Mr. Brown was well known in Crockett, where he was once engaged in the mercantile business, and had many friends. He was a brother of the late Mrs. J. E. Downes and had other relatives here. His business took him away from Crockett a number of years ago, since which time he has been making his home in San Antonio, Oklahoma City and other places. Those bereaved by his death have the sympathy of our people in their loss.

Charcoal can be made from any kind of wood, but the quality varies with the wood used.

SOME NEWS OF THE CROCKETT OIL FIELD

The drill stem in the Porter well, which is down about 3450 feet, has not yet been extricated. The larger casing which is to be put down around the smaller casing with the hope of getting out the smaller casing has not arrived and nothing can be done until it arrives. In the meantime Mr. George L. Porter, the operator, remains hopeful of yet bringing in an oil well, as he has passed through some of the most encouraging formations. The Driskell well has finished setting casing and again has the drill going at a depth below 3250 feet. Col. T. E. Otis, the operator of this well, is hopeful as ever of bringing in this well and says that it is now only a question of size. Whether it will be a 5-barrel well or a 500-barrel well is all that remains for development.

More Oil Derricks.

Two oil derricks were unloaded at Grapeland last week and hauled out to drilling locations. One of them, we understand, went to Augusta and the other to a location between Grapeland and Augusta. People are going to keep punching around in Houston county until somebody finds an oil well. Watch the prediction.

MASS MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT

A citizens' mass meeting was held at the court house in Crockett Friday night in the interest of oil development in Houston county. The meeting was at the instance of a number of citizens who had gotten together during the day and called the meeting for the purpose of considering the further development of the oil business in Houston county.

D. A. Nunn called the meeting to order and briefly stated the purposes of the meeting. Judge A. A. Aldrich was elected chairman and C. M. Ellis secretary.

On motion of D. A. Nunn, duly seconded, Mr. George L. Porter of the Porter Oil Company, putting down the well on the Austin farm near Crockett, was asked to address the meeting, which he did, supplying such information as was desired regarding developments. He told of the large sum of money which his company had spent and is spending in putting down the two wells near Crockett and of the benefits which had resulted and would result to Crockett. He said that he had never failed to raise among his friends in other sections any amount of money needed, but that he wanted the financial cooperation of the people of Crockett in this great undertaking that meant so much to

Crockett and he solicited a liberal subscription of the unsold stock in his company. He did not ask for contributions, but he did ask for stock subscriptions in any amount necessary to show the same cooperation for which Crockett people were noted in other matters. In this he said he did not believe he would be disappointed, for he not only had confidence in the development of an underlying pool of oil, but in the people of Crockett as well. He knew they did not want something for nothing and he knew they would assist him in making a thorough test.

D. A. Nunn made a motion that the chair appoint a committee of five to canvass the town and county and see what could be done in the matter of stock subscriptions. The motion was seconded by J. M. Ellis and carried.

The chair appointed the following as the committee: D. A. Nunn, M. Bromberg, W. G. Cartwright, J. M. Ellis and Dr. R. E. Dillard.

Brief observations regarding the importance of the work of the committee were made by J. M. Ellis and M. Bromberg, members of the committee—stressing particularly the importance of the co-operation of the people. It was hoped that a liberal response would be met with in the matter of subscribing for stock in the company, the development of which meant so much for Crockett and Houston county. At this point, Mr. Gilchrist, the driller, offered to answer any question regarding the formations through which the drill had gone or any other question having to do with his work.

Mr. Nunn proposed a vote of confidence in Mr. George L. Porter, which vote of confidence was given by a rising vote and made unanimous.

An amendment to appoint two ladies on the stock-selling committee carried. Mrs. Jim Smith was appointed and asked to select some one to accompany her.

The subscription-soliciting or stock-selling committee met at the store of M. Bromberg Saturday morning at 9 o'clock and formulated its plans for canvassing. The committee will call on those whom it will have an opportunity of seeing, but the time is limited and the committee therefore asks that those interested—and all should be interested—see in person some member of the committee and make known how much of the stock will be subscribed for. A number of shares remain unsold and these will be sold elsewhere if not taken here. Mr. Porter will sell all remaining shares elsewhere, but he does not want to have to say that the people of Crockett were so disinterested in the development of their section that they held none of the shares. No contributions are being asked for. You are asked to invest in a few shares of the Porter Oil Company. If oil is found you have made a good investment. If none is found, you have assisted to that extent in making a thorough test. If oil is found

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

Following is a part of the proceedings of the last regular session of the Houston county commissioners' court. The proceedings were too lengthy to be copied in full, the list of claims allowed and much other routine business being omitted:

Bonds of Ach Baker with Mose Bromberg and John F. Baker as sureties; E. C. Arledge with Mose Bromberg and Arch Baker as sureties, as supervisors in Houston county levee district No. 1, were examined and approved.

J. G. Webb was appointed justice of the peace in the Porter Springs precinct.

Motion carried to apportion taxes collected as highway taxes to the various highway funds according to mileage within the various road districts and to be spent within those districts, and that the part apportioned to road districts Nos. 3 and 1 be placed in a fund known as the highway fund.

The First National Bank was designated the county depository on its bid of 3 per cent interest for average daily balances.

Motion carried that the ex-officio salary of the county judge be \$2400 annually, provided that he will turn into the county treasury all fees of office during this period of time. Beathard voted "No."

Motion carried that the county attorney be allowed \$500 ex-officio salary and that no commissions be collected by him from the county on delinquent tax suits. Beathard voted "No."

The ex-officio salary of the district clerk was placed at \$500, of the county clerk at \$500 and of the sheriff at \$1000 by unanimous vote.

Radio Concert.

A radiophone concert was enjoyed in the K. of P. Lodge Monday evening by members and friends. The radiophone was operated by Lanier Edmiston, who had arranged his radio outfit in the lodge rooms for that purpose. The program included concerts at Dallas, Fort Worth, Kansas City, St. Louis, Memphis, Atlanta, Havana, San Antonio and other broadcasting stations.

you have not only enhanced your own possessions, but you have assisted in a community and county-wide development that is far-reaching in its results. Mr. Porter has confidence in finding the oil. If not, he would not be spending his time and money here. His driller has passed through some of the most promising formations ever encountered in proven oil territory. If you have not taken some of the stock, see a member of the committee to-day and subscribe for what you can afford to invest in a proposition that looks like good pay. Do it to-day, for tomorrow may be too late.

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PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26 TO MARCH 3

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Richard Talmadge in "LUCKY DAN"

Five reels. Stunts, action, thrills never before equalled on the screen and a wonderful story that finishes right.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Corinne Griffith in "DIVORCE COUPONS"

A stirring drama of the South and New York; filled with love, drama and fashions. A photoplay that gets under the skin. A picture you will remember. Matinee 3:30.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

"DOUBLING FOR ROMEO"

With Will Rogers—By Elmer L. Rice and William Shakespeare.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

"THE SAGE HEN"

With Gladys Brockwell, Wallace MacDonald and Lillian Rich. A powerful drama of a woman's sacrifice for her greatest possession—her home, her honor and her child.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

Bert Lytell as Johnny Duffey, in

"THE RIGHT THAT FAILED" A screen story that swings hard for the heart—and lands! The engagement ring—its diameter that of Constance Talbot's third finger.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

"BUFFALO BILL"

Chapter 7

Playlet: Tom Santschi in "Seeing Red." Comedy: "Some Class."

A full line of leather goods at R. L. Shivers'. tf.

Oscar Hooks was a visitor at Groveton Sunday.

Visit R. L. Shivers for Dry Goods and Shoes. tf.

Hot rolls every evening for supper at Bakery. It.

H. J. Trube was in Houston the first of this week.

We buy and sell chickens and eggs. Crockett Bakery. It.

R. L. Shivers will not be undersold on grain and feed. tf.

Mrs. Hunter Smith has returned to her home in Athens.

Plenty of corn, maize and hay at R. L. Shivers Feed Co's. tf.

Buy your tires at the Tire Sale of the Crockett Filling Station. It.

Watch for our opening-day announcement Saturday, March the 3rd. It.

Mrs. Homer West and daughter, Bettie Roy, are visiting at Athens.

R. L. Shivers Feed Company has all kinds of feed, both sacked and bulk. tf.

A real bargain in a man's Bootie—\$7.50 value for \$5.85 at Kennedy's. It.

R. L. Shivers Feed Company handles the celebrated Virginia-Carolina Fertilizers. tf.

Mr. M. Monzingo is having the lot graded for a residence on North College street.

Plenty of turning plows, planters, section harrows and cultivators at R. L. Shivers'. tf.

Mrs. Willis Higginbotham of Stephenville is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

All wool khaki shirts to be closed out at \$2.45. It.

Dan J. Kennedy.

Misses Oscie and Ardola Cotton of Huntsville were guests of Miss Ernestine Hale Sunday.

Mrs. Willie Elliott and Miss Clarite Elliott have returned from a visit to friends in Houston.

Tire sale starting Saturday, February 24th, and lasting two weeks, at the Crockett Filling Station. It.

Make your cotton and corn yield more by using Virginia-Carolina Fertilizer, for sale by R. L. Shivers Feed Co. tf.

Tires and tubes have advanced, but prices will be lower than old prices during the Tire Sale at the Crockett Filling Station. It.

Lost—Pair of gold-rimmed glasses, in spectacle case, about two weeks ago. 2t. Mrs. Thos. Self.

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Kodaks for rent, 10 cents per day. Studio open on Sundays from 1 till 2 p. m. 8t. The Warren Studio.

Wood for Sale.

I have several cords of good sawed wood for sale. Phone 62 or 358. Thos. Self. 2t.

Frost-proof Cabbage Plants—One hundred 35c, over 200 25c hundred, post paid.

Jesse Barnes, Trinity, Texas.

For Sale at a Bargain.

The Hayslip place 1 1/4 miles south of Crockett, containing 135 acres—about 100 acres in cultivation, well improved in every way, and clear of oil lease with the exception of 25 acres held by the Porter Oil Co. This property adjoins their holdings. For price and terms call on C. W. Jones, Crockett, Texas.

Fine for Roads.

There is a fine lot of brick bat and mortar debris on the lots where the buildings are being torn down to make way for the Masonic Temple that would make good material for low, boggy places. There are numerous places on the roads around Crockett where this brick and mortar debris should be hauled and dumped. It is too serviceable to be lost by dumping on some vacant lot to do no one nor anything any good. The Cou-

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rier does not know what the present plans are, but we hope that this debris will be handled in such a way as to not be lost to the roads of Houston county.

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GERMANS HURL BOMBS IN HEADQUARTERS OF ENGINEERS

Gelsenkirchen Occupied by French Following Refusal to Pay Fine.

Duesseldorf, Feb. 17.—Bomb throwing and serious cases of sabotage occurred in the Ruhr valley during the night. A bomb thrown in a street in Essen near the Kaiserhof hotel, the French engineers' headquarters, where Chief Engineer Coste and 30 or 40 other civil engineers are lodged. No injuries resulted.

The windows of the hotel were broken by the explosion.

This hotel is guarded by French soldiers but the bomb thrower escaped. It is thought possible the bomb was thrown from the roof of a neighboring building.

Considerable additional difficulty in effecting transportation is being caused the French by the act of the Germans, recently reported, in sinking two laden barges in the channel of the Rhine-Herne canal, a main artery of water communication in the Ruhr. It will be several days before the occupying forces can get the barges out of the way. Meanwhile the canal remain blocked.

Another strike has occurred among the miners of the Krupp pits at Bochum, 16,000 men going out. They struck because the mine officials were arrested by the French for refusing to obey orders and obstructing the work of the French commission.

Gelsenkirchen, Feb. 17.—Gelsenkirchen was occupied by the French today and the population advised through public military proclamation that it would remain so until the fine of 100,000,000 marks was paid as indemnity for the recent wounding of French gendarmes in a clash with German police.

Martial law conditions prevailed throughout the city tonight, and the situation was pregnant with possibilities of disorder, especially since the local police had barricaded themselves in their barracks to prevent being disarmed by the French.

Strong forces of troops began arriving this morning from Recklinghausen, Bochum and Essen, apparently as the result of a conference held here Friday night between Generals Degoutte and Fournier.

The most important points in the city were occupied first, these including the post office, railway station, and the municipal treasury. Almost immediately the postal, telegraph and railway services ceased.

According to German quarters, the contents of the cash tills in the railway station were confiscated, likewise 40,000,000 marks found in the coffers of the railway hotel.

The moment the first of occupation troops appeared the proprietors of all banks, stores and hotels closed their doors. Street car traffic also ceased, under orders from the French, according to the Germans, who attribute to them also the closing of all motion picture houses, bars and public places of amusements.

Street traffic has been forbidden between 7 p. m. and 7 a. m.

Profits on Manufacture Amount to Over Six Millions.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 13.—Net profits for William Wrigley Jr. Company of Chicago, manufacturers, for 1922, were \$6,146,635, after deducting all charges and federal taxes, it became known today. That amounted to a profit of \$11.40 a share on the 539,055 shares of \$25 par common stock outstanding before the declaration of a 10 per cent dividend late in December.

\$1,250,000 BLAZE IN PLANT OF LUMBER COMPANY

FIREMEN HINDERED BY LACK OF WATER AND HEAVY WIND.

Hemphill, Tex., Feb. 15.—Starting from a gasoline torch, fanned by a high wind into a roaring blaze, fire tonight completely destroyed the big East Mayfield mill of the Temple Lumber Company, in addition to the big power and lighting plant which supplied both the plant and the town. The loss to the mill is roughly estimate at about \$1,000,000. The light plant and other losses will amount to a quarter of a million more. The fire started at 8:30 o'clock. At 10 o'clock it was under control.

The main building of the lumber company is a three-story structure, covering nearly an acre. One of the pipes under the building was out of commission. A workman was sent under the building to repair it. He was using a gasoline torch to solder the pipe. The flame from the torch flared up, setting fire to the bottom of the mill. Almost instantly flames were roaring up through the building overhead.

Firemen Handicapped.

The lumber company has its own fire equipment, which is designed to meet just such an emergency. It was not long before eight or more streams of water were playing on the fire, in addition to chemicals. The fire-fighting apparatus of the town also was brought into play. The firemen were handicapped by the fact that the water pressure was light. In addition, the fire had a big start and the mill building was full of inflammable material.

Within a few minutes after the fire was discovered it was plain that the main mill building could not be saved. In the big yards surrounding the mill was lumber valued at between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000. Water was turned on the lumber in order to save it. Because of the wind and intense heat this was a difficult task, and for a time it looked as if a large amount of the lumber would be burned. Fortunately the fire fighters, by desperate efforts were able to save most of this lumber.

The spread of the flames in other directions could not be prevented. Adjoining the main building was a well-equipped foundry and also a machine shop. Despite the efforts of the firemen, both these buildings caught fire and were destroyed.

Light Plant Burned.

The flames spread from the machine shop and foundry to the big, well-equipped light plant. Several streams were turned on it, but the extent of the blaze and the intense heat made it impossible to keep back the fire. The electric light plant caught fire and in a comparatively short time was burned to the ground. The town is in darkness tonight and will be for several days, perhaps longer.

The Temple Lumber Company is one of the big industries of East Texas. More than 400 men were employed in the building which was burned. The headquarters of the company are at Texarkana. The plant here was located at Hemphill about five years ago. For a long time it was part of the extensive holdings of Hiram Knox, one of the best-known lumbermen of Texas. About a year ago, with some other holdings of Mr. Knox, it was sold to the Temple Lumber Company.

As the Temple Lumber Company has a large plant at Pine-land, twenty miles from here, it is not certain whether the plant which was destroyed will be rebuilt.

Let the Courier print your sale bills.

PROMPT DECISIONS.

Every man occupying an executive position should make a decision promptly when appealed to by subordinates. Of course there are occasions when a final decision cannot be made on the first appeal; but even at that, a time can be set for a final answer.

The habit of putting a subordinate off by dillydallying along with first one subterfuge and then another, neither of which satisfies, creates a distrust in the mind of the person seeking such decision, as the real fitness of his superior for executive duties.

Prompt decision, on the other hand, disposes of an issue. It defines a set policy, or a course to be pursued. Problems are disposed of as they arise, leaving no vexatious uncertainties to contend with.

A captain of industry must be as decisive as his military prototype. When a crisis or an emergency arises, or a new problem is presented, each must be met with promptness and unwavering decision if respect for authority is to be maintained.

The honor roll of distinctive achievement is principally made up of this type of men.

666 quickly relieves Colds and LaGrippe, Constipation, Biliousness and Headaches.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS: To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon A. O. Harper, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive 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 nearest county to said Houston County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Crockett, on the 7th Monday after the first Monday in February, 1923, the same being the 26th day of March, 1923, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 10th day of January, 1923, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court Number 6049, wherein C. L. Edmiston and Mrs. F. G. Edmiston, partners composing the partnership firm of Edmiston Motor Company, are plaintiffs and A. O. Harper, A. J. Harper and Mrs. Lily A. Harper, a feme sole, are defendants, said petition alleging that the defendants executed their promissory note bearing date April 12th, 1921, wherein they promised to pay C. W. Butler, Jr., or order, on April 12, 1922, the sum of Eight Hundred and Forty Dollars with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the date of said note until paid and ten per cent additional as attorneys fees if collected by law or placed with attorneys for collection, and thereby became liable to pay said C. W. Butler, Jr. said sum of money, a substantial of which note is attached to plaintiff's petition. That plaintiff's are now the owners of said note and entitled to sue thereon; that on the 22nd day of September, 1921, the defendant, Mrs. Lily A. Harper, to secure the payment of said note, executed a deed of trust upon the following real estate situated in Limestone County, Texas, and in the City of Mexia and described as follows

BEGINNING fifty feet West of the South East corner of division XXXVI where Commerce Street intersects with Ross Avenue, as a place of beginning. THENCE West fifty (50) feet with South line of division XXXVI to stake for corner. THENCE North one hundred and twenty-five (125 ft.) parallel with East line of division XXXVI to stake for corner. THENCE East fifty (50 ft.) feet parallel with South line of

corner.

THENCE South parallel with East line one hundred and twenty-five (125 ft.) feet to place of beginning.

Plaintiffs sue for their debt with interest and attorney's fees and for foreclosure of its lien upon the above described property.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said day of the next term thereof this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness A. B. Smith, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of the said court on this the 29th day of January, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) A. B. Smith, Clerk District Court, Houston County, Texas.

Notice of Intention to Apply to the Legislature of the State of Texas for Special Legislation.

St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company hereby gives notice in accordance with Section 57, Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas that it will apply to the Thirty-eighth Legislature of the State of Texas for the passage of an act or law among other things authorizing it to purchase, own and operate as a part of its line the railroad of International-Great Northern Railroad Company; the railroad of Fort Worth and Rio Grande Railway Company; the railroad of Paris and Great Northern Railroad Company; the railroad of the Brownwood North and South Railway Company; the railroad of Quanah, Acme and Pacific Railway Company, or any one or more of said railroads, together with all the franchises, properties, rights and privileges of said companies or any of them, and authorizing said companies and each or any of them, to sell and convey all of its or their said railroads, constructed or to be constructed, and all other properties, rights, franchises and privileges to said St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company, and authorizing said St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company, in connection with the purchase of said properties, or any of them, to assume the payment in whole or in part of any or all bonds secured by mortgage or mortgages upon the properties so purchased, and—or to issue its stock and—or bonds in respect of the properties so purchased, and authorizing said St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company to construct, own and operate as a part or parts of its line the unfinished portion or portions of said railroads or any of them between the termini as defined in their respective charters, and to construct, own and operate as a part or parts of its line all extensions and branches of said railroads, or any of them, under or as authorized in and by the charter of said St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company, or any amendment thereof, made or to be made in pursuance of the General Laws of the State of Texas.

Dated Fort Worth, Texas, January 22, 1923.

St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway Company.

By J. M. KURN, President.

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SPEAKING FROM EXPERIENCE.

By Marietta Stephenson.
All day the hens have walked around,
Their plumage in the sun;
All day the hopes I cherished most,
To gather eggs, not one,

There has not been a sound today,
To start the noisy cackle,
Or motion, I might ever say,
Like eggs in baskets rattle.

The roosters on the high-board fence,
To fill the highest calling;
In scorn they view the feathered flock,
Their fondest hopes beguiling.

They comb their feathers in the sun,
And tell of old-time rations;
Of meat and milk that's good to eat,
To shun the latest fashions.

Go back to barn-yard scenes and sounds
When eggs were kept in bushels;
Without the aid of poultry books,
They only had to rustle.

They told them how to scratch and lay,
Unnumbered eggs, perchance,
For scientific points, perhaps,
They would find in Farm and Ranch.

Shall Religion Be Taught by Law in Our Public Schools?

There are several large and withal very respectable religious organizations which are planning to secure the introduction of bills into the various State legislatures during the 1923 sessions, to require the compulsory teaching of religion and the use of religious textbooks in our public schools. We do not impugn the motives of these very zealous religious organizations, but we certainly do question most seriously the propriety and feasibility of their plan and methods.

Under our general system of taxation for the support of universal education, it was deemed

advisable, for the sake of peace and harmony and the successful operation of the public schools, that their curriculum should be altogether secular, and that the fundamental elements of a liberal education to prepare and qualify for good citizenship should be the only tests required. This plan would place the children of all sects and divergent beliefs upon an equality before the law. On the other hand, every parent still had the option to send his children to a private or sectarian school where the same educational standards were required to be met.

Many church societies provided both religious and secular education for the children of their peculiar faiths, so that they might not lose the benefits of a spiritual education and training while acquiring a knowledge of the rudiments of a secular education. They were willing to make this personal financial sacrifice by supporting these private schools, and paying general school tax from which they reaped no personal benefit whatever.

But it appears now that some religious societies are not willing to make this personal sacrifice in addition to the tax required of all in the support of the public school system, and yet they want religion taught to their children, and consequently they propose that the state shall teach religion to all children under the general taxation system. This is manifestly unfair, not only to those who operate private schools at their own expense, but to those who make no profession of religious belief. Any one with one eye half open can see this point of inequality.

But aside from the monetary injustice involved in this plan of the compulsory teaching of religion in the public schools, is the unconstitutionality of such a plan and the consequent religious hatreds and animosities that would be engendered because of religious differences which could never be peaceably adjusted by law. It appears that some people are just living in the immediate present, and pay no heed whatever to the history of the past, which teaches lessons that should make us wise and ready to profit by the sad mistakes which others have made to their hurt.

The world has at least learned the lesson that governments suc-

ceed better without kings than with them. Those that remain are regarded as mere relics of a dead past. We are just beginning to learn that religion flourishes in greater purity and meets with greater success without, than with, the aid of civil government. Religion by law has never been a boon to anybody or anything.

Christ never sought to aid His cause by any alliance with the civil government. He chose His own teachers, and even they were not to go forth to teach the world until they were baptized with the Holy Spirit and endowed with heavenly power and authority. He exhorted His ambassadors not to lay their hands suddenly upon men or upon novices who might reproach upon the cause of Christianity. But this proposal that instructors in our public school shall teach religion by law imposes a duty upon many who may be entirely disqualified to give spiritual instruction. Many of the public school teachers do not even make a profession of religion. Some are rank infidels, and evolutionists, while others belong to every "ism" imaginable. What standard or brand of religion would all these teach? Certainly the Author of the Christian religion could not place His indorsement upon such a plan. These men and women engaged in a secular pursuit of life were never divinely ordained to perform the sacred function of teaching the Christian religion.

The worst feature of this whole program which is being launched by these religious societies, and which these religious reformers seem to ignore, is the religious hatreds and animosities that will be engendered as a consequence if such legislation should become effective. Such a plan would not only ruin our excellent public school system, so admirably adapted to the development of good citizenship in America, but it would corrupt even the church itself. Where

we now have peace and good will, there would be bitter contentions and strife.—Religious Freedom.

Why People Buy From Stores That Advertise.

You have often heard people ask this question, "Why is it I never strike a bargain like you do?" That person is not a wide-awake nor careful buyer and does not read the advertisements in this newspaper.

When a business man pays money to make a public announcement, he usually has something worth while to offer—something that is to your advantage to know. He has a money-saving sale, a new assortment of styles or extraordinary values of some kind to tell you about.

To take advantage of these opportunities you must get at the meat of the newspaper—its advertisements.

According to reports, Germany is re-organizing its war college.

The youngest member of the New York bar is Miss Roberta Lavy of Brooklyn, who is only 21.

In Turkey, Syria and Armenia the women wear garments of celestial blue as an emblem of mourning.



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Hooks Bros.
Groceries and Feed.

Mr. Business Man

WHY not make your appeal for patronage through the columns of this paper? With every issue it carries its message into the homes of the best people in this section.

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OPTOMETRY

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Being now authorized by the proper authorities to practice Optometry, I will appreciate your patronage. Satisfaction guaranteed.
J. A. BRICKER.

FRENCH TROOPS TOLD TO EMPTY GERMAN STORES

PERMISSION GIVEN TO COMMANDEER WHEN SALE IS REFUSED.

Essen, Feb. 15.—General Fournier, French commander, notified Lord Mayor Luther today that the occupation forces had been authorized to help themselves in public houses and shops if the proprietors refused to serve them and that any establishment where service is refused will be closed.

Dr. Luther replied that it was contrary to the German law for anyone to serve himself in a German shop or public house. Five cases dealing with virtually all the new forms of German resistance are scheduled for trial tomorrow before a French court martial at Bredeneu.

It is expected that the first of these cases will be that against Lord Mayor Arstein of Oberhausen, who refused to permit Oberhausen's main railway station to be supplied with electricity or gas after it had been occupied by the Belgians. Other persons accused include Director Buszman of the Rhenish Westphalian electricity works, and Vice Lord Mayor Schaefer of Essen, both of whom were arrested in connection with the cutting off of electricity from the Kaiserhof hotel here. Charges with regard to the non-delivery of coal are pending against Herr Schaefer.

Another of Essen's leading daily newspapers, The Essen Allgemeine Zeitung, has been forbidden to publish for a fortnight.

Reports from other parts of the occupied area indicate that military occupation of the mines is being resumed and further arrests are being made. Workmen of the Prosper mine No. 3 quit when this property was occupied, and the miners at the Rheinbaden and the United Wilhelm mines called protest strikes.

It is announced from Gelsenkirchen that the 31 policemen who were arrested recently there are being held at Recklinghausen, where also are imprisoned Gelsenkirchen's lord mayor, vice lord mayor, director of the reichsbank, the chief of police and one major of police.

Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.

CONGRESS HAS TWO WEEKS ON PENDING BILLS

SENATE FIGHT TO DETERMINE FATE OF SHIP SUBSIDY MEASURE.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Inauguration of a fight to the finish in the senate today on the administration shipping bill was marked by the presentation by Chairman Jones of the commerce committee of the print of a modified measure and by the announcement by the chairman that he expected to hold the senate in night session Monday night and every night thereafter until the bill is disposed of or an agreement reached for a final vote.

With sine die adjournment of the session due at noon two weeks from tomorrow, leaders of the forces supporting and opposing the shipping bill recognized that in these weeks the fate of the measure, which has been the principal legislation considered during the session, would be definitely decided. President Harding has let it be known that, should a vote not be reached before adjournment, he would under no circumstances call congress in special session for further consideration of the bill.

The modifications shown in the new print of the bill presented by Chairman Jones represent compromises reached by the champions of the measure and those senators who have been only lukewarm toward it. They will be offered by Senator Jones with recommendations that they be adopted and are understood to have received the approval of President Harding and of Chairman Lasker of the shipping board.

Foremost among the alterations is the inclusion of a section providing government aid shall not be paid ship operators with respect to any vessel other than a vessel purchased from the board after the enactment of the pending act until after the board shall have sold vessels now in its possession amounting to a gross tonnage of 1,500,000 tons or approximately one-half of its present holdings.

Ninety-eight bushels to the acre is the average yield of potatoes in the entire United States for the last ten years.

The first law pensioning civil war veterans for disability was enacted July 14, 1862.

FREIGHT REDUCED ON WEEVIL POISONING

Railroads in Cotton-Producing States Announce 50 Per Cent Cut.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 15.—Freight rates on calcium arsenate and all other boll weevil poisonings were reduced 50 per cent on all railroads in the cotton producing states, according to an announcement made this evening by James A. Perry, member of the Georgia public service commission.

The commission announced that this action was taken by the railroads themselves following a ruling by the commission calling on the railroads to show cause why the rates on calcium arsenate should not be reduced to a scale of 50 per cent higher than the rate for fertilizer.

The railroads replied by offering to reduce rates 50 per cent on both interstate and intrastate shipments in cotton producing states.

The farmer is thus given the benefit of the reduced rates on the entire haul from the manufacturer to his receiving point.

Members of the commission and agricultural experts here said that calcium arsenate is in big demand as it is the principle weapon used in the fight against the boll weevil.

The commission said the new rates will go into effect in a day or two, just as soon as they can be promulgated over the various systems affected.

French Tighten Hold On Essen Territory.

Essen, Feb. 17.—The French hold on Essen was tighter today in consequence of the shooting of two soldiers Friday. Infantrymen occupied the police barracks throughout the night and members of the force were deprived of their weapons. The chief of police is under arrest.

Ober Burgomaster Havenstein of Oberhausen, Vice Lord Mayor Schaefer of Essen, and Herr Buszmann, director of the Essen electric light plant, have been punished by court martial for violating French orders.

Havenstein, sentenced to three years' imprisonment on charge of cutting off the supplies of gas and electricity upon the arrival of the French in Oberhausen, contended that he had carried out the instructions of his superior.

Careful Buyers Read Business Man's Message.

The printed announcement in the newspaper is the merchant's personal message to the readers. He tells them what bargains he has to offer. He keeps them informed as to the arrival of new goods. He shows them the way to obtain quality at a saving in price.

Careful, economical buyers watch the advertisements in this newspaper and save money on their purchases. Are you one of them? Or do you buy haphazardly, merely to accommodate some one else—to help some one profit by your thoughtlessness?

Look over the advertisements in this issue and see what bargains are offered today.

Ismet Tells Allied Head of His Desire for Peace.

London, Feb. 17.—Ismet Pasha, in conversing with Lieutenant General Harrington, the allied commander, reiterated, according to Reuter's Constantinople correspondent, his sincere desire for peace. He emphasized the necessity of reaching a settlement before spring and expressed public sentiment as "having virtually reached an agreement with Great Britain." Ismet added that the obstacles were economic questions which were of primary importance to Turkey.

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You know that WE DO MORE BUSINESS than any other store in this town, and that this can only be done by holding our customers from year to year.

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Groceries, Feed and Hardware

INCOME TAX MAN COMING MARCH 1

Tyler, Texas, Feb. 17. Crockett Courier:

This is to advise you that a deputy collector, W. E. Chancellor, from this office will be in your city on March 1, 2, 3, 1923, for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in that community in preparing their income tax returns for the year 1922.

You are requested to give this information publicity by publication. Respectfully, Geo. C. Hopkins, Collector.

Advantages of Buying Advertised Goods.

Merchandise that is advertised moves much faster than that which is not, and therefore the stock is kept new and up-to-date. There are no shopworn, slow sellers to be disposed of in the

store that keeps the advertising columns at work selling goods.

And you can always depend upon the quality of advertised articles. The merchant's reputation is back of his merchandise and he cannot jeopardize it by misrepresenting his goods even the least bit.

Furthermore, the dealer's newspapers announcement usually offers money-saving bargains, and every thrifty person should take full advantage of such opportunities. Read the advertisements today.

Wanted—Man with car to sell complete line low priced tires and tubes. \$100.00 per week. Sterlingworth Tire Co., 4361 Sterling, E. Liverpool, Ohio. 1t.*

The average yield of corn to the acre varies in the United States from 14.8 bushels in Florida to 47 bushels in Connecticut.

The New York National Guard has adopted a silver half-moon as its insignia.

Along Comes Spring

AND WITH SPRING COMES BASEBALL

Let the boys play ball. It's good for them. Let them come to our drugstore for their baseball goods. We have a full supply of

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- Base Ball Gloves, prices from 50c to \$7.50
- Base Ball Shoes, prices from \$5 to \$6.50
- Catcher Mitt, prices from \$3.00 to \$10.00
- First Base Mitt, prices from \$2.00 to \$7.00
- Base Ball Caps, price 75c
- Base Ball Hose, price 75c

We will make special prices to Clubs needing complete outfit. See our line before buying.

We also carry Basket Balls and a nice line of Tennis Rackets and Balls.

Beasley Drug Co.

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**EDITORIALS BY
COL. R. T. MILNER**

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

SOUND JUDGMENT, COURAGE AND PERSEVERANCE.

All of our short comings are the result of failing to do what our judgment dictates, or doing things which our judgment disapproves.

We are speaking of a judgment which is reasonably sound, the rational, normal judgment. Our judgment, in its normal state, points out a straight way to travel, or act.

In order to foster a sound judgment it is necessary to give heed to perseverance and courage. Of course integrity is absolutely essential to success in any honorable calling.

A merchant recently said to the writer: "Had I adopted a thoroughly well planned programme in the beginning of my business, looking after the smallest details, familiarizing myself with the needs of my customers and the essentials in the real progress of my country, taking into consideration that my permanent success depended upon the permanent success of my customers, and leaving out the artificial elements of trade and traffic, and had the courage to stand by that programme, my life would have been more satisfactory and my usefulness far greater."

"My judgment really dictated that course, but the haphazard and unscientific way of doing business demoralized all my plans, and I soon became the victim of a system in this country which no right-minded man will defend."

"I started out," said a gentleman, "to be a model farmer. My father was above the average farmer. He, as long as I knew him, was a success. He produced an independent living at home. It seemed natural for him to have an abundance of livestock on the place, and he produced a large variety of stuff, and invariably had a hog, or a cow, or a few bushels of corn to sell. He seemed to make cotton without any strain, and when he sold it he had money to purchase all the needs of the home. He regarded a crop mortgage as a down-right disgrace, and looked upon the buying of feed stuff even unworthy of the old-fashioned negroes."

"He was what we used to regard as a type of the Southern country gentleman, who was a real monarch of his home, went to church once a month, paid the preacher, and when he went to town he was looked up to by the store keepers, and every one knew better than to tell him he needed, or ought to have a certain thing. Because he would have regarded it as an insult, since he permitted no man to tell him he needed a thing. He had sound judgment and the courage of a Confederate soldier."

"Well, when I started out on my own hook I disregarded his old foggy ways, planned to make a fortune in a few years, and be done with it. My scheme was to expand, plant the world in cotton, certain of the fact that it would always sell for the money, cash down and no grumbling."

"Little attention did I pay to live stock, except mules to plow the land. Cotton was my major study day in and day out. I speculated on the credit merchant and he bet on me. I bought his stuff freely, not only implements, but everything to feed the mules and all provisions for my hands."

"The first year I came out about even. That suited the merchant all right. He was still putting up his money on me, and I felt pretty secure as long as he was betting on me with so much confidence."

"So I put a few more acres in

cotton, having cut out all oats, and reducing my acreage in corn. I was going to come fast and furious on the second round. And so I did. Cotton was in demand at a far price. I paid up and had a few hundred dollars over. I was delighted and so was my credit merchant. He told me that I need this, that, and the other thing. I took him at his word. He was a true sport as long as the tide went his way. He assured me that he would be delighted to increase his bet on me. He would stand for a few more mules, and he did not see why in the world so fine a cotton raiser should fool with corn two minutes. I agreed with him.

"That being the third year, and the last one a little profitable, I concluded that I would plant the fence corners in cotton."

"The yield was not quite so good. Price was down, and I fell behind. But the credit gentleman was still willing to wager on me to the tune of what he thought I could cover next fall, but he had to be the judge."

"I began to see how easy he controlled my operations. It was dawning on me that I was some man's slave. Soon I would be in a state of bondage worse than my father's negroes were, because he saw to it that they were comfortably housed, well fed, and if one took sick he had the best doctor in town, and that mighty quick. I was coming to realize my awful situation. From the very first I had gone contrary to the example of my father, and contrary to my own judgment. I was almost lost."

"My merchant, seeing that I was in great distress, and in a disturbed state of mind, said he would give the debt for my farm and \$500 to boot."

"I saw that he was not going to bet on me any more if he could help it. And I was beginning to make up my mind that I would cease to wager with cotton, and the credit man holding the stakes."

"I was, as well as I can imagine, just about in the same fix of the Prodigal-Son of whom we read in the Good Book. So I rose up and started back to the way of my noble, old father."

"For years I toiled and saved, and saved and toiled. I grew corn and peas, and peas and corn. I raised hogs and cows, and cows and hogs."

"I cut the credit man cold. My father had told me when I was a small boy that gentlemen had no bosses, especially country gentlemen. In a short time at the rate I was traveling I would have been bound to a boss, body and soul. I saw it coming fast."

"I am back now on my feet after many trials and great tribulations. I do not care if cotton goes to '4-bits' a pound next fall I shall not sacrifice my live stock and neglect to raise my feed."

"And if all the farmers of the South would only join me in making a living at home, and manage to own the cotton after we make it, we would bring the world to its knees, as Henry Grady said, and wring from the coffers of the plutocrats a subsidy for our cotton which would make us the most independent people of the world."

Greatest War Hero Weds St. Louis Girl.

St. Louis, Feb. 13.—Michael B. Ellis, declared one of America's greatest war heroes, was married today to Miss Catherine Krzyzanowska. Ellis, captured 53 Germans and 10 enemy machine guns single-handed, while serving in France, and for his valor was decorated by America, France and Italy, General Pershing bestowed the Congressional medal of honor on him after his return from France. Ellis was a sergeant in the 28th infantry. His bride was an American Red Cross worker in France, but Ellis said he did not meet her until his return to America. He is 28 years old, and employed in the post office here.

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**HOUSE REPORTS
SUBSTITUTE BILL
ON IMMIGRATION**

Minority Believe Measure Discriminates Against Central Europe.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Brought out as a substitute for the senate bill for admission of 25,000 Armenians refugee orphans, the measure proposing restriction of immigration to 2 per cent of the nationals of each country in the United States at the time of the 1890 census was reported today to the house. Chairman Johnson of the immigration committee plans to press for its early consideration.

Accompanying the bill were majority and minority reports in which the bill was hailed on the one hand as a "more nearly scientific plan" of regulation than anything heretofore attempted and assailed on the other hand as proposing a "deliberate discrimination" against immigration from Southern and Eastern Europe.

"This measure will restrict immigration greatly," said the majority report. "If continued for but a few years it will provide the way for the handling of immigration to the United States just as the people of the United States want it handled, safely, sanely, humanely, with due regard for the right of the family to be considered as a unit, but with particular care for the welfare of the United States."

"The state department will recognize no representation from other countries that interferes or threatens to interfere with that right. Our treaty-making powers will make no convention or treaty that takes away from this generation or any future generation the right to protect its solidarity, the commitment for the safety of our nation and those who comprise it."

Adoption of the 2 per cent quota based on the 1890 census would be a "deliberate discrimination against the so-called new immigration. The minority report, which was signed by Representatives Seigel of New York and Maloney of Massachusetts, republicans, and Habath of Illinois, democrat, stated:

"If it is not intended arbitrarily to discriminate against the immigration from Australia, Czecho-Slovakia, Denmark, Italy, Norway, Poland, Rumania, Sweden and other countries, why did the proponents of the measure take the 1890 census?" the report asked. "It is too apparent that it is intended not to reduce immigration from Great Britain and Germany, but to completely stop almost all immigration from all other countries."

From L. D. Shuptrine.

Medina, Tex.,
Feb. 14, 1923.

Editor Crockett Courier:
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir:
Enclosed find postoffice order for one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50), for which please send me the Crockett Courier for another year.

When the time draws near for this paper to expire, I begin to think, "Will I just drop it or renew?" I must renew again, as have been a constant reader too long to do without it. I have been taking the Courier something over 28 years; have been moved away from the county 12 years, but I still like to keep up with the news from Houston county.

Bandera county has been very dry—no rain here since October. Grain looked like it was almost dead, and stock all pretty poor. No market for cattle here; sheep and goats are doing pretty good. We had some small showers the last days of January; on the 3rd day of February a norther blew up, getting colder on the 4th, rain turning to sleet and get-

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ting pretty cold for Bandera county.

But all hasn't been told yet. On the 5th day white, fluffy flakes began to fall; but the next morning an entirely different earth.

We found ourselves repeating lines from "Whittier's Snow Bound." It was a very pretty sight; the distant hills gleamed with the beautiful snow. Most every one was delighted over it. Besides thinking it a promise of a good crop year, a change is appreciated sometimes, especially when it is something that has not been seen for years.

After the snow melted, some of the farmers thought it would be moisture enough to bring up corn. I am afraid it won't, as it has been dry so long, but it has been a help. Small grain is beginning to put out green now, and we hope we will get rain and

make good crops yet.

But we must, above all things, look to the Giver of all good and perfect gifts, who watches and cares for all His children here below.

I extend my heartiest welcome and good cheer to all the readers of the Crockett Courier and people of Houston county.

Your faithful reader,
L. D. Shuptrine,
Medina, Texas.

Bandera County.

Crockett Train Schedule.

- South Bound.
- No. 1, Sunshine Special, 2:45 PM
- No. 5, Houston Limited, 1:48 AM
- North Bound.
- No. 2, Sunshine Special, 2:45 PM
- No. 4, Local Passenger, 6:53 PM

Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.

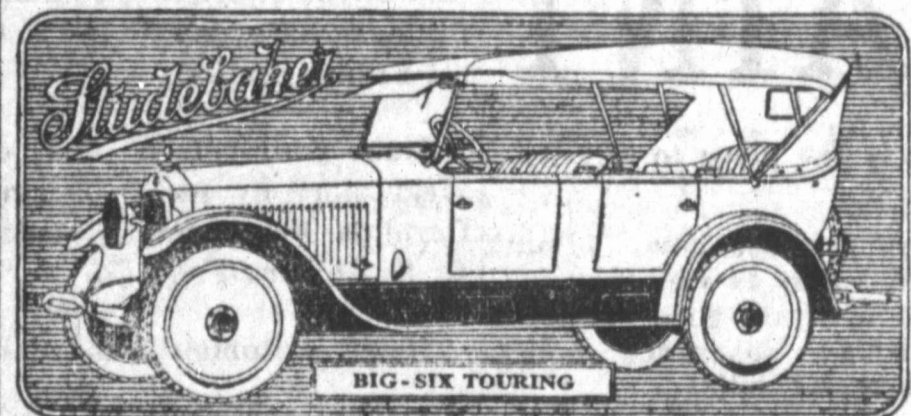
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32X3½ Fabric N. S. S. S.	\$11.75
31X4 Fabric N. S. C. L.	\$12.99
32X4 Fabric N. S. S. S.	\$13.99
33X4 Fabric N. S. S. S.	\$14.99
34X4 Fabric N. S. S. S.	\$15.99
30X3 Grey Tube	\$1.35
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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

A full line of leather goods at R. L. Shivers'.

J. W. Young is on a business trip to California.

Visit R. L. Shivers for Dry Goods and Shoes.

Ask your groceryman for Blue Ribbon Bread.

Closing out our army leggings at 39c. Dan J. Kennedy.

R. L. Shivers will not be undersold on grain and feed.

Plenty of corn, maize and hay at R. L. Shivers Feed Co's.

For service, call the Magnolia Filling Station. Phone No. 312.

Johnsoh Arledge and Lanier Edmiston were at Houston this week.

Don't forget to go to the Bakery for fishing trip and picnic lunches.

NOW Is the Time to PAINT

Here is the place to buy it.

Paint your house now. Paint will add value as well as beauty. A coat of good paint is your best insurance policy against repair bills.

And in order to make sure of the best results use DuPont Prepared Paint. We have found that DuPont looks better, wears longer, and because of its covering capacity and long life is very economical.

Jno. F. Baker
THE REXALL STORE

On of the week's specials—
\$1.35 Table Linen at 98c, at Kennedy's.

R. L. Shivers Feed Company has all kinds of feed, both sacked and bulk.

W. J. Parten of Weldon was transacting business in Crockett Wednesday.

R. L. Shivers Feed Company handles the celebrated Virginia-Carolina Fertilizers.

Plenty of turning plows, planters, section harrows and cultivators at R. L. Shivers'.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Bennett returned Wednesday from their bridal trip to Houston.

All tires in all sizes on sale at the Two Weeks Tire Sale at the Crockett Filling Station.

We handle the best oils and gas that money can buy. Magnolia Filling Station.

A new shipment of men's mixed silk and wool ties, the newest in neckwear, at Kennedy's.

Miss Lucia Painter has returned from an extended visit at Galveston, Houston and Stephenville.

Mrs. George Crook was called to Athens this week by the death of a relative, Judge A. B. Watkins.

Guaranteed Tires will be on sale at the two weeks sale starting next Saturday at the Crockett Filling Station.

Make your cotton and corn yield more by using Virginia-Carolina Fertilizer, for sale by R. L. Shivers Feed Co.

Buick Automobile for Sale.
A bargain if taken at once. Crockett Dry Goods Co.

We have a stock of Goodrich tires. If you want to save money, see us before buying. Magnolia Filling Station.

Bank Stock.
We offer for sale 10 shares First National Bank of Lovelady, Texas, stock at a bargain. Edwin McKellar, Austin, Texas.

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

The Courier's list of subscription renewals this week lacks six names of being as large as it was last week, but it is a good list nevertheless and appreciated. Callers report the roads as having dried out with marked rapidity. Farm work is well under way in some sections and a number of new houses have been built. Altogether the outlook is encouraging, they say.

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

- H. J. Laird, Lovelady Rt. 1.
- G. B. Kent, Grapeland Rt. 4.
- C. H. Barbee, Lovelady.
- S. H. Platt, Crockett Rt. 7.
- J. P. Christian, Crockett Rt. 2.
- A. J. Krenek, Lovelady Rt. 2.
- C. H. Fritze, Crockett Rt. 2.
- H. B. Meek, Eastland.
- Mrs. J. M. Peck, Crawfordsville, Ark.
- Judge W. B. Wall, Crockett.
- L. D. Shuptrine, Medina.
- W. V. Berry, Crockett.
- J. C. Satterwhite, Crockett.
- John L. Dean, Crockett.
- J. M. Ellis, Crockett.
- Albert Thompson, Crockett.
- A. B. Burton, Crockett.
- Miss Willie Wortham, Dallas.
- Mrs. E. M. Yerger, Clarksdale, Miss.
- W. G. Creath, Crockett Rt. 8.
- A. R. McCarty, El Dorado, Ark.
- Mrs. Madie Stokes, Mineral Wells.
- H. G. Bradley, Groveton.
- George Teal (col.), Crockett.
- A. M. Berry (col.), Fordice.

Judge Watkins Dead.
A number of Crockett relatives and friends went to Athens this week to attend the funeral of Judge A. B. Watkins, who died from a stroke of paralysis. Judge Watkins was at one time district judge of this district and was prominent at the Athens bar.

SPRING OPENING

Easter Sunday comes on April the first this year, so shop early. As a special inducement for you to shop early, I am putting on an offer for six days commencing February 26.

With every suit or coat and pants order I am going to give you an extra pair of pants FREE. I have the goods and the price to suit everybody. Suits from

\$28.50 TO \$60.00

Give you the very best of goods, trimmings and workmanship that can not be excelled. Come in and look over our samples and be convinced.

Don't Forget the Date, Feb. 26th.

B. R. Purcell
YOUR TAILOR

The Home of Crockett Made Clothes
Where Style, Quality and Workmanship Prevail.

Bond Election Carries.

The Lovelady Independent School District has voted \$25,000 in bonds to build a new school house. Our information is that the vote was 96 for the bonds and 62 against them. The additional maintenance tax of 50 cents also carried.

New Train Schedule.

A new train schedule is being spoken of for Sunday. It is said that the local day passenger trains will be restored and the present night trains discontinued. The local day passenger trains were discontinued about a year ago. The Sunshine Special, both ways, will remain, but

will have an accelerated schedule. The new time card has not been received at the Crockett station, and the time of arrival and departure of trains is yet unknown.

Some Postscripts.

Women in Cuba have organized a party for woman suffrage.

Nearly all the town councils in Poland now have women members.

Sugar cane waste is now being converted into a coarse form of board used in lining walls.

The flywheel of some types of motorcycles turns at a rate of 4000 revolutions a minute.

A South American Indian tribe is ruled by a woman whose every utterance is a word of law.

Final! Final!!

I have made good progress in the closing out sale of variety goods at Harris' Racket Store, and I still have some shoes, shirts, hosiery and many other every-day used articles that you can buy at bargain prices.

Make it a point to come Saturday, the LAST DAY of this Sale. Final closing-out prices on everything.

Ladies' 40c Hose for	25c
Ladies' Dollar Shirt-Waists for	50c
Outing Night Gowns for	\$1.25
Ladies' 50c Union Suits for	35c
Ladies' 50c Ribbed Vests for	35c
Double-Mesh Hair Nets, 3 for	25c

E. K. CAPRIELIAN

Watch for our opening-day announcement of Grocery, Feed and Kitchenware Saturday, March the third.

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PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Married Sunday Afternoon.

Taking their friends by surprise, Mr. Earle Bennett and Miss Marie Williams, both of this city, motored to Lovelady Sunday afternoon and were married by one of the Lovelady pastors. They then caught the Sunshine Special for Houston, where they are spending a brief honeymoon before returning to Crockett to make their home. Accompanying them were Miss Alta Stokes and Mike McCarty of this city, who returned to Crockett by automobile. The bride, whose home was in Madison county, is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. H. Durst and has been attending school in this city, finishing in high school last year, since which time she has taken a course in a Houston business college. She is a young woman of a most lovable temperament and sunshiny disposition and has many friends whose best wishes will always follow her. The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bennett, was reared in Crockett and is a young man of the most exemplary habits. As students in the Crockett high school he and his bride formed a friendship that ripened into the love culminating in Sunday afternoon's marriage. He also attended business college in Houston and at the time his bride-to-be was a student in the same college. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett begin married life under the most favorable auspices and with the congratulations of all our people.

The Bible Society.

Our county Bible society held its 69th annual meeting at the Methodist church last Sunday night. After an appropriate sermon by Brother Lee the following officers were elected for the year: I. A. Daniel, president; A. A. Aldrich, vice president; C. W. Jones, corresponding secretary; John F. Baker, treasurer, to which were added for an executive committee: C. D. Towery of the Christian church; Gail King of the Methodist church; W. R. Turner of the Baptist church; George Denny of the Presbyterian church. The executive committee will only need to meet at the call of the president when there may be business requiring their attention. The report for the past year shows that the society has sold Bibles and Testaments to the value of \$66.00. The society has a good assortment on hand—some very small print Bibles and Testaments and some large print suit-

TWENTY-FIVE DIE AS HOMICIDE UNIT OF ASYLUM BURNS

Calm Work of Attendants Saves Hundreds— Fire Fighters Handicapped.

New York, Feb. 18.—Fire, which followed a terrific explosion that rocked the buildings of the Manhattan State hospital for the insane on Ward's island in the East river this morning, resulted in the deaths of 22 inmates and three male attendants. The fierce blaze, sweeping the west wing of the main building, sent 1600 maniacs, confined in that section of the asylum, out into the biting winds of a zero weather morning as the remainder of the 6338 inmates remained in their wards cowering and wailing.

The fire was discovered at 5:05 o'clock by Michael Campbell, an attendant in ward 43, in which all the fatalities occurred. His calm, heroic work and that of James Hill, attendant in-charge, and Patrick Biltigan, George A. de Emo and George F. Reiss, the three attendants who were burned to death, prevented a far greater catastrophe.

Hospital authorities and City Medical Examiner Norris, after a hurried investigation, said that in all probabilities a blast set off by dredgers in Hell Gate last night was the immediate cause of the fire. According to their theory, the explosion caused a break in the insulation of electric wires in the attic of the building and a short circuit did the rest.

Cool Order Saves Day.

Upon discovering the blaze Campbell manned a hose and fought back the flames, while the other attendants, directed by Hill, ran up and down the 200-foot top floor corridor, rousing the patients with the cool order, "All up for breakfast."

As fast as the maniacs—declared by Superintendent Marcus Heyman to have been the most dangerous on the island—could be marshaled from their rooms, they were marched in orderly procession to the fire-proof dining hall, far from the scene of the fire.

Seventy of the 92 inmates of ward 43 had been led or carried to safety when a huge water tank in the blazing attic crashed through the ceiling, completely blocking the corridor that led to safety and filling the hall with flames and smoke. City firemen, fighting their way past the blazing barrier, brought out several struggling, screaming maniacs and several who had been overcome by smoke while dressing for the "breakfast" call. Most of the dead were found in

ed for old people—some nice gilt edge Bibles suitable for presents and some large family Bibles. These Bibles are sold at cost and are in charge of Mr. John F. Baker at his drug store. Our society is part of the American Bible Society, whose work is under the direction of all denominations, and is world-wide in its good work of printing and translating the scriptures and circulating them over the world. Any one inclined to help in this cause may do so by handing a contribution to Mr. Baker. Those desiring to buy a Bible can find one at Mr. Baker's drug store.

the rooms and corridors beyond the fallen tank. Several were believed to have been carried down and burned beneath the debris when the floor gave way.

Seventeen bodies of inmates and one believed to be that of an attendant had been recovered tonight. In addition, a few charred bones had been found which were believed to be all that was left of some of those unaccounted for.

Among the five bodies which had been identified tonight were those of three world war veterans who had been suffering from shell shock. They were Vincent Delbene, Frank Fromberg and James R. Hines, all of New York. The others identified were Solomon Applebaum and Nathan Cohen, also of New York. Attempt to identify the others was abandoned tonight. Most of the remaining bodies were badly charred and it was believed many of them never would be positively identified.

The dove can fly at a speed of 100 feet a second, or sixty-eight miles an hour, although its usual rate is less.

26 Officials Expelled From the Rhineland.

Coblenz, Feb. 15.—Twenty-six Rhineland officials, including the burgomaster of Wiesbaden, have been expelled for disobeying the French authorities. The officials will be sent into unoccupied Germany—nine

from Aachen, eight from Treves, four from Weisbaden, two from Mayence, two from Landau and the burgomaster of Oborhasen.

Seven students of the Bonn university, who participated in the reception when Fritz Thyssen passed through Bonn after his Mayence trial, have been deported to unoccupied territory.

Friday Night, Feb. 23, 1923

8:15 P. M.

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

BIG HOME TALENT MINSTREL SHOW

Come out and have a good laugh.

HEAR

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SPONSORED BY METHODIST LADIES.

S-A-L-E

**Friday, Saturday and Monday
February 23rd, 24th, 26th**

Human nature is very much the same wherever you go, and a real opportunity to save is appreciated by all of us.

During our three day's sale, we are going to give our friends and customers an opportunity to save in every department and a special saving of 50 per cent on every article listed below.

COME AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS

MEN'S SHOES

100 pair men's work SHOES all sizes, these are standard makes but discontinued styles, worth up to \$5.00
3 Days Special ----- **\$1.98**

MEN'S WORK SHIRTS

Blue work shirts, a good quality, worth 75c and \$1.00
3 Days Special ----- **49c**

Brown Sheeting 9-4

Not the best made, but a wonderful value for
3 Days Special ----- **24c**

AMERICAN LADY CORSETS

One lot, good styles, white and flesh, worth \$1.50 to \$2.50
During This Sale ----- **79c**

SILKS! SILKS! SILKS!

Taffetas, Messalines, Dutches, Satins, Crepe de Chines, Georgettes, Foulards, all the newest shades, 1 to 5 yard lengths, regardless of former prices, **98c**
3 Days Sale, for the yard

TABLE DAMASK

72 inches wide, beautiful designs, worth \$1.00, for **59c**
3 Days Special, the yard

THREAD

A good six-cord sewing thread, black and white, 3 Days Special, 6 Spools for ----- **25c**

PERCALE

Beautiful patterns and a large assortment to select from **7½c**
3 Days Special the yard

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