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INCOME TAXES UNDER NEW LAW 25 PER CENT CUT

Washington, June 3.—Official directions were issued today by the treasury department covering the process the taxpayer should go through in determining how he should pay his taxes under the new revenue bill.

"If at the time you filed your federal income tax return you paid three-fourths of the amount of the tax reported, no further payments will be due," the treasury said.

"If at the time you filed your return you paid only one-fourth of the amount of tax reported, you must pay on or before June 15 one-half of the amount paid by you when you filed your return.

"The main point to be borne in mind is that one-half of the tax due from you this year must have been paid on or before June 15.

Reduction Is 25 Per Cent.

The usual notices have been issued by internal revenue collectors reminding income taxpayers that the second installment of tax is due June 15. Of special interest to taxpayers is the provision carried in the new revenue law to the effect that the tax of incomes received by individuals in the calendar year 1923 will be reduced by 25 per cent. This means that every individual who is subject to income tax will be relieved of one-fourth of the tax liability which he reported on the return filed on or prior to March 15, or if the tax was paid in full that he will receive a refund of one-fourth of his payments.

"Taxpayers who paid only one-fourth of their tax in March, however, should not make the mistake of thinking they may take credit for the full 25 per cent reduction at once and not pay anything when the second installment comes due. The new law provides that the 25 per cent reduction shall be prorated over all four installments. For instance, if an individual reported a tax of \$100 on his return he can consider that the new law has reduced his tax to \$75. If he paid \$25, or one-fourth of the amount reported, when he filed his return, then he must pay \$12.50 on or before June 15. This amount, together with the \$25 previously paid, will make up one-half of the \$75. A special way for a taxpayer to arrive at the amount of his June payment is to remember that if his March payment was one-fourth of the amount shown on his return, his June payment will be just one-half of his March payment. The tax remaining unpaid after June 15 may be paid in equal installments on or before Sept. 15 and Dec. 15, respectively.

Other Instructions.

"A considerable number of taxpayers who are accustomed to paying all their tax when they file their returns anticipated the 25 per cent reduction and this year paid only three-fourths of the amounts reported on their returns. This class of taxpayers will of course have nothing further to pay this year unless additional tax is disclosed when their returns are audited.

"There will, no doubt, be many individuals who will desire to settle their accounts in full now that the 25 per cent reduction is

an accomplished fact. The amount due in any instance where a taxpayer desires to pay in full will be the total amount of tax shown at the time of filing the return, less 25 per cent and less the amount paid at the time of filing the return. The collectors of internal revenue state that such action would be advantageous from the government's point, as it would eliminate considerable bookkeeping.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN LIFE-SAVING

A large number of people witnessed the demonstration in life-saving, first aid and swimming, put on by Capt. J. S. Law, division representative of the American National Red Cross, at Club Lake May 28.

In addition to the demonstration, Capt. Law gave the Boy Scouts of Crockett the American National Red Cross life-saving test for juniors, which is a very rigid test, and it takes an excellent swimmer to pass the examination. This test consists of ten different feats in life-saving, some of which are: In deep water, disrobe and swim 100 yards; correct approach and holds to carry a person in deep water; releasing strangle holds and carrying person out of deep water; surface diving in 8-foot water and method of resuscitation.

The following Boy Scouts of Crockett passed this test and are entitled to wear the American National Red Cross life-saving emblem, who made the score set opposite their names, out of a possible 100:

Nat Jordan, 90½; Jack Moore, 89½; Charley Towery, 88; Arthur Dawes, 86½; Thomas Adams, 85½; Bennie Ellis, 85; Buster Ellis, 84.

PUBLIC WEIGHER AT LOVELADY

Mr. T. W. Crowson announces in the Courier this week as a candidate for re-election to the office of public weigher at Lovelady, which is precinct No. 4. Mr. Crowson is now serving his first term, and is giving entire satisfaction, so far as the Courier can learn. His announcement is subject to the action of the democratic primaries to be held in July. He solicits the support of all democratic voters, both men and women, and promises the same impartial administration of the office of public weigher as has characterized his affairs in the past. He will appreciate the active support of his friends as heretofore.

Quartet Enjoyed.

A local quartet of singers, composed of Mesdames A. M. Decuir and J. P. Hail and Messrs. L. L. Moore and J. G. Beasley, supplied the music program at the Lions' Club luncheon Wednesday. Mrs. J. D. Woodson accompanied the quartet on the piano. The quartet was cleverly introduced to the club by Mr. D. C. Kennedy as Victor artists, who also announced that records were in the making and would be offered for sale to the public at the proper time. The music program on this occasion, as on all others, was thoroughly enjoyed by the club membership.

DALLAS KLAN CHIEF DENIES USING FUNDS

Washington, June 3.—A flat denial that any of the funds collected by the Ku Klux Klan in Dallas, Texas, for political purposes during 1922 went to help the election of Senator Mayfield, democrat, Texas, was made today before a senate committee by F. G. Van Valkenburg, who claimed chief responsibility for the expenditure as chairman of the clan's finance committee.

Charges of extensive klan financial support for Mayfield have been made by George E. B. Peddy, who is contesting the senator's election.

All of the money he handled in connection with the campaign, the witness said, went into a local fight and "not one cent to the State campaign." He told of refusing to give money to "the gentlemen in charge of Senator Mayfield's campaign," though they asked it repeatedly.

As a sidelight on the situation, counsel for Mayfield got Van Valkenburg to say that he had been summoned to Washington in behalf of Peddy, but that his testimony was not desired by the Peddy interests.

The witness also said he had had a conversation with Luther Nickels, Peddy's attorney, in which the latter said it was proposed to delay a senate vote on the contest until "after the election" because "a roll call now would seat Mayfield."

As to the expenditure in Dallas, Van Valkenburg said the klan committees spent "about \$700 a week" during the campaign. Mayfield's name was printed on the klan "ticket," he agreed, but he also said he "raised Sam Hill" about that when he saw it.

Nickels asked the witness if it were true that \$40,000 had been raised by the Dallas klan for "Hope Cottage," a charitable institution for children, and if it was not "discovered after the election that the cottage fund had disappeared."

Van Valkenburg said only about \$20,000 was actually raised and that "it was announced that the fund had been exhausted, not that it disappeared."

Van Valkenburg said he had been "suspended by the policy committee of the klan for expressing my own opinion publicly on a political matter."

Brown Harwood of Fort Worth, a second witness for Mayfield, testified that he was "grand gradon" for Texas in 1922 and that the only klan funds he spent in the interest of Mayfield were \$6 or \$8 for stamps and stationery. The klan membership in Fort Worth, he said, was supporting Mayfield "not as an organization, but individually."

As to generally klan funds, Harwood said he "knew positively that not a dime of it was spent for Mayfield." The \$6 or \$8 he mentioned was the cost of sending to local organizations literature describing candidates for State office, he said, Mayfield and J. L. Henry being marked by "hieroglyphics" as members of the order.

Answering questions by Senator Watson, republican, Indiana, Harwood said that "occasionally" the State headquarters of the klan "sent down word" to the local bodies to endorse a candidate. He did not remember whether that step was taken in the Mayfield contest. One-third

of all the funds due from the Texas klan membership to the national headquarters at Atlanta was being remitted to State organizations in 1922 and Nickels suggested that a series of the payments made under this agreement went for political purposes. Harwood said it went for "legitimate operating expenses" of the organization.

BIG RAINS DAMAGE CROPS AND ROADS

Recent heavy rains that have prevailed for an extended period of last week and the first of this week caused considerable damage to growing crops. The rain hindered the work on crops in general, keeping the farmers from plowing, and giving the weeds a chance to get ahead of crops. Growing conditions were not the best with such continued downpours.

The tomato crop of Cherokee county was almost ruined during this period and watermelon and peach crops in east Texas have been damaged to considerable extent.

Besides injuries to crops there has been considerable damage to roads. All roads are rough and muddy and several of the roads near Crockett were impassable for a period of time. The Rusk road near the bayou suffered from flood waters and was impassable Saturday. The bridge about six miles north of Crockett was washed out and traffic was held up considerable time Sunday and Monday.

Extremely heavy rain fell near Conroe and a washout resulted, holding up train service for some time Friday. Dirt was hauled there from Crockett Saturday.

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Callers report too much rain, lands overflowed and replanting in many places necessary. The incessant, heavy rains have retarded crops to a deplorable extent.

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

H. P. English, Kennard.
J. A. Ferguson, Crockett.
J. B. Johnson, Crockett Rt. 2.
O. W. Ellis, Crockett.
H. Wedemeyer, Creek Rt. 1.
M. S. Owens (col.), Crockett Rt. 3.

Died at Longview.

The friends in this city of Mr. J. L. Smith have been pained to learn of the death of Mr. Smith at his home in Longview. Mr. Smith, eldest son of Dr. J. B. Smith of this city, was born and reared in Crockett, where he was in the enjoyment of an extensive acquaintance and friendship. Leaving Crockett a number of years ago to engage in business, he first located at Palestine and later at Longview, in which latter city he leaves a widow, daughter and two sons. Besides these, he leaves the father and a sister, Mrs. D. C. Kennedy, in Crockett; a sister, Mrs. W. J. Wood, in Trinity, and a brother, Doc Smith in Nacogdoches. Interment was at Longview. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of all our people.

U. S. NAVY IS NOT SUPERIOR TO THAT OF JAPS, HE SAYS

New York, June 3.—Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, replying in a letter to Secretary of the Navy Wilbur, which he made public tonight, called attention to the present comparative strength of the American and Japanese fleets for operations in Far Eastern waters, which, he said, was gravely misunderstood by the public.

"In view of the unfortunate lack of realization by our people of the actual condition of our navy," Rear Admiral Fiske wrote, "I most respectfully beg leave to suggest the advisability of describing it to them briefly, in so far as it bears on the present American-Japanese situation. Possibly if our people were told the truth about the naval situation they would not be as indifferent as they are to the diplomatic situation.

"Of course I do not mean to suggest," said the rear admiral, "that war is even possible; but nevertheless it may be pointed out that the Japanese and Americans have taken attitudes that are irreconcilable, and that the Japanese have virtually broken off diplomatic relations by giving their ambassador a vacation. Such attitudes and such acts have usually preceded wars, though they have not always been followed by wars."

Rear Admiral Fiske recalled that as a member of the general board of the navy in 1910 and 1911 and as aide for operations from 1913 to 1915 the problems that would be presented by a war with Japan were his "principal preoccupation."

Compares Navies.

Though the American people imagine, he said, that as a result of the naval treaty the United States fleet is superior to the Japanese navy in the ratio of five to three, "this is the reverse of the truth." Even if the American navy were superior in capital ships, he asserted, it is far from being superior in that ratio in active personnel, and it is "far inferior" in reserves.

"If Japan should go to the extreme of taking the Philippine Islands and thus force us into war," the letter added, "we should find ourselves in a deplorable condition because of the lack of trained men as well as of other requisites. Referring to his service on the general board of the navy, Admiral Fiske said: "We believed that Japan would take the Philippine Islands if ever the resentment of the people against us should reach a height sufficient to assure the government of their support. That Japan could take the Philippine Islands we all agreed at that time; but that we could retake them no officer then was willing to declare.

If Philippines Should Be Taken.

"Nevertheless, every man with whom I then talked, no matter what his political creed, declared that if the Japanese should take the Philippines, the United States would be bound by every principle of honor and international respectability to try at least to retake them."

The admiral then discussed the prospect of the American fleet operating in Asiatic waters, more than 5,000 miles from "our

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Phone 359 for your cleaning and pressing. 1t.

Guy Lansford has returned from A. & M. College.

We do all kinds of pleating. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. 1t.

Miss Katherine Cook will take a summer course at Denton.

Miss Alice Foster has returned from teaching at Marshall.

Miss Beth Lunday is at home from teaching in San Antonio.

T. B. Collins of Dallas is spending a brief vacation in this city.

Miss Aileen Powell has returned from school in Huntsville.

John Waller and Robert Spence are at home from A. & M. College.

Yes, we starch seersucker and Palm Beach. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. 1t.

John Franklin Shivers has returned from school at Fort Worth.

Seersucker suits cleaned and pressed for 75 cents at Millar & Berry's. 1t.

S. R. LeMay and family of Athens are visiting relatives in Crockett.

All work done with a money back guarantee. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. 1t.

Lanier Edmiston will return this week from Texas University, Austin.

Mrs. S. L. Murchison has returned from a visit to Houston and Galveston.

Miss Dorothy Ellen Shivers will be at home next week from school at Milford.

Miss Corinne Patterson is at home from Calvert where she has been teaching.

We call for and deliver your clothes the same day. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. 1t.

Miss Alta Stokes will return this week from Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

Miss Maggie Allbright will enter Sam Houston State Teachers' College for the summer.

Miss Frances Calhoun has a visitor in the person of a cousin, Miss Calhoun of Teague.

Mrs. Chas. P. Jones and children of Houston are visiting their parents in this city.

Misses Rosamond and Helen Williams of Galveston are guests of Mrs. Corinne N. Corry.

W. H. Denny Jr. of Houston is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Denny, in this city.

We have a special prepared starch for that seersucker. B. R. Purcell, your tailor, phone 359. 1t.

J. S. Shivers and E. W. Null were delegates to the state democratic convention at Waco last week.

Miss Sara Sue Denny is at home from Wichita Falls, where she has been teaching in the city schools.

Ice picks, ice chippers, ice hooks—everything to fill your summer needs at Herrin Hardware Co's. 1t.

Misses Grace and Sue Denny are at home from Dallas where they have been teaching in the city schools.

We have secured the formula for French dry cleaning—no water or gasoline used. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. 1t.

Prof. D. McDonald leaves this week for Denton where he is an instructor in the North Texas Summer Normal.

Buggies for Sale.
New and second hand. 2t. Jno. R. Foster.

See Deacon Dubbs of Sorghum Center, State O' West Virginia, at High School Auditorium Friday night, June 13, at 8 o'clock. 1t.

Miss Lou Russell, who has been teaching at Lott, is at home for a few days prior to entering Baylor University, Waco, for the summer term.

Those who enjoyed "Little Miss Jack," see "Deacon Dubbs" played by the same cast at High School Auditorium Friday night, June 13, at 8 o'clock. 1t.

We are specially equipped for cleaning and pressing Seersucker suits and the charge is only 75 cents. 1t. Millar & Berry.

A man travelling in a Cadillac car from Memphis to Houston arrived in Crockett Monday and was forced to ship his car from Crockett to Houston on account of the rain, mud and impassable roads.

U. S. NAVY IS NOT SUPERIOR TO THAT OF JAPS, HE SAYS

(Continued from page one.) inadequate bases on the west coast," and more than 3,000 miles from the dry dock in the Hawaiian Islands.

It would have to engage the Japanese fleet close to the latter's own bases, harassed by submarines and aircraft, he said. "Our fleet could not get near the coast of Japan because of mine fields, and in case of the injuries to ships that would be inevitable, it would have no dry dock to go to that was less than 3,000 miles away."

Judge A. A. Aldrich has returned from a board meeting of Austin College, Sherman.

Wanted—One or two furnished rooms by man and wife with small child by June 6. J. N. Garner, at the Laundry or P. O. Box 506. 1t.*

Miss Mary Monk was home from Huntsville last week, but returned Monday for the summer term of school at the Sam Houston Normal Institute.

Another shipment of Vacuum ice cream freezers just arrived. No trouble to operate and guaranteed to give satisfaction. 1t. Herrin Hardware Co.

Call us up and we'll send for that Seersucker suit, clean it, press it and deliver it for 75 cents. 1t. Millar & Berry.

Ford for Sale.
A Ford touring car with starter for sale or trade. 1t. T. R. DeuPree.

Miss Pearl Nelson has returned from Huntsville, where she graduated from the state teachers' training college. Her mother was present to see her graduate.

Miss Wilma Shivers has returned from Sweetwater, where she has been teaching in the city schools, and will leave this week for an extended visit to California.

Come to Me
With your Fords for new tops, cushions, repaired, painted and made over new—first-class work. 2t. Jno. R. Foster.

For Sale at a Bargain.
Ford truck, Overland 90, Floss Candy Machine and my home in Kennard. 2t.* W. F. Melton, Kennard.

Timber or Timber Land.
Am in the market for pine timber, or timbered land. If you have any to offer, write me, giving location and full particulars. Address, Box 447, Trinity, Texas. 1t.

Pupils Wanted.
Beginning Monday, June 9, I shall teach review classes in the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grades at my home on Grace street. Pupils desiring to make up subjects in these grades telephone Mrs. Hula Maye Henderson. Telephone 196. 1t.

For Sale.
If you want the most desirable home in Crockett, see J. W. Hail. He is offering for sale his beautiful residence, fronting Main street, with about three acres of land and a nice large residence comparatively new, with all modern improvements. Part cash with easy terms on balance. 2t. J. W. Hail.

Charity often begins at home, but reform is usually practiced at a neighbor's.

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Why not have Ice Cream for dinner? We can send it to you and it will be in perfect condition. We use Seal-right containers. They are airtight.

There is satisfaction in knowing you will not be disappointed. Learn to phone 47 or 140—and be convinced.

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Commencement Exercises At Lovelady.

The closing exercises of Lovelady High school will begin Sunday, June 8.

The lateness of the closing is caused by delay in beginning on account of waiting for the new building to be completed.

The senior class is rather large this year, consisting of five boys and ten girls, as follows: Gary Beeson, Clarence Brown, Bennie Butler, Douglass Hamm, Grady Straughan, Beatrice Allen, Lois Barbee, Della Barron, Bernice Dauphin, Mary Hale, Velma Hartt, Ella Hartt, Idalene Lawson, Margaret Mainer, Hortense Rayburn.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Reverend McCaleb of Beaumont, formerly pastor of the Christian church at this place, at the Baptist church, Sunday at eleven a. m. Monday night, June 9th, the senior class play, "An Old Fashioned Mother," will be given at the auditorium. Tuesday night the grades below the tenth will participate in a program at the auditorium. Wednesday night will close the exercises with a graduation program, by the following class representatives: Class Oration, Bennie Butler;

Class History, Clarence Brown; Class Prophecy, Della Barron; Class Poem, Margaret Mainer; Class Will, Velma Hartt.

Judge Leroy Moore will deliver the class address. Reporter.

Announcement.

I again take pleasure in announcing to my patrons and general public that Dr. Shaffer, optometrist of Dallas, will be with me again Saturday, June 7th. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, prices right. Phone me for appointment and call early as possible as he will be here one day only. We thank you. 2t. W. P. Bishop, Druggist.

When the Lions Lunch.

There is always music when the Lions lunch. At the noon luncheon on Wednesday of last week the Lions were delighted with a music program by Miss Lucy Roye DeuPree and two young members of her class. The Lions gave a roar of thanks for this enjoyable program of piano music and also an invitation to the musical guests to come again.

A miser's face is like a bank-note—every line in it means money.

Confidence

We have endeavored to gain the confidence of the people of this trading area by selling only the best merchandise at the lowest prices, and the way our customers have come back week after week indicates that our efforts have not been in vain.

This store has always guaranteed satisfaction and everything has been done to gain and hold the good will of those who have made this their trading place.

You will always be able to find the best brands of staple and fancy groceries here and you can always find the piece of light hardware that you want. We invite comparison of prices.

C. L. Manning & Company
General Merchandise

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We could sell millions if we sold dollars for ninety cents. Buying of our store for cash is equal to the same thing. Based on conservative estimate, we can prove this to you convincingly. Safety first—get the habit, walk on the right side of roadway.

- Aluminum Preserving Kettles, 8 quarts ----- \$1.00
- Aluminum Preserving Kettles, 10 quarts ----- \$1.25
- Aluminum Preserving Kettles, 12 quarts ----- \$1.55
- 12 Lbs. Sugar ----- \$1.00

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Crockett, Texas

LA FOLLETTE TO RUN INDEPENDENTLY IF PARTIES STAND PAT

Washington, May 28.—Senator La Follette today virtually announced that he will run for president on an independent ticket unless the approaching democratic and republican conventions demonstrate to the people whether either of those parties can and will purge itself of the evil influence which have long dominated them.

"If this is not done," Senator La Follette wrote to Attorney General Ekern of Wisconsin, "a long suffering and righteously indignant people will find in the coming campaign effective means, independent of both of these old parties, to take back control of their government and make it truly representative."

At the same time Senator La Follette denounced the communists and openly charged that they were seeking to take control of the "farmer-labor progressive convention, called to meet at St. Paul, June 17."

"In my judgment," he wrote, "the convention will not command the support of the farmers, the workers or other progressives because those who have had charge of the arrangements for this convention have committed the fatal error of making the communists an integral part of their organization. The communists have admittedly entered into this political movement not for the purpose of curing by means of the ballot the evils which afflict the American people, but only to divide and confuse the progressive movement and create a condition of chaos favorable to their ultimate aims. Their purpose is to establish by revolutionary action a dictatorship of the proletariat which is absolutely repugnant to American ideals and to all American aspirations."

Advance Own Ends.

In his letter Senator La Follette quoted an official statement of the central executive committee of the workers' party of America and a cablegram from the communist international at Moscow respecting plans for the St. Paul convention which he declared "show clearly that they are seeking to use the farmer-labor party of Minnesota and other progressive organizations that have lent their names to this convention as a means of advancing their own ends."

"I have devoted many years of my life to an effort to solve the problems which confront the American people by the ballot and not by force," wrote the Wisconsin senator. "I believe that the people through the ballot can completely control their government in every branch and compel it to serve them effectively. I have fought steadfastly to achieve this end, and I shall not abandon this fight as long as I may live. I believe, therefore, that all progressives should refuse to participate in any movement which makes common cause with any communist organization."

Senator La Follette's letter closed with his declaration respecting the republican and democratic conventions, which was acknowledged by his close friends as an announcement of his candidacy should the action and platforms of the two major parties fail to accomplish the changes he regards as necessary.

University of Texas Closing June 6.

Austin, Texas, May 28.—When the forty-first annual commencement exercises of the University of Texas are held on Friday morning, June 6, there will probably be the largest class in the history of the school. There are 611 candidates for degrees this year, and according to Dean T. U. Taylor, chairman of the com-

mittee on diplomas, the number shows an increase of 85 over the applicants last year, and is greater than ever before. Since many of the candidates may fail to pass the degree requirements, an estimate of the graduates has been made as 500.

Bishop Co-Adjutor Clinton Guin, of the Texas diocese, will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon to the graduates on Sunday morning, June 1. The principal address of the commencement ceremonies will be delivered by Judge R. L. Batts of Austin, who received the law degree from the University in 1886. On Saturday, May 31, Ex-Students' Day will be held, with classes celebrating their anniversaries from the fifth anniversary, through the fortieth, in intervals of five years. The law class of 1884 will be the honor guest of the occasion, and John H. Cobb of Juneau, Alaska, formerly attorney general of the Alaska territory, will deliver the ex-students' address.

The records show that the 611 candidates for degrees this year are divided as follows: Doctor of philosophy, 2; master of arts, 67; master of business administration, 6; bachelor of laws, 73; engineers, 74; bachelor of business administration, 87; bachelor of science in medicine, 11; bachelor of journalism, 13; bachelor of science in home economics, 26; bachelor of arts, 252.

HOUSTON COUNTY BECOMING FAMOUS

Houston county is becoming not only a shipping center, but it has so much good soil that Saturday the I.-G. N. Railroad sent an entire train-load of soil from Crockett to Montgomery county that the people there might be benefitted by the good things that come from owning Houston county soil. Houston county is becoming famous the world over. Honest, Mr. Houston county citizen, are you not glad you live in the best part of the biggest state in the whole country?

About 400,000 persons traveled by automobile in visiting national parks in the western part of the United States in the summer of 1923.

Take



for the liver

Beware of imitations. Demand the genuine in 10c and 35c packages bearing above trade mark.

KING COTTON WINS OVER CATTLE RANGE

MANY STOCKMEN CUTTING UP LAND INTO FARMS AS PRICES SLUMP.

Dallas, Tex., May 29.—It's the same old story. Good rains, ranges fine, market dull.

Reports from cattle sections for the week indicate the spring shipping season is nearing the end and that after this month few shipments will be made.

The crowded condition of the ranges in West Texas and the Panhandle have been somewhat relieved by shipments to Kansas and other sections for "fattening." Cattle remaining are reported to be in splendid shape.

Reports from West Texas, the northern part of the state bordering in the Panhandle, the Panhandle and the south plains indicate that many cattle ranges will be cut up into farms this spring and that a heavy acreage of cotton will be planted between now and June 15. Old time range men look on this with sad hearts,

visioning the passing of the cattle industry.

County agents and agricultural experts differ in their opinion. They say it is the passing of the old range, but a passing from the bad to the good, from the mesquite wilderness to diversified farming; that the cattle industry will not be destroyed, but helped; that blooded stock will take the place of the "scrub" and that real farming will take the place of scrap farming.

Cotton gins are being erected in many towns in the western part of the state preparatory to handling the cotton crop.

Who Wants Fine Player Piano at a Bargain?

We have a perfectly new, high-grade player with bench and collection of late rolls. Also one upright piano re-built and nearly like new, with nice stool and scarf to match. We will dispose of either of these beautiful instruments at a bargain and arrange most any reasonable terms if desired. Address at once Brook Mays & Co., the Reliable Piano House, Dallas, Texas. 5t.

The Carnegie Institute plans extensive explorations among the Maya ruins of Yucatan.

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Rich soil that raises ¼ to ½ bale and more of cotton to the acre. Farmers who have been raising cotton here for three years can show this as an average. Many have done much better. But cotton is not your only crop—corn, alfalfa, wheat and other crops are being grown here profitably and it is one of the best cattle and hog sections to be had anywhere. No boll weevil. Ideal climate—winters and summers temperate. Plenty of good water. Good schools and churches. Good transportation facilities. A ready market for crops and livestock—and profits!

\$25 An Acre—A low price on this land where farming really pays. No more than rent would cost you elsewhere—and 15 years to pay. Settlers here are satisfied. And they are real farmers who know good soil and good opportunities. Over 200 farmers who are making homes here see prosperity ahead. Halsell Farms are situated around Amherst, Texas, on the Santa Fe Railroad.

Write for Full Particulars

Land is selling fast in this new, proven cotton country. The time for action is NOW! Honest efforts and the rich lands of Halsell Farms will put you ahead. Investigate at once—write today for full particulars.

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Silvertowns
last longer—
save gasoline
make
riding easier

Goodrich
Silvertown
CORD TIRES

Magnolia
Filling Station

Best in the Long Run

Crockett Train Schedule.

South Bound.
No. 5, Thru Passenger 1:37AM
No. 3, Local Passenger 9:40AM
No. 1, Sunshine Special 1:50PM
North Bound.
No. 8, Thru Passenger 4:00AM
No. 4, Local Passenger 2:16PM
No. 2, Sunshine Special 4:13PM
Effective April 27, 1924.

Blinding Headaches

"For about twenty years," says Mr. P. A. Walker, a well-known citizen of Newburg, Ky., "one of our family remedies has been Black-Draught, the old reliable. . . I use it for colds, biliousness, sour stomach and indigestion. I was subject to headaches when my liver would get out of order. I would have blinding headaches and couldn't stoop about my work, just couldn't go. I used

Theford's

BLACK-DRAUGHT

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EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF THE ROAD

(a) The driver or operator of any vehicle, in or upon any public highway in this state, shall drive or operate such vehicle in a careful manner with due regard for the safety and conveniences of pedestrians and all other vehicles or traffic upon such highway, and wherever practicable shall travel upon the right hand side of such highway. Two vehicles which are passing each other in opposite directions shall have the right of way and no other vehicle to the rear of either of such two vehicles shall pass or attempt to pass such two vehicles. On all occasions the driver or operator of any vehicle on or upon any public highway in this state shall travel upon the right hand side of such highway unless the road on left side of such highway is clear and unobscured for a distance of at least fifty yards ahead.

(b) Vehicles proceeding in opposite direction shall pass each other to the right, each giving to the other one-half of the road as nearly as possible.

(c) Vehicles overtaking other vehicles, proceeding in the same direction, shall pass to the left thereof and shall not again drive to the right until the road is reasonably clear of such overtaken vehicle.

(d) It shall be the duty of the driver, rider, or operator of a vehicle about to be overtaken and passed, to give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on suitable and audible signal, given by or on behalf of the operator, driver or other person in charge and control of such overtaking vehicle, if such overtaking vehicle be a motor vehicle.

(e) Excepting where controlled by such traffic ordinances or regulations enacted by local authorities, as are permitted under this Act, the operator of a vehicle approaching an intersection on the public highway shall yield the right-of-way to a vehicle approaching such intersection from the right of such first named vehicle.

(f) It shall be the duty of the person operating or in charge of an overtaking vehicle to sound audible and suitable signal before passing a vehicle proceeding in the same direction.

(g) All vehicles approaching an intersection of the public highway with the intention of turning thereat, shall in turning to the right, keep to the right of the center of such intersection, and in turning to the left, shall run beyond the center of such intersection, passing to the right before turning such vehicle to the left.

(h) In all passing and overtaking, such assistance shall be given by the occupants of each vehicle respectively to the other as the circumstances shall reasonably demand in order to obtain clearance and avoid accident.

(i) Every person having control or charge of any motor vehicle or other vehicle upon any public highway and approaching any vehicle drawn by horse or horses or any horse upon which any person is riding, shall operate, manage and control such motor vehicle or other vehicle in such manner as to exercise every reasonable precaution to prevent the frightening of any such horse or horses and to insure the safety of any person riding or driving the same; and if such horse or horses appear frightened, the person in control of such motor vehicle or other vehicle, shall reduce its speed, and if requested by signal of the hand, by the driver or rider of such horse or horses, shall not proceed further toward such animal or animals unless such movement be necessary to avoid injury or accident, until such animal or animals shall be under

the control of the rider or driver thereof.

(j) The person in control of any vehicle moving slowly along upon any public highway shall keep such vehicle as closely as possible to the righthand boundary of the highway allowing more swiftly moving vehicles reasonably free passage to the left.

RAILROAD IMPROVES CROCKETT PROPERTY

The I. G. N. Railroad company is having all dirt cut down to a level with the track on its right-of-way near the electric plant and the Edmiston warehouse property. This earth is being moved to a point south of the cotton warehouses, where the company plans to put in about 3,000 feet of track, in order to facilitate the handling of freight to and from Crockett.

A train load of soil was sent Saturday afternoon to Conroe to fill a wash-out caused by recent very heavy rains in that locality.

The removal of this soil will give people a better view of approaching trains, thus removing much of the danger from the hazardous crossing at the ice plant. People generally feared to cross the tracks at this point.

The work is being done by the List & Gifford Construction Company of Kansas City, which is operating a steam shovel to remove the banks adjacent to the main line of the railroad. This steam shovel has been watched with considerable interest by numbers of local citizens.

The Law of Fun.

By and by the comic becomes sad.

A man can go sober all day, never smiling once, and do fairly well; but if he were to laugh all day without stopping he would surely be crazy.

It is essential to fun that it should be occasional.

For a long time after the death of Moliere his seat in a barber-shop was pointed out as the place where he would sit for hours, the picture of lugubrious dejection.

A London physician was called to see a man who was suffering from continual depression of spirits. After carefully examining his patient the doctor said:

"Well, sir, I can find nothing the matter with you, except that you are a victim of too much brooding. You need cheerful sights and sounds. Go to the theater. Go and hear Haukins; he's the funniest man that ever lived."

"Alas!" responded the man. "I am Haukins."

When you say, "I haven't had a good laugh for a long while," it is no more than to say at dinner that you have a good appetite.

Seriousness is the only proper hunger for mirth.

A droll saying is drollest when it comes from a solemn face.

Cheer up, by all means! But don't be too constantly cheerful. "The smile that won't come off" is good for nothing except to advertise breakfast food or to sell cheap clothing.

Licensed to Marry.

Marriage licenses were issued last week to the following couples:

Lewis Beazley and Violet Brown.

Grady Scarborough and Pearl Clark.

Enoch Wagley and Eva Johnson.

Kit Holmes and Georgia Ray.

W. T. Heath and Mary Ashworth.

Harvy Banks and Alma Doris Turner.

Ladders have been built in the flume of a western hydro-electric power plant to assist deer that have fallen into the flume.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

At a continuation of the regular session of the Houston county commissioners' court of May 12 a petition for a new road, signed by some sixty citizens of the community, was presented to the court. This road is to run as follows: Starting at the old Center Hill cemetery on the old Crockett and Lovelady road and running in a westerly direction, following mail route—Crockett R. F. D. No. 6—to O. E. Hairston's place; thence along mail route—Crockett R. F. D. No. 4—to the Lone Pine church and school, crossing the railroad at Will's Crossing. This road will, in the belief of the petitioners, work a wonderful benefit to the community.

Notice was filed, signed by T. J. Hart, D. C. F. Snell, O. E. Hairston, John Williams and others, that application would be made for the appointment of a jury of view.

The court appointed as a jury of view the following men: Mode Barbee, Quaid Snell, A. W. Phillips, John C. Lacy and T. C. LeMay, each of whom was notified as required by law.

The members of the jury of view proceeded to carry out its business and reported that \$100 had been assessed as damage done to the property of Mr. D. D. Montgomery, through whose property the new road is to run. The affair now awaits further action of the commissioners' court.

The pauper list was revised, \$515.50 being the total expense to the county for the quarter.

The county judge and the four commissioners took upon themselves the constitutional oath for a board of equalization and proceeded to equalize the renditions for the present year. The court is now in session, sitting as a board of equalization on taxes.

A regular session of the commissioners' court was held May 26 with the following members present: Leroy L. Moore, county judge; C. C. Warfield, C. A. Story, Karl Leediker and J. A. Beathard, commissioners; W. D. Collins, county clerk; and, among other things, the following proceedings were had:

The report of R. R. Morrison, county demonstration agent, for

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Keep your hand off the gear-shift—'step on it'.

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GASOLINE

The Volatile Gas

the month of April was examined and approved.

Upon the application of C. C. Mortimer, constable precinct No. 1, for authority to appoint a deputy, and naming Ed Frizell, as required by law, the court found upon examination that there is a necessity for such an appointment for the efficiency of public service and granted the appointment.

On petition of the following citizens: C. H. Allen, B. R. Sims, J. H. Allen, H. A. Murdock, W. D. Leamons, Edward Allen, J. G. Parker, W. P. Davidson, L. E. Goolsby, Roy Allen, H. C. Christian, F. M. Allen, W. E. Allen and J. E. Parker, a change in the Butter and Egg public road, beginning at the northeast corner of Charlie Allen's field and running south to the southeast corner of Charlie Allen's field to intersect the Roberson Tap road, was granted by the court.

Of the States in the Union, Colorado has the greatest average altitude and Delaware the least.

Any man can make himself conspicuous by carrying a string of fish up the street.

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Lee 30x3 1/2 Tire\$7.88
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Lee 30x3 1/2 Tube\$1.88

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Let the money you pay as rent buy you a home. The Crockett National Farm Loan Association will make the first payment for you. The payments on each \$1,000.00 borrowed is only \$65.00 per year.

I have several splendid improved farms listed for sale. If interested call or write tf. John H. Ellis, Sec'y.

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DRIVING CAR WHILE INTOXICATED, CLAIM

Dallas Party Met Disaster on Way to Bathing Girl Revue Here.

Houston, Texas, May 30.—Charges of driving a car while intoxicated were filed in justice court here today against Tom Wharton, 20 years old, son of a wealthy Fort Worth family. Warrants for his arrest have

been sent to Dallas and Fort Worth.

The charges were filed by Miss Lillian Mims, who was seriously injured twenty-five miles from Houston on the morning of May 17, when the car young Wharton was driving turned over. Miss Ethel Lake, formerly the wife of Dr. Odell, Dallas dentist, and Clifford Rhineland, young druggist of Dallas, were seriously injured also. For a time it was feared that Rhineland would not recover.

Escaped With Bruised Knee.

Young Wharton escaped from the wreck with a bruised knee. Leaving his three companions in a local hospital, he proceeded that afternoon to Galveston to view the Bathing Girl Revue, where the entire party had started when they left Dallas.

Miss Lillian Mims named her sister, Miss Lake, and young Rhineland as witnesses in the case. The charges refer to the defendant as "Tommie Wharton."

Wharton told newspaper men the day of the wreck that he was making thirty-five to forty miles an hour when a sharp curve loomed up in front of him. He attempted to swerve out, but the wheels struck soft dirt and the heavy roadster went over, throwing the four young people out. Rhineland was unconscious, and at first it appeared that his back was broken.

Three Badly Hurt.

The young druggist is still in St. Joseph's infirmary. His back was badly wrenched, three ribs were broken and one of them punctured his lung.

Miss Mims was badly hurt about the head. It was necessary to shave a part of her beautiful hair from her head to take stitches in scalp wounds. She had serious bruises all over her body. She has recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital and go to her sister in a local hotel.

Miss Lake is in the charity ward of the Baptist Hospital. One of her legs was broken and her collarbone fractured.

Both Miss Lake and Miss Mims were entered in the Bathing Girl Revue in Galveston. They brought elaborate costumes with them. Wharton said the party left Dallas at 4:30 o'clock on the afternoon of May 16, and drove all night to reach Galveston in time for breakfast. The accident occurred at 5:30 o'clock, while they were seventy-five miles from Galveston.

Examining trial for Wharton will be held in Houston June 4, according to Justice Campbell Overstreet, in whose court

RINKEYDINKS WIN ANOTHER SHUTOUT

The Rinkeydinks won another victory Thursday by defeating the Alley Rats, a local organization supplemented by a Weldon battery: Runt Carroll and Walker, and J. Carroll, third baseman. The score was 6 to 0, this being the Rinkeydinks' second shutout victory. Burke Smith of Kennard pitched a great game for the winners and allowed but three singles. The winners hit the ball hard and were in the lead from the first inning on. Merchant continued his fancy fielding on third base. M. McConnell did excellent backstopping for the Rinkeydinks.

charges against Wharton were filed today.

Wharton was arrested in North Texas today, and through his attorney, Arthur Heidingsfelder, made bond late this afternoon.

ALMOST THREE TIMES AS MUCH AS IN 1913.

Since 1913 the returns to stockholders in public service industries have decreased and the amount of taxes paid by such industries have increased. In the case of the steam railroads, for instance, which may be taken as an example, says the Texas Public Service Information Bureau, returns are now about eighty per cent of the 1913 returns. But taxes are 263 per cent of the 1913 taxes.

In 1923 the railroads in this country paid \$336,399,000 in taxes. In 1913 they paid \$127,725,800.

Taxes have generally increased on all forms of property and against all forms of business. This increase is due to a considerable extent to public extravagance and to multiplicity of public agencies, in the nation, state and municipality.

But in the end the consumer must pay all the taxes. The man who pays no income taxes and no property taxes must pay his part of all the taxes collected—for taxes are a part of the cost of doing business and they are always passed on in the prices charged for the commodities manufactured or dealt in.

The insidious Federal aid propaganda, for instance, that shows Federal aid to be a gift of fifty per cent or some such share of the cost of some governmental function is misleading. The Federal government gets its revenues from the added cost of living that comes as a result of taxation, and the consumer must pay it.

The One Rash Act of His Life.

He had a bizarre and almost a dangerous appearance. Obviously he was a Latin. His skin was very swarthy, he wore a tweaked mustache, a small goatee, a black suit and hat, and his dark eyes, which seemed always to be half closed, flashed and glittered with an intense, one might have decided, a fanatical light.

At the breakfast hour Saturday he approached the main dining room of the Rice hotel with quick, nervous steps, handed his hat to the check girl, and to Hermann, the majo domo, said in a low voice and with a heavy accent:

"Seat me, please, at a table near the wall—away from the crowd, you know."

His request was granted. He fidgeted in his chair while the waiter laid the silverware before him. He looked to right and left, and finally, as the waiter turned away, he quickly took a small phial from his inside coat pocket.

At that moment the waiter happened to face him again.

"Oh, sir!" he murmured with involuntary apprehension.

The swarthy man held the

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When your car needs attention send it here. It was made by specialists and it should be repaired by specialists.

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Ben Gunter, Proprietor

phial away and shook his head defensively.

"No," he muttered fiercely, "no, I'm going to do it! For the last 10 years of my life I have wanted to do it, and now I am ready!" He beckoned the waiter closer, as one who must have a confidant. "Listen," he continued, "I will tell you what it is. I was raised to consider perfume vulgar. But ever since I became a man I have longed to use Jockey Club. I have been afraid and within this hour I have conquered. This morning a beautiful courage is mine—it is my day of days! I defy all weakness and fear!"

And with that he dashed the contents of the phial over his shirt-front.

BLAZING THE TRAIL.

Workers in the woods frequently find the trail blazed by the axes of those who have gone before. Guided by these marks, they easily find their way.

Advertisements perform a similar duty for you in the important business of spending money—either for the necessities of life or for luxuries.

They point the way to values of which you would never know

if they were not there to guide you.

Do you read them? Wise shoppers do. They are economical buyers—the ones who keep themselves strictly up-to-date on the best opportunities for saving money, or spending it judiciously, which is one and the same thing.

Read the advertisements in this paper. Read them to know what's what in the shopping district. Read them because they place before your eyes a moving panorama of business progress. Read them to save money—to save steps—to save disappointments. Read them because they blaze your trail to satisfaction in your everyday buying.

Appreciation.

We take this method of extending our sincere thanks to our many friends for kindnesses shown us during the recent illness and death of our husband and father, and for the many beautiful floral offerings.

lt. Mrs. E. E. Hail and Family.

Young crocodiles of different sizes have to have separate nurseries in zoos, otherwise the smaller ones are often attacked and bullied by their larger relatives.

Some people always get Texaco Motor Oil—and others just buy any kind of oil without thinking very much about it.

Start your motor right—start using TEXACO Motor Oil and keep doing it.

We can recommend TEXACO—that's why we sell it.

Main Street Filling Station

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Watch our customers come to us year after year to supply their wants. Then consider this fact: People don't continue trading at the same place unless they are well satisfied. They go where they can do the best.

If you favor our store with your patronage, you help yourself, you help our other customers and you help us, because as our volume of sales increases, our margin of profit decreases.

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FAITH AND GRATITUDE HEAR SONGS OF HOPE.

Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness. —Isiah xi, 10.

Back of every case of discouragement is lack of confidence or faith in God, in humanity, in oneself, or in all these.

And back of every evil deed, of every thought that is calculated to induce happiness, misery and woe, is the serpent of sin whispering lies.

His avenues of attack are the faults and frailties of mankind.

He uses egotism, saying, "Ye shall be as gods;" that is, that we shall have such knowledge as shall make Divine instruction unnecessary.

He uses vanity, appealing to victims with flattery.

He uses anger, urging the destructive impulse.

He uses selfishness, which in reality includes all the other weaknesses, telling the unwary and weak in faith in God that he is about to starve to death, or that he or some loved one is in danger, or that some misfortune is about to engulf him, or that evil in some form stands ready to overwhelm him.

In this way he induces fear, and fear is always the precursor of discouragement.

When one becomes discouraged he is without faith, and when this is the case he is virtually at the mercy of evil.

Faith in the protecting providence of God enables us to disregard the voice of the imps of darkness in their efforts to discourage us. Courage and strength come in such emergencies when we give ear to the "Still Small Voice." It is then that we are reassured by these words, "I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee."

Since Truth is unchangeable, the only thing left for its enemies to do is to try to get men to disbelieve it, just as at the beginning the serpent insisted, "Thou shalt not surely die."

Every effort on Satan's part to make man lose faith in God, in righteousness, in Truth, is based on that original lie, or rather is that same old lie with variations.

God's power and presence are not to be doubted.

They are everywhere evident. His immanence is as sure as existence itself.

His omnipresence can not be questioned. To think of the smallest portion of the universe without God is self-evident folly.

The Power that created the sun and hung it in the heavens is the Power that keeps it there. He who hung the moon upon the "dark cheek of night" still holds it there.

He who piled up the mountains still keeps them where He put them.

He who scooped out the ocean beds and filled them with the waters whose billows roll within their prodigious depths is still

able to quiet them by commanding "Peace, be still."

"If God be for us, who can be against us?"

Fear and trepidation often are the result of consciousness of guilt and wrongdoing. They come because the one afraid knows that the penalty goes with the sin, and that sooner or later he must expiate his sin. He knows that now, as centuries ago, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."—Galveston News.

GRADE CROSSING PSYCHOLOGY.

When ill, people will spend weeks or months in bed and money for doctors, nurses and medicine, with the hope of saving their life.

But, judging from the number of grade crossing accidents, many of them place their life in imminent peril by dashing across the track in front of a fast-moving train and even into the train rather than spend 10 seconds waiting for the train to pass.

The psychology of this is not easily discernible. It is evident, however, that not grade crossings, but carelessness in effecting a crossing is the seat of trouble.

Many devices have been installed for protection of public at grade crossings but the most effective safeguard is for drivers of autos to stop, look and listen.

North Carolina enacted a law requiring autos to stop before crossing and in six months with this law in effect, in spite of increase in registered autos, grade crossing casualties on the principal railway system of that state were reduced 50 percent, fatalities being 4 instead of 8, injuries 11 instead of 22.

When it is considered that such a law is intended to safeguard the drivers of autos against injury or death at crossing, it would seem that they above all others should favor its enactment.

If the "stop law" effects such a reduction in North Carolina, how much greater would be the saving of life from passage of a similar law in all states.

GET A FUNNY BONE?

It's a strange fact that people with a sense of humor almost never get unbalanced mentally.

It has been found that one of the most successful ways of curing the insane is to provide them with amusement that will arouse their laughter. One of the first symptoms of insanity in an otherwise normal person is the loss of his risibilities.

Miss Emily Howland Bournes,



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of New England, aged 86, died leaving about a million. As usual, those who did not get her money tried to demonstrate that she was crazy. To prove that she had been of sound mind and body one of her executors related the last story the aged spinster had told him.

It seems that there were three who appeared at the Gate of Heaven, and St. Peter immediately asked for their credentials. The first, on being announced, said "I am George Washington, Father of my Country." The second was Abraham Lincoln, who said "I am the Savior of my Country." But the third, Theodore Roosevelt, answered St. Peter's question with a stare, and said, "None of your business; where's God?"

Sometimes you may think you've gotten in a hole where there's nothing left to laugh at all. You might resent the suggestion that if you didn't laugh at the situation you were mentally unbalanced, might feel that no one but a crazy man could see anything funny in it.

But here's the secret of a sense of humor. When you get to feeling like that, then it's time to laugh at yourself. As long as a man can do that he's still sitting on the top of the world.—Commerce and Finance.

TEXAS POTASH RESOURCES.

Germany has long held the monopoly of potash supplies.

Before the war Americans were able to buy potash from the Germans at about \$40 per ton. During the war it was difficult to get at any price and as high as \$500 per ton had to be paid.

The disadvantage of a foreign nation holding the supply of a product as important to agriculture as is the potash used in fertilizers is at once apparent. Just as apparent is the importance of developing our home supplies of potash.

It is for this reason that the passage by the senate of Senator Sheppard's bill appropriating \$2,750,000 for the development of the potash resources in Texas, with bright prospects for its immediate pas-

sage in the house, is gratifying not only to Texas but to the whole country. Naturally we are pleased at the prospect of having another important industry in the State creating new wealth, but this prospect in its larger aspects is not sectional.

The fact that potash deposits existed in Texas has been known for a good while but no very successful efforts have been made at exploiting them. The Sheppard bill had the indorsement of the most prominent chemists and chemical associations in the country, which is assurance that the working of the deposits in this State is feasible.

The use of fertilizer is increasing all the time, and will continue to increase. A domestic supply of potash, one of the important ingredients in fertilizer, is vital to agricultural progress and to the solution of the problem of feeding the Nation.

There is not a great deal of "new land" left for settlement in this country. Dependence will have to be put more and more in the future upon the old lands, and many of these are wearing out and must be built up with fertilizer. With our population increasing so fast that it will be only a short time until we will have 200,000,000, the problem of providing for the food needs of that vast population is an important one. More intensive farming will be one phase of the solution.

This country will feel much more secure if its requirements in the way of agricultural products are assured through having a fertilizer supply that is not dependent upon outside nations.

Senator Sheppard did another good day's work when he got this bill through the senate.—Houston Post.

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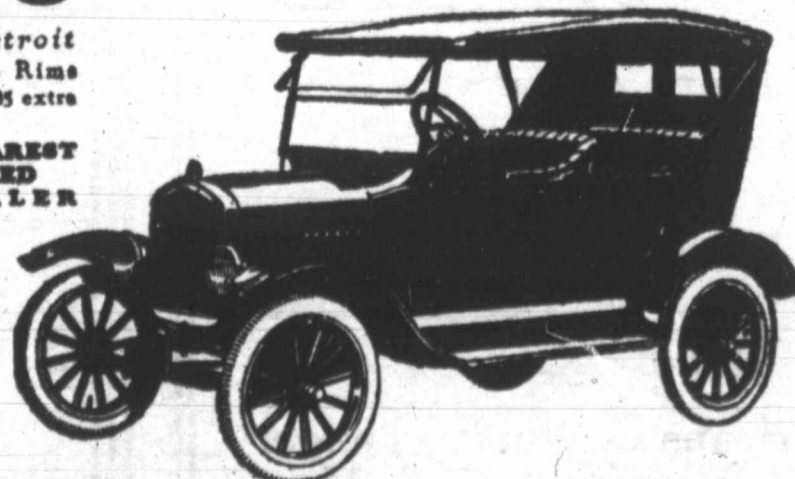
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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Miss Lucia Painter is visiting in Stephenville.

Free delivery to any part of the city. B. R. Purcell. It.

Rev. C. W. Hughes was a visitor at Navasota last week.

Mrs. Allen Newton has returned to her home in Galveston.

Miss Katherine Spence is at home from school in Huntsville.

Misses Jennie McLean and May Shivers left Sunday for Chicago.

Mrs. W. O. Moon of Byers is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hudson.

Let us French dry clean that suit or dress. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. It.

Mrs. Alfred Rogers has returned from visiting her parents in Mexia.

Miss Evelyn Frances Brown has returned from school at Denton.

Seersucker suits cleaned and pressed for 75 cents at Millar & Berry's. It.

Mrs. W. R. Kennedy of Louisiana is visiting Mrs. Albert Thompson.

Dr. E. B. Stokes is spending a brief vacation at Galveston and Dallas.

Miss Jeannette Creath, of Creath has returned from school in Huntsville.

Miss Mary Murchison of Athens is the guest of Miss Jeannette Craddock.

Misses Elizabeth Shivers and Elvira Tunstall were Grapeland visitors this week.

Mrs. George W. Crook returned in improved health Tuesday night from Marlin.

We do knife accordion and box pleating in one day service. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. It.

Miss Josephine Edmiston has returned from Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

We don't charge extra for one day service on your cleaning. B. R. Purcell, your tailor. It.

Misses Fannie Pauline Kennedy and Katy Lacy are at home from school in Huntsville.

Miss Mary Denny has returned from Dallas, where she was teaching in the city schools.

Rev. S. F. Tenney is expecting to preach at Oakland church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Effie May Petty left Saturday for Belton to enter Baylor College for the summer term.

Misses Lucille Jordan and Marguerite Sullivan were visitors at Grapeland the first of this week.

Frank Wootters and Dr. Paul Stokes are at home from the state medical college at Galveston.

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Misses Mary West, Catherine Hill and Ernestine Hale left Sunday for Belton to enter Baylor College.

Misses Frances Parker, Lucile Clark and Mary Frank Smith have returned from C. I. A., Denton.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. E. will leave this week for an extended trip to the Great Lake country, Canada and the northeast.

Miss Frances Bowrin of Graham is visiting Miss Itele Powell, who has just returned from the teachers' training college at Huntsville.

Misses Bernice Taylor of Washington, D. C., and Annie Mae Suttle of Meridian, Miss., are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Denny.

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To see perfectly see Dr. Sheller, optometrist of Dallas, at Bishop's drug store Saturday, June 7th. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, prices right. 2t.

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The Y. W. A. will present "Deacon Dubbs," a rural comedy drama in three acts, at the High School Auditorium on Friday evening, June 13, at 8 o'clock. It.

Mr. H. F. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Moore Jr. leave this week for an automobile trip to Ohio via Memphis, Louisville and Dayton. They will spend some time in Battle Creek, Mich., before returning to Crockett.

A Party—Just a Little Different.

We say different—to most parties—because it was in honor of "Mother, the best woman that ever lived—and mind you, remember it—every child's Mother is the best woman that ever lived."

Last Saturday, May 24th, Mrs. A. N. Henry invited a few close friends to spend the afternoon with her mother, Mrs. W. W. Lively, honoring her 80th birthday. By mere chance, Mrs. Henry learned that this date was the 79th birthday of Mrs. Fanny Nail, and invited her to share the pleasant little party with her mother. It filled us with genuine happiness to see how the eyes of these two dear women sparkled with joy and appreciation as we each extended our loving greetings. Mrs. Lively is a tiny bundle of vivacity and good cheer, and as "life's evening" takes its character from the days which have preceded it, we feel that with her the greatest pleasure of life is love, the greatest treasure is contentment, and because of the many useful years, the greatest possession is health. Mrs. Lively has nine living children, forty grandchildren, and thirty-nine great grandchildren. She celebrated her golden wedding anniversary fourteen years ago. Her children are scattered from California to New York, from New Orleans to Michigan—the oldest child lives in Vernon at the northern boundary of Texas, while the youngest (Mrs. Henry) lives at the southern boundary, in Del Rio on the Rio Grande.

Mrs. Lively adores Western hospitality, therefore does not get homesick for the life long friends in East Texas and vote for her favorites in the July elections. She takes the keenest interest in current events of the world, and in politics, thoroughly conversant on any topic, as she is a great reader, and takes special delight in reading the

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papers. Many hours are also passed in doing the most beautiful embroidery—priceless gifts to her dearly loved family. She has no criticism of the flapper; says they had flappers when she was a girl.

Mrs. Lively believes that the past is spent and gone, the future is uncertain and that every man's life lies within the present, so each day is full of interest for her.

Many beautiful flowers, thoughtful gifts and loving words and messages came to her on that day—from her devoted family and loving friends.

At the close of the happy afternoon, the delicious birthday cake, made by Mrs. Henry and beautifully decorated by Mrs. LaCrosse, was served with a refreshing ice.

Mrs. Henry, with unusual feeling and devotion, said as we were leaving: "Isn't she the most wonderful mother in all the world," and mind you, we remembered it—"every child's mother is the most wonderful Mother in all the world."—Del Rio Record.

Lone Pine.

Miss Elma Sanders left for Sam Houston College Monday.

Misses Beulah and Mattie Palmo of Galveston, who have been the guests of Misses Blue Belle and Thelma Wills, have returned to their home.

Mr. Howard Sanders has returned home for a short visit from Silver Valley, where he has been teaching.

Misses Blue Belle, Thelma and Hazel Wills left Monday for Sam Houston State Teachers College. Reporter.

Candidates Must File.

County and precinct candidates have only until June 14 in which to file their applications for places on the ticket. They should file before that time with the county chairman, J. W. Madden.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Courier is authorized to make the following announcements for office, subject to the action of the democratic primaries to be held in July:

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Invitations Out.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Spence of this city have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Spence, to Dr. John Henry Wootters, which happy event is to occur on Wednesday evening, June 18, at 9 o'clock, in the First Methodist church of Crockett. A reception will immediately follow at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Spence in south Crockett. The bride and groom are popular young people of Crockett and Houston respectively, and their wedding is being looked forward to with more than the usual interest.

Judge Dent Praised for Business Methods in Court.

Many compliments are heard these days on the business-like way in which District Judge Ben Dent is handling the cases that come before his court. There are no unnecessary delays, and the business of the court is speeded up in all possible ways. A number of liquor violation cases have been disposed of this

LIGHTNING BOLT BLAMED IN DEATH OF BALLOONISTS

TWO MEN LOSE LIVES WHEN GAS IS IGNITED IN HUGE BAG.

Rantoul, Ill., June 3.—The mangled bodies of Dr. C. L. Meissinger, noted meteorologist of the weather bureau at Washington, D. C., and Lieutenant James T. Neely of Philadelphia, killed when their balloon was struck by lightning near Bement, Ill., Monday night, will be brought here late today in an ambulance and taken to Scott field at Belleville, Ill., in the dirigible TC-3.

The bodies were found lying in a field near Bement.

The two men left Scott field late Monday in the army balloon S-3 for the ninth of a series of air test flights to gather data on atmospheric currents and conditions.

The balloon, of 80,000 cubic feet capacity, swung off from Scott field at 4 p. m., headed in a northeasterly direction.

As it drifted over Illinois Monday night it encountered a severe electrical storm. The catastrophe in which the two men lost their lives is believed to have occurred at 11:15 p. m.—seven hours after the start of the flight.

Several residents of Bement told of seeing a brilliant flash of yellow light and a ball of fire which hung motionless in the sky for a minute and then went out.

A worker on the farm of Clark Wright early today came upon the body of Dr. Meissinger, lying in the wreckage of the basket with the instrument and equipment. The basket was buried two feet in the earth. Half a mile west was found the body of Lieutenant Neely. A quarter of a mile northwest was the wrecked parachute, and a quarter of a mile farther away was the silk bag, in which a large hole had been burned.

The balloon is believed to have been traveling at a great height. According to aviation men who examined the wreckage, there is little doubt that the gas bag was exploded by a lightning bolt. Both bodies were crushed badly. A watch which Lieutenant Neely carried had stopped at 11:15 p. m.

Bement is about 150 miles northeast of Scott Field.

Both Lieutenant Neely and Dr. Meissinger were pilots, but the former was in charge of the balloon while Meissinger made his observations. The fatal flight had as its object the compilation of data for a chart of the air at 1000 feet elevation.

Dr. Meissinger was one of the foremost meteorologists in the country. He arrived at Scott Field March 30 and completed arrangements for a series of 10 or 15 test flights in a free balloon to heights of about 20,000 feet. The first flight was undertaken with Lieutenant I. A. Lawson as pilot, the craft landing at Waterbobo, S. C., 675 miles distant after drifting two days. Other flights were made subsequently in a balloon piloted by Lieutenant Neely. One ended at St. Thomas, Ont., and another near Appleton, Wis.

On two of these air explorations Dr. Meissinger rode out severe storms. The compilation of data on cyclones was one of his objects in making the tests.

week, and attorneys, jurors and witnesses have been kept busy.

If the courts function properly and without too much delay the people have a new respect for them, and because this is true Judge Dent is coming into the limelight, because he seems determined to make his court function in such a way as justice will be meted out to all who come before him.—Palestine Herald.

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