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O'KEEFE'S REPLY TO JOHN H. ELLIS

Weldon, Texas,
June 26, 1920.

Mr. John H. Ellis,
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir—I have just read your long article in the county papers wherein you pay me your respects in no very complimentary terms. It seems that this is intended as Judge Patton's long looked for reply due last fall, since the Courier so construes it and closes its columns to further free matter in the controversy. I paid for my first article and am the only one so far required to pay. Your article which I learn has been in course of preparation for several months is well timed to appear when you felt that I would be too busy to give it attention and the expense of reply might be prohibitive. True, most of what you say is addressed to my friend Beathard and is slimy enough withal, yet for monstrous misrepresentation of facts in your desire to becloud the real issue and in painstaking garbling of pure filth, belittled by unseemly twaddle, you have outdone yourself. In my first article I mentioned your name in connection with the settlement because there seemed no other way to make myself clear. That settlement never did look right and has never been satisfactorily explained to this good day, notwithstanding several fruitless attempts to do so. True, you did pull off a settlement for \$317 at an opportune moment when the complexion of an adjourned court suited your purpose, and your "Nervousness" at the time was first referred to by Mr. Long, who said that Mr. Estes and the judge both reported you in that condition and wanting to settle at once—an item of shortage that you now claim you knew you did not owe. Is it a habit of yours, Mr. Ellis, that, when requested to pay an item you know you do not owe, you get nervous and pay it at once or was this a special case? It seems impossible, with your accounts as they are, to figure out whether you owe the county anything or not, and this will always be the case so long as you are permitted to take credit for expense accounts in the lump sum for the year without itemizing them. Our recent finance committee duly appointed by the district judge was not able to verify the correctness of this settlement for want of record and so reported.

Later you got yourself a committee of your own selection—illegal, irregular and unheard of proposition as it is, and these, good honest and competent men as I believe them to be, find that the county owes you some \$1800, the exact figures being \$1566, to which add the \$317 you knew was overpaid in the settlement, makes total \$1893. You did not have the hardihood to show in your article that the balance was due you, but simply showed it as a balance, in the hope that the absurdity of the thing might escape the reading public. Your accounts have now been audited three times, each showing a different result, but the last one, showing the county owes you \$1890, is now put out as correct, and it is easy to understand why it looks good to you. But possibly your committee have not noticed the fact that since I returned the county treasurer's books to him, in the course of the so-called audit

which I was jarred loose from, a large number of entries, aggregating thousands of dollars and all showing payment to J. H. Ellis and no one else, have been reduced by erasure of the figures in the hundred dollar column. To illustrate, a payment actually made of say \$745 now appears on the book as \$45 only. That matter was investigated by the grand jury and I was able to show them what the original figures on the book were from adding-machine record taken in the audit. None of Brown's figures were changed, none of Jones' erased and none of Smith's tampered with. The changes were all reductions and all in Ellis' account. Now the pertinent question is, who reduced all these figures and for what purpose were they reduced? I understand that you have in your possession the vouchers covering these lowered cash book figures. Why and how did you get them and what are you doing with them? These vouchers belong in the county clerk's office, and as a citizen of the county I demand that you return them to the files where they belong since they are an important part of the county record and you have no rightful business to remove them from the lawful depository, and besides there is some probability of your office being checked again, and you must not further monkey with the records. The people of this county have honored you overmuch, but have now lost confidence in you for such conduct as this and you have yourself to blame.

Now as to my requesting your help to land the auditing job, you seem to be substantially correct, except that in the conversation you felt a delicacy in suggesting any one to the court since yours was one of the offices to be audited and that the court favored a state auditor, and that you were going to Houston in a day or two and would let me know what to expect on my return.

Shortly after this a gentleman representing a Houston auditing concern appeared before the commissioners' court and offered to do the work for \$1000. Being at home I figured that I could do it for \$650, and made a bid accordingly, which was accepted. For the next ten days or so I helped Mr. Rosser in his school reports and in the interval found opportunity to examine into the other records a good deal, and the more I looked the more certain it seemed that I could not do the work for the amount named and began to talk of giving it up. It was at this point that you state you called me into your office and told me to go ahead and see what I could do and if I could not make anything out of it at \$650, you were sure the county would give more as they would not allow me to lose on a good audit. The facts are that you came into the district clerk's office, where I was at work on Rosser's reports, and said: "Jim, I hear you are talking of giving up the audit." I told you yes, that I could not do it for the price; you said, "We want you to do the work. We'll put the money to you." I replied that any money paid me for the work, if I did it, would have to come through the commissioners' court and that if I found any account short I would certainly report it. You did not explain then, as you try to show now, that by "we" you meant the county. That was the time to make your correction, and be-

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BEATHARD REPLIES TO JOHN H. ELLIS

Crockett, Texas,
June 25th, 1920.

Mr. J. H. Ellis,
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir—In replying briefly to your long article just appearing, I can say that I have been hearing about the article being in course of construction for some time.

The recent committee of your own selection, who again went over your hopeless array of figures, seems to have found that instead of you owing the \$317.36 as per audit, that the county in fact owes you \$1556.08, which, if correct, makes a total due you by the county including the \$317.36 overpaid of \$1883.44 for the years 1915-19 inclusive.

Now if this is to be taken seriously, and the county does owe you this or any other amount, I would suggest that you make claim to the commissioners' court for it, as with your influence nothing is impossible in the way of settlements.

Now, John, don't stand back and feel that the people of Houston county want you to lose anything on them, as I am sure that you must know they want you to have what is right.

I note what you say about your being appointed as one of three to divide the Conner estate between me and the minor heirs of Conner. You are entirely mistaken in your statements. You were appointed to divide the estate between Wilse Hale and wife and Bob Wootters in a law suit—the expense of this partition was, by order of the court, assessed up on the loser.

Before the division was effected I bought the Wootters part. Those minor heirs—children of Frank Conner that you speak of, the youngest of which, as you know, had at the time of the division been married twice, and with a family of children had sold her entire interest and had nothing to do with the division, and as you know the oldest minor had at this time been married three times and with a large family of children. This last minor and her husband, Wilse Hale, were party to the suit and division.

Mr. Hale asked for the land that he got and I agreed for him to have it. At this time I held Mrs. Hale's mother's life-time title for the property which I made over to Mrs. Hale without any cost to her. You, Mr. Ellis, did the surveying in the division and you know that Mrs. Hale got one of the houses and that you offered, to use your own language, to "Save me that house for \$5.00," which offer I ignored as being too crooked to think about. I told you before you started the surveying not to look to me for any part of your charges which you agreed to.

It seems that you desire to leave the impression that we were not good friends after the occurrences just referred to, while the fact is that up to the time I went into office, I had great confidence in your judgment, and felt that you knew very nearly everything worth knowing, but upon coming in closer touch with you and having a better opportunity to observe your tactics, I, like a great many others, have lost confidence in you.

With reference to the last amount of the Ney Sheridan

shortage you referred to, I had a letter from Mr. Sheridan saying that he judged from the tone of my letter in the Courier that I would not likely favor the proposition of settlement which he sent the court; that he would like to be treated as well as others. I never saw that offer to this date, but inferring that it was likely an offer of about ten cents on the dollar, I wrote him that so far as I was concerned it would take one hundred cents on the dollar to square his shortage.

Mr. Ellis, you keep asking why I don't reply to Mr. Harper's statement, made at your request, saying that he never gave me the figures (\$5878 shortage.) He is right and left me nothing to reply to; but listen, Mr. Ellis, he did give me the figures \$5778, and I have them now and will be glad to show them to you or any one else.

I feel that I have given you no just cause for complaint, and in making the statement in reference to your settlement with the court, saying that I did not approve of same as made, I, as a free born American citizen, have a right to say so.

I note that you boast about getting by the two grand juries. The following order and settlement put you by the grand jury:

"Whereas, it appears to this court that Jno. H. Ellis is due to Houston county various small sums of money caused by excess fees being allowed him by the Commissioners' Court and as the audit of the county's books shows the amount to be \$317.36, the court deems it to be for the best interests of Houston county to accept this amount of money from Mr. Ellis in full settlement." Signed,

Nat Patton, County Judge.
J. C. Estes, Commissioner.
J. S. Long, Commissioner.

"An Error.—This order never was presented and passed by the Commissioners' Court."

This error and contradiction of the order, following the order, did not appear on the minutes until the last day of the last session of the last grand jury.

Now I note what you say in regard to voting to employ men to figure back taxes at \$225 per month. This includes two men's salaries. This is another one of your catches.

Now there is no doubt that you want this stopped as it is the result of the "Plat Book" that you got up, and you and your partner slipped in on the people and in which you held a secret contract and got most of the money. There is no doubt you want it stopped—you and Harper have got all the pay. I will say that Harper "never left you in the cold." You two have played this game before.

Now, John, don't you and Harper want this plat book system stopped, since you have had the negroes and poor white people sued, and got their little mites? and it has come to the man who has got money to defend himself.

You are responsible for all this. This way you have of taking the advantage of the poor and unlearned, don't suit me. You recall telling the poor, unlearned fellow that you had been working three long years to get his tax straight, and it was all through the love you had for him. And he asked you what was wrong and you told him he had been rendering his land on the wrong headright. Now, John, this is the way to put it over the poor, unlearned fellows.

Now in regard to that contract which your partner had on that auditing, I got Col. Adams to draw it up. It did call for a

VILLA ADHERENTS ISSUE MANIFESTO

Signers Declare for "Reign of
Democracy, by and for
the People."

Washington, June 27.—Declaring in favor of the restoration of the constitution of 1857 and describing Francisco Villa as "the only leader who disinterestedly and patriotically combats and will continue to combat for the welfare of the people and for the re-establishment of constitutional order," 10 generals, including Villa's chief of staff, and more than 50 other officers and a number of civilians, have issued a manifesto to the Mexican people.

The manifesto, a copy of which reached Washington Sunday, was issued at Hacienda Salaces, district of Jimenez, Chihuahua. It states that "the Agua Prieta plan, which is to be the standard of the new liberal constitutional revolution, like that of Guadalupe, will be a source of discord for the future and in consequence will bring serious evil to the country."

It further states that the signers of the manifesto "want the reign of democracy; true government of the people, by the people; and not that the succession of tyrants be sought by means of treason, intrigue, disloyalty, cowardice and crime, assassinating some to elevate some one else."

"Product of a new military coup," the manifesto says, "the regime intends to establish itself in the country, with the same passions, the same jealousies, the same ambitions and the same mistakes, will be impotent to restore peace in the republic."

The manifesto states that the Villistas endeavored to join the Sonora revolt at its inception, hoping that it shared the same ideals and principles as their own, but, it states, "unfortunately our good faith, our honesty and our patriotism have been met with intrigues, disloyalty and treachery, and with the most absolute disregard for justice that has been and still is ours."

bond of \$1000. I gave this contract to the judge and he said he would have Mr. Harper to make this bond.

Now, referring to what you said about my being after you. This don't prove to be true. Mr. Ney Sheridan and Mr. A. E. Owens could as easily say the same thing. I hope this will give you satisfaction. You should certainly try to get your commissioners elected, as your future pension depends upon it.

I note what you say about nominating Harper to audit the county's books. I say that it was never put to a vote. It was just agreed upon; so I did not nominate him. I note what you say in regard to that forty acre excess that Bill Hale filed on. You know the land commissioner held that it was mine. This, like the most of the other accusations, is personal and in my judgment does not concern the public, and is being used for no other purpose than to discredit my name with the people.

Those ugly names you called me are nothing more than slang and in my opinion answer nothing and should not be used by any intelligent man.

Yours very truly,
J. A. Beathard.

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Bennie Temple is here from Houston.

Drink at The Rexall Store. New drinks and old prices. It.

E. A. Hull has returned from a business trip to Dalas.

You'll find a full line of fishing tackle at The Rexall Store. It.

Miss Mary Spence has returned from a visit with friends in Dallas.

Miss Billy Burke of Lufkin is the guest of Miss Delha Mildred Wootters.

Misses Marie and Ruby Jenkins of Palestine were visitors here last week.

E. E. McLemore of Palestine spent Sunday and Monday with his family in Crockett.

Mrs. W. A. Craig and son of Dallas have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen.

One nice, large heater for sale. See Mrs. Lottie Richardson at the old Lively home. Phone 362. It.

A well-attended summer normal for colored teachers is being held at Mary Allen Seminary.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holliday of Henrietta were visiting their mother, Mrs. Joe Adams, here this week.

Chas. and Bruce Smith of Winnfield, La., are spending a few days with their sister, Mrs. C. E. Towery.

Room for Rent

A delightful room for rent, suitable for man and wife, with bath attached. Ring 62. It.

You are sure to get your ceiling, flooring, siding and ship-lap dry if you buy it of the Brooke-Morris Lumber Co. It.

Mrs. G. O. Dickson, who has been dangerously ill following an appendicitis operation, was reported Wednesday morning to be on the recovery route.

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Notice is hereby given that Blue Lake Farm premises is posted and all hunting and fishing prohibited. All trespassers will be prosecuted to the fullest extent.

2t. Blue Lake Farm.

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A Dairy Farm.

Mr. H. J. Arledge is starting a dairy farm at what is known as his goat ranch east of Crockett. He is beginning with about twenty cows and will add to this number from time to time until his dairy herd is complete. He is beginning in a moderate way so that the business may grow as the details become familiarized with.

Charges Filed.

Lee Wagner, whose connection with the First National Bank of Crockett as assistant cashier was recently severed, has had charges filed against him in the courts of Houston county and also in the federal court at Tyler. The charges are the result of recent investigations by bank examiners and he has given bond in both instances, the bond at Crockett being \$1000.

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Smith-Murchison Hardware Company. It.

Use of Name Not Authorized.

Editor Courier:
In order that none may be misled, I wish you would say in the next issue of the Courier that the use of my name as a precinct chairman in the American party organization was not authorized by me. In days past, when it required courage to stand with the democratic party, I staid with the old ship of democracy through thick and thin, and I cannot and will not desert her now. Please make this correction for me, and greatly oblige, yours very truly,
W. H. Threadgill.

Graduating Exercises.

The training class of the Sunday School of the First Baptist Church will hold their graduating exercises on July 4 at the morning service.

An interesting program of music has been arranged, a commencement sermon will be preached and a popular lawyer will present the diplomas to the thirteen graduates who have completed the prescribed course of our Sunday School Board.

The following ladies compose the class: Mesdames J. S. Wootters, Virginia Collins, Garland Ellis, Dan J. Kennedy, Alton LeMay, E. T. Ozier, George Mangum, A. J. McLeMore, Asa Bynum, D. O. Kiessling, Theron

J. Fouts, and Misses Lou Russell and Mary Monk Aldrich. All friends and acquaintances are invited to be present.

Houston County at Sam Houston Normal Institute.

The Houston County Club had its first meeting this summer, June 24, for the purpose of electing new officers. The house was called to order by the former president and the business of the meeting put before the members. Miss Dewey Kennedy was elected president, Mr. B. L. Keene vice-president, Miss Corinne Patterson secretary. A special committee on entertainments, etc., was appointed by the president. This committee was Misses Maggie Allbright, Eva Pearl Smith, Eleanor Horne and Mr. Howard

MONEY TO LOAN

BUY VENDOR LEIN NOTES.
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE.
B. B. WARFIELD
CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Sanders. Houston county is well represented at Sam Houston Normal Institute, showing the enthusiasm the teachers are displaying toward their work. They are trying to broaden themselves and increase their capacity to appreciate the manifold sides of life.

There were fifty-four present at the first meeting, but almost as many more did not report for various reasons. We hope to have an enrollment of one hundred or more.
Corinne Patterson.

Notice to the Public

We have installed a 100-foot steam dry kiln in connection with our saw and planing mill at Cut, Texas, and will carry a stock of worked dry lumber for local retail trade. So send or bring us your bills, or use telephone—No. 156 Crockett, or Brooke's Mill at Cut—we will do the rest. Buy your lumber direct from the mill and save money.

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CHARGE FRAUDS IN OIL STOCK SALES

14 Concerns, 50 Individuals Ac-
cused of Swindling
Operations.

New York, June 24.—With the breaking of seals Monday on indictments charging 14 concerns and 50 individuals with fraud, government agents announced they had begun a nation-wide round-up of alleged wild cat oil company promoters said to have swindled the public out of millions within the last few months.

The defendants—oil companies, brokerage concerns and their officers and salesmen—are charged with using the mails to defraud. They are alleged to have made gross misrepresentations and to have paid impressive dividends out of receipts on stock sales.

Typical Case.

In one case, the indictments charged, salesmen disposing of stock of the Crown Oil company falsely represented that a son of former President Roosevelt was an officer of the company, which, it was claimed, would soon rival the Standard Oil company.

Shares of this company, according to one indictment, were sold to investors in Chicago at \$2.25 a share, and to "evade the western blue sky law," later was disposed of at \$3, after costing brokers only seven and a half cents a share.

While federal officers were seeking Louis C. Van Riper at Atlantic City and Boston for alleged connection with the sale of Ranger oil stock, the promoter and his council appeared at the federal court to answer the indictment. Bail was fixed at \$20,000.

Rounding Up Men.

Federal agents in cities throughout the country are now engaged in rounding up the men indicted. They are charged with having made gross misrepresentations regarding oil properties and with paying dividends out of money obtained from the sale of stock.

The companies involved are the Ranger Oil company, W. P.

Williams Oil company, Great Western Petroleum corporation and Crown Oil company.

The brokerage concerns indicted were Stickney, Rawlinson & Colelough of Boston and Curtis, Packer & Co., United Securities company, H. Kent Holmes & Co., H. Morgan Pollock & Co., Thompson, James & Co., Crossman, Sherman & Co., George A. Lamb & Co., E. M. Fuller & Co. and Greenbaum, Bigelow & Greenbaum, nearly all of them with headquarters in this city.

Some of the brokerage houses had connections in Chicago and other cities.

The first batch of indictments was returned after a long investigation conducted by a special squad of post office inspectors under the direction of Assistant United States District Attorneys Jerome Simmons and Henry E. Kelly.

Individuals indicted comprise officers and directors of the oil and brokerage companies and stock salesmen.

While one indictment mentions exploitation of the Charles United Oil and Gas company, the company, which has properties in Kansas and Oklahoma, is not named as a defendant.

Post Office Inspector Howard B. Mayhew, who, with Inspectors Lairchan, Schwab and Williamson, gathered the evidence on which Thursday's indictments were based, explained that three of the defendants here accused of promoting the sale of Crown oil stock were recently indicted at Louisville, Ky., for alleged mail frauds in connection with another oil company.

The indictment against the Ranger Oil company and other charges that Curtis, Packer & Co., by misrepresentation, sold to investors at more than \$1 a share, 1,000,000 shares, which they are said to have bought at 20 cents.

Texas Farmer Thinks He Can Combat Boll Weevil.

Nacogdoches, Texas, June 25.—J. A. Jones, a farmer a few miles west of town, thinks he has made a discovery to combat the boll weevil. He states that in a small patch of cotton on which he is experimenting that his process works to perfection. This patch of cotton he has dug holes over, in which he places a small quantity of trash, touches it off with a match and pours sulphur on the blaze until it

suffocates the fire. This produces a dense smoke, the fumes of which are death to the weevil.

Mr. Jones states that not a weevil has been found in the patch of cotton treated with sulphur, while his other cotton fields on his farm are infested with the pest. He further states that late in the afternoon, about sundown, is the best time to start the sulphur smoking process. Mr. Jones is so thoroughly pleased with his experiment that he is trying it on all of his cotton.

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J. E. TOWERY

FIRST SALE BREAKS HOUSTON'S RECORD

San Benito Growers of Bale and
Party Hire Special Train to
Beat Edinburg.

Houston, Texas, June 26.—The first bale of cotton marketed from the 1920 crop, which was reported in The News as having arrived here from San Benito last night, established a new high price for cotton on the local market by bringing \$1,600 at auction on the floor of the Houston Cotton Exchange. The sale took place this morning at 11 o'clock and the purchasers were Weatherford, Crump & Co.

A large crowd of cotton men filled the floor of the exchange and the bidding was started at \$1,000 and advanced \$25 and \$50 at a jump for some time. Toward the close it slowed down and the bale was knocked down to N. D. Naman at \$1,575. This occurred while W. Weatherford was in the telephone booth and when he returned, after the bale had been knocked down, he bid \$1,600, and the bidding was resumed. This bid, however, was not raised.

The cotton was said to be the best first bale ever sold on the Houston market, being classed as strict middling, and weighed 680 pounds. Ernest Metz of San Benito grew most of the cotton contained in the bale and the balance was purchased in that vicinity. Mr. Metz is said to hold the world's record for the production of a first bale of cotton, which he established in 1911, when on June 11 of that year he sold the first bale to Jesse H. Jones of Houston for \$1,040.

The bale arriving yesterday was accompanied by Mr. Metz, the grower of the cotton; Ernest Bowie, Brice Frazier, J. F. Lynch and S. Deane Wasson.

An incident in connection with the marketing of this bale of cotton was the neck-and-neck race between San Benito and

Edinburg. Edinburg had a bale of this season's cotton on the same regular passenger train out of San Benito, but at Kingsville a special train was arranged for by Mr. Frazier and Mr. Bowie, who paid for the service themselves, and the bale from San Benito was loaded on this and rushed ahead of the regular passenger train, making only such stops as were necessary and arriving in Houston about three hours ahead of the passenger train which brought the Edinburg bale.

When John Lomax and W. D. Shadrick, who were with the Edinburg bale, discovered what had been done, they took their bale through to New Orleans, still hopeful of winning honors.

Hobby Vetoes \$100,000 Pro- vision to Enforce Worm Law.

Austin, Texas, June 19.—There was only one veto registered by the governor as a result of special session legislation. It came today when the governor disapproved an item of \$100,000 in the department appropriation bill for the enforcement of the present pink boll worm law. It is vetoed and declared unnecessary because that same amount is carried in the pink boll worm eradication bill, which was signed today.

The governor has cleared his desk of all bills passed by the special session, and when he leaves next Monday night the slate will be clean. Lieutenant Governor W. A. Johnson will become acting governor late in the afternoon of Tuesday, June 22.

Governor and Mrs. Hobby will leave Monday night for Dallas, where they will spend Tuesday and board the special train for San Francisco that evening.

With the bills approved and archived in the department of state the special session appropriated about \$6,500,000 of which \$4,000,000 went to supplement the available school fund, and \$1,053,000 to higher institutions of learning.

Experiments in the cultivation of camphor, with satisfactory distillation tests, are being carried out in the Federated Malay States.

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BOLL WORM ACT GIVEN APPROVAL

Vice Chairman of Horticultural Board Gives His Assurance.

Washington, June 25.—The Texas pink boll worm act, as passed by the legislature last Tuesday, meets with the general approval of the federal horticultural board and there will be no cessation of the fight which the United States government is making to eradicate this disastrous pest. Assurances to this effect were obtained today from W. A. Orton, vice chairman of the board, from Dr. Karl F. Kellerman, one of the board members who made the trip to Texas.

Copies of the new Texas law were received in Washington today and have been subjected to the closest scrutiny. While it has been noted that there were several changes in the bill as passed finally, there is but one feature to which any exception is taken. That is the section which contains a provision that there shall be no cotton-free zone established in the infested district this year. And while Dr. Kellerman expressed regret that this should have been included, he said this would not prevent full co-operation of the federal government with the state authorities and that everything would be done to wage a successful war on the pest.

Plans Not Completed.

Definite plans for the campaign have not been fully mapped out, but telegraphic instructions have been sent to Dr. W. D. Hunter, the member of the federal horticultural board still in Texas, to continue operations and then make arrangements to come to Washington at his earliest convenience.

It is anticipated that arrangements will be made to hold a conference in Washington to which would be invited the Texas secretary of agriculture, the state entomologist and similar representatives from Louisiana. At this conference definite plans for the work will be outlined and agreed upon. If possible this conference will be held early in July.

Crockett Marriage.

The culmination of a happy school day romance was a pretty June wedding solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Young in Crockett, Texas, at 1:45 p. m., Saturday, June 26, 1920, Rev. C. B. Garrett officiating.

The contracting parties were Miss Sue Smith of this city and Milton G. Thomas of Beaumont, formerly of Crockett.

The handsome reception hall was transformed into a bower of loveliness for the occasion. The improvised altar and stairway were draped in Southern smilax, while palm, ferns and begonia plants formed the principal decoration. Ferns placed on mahogany pedestals formed an

HORSE BADLY CUT BY FALL.

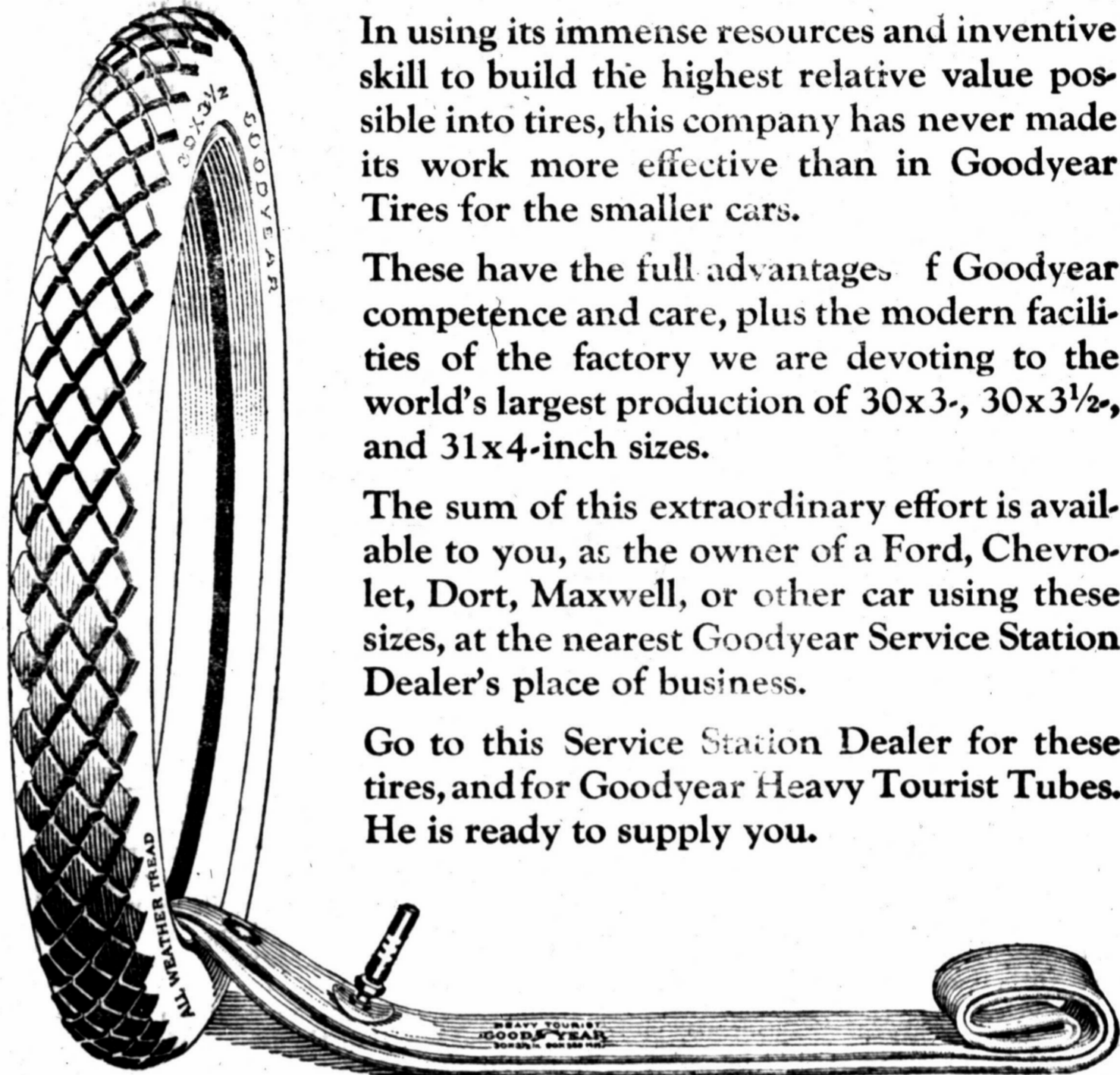
Specialist's Prescription Prevents Complication.

In telling of the accident to his horse, Mr. Luther Carmen of Valley Park, Mo., stated: "My horse fell down and cut his knees all up. I dressed them with Dr. LeGear's Antiseptic Healing Powder and they are healing fine. It is a wonderful remedy for healing sores on horses."

Mr. Carmen is simply voicing the sentiments of hundreds of others who feel that having Dr. LeGear's personal prescriptions on hand at all times is nearly as good as having Dr. LeGear where they could reach him in a few minutes.

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aisle leading from the stairway to the altar. The mantel was draped in drooping ferns and stately white lilies.

Mrs. Young and Mrs. J. H. Smith greeted the guests at the door. Mrs. Young was gowned in pink Georgette and fantasie crepe and wore a rope of pearls, the gift of the bride and groom. Mrs. Jack Beasley and Miss Delha Mildred Wootters presided at the punch bowl, which was embedded in shasta daisies and ferns. The gift room decoration was pink Killarney roses, where Mrs. C. W. LeGory, Miss Ruth Warfield and Miss Ruby Jenkins received the guests.

Miss Clarite Elliott sang "I'll Build the World in the Heart of a Rose," Miss Leita Cunyus sang "Only You." The wedding chorus was sung by Mrs. J. P. Hail, Miss Jennie McLean, Miss Clarite Elliott, Mrs. Robert Allen and Miss Minnie Craddock. Mrs. Decuir played Lohengrin's wedding music. Little Alice Olivia and Alberta Smith, bearing white ribbons, marched to the altar, taking position on either side. Then followed the bridesmaids, Leona Thomas, Alice Foster, Lillie Belle Hail,

Jennie Arledge, Mary Aldrich and Mary Jenkins, wearing white and yellow organdie gowns and leghorn hats and carrying bouquets of shasta daisies tied with yellow maline. Mrs. Henry Ellis, matron of honor, in her wedding gown, and Miss Leita Cunyus, maid of honor, in white hand-embroidered crepe, were followed by the little ring bearer, Mary Herbert Fulgham, a veritable fairy in white accordion plaited gown with butterfly bow, bearing the ring in the heart of a lily.

The groom entered with his best man, Walter English. The bride, in blue tricotine with accessories to match, entered on the arm of her brother, T. F. Smith. They met at the altar and there, on a velvet dias, the marriage vows were taken, while the pianist, Mrs. Decuir, played softly Mendelssohn's wedding music.

After the ceremony an informal reception was held and a host of relatives and friends pressed forward to bid the little bride and happy groom god-speed.

The happy couple left for New Orleans on the 3:09 train. They

will make their future home in Beaumont.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. C. Avery, Mrs. Herbert Fulgham and little daughter, Mary Herbert, Misses Marie and Ruby Jenkins, all of Palestine, Texas, and Walter English of Orange, Texas. X.

State Aid for Schools.

Dear Editor:

Permit me to use your valuable paper to say to the trustees of the school districts and to the next year's prospective teachers that an application for state aid will not be favorably considered by the state department if any teacher in the school holds as low as a second grade certificate, either state or county. This means that a second grade teacher is a mill stone about the neck of the school so far as state aid is concerned. The only exceptions and deviations from this rule, so the state aid man tells us, will be in favor of such schools whose second grade teachers complete at least three subjects leading to a first grade. This building process may be

carried on either by attending a normal or by taking the examinations here and making the required grades. That much of the building process must have been completed before the school begins.

For the convenience of industrious, ambitious teachers who desire to improve the grade of their certificates the state has provided for examinations in each month of this year. They will occur on the first Friday and Saturday following in each month except August. In that month the 23rd and 24th are the dates set.

Applications for state aid will be sent to the trustees within the next few days. They should be very careful in making up the information called for and should return it to me promptly. J. H. Rosser.

European railroad has adopted steam driven motor passenger cars that resemble American gasoline-electric cars.

A new circular saw for quickly cutting railroad rails is operated either by an electric motor or by hand.

EXCEPTIONALLY OUR OPPORTUNITY

We Can Make This Section
Prosperous If We Will Do
the Right Thing.

As a community, we can do anything that should be done in the best interests of the people. The first thing to do is to decide what can best be undertaken and then get together in effective team work and put it over. That is the plain, common sense way of doing anything that is worth doing at all.

We know so well by this time that Houston county has been most bountifully provided with the essential features that are necessary for the successful prosecution of dairy interests. We also know that where the farmers are generally engaged in dairying that that section is prosperous and getting ahead and enjoying the luxuries of life. It is the most reliable feature of farming that can be engaged in anywhere in this whole United States, when the natural conditions are adapted to it, and this is more particularly true of the South on account of its favorable climatic conditions.

Pasture All the Year.

In the North where the dairy cow has made so many thousands of the farmers not only independent but actually wealthy, the cows have to be kept in a warm barn from four to five months every year and fed entirely on what was grown and stored for them during the six or seven months that farming operations were possible. While down here the dairy cow can enjoy the finest of green grazing every day in the year, with a little care and labor in sowing a few acres of oats, rye or barley in the fall while the pastures are still doing service. This enables our southern dairyman to produce butter fat considerably cheaper than his brother dairyman in the frozen north, and when it is known that we can get from two to ten cents a pound more for it than he can, and when we know he gets rich milking his cows why should we discuss this phase of the problem any longer? Why shouldn't we

quit talking about what we should do, but get busy and do it?

Going After Results.

As stated in our department last week, the new board of directors of the Crockett Commercial Club has definitely settled the matter of making this dairy feature the most prominent of its activities. That is to say, this feature is to be pushed energetically through a systematic program that can have but one outcome, and that is to make this one of the most prominent and prosperous communities in the state. The cream separator campaign is to be inaugurated at once and steps are to be taken to assist those who need help in getting together a good dairy herd.

Revolving Dairy Fund.

In some localities in Texas a revolving fund, of say ten thousands dollars, is subscribed by the local banks and business men and this money is used in helping the farmers to finance the purchase of dairy cows, and as fast as any portion of it is paid back it is loaned to others who need it. The money is not a donation on the part of those who have provided it, but is loaned to the association at a low rate of interest with security on the animals purchased. Besides being a safe investment the placing of this money in this avenue of community upbuilding is one of the most laudable enterprises that can be considered. The money will come back to the lenders bearing fruit of such excellent and enduring quality as to prove a source of everlasting self-approval. Now let us concentrate on this dairy feature and not consent to be switched off onto some other line of activity until we have it so thoroughly under way that it will carry itself on to a self-sustaining basis.

H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

CROCKETT TRAIN SCHEDULE.

South Bound
No. 3, Houston Express...10:21 A. M.
No. 1, Sunshine Special...3:09 P. M.
No. 5, Houston Limited...1:33 A. M.

North Bound
No. 4, Local Passenger...11:46 A. M.
No. 2, Sunshine Special...2:40 P. M.
No. 8, St. Louis Limited...3:44 A. M.

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Another Royal Suggestion COOKIES and SMALL CAKES

From the NEW ROYAL COOK BOOK

WHEN the children romp in hungry as young bears, here are some wholesome, economical delights that will not only be received with glee, but will satisfy the most ravenous appetite in a most wholesome manner.

Cookies
1/2 cup shortening
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup milk
2 eggs
1/2 teaspoon grated nutmeg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract or grated rind of 1 lemon
4 cups flour
3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
Cream shortening and sugar together; add milk to beaten eggs and beat again; add slowly to creamed shortening and sugar; add nutmeg and flavoring; add 2 cups flour sifted with baking powder; add enough more flour to make stiff dough. Roll out very thin on floured board; cut with cookie cutter, sprinkle with sugar, or put a raisin or a piece of English walnut in the center of each. Bake about 12 minutes in hot oven.

Cocoa Drop Cakes
4 tablespoons shortening
1 cup sugar
1 egg
1/2 cup milk
1 1/2 cups flour
3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1/4 cup cocoa
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Cream shortening; add sugar and well-beaten egg; beat well and add milk slowly; sift flour, baking powder, salt and cocoa into mixture; stir until smooth, add vanilla. Put one tablespoon of batter into each greased muffin tin and bake in moderate oven about 20 minutes. Cover with boiled icing.

Orange Cakes
4 tablespoons shortening
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup milk
1 egg
2 cups flour
3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon orange extract
grated rind of 1 orange
Cream shortening; add sugar slowly, beating well; add milk a little at a time; then add well-beaten egg; sift flour, baking powder and salt together and add to mixture; add flavoring and grated orange rind; mix well. Bake in greased shallow tin, or individual cake tins, in hot oven 15 to 20 minutes. When cool cover with orange icing.

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J. H. ELLIS' REPLY TO FORMER ATTACK

(Continued from last week.)

About this time I was shot at by another gentleman. Mr. J. P. O'Keefe takes a hand in the argument and comes out boldly in defense of his friend, Beathard. He also writes several pieces and has them published, and while Jimmie does not quote any exact figures and is short on facts, he is certainly long on insinuations. He does not say so in his article, but he leaves the impression that he is chuck full of information and will give it out at the proper time. He has a lot to say about how nervous I was when I settled with the county. Yes, Jimmie, I expect I was a little nervous, having to pay \$317.00 into the county treasury when I knew I did not owe it. I was somewhat nervous, Jimmie, but, old fellow, I was not near as nervous as you are going to be when the good old Woodrow Wilson democrats of Houston county get through with you next month.

"You are a sly old fox, Jimmie," but the boys are going to look into your record before they place you in a Houston county office.

Myself and some of two or three thousand more good democrats have not forgotten the last time you tried for office in this county about twenty years ago. You forsook your republican brethren and landed in the populist party as a candidate for county clerk, and although you had unanimous support of all the negroes in the county we sent you back to your republican party to meditate on the things that might have been.

Now where do we find you, Jimmie, in the last presidential election? We find you lined up with the republican party and your name placed on the steering committee with one Gabe Washington and Antney Walker, two colored brothers of the city of Crockett.

I met your friend, Gabe Washington, on the street and asked him to please tell me just what the duty that you and this committee was to perform, and this is about what he said: "This here committee dat you speaks of, me and Mr. O'Keefe, was to 'struct the colored folks how to vote." And so while the true blue democrats of Houston county, together with the red-blooded young manhood of our country who were getting ready to go upon the battlefield and fight for the principles and ideals of the greatest man on earth (Woodrow Wilson), we find your name placed on a committee to 'struct the negroes of this county how to vote against him and his principles.

Mr. O'Keefe, when President Wilson first called for volunteers to see service in France I had two sons who were of military age. Both of these boys answered his call. The body of one of these boys was returned to me in a casket draped with the flag of the greatest nation on earth. The other one, thanks be to God, was returned to me safe and sound, and is today making a good citizen, but if I ever hear of him casting his ballot

with the black and tan republican party of the county I will disown him. And, Mr. O'Keefe, you are going to find out that there are lots of people in old Houston county who are just like me about this, for this grand old state of Texas is solid in its democracy and has never and will never permit any political Joseph with a coat of many shades and colors to receive any honor at her hands.

And now in conclusion I wish to say that I never desired to get into a newspaper controversy with any one, but, as the public well knows, Mr. Beathard and Mr. O'Keefe have been spending a great deal of their time for the past year in bringing charges after charges against me which they cannot sustain and they not only openly charge me through the newspapers of perpetrating a fraud on the county, but have at any and all occasions sought to discredit me with the people who have so generously honored me in the past, there was nothing left me but to answer their charges and I have done so, I believe, to the satisfaction of all honest men.

I have not really been much surprised at Mr. Beathard for his unjust and continued prosecution of me, for I realize that a one-cylindered mind with a foul spark plug and a poor grade of fuel can but throw off an obnoxious odor and must stay on the same track always, but I must confess that, knowing the teaching of Mr. O'Keefe, he has certainly disregarded same in every imaginable way. And I have this to say to you, Mr. Jimmie Absalom Beathard, and to you, Mr. Jimmie O'Possum O'Keefe, that I am quite sure the people of Houston county do not desire to listen to your abuse of me in the newspapers, but if it is your desire to continue to discuss my official record, get out your paper and sharpen your pencil and come on in—"the water is fine." Respectfully,

John H. Ellis,
Tax Assessor of Houston County.

NEFF IN FAVOR OF MARKETING SYSTEM

Cuero, Texas, June 24.—Pat M. Neff, candidate for governor, traveling through the country alone in his car and under his own appointment, spoke at the court house in Cuero this afternoon to a crowd approximating 200 people.

Mr. Neff stated that he favored greater efficiency in the public schools, a better marketing system for Texas' greatest industry of farming, a graduated tax that would persuade the non-Texas resident who owns millions of acres of land in Texas that he does not improve or live upon, to place the same upon the market.

He decried the system of marketing whereby the factories all have their set prices for products and the farmers take what they are offered. He also decried the same system which permits foods to waste and rot in the Rio Grande Valley while the same foods command prohibitive prices in nearby cities.

He cited an instance where he paid 30c for a slice of watermelon in a Dallas restaurant and in a two hours' ride from there farmers at Mineola were destroying their watermelons by the load because of the prices offered.

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AN ECHO OF THE HOUSTON MUTINY.

Attorneys for the negroes who are serving terms in the Federal penitentiary for participation in the mutiny of negro troops in Houston in August, 1917, are seeking the release of the prisoners by the habeas corpus route.

As a basis for the proceedings, they set up the contention that while the United States was at war with Germany at the time the crimes were committed, there was no state of war existing within the territorial limits of the Union and the court-martial therefore had no jurisdiction.

A more flimsy pretext for releasing these negro criminals could hardly be imagined, and it is not to be supposed that any court would be silly enough to seriously consider such a proposal.

Even if any such far-fetched interpretation of the article of war under which the mutinous negroes were convicted were to be made, that there was no war in progress within the limits of the nation, the fact that enemies of the country were actively engaged in acts of hostility against the country would have to be recognized.

The fact is, the negroes involved in this trouble were on guard duty about an army camp that was in process of construction. They were sent here with the express purpose of protecting the camp from the secret enemies of the government who were attempting to destroy the property of the government throughout the country and to hamper American preparation for war.

The country was not only at war with a foreign nation and fighting on foreign soil, but it was at war with the representatives of its enemies on home soil. The country was infested with spies by the thousands. Suppressing the forces of the enemy in home territory was no small part of the war.

This was the duty upon which the negro troops were detailed when they mutinied, marched heavily armed and in military formation upon Houston, wounding and killing a large number of unsuspecting and unarmed citizens, as well as members of the police force and officers of the army who attempted to check their murderous march.

A further point to be considered is that the affair at Houston was not a riot, but mutiny. Civilians of Houston were involved only as victims. The negro soldiers broke camp, defied their officers and wounded and killed army officers and soldiers who attempted to subdue them. In Chicago today there is a tablet commemorating the name of the brave Captain Mattes of the Illinois National Guard who was brutally killed by negro soldiers when he attempted to restore order.

To release soldiers who mutiny in time of war, who turn themselves into a hostile, fighting force against a community they were duty bound to protect, would be such a monstrous mis-

carriage of justice as to be utterly unthinkable. — Houston Post.

KILLING BOLL WEEVILS TO BEAT THE BAND.

The prevalence of boll weevils has aroused the farmers as never before in the history of Rusk county. Throughout the southern portion of the county—Mt. Enterprise, Concord and Caledonia—a well organized campaign is raging against this, the greatest of all cotton pests. They are using lights which they make of snuff bottles, soda water bottles and all other kind of bottles, which they fill with lamp oil, using cotton rope for wicks, and any handy vessel for water, using a small amount of oil in the water. In addition to the lamps all punctured squares are being picked up and burned. It is said by experienced boll weevil killers that the most effective way to stop their destruction is to destroy the first three families by picking up the punctured squares and burning them. This can be done by children, and a farmer told the writer yesterday that one child can keep ahead of an average plow, two furrows to the row. Why in the world, then, is it that the farmers will permit these miserable weevils to destroy their cotton? It is a matter of record that a negro near Mt. Enterprise, last year, picked and burned the squares on his cotton patch, made an overwhelming crop, paid his debts, put several hundred dollars in the bank, while his neighbors' cotton was completely destroyed. That negro today is pursuing the same method, and his neighbors are doing the same thing. While writing this article two farmers came into the office, and declared that the picking up process is a success, and that they are going at it in earnest right now. There is no argument in the world against this picking up and burning the squares theory. And a few days—just a few days with all the hands at work—the crop can be saved, and hundreds of thousands of dollars saved to the farmers. It is folly, worse than folly, to sit down and let these insects destroy the crop when a few days additional work will save it. Of course "Providence sends these pests." But who is willing for flies, and mosquitoes, and snakes to bite and poison and kill his children just because "Providence sent them here?" It is our duty to banish all pestiferous insects that we can without stopping to ask who sent them here. Will any wise man hesitate to destroy, if he can, the enemy that is destroying the fruits of his toil, thus depriving his children the necessities of life? Will any thoughtful farmer sit supinely by while these insects take away from his children the only means of clothing and feeding them, provided the remedy is in his own hands? Right now is the time to commence in earnest a campaign of constant plowing and burning the squares, because it is absolutely a sure remedy for quick and sure eradication.—R. T. Milner in Rusk County News.

All Day Singing.

Sunday, June 20, has passed and gone, but with us shall linger, for a long time, the fond memories left by this day.

Early Sunday morning the people of Daniel-Bellview community met at Concord church for an "All-Day Singing." Quite a few visitors from other communities were present, among whom were: Mr. and Mrs. Karl Leediker from the Shiloh community, Rev. and Mrs. Bullar and family from Shady Grove, Mr. Harry Brewton of Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bullar of Percilla, Mr. Tommie Thompson of Crockett and many others.

The service began with a brief prayer by Rev. Bullar, after which Mrs. Leediker took her place as organist and the singing began with Mr. Leediker as director. After two or three

special numbers, he was succeeded by Messrs. Edd, Herman and Haden Bullar and Harry Brewton, who each in his turn directed two or more numbers of his own selection. These were followed by a solo by Mr. Leediker and two or three very effective numbers by a mixed quartette composed of Messrs. Leediker, Edd, Haden and Miss Marvelle Bullar.

Then came a very interesting announcement in which we were all requested to go on the outside where dinner would be served. And we must surely hand it to the kind ladies of this community for their good judgment in preparing this excellent dinner. They certainly know exactly what people like on an occasion of this kind, or they are extraordinarily "good guessers." This dinner expressed the sentiment and congeniality of these ladies far better than any phrase of our English vocabulary could. It spoke the words "Hospitality" and "Generosity" and was a very effective way of saying, "we welcome you into our community and wish you a splendid time!"

Ah yes, kind ladies, we would thank you if we could but find words capable of expressing the thanks due you, but you doubtless realized, as you watched us dine, that we were not at all ungrateful.

When dinner was over the crowd reassembled in the church and more singing began. Early in the afternoon many more visitors arrived, among whom were: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Easterly of the Arbor community, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. S. Shivers and children of Crockett and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hart of Jones School House community. Mrs. Easterly took Mrs. Leediker's place at the organ and many beautiful selections followed, one of the most impressive being a solo by Mr. Chas. Rice. We had the pleasure, also, of hearing at intervals special numbers by the Bullar quartette and a duet by Miss Certrude Puntch and Mr. Leediker.

After two or three hours of this rare treat the crowd was dismissed and amid the murmur of gratification which was audible on every side, we departed for home, wondering how soon these kind people would favor us with another invitation.
Jno. H. Puntch.

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Bridge Party.

On Friday afternoon the spacious and lovely home of Mrs. C. N. Corry was thrown open to the friends of Miss Sue Smith whose approaching marriage to Mr. Milton Thomas had been announced, and Mrs. Elsworth who was leaving for Virginia Point.

Tables were arranged for bridge, the players being often refreshed with cooling punch. After a delicious ice course beautiful toasts to the bride-elect and the departing guest were given. Then Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb, the gracious toast mistress, suggested a toast to our hostess to which there was a

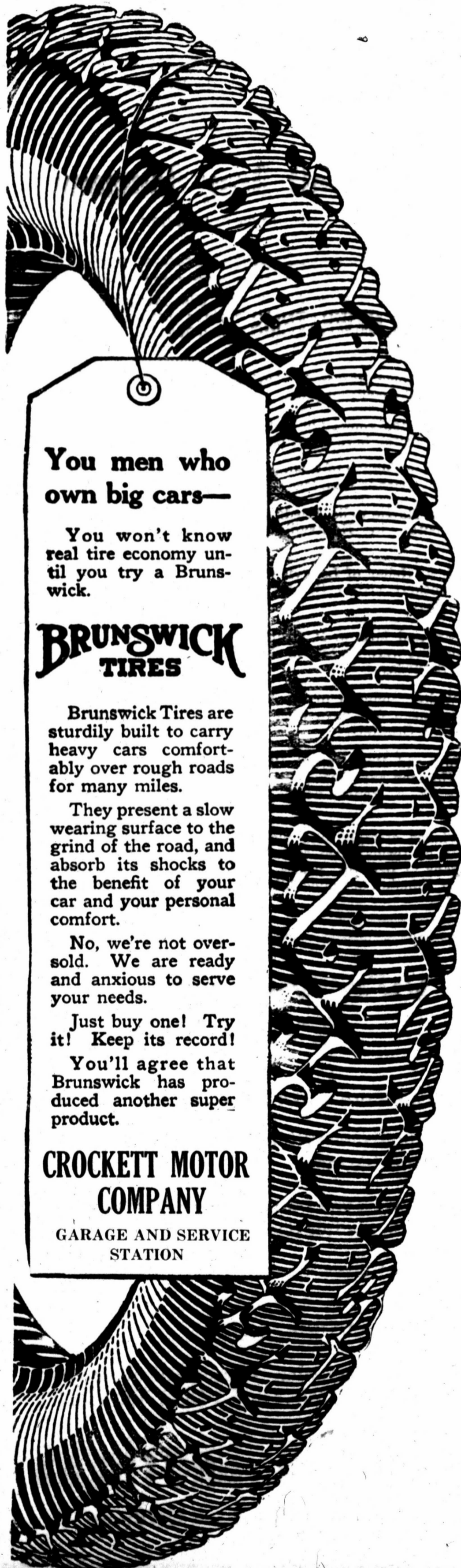
heart-felt response.

Mrs. Corry was assisted by Misses Annie Williams and Minnie Craddock. Guest.

A British government committee has been appointed to recommend legislature and administrative measures for the control of patent medicines offered for public sale.

The lugs on a new tractor wheel work in and out like spades from an eccentric on the axle and clean themselves, preventing the wheel clogging in the stickiest soil.

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Miss Margaret Butler of Austin is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Denny.

Armistead Aldrich of Colbert, Okla., is spending the week with his family and other relatives here.

W. H. Denny Jr. of Houston is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Denny.

The Presbyterians are expecting to have a protracted meeting beginning the latter part of September.

Miss Leita Cunyus will leave today (Thursday) for Longview, where she will be one of a house party of visitors.

Kantleek Rubber Goods—"It can't leak because its made in one piece."
It. The Rexall Store.

For Rent.
Three rooms of a 4-room house—lights, water, sewerage and cement walk to square. Phone 183 or 331. tf.

Seriously Hurt.
William Smith, son of Kirby Smith, living at Arbor, was seriously hurt Sunday afternoon by being thrown from a horse.

Miss Mack Burton is visiting friends at Clarksville, Miss.

C. H. Montgomery of Houston was a visitor here Saturday.

Walter English of Orange was visiting friends here last week.

Miss Hattie Belle Arledge was a visitor in Huntsville last week.

G. A. Kelley of Longview was a Crockett visitor Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Frank of Palestine were visitors in Crockett Saturday.

Walter Johnson of Marlin is spending a few days with relatives in Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Ponder of Houston are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ponder near Crockett.

Pianos straight and players, cash or terms; also some nice organs at bargain prices. See V. B. Tunstall or phone 320. It*.

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Many have called at the Courier office during the last week to renew their subscriptions and subscribe. Others have sent in their subscriptions and renewals. A number of those calling have expected to pay an advanced price for the Courier and were surprised to find the price the same as it has been for a number of years. The Courier subscription price is still \$1.50 a year, but we cannot now say how long it will remain at that price. There is no indication that anything in the publishing line is going to come down, and there is every indication that everything in that line is going to continue upward. Printing materials continue to become harder to get and every price quoted is higher than the one before. The paper and printing material markets not only show no improvement, but show greater demoralization than at any time since the beginning of the war. Among the number calling to renew or subscribe, or sending in their renewals and subscriptions, since last issue are the following:

Mrs. Sam Smith, Crockett.
Volney Streeter, Crockett.
F. L. Hiroms, Longview.
Frank Rice, Crockett Rt. A.
F. H. Butler, Crockett Rt. 3.
Mrs. H. Bolz, Berea, Ohio.
Mrs. J. A. Goolsby, Crockett Rt. 2.
R. D. Thompson, Crockett Rt. A.
E. T. West, Lovelady Rt. 2.
C. H. Montgomery, Houston.
P. O. Green, Crockett Rt. 1.
Lee Turner, Dallas.
W. B. Dubose, Grapeland Rt. one.
T. J. Sartor, Crockett Rt. A.
Pat Boyd, Crockett Rt. 1.
W. T. Dixon, Latexo.
H. Bayne, Crockett.
I. H. Wooten, Fordice.

To Builders.

Why pay more when you can come to our mill and buy your lumber for less?
Brooke-Morris Lumber Co.
3t.

A stitch in time saves nine. Don't put off having your piano regulated and tuned. You don't save a cent by doing so. Would appreciate the work.
It*. V. B. Tunstall.

Hay Ties

Are mighty scarce. We are fortunate in having a good quantity on hand at present. Buy early and you will be safe.
Smith-Murchison Hardware Company.
It.

Revival Closed.

The revival closing at the Methodist church Sunday was a most successful one, in its results as well as in its attendance. The singing of Mr. Litchfield, together with the preaching of Evangelist Klein, was the equal of any ever heard in our city.

Augusta Dinner.

A Masonic celebration was held at Augusta last Thursday and a big dinner served. Candidates for political offices were asked to be present and nearly all, if not all, responded. The usual speeches were made and the usual big time had. A big time is always had at Augusta celebrations.

Appointment Unauthorized.

Editor Courier:
Please say in the next issue of the Courier that my appointment as chairman of the American party in the south Crockett precinct was unauthorized by me. I am a candidate on the Democratic ticket for public weigher in the Crockett precinct and have always affiliated with the Democratic party. I am in no wise affiliated with the American party and will thank you to make this correction.
Yours truly,
W. E. Hail.

(Political Advertisement.)

Baker Theatre

July 1—THURSDAY

Eugene O'Brien in "BROKEN MELODY"

FRIDAY

Episode No. 2 of "TERROR OF RANGE"

Featuring George Larkin, the two-gun man in "Hands Up"—also a riproaring Sunshine comedy

"TIGHT SQUEEZE"

Saturday, Matinee and Night

Pearl White in

"THE BLACK SECRET"

Also the only educated monkey in the movies, Joe Martin—and a real funny comedy

MONDAY

Special Attraction in Seven Reels

"FAIR AND WARMER"

Featuring May Allison in the great stage play success: Don't miss it.

Bargain Matinee—Everybody 25 cents.

Night Show, 25 and 35 cents.

TUESDAY

The sweetest little story ever told—with an all-star cast

"DAWN"

WEDNESDAY

Wm. Fox presents "SACRED SILENCE"

THURSDAY, JULY 8

Norma Talmadge in

"THE WAY OF A WOMAN"

JULY 15

"WHEN THE CLOUDS ROLL BY"

With Douglass Fairbanks

Married in Crockett.

Mr. J. C. Woodard and Miss Doris M. Henning were married in Crockett on June 26 at the residence of Rev. S. F. Tenney, the ceremony being performed by Mr. Tenney. Both parties are of Anderson county. They know a good county to get married in and are to be congratulated.

Married at Crockett.

Mr. J. W. Ashmore of the Belott community and Miss Victoria Harris, whose home was three miles south of Crockett, were married at the Methodist parsonage in this city Monday evening, Rev. C. B. Garrett, the pastor, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Ashmore proceeded at once to Belott, where they will make their home.

Business Closed.

The fourth of July will be observed in Crockett on Monday, July 5, instead of the 4th, which is Sunday. The day will be observed by the closing of all business houses except the drug stores and in the observance of a general holiday. As no business will be transacted on that day, those living out of town are advised to come to Crockett on some other day than July 5, as a general holiday will be observed by the entire citizenship.

Nothing Shown.

All articles in early this week and the Courier on time! Why can't it be that way every week? Don't be afraid that the Courier will show your articles to "the enemy" if you get them in early. No article or advertisement can be seen at the Courier office before publication. Those who have asked to see articles of others before publication will vouch for this statement, if vouching is necessary.

We Want Your Trade

This store is like the officer in the army—

It holds everything that is essential in the home barracks.

It has its fair battalions of price cards. Its flag is fair dealing.

Its offensives are always against high prices.

And it NEVER retreats.

On this high plane of economical merchandising, DO WE GET YOUR TRADE?

ARNOLD BROTHERS

Groceries, Feed and Hardware

Personal Shopping

Personal shopping has advantages over ordering from the home. Some think only of the trouble, but they have a change of mind after they try personal shopping on account of the savings. It's enjoyable, brightens up the week like those big red apples, brighten up the sideboard—gives the table a touch which the home shopper misses.

CAPRIELIAN BROTHERS

The Home of Satisfied Customers.

We sell for cash

We sell for less

The Crockett Courier

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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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

- For District Judge
JOHN S. PRINCE
of Henderson county
W. R. (JACK) BISHOP
of Henderson county
B. H. GARDNER
of Anderson county
- For State Senator
J. H. PAINTER
of Houston county
I. D. FAIRCHILD
of Angelina county
- For Representative
CHARLES CULBERSON RICE
W. G. (WILL) CREATH
- For County Judge
J. P. O'KEEFE
NAT PATTON
- For County Attorney
EARLE P. ADAMS
- For County Clerk
W. D. (DENNY) COLLINS
HARRY BREWTON
- For District Clerk
V. B. (BARKER) TUNSTALL
- For Tax Assessor
WILL McLEAN
H. P. (HUGH) ENGLISH
- For Tax Collector
C. W. BUTLER JR.
R. S. WILLIS
- For County Treasurer
WILLIE ROBISON
- For Sheriff
O. B. (DEB) HALE
P. T. (PRESTON) LIVELY
A. W. PHILLIPS
- For County Superintendent
J. H. ROSSER
- For Road Superintendent
CARL GAINEY
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 1
J. S. LONG
J. K. JONES
ED DOUGLASS
W. J. BRANCH
S. W. DUITCH
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 2
J. C. ESTES
G. R. (ROSS) MURCHISON
F. P. (PAUL) KENNEDY
J. A. WEDEMEYER
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 3
AARON SPEER
J. R. HINSON
CLARENCE M. DAVIS
STELL SHARP
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 4
J. A. (AB) BEATHARD
J. M. CREASY
B. L. (BEN) WOMACK
- For Justice Peace, Prec. No. 1
C. R. STEPHENSON
E. M. CALLIER
- Public Cotton Weigher, J. P. Prec. 4
J. A. (ALEX) HUTCHINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Courier is authorized to make the following announcements for office, subject to the action of the American Party:

- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 3
E. C. (ED) THOMPSON

W. A. R. French Has Earth-Quake Experience.

Los Angeles, June 25, 1920.
Editor Courier:
"Crockett Man in California" is some write-up for a "piney woods Texan;" however he was not a member of the T. P. A. party. The picture show in Chamber of Commerce was attended and the exhibit of fruits, nuts, etc., were excellent and reminded us of Texas exhibits at the Texas State Fair.

Last Monday evening another California stunt was pulled off, but whether for special benefit of visitors this deponent sayeth not. At about seven p. m. I happened to be walking on Fifth Avenue when all of a sudden I heard a terrible crashing noise to the rear, and I began to walk like a fellow full of "Houston county moonshine." The people began to rush from their houses to the street, chimneys toppled over and twisted around and on the inside of the houses crockery and glassware were thrown to the floor and broken. The earthquake was on the job, and the shocks continued at intervals through the night and next day. The damage estimated was one fifty to two thousand dollars.

Good luck! I hope to get back to Texas some of these days.
W. A. R. French.

**O'KEEFE'S REPLY
TO JOHN H. ELLIS**

(Continued from page one.)

sides what right had you to say what the county would do? You had no authority in this case to speak for it, and you were not even asked to speak for yourself. The next day or two you were telling that I was "Hard Boiled," by which I was told you meant I stood "pat." Your interpretation was correct, and is correct today. I am still standing pat in the interest of a square deal for the people of Houston county and against any kind of shady work whatever, and because I threw the first rock into that dirt dauber's nest I have brought down upon my head the calumnies of hell, but in this struggle for the people's rights you and your cohorts will bite the dust. You are well aware that the fraternal bonds between us are strong, but they are not strong enough and never will be to draw me from the straight track and over the sinuous course you are pursuing. As to my political career, which troubles you greatly, I owe you no apology. I have always been disposed to do my own thinking and voting to suit myself, and it seems probable that, had you not been a supplicant at the political pie counter for twenty years, you might in that time have been burdened with an independent thought.

I voted my first ticket for Grover Cleveland in 1884. He was elected, the first democratic president since the war. In 1888 I voted for him again. He was defeated. In '92 and '94 I was lined up with the populists, then a new party advocating liberal and advanced democratic principles, all since adopted and framed into law. Then I voted the democratic ticket until 1912, when I voted for Roosevelt on the Bull Moose or Progressive Republican ticket, on a platform similar in character to the Progressive Democratic platform.

In the Bull Moose convention in Crockett, held in May, 1912, I offered the following resolution, which was adopted: "Resolved, that we deem it to be for the best interest of the party that party government should be retained in the hands of the white people and that every effort should be directed toward the maintenance of the party in the highest position of honor and respectability." (See Courier, May 9, 1912.)

With the exception of the years named, I voted the full democratic ticket from constable to president and voted for you up to a few years ago.

Now as to the dodger which you and your friends are passing about under cover, showing my name on a steering committee with negroes in 1916, there is absolutely no truth in it. The darkies certainly did not place me on a committee of regular republicans when I was responsible for their being cut out in the previous election. There is about as much probability in this 1916 dodger, which I understand is dated in pencil, 1916, (I have never seen it) as there is in your manufactured conversation with an old negro a few days ago. Let us look into this alleged conversation just a little. Who ever heard of a committee to instruct negroes how to vote, and who is it that does not know that all negroes vote the republican ticket when simply left alone? Then why the committee? Bosh!

The people of Lovelady, where I have been for over thirty years, know that I don't mix with the niggers. Go ask them, you "character assassin!" You had plenty help to keep them out of the democratic party, while it was I alone who kept them out of the Bull Moose party, a more difficult and a rather creditable piece of work.

In 1916 I was reviewing for the purpose of taking the ex-

amination, and in June and July of that year I attended the summer normal at Lovelady and the people there, as well as the many students attending that normal, know that I had something else to do besides dabble in politics.

Notwithstanding the straight things that I have just said, I feel a pang of sympathy for you in the loss of your boy, John. I, too, had two boys in the draft age. The older, Pat, just arrived at his majority, was ready to go out on October 11, 1918, in compliance with his country's call and in defense of democratic ideals, but on the 5th he died of influenza at Conroe, and I hope that he and your boy are in a better world than this. My younger boy was not called out when the struggle closed. But this is the harvest of war. Good men of all shades of political opinion have lost their noble sons upon the altar of freedom, and I know how to grieve for them and with them. Here are cheers for the living and tears for the dead. We should follow on in the straight line of rectitude and honor.

J. P. O'Keefe.

Announcement Party.

Mrs. Willie Hayne Collins was hostess Thursday evening, June 24, at her home in Lovelady. After the guests arrived, they were invited to the dining room to enjoy a lovely dinner. At each plate was a paper bag which held a black cat—when "the cat was let out of the bag," he bore the announcement of the marriage of Mildred Collins to Homer Rainey, July 28, 1920.

The table was beautifully decorated; above was a shower of pink and white tulle and flowers under which stood a cupid dressed in bridal array. The place where she stood was an embankment of pink and white sweet-peas from which there issued to each corner of the table streamers of pink and

Purity -- Accuracy -- Service

Let us fill just ONE prescription for you and become one of our many satisfied customers. Our prices are reasonable and always satisfy.

John F. Baker
Prescription Druggist. The Rexall Store.

On June 1st the United States was short over last year's report of same date

30,000,000 Pounds of Butter.

Are you producing? Get a separator and milk all your cows and sell your cream to us on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

H. Bayne & Co.
Middle of Patton Block

white held in the hands of cupids. After the dinner was served, the bride-to-be was presented with "suggestions for happiness," in a sealed envelope, which had been written by the guests. These guides to happiness were to be opened upon the bride's honeymoon where she, together with the groom, can fathom their great depths. Those delighting in the evening's entertainment were: Mesdames Carl Murray, Roy Mainer, Herman Rich, Clute Rayburn, Ira Young, W. B. Collins, Lee Perry; Misses Alma Moore, Grace Collins, Fay Murray, Mildred Collins. Mrs. Collins' gift to the bride-elect was a beautiful piece of lingerie. X.

To Houston County Builders.

Buy your rough lumber from your local mill and come to us for your worked lumber when you build or repair, thus buying direct from the manufacturer and saving money.
Brooke-Morris Lumber Co. 3t.

**Prosperity
Commands
Respect**



**The Wise Man
Dresses
The Part**

☐ No man should dress beyond his means. To do so is the height of folly. But EVERY man should dress as his prosperity permits, up to the limit of wisdom. That is good business sense, for prosperity on the surface indicates prosperity beneath.

☐ Our stock of clothing for men and boys is complete. It comprises wearing apparel for every walk of life and for every occasion. Whatever your standard of prosperity, you can fit yourself at this store in strict accordance with your desires.

☐ Prices are as low as any merchant can sell them to you today—much lower than some are charging.

JAS. S. SHIVERS
Crockett's Big Store