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Don't Hesitate

To call and look through our line of spring

DRESS GOODS

which are arriving daily at our store, especially for your inspection. We are showing FLOUNCINGS in all widths and at prices that will be a saving to you.

Our Linons

We are sure you will like the new patterns, and especially the extra good values we are offering in this line at this time.

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Call your attention to our
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SERGES
DIAGONAL and
WHITE GOODS

for the early spring wear, which are so popular this season.

Spring Millinery

We are showing all the new styles in ready-to-wear and trimmed hats that we will take pleasure in showing you any time you will pay our store a visit.

Kennedy Bros.

THE PRICE MAKERS

LOCAL NEWS FROM WELDON

Feb. 15.—Last Saturday evening Mrs. C. E. Beardsley of this place gave a "42" party in her suite of rooms in the Weldon Hotel in honor of Mrs. Curtis Green and Miss Ethel Taylor, who are visiting here. Mr. S. A. Fain carried away the honors of the evening by winning the first prize. The latter part of the evening was spent in dancing, and everybody present expressed themselves as having had a good time. Among those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Beardsley, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Schnitzel, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Westmoreland, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Fain, Mrs. Curtis Green of Beaumont, Miss Ethel Taylor of Trinity, Mr. V. Word, Miss Grace Shoaf, Mr. H. M. Smith and Mr. A. K. Taylor.

The series of sermons being given at the First Methodist Church having been so well attended, it was decided to extend them for another week. Mr. A. C. Davis is announcing his subject the night before and he is well capable of handling the subjects he has picked.

The choir of the First Methodist church was organized a short time ago.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANK WILL OPEN

The Postmaster General has designated the Grapeland office as a Postal Savings Bank, the order going into effect March 8. Postmaster Hill has already received the necessary blanks and instructions and is now preparing himself for the new work. An inspector will be sent to the office before the bank is opened to arrange every detail.

The postal savings banks were first tried in the larger cities, but now they are being established at nearly all offices of importance.

NEW JUDGE IS SWORN IN

Palestine, Texas, Feb. 18.—W. H. Harding, the newly appointed county judge, was sworn in yesterday and took the oath of office. He succeeds O. C. Funderburk, who resigned to accept a position as assistant Attorney General of Texas. The first case was tried by Judge Harding yesterday, when he fined a white man \$100 and costs for carrying a pistol.

1 ear ear corn due to arrive this week.

J. W. HOWARD.

AGRICULTURAL EXPERT VISITS US

Paul Wipprecht, with the State Department of Agriculture, Austin, filled several engagements in Houston county last week. His visit to Grapeland last Friday was unexpected, and he did not get to meet many of our farmer friends, but at 2:30 he addressed the high school at the Christian church. His talk was highly instructive, and dealt with the problems of the farm as they exist today. Mr. Wipprecht is a practical farmer and is very enthusiastic in his present work. Up until this year the results obtained by our State Agricultural Department have been very meager, but thanks to the last legislature, a sufficient sum was appropriated to carry on this work quite extensively. The department was created for the benefit of the farmer—to help him solve the perplexing questions that naturally arise on a farm, to teach him how to get the best results with the least labor, and every thing that has to do with farming and stock raising. If any of our farmers are having trouble, write to the Department of Agriculture at Austin for advice. It will not cost you a cent except your postage. The department is for you and its services are free.

You Want the Best

If so, then it will pay you to see us for

Stalk cutters, breaking plows, cultivators, corn and cotton planters, fertilizer distributors, Kelly plows, Georgia stocks, spring tooth harrows, extra handles, beams, points, land sides and bolts, horse collars, lines, back bands, traces, bridles and farming fixtures; barb wire, hog fencing, garden fencing, post hole diggers, wire stretchers, wire staples and nails; flour meal, bran, corn chops, alfalfa hay, bacon, sugar, molasses and heavy groceries; doors, windows, lime, brick, shingles and building material; furniture, mattresses, bed springs, cooking stoves, sewing machines and complete housekeeping outfits.

If it's to be had we have it and it is no trouble for us to show goods. It will pay you to get our prices and see our goods before you buy.

Hot Shot into High Prices for SATURDAY Only!

50 lb. can of lard	- - - - -	\$3.98
16 lbs. standard granulated cane sugar	- - - - -	\$1.00
North Pole Flour, every sack guaranteed	- - - - -	\$1.35
Corn Chops,	- - - - -	\$1.70

Springs		Iron Beds		Groceries	
\$4.50 extra heavy springs for	3.48	\$2.50 iron beds for only	1.98	Garrett's Snuff to-day for	20c
\$3.50 extra heavy springs for	2.98	\$3.50 iron beds for only	2.98	7 boxes matches to-day for	25c
\$3.00 extra heavy springs for	2.48	\$4.50 iron beds for only	3.98	3 plugs Brown mule tobacco to-day for	25c
\$2.50 heavy springs for	1.73	\$5.50 iron beds for only	4.48	4 lbs. good parched coffee to-day for	1.00
\$2.00 heavy springs for	1.48	\$6.50 iron beds for only	4.98	5 lbs. good green coffee to-day for	1.00
Mattresses		\$7.50 iron beds for only	5.98	3 1-2 cans lye to-day for	25c
\$2.50 mattresses for only	1.98	\$8.50 iron beds for only	6.48	50c package stock food to-day for	40c
\$3.50 mattresses for only	2.98	\$10.00 iron beds for only	8.48	25c package stock food to-day for	20c
\$5.50 all cotton mattress for	4.48				
\$6.50 all cotton mattress for	5.48				

Big line of Hames, Traces, Collars, Collar Pads, Bridles, Single and Double Trees, Plow Lines, Shovels, Spades, Post Hole Diggers, Axes, Hammers, Hatchets, Wrenches, in fact, everything in the hardware line.

WE ARE AFTER HIGH PRICES. COME TO SEE US.

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"THE PRICE IS THE THING"

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Bring us your Peas, Chickens, Turkeys and Eggs.

We Have Just Opened Our First Shipment of
New Spring Suits
 For Men and Young Men

AND THEY are the prettiest creations of fine Wools we have ever shown. And the Styles and Workmanship of these Suits, with the new sweager coat models and full peg top pants, will certainly please you.

\$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00

For all Wool Suits of the class we are offering will appeal to you from a Style, Service and Economical standpoint.

Boys Spring Suits

Our first lot of Boys' Spring Suits was opened Monday and the verdict of everyone who has seen them is that they are unusually smart suits. The coats are made in the same stylish, snappy models as those for young men. Single and double breasted, with side or central vents, the pants are full peg Knickerbockers, with tunnel belt loops, and the materials are the finest worsteds in the loveliest patterns you ever saw. Sizes 18 years down.

\$3.50 to \$10.00



MEN'S NEGLIGEE SHIRTS

Our new line of men's dress shirts just received are beauties, dainty stripes in black, blue and lavender are the predominating patterns and the fit and workmanship is the best, big range at..... **1.00**

NEW SOFT SHIRTS

Men's shirts with soft attached and detached, high military collars to match, and soft folding French cuffs, new and attractive patterns in stripes and fine mercerized self figures, at each **1.00** \$2.00, \$1.50 and.....

WHITE SHIRTS FOR MEN

Two of the best ones ever offered, one a plain negligee style, the other with pleated bosom; no wardrobe is complete without one or both of these shirts for dress occasions. Special values **1.00** at each.....

MEN'S NECKWEAR

Our showing of Neckwear for men and boys comprise a handsome line of fine silks, an especially attractive lot of narrow, solid colored four-in-hands at 25c, 35c and..... **50c**

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The Stewart Iron Works Co.
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The Largest Manufacturers of Iron Fence in the World, have purchased enough raw material to make

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 FOR RHEUMATISM, KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

All He Had to Do With It.
 "And you actually consented to let your wife run for office?" "Consented? Certainly not. I acquiesced."

Editor Evidently Not Musician.
 Cristofali, a native of Padua, produced the first piano in 1710. Now that we know the miscreant's name we feel easier.—Exchange.

Writer's Mean Remark.
 It is a mistake to suppose that women are always talking about their dresses. Sometimes they are talking about their hats.—Exchange.

Small Light.
 "De man that tries to hide his sin under a bushel," said Uncle Eben, "generally ain't got light enough to take chances on in a awditory draft."

Proof Positive.
 "The people next door seem anxious to be friendly. "How did you get that idea?" "They have busted their phonograph."—Houston Post.

Why One Still Lived.
 "How many deaths?" asked the hospital physician, while going his rounds. "Nine." "Why, I ordered medicine for ten." "Yes, but one wouldn't take it."

All Too Frequent Mistake.
 The soul is intended to guide the body in the journey through life; the chief mistake which man makes is that he permits the body to guide the soul.—London Truth.

Use of the Horse.
 Owing to the advancement of science it would be possible to get along without horses now. If it were not for the necessity of having a few of them at the annual horse shows.

Much Harder Question.
 "What," said an interviewer to a candidate, "do you intend to do if you are elected?" "My goodness!" said the poor fellow, "what shall I do if I'm not elected?"

One Instance in His Mind.
 She—And you say that you have always avoided blaming me. I'd like to have you mention one instance. He—With pleasure. Remember, right after we were married, I ate a pie you baked, and when the doctor came I told him it was clams.

Think Shark Can Smell Death.
 There is an old superstition among sailors, which is still believed in, that when a shark persistently follows a vessel it is a sign that some person on board is going to die. The alleged reason is that the great fish can scent death.

Then She Pondered.
 "If you were fair," his wife said, "you would acknowledge that I have done much to make you what you are." "Oh, I acknowledge," he replied, "that you deserve nearly all the credit for making me what I am. By the way, do you happen to realize that what I am is head over heels in debt?"—Judge.

Discourtesy Resented.
 I would as soon shake hands with a soft mackerel as with a man who offers two fingers.—Sir Francis Vane

Colds.
 Numbers of people are suffering just now from irritating colds in the head. A very simple home remedy which brings almost instant relief is to pour half a pint of boiling water over a dram of pulverized camphor, and to inhale the vapor for about ten to fifteen minutes. The annoying fits of sneezing, running eyes and heavy feeling in the head will quickly yield to this remedy.

That Shining Nose.
 At the opera the young man who paid for the seats was engaged for a few tense moments in a study of a stunning woman of middle age who sat in the row in front. Then he turned to the girl at his right, and whispered, "Look at the lady in lavender; what is the matter with her nose?" The girl gave one glance at the shining "neb," then turned to her escort and whispered: "Ennoble!"

Natural Stimulant.
 Following is from "As It Is," by M. J. Rodermund, M. D.: "If you are very tired, but must perform a few more hours of hard work, lie down, close your eyes, and breathe deeply and a little faster than normal for half an hour, and see how refreshed and clear your brain will be and how refreshed the body feels, and how easily you can finish your work."

Feminine Curiosity.
 Little Eleanor's pretty cousin wore a new engagement ring, and the budding woman regarded the ring and the giver alike with reverent eyes. One night when the happy man had been invited to Eleanor's home for dinner, Eleanor, unconsciously gushing forth with: "Oh, Mr. Blank, do please tell me. In all the love stories I've read the men propose so sudden. When it's coming on, does it—does it feel anything like a sneeze?"

English College for Women.
 One of the flourishing women's colleges in England is Bedford college, which existed for many years in Baker street, London, and is now transferred to a beautiful new building in the middle of Regent's park, looking on to the lake, and surrounded by lovely lawns and flower gardens; almost a realization of Tennyson's "Princess."

Sounds Made by Fish.
 The skate, when caught, grunts, groans and gasps pretty much after the manner of a human being in distress. Carp and gold fish frequently utter curious sounds, but hardly sounds in the meaning of the term here used, inasmuch as their sounds are produced by approaching the surface of the water and blowing out air in bubbles until a rippling noise is heard.

Work of Real Forester.
 The modern forester undertakes to make orchards profitable. There are orchardists, to be sure, who know very well how to care for their trees and who do care for them; but there are also orchards that are neglected or handled unskillfully. The forester will take a run-down orchard and by intelligent, scientific treatment of the trees, with systematic care, make it produce big and handsome apples in abundance.

Some Fence.
 A New York banker who feels that the privacy of his town residence has been invaded by the construction of apartment houses on adjacent property has filed plans with the building department of that city for a fence 150 feet high. A nine-story apartment building is to be built on the lot west of the home of this banker, who is J. M. Francolini, and he figures that a fence 150 feet high will be required to keep its future occupants from looking down upon him.—Popular Mechanics.

"Preserving" the Baby.
 Young James had seen some fish pickled, and was at once impressed and puzzled by the explanation, elicited by a long and steady fire of questions, that the salting process was to make the fish "keep." A little later he attended the baptism of an infant friend and was still puzzled. But at last a light broke in upon him, and in a shrill tone that could be heard all over the sacred edifice he exclaimed: "Oh, now I know all about it. mother. The water is to make the baby keep!"

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 Price 25c per Bottle.
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Foley's Kidney Pills
 What They Will Do for You
 They will cure your backache, strengthen your kidneys, correct urinary irregularities, build up the worn out tissues, and eliminate the excess uric acid that causes rheumatism. Prevent Bright's Disease and Diabetes, and restore health and strength. Refuse substitutes.
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The Old Reliable Seed Buyer
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 "Will pay as high a price as any buyer, a square deal to all and always on the job. Be sure to see me before you sell"
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 Your Business will be Appreciated
 Baths at any time—hot or cold water.
 Laundry basket leaves Wednesday and returns Saturday

Opportunity

Will not always strive with you. It may knock at your door, but you mustn't expect it to break the door down trying to get in. DO IT TO-DAY--NOW--come here and supply your wants at a great saving in price while the opportunity is yet yours. Nuf ced.

W. H. LIVELY
GRAPELAND, TEXAS

WHEN YOU FEEL BAD

If you are bilious, languid, constipated, suffer from indigestion, sour belching, bloated feeling, bad breath, headache, wind in the bowels, dizziness, you need

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

The Great System Cleanser and Regulator.

A few doses will open and purify the bowels, tone up the stomach, stimulate the kidneys and liver and impart a feeling of strength and vigor. It transforms a tired, nervous, half-sick man or woman into one of bright, ruddy good health, energy and cheerfulness.

Get the Genuine with the Figure "3" in Red on Front Label.

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FOLEY'S KIDNEY PILLS

for backache, rheumatism, kidney or bladder trouble, and urinary irregularities. Foley's Kidney Pills purify the blood, restore lost vitality and vigor. Refuse substitutes.

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When you need a Liniment, use a good one. To insure beneficial results, get

Ballard's Snow Liniment

It is a Pain Relief and Healing Remedy That Answers Every Requirement.

It is of exceptional power in rheumatic diseases; relieves the aching joints, relaxes the drawn muscles, restores the strength, ease and suppleness of youth. It is also effective in healing all wounds, sores or abrasions of the flesh. It is a splendid household remedy for man or beast.

Try it for cuts, burns, bruises, old sores, lame back, rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, frost bites, chilblains, contracted muscles, stiff neck. It stops pain and heals quickly.

Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per Bottle.

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To cure Smarting Eyeballs, Sore Eyes or Weak Sight, use Stephens Eye Salve.

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J. W. HAIL Real Estate Co.

Crockett, Texas

If you want to buy or sell land, write us. If you want FIRE INSURANCE I will write you in strong companies and pay loss as soon as ADJUSTED.

TEXAS IS A WORLD POWER

The announcement in the press that a car load of cedar trees had been shipped from Pecos, Texas, to Monroe, La., to be used in beautifying the streets of that city opens up a new industry for Texas.

We have been striving to feed and clothe the world, providing lumber for building the nation's homes, and furnishing oil to illuminate the world's fireside and now we are beautifying the streets of our neighboring states.

One can hardly travel outside the state without finding native materials woven into the community life of the country.

Texas is a world power.

A Warning Against Wet Feet

Wet and chilled feet usually affect the mucous membranes of the nose, throat and lungs, and la-grippe, bronchitis or pneumonia may result. Watch carefully, particularly the children, and for the racking, stubborn coughs give Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It soothes the inflamed membranes and heals the cough quickly. Take no substitute. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

The Messenger is requested to announce that G. W. Martin, a socialist speaker, will speak at the Oak Grove school house on Wednesday night, February 28. All people are extended an invitation to hear him.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets, after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by all dealers.

It pays to advertise. This is demonstrated every week. Last week W. B. DuBose of Route 1 advertised for the owner of three hogs, which he had in his possession, and by Saturday the owner was found. If you have anything to sell or exchange, or want to buy anything, advertise for it in the Messenger.

The Sound Sleep of Good Health

Is not for those suffering from kidney ailments or irregularities. The prompt use of Foley Kidney Pills will dispel backache and rheumatism, heal and strengthen sore, weak and ailing kidneys, restore normal action, and with it health and strength. Mrs. M. F. Spalsbury, Sterling, Ill, says, "I suffered great pain in my back and kidneys, could not sleep at night, and could not raise my hands over my head, but two bottles of Foley Kidney Pills cured me." Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

S. M. Yarbrough, who is now living at Reynard, was in the city a day last week. He called at the Messenger office and had us place his name on our list for a year and sent the paper to his friend, B. G. Kilgore at Ratcliff. Thanks Mr. Yarbrough, and may your tribe increase.

Do you know that more real danger lurks in a common cold than in any other of the minor ailments? The safe way is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a thoroughly reliable preparation, and rid yourself of the cold as quickly as possible. This remedy is for sale by all dealers.

HOUSTON COUNTY FAIR PREMIUMS

Mr. A. J. Arledge, Superintendent of the Agricultural Products Department of the Houston County Fair authorizes the announcement of the following prizes for the Fair to be held this coming fall.

CORN

Best yield from one measured acre, \$30.00
Second best yield from one measured acre, \$15.00
Third best yield from one measured acre, \$10.00
Best ten ears of corn, \$5.00
Second best ten ears, \$2.50
Best single ear, \$1.00

COTTON

Best yield from one measured acre, \$30.00
Second best yield from one measured acre, \$15.00
Third best yield from one measured acre, \$10.00

BEST EXHIBIT OF FARM PRODUCTS BY ONE INDIVIDUAL

First prize, \$30.00
Second prize, \$15.00
Third prize, \$10.00

BEST EXHIBIT OF FARM PRODUCTS BY ANY COMMUNITY IN HOUSTON COUNTY

First prize, \$30.00
Second prize, \$15.00
Third prize, \$10.00

There will doubtless be other prizes offered, but the above will be the principal ones. At a recent meeting of the directors of the Fair, a sum of \$250 was set aside for premiums for agricultural products, and in addition there will be a number of prizes offered by various firms and individuals. Get busy at once and win some of the above prizes. It will be worth your while and will help you make a bigger crop.—Houston County Times.

How Cold Affects The Kidneys

Avoid taking cold if your kidneys are sensitive. Cold congests the kidneys, throws too much work upon them, and weakens their action. Serious kidney trouble and even Bright's disease may result. Strengthen your kidneys, get rid of the pain and soreness, build them up by the timely use of Foley Kidney Pills. Tonic in action, quick in results. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

BROWN'S BOND FIXED AT \$7,500

Bastrop, Texas, Feb. 17—E. F. Brown, president of the Paige State Bank, who was arrested in Houston yesterday by Sheriff Townsend had an appearance bond fixed in the sum of \$7,500 for his appearance in the justice court in Precinct No. 1, Bastrop County, on the 22nd day of March 1912. The charge preferred against Mr. Brown by County Attorney Jenkins and District Attorney Jones is the borrowing of funds from the Paige State Bank without the consent of the directors.

Brown is the owner of the defunct American Exchange Bank of Elkhart.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and paves the way for the more serious diseases that so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

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ADVERTISING RATES:

Display ads up to one-half page, 10c per inch each insertion. Discount on page and half page ads. Locals 5c per line each insertion.

Subscribers ordering a change of address should give the old as well as the new address.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE—Resolutions of Respect and Obituaries are inserted for half price—(2½c per line). Other matter "not news" charged at the regular rate.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 1912

The farm at the present time produces twice as much food as it did fifty years ago.

Talk co-operation among your friends until they see the advantages of joining each other in getting better prices for their products.—Farm & Ranch.

Judge W. F. Ramsey, candidate for governor, took a swing through east Texas last week, and no doubt went back to Austin feeling much better over his prospects.

Hon. John H. Kirby of Houston has announced as a candidate for the legislature. Now, we'd like to know what John Henry wants to go to the legislature for? Surely he is not seized with an over-fit of patriotism. We'll await the time with patience and shall see what we shall see.

The Grapeland Messenger thinks knockers come in pretty handy at times, for you know the old saying, "every knock is a boost." But if this saying is true, why the persistence of the Texas editors to exterminate the knocker? At any rate, our preference is the booster, the fellow who sees the good in everything.—Houston Post.

What is worse than misplaced confidence? When a fellow tries to be a friend to another, and places utmost confidence in him for his own good, and the fellow betrays that confidence, isn't it enough to almost disgust one with mankind? And yet we have instances similar to that almost every day.—Jacksonville Reformer.

The bankers of the state are co-operating with the Texas Industrial Congress in making its erop contest this year a success. Many of them are distributing the literature of the congress among the farmers of their sections, and the First State Bank of Mt. Calm, besides mailing the prize announcement with each statement sent out by it, is also using its advertising space in the local newspaper to give publicity to the \$10,000 offer of the congress. The banks, as well as nearly every other business, are realizing as never before that the prosperity of the state rests upon the prosperity of the farmer and that when he con-

serves the fertility of the soil and thus increases its productivity, everybody will share in the benefits. By writing to the Texas Industrial Congress at Dallas full details of its prize offer will be sent to anyone. It costs nothing to enter the contest.

There is probably no place on earth better than a country newspaper office to learn how many kinds of people there are. Some get huffy if a statement is sent, others will not pay until they receive a statement. Some will pay without a statement, others will not pay whether a statement is sent or not. Some thought they owed more and some thought they didn't owe so much. Some say they couldn't get along without the paper, and others say it doesn't amount to much. But the meanest, scrubbiest in the list is the man who takes it until he is shut off for non-payment and then spends half his time explaining how he used to take "the thing" but stopped it because it was "no count."—Holland Progress.

Election Managers for 1912

Augusta—Holland Scarbrough and Chas. Moore.

Antioch—W. B. Holliday and Walter West.

Ash—John Henderson and Walter Norton.

Crockett No. 1—C. C. Warfield and John Sheridan.

Crockett No. 2—I. A. Daniel and Gail King.

Ratcliff—P. O. Graves and O. T. Ratcliff.

Creek—J. D. McCuller and T. Mayfield.

Dalys—Hamp Huff and W. W. Pridgen.

Belott—A. P. Balch and W. O. Lockey.

Dodson—W. H. Threadgill and S. N. Best.

Freeman—H. M. Bradley and Chas. Arnold.

Grapeland—B. R. Eaves and Stokes Pelham.

Holly—Ezra Driskell and John Skipper.

Kennard—W. T. Harrison and Will Brown.

Lovelady, W. F. Dent and W. B. Cohran.

Percilla, Floyd Ferguson and Oscar Dennis.

Arbor—W. H. Hallmark and R. K. Smith.

Porter Springs—A. E. Hester and J. T. Murray.

Shiloh—John Bitner and L. D. Knox.

Patterson Lake—Lee Rodgers and Boss Coward.

Tadmor—W. K. Connor and Will Saxon.

Weches—J. A. Lovall and John Kennedy.

Weldon—Lon Goodrum and Oscar Townsend.

Tyer's Store—Lem Lane and Harland Driskell.

Daniel—John Reynolds and J. H. Rhoden.

Volga—John Siddon and Ed. Little.

Druso—Henry Brock and John Oliver.

Dental Notice

Dr. C. L. Moore, the dentist, is now in Grapeland. Those desiring dental work can find him at his office at the Denton hotel.

FOR SALE

One horse, buggy and harness, or will sell horse separate; works well in single or double harness. See Odell Faris, Palestine, or F. A. Faris, Grapeland.

READY FOR Your Spring Business

I solicit your trade on honest business principles, and promise to give you a square deal and give you the best goods for the least money. Come to see us. We will do our best for you. We have a big stock to select from. Car of chops and New Mexico hay due to arrive this week. We have one of the best lines of staple goods to select from in the city. If you want shoes we are the people to buy from, and we will give you values that can't be duplicated later on.

Yours for business,

W. F. MURCHISON.

GARDNER IS NOT A CANDIDATE

Hon. B. H. Gardner, judge of this district, has authorized the statement that he will not be a candidate to succeed himself, but will at the expiration of his present term retire to private life. Judge Gardner has rendered this district valiant service and will retire with a clean record. He has hundreds of friends over the district who will learn with regret of his decision.

This, so far, leaves the field clear for Judge Prince of Athens, since Judge Funderdunk has accepted a position with the Attorney General's department. The Houston County Times says strong pressure is being brought to bear upon Judge Aldrich of Crockett to enter the race, and among other things, says:

"We know of no one who, to our mind, is more eminently fitted for the office of district judge than Judge Aldrich. Scholarly, of dignified bearing, conservative, a successful lawyer and a man and citizen of unimpeachable character and good judgement, he fits exactly our ideal of a man for that office of judge of our most important local court. Candidly, we would like to see Judge Aldrich enter the race. We would like to see him on the bench. We believe that he would be an honor to the county and to the district and would be an able and just judge."

For Rent

A good five room house, 1 1 4 miles from Grapeland on the Crockett road. For particulars apply to A. B. SPENCE.

J. W. Caskey is making lots of improvements in his meat market on second street. He has recently papered it and made other improvements and is now presents a very neat appearance.

For the next few days we have on a very cheap rate in the Woodmen. If you ever expect to join a good fraternal organization you should do so now and get the benefit of the cheap rate. See me for application blanks and particulars.

M. L. CLEWIS.

TWO LIVES LOST IN FIRE

Palestine, Texas, Feb. 17.—The home Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bascom was destroyed by fire this morning about 2 o'clock, and two of their children, Leroy, aged 13, and Katie, aged 10 were burned to death, despite frantic efforts to save them. The awful tragedy has cast a gloom over the entire city.

The funeral of the victims was held this afternoon, and it was the largest ever conducted here.

Mr. Bascom and his eldest son were severely burned trying to save the children.

The house and contents were entirely destroyed and were partly insured.

A. S. MOORE FOR TAX COLLECTOR

The Messenger is authorized to announce the candidacy of A. S. Moore for the office of Tax Collector of Houston county, subject to the action of the July primary. Mr. Moore was raised at Augusta, and for ten years has been engaged in school teaching at various points in the county, and for the past three years has been principal of the Weldon school. He has friends all over the county who will be glad of the opportunity to support him in this race. There is no question as to his qualifications, and we hope you will give his claims due consideration.

T. C. LIVELY FOR RE-ELECTION

The Messenger has been authorized to announce T. C. Lively for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 2, which is the Augusta precinct.

Mr. Lively has held this office for several years and has been very faithful in the discharge of his duties. He is a good man, makes a good, conservative officer and is worthy of the position he again asks for.

Give his claims due consideration before you vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Messenger is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the July democratic primary:

For District Judge, Third Judicial District:

JOHN S PRINCE
of Henderson county

For County Attorney:

B F DENT (Re-election)

For County Clerk

O C GOODWIN (Re-election)
G R (ROSS) MURCHISON

For County Treasurer

NEY SHERIDAN
WH BAYNE (Re-election)

For Sheriff

A W PHILLIPS (Re-election)

For Tax Collector

GEORGE H DENNY
JAMES J COOK
H I (OLLIE) LUCE
A S MOORE

For Representative

JOHN R LUCE

For County Judge

E WINEREE (Re-election)

For District Clerk

JOHN D MORGAN

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1

S H LIVELY (Re-election)
W R BROWN

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2:

R A PARKER

For Justice Peace Precinct No. 5

J F M (FRANCE) HALTOM

For Justice Peace Precinct No. 2

T C LIVELY (Re-election)

I have a fine full blooded registered Jersey bull at my farm a mile west of town now ready for service. Service fees, \$2.50 for bull calf; \$5.00 for heifer.

FRANK LEAVERTON.

LOCAL NEWS

Lively sells good shoes.

For bacon, lard or any kind of groceries, buy at Howard's.

W. M. Jeter of Percilla was in town Saturday trading.

The Capitol stock and poultry remedies sold at Howard's.

We are headquarters for plow tools.

KENNEDY BROS.

W. H. Lively of Waneta was in the city a day last week and paid this office a pleasant call.

Keep your stock healthy by using Capitol stock food at Howard's.

FOR SALE—My store house and lot east side rail road.

GEORGE SHAVER.

We are unloading this week, three cars of chops.

KENNEDY BROS.

Mrs. W. J. Wood and children are visiting relatives in Crockett this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Traylor and son visited in Houston a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scarborough visited relatives in Palestine Sunday.

Sam Spruill of Ft. Worth is here to see his father, who is sick.

Mrs. E. P. Lynch of Trinity is visiting relatives in Grapeland this week.

Mrs. C. F. Stockbridge and baby returned Friday from Palestine, where they had been on a visit to relatives.

STRICTLY CASH

Remember that all feed-stuff is sold for cash only.

J. W. HOWARD.

W. F. Rayburn of Lovelady, who travels for the Galveston Hardware Co., was in the city Tuesday calling on the trade.

J. W. Howard is painting his house, and the improvement will add greatly to the appearance of that part of town.

Miss Inez Haltom, who is teaching at Reynard, spent Saturday and Sunday here with her parents.

To arrive this week, new style middle buster. No. 12 for \$6.50. How is that?

KENNEDY BROS.

You can keep up with the candidates and know who is running for office if you read the Messenger.

H. R. Evans, state inspector for the Oklahoma Fire Insurance Co., was in the city a day last week in the interest of his company.

Maj. A. M. Strong, who has been in the employ of the Messenger for the past three months, "cashed in" Saturday and departed for parts unknown.

FOR SALE

One share in Myrtle Lake. See Odell Faris, Palestine or F. A. Faris, Grapeland.

Rev. I. L. Dickey of Oakwood has again accepted the pastorate of the Christian church in this city and filled his regular appointment Sunday.

Lively always has it first.

Wootters Smith spent Sunday in Crockett.

Plenty of chops, bran and hay.

KENNEDY BROS.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Faris and son were down from Palestine Sunday.

T. S. Kent, Henry Dailey, Jno. A. Davis and Will Musick went to Crockett Monday morning.

Mrs. Chas. Hill and baby of Daly's returned Sunday from a visit with relatives at Crockett

Get the habit of reading the ads in the Messenger and then trade with our advertisers.

Misses Willie Bush and Lola Dennis of Percilla were the guests of Miss Fannie Goodson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newman and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Daniel of Percilla visited in this city Sunday.

There will be a debate on socialism at Salmon Friday night Feb. 23rd between Eld. Garrison and Eld. Herod.

Just received full line of fishing tackle. Get busy. Poles 20 feet long.

KENNEDY BROS.

Dr. J. N. French, optometrist, a well known and popular optician will be at Leaverton's drug store in Grapeland Saturday, Feb. 24th.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holcomb of Augusta died Friday night. The Messenger extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

Three cars flour and meal in the house. Just any grade you want we can save you money.

KENNEDY BROS.

Just arrived, a car load of good shucked ear corn. Those wanting good corn see me at once.

J. W. HOWARD.

Why don't you use a drag harrow. Then you can fix your land so you can cultivate it. For sale by Kennedy Bros.

Dr. J. N. French of Palestine will speak on socialism at Salmon Saturday night 24th inst. also at Enon School House Sunday at 2 p. m.

For a cultivator that is built right and runs right, get the Texas Maid. The strongest cultivator sold in Texas. For sale by Kennedy Bros.

G. R. MURCHISON FOR CLERK

G. R. (Ross) Murchison announces this week as a candidate for County Clerk, subject to the action of the July primary.

There is probably not a man in the entire county that is better qualified to fill the office than Mr. Murchison. For nearly eight years he has served as commissioner of Precinct No. 2, and his services have been entirely satisfactory with his constituents. During this time he has been closely connected with the Clerk's office and has an insight into the affairs and duties of the office that few men have. He is a good citizen, a good man and would make Houston County a good Clerk. Therefore the Messenger hopes you will give his claims careful consideration.

A Valentine Party

On Feb. 14th, Miss Georgie Belle Richards and Mr. George E. Darsey Jr. delightfully entertained a number of friends at the home of their aunt, Mrs. S. N. Boykin. The house had been most elaborately decorated for the evening with the symbolic hearts every where. The hostess and her little helpers, Misses Rena Ross Richards, Mary Lou Darsey and Mabel Boykin greeted the guests in heart trimmed costumes and pinned upon each guest a brilliant red heart as a souvenir of the pleasant occasion.

When the guests had all arrived partners for the evening were chosen by drawing larger hearts. After a time spent in rollicking games it was found that these larger hearts were to serve more than one purpose. On one side was to be written the answers to a contest and on the other an original valentine. These cleverly worded rhymes caused much merriment when read aloud later by Miss Zera Gainey. The first prize for this rhyming was awarded to Miss Esther Darsey and Mr. Seth W. Yarbrough.

After the brain teasing contests had been finished the guests were invited into the dining room where they were again greeted by hearts in abundance. A dainty lace fern on a heart trimmed doily formed the center-piece while at each end of the table was an immense heart shaped cake. Small heart shaped cakes with delicious gelatin and whipped cream were served.

The lateness of the hour at last forced the reluctant retirement of the guests with many expressions of thanks for one of the most pleasant evenings on record.

Contributed.

Lively sells it for less.

W. J. Wood went up to Palestine Saturday on business.

If you want groceries or feed stuff call at Howard's.

J. R. Richards went to Crockett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Lansford of Crockett were the guests of relatives in Grapeland Sunday.

The old reliable Nectar flour in wood.

KENNEDY BROS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howard and children visited relatives in Crockett Sunday.

For Sale

OUR TIME, knowledge and experience in the printing business.

When you are in need of something in this line DON'T FORGET THIS

Millinery Opening

March 1 and 2

All the ladies of Grapeland and surrounding country are extended an invitation to come and see my stock.

Mrs. Mamie Sexton

MONEY TO LOAN

We Handle Real Estate.

If you want to buy or sell a farm or borrow money on it, call on us. We buy Vendors Lien Notes.

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A Religion:

To keep my health

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To earn

To save

Thereby am I assured happiness

Persons of this religion are custo-

mers of this bank.



F. & M. STATE BANK

Grapeland, Texas.

Just Received:

A big lot of Men's, ladies' and Children's

SHOES and SLIPPERS

Call and see them before you buy.

We also have FEED STUFF and FLOUR at lowest market prices.

J. J. Brooks

NOTHING HARMFUL IN

Baby Cough Syrup

You must be particular—exact, when choosing a remedy for baby's cough. There are so many remedies containing habit-forming drugs that baby's health will be impaired unless you know absolutely just what the remedy contains and the action of each ingredient, so you can be sure it is harmless.

Nyal's Baby Cough Syrup is sold by us under a strict guarantee

We know the contents and the action and know that it will do as represented. It breaks up a cough in short order, protects the membranes of the throat against irritation and infection, rids the throat of all injurious deposits and prevents further accumulations. Contains no habit-forming drugs and can be given with perfect safety.

PRICE 25c PER BOTTLE

A. S. PORTER

Try protositis, mixed feed, 15 per cent cotton seed meal, and 85 per cent pure corn chops.

J. W. HOWARD.

Seth Wright Yarbrough entertained quite a number of his young friends last Friday night at the home of his parents a mile east of town.

Dr. J. N. French, one of the state lecturers and organizers of the socialist party, will speak at Enon in the new school house three miles east of Grapeland on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Cromwell and daughter, Miss Ruby, are here on a visit to the family of Dr. Cromwell.

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The special agricultural feature of The News, consists chiefly of contributions of subscribers, whose letters in a practical way voice the sentiment and experiences of its readers concerning matters of the farm, home, legislation, etc.

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BOB PARKER FOR COMMISSIONER

R. A. (Bob) Parker announces this week as an aspirant to represent Precinct No. 2 in Houston county's affairs of government. Mr. Parker is a progressive and well to do farmer of the New Prospect community. He is thoroughly competent to make us a good commissioner, and the Messenger hopes you will consider his claims for the place.

There is no better medicine made for colds than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions, aids expectoration, and restores the system to a healthy condition. For sale by all dealers.

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Black left last week for New Orleans, La., to spend a few days at the Mardi Gras.

For driving out dull billious feeling, strengthening the appetite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, Prickly Ash Bitters is a golden remedy. Sold by A. S. Porter Special Agent.

Bryson Caskey, who lives north of town on Route 1, is placing material on the ground and as soon as crops are laid by will build a nice residence.

Foley Kidney Pills will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble not beyond the reach of medicine. No medicine can do more. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

J. R. Finch was in the city Saturday carrying his arm in a sling, the result of getting his hand caught in a pea thresher.

First La-Grippe, Then Bronchitis
That was the case with Mrs. W. S. Bailey, McCraary, Ky. "My wife was taken down with a severe attack of la-grippe which run into bronchitis. She coughed as tho' she had consumption and could not sleep at night. The first bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound gave her so much relief that she continued using it until she was permanently cured. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Morality and Business.
If morality in business leads to bankruptcy, it ceases to be morality.

Poet's Longest and Shortest Play.
"Hamlet" is the longest of Shakespeare's plays and the "Comedy of Errors" the shortest.

Cultivate Prudence.
A man who is not prudent is borrowing his pleasure today at the expense of his brother tomorrow.

Daily Thought.
But the mind never unbends itself so agreeably as in the conversation of a well-chosen friend.—Addison.

Saws Without Teeth.
The development of circular disk of iron, turning with great velocity, but possessing no teeth on the edge for sawing material, is common in many workshops.

Too Busy for Serious Things.
The growing indifference of the city is appalling; men are too busy with their pleasures, their money-making, their politics, and a thousand things.—Exchange.

Brazilians Eager for News.
Travelers in Brazil remark that only in Rio de Janeiro, but in the larger cities throughout the republic, the public awaits the daily news badge with an eagerness no less pronounced than is the case in the United States and on the continent of Europe.

BELOTT LETTER FULL OF NEWS

Feb. 16.—A mild norther blew up this morning with some prospects of rain. If no norther worse than this comes, the vegetation, crops and gardens will not be injured to any considerable extent by this spring's cold snaps.

A seasonable all-day rain fell Tuesday. It was needed, especially by those farmers who have sticky land to break.

Mr. J. L. Grounds who has been sick is reported to be rapidly improving.

Mr. Oscar Driskell, who has been confined to his bed for quite a while with a serious attack of pneumonia, is reported to be much better.

Mr. Z. D. Driskell is sick with an attack of pneumonia. We have no late reports as to his present condition. There seems to be an epidemic of colds and la grippe, with a few scattering cases of pneumonia.

On account of sickness and various other causes, the attendance of some of the schools in this and adjoining communities has dwindled down to almost nothing.

It was a Belott boy, Master Willie Austin, who won the championship of the county as a boy corn grower. And thus he has stepped into the limelight, and we are proud of him and his. We would have made mention of this before, but as we were his neighbor and friend, we modestly preferred to let his achievement be told by others.

Bright's Disease is more dreaded by physicians than any of the serious disorders with which they have to deal because of its insidious and malignant character. If prompt action were taken when headaches, urinary disorders, digestive troubles first appear, much suffering and and sorrow would be averted. Prickly Ash Bitters will quickly stop the spread of the disease, quiet the inflammation, heal the kidneys and bladder, strengthen and regulate the liver, and drive poisons and impurities out of the system. A. S. Porter, Special Agent.

George E. Darsey jr. and Miss Georgia Belle Richards entertained their young friends with a Valentine party last Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Boykin. The young folks enjoyed the occasion very much and voted many thanks to their young host and hostess.

Itching of the skin anywhere on the body stops instantly when rubbed with Ballard's Snow Lintment. One or two applications cures permanently. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter.

Grapeland's courthouse will soon be a reality. Enough money has been collected to pay for the lot and the material is on the ground ready for the carpenters. The work will be completed with in a short time.

When Ballard's Snow Lintment is rubbed in for rheumatic aches and pains, it reaches the spot quickly and the relief is very gratifying. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter.

FOLEY'S URINOLAXATIVE
FOR STOMACH TROUBLE AND CONSTIPATION

TO PREVENT BLIND STAGGERS

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 29, 1912

C. L. Haltom,
Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Sir:—
I am just in receipt of your favor of the 26th inst., writing about the terrible scourge among the horses in your locality. It is certainly too bad to think that so many valuable horses have died with this disease. The disease you describe is what is commonly known as "Blind Stagers" "Blind Stagers" is really "Cerebro Spinal Meningitis" and is a very fatal disease indeed.

Very little can be done in the way of curing. A prevention is about the only thing. This disease is caused mainly by the affected feed that was raised last season. Only the very choicest of feed should be fed to horses and mules. No damaged or inferior feed should be fed at all.

If you will give your horses large doses of Dr. LeGear's Stock Powders twice a day for ten or twelve days, then once a day for two or three weeks, then three or four times a week all during this season, you will prevent this disease to a great extent.

I practiced my profession for fifteen years in the state of Texas, and know from practical experience what our stock powders will do for this disease. I have seen hundreds and hundreds of cases of the disease.

Hoping you will be able to stop this disease from killing so many of your horses, and being sorry I cannot give you a treatment, and hoping you will be successful with preventing the disease, I remain,
Yours very truly,
DR. L. D. LEGEAR.

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A boy about the size of a man, barefooted with his pa's shoes on, slick shaven, with black curly mustache, carrying an empty sack containing two bushels of knot holes and an assortment of railroad tunnels, bareheaded with a skiddo bonnet on; when last was following the crowd to

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Do you want a TENANT on your town property?
Does any tenant want to RENT land?
Does any tenant want to RENT town property?
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If you desire or need any one of these "wants," just call at the office of the undersigned and we believe we can "fit you out" to a "T" and on terms to suit you. Our facilities are first-class to give you entire satisfaction. We fully understand the business and have a complete abstract of land titles of the entire county in course of preparation. We can furnish a full and reliable abstract of the title to any tract of land in the county, so far as shown by the records, and can tell you "on short notice" whether the title to your land is GOOD or whether it is BAD. If it is bad, we can tell you how to make good—if it can be done—and can MAKE IT GOOD for you. We shall be glad to have you call and see us.

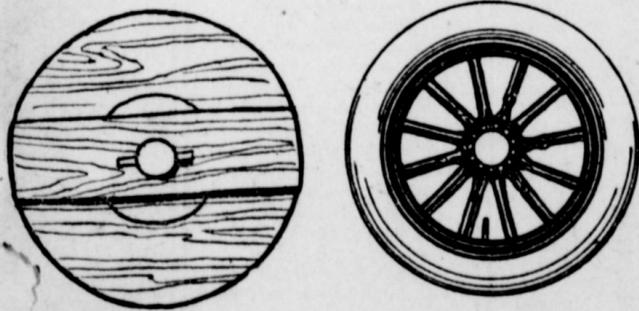
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NEWS FROM SAM HOUSTON NORMAL

Huntsville, Texas, Feb. 14—The Senior Class of the Sam Houston Normal Institute gave their annual reception on Saturday night of last week.

The Normal Basket Ball Team played their first matched game with the Huntsville High School last Monday evening. The result was a victory for the Normal team, the game being won by the skillful guarding of Treadwell. The Normal team is contemplating playing a game with the Houston High School Team real soon. A game was scheduled for last Saturday at Huntsville, but was postponed on account of Meningitis in Houston.

Mrs. Ballington Booth, who is at the head of the Prison Reform Society of the U. S., delivered an eloquent address to an appreciative audience in the auditorium of the S. H. N. I. on last Saturday night. Mrs. Booth has devoted her life to this work and has made many sacrifices in order to carry it out effectively. She has spent the last seventeen years traveling in the different states of the Union and has been, as she is called, "The Little Mother" to the prisoners and ex-convicts of the states visited.

Prof. Carl Hartman, teacher of Biology in the S. H. N. I., has begun an interesting series of lectures to the young men of the institution.

All the literary societies of the S. H. N. I. are to have a joint session on the 24th inst. An interesting program has been arranged and we are anticipating an excellent rendering of the debates, orations and other things of oratorical character.

The Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. met in the auditorium Sunday afternoon, and carried out an interesting program.

The students of the S. H. N. I. have made arrangements to celebrate the anniversary of the Independence of Texas on March the 2nd. Each year, under the auspices of the Senior class, the students commemorate the day at the grave of Sam Houston, strewing flowers on the grave, and with other ceremonies of an oratorical character.

The Senior class a few days ago elected representatives for the occasion and arranged for the following program to be carried out.

Presiding Officer, J. W. Strode, McKinney, Collin county.

Orator of the Day, P. D. Renfro, Burke, Angelina county.

Grand Marshal, Robert Pinson, Proctor, Comanche county.

Reading of the Declaration of Independence; Miss Fay Jordan, Huntsville, Walker county.

Essay: "Early Days of the Texas Republic."—Miss Mattie Edgeworth, Neches, Anderson county.

Essay: "Texas as a State."—Miss Ola Johnston, Burke, Angelina county.

The student body will assemble in the Chapel of the Normal School and march through the city to the cemetery where Sam Houston lies buried.

J. C. S.
News Correspondent.

Chest pains and a dry, hacking cough should be treated with Ballard's Horehound Syrup taken internally, and a Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster applied to the chest. Buy the dollar size Horehound Syrup; you get a Porous Plaster free with each bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter

FOR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

The Messenger has the pleasure this week to present to the voters of Houston county the name of Prof. G. V. Lollar for county superintendent of public instruction. We have never had the pleasure of Mr. Lollar's acquaintance, but he is highly recommended as a man thoroughly capable to discharge the duties of the office. He has been engaged in teaching in this county six years, three of which he has been principal of the high school at Kennard. He is familiar with the needs of the schools of the county, and would be a good man for the place. Give his candidacy due consideration before you decide who you will support.

If you have dizzy spells, attacks of momentary blindness, with ringing noises in the ears it is an unfailing sign of a torpid liver; a condition which brings on some serious sickness—if neglected. Herbine is a powerful liver tonic. It puts strength and activity into the liver, purifies the bowels and restores a feeling of health, vigor and cheerfulness. Price 50 cents. Sold by A. S. Porter.

FOR SALE—A scholarship in Draughon's Practical Business College at a discount. See or write the Messenger.

J. F. M. HALTOM IS A CANDIDATE

J. F. M. (France) Haltom authorizes the Messenger to announce his candidacy as a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 5.

There is nothing the Messenger can say in regard to Mr. Haltom, because he is known to all the people in the precinct as a man both worthy and capable to fill the office. He promises, in the event of his election, to discharge the duties incumbent upon him impartially and to give a clean administration. We hope you will give his claims due consideration.

The man who was "born tired" should use Prickly Ash Bitters. It makes work a necessity to give vent to the energy and exuberance of spirits generated by functional activity in the system. A. S. Porter, Special Agent.

The Messenger regrets to hear of so much sickness throughout the community; hope the sick ones will soon be restored to health.

An Epidemic of Coughing is sweeping over the town Old and young alike are affected, and the strain is particularly hard on little children and on elderly people. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a quick, safe and reliable cure for all coughs and colds. Contains no opiates Sold by D.N. Leaverton.

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XXI. QUARRELS

THE neigh of a horse made Darius King of Persia, the six contending powers for the throne agreeing among themselves that the one whose horse should neigh first should possess the kingdom. This ancient method of settling disputes among politicians could be revived with profit in Texas today. If our partisan factions and petty politicians could only settle their disputes by the neigh of a horse, the bark of a dog or the bray of a donkey, it would be a great blessing for Texas and would give our citizens a better opportunity to pursue the vocations of industry free from political strife.



DARIUS MADE KING OF PERSIA.

Let those who pick political plums by raising rows and who flash swords dripping in the blood of industry understand that they cannot turn the public forum into a political arena and by a clash of personal aspirations still the hammer and stop the plow and that their quarrels must be settled in the back alleys of civilization. Texas Needs Great Men.

Characteristics and Prophylaxis of Meningitis.

The disease is better termed meningococcus nasopharyngitis. Invasion of the meninges is, but an occasional complication as broncho pneumonia is of la-grippe. The meningococcus can be found in the nasopharyngeal mucus from two to four days after exposure to infection. In a vast majority of cases this is the extent of the infection, there being ten to twenty carriers to one with meningeal involvement. Nearly one fourth of all persons residing in the immediate vicinity of meningitis act as carriers, harboring the germs in the repository passages without displaying any symptoms of the disease. Only occasionally do the bacterial carriers present signs of a nasopharyngitis, or meningeal, infection, but may transmit it to another person and never have the disease themselves. It has been noticed that children and adults with enlarged tonsils are more susceptible to the disease. Anything that lowers the vitality of a person renders him more susceptible to the infection.

The re-appearance of the disease in subsequent years is due to the cocci being in the sinuses for long periods. The germs are rarely found in the anterior portion of the nasal cavities or tonsils but in the posterior portion and the rhinopharynx.

The following procedures would help prevent the spread of the disease.

Microscopic diagnosis of suspected cases; house quarantine of all in contact with the disease; disinfection of all infected localities; keep the teeth well brushed; the mouth and throat clean, and the nasal cavity clear and clean. In order to do this an antiseptic mouth wash and throat gargle is necessary, also an antiseptic nasal douche. For mouth and throat a 50 per cent solution of Glycothymoline or Dohells solution for nose, 25 per cent solution of either. Especially doctors nurses and all likely to come in contact with the disease should take these precautions.

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THE NEWS FROM SALMON

Feb. 19.—Our school is still progressing nicely, but we could not expect it to do otherwise under the management of such able teachers as Prof. Day and Miss Lorena Morrison.

Miss Bertrice Campbell is off attending school under Prof. J. D. Campbell. We wish for her all kinds of success in her new school.

The farmers of this community have been very busy planting potatoes. There is being quite a large number of acres planted. Also they are making preparations for early corn planting.

The Farmers Union at this place is still on the upward move. They now have their phone system completed, all being perfectly satisfied with the service they are receiving. The company now owns 75 miles of line and 75 boxes, and have orders for 75 more boxes. So you see, by this we are getting to where we can talk some.

Our singing class is still making rapid progress, receiving new members each meeting.

Messrs. John, and Willie Willis from Rock Hill were in attendance last Sunday, also Mr. Alvia Davis and his sister, Miss Ethel, Mr. Norman Laseter, Miss Vera Laseter and Miss Myrian Hodges, from the Beathel community.

We still claim we have a Sunday school second to none, considering the size of our town.

Mr. Charlie Woodard has bought the barber shop, formerly owned by Robert Miller.

Rev. C. A. Campbell is making arrangements to make an extended visit in Anderson county.

Mr. Henry Shaw has been on the puny list for the last few days.

Mrs. J. I. Campbell is visiting the homes of W. R. and C. A. Campbell.

Next Sunday is our boy preacher's day, Rev. W. R. White of the Rusk Academy. He will be here on Saturday night before and will also preach Sunday night. We extend an invitation to all who wish to come and we feel sure that all will be well paid for their coming after having heard him.

The Rank Majority.

It is stated on reliable authority that there are more than a million and a half different brands of cigars. Yet there are only two kinds of cigars made, good and bad—mostly the latter.

Flat Chest.

The occupation of a bookkeeper tends to bring the head and shoulders forward and cramp the chest. Try to sit more erect and learn to stand tall, and stretch the body to its full height. Many defects of the figure are due to bad postures, but by exercise many defects can be corrected.

Never Let Him Forget It.

The man who owes all to his wife is not going to be permitted to forget it this side of the main entrance to the cemetery in which the family lot is situated.—Houston Post.

THE NEWS FROM OLD GRAY

Jones Mill, Feb. 18.—We were at Augusta yesterday and regret very much to say that we found one very sad home. A little fellow that had bloomed in life and had shed his sweetness to all had withered and died. Little Joe Tom Holcomb, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holcomb, passed away to the great far beyond. The great grief of the family was heart rending. There was a large assembly of friends and relatives who freely mingled their tears with those of the family, but it did not suffice to comfort those bleeding hearts. Joe Tom was four years old and was a very interesting child. He had entwined himself around the hearts of his loving parents, sisters and brothers in a manner that made it hard to give him up. His parents have done all that fond hearts could do for their sweet babe in his short life and in his last sickness all that loving hands could do was done, but it availed nothing. The edict had gone forth from the Great Ruler and little Joe Tom was plucked from the tree of life. The remains were interred in the Glover cemetery, Rev. Henderson officiating. There he will sleep the sleep that knows no waking; his soul has gone to the God who gave it. The entire community deeply sympathize with the grief stricken family. For consolation we point you to the great and good sign board handed us from divine men. There you will find comfort and a way to meet your child in heaven.

Our last letter was said by the Messenger to be a new story told by Old Gray. Well, a little change now and then is relished by the best of men, and to go to the Messenger and its readers with the same old chestnut would be a hard tale to carry to the amen corner.

We are aware of the fact to mention the name of Gov. Colquitt to our esteemed editor gives him a stroke of "Jim Jones' Meningitis," or some other dread disease against which he ought to be strictly quarantined. Keep cool, young man, until July and you will see Gov. Colquitt knock Billy Ramsey off of the bridge. Another hard lick on the editor, his favorite candidate for senator saw the hand writing on the wall and withdrew to safer quarters. With the lights that dot the political horizon at present it looks like Mr. Wolters has a walk over, and so may it be.

Candidates are popping up fast. We think we will soon have a full quorum. Better advertise yourself, Mr. Candidate, in the Messenger. You might catch a vote or two in the rural districts.

We had a fine rain the past week. Farmers are getting along nicely with their work. Some speak of planting corn soon. We believe we prefer waiting for the soft notes of the dove or a message from the old gray goose before risking corn in the ground.

Some sickness in this district. Dr. Paxton of Elkhart was visiting the sick in this community last week.

Local news is scarce. As ever,
Old Gray.

Reflection on Cholly.

Cholly (handling his friend's revolver gingerly)—"I suppose now I this should go off while I'm holding it like this it would blow my brains out?" His friend—"No, it wouldn't do that, but it would bore a hole clean through your head."

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