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PROS ARE BUSY ORGANIZING CLUBS

A Messenger representative and Prof. R. J. Dominy of Pennington, were present on last Wednesday night at a mass meeting of the citizens of the Enterprise community, where a prohibition club was organized, and plans perfected for combating "John Barleycorn" in the coming election. A permanent organization was effected with nearly every voter in the community as a member. W. G. Creath was elected chairman.

While the weather was not exactly pleasant, still the large Methodist church building was filled. A very large number of women and children were present. A number of good talks were made.

Prohibition meetings were also held last week at Augusta Thursday night and at Precilla Friday night.

Prohibition Appointments

For George Louis Payne, a native Houston County product, a "live wire," and a man who "does things," as follows:

- San Pedro, Thursday, Feb 26, at night.
 - Weches, Sun., Mar. 1, 11 a. m.
 - Liberty Hill, Sun., Mar. 1, 3 p. m.
 - Augusta, Sun., Mar. 1, at night.
 - Percilla, Tues., Mar. 3, at night.
 - Enon, Wed., Mar. 4, at night.
 - Latexo, Thurs., Mar. 5, at night.
 - Hammond, Sun., Mar. 8, 3 p. m.
 - Tyer's, Sun., Mar. 8, at night.
- The people in each and all of these localities will please remember the days and hours. Down with the saloon.

Speaking At Enterprise

By Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss of Crockett, next Friday night, Feb. 27th, in the interest of the Local Option Campaign. Let everybody turn out and hear him. A treat is in store for all who hear his address.

Prohibition Speaking

By Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss of Crockett, at Jones' School House on Sunday, Mar. 1st, at 3 p. m., in behalf of the Local Option Cause. Do not fail to hear him.

Speaking At Latexo

Next Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m., in behalf of the Local Option Cause. Let everybody turn out to hear it. Names of speakers not yet known, but they will be there. Down with the saloon. adv

Misses Allie Murray and Elizabeth Gale, and Carl Murray of Lovelady and Walter Mangum of Weldon were the guests of Miss Arline Howard Sunday.

Your health depends much upon the groceries you eat. Many disorders of the stomach, as well as serious illness, if they could be truly traced to their origin, would be found to have originated from inferior food. We have never, and never shall, sacrifice quality for price. You can absolutely depend upon our groceries to be the best. Our staples, canned goods, coffee, etc., are selected with a view to satisfaction rather than profit. Let us have your next order. Adv. W. R. Wherry.

SPEAKERS ARE IN THE FIELD

The prohibition forces in this end of the county are very active and will leave no stone unturned for a great victory on March 10. Another meeting of the club was held at the auditorium in Grapeland Wednesday night of last week, and a speaking campaign mapped out. The speaking commenced Tuesday night and will continue through the week, and will wind up at the auditorium in Grapeland Saturday night with a general prohibition rally.

The following speakers are on the stump: R. E. Morris, J. L. Chiles, C. F. Trimble, W. F. Murchison, H. A. Matney, S. E. Howard, N. S. Herod, W. R. Riall, W. R. Campbell, M. L. Williams, A. A. Allen, A. E. Bradley, J. F. Lively. Up to this writing, Wednesday, the following communities have been visited: Reynard, Hays Spring, Oak Grove, Union, Daly's Lock-out, Myrtle Lake, and Lively's School house. Thursday night there will be speaking at Rock Hill and New Prospect, and Friday at Enon.

The meeting at Grapeland Saturday night will be presided over by Hon. W. F. Murchison, chairman of the Grapeland prohibition club. Some good speakers will be present, and the general situation will be thoroughly gone over.

JUDGE ELLIS FOR RE-ELECTION

The Messenger this week carries in its announcement column the name of Judge C. M. Ellis as a candidate for re-election as county judge of Houston county. Judge Ellis has held this office one term, and it is the custom of our party to give two terms to an official who has made good, so he feels that he is not asking too much of the public for a second term.

He feels sure that he can serve the people better in the future, as he has gained considerable experience and is more familiar with the duties of the office.

A large part of the time spent in office has been devoted to reducing the county expense budget, and in a letter to this paper he has this to say: "In totaling up the expenditures of the county for the last twelve months prior to my term, to Dec. 1, 1913, and from that date to Dec. 1, 1914, I find my account a little more than \$1,200 less than for the prior year. There are many places yet wherein I believe expenses can and should be reduced, and I am using my best efforts to do this."

Judge Ellis asks that you give his claims due consideration.

Tom Kent, jr., who was formerly with his father here, but now conducting a general mercantile business near Reynard, was in town Saturday on business, and left a nice order with us for some stationery.

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Is a symptom of impaired digestion. To neglect digestive trouble is to bid high for disease in the kidneys as these diseases all start in bad digestion. Take

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It is a corrective medicine for all disorders in the digestive organs. It quickly checks sour stomach. Gas or wind in the stomach or bowels, heartburn, bloated feeling, belching, bad breath, dizziness, headaches and a constipated habit. If you have any weakness in your digestion, take Prickly Ash Bitters. It relieves all distress immediately and if used for a reasonable period it cures permanently.

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HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS

Never use Calomel because LIVER BUTTONS are better; they fail—always give gentle relief for malaria and to drive poisons from the bowels, nothing is so good. Free sample LIVER BUTTONS about the famous Hot Springs Remedy and Hot Springs Blood Remedy.

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Some say that chronic constipation cannot be cured. Don't you believe it. Chamberlain's Tablets have cured others—why not you? Give them a trial. They cost only a quarter. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

T. H. Leaverton joined the delegation from Crockett that attended the prohibition convention in Ft. Worth last Saturday.

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. Adv.

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To fill that vacancy you have open or may have open for bookkeeper or stenographer or operator or bookkeeper and stenographer combined. Efficiency is what you want in your office. We can supply you with experienced or unexperienced help. By unexperienced help, we mean those who have just finished our thorough practical courses, went thru our finishing department where they received thorough drills in office routine. These young men and women are, in most cases, better fitted to render satisfactory service than those who have not been so fortunate as to receive such thorough training in our school, that have had two years experience in a business office. We also have experienced help listed with us, those who have been holding good positions but for some cause desire a change. We have an excellent student body from which to select just the help you want. We had 2060 enrollments in 1913.

Please phone at our expense, tell us just the kind of help you need and if we have it, we will recommend it to you, giving full references and past records. If we haven't just the kind of help you want, we will tell you so frankly.

Employment Department,
Tyler Commercial College,
Adv. Tyler, Texas.

School Honor Roll

Low First Grade—Eola Oliver, Polk Brown, Dave Nunn Leaverton, George Murchison, Bennie Shaver, Arlan Skidmore.

High First Grade—Dorothy Darsey, Mildred Traylor, Evelyn Logan, Anabel Oliver, Casten Guice, Ozelle Haltom, Mayo Murchison, Gladys Denton.

Second Grade—Ida Mae Herod, Joe Wherry, Mildred Haltom, Edith Richards, Graydon Shaver, Louise McCarty.

Third Grade—Clarence Allen, Nat Sadler, Frank Granberry, Dimple Cromwell, Zeldia Herod.

Fourth Grade—Pearl Horne, Louise Selkirk.

Fifth Grade—Eva Gene Murchison, Bess Howard.

Sixth Grade—Adabel Leaverton, Melba Brock, Frank Murchison, Marie White.

Seventh Grade—Mary Lou Darsey, Acelaide Selkirk.

Eighth Grade—Prewit Dubose, Adela Dutch, Beatrice Parker.

Ninth Grade—Robert Sadler, Ethel Matney.

Irregulars—Preston Morrison, Audrey Campbell, Annie Lois Taylor, Ben Keen.

When the breath is foul and the appetite disordered, Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy needed. It purifies the stomach, liver and bowels, sweetens the breath, promotes vigor and cheerfulness. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

Miss Della Rains, teacher in the school at Percilla, was a guest of Miss Maude McCarty Sunday.

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That's Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It has the confidence of your druggist, who knows it will give you satisfaction. W. W. Nessmith, Statesboro, Ga., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar Compound in my family and have sold it in my store and it never fails to cure." Refuse a substitute. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.

The Bible

The following was printed in the Baptist Standard several months ago, and I cut it out and pasted it in my little boy Pat's bible. Last week it came out again and I am going to give it to my other son, Barton, to paste in his bible. The statements are so accurate and strikingly true that they are commended to all readers:

"This book contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, doom of sinners and happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding. Its histories are true and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe and practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you and comfort to cheer you. It is the travelers' map, the pilgrim's compass, the soldiers' sword and the christians' charter. Here paradise is restored, heaven opened and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, rule the heart and guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory and a river of pleasure. It is given you in life, will be opened at the judgement and be remembered forever. It involves the highest responsibility, rewards the greatest labor and condemns all who trifle with its holy contents."

Mrs. J. R. Taylor.

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

D. J. Jones of New Mexico spent several days here last week seeing his many friends and buying up a lot of cattle.

Methodist Minister Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Rev. James A. Lewis, Milaca, Minn., writes: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been a needed and welcome guest in our home for a number of years. I highly recommend it to my fellows as being a medicine worthy of trial in cases of colds, coughs and croup." Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a trial and we are confident you will find it very effectual and continue to use it as occasion requires for years to come, as many others have done. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

The young folks of Grapeland were entertained with a party last Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Jones, south of town.

When Ballard's Snow Liment 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. Adv.

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FARMERS UNION PHONE

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Patron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

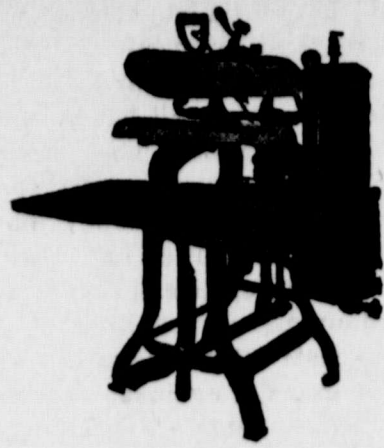
The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

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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.

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SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS FOR GOOD ROADS

Fifty-one Out of 86 Elections Successful—Two-thirds Majority Statute Detrimental.

There were 86 road and bridge bond elections held in Texas during 1913 and 51 of them carried by large majorities resulting in the appropriation of \$7,267,000 for highway improvement, according to data compiled by the Texas Business Men's Association. This is more than double the amount of bonds issued in this state last year. The aggregate amount of bonds voted on in 1913 was \$11,661,000, but 35 of the issues, involving a total of \$4,394,000 were defeated. This amount of money is sufficient to build a first class highway from the Red River to the Gulf.

Harris County Leads.

Harris led all other counties in the amount of bonds issued, having ratified an election of \$1,000,000 on February 20th. The smallest issue for the year was voted on in Kerr County and was for \$2,000. The election was carried by an overwhelming majority, a heavy vote being polled. Brazoria County takes the palm for holding the greatest number of elections. Four issues, aggregating \$585,000 were voted on in 1913 and all received the necessary two-thirds majority vote.

The Record by Years.

The law governing the issuance of bonds for highway improvement permits a county, precinct or road district to bond its property for amounts not exceeding one-fourth of the assessed valuation. This statute went into effect in 1909 and since that time nearly \$25,000,000 has been appropriated in this manner for road building and maintenance. The largest amount was voted in 1911, when \$8,915,000 in bonds were issued. The record by years since the passage of this law follows:

Year.	Amount of Bonds.
1909	\$ 781,000
1910	4,015,000
1911	8,915,000
1912	3,496,200
1913	7,267,700

These figures, with the exception of 1909, are taken from the records kept by the Texas Business Men's Association and are compiled from data furnished by commercial organizations, county judges, good roads associations and other authoritative sources. The 1909 figures are from the State Comptroller and represent the road bonds registered in Austin that year.

Following is a list of the counties which issued road and bridge bonds during 1913. The amount and date of election are also shown.

County.	Date	Amount
Atscoosa, Feb. 8		\$ 20,000
Aranas, Aug. 30		155,000
Bell, Dec. 20		30,000
Bell, July 22		50,000
Bell, May 17		150,000
Brazoria, April 19		300,000
Brazoria, Aug. 30		75,000
Brazoria, Aug. 20		150,000
Brazoria, Sept. 23		60,000
Bexar, Nov. 12		750,000
Brewster, Dec. 20		100,000
Calhoun, Sept. 20		5,000
Calhoun, Jan. 2		135,000
Cameron, March 13		20,000
Chambers, March 15		100,000
Caldwell, Oct. 14		50,000
Collin, Dec. 16		450,000
Frio, Feb. 1		80,000
Galveston, Sept. 26		250,000
Grayson, July 18		35,000
Garza, Oct. 11		50,000
Harris, Feb. 20		1,000,000
Hill, Nov. 22		250,000
Irion, Sept. 27		20,000
Jackson, Oct. 4		60,000
Jim Wells, Oct. 20		125,000
Kerr, Dec. 13		2,000
Kerr, May 12		40,000
Kinney, Nov. 14		80,000
Midland, April 22		50,000
Matagorda, March 1		300,000
Montgomery, Nov. 26		150,000
Montgomery, July 5		250,000
Milam, April 18		50,000
Milam, April 25		150,000
Maverick, Sept. 8		25,000
Navarro, June 28		75,000
Navarro, March 22		400,000
Nueces, March 22		100,000
Nueces, Sept. 2		165,000
Polk, May 24		40,000
Robertson, Jan. 21		150,000
Smith, Aug. 28		30,000
Smith, July 8		300,000
Smith, May 15		75,000
Trinity, Sept. 16		100,000
Victoria, April 28		45,000
Victoria, April 28		45,000
Waller, Dec. 20		10,000
Waller, Sept. 25		15,000
Walker, Nov. 14		150,000
Total		\$7,267,000

The statute, requiring the issuance of highway improvement bonds only by the sanction of two-thirds of the voters balloting has been a stumbling block in the way of better roads. At least 80 per cent of the defeated issues during the year received a ma-

majority of the votes cast, but lacked the required two-thirds ratification by a few ballots.

Practically every one of the counties in which issues were defeated in 1913 are making preparations to hold the second election, and in many instances the road districts are being mapped out to exclude those voters opposed to bond issuance for highway improvement. At the present time elections involving \$4,000,000 are in sight and will be decided during the first three months of 1914.

RAILROADS WILL HELP THE FARMER

Common Carriers Will Co-operate in Marketing Farm Products—Middlemen Charge Higher Rates for Handling Farm Than Factory Products.

By Peter Radford.

The leading railroad systems of the nation will establish market bureaus to assist the farmers along their lines in marketing their products. The following lines have acceded to the request of the Farmers' Union and announced their willingness to enter into active co-operation with the farmers in marketing their products: Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Southern Pacific, Santa Fe, St. Louis, Southwestern and other "system" lines.

The express companies have surveyed the field and the Federal Government, through the parcel post, has demonstrated the possibilities of the common carrier as a useful agency in marketing farm commodities.

I consider the action of these giant business concerns in determining to co-operate with the farmers in marketing their crops, to be the greatest product of human thought on the Western hemisphere during the past year, and it demonstrates that the educational work of the Farmers' Union has brought the nation to a clearer understanding of the real problems of the farmer.

To give information on marketing is far more valuable than to give advice on production. There is a mutual interest between the railroads and the farmer which cannot exist between any other lines of industry. The railroads are the teamsters of agriculture and they are employed only when there is something to haul. Good prices will do more to increase tonnage than any other factor, and railroads want tonnage.

Agriculture has many inherent disadvantages which require combined effort to overcome in marketing. There are millions of producing units working independently and selling without knowledge of market conditions. The harvest is once a year, while consumption is pretty evenly distributed throughout the entire year, and most of the farmers, through custom and necessity, dump their entire crop on the market as soon as it is gathered. The problem of organizing and systematizing the markets is one in which the farmers invite assistance of all lines of industry friendly to their interests.

Farmers Bear the Burden.

The business of the manufacturer lends itself more readily to organization and the facilities for studying the markets are more easily available. The result is that the merchants are compelled to handle most staple manufactured articles at very little profit, and as a consequence the merchant must look to products which he buys direct from the farm for his profits.

The reports of the Federal Department of Agriculture show some very interesting information and enable a comparison between the cost of marketing products of the farm and those of the factory. A few items will serve to illustrate the general run. The cost of getting sugar from the refinery to the consumer is 9 cents on the dollar; the cost of getting tobacco from the factory to the consumer is 14 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of eggs the middleman gets a profit of 50 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of potatoes, the middleman makes 70 cents on the dollar; in selling a dollar's worth of fruit, the middleman gets 84 cents on the dollar, and on cantaloupes 82 cents.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 570, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, in discussing this subject, said:

"The high price paid by consumers, ranging from 5 to 500 per cent, in some cases, more than the farmer

receives, indicates that there is plenty of room for lowering the cost of farm products to consumers and at the same time largely increasing the cash income per farm, without increasing farm production. This condition is undoubtedly a marketing problem which will have to be solved by better organization of farmers and improved methods of marketing."

Large Shippers Influence Rates.

In railroad rates the inequalities are equally as glaring. Rate making in its primitive stages was largely influenced by demands and arguments of large shippers, but the farmers were unorganized and seldom appeared before rate-making bodies, and the burden of expense in transportation lies largely against the raw products of the farm.

In banking, our securities are discounted against, as compared with the products of the factories and mines. The farmer is entitled to a square deal. The farmer is more interested in good prices and efficient service than he is in rates.

OLE BULL'S AMERICAN TOURS

Famous Violinist Was Always a Favorite in This Country, Where His Ability Was Recognized.

The first American appearance of Ole Bull, the renowned Norwegian violinist, was at the Park theater in New York 70 years ago on November 25, 1842. Bull was born in Norway in 1810, and his parents intended him for the church, but from his early childhood he manifested a passion for music which could not be denied. His first master, Spohr, a German violinist, was not much impressed by his Norwegian pupil, and discouraged rather than encouraged his ambition. Bull wounded a German in a duel and fled to Paris, where he was robbed of his money and violin, and, deeply despondent, threw himself into the Seine, only to be rescued by rivermen. A woman who had witnessed the attempt at suicide provided him with the means of continuing his musical studies, and he soon developed into a genius. His first American tour lasted two years, and was a financial and artistic success. In 1852 "the Paganini of the North" returned to America and attempted to plant a Scandinavian colony in Pennsylvania, but lost most of his fortune in the project and returned to the concert field. He was from the first a great favorite with Americans, and at his death, which occurred at Bergen, Norway, in 1880, was sincerely mourned by thousands on this side of the Atlantic.

Risked One of Its Nine Lives.

A cat's experience, the other day in South London, England, would seem to prove the truth of the adage that a cat has nine lives. Sitting calmly on the tramway track near Kensington Gate the cat obdurately refused to heed the clanging of the bell of an approaching tramcar, and it was not until the driver dismounted that the animal moved. Then, to the driver's dismay, it ran under the car. No amount of coaxing would lure the cat from its dangerous position, and eventually it was decided that the car should proceed. People listened patiently for the walls of a mangled and crushed creature, but no sound was heard, and when the vehicle reached Blackfriars the cat was discovered sitting on the motor beneath the car, apparently uninjured and none the worse for its perilous ride.

Liberia.

The Republic of Liberia was founded in 1820 by the American Colonization society, which was established by Henry Clay in 1816. The capital of the republic, Monrovia, was so named in honor of James Monroe, president of the United States at the time the republic was founded. Many blacks were taken over from this country with the idea that, having become civilized to a certain extent here, they would act as valuable assistants to the natives in the state. Liberia has never prospered and is at the present time "in the hands of a receiver," so to speak.

Breadmaking Degenerating?

In these days of bakeries on every corner in town, and traveling bread wagons through the country, the fine art of breadmaking is degenerating. It is too much trouble to mix and knead and make the beautiful brown loaves, the spicy buns, the tempting rolls. Rather, we resort to the chaffy loaf from the baker, or the rolls that are not as good as the homemade bread, no matter how good they seem today. The best bakers' bread is far inferior to the homemade product, and I rejoice that breadmaking, as well as stocking-darning, is being taught in more public schools each year.

The bread-mixer makes the process so easy and simple that almost any one can succeed in the first attempt.—Farm and Fireside.

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H. B. Luker, Editor and Owner

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OUR PURPOSE—It is the purpose of the Messenger to record accurately, simply and interestingly the moral, intellectual, industrial and political progress of Grapeland and Houston county. To aid us in this all citizens should give us their moral and financial support

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TRADE IN GRAPELAND

With the opening of spring, which we feel sure will soon be here—it can't stay cold always—on behalf of the business men of Grapeland, the Messenger wishes to extend to the people far and near, a cordial invitation to make Grapeland your town this spring and summer, and all time—even to a greater extent than you have ever done. In this modern age co-operation is the key-note of all success, and there is not nor never shall be a success where there is not co-operation. We need your help and you need ours.

Decide right now to make Grapeland your trading point this year. You can find better lines of merchandise nowhere, and nowhere will you find business men more appreciative of your patronage. The lines they carry must be the best—they could afford to sell no other kind. They are located here among you, where you know them and they know you. Their homes are here, their money is invested here, and nothing but honest dealing that would increase their trade would be prudent for them. Every sale they make must be satisfactory, and if you will give them a chance they will prove to you that they want it to be so.

When you come to town call on them, even if you are not buying at the time. If you are not acquainted with them, call and become acquainted. You'll find them a jolly set of good fellows.

If you have children to send to school next year send them to our school. Come into our churches every Sunday if you have none near your home. You will find a hearty welcome awaiting you.

Community interest is the life of any community, and the welfare and progress of this community is of great importance to you and to us.

We hope that every reader of the Messenger also reads every advertisement printed. They are direct messages from our merchants to you, and you should read every one and profit by them.

This will be a banner year for Grapeland and surrounding country, and we feel confident that you will profit by joining in an effort to make it a prosperous one. Come to town as often as you can, and when here let your presence be known. Join us in the effort to make Grapeland a bigger, better, livelier town, and everyone in the community will be the better off for it.

Tom Ball was the unanimous choice of the pro convention at Fort Worth last Saturday for governor. Lane and Mayes both withdrew their names in favor of the Houstonian. Mr. Ball gave out an interview Monday in which he stated that he would prosecute a vigorous campaign throughout the state. The man who beats him will be the next governor of Texas.

The good sport is the man who not only grins and bears defeat, but also endures a triumph without too much grinning. He is the fellow who is always considerate of the other fellow's feelings and is always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to a less fortunate brother. He is the fellow who would scorn to take advantage of any chance unfairly presented to him. He is frank and above board in all things, and does not try to shift the blame where it does not belong. When at work he puts his best into his work and when at play he always plays fairly. He can always be depended upon to do what is set before him to the best of his ability. In other words, a good sport is the kind of fellow every man should like to be, and is surely a goal worth striving for.

PULLING TOGETHER

The Lovelady Light last week, in discussing the assets of a town and the advantages to be gained by everyone pulling together, had the following to say concerning Grapeland:

"Closely associated with the banks and postoffice is the newspaper. You can't think of a good town but what supports a newspaper and a town that has no paper is a back number. Now, it is up to the people to support these three institutions. You can withdraw your bank deposits and refuse to patronize the banks and they will be forced to liquidate; you can withhold your patronage from the paper and it will starve to death or move to some live town that appreciates a good thing; while you can't starve a postmaster to death, you can make him look very hungry. Grapeland supports her banks, stands by her paper and thru her liberality has been the means of her postmaster getting \$1,400 per year, and Grapeland is prosperous, contented and happy, and is pulling all together for a better and greater Grapeland."

"Jack Frost" has demonstrated very forcibly that he can "come back."

Anyone who ever played the good old game of "squat tag" should be able to do the low dips gracefully in the tango.

It is predicted that the "pear shape" will be woman's next figure. The present style must be the pear upside down.

That pro convention in Ft. Worth last Saturday will give Jeff McLemore, editor of State Topics, something to talk about for the next twenty years.

They are agitating for prohibition in California, and should the state go dry, tourists would have to be content with drinking in the scenery.

Thomas B. O'Bryan, editor of the Elkhart Record, candidate for representative, base ball player, and all 'round good fellow, is now a full fledged lawyer, having passed the examination at Galveston last week. We extend congratulations.

From the way President Wilson suffers from bad colds, it would seem that a dozen handkerchiefs would be the most suitable gift admiring friends could make.

PLAIN, SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE

President Wilson has taken another step toward assuring business prosperity in this country. Following the settlement of the tariff and currency measures some uneasiness was still felt as to the possible effects of anti-trust legislation. The president's address to congress set such fears at rest. He did not show any signs of trucking to the money powers nor, on the other hand, did he rant or rave about business combinations. In very clear and easily understood language he pointed out the desirability of legislation making more plain certain features of the Sherman law, providing safeguards against interlocking directorates and a few other things of the kind. He assumed that the business interests of the country would be with him in the enactment of such measures—and they seem to be.

In all of his dealings with the business interests so far he has managed to maintain an attitude of dignified friendliness without fawning; he has not kicked anybody's dog around nor has he brandished a Big Stick—and yet he has not left anybody in doubt as to who is president of the United States.—Holland's Magazine.

The question at issue in the campaign now on is "Shall the Saloons be returned to Houston County?" It is not a question of abolishing saloons for they were abolished twelve years ago. The question could be put this way: "Do you want a saloon in your community?" If the county goes wet only the Crockett precinct will be wet, and the county will be the same as it was prior to the last election. To make Grapeland or any other community in the county wet a precinct election would be necessary. Now, it is certain that if the county goes wet saloons will not be permitted in Crockett. Those folks down there assure us that they will immediately call another election in their precinct. If they lose they will try it in the school district; if that fails they will try it in the city and they feel sure they would win that. Now, you folks who think of voting "wet" had better give this serious consideration. The only way you can get liquor will be to vote it in your own precinct. Do you want a saloon at your very door? Do you want a saloon in Grapeland? You answer no because you do not believe the regulations would be strict enough or the police power sufficient to protect the people. Then in the name of common sense, why do you want to shove something on Crockett you wouldn't have yourself? Answer this question before you vote.

Germany has a strict law against "superfluous noise." A person "annoying the public in general" by unnecessary noise may be fined as much as \$35.00. That law ought to be made to apply to the politicians in Texas.

It is now up to the antis to do some "liminatin'." The pros have demonstrated that it can be done.

FERTILIZER

When you fertilize--and up-to-date farmers do--remember we have fifteen up-to-date grades to select from. A 10-acre cut of land may need three or more grades applied to supply the different soil and plant needs. Call on or write us. We have what you need, and can give you better goods and save you money. **WE MEAN IT!**

Some of our grades are as follows:

Davy Crockett Brand	Available Phosphoric Acid	Nitrogen	Potash
Crockett Onion Grower.....	5.50 per ct.	5.75 per ct.	5.30 per ct.
Crockett Vegetable Producer.....	7.50	3.00	5.50
Crockett Grbwer.....	5.00	4.25	2.50
Crockett Poor-Land Special.....	10.00	3.00	3.25
Crockett Compound.....	8.00	3.25	1.25
Crockett Cotton Standard.....	10.25	2.00	2.00
Crockett Cereal Standard.....	8.25	2.55	2.25
Crockett Planters' Triumph.....	9.00	2.00	2.25
Crockett Special Mixture.....	10.60	1.76	1.10
Crockett Phosphate Special.....	11.00	1.50	1.00
Crockett Imperial Fruiter.....	10.10	1.10	2.00
Crockett By-Mixture.....	9.00		4.00
Crockett Rice Special.....	12.00		2.00

Remember, too, that our interests are yours. We all want to and must produce a big crop for Houston county. Who has a greater interest in big yields than we? We are spending money all the time at home; some spending money away from home, chasing the cat's tail of endless deception, thinking foreign made goods are better. **BUT ARE THEY?**

Analysis and common sense will tell.

Houston County Oil Mill & Mfg. Co.,
 Crockett, Texas

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Messenger is authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 25th, 1914:

For County Clerk:

O C Goodwin (Re-election)
A S Moore

For Sheriff:

R J (Bob) Spence
A W Phillips (Re-election)

For Tax Collector:

Geo H Denny (Re-election)

For District Clerk:

Jno D Morgan (Re-election)

For County Attorney:

B F Dent (Re-election)

For County Treasurer:

Ney Sheridan

For County Judge:

C M Ellis (Re-election)

For Commissioner of Precinct No. 1—

Oscar Dennis
W L Vaught
Eugene Holcomb

LOCAL NEWS

Trade with Wherry and be happy. adv

Bring us your chickens and eggs. McLean & Riall. Adv.

Ladies' work a specialty. adv
Clewis, the Tailor.

Wherry has the goods—they are good, too. adv

Julian Yarbrough of Sellers spent Saturday and Sunday in Grapeland with his brother.

If you desire satisfactory work, carry your old clothes to Clewis. adv

W. S. Tyer of the San Pedro community came around Saturday and chatted with us awhile.

Frank Duitch and Perry Herod of the New Prospect community were in to see us Saturday.

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes Specialist. All troubles of any kind of wearing apparel carefully treated. Give him a trial. adv.

A satisfied customer is what we want and must have. We will satisfy you. Try us. adv
W. R. Wherry.

Geo. Brailsford, prominent citizen and merchant of Latexo, has our thanks for a nice order of printed stationery.

Dental Notice

Dr. C. L. Moore, the dentist of Georgia, will soon be in Grapeland to do dental work. Watch for further announcement. Adv.

Batteries for Sale

The Farmers' Union Telephone Co. have a fresh supply of good batteries on hand. If your batteries do not give good service buy a pair of these for only 50c. (Advertisement)

Notice...Warning

This is to notify the public that the property of Myrtle Lake is posted and positively no trespassing will be allowed. Parties going to the lake must be accompanied by a stockholder or member of his family.

This notice is printed by order of the board of directors. adv

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett spent Sunday here.

Mrs. J. P. Millar of Huntsville visited relatives in Grapeland this week.

Hulls and meal are POSITIVELY CASH—NO CREDIT. Don't ask it. J. W. Howard. adv

Wood For Sale

Seasoned—dry—stove and heater wood for sale. Adv. BEN BROOKS.

Miss Taylor, a milliner of Dallas, has arrived and will have charge of the millinery department at Geo. E. Darsey's.

"To be neat begin at the feet." The name "Dittman" on a shoe means quality. Adv. McLean & Riall.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Phillips of Crockett were visiting the family of their son, H. A. Phillips, Saturday.

Mrs. Annie Denton—Dressmaker. East side railroad, next door to Frank Allen's store. (Advertisement.)

Ear Corn

I have some good ear corn for sale. See me if you need any. adv. J. W. Howard.

Geo. E. Darsey jr., who is attending school in Georgetown, came home Friday, returning Sunday night.

I want your eggs and will pay the highest market price either in cash or trade. Adv. J. J. Brooks, East Side.

"Quick Sales, Small Profits and the Golden Rule Applied to Business." Call at adv Wherry's.

If you wish to decorate the graves of your loved ones, you should see S. T. Anthony, with Nance Bros., Marble Yard, Palestine. Adv.

In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of clothes. How to get some is the question. And the answer? Go to Clewis, goodness knows! adv

Murdoch Darsey is in Crockett this week taking the Masonic Royal Arch degrees, which are being conferred by the Crockett Chapter.

Mr. Jeff Keen, who has been very sick, has recovered sufficiently to be carried to a sanitarium at San Antonio in the hope of regaining his health.

For Sale or Rent

5 room house and barn, with 8 acres of land, 3-4 mile northwest of Grapeland. For price and terms see Grapeland Land Company. Adv.

If you wish to keep your sewing machine in good running order you should see S. T. Anthony for machine oil. Every bottle guaranteed, also needles and other machine supplies. adv

Geo. Shaver has moved his saw mill from its old location east of town to a point about four miles southwest of town. He has a considerable amount of timber in that locality to cut.

Edgar Schaffer and Miss Dyle White were married at the home of the bride's father, in the Hays Spring community, last Friday night, Rev. H. A. Matney of this city officiating. The Messenger extends very best wishes and congratulations.

To The Voters of Grapeland Precinct

We take the liberty of addressing you in regard to your vote in the pending local option campaign, urging you to assist us in keeping Houston County "dry." Your magnificent majority in 1902 was the greatest factor in assisting us in ridding our town of saloons, and we are looking to you for strong help again, and we believe not in vain. The liquor crowd is claiming a large anti majority for your precinct, and basing their hopes for carrying the county on that fact more than any one other. You realize that an anti majority means saloons for Crockett and a small strip on the river near Weldon, the balance of the county remaining "dry," and full 90 per cent of the white citizenship of Crockett do not want saloons back, and will exert every possible effort to prevent their return, and we cannot think that the good people of Grapeland precinct would be party to voting on us this fearful curse in the face of our protests, and to that disposition to always do the fair and right thing, which we have found to prevail among you, we make our appeal. You have always registered your majority on the side of good morals and good government, and surely will not reverse yourself at this juncture. This election interests you more than perhaps some will think. If the county votes "wet," Crockett precinct is certain to promptly ask for another election, and we can and will vote it "dry." If your precinct should register an anti majority, it is reasonably certain that you will have to face an election for your precinct, as the antis will try to open up a "wet" spot in the county, and we know that none of you desire that saloons be opened in Grapeland. It is for the reason that the antis claim your precinct so positively, and that we know your precinct is as deeply concerned in keeping the county "dry," as we, for the reasons assigned above, that we have addressed you specially. We all know the progress made in our towns, and the county generally, under prohibition, and that there is not an argument for the return of saloons save a desire to have liquor available, and surely the overwhelming majority of our citizenship is opposed to the return of saloons, with the attendant evils, and the increase of crime that follows in its wake. Campaign Committee, Houston Co. Local Option Club. (Advertisement.)

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 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. Adv.

Grapeland Lodge, No. 410, K. of P., celebrated the golden anniversary of the order last Thursday night at the school auditorium. A beautiful ritualistic ceremony was carried out, and Judge A. A. Aldrich of Crockett delivered an address on Pythianism that delighted his many hearers.

MONEY TO LOAN

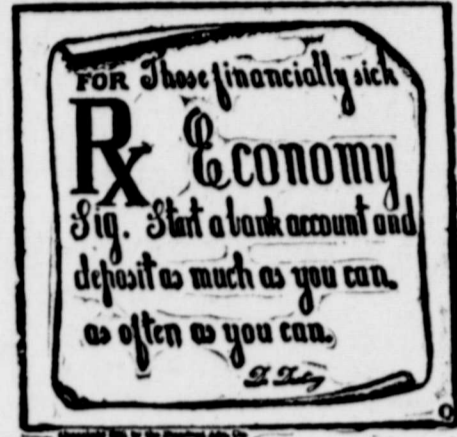
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Most of the Misery

And suffering in this world can be traced to the violation of a natural law—to provide for the future. The man who does not save his money will suffer for it.



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The Best Cough Medicine

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy ever since I have been keeping house," says L. C. Hames, of Marbury, Ala. "I consider it one of the best remedies I ever used. My children have all taken it and it works like a charm. For colds and whooping cough it is excellent." For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Trade with Wherry, then you will be sure you are getting the best. Quality, service and dependable goods. Adv. W. R. Wherry.

Buying To Save Money

Buying Foley's Honey and Tar Compound saves money because just a few doses stops the cough and cold and one bottle lasts a long time. It quickly heals raw and inflamed surfaces, stops tickling throat, harsh, rasping coughs, croup, hoarseness, bronchial and la grippe coughs. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Traylor have returned from Houston, where they have been visiting relatives.

To Whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that I have this day transferred and turned over to my sureties all of my outstanding accounts that are owing to me from the sale of Rawleigh's products, and the same are now to be paid to my sureties, and they are now the sole owners of same. J. F. Harmon.

All parties due accounts will please call on W. G. Darsey at once and settle or arrange same to be carried until fall. E. H. Darsey, Ed Edge.

Open For Business

The Grapeland Bottling Works is now ready for business, having installed up-to-date machinery for putting up all kinds of pure soda water and other bottled goods, and is now equipped to supply the trade of the surrounding country. We will put up the best goods possible and your trade will be appreciated. This is a home institution and by patronizing us your money will be kept at home. Plant is located near Spence Bros. gin. Adv. A. B. Spence, Prop.

We Want Your Business

When we say we want your business, we mean your banking business. The money you keep around your house or in some place hidden from the eyes of all except your own—we want to keep it for you where it will be safe and ready for your call any time.

Dig up the money you have around your home, bringing you nothing but worry and uneasiness, and bring it to us for safe keeping, or place it on time deposit where it will bring you some revenue, and at the same time be in circulation.

The GUARANTY STATE BANK

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GRAND AND PETIT JURORS FOR SPRING TERM OF COURT

Grand jurors for the spring term court, to appear Monday, March 9, 1914, at 10 o'clock.

T. C. Lemay.
B. A. Speer.
W. R. Wherry.
T. J. (Jeff) Maples.
C. L. Edmiston.
H. B. Monday.
L. A. Finch.
J. C. Merriwether.
J. H. Scarborough.
J. B. Alexander.
A. E. Hester.
J. D. Jones.
Mitchell Satterwhite.
E. B. Arnold.
R. L. Baker.
P. L. Fulgham.

Petit jurors to appear Monday, March 16, 1914, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Joel Leathers
L. D. Knox
A. F. Daniel
B. F. Parker
B. E. Wheeler
W. H. Long
J. E. Cunningham
S. J. Allbright
T. J. Murchison
R. A. Hester
P. E. Barnhill
P. O. Graves
S. T. Hester
J. E. Shoemaker
W. B. Selman
L. M. Embry
V. B. Tunstall
J. J. Taylor
J. W. Richardson
Ed Halcomb
W. E. Linderman
Jesse Arnold
M. E. Darsey
J. L. Brown
T. J. Patton
S. H. Little
J. L. Bowman
W. M. Brimberry
George Moore
O. B. Hale
N. A. Smith
E. D. Smith
Charlie Butler
E. Roberson
J. F. Finch
T. R. Deupree
G. S. Bynum
O. L. Smith
H. A. Vaught
W. J. Sexton

Petit jurors for third week, to appear Monday, March 23, at 10 o'clock a. m.

G. W. Harrison
R. E. Lively
N. O. Routledge
R. L. Shivers
W. E. Bennett
A. S. Daniel
W. E. Chambers
J. W. Ashmore
P. D. Austin
R. S. Hooks
J. B. Kennedy
J. D. Friend
G. H. Lowe
Jim McLean
J. B. Valentine
Frank Brown
D. C. Appleton
J. D. Beavers
H. C. Rich
R. C. Hager
F. B. Raimey
W. C. Green
L. E. Hart
R. E. McConnell
J. M. Parker
R. B. Moore
Oran Rials
W. D. Scott
C. H. Calloway
H. M. Smith
P. H. Blakeway
C. C. Hendricks

J. L. Carroll
J. F. Fulmer
L. T. Young
Will Newsome
J. C. Denson
T. H. Ivey
H. S. Brannen
J. M. Creasy

Petit jurors for the fourth week, to appear Monday, March 30, 1914, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

C. M. Davis
H. E. Barns
T. J. Dotson
C. H. Fritz
L. J. Smith
J. N. Taylor
G. W. Larue
L. McManers
C. L. Monk
J. S. Burton
A. L. Prewitt
H. J. Shaw
T. J. Duren
J. R. Luce
Willard Goodwin
Joe Minton
Walter Norton
A. S. Nelson
J. L. Reynolds
F. M. Patton
L. O. Goodrum
R. T. Bobbitt
J. L. Wilson
R. E. Parker
G. M. Cunningham
Walter West
J. W. Hooks
E. W. Davis
J. E. Keen
George McLean
J. I. Satterwhite
Ed Cassidy
W. E. Kerr
G. W. Ashby
H. J. Castleberg
Babe Dickey
J. D. Keen
Z. R. Gorbet
W. L. Spruill

Petit Jurors for the 5th week to appear Monday, April 6, 1914, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

S. J. Kellum
J. L. Scarborough
E. S. Dawson
O. C. Calvert
J. H. Holcomb
J. H. Allen
C. E. Brooks
J. M. Sheridan
Jack Howard
C. M. Parker
S. C. Spence
Steve Beasley
J. M. Thornton
S. J. Johns
W. C. Allen
O. M. Andrews
J. D. Walker
S. M. Thompson
Lang Smith
J. S. Murchison
I. J. Williams
W. F. Luker
C. F. Gains
W. E. Gainey
T. B. Spence
T. L. Glenn
B. B. Monzingo
J. D. Sloan
A. B. Guice
J. G. Cobb
A. J. Davis
J. H. Bryant
Jasper Simpson
Andrew Lockey
C. L. Haltom
M. D. Murchison
R. A. Shaw
F. W. Ferguson
B. F. Wolfley
J. T. Burge

Petit jurors for the 6th week, to appear Monday, April 13, 1914, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Some Attractive Clubbing Offers

The Messenger - - \$1.00
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Holland's Magazine - \$1.00
All 3 \$1.75
The Messenger and either one of the above for \$1.50

The Messenger and Galveston Semi-Weekly News for - **\$1.75**

The Messenger and Houston Semi-Weekly Post for - **\$1.75**

The Messenger and the Dallas Semi-weekly News for - **\$1.75**

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J. D. Caskey
R. G. Lundy
J. E. Driskill
J. A. McClain
C. P. Rich
J. R. Turner
T. G. Adams
John Gale
G. M. Walton
T. S. Goodnight
H. J. Lucas
R. L. Walker
Martin Scarborough
T. A. Hayes
W. M. Hammonds
J. M. Knox
J. C. Kennedy
E. G. Walling
C. R. Kellum
H. B. Sanders
E. W. Little
J. N. Welborn
T. J. McConico
S. E. Traylor
B. F. Dickey
Price Alea
Walter Pennington
George Allen
S. N. Boykin
G. D. Julian
O. T. Ratcliffe
D. R. Baker
J. H. Lovell
G. E. Mansell
B. R. Eaves
J. N. Langrum
A. B. Hallmark

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The Messenger.

ROAD BUILDING

OIL APPLIED TO DIRT ROADS

Much Used in Illinois as Preventive of Mud as Well as Dust—Several Good Methods.

(By T. M. CISEL)

Many roads in the oil fields of Illinois have been treated with oil which is a preventive of mud as well as dust. Roads that were pbt in shape and well sprinkled with oil last fall stood the winter travel which is always heavy in the oil fields, and came out in the spring with very little needed repairs.

In applying oil to our common dirt roads several methods are employed. Sometimes where the road is in good shape the oil is sprinkled on without any further preparations. This is sufficient for summer roads and for holding down the dust, but a better method should be employed where good winter roads are expected.

First the road should be well worked with the road machine, then apply the oil with sprinker, putting on enough to well dampen the fresh worked dirt, then a disk or harrow should be used to mix the oil well with the clay; after sprinkling again, the roller is used to smooth down and pack the roads.

After this the road should be sprinkled once a month in winter to keep it from taking water.

All ruts must be filled with dirt as soon as they commence to form. Also wet down this filling with oil.

After two years of this treatment

roads become solid and show but little waste from travel and rain. Well oiled roads are dustless.

Sand roads are treated the same way but require more oil to put them in shape. A common water tank with street sprinkling attachment is all that is required for applying it to the roads.

PREVENT STEEP ROAD CUTS

Difficulty Usually Experienced in Mountains or Hilly Country is in Repairing Washouts.

In a mountainous or hilly country where the roads must be built with considerable grade, one difficulty which is usually experienced in their maintenance is in repairing washouts.

When a heavy shower falls upon the road and adjoining country, water will find its way to the depressions worn by the wheels. It flows down these depressions, gaining volume and velocity as it goes until the road surface is eroded and deep ruts often formed. The road which was good in the beginning is now rough and rutty and unpleasant and even dangerous to travel over.

One of the very best methods for preventing this cutting writes E. B. House of the Colorado Agricultural College is to build across the road at intervals of two or three hundred feet, ditches running entirely across the road. These ditches should be about one foot deep and perhaps three feet wide. They should be so located that they will discharge their water at some distance from the road and in such places that the water will continue on down the hill from the road.

In order that the road may be smooth, plank bridges are placed across these ditches. These are very simple affairs, 4x4 answering the purpose for the stringers and 2x6s or 2x8s doing very well for the flooring. These planks should be placed so that cracks one and one-half to two inches wide are left between each plank. These cracks then running across the road allow the water coming down the road to go through them, into the ditch and

pass away. In this way the volume of water flowing over the road surface is kept down and cutting prevented.

MAINTENANCE IS ESSENTIAL

Road Repairing as Important as Building, According to Official of Agricultural Department.

Logan W. Page, chief of the office of public roads, of the department of agriculture, is bending every energy to impress upon the people of the country that maintenance and effective repair are of equal importance with the actual improvement of bad roads. Investment of money in new roads does not become real economy until provision is made for keeping those new roads in condition after they are built. If a new road was built and then allowed to fall into disrepair, much of the original investment is simply wasted.

Quite frequently the office of public roads, when called upon for assistance by the various states, points out that road building is an art based on a science, and that trained men and experienced men are necessary to secure the best results from the expenditure of road funds.

Statisticians have figured out that although the average expenditure on the improvement of roads exceeds \$1,000,000 a day, a large portion of it is wasted because of the failure to build the right type of road to meet local requirements or the failure to provide for the continued maintenance of the improvement.

Improve Social Conditions.

Good roads not only bring the market nearer to you but they improve the social condition of your community because they bind neighbors and friends more closely.

A Safe Bet.

"Down in Memphis recently a young man and a girl were married in a taxicab."

"I'll bet the meter showed that it was the longest marriage service on record."

Community Co-Operation

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While stopping in a small Texas town not long ago, I overheard a remark, the significance of which impressed me very much. A prosperous-looking, middle-aged man casually stated to a local merchant: "No, I am not in the market this year for any farm implements, as I am preparing to lease or sell my place and move to the city. My children are getting along, you know, and I feel that I should locate where educational facilities are better than here." To the ordinary person this incident would seem most commonplace; in fact, similar conditions, no doubt, exist in many Southern small-town communities, but the cause for same should not be allowed to exist, and the remedy is to a large extent in the hands of those people residing in and around the towns.

It stands to reason that the town whose merchants are prosperous will afford a good market for the products of its vicinity, and the town whose buying and selling activities will naturally afford ample educational facilities, thereby not only holding its old residents, but offering strong inducements to contemplative newcomers.

The number of stores (and the financial condition of same) in a town depends entirely on the amount of patronage accorded the local merchants, and where all wants are supplied by these local mercantile establishments, the condition is governed by the law of supply and demand. Every dollar spent in your local stores benefits you as well as every other individual residing in your community, as a portion of that dollar will find its way to some municipal development. It should require no argument to convince the most skeptical persons that they are doing their community a serious injury every

time they make a purchase elsewhere.

If a resident of some distant city should ask you for a donation to a fund to be used for the development of his city, you would, no doubt, refuse to comply with his request, with the explanation that you are interested only in the upbuilding of your own town and community and that he should confine his solicitations to his particular locality alone. You would be absolutely right in so doing, and your action in the matter would receive the endorsement of every right-thinking person in your neighborhood. In the very face of these facts, a certain percent of small-town people accede to identically the same request above mentioned, but a little differently put; in fact, they make donations of this kind every time they make a purchase away from home, and when the articles wanted can be had to as good advantage in their local markets, there is absolutely no plausible excuse for sending or going away for them.

Every small-town merchant can, and should, offer merchandise in his particular line as good as can be obtained elsewhere, and his prices should be the same.

There are many people living in our smaller cities and towns who prefer to shop in the larger city stores. Their impression seems to be that their local stores, being less pretentious, cannot give them as good values, styles, etc. If this class of buyers realized the fact that standard or trade-marked-advertised lines of goods offer the same style and quality, and sell for the same prices in their local stores as in the largest city stores, they would patronize their home merchants in every instance.

Be More, Do More And Have More

Continue what you are and where you are and you are what and where you will always be. The world of wage-earners is a world of hoppers, wihers, and hesitators, held down by foolish doubts and empty fears. Endless thousands of bright, fine fellows whose wishbone is where their back done ought to be, are excusably afraid, halting, timid, clinging with the drowning man, grasp to their slender salaries, because they think business is a mystery and they can never learn to transact it.

You must be more, have more and do more in this life or you will always be seeing other men that are better dressed getting more out of life, more of this world's enjoyments and comforts than you. We can point out to hundreds of young men and women no smarter than you that are now successfully and happily engaged in a business of their own, because they attended our institution took a course of bookkeeping and shorthand or business administration and finance, and prepared themselves to go into the business office and work along with trained men and become masters of the art of doing business.

Business is not a happy-go-lucky, haphazard sort of a thing. If you understand it thoroughly, you are sure to succeed. If you have never been trained, it is all left to luck and guess work.

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read the unsolicited testimonials from many of our former students who are today demonstrating their success and the value of our training. Opportunity never comes to him who waits. It comes to him who goes after it with all there is in him, with a deep, burning, intense iron resolve of his inmost being. Read our catalog carefully, then investigate carefully its contents. We had 2060 enrollments last year. Our enrollment so far this year is larger than last. Why not you be one of the 2000 that will go out of our institution this year into a good business office. Procrastination is a thief of time. Fill in the following blank and send in by return mail. It may be the turning point in your life.

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The family that keeps on hand and uses occasionally the celebrated Prickley Ash Bitters is always a well regulated family. A. S. Porter Special Agent. adv

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stevenson and baby of Groveton are visiting the family of G. R. Murchison.

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CONSTIPATION MAY CAUSE APPENDICITIS

It Pays to Be Watchful and Careful. Dodson's Liver Tone is Recommended and Guaranteed

In a number of cases it has seemed that appendicitis has resulted from chronic constipation. Hence it is well to be careful and keep the system in as good working order as possible, for if you never suffer from constipation you are likely to lessen your liability to other complications and troubles.

But that does not mean it is wise for you to use calomel, a poison that stays in the system and often leaves bad effects behind it, even after you may have appeared to be benefited temporarily. As a matter of fact, calomel is exceedingly dangerous to many people, perhaps to you. So it is just as well not to take chances.

For constipation, biliousness, liver complaint, sick headache, etc., Dodson's Liver Tone is guaranteed by A. S. Porter, who will cheerfully refund purchase price (50c.) instantly to you in the event that it fails to give complete satisfaction.

Dodson's Liver Tone is a vegetable liquid, perfectly harmless, easy to take and highly effective without pain, ache or gripe and leaving no bad after-effects. It assists nature and builds you up instead of weakening you. So many people have been immensely benefited by this good remedy that it's worth your looking into at once. Make no mistake—ask for Dodson's Liver Tone. Adv

Junior League Program

Leader—Tom Richards.

Opening Song.

Subject.

Prayer.

Recitation—Jack Spence.

Reading—Melba Brock.

Song—Adelaide Selkirk, Eva Gene Murchison, Balis Edens and Roy Wherry.

Reading—Mary White.

Roll Call.

Business Session.

Closing Song.

Benediction.

Backache---Rheumatism Vanish Away

Men and women having headache, rheumatism, stiff and swollen joints are honestly glad to know that Foley Kidney Pills are successful everywhere in driving out these ills. That is because Foley Kidney Pills are a true medicine and quickly effective in all diseases that result from weak inactive kidneys and urinary irregularities. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.

Vendor's Lien Renewal

The last legislature passed a law making it necessary for the execution of a written instrument in cases where vendor's lien notes are not paid at maturity, but are extended. If you are holding notes which you expect to extend, better look into the matter, and see that the necessary papers are signed. We carry in stock extension and renewal blanks.

THE MESSENGER.

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 50c. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

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THE RURAL PRESS

The Local Paper a Most Useful Agency on the Farm—The Press, Pulpit and School a Trinity of Influence that Must be Utilized in Building Agriculture.

By Peter Radford.

A broad campaign of publicity on the subject of rural life is needed in Texas today to bring the problems of the farmers to the forefront. The city problems are blazoned upon the front pages of the metropolitan dailies and echoed in the country press, but the troubles of the farmers are seldom told, except by those who seek to profit by the story, and the glitter of the package oftentimes obscures the substance. A searching investigation into the needs of the farmers will reveal many inherent defects in our economic system that can be easily remedied when properly understood and illuminated by the power of the press.

The rural press, the pulpit and the school are a trinity of powerful influences that the farmer must utilize to their fullest capacity before he can occupy a commanding position in public affairs. These gigantic agencies are organized in every rural community and only await the patronage and co-operation of the farmers to fully develop their energy and usefulness. They are local forces working for the best interests of their respective communities. Their work is to build and their object is to serve. They prosper only through the development and prosperity of the community.

Every farmer in Texas should subscribe for the local paper, as well as farm periodicals and such other publications as he may find profitable, but he should, by all means, subscribe for his local paper, and no home should be without it. The local paper is a part of the community life and the editor understands the farmers' problems. It is the local press that will study the local problems and through its columns deal with subjects of most vital importance to local life of the community.

A Noble Task.

In too many instances the country papers mimic the city press by giving prominence to scandals, accidents and political agitation. The new rural civilization has placed upon the rural press renewed responsibilities and enlarged possibilities for usefulness. It cannot perform its mission to agriculture by recording the frailties, the mishaps and inordinate ambitions of humanity, or by filling its columns with the echoes of the struggles of busy streets, or by enchanting stories of city life which lure our children from the farm.

It has a higher and nobler task. Too often the pages of the city dailies bristle with the struggle of ambitious men in their wild lust for power, and many times the flames of personal conflict sear the tender buds of new civilization and illuminate the pathway to destruction. The rural press is the governing power of public sentiment and must hold steadfast to principle and keep the ship of state in the roadstead of progress. The rural press can best serve the interests of the farmers by applying its energies to the solution of problems affecting the local community. It must stem the mighty life current that is moving from the farm to the cities, sweeping before it a thousand boys and girls per day. It has to deal with the fundamental problems of civilization at their fountain head. Its mission is to direct growth, teach efficiency and mold the intellectual life of the country, placing before the public the daily problems of the farmers and giving first attention to the legislative, co-operative, educational and social needs of the agricultural classes within its respective community.

The Power of Advertising.

The influence of advertising is clearly visible in the homes and habits of the farmers, and the advertising columns of the press are making their imprint upon the lives of our people. There are ten pianos in the homes of Texas where there is one bath tub; automobiles are more popular than telephones, and more homes are supplied with patent med-

icine than with screen doors. The farmer possesses the things that are best advertised.

The farmer is entitled to all the advantages and deserves all the luxuries of life. We need more art, science and useful facilities on the farms, and many homes and farms are well balanced in this respect, but the advertiser can render a service by teaching the advantages of modern equipment throughout the columns of the rural press.

LIBERTY HILL HAPPENINGS

Feb. 22, 1914.—Health of our community is very good at present. Miss Carrie Kellum has had the pneumonia, but is able to be up.

We are having some rainy weather, and I look for some more cold weather before many days.

There was some corn planted in the neighborhood last week. I am afraid this bad weather will cause the farmers to get behind with their work, and of course they want to be up with it, for it will soon be time for the candidates to come around, and then they have to be bothered with one about half the time.

Mr. Sam Ruby and Miss Annie Atchely of this community were married yesterday afternoon at Augusta, Mr. Clyde Story performing the ceremony. We join their many friends in wishing them a happy life.

Miss Niler Davis of Alto is spending a few weeks in this community with her brother, Mr. John Davis.

Mr. Joe Holcomb has returned home after spending a few weeks in Latexo. SUNBEAM.

Peas Wanted At Once

I will pay you \$1.50 per 100 for your peas in the hull, and would be glad to buy all you have to sell in the next few days, as I want to thrash out and ship what I have. See me TODAY about your peas. Adv. J. W. HOWARD.

Mr. Will Smith and Mrs. Mollie Edge were married last Sunday in Grapeland at the home of A. A. Allen, who performed the ceremony. They will make their home a few miles north of Grapeland. The Messenger extends congratulations and best wishes.

Lee H. Frazier of Conroe, representing the insurance department of the K. of P, was in Grapeland Monday meeting the members of this lodge. Mr. Frazier was for nine years editor and proprietor of the Conroe Courier, and his visit to this office while in the city was very much enjoyed.

Prof. W. L. Smith was in Crockett Saturday attending a meeting of a committee selected by the teachers of the county to determine where the normal will be held this summer. Mr. Smith presented Grapeland's bid, but lost out as Crockett overbid Grapeland about \$20.00. The bids were sealed.

A. B. Spence has completed the installation of his bottling works plant, and announces in this issue that he is ready for business. We hope Mr. Spence will enjoy a good business. It is strictly a home institution and will keep money at home that heretofore has gone to Palestine and Crockett.

Want to Get What You Want?
TRY A WANT AD.

LEBARGE HERE MARCH THE 6th

The next number of the Lyceum course will be at the school auditorium, Friday night, Mar. 6. The La Barge Musical Co. will fill the date missed by Booth Lowery.

We have had two numbers already, and both have been excellent, and in this number we feel sure the public will be pleased with it.

John A. LaBarge is an extraordinary artist. He is a splendid instrumentalist, using the banjo, mandolin, violin and many novelty instruments, including xylophone, the broom fiddle and others. He handles only the very best of music in a way that gives great pleasure to the most cultured musicians as well as the masses. He has few equals as a story teller, and is also an instrument virtuoso, is also an impersonator, presenting many of his characters in "make-up," which is done in full view of the audience. Mr. LeBarge is a magician of experience, presenting a variety of slight-of-hand tricks and legerdemain. Miss Ethel Zimmer is a pianiste of unusual ability and possesses a contralto voice of fine quality, well trained, beautifully sweet and pure in tone. In portions of the program she will sing duets with Mr. LeBarge, and in other parts solos with piano and violin accompaniment. The many combinations that can be secured by means of the piano and Mr. LeBarge's instruments will add great variety to a program that is already rich with versatility.

The managers of the course feel sure that this number will meet with hearty approval by the people of this community who appreciate strictly high class entertainments.

Remember, at the school auditorium Friday night, Mar. 6.

Legal Blanks

The Messenger carries a supply of legal blanks and can furnish you with

Notes
Mortgages
Vendor's Lien Notes
Release Deeds
Warranty Deeds
Bill of Sales
Transfer of Vendor's Lien Notes
Extension of Vendor's Lien Notes

Prof. W. R. Campbell requests the Messenger to announce that there will be singing on the streets of Grapeland next Saturday afternoon, beginning at two o'clock. A quartette of good singers will entertain the crowd with prohibition songs.

How is Your Boiler?

It has been stated that a man's stomach is his boiler, his body is his engine and his mouth the fire box. Is your boiler (stomach) in good working order or is it so weak that it will not stand a full load and not able to supply the needed energy to your engine (body)? If you have any trouble with your stomach, Chamberlain's Tablets will do you good. They strengthen and invigorate the stomach and enable it to do its work naturally. Many very remarkable cures of stomach trouble have been effected by them. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Darsey's Dry Goods Department

Is showing some of the season's newest dress goods, trimmings etc., and you are invited to come and see what we have to offer before it is gone. We are receiving new goods every day from the Eastern markets, and have some of the latest designs.

White Goods, Ratines, Linens,
Messalines, Silks,
Ginghams, Fancy Trimmings,
Ready-made Dresses,
Gent's Furnishings, Smith's Sterling Shoes for Ladies,
Brown's Shoes for Men, Women and Children,
Matchless Shoes for Men.

WATCH OUR SHOW WINDOWS

for NEW GOODS

Seed Corn at Darsey's

We have just received a big shipment of seed corn--corn that has been raised successfully in and around Grapeland and that we can recommend to you to be good, Come in today and let us supply you with what you need.

Oklahoma White Wonder
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