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LETTER FROM MR. H. A. TYER

Ottawa, Ill., Nov. 10, 1914.
Editor Messenger:

Ottawa is an old town. It is the county seat of LaSalle county and situated at the junction of the Fox and Illinois rivers.

There are men here who came here in 1850 and they say the town was here then. It is not a large town—about 4,000 population, and is 85 miles from Chicago. The surrounding country cannot be beaten for farming, and contrary to what one would suppose, the up lands or prairie are better farming lands than the bottoms. The farmers here raise corn and oats as money crops and land sells for fabulous prices, as is show by the newspaper clipping, which is printed at the bottom of this letter.

The land this clipping describes will produce about 60 bushels of corn per acre, or about 45 bushels of oats, and it must be fertilized to do that. Now, one will figure that to pay \$320 per acre for land to raise 60 bushels of corn that will sell for an average of 55c to 65c per bushel would be a losing proposition, but the people here do it, and if a party wishes to sell a tract of land in this part of the state for \$175 to \$325 per acre all he has to do is to let it be known. Of course the price depends upon the location, nature of the soil, buildings, fences, etc. However, there is not a great deal of land selling and what is selling is mostly to close up an estate.

The most of the farmers here are tenants. The land lords live

in town and rent out their farms. The tenant furnishes everything and pays all expenses of marketing and gives the land lord half, and in some instances \$1.00 per acre besides. As for example: Suppose a tenant rents 160 acres. He gives the land lord half of everything and then gives him \$160 out of his half. So if a person owns as much as 160 acres of land here he can live and not work. If the tenant wishes pasture land he pays from \$4.00 to \$6.00 per acre per year for it, and if a tenant has cows some land lords will not allow him to turn his cows in the corn field after harvest, as he wants the stalks, etc., to remain on the land to be plowed under in the spring.

Yours truly,
H. A. Tyer.

The newspaper clipping referred to is from the Ottawa Journal, and is as follows:

"What is believed to be a record price for farm land in LaSalle county was established yesterday when Charles Crook sold his place in South Ottawa to John H. Norem, of South Ottawa. The farm, which comprises 170 acres, brought \$55,000, which is \$323.50 per acre."

DURHAM ACQUITTED.

Carr Durham, the young man who some time ago killed three men, father and two sons, near Ratcliff, was tried in the district court at Crockett last week and was acquitted by the jury. This case attracted wide attention because of the youth of the defendant, and also because the killing grew out of a family feud, when one of the Christies killed Durham's father some time before.

PRESS COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your press committee, beg leave to submit the following remarks and resolutions:

The program as carried out left but little room for improvement, the parts rendered by the Grapeland pupils being especially good and appreciable. Everything transpired in a manner showing evidences of careful and professional forethought on the part of Supt. Jackson and his corps of teachers, and of a sincere educational and hospitable attitude of the citizens of Grapeland and the Mothers' Club.

Those teachers who failed to attend this meeting missed a great social pleasure as well as interesting discussions of questions which are vital to the cause we represent. We visitors were royally entertained in the real home-like homes and we hope that the new friendships formed may be as lasting as they are sincere on our part.

Resolved, That we, the teachers and visitors, have been made more fully to realize the truth of the expression that "man is a social being," for we have enjoyed to the fullest the entertainments furnished by this good people.

Resolved, That the work done in these meetings is up to the standard in every respect, and that the teacher who neglects or refuses to enter into it not only deprives himself of valuable treats, but falls somewhat short of what the people have a right to expect of him.

Resolved, That we, as visiting

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Sugar 17 and 20 pounds to the dollar
Green Coffee 8 pounds for \$1.00
Better grade 7 pounds for \$1.00
Lard 8 1-2c per pound
Special price on 50 lb tin of Lard
Matches 12 boxes for 35c
Laundry Soap 10 bars for 25c
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The Store for Everybody

Grapeland, Texas

teachers, wish to express our sincere thanks to the patrons and teachers of the Grapeland school for the excellent entertainment which they have given us, and that should occasion arise we will count it a much desired privilege to render thanks in a more substantial way.

Resolved, That teachers not attending these professional gatherings deprive themselves of many benefits in not doing so and do not take the live interest in their profession that they should.

Miss Spence,
Miss Skipwith,
J. H. Rosser,
Press Committee.

SEED COTTON WANTED

Will buy your remnant seed cotton, paying highest market price.

Spence Bros.

FOR SALE

Jersey bull yearling about a year and a half old; good stock. See or write W. A. Kleckley, Grapeland, Texas, Route 2. adv

THE WEEK IN HISTORY

Monday, 16—Sherman starts march to sea, 1864.

Tuesday, 17—First Woman's temperance society organized, 1874.

Wednesday, 18—Chester A. Arthur died, 1886.

Thursday, 19—Organization of W. C. T. U. completed, 1874.

Friday, 20—First negro preacher licensed, 1780.

Saturday, 21—Battle of Fort Niagara, 1812. First meeting of congress in Washington, 1800.

Sunday, 22—Pillory first used in Boston, 1801.

Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for Croup

Croup scares you. The loud, hoarse, croupy cough, choking and gasping for breath, labored breathing, call for immediate relief. The very first doses of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound will master the croup. It cuts the thick mucus, clears away the phlegm and opens up and eases the air passages. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv

THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

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Our advertising rates are reasonable and quoted upon application.

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

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6 MONTHS.... .50
3 MONTHS.... .25

THURSDAY, NOV. 91, 1914

Of course there may be some excuse for a man to growl when he leads a dog's life.

Better pay your subscription with cotton whild you can. We are not going to hold this offer open always.

As long as the war lasts food will be in greater demand than clothing, therefore raise feed crops and give cotton a deserved rest. You will be the gainer thereby.

There is no reason in being a calamity howler as long as the yellow yams and ribbon cane syrup hold out.—Lufkin News.

And there is no danger of a shortage in these staples of life because both crops are excellent this year.

It is easier to hold cotton than it is to grow it, therefore if you have a surplus of cotton hold it off the market if need be for a year and grow something next year and cut out the cotton.—Grapeland Messenger.

Grow hogs and peanuts and you will have more money as well as more to eat at home.—Polk County Enterprise.

Reports from Europe are to the effect that conditions are rapidly improving. In spite of the war, manufacturing establishments are starting up, commerce is beginning to move and the unemployed are finding work. This is also having a stimulating effect upon conditions in this country. Business is rapidly getting better here because we are getting over our "scare" at the beginning of the war. There is business in this country for all who "go after it."—Farm & Ranch.

Governor Colquitt threatens to call the legislature together again to enact his Bank of Texas bill and reduce the cotton acreage by law. Why all this blundering on the part of the governor? Does he think that every little ill can be cured by law? Looks like after his experience with the last session he would have enough.

The Messenger publishes in this issue Governor Colquitt's proclamation setting aside Dec. 1 and 2 as "good roads days" in Texas. Last year this scheme was tried and many communities turned out enmasse and worked their roads, putting them in splendid condition. We haven't much to do these days, so why not call a meeting and organize and work the roads these two days? You know they need it. What do you say?

The Grapeland Messenger published a communication last week from Mr. H. A. Tyer of Gardner, Ill., which appealed to us to the extent that we reproduce it in this issue of The Register. The article deals with the cotton situation, and its author produces sound argument for diversification and the reduction of cotton acreage, making cotton a surplus or money crop and raising more food and feedstuffs. It is well worth while for our readers to give careful attention to the suggestions of Mr. Tyer, for as we see it they are timely and to the point.—Lorena Register.

To the Many People Who Took Advantage of the Special Sale that I Have Been Running for the Past Two Weeks on Sugar and Coffee:

I did this to prove to the public what I have contended ever since I have been in your town, that a few staple articles sold below cost means that you will pay too much for something else. Call at my store when you are in town and get 5 per cent of your money back.

Yours for a square deal,
W. R. WHERRY

Geo. Horne, who is now located at Wootton, Colo., writes his father that he has a good position with the railway company as telegrapher, and that he is liking the country fine. He states that business is fairly good and that there is practically no depression on account of the war.

Jim McLean and A. S. Porter are in Dimmit county this week on a big deer hunt.

RIPPLES ON THE TRINITY

Reynard, Nov. 16.—Things are loosening up a bit, but are tight enough yet, and we have been hit a lick that will take a long time to get over, but when we do we predict we will be stronger. J. L. Chiles, W. F. West, G. B. Kent and G. W. Allen are Crockett visitors today.

J. L. Chiles says he is going to measure "taters" with Mr. Durnell when he digs. He has only a small patch but they are fine.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Kent and children were guests at the Beazley home yesterday.

Misses Laura and Cora Kent and Carnie Murchison were guests of Mrs. C. C. Smith yesterday.

Our people are somewhat behind with their visiting, owing to the war times.

Mr. and Mrs. Eaves' residence is so near completed they will move in a few days.

J. A. Allen is spending awhile this week with R. B. Edens, looking at some real estate he has in charge, and may buy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Beazley, a fine baby boy.

Cotton is about all out and people are beginning to plan for the next crop, and we are pretty sure the acreage will be cut. As for ourself, do not know what step to take, but feel sure we ought to raise more to eat and do better than we have done in the past.

Rev. F. C. Trimble will preach for us on the fifth Sunday. Everybody be sure and turn out and give him a good crowd.

Zack.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Hon. Jno. S. Prince, District Judge 3rd Judicial District:

We, the committee appointed by you to look into the financial condition of the county as well as to check the different officers therein, beg leave to report as follows to wit:

We find the county deficient in funds.

The jury fund shows to have a balance of \$174.78.

Road and bridge fund \$285.38.

County fund \$208.97.

Court house and jail fund \$3.95.

Jail building \$2.40.

Road and bridge sinking fund \$581.34.

Road district No. 1 B. skg. \$1058.62.

Road district No. 3 A \$124.21

Road district No. 1 current B \$111.34.

Road district No. 3 current A \$465.49.

Total in all funds \$3091.38.

The bonded indebtedness shows to wit:

24 Road district No. 1, bonds \$24000.00

45 road district No. 3, bonds \$145000.00.

15 jail building warrants \$15000

The officers of the county have shown us many courtesies and were prompt in making and filing their report. We have checked them and must say that in the aggregate, said reports were well and neatly gotten up. In the matter of neatness and accuracy we desire to make special mention of O. C. Goodwin, Ney Sheridan and George Denny. The reports in general show that the various officers are anxious to do their duty as per the re-

Bad Rainy Cold } Weather Has Set In

and will continue through the winter. Now is the time to prepare for it. Come to our store and see the many things we have that will make the rough, winter weather more comfortable.

Men's Overcoats and Cravenettes..... \$ 8.50 to \$15.00

Ladies long coats..... \$ 5.00 to \$12.50

Misses and childrens coats..... \$ 2.50 to \$ 7.50

Ladies coat suits..... \$15.00 to \$20.00

Boys suits..... \$ 2.50 to \$ 7.55

Men's suits..... \$10.00 to \$17.00

Ladies and Men's rain coats..... \$ 5.00

Boys and Misses rain coats..... \$ 4.50

Work Shoes and Dress Shoes for the Whole Family

A Big Line of Slickers and Heavy Coats

Men's, Women's and Children's Overshoes

A Big Line of Fall and Winter Millinery, Shirts, Hosiery, Underwear, Dress Goods.

LET US KEEP YOU WARM

GEO. E. DARSEY

COMPLETE OUTFITTERS

quirements of the law. The report of the County Superintendent shows that the county will receive from the state this year the sum of 66775.00 for the different schools therein and coupled with the local tax should run the full term this year. In view of the stringent financial status, we here recommend economy in all matters pertaining to the management of the county's affairs, and on this point we recommend a careful re-adjustment of the pauper list. In conclusion, we desire to recommend that we have found no evidence of graft in any branch of the county's affairs. The bonds of the different officers are as we have found sufficient to cover any discrepancies that might arise.

Generally speaking, we suggest that with due economy in all branches, matters will soon adjust themselves to a cash basis.

Again thanking you and the different officers for the confidence imposed in us, and for the many kindnesses extended us, we beg to hand you this our final report and ask an honorable discharge at your hands.

J. C. Kennedy
H. F. Craddock.
Sam. H. Sharp

F. A. Scott of Austin, circulation manager of K. Lamity's Harpoon, was in Grapeland Tuesday morning in the interest of that paper.

Best Cough Medicine for Children

Three years ago when I was living in Pittsburgh one of my children had a hard cold and coughed dreadfully. Upon the advice of a druggist I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it benefitted him at once. I find it the best cough medicine for children because it is pleasant to take. They do not object to taking it," writes Mrs. Lafayette Tuck, Homer City, Pa. This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. For sale by all dealers. adv

Will Musick has landed the job as jailer and first deputy under the new sheriff, Bob Spence. Mr. Musick will go to Crockett about December 1st to assume his duties. He will succeed Henry Haltom, who has held this position under Sheriff Phillips.

Hack! Hack! Hack!

With raw tickling throat, tight chest, sore lungs—you need Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, and quickly. The first dose helps, it leaves a soothing, healing coating as it glides down your throat, you feel better at once. Every user is a friend. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv

Prickly Ash Bitters can be depended on to cure the kidneys, correct the urine, strengthen the stomach and relieve back-ache. Sold by all druggists. adv

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Porter Says:—

Prescription filling requires study, effort, integrity, precision, and work--lots of work. PORTER GIVES YOU ALL--then some.

Porter's Drug Store

Prescription Specialists

Everything in the Drug Line

A BIG THANKSGIVING

SALE

OPENS
November 19

SALE

SALE

CLOSES
November 30th

Because of stringent money conditions and wishing to do our best for all those who need to make a dollar worth more, we are offering our entire stock of first-class merchandise at greatly reduced prices---prices you have never been offered before. Prices that in many instances are below cost. We want everyone to get their share of this great saving in dollars and cents, and urge you to be here as soon as possible. COME!

Shoes		Misses' 1.50 sweaters		Men's 3.00 pants		Groceries	
Come Saturday and see the \$1 counter		for	95c	for	2.50	16 lbs. granulated sugar for	1.00
All men's \$4.00 shoes for	\$3.15	Misses' 1.25 sweaters for	85c	Men's 2.25 pants for	1.90	1.00 worth to each customer.	
All men's 3.50 shoes for	2.85	Misses' 1.00 sweaters for	65c	Boy's 1.50 pants for	1.00	Garrett Snuff per bottle only	20c
All men's 3.00 shoes for	2.55	Misses' 75c sweaters for	40c	Boys 1.25 pants for	90c	Peach Snuff per bottle only	15c
All men's 2.50 shoes for	2.05	Boys' 50c sweaters for	35c	Men's 1.00 overalls for	85c	Honest Snuff 3 bottles for	50c
All women's 3.50 shoes for	2.90	Boys 1.00 sweaters for	60c	Men's 1.00 jumpers for	85c	3 plugs brown mule tobacco for	25c
All women's 2.50 shoes for	1.90	Boys 1.00 sweaters for	65c	Boy's 50c overalls for	40c	3 10c cans Prince Albert tobacco for	25c
All women's 2.25 shoes for	1.75	Hats! Hats! Hats!		Underwear		6 sacks Durham tobacco for	25c
All women's 2.00 shoes for	1.60	Watch for our 90c Hats		All men's heavy 1.25 union suits for	75c	Coffee, 1.00 buckets and cans, except Sunset for	75c
All women's 1.85 shoes for	1.50	Men's 5.00 Stetson hats for	3.05	All men's 50c undershirts for	40c	7 lbs. good roasted coffee for	1.00
All women's 1.50 shoes for	1.00	Men's 3.00 hats for	2.25	All men's 50c drawers for	40c	6 lbs. Peaberry coffee for	1.00
All children's 9 o'clock 2.50 shoes for	2.00	Men's 2.50 hats for	1.95	All women's 1.25 union vests for	75c	3 25c cans K. C. Baking powder for	50c
All children's 9 o'clock 2.00 shoes for	1.75	Men's 2.00 hats for	1.35	All women's 50c heavy vests for	40c	3 10c cans K. C. Baking powder for	25
All children's 2.00 shoes for	1.65	One lot children's hats for	25c	All children's 25c underwear for	20c	7 bars best laundry soap for	25c
All children's 1.50 shoes for	1.20	Boys' 1.50 hats for	1.00	This department is complete.			
Watch for the \$1.00 Counter Saturday, November 20th		Boy's 1.25 hats for	75c	Dress Shirts and Wool Shirts		7 5c bars Grandpa's tar soap for	25c
Dress Goods		Clothing! Clothing!		All 1.50 dress shirts for	1.15	4 10c bars Grandpa's tar soap for	25c
We offer all dress goods except gingham at one-half price		A. B. Kirchbaum Clothes		All 1.00 dress shirts for	85c	All hardware at cost. All leather goods at cost.	
10c dress gingham for	8c	All 20.00 suits for	16.00	All 75c dress shirts for	50c	Cook Stoves	
All laces and embroider at one-half price		All 18.00 suits for	14.00	All 50c dress shirts for	40c	Guaranteed	
10c bleached or unbleached domestic for	8c	All 15.00 suits for	12.00	All 50c work shirts for	40c	25.00 cook stoves for	20.00
Any piece cotton checks regular 7c, for	5c	Boys 7.50 suits for	5.00	All 2.25 wool shirts for	1.85	22.50 cook stoves for	18.75
Sweaters for all		All other boys suits at cost		All 2.00 wool shirts for	1.65	18.00 cook stoves for	14.80
All women's 2.50 sweaters for	1.75	Men's 15.00 overcoats for	12.50	All 1.50 wool shirts for	1.15	17.50 cook stoves for	14.35
All women's 1.25 sweaters for	75c	Men's 12.50 overcoats for	9.00	All 1.00 wool shirts for	0c8	12.50 cook stoves for	10.20
		Men's 9.00 overcoats for	7.00	3 pair 25c Cadet hosiery for 50c to any member of the family.			
		Men's 3.50 pants for	2.75			9 50 cook stoves for	8.05
						All are guaranteed to us by the makers and we guarantee them to you.	

These are a part of the great saving prices we are offering. We have many others. Come early and make your purchases before the stock is picked over. Remember the date

Opens November 19th, and Closes November 30th

Chickens, Eggs and Turkeys are the Same as Money During this Sale

McLean & Riall

Community Co-Operation

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"Keep Your Money at Home" is the hardest text I have to preach on.

What I regard as "the mail order mania" is so strong with the inhabitants of the rural districts that they turn a deaf ear to all such preachments. They can not see that by keeping their money at home they help themselves by helping the community in which they live and are interested.

There seems to be an uncontrollable desire to order articles of need by mail, often-times articles that can be purchased at home for only a few cents more.

Most people enjoy letters and packages by mail. The dreariness of country life is relieved by the reception of a bunch of letters or a package or two.

There are those who buy from mail order houses because they enjoy the charm thereof. Gratifying the mania, not that they believe they are getting the

goods cheaper. There is also the deluded person who thinks he is saving money by patronizing the catalog concerns a thousand miles away. We have some sympathy for the former, but none for the latter.

Selfishness is at the bottom of all acts detrimental to community welfare, and that is an inborn characteristic that can not be changed in less than a thousand years. And, as we wish to realize results before that time, we must accept the situation as it stands and direct our efforts toward convincing these selfish people that they are in error.

Perhaps we may be able to turn the fellow who is under the impression that he is doing the right thing when he sends his money away from home because of a few cents real or fancied difference in price, but what are we to do with the "mail order maniac?" There are not enough asylums in the country to hold them all.

THE WORLD'S RECORD

The world's record has again been broken by a Tyler Commercial College student. J. J. Ayo of Bowie, La., entered the Tyler Commercial College for a course of shorthand on Aug. 27, 1914, and twenty-three days after entering, won the world's record by writing 150 words per minute, unfamiliar matter for five consecutive minutes, making a grade of 100 on his transcript.

Why attend any other school when you can enter the Tyler Commercial College, complete your course and go in a good position in half the time required by any other school teaching any other systems besides the Byrne Simplified Shorthand and Practical Bookkeeping? The Tyler Commercial College owns the copyrights on these famous systems.

Here is the time required by a few of the students who completed these courses: J. G. Dunagan of Donie, Texas, finished shorthand in one month and twenty-two days; J. S. Drew of Monroe, La., one month and twenty-eight days; Olin Roberts of Terrell, Texas, one month and twenty-six days; Miss Alice Wallace of Winona, Texas, two months and five and a half days; J. J. Ayo of Bowie, La., twenty-three days; W. W. Beeson of Malvern, Ark., finished bookkeeping in two months and six days; Asa Boles of Garrison, Texas, two months and six days; E. M. Cain of Fairfield, Texas, one month and eighteen and a half days; B. Sherrod of Ralls, Texas, finished the combined course of bookkeeping and shorthand in three months and fifteen days; Miss Maidee Thompson of Goldthwaite, Texas, in two months and thirteen days.

This shows how quickly these young people prepared themselves for a good salaried position by attending the Tyler commercial College where they could get advantage of the famous Byrne Systems. We easily save from three to five months time on a course of bookkeeping and shorthand. Conceding that we only save the average student three months time, his salary after completing should be at least \$50 per month for the three months. This would make a saving of \$150 in time and his board at \$12 per month, would be \$86, making a total saving of

\$186 to say nothing of the fact that a student of our school gets three months experience while the student of other schools is just finishing his course and has no experience.

Our work is the most thorough to be found in any school in the U. S. as is shown by our students holding the very best positions to be found in the various lines of business throughout this and other countries. You may enter with us at any time. Our work is practically all individual instructions. Thorough preparatory in English branches is given free with either Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Telegraphy, or Business Administration and Finance. Write for free catalogue. Make your arrangements to enter at once that we may have the pleasure of placing you in a good position at an early date. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas. adv.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

If you mix cornstarch or flour with sugar before adding it to your pudding it will not be necessary to mix it with milk or water first, as is usually the method.

Apples and bananas fried in olive oil are far more delicate and appetizing than when fried in butter or other fat. Bacon fat is the next best thing after olive oil.

White kid gloves that have been stained beyond cleaning may be dyed to a tan shade by applying two or three coats of saffron and water, dying them between the coatings. Apply to the surface with a soft brush wetting as little as possible.

Bran filled into cheesecloth bags is excellent for cleaning wall paper. It is also better than soap for the bathtub, and for the neck, face and hands nothing is better. It is as cleansing for clothes as for the body. Boiled and the water used the same as soapsuds, it is as satisfactory for delicate fabrics as soap and does not injure the colors.

Important

Bear in mind that Chamberlain's Tablets not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. For sale by all dealers. (Advertisement)

FARM STOCK

FEED FOR FATTENING SWINE

Most Grains Are Deficient in Protein—Tankage Is Admirably Adapted to Hogs.

(By PROF. G. R. SAMPSON, Oregon Experiment Station.)

That protein element in rations for fattening pigs will increase the digestibility of the other food nutrients is a fact shown by repeated experiments. It has also been noted that when protein is added to a ration deficient in this element, the animal will eat a larger amount of food.

Since most of our farm grains are deficient in protein farmers should make a careful investigation of the sources from which it can best be supplied. Alfalfa and alfalfa hay are excellent for breeding and growing stock, but are too bulky for fattening purposes. If the pigs eat enough of them to secure the required amount of protein there is not enough feed capacity available for the other necessary nutrients. Bran has the same faults as a fattening feed. Middlings and shorts may be used if the price is not too much above that of the grains fed and the distance of hauling is not too great.

Soy bean meal is being imported from Manchuria and may become cheap enough for supplementary use. Cotton seed meal is richer in protein than either of these, but because of its poisonous effects when fed for long periods should never be used as pig feed for more than forty-two days.

Tankage, a by-product of the meat industry, is admirably adapted to hog feeding and is likely to long remain the cheapest and most satisfactory source of supplemental protein for swine.

FECUNDITY OF POLAND-CHINA

Figures Compiled From Records Show Number of Pigs in Litters in Various Years.

Rommel has compiled from records of the Poland-China and Duroc-Jersey associations a fund of figures showing the fecundity of such a great number of sows of these breeds as to make their summing up thoroughly representative. Observations of 14,703 Poland-China litters in the five years, 1882-86 inclusive, disclosed an average of 7.04 pigs per litter. Observa-



Poland-China Sow.

tions of 39,812 litters of the same breed in the years 1898-1902, showed an average of 7.52 pigs. This was an increase in the latter five years of .48, or nearly one-half pig per litter, a percentage of 6.81. From 1893 to 1897, inclusive, 3,762 Duroc-Jersey sows averaged 9.22 pigs each. From 1898 to 1902, inclusive, 17,890 Duroc-Jersey sows averaged 9.27 pigs each, or an increase of .054 per cent. Of the more than 76,000 sows of both breeds reported as under observation one Poland-China farrowed 20 pigs and two Duroc-Jerseys a like number.—From Coburn's "Swine in America."

SERENITY OF BOOKS.

"The sweet serenity of books!" Alas, that there should be so much to do with books that is not serene at all—so much to do with the writing, the reading, the handling, the financing of them. There is so much that is anxious, that at times is utterly disheartening, so much which sours the temper, which spoils the health, which even leads from the garret—or what answers to the garret—to the madhouse or to the pauper's grave, that the saying may often seem a sort of ghastly mockery. The pity of it is, moreover, that the least measure of serenity sometimes attaches to the very books that most were worth the making—the books that count or one day will count in literature or in scholarship.

Saved Girl's Life

"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.

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THERE are things of interest that you cannot find anywhere except in your local paper, and this paper gathers all the news of the community and brings it together in a manner appealing to every member of the family. Besides this, we endeavor to give as much of the outside news as space will permit, and as we think would be of general interest. Our interest is in this community, and we, at all times, endeavor to do everything in our power to help upbuild and improve it.

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Last July we had a special offer with these papers and we secured a large number of subscriptions. They will expire January 1st, 1915, and the PAPERS STOP WHEN THE TIME EXPIRES. You should renew at once and not miss a single copy. DO IT TODAY

The Grapeland Messenger

Grapeland, Texas

LOCAL NEWS

Chester Owens spent Sunday afternoon in Crockett.

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

County Attorney B. F. Dent was here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ney Sheridan of Crockett visited here Sunday.

Mrs. O. Pitts and children visited relatives at Augusta Sunday.

The grand jury re-convened Monday to wind up the business for this term of court.

Have Clewis to press your trousers. One leg pressed 15c, two legs 25c, top free. adv

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ellis of Crockett spent Sunday here with relatives.

Miss Vilna Haltom was the guests of friends in Palestine Sunday.

Bring us 35 pounds of seed cotton on your subscription. The Messenger.

We are always wide awake to the new styles in men's clothes. Service is our watchword. adv Clewis, the tailor.

Read the ads in this issue and patronize those merchants who advertise. They can save you money.

If you are going to pay your subscription to the Messenger with seed cotton you had better bring it in right away.

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

The Messenger prints the report of the finance committee this week. Our fellow townsman, Chester Kennedy, was a member of the committee.

NOTICE

I take this method of warning trespassers to keep out of my field and enclosure. This means you. M. D. Murchison. adv.

NOTICE

According to contract must have cash for meal and hulls when delivered. No exceptions. adv J. W. Howard.

Rev. Frank E. Luker and wife of Tyler, and Mrs. A. A. Kidd, who formerly lived in Grapeland, passed through Grapeland Tuesday enroute to Bay City to attend the annual conference of the Methodist church.

Dr. Sam Kennedy
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IF YOUR WATCH, CLOCK or JEWELRY NEEDS ANY REPAIRING

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W. C. VICKERS
GRAPELAND, TEXAS

Arthur Walton of Crockett visited friends here Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. M. C. Hollingsworth left last week for Kingsville to visit her son, Octa.

Sid Boykin and George Moore were among those attending the dep water jubilee at Houston last week.

Milburn Ellis, who last fall moved to near Lovelady, has purchased a home in that locality and was here a few days this and last week to purchase a team.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Morrison returned home Sunday from a visit to San Antonio. Mr. Morrison holds the position of pumper for the I. & G. N.

Mark Pridgen and Hill Huff left Tuesday morning for Hardin county, where they will spend several days on a big hunt. They went through the country with the provisions, and will be joined later by Dr. McCarty and A. B. Spence.

The Messenger is requested to announce that Rev. E. Tackett of Troup will preach at Midway next Saturday night and Sunday at 11. A cordial invitation is extended the public. Also will lecture in Grapeland probably Sunday night and Monday and Tuesday nights.

Every family that has children is liable to have croup; invariably at night. If Ballard's Horehound Syrup is kept in the house, it saves going after the medicine at an inconvenient time and checks the attack promptly. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

County Clerk elect A. S. Moore has announced that he will retain Jim Ellis as his deputy clerk. This will be gratifying news to Jim's many friends here who were anxious for him to land the job again. He has been connected with the clerk's office as chief deputy for over two years and understands the work thoroughly.

In damp, chilly weather there is always a large demand for Ballard's Snow Liniment because many people who know by experience its great relieving power in rheumatic aches and pains, prepare to apply it at the first twinge. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

PHOTOGRAPHS

For a short time I will make the best cabinet photos at a low price, 2.00 per dozen; post cards 75c per dozen. All work guaranteed. No better present for Christmas than a nice picture of loved ones.

adv Watson's Studio,
Crockett, Texas.

Tenderness or aching in the small of the back is a serious symptom. The kidneys are suffering. Take Prickly Ash Bitters at once. It is a reliable kidney remedy and system regulator and will cure the trouble before it develops its dangerous stage. Sold by all druggists. (adv.)

In severe cases of sore lungs, you need an internal and external remedy. Buy the dollar size Ballard's Horehound Syrup, you get two remedies for the price of one. With every dollar bottle there is a free Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest. Sold by A. S. Porter. adv

GOOD ROADS PROCLAMATION

Austin, Texas, Nov. 14.—Gov. Colquit today issued his proclamation designating December 1 and 2 as good roads days in Texas. The proclamation follows:

"Whereas, An adequate system of improved public roads is one of the great needs of our state, and good roads lend powerful aid to everything good in modern life, while bad roads form an obstacle in the path of progress, and recognizing this fact, the people of Texas have taken hold of this problem with tremendous interest and it is now one of the foremost economic questions confronting our people, and much good work has been done throughout the state in the last few years in the way of improving our public highways.

"Now, therefore, realizing the necessity for a system of work along this line and in conformity with my sense of duty in this matter, I hereby designate December 1 and 2 as good roads days and call upon the people in every county and section of the state to make preparation for working the roads on those days and have meetings to discuss ways and means in the future for building good roads in the various localities throughout the state generally."

Broad-tire wagons would save much expense in keeping the country roads. In fact all kinds of vehicles should be equipped with broad tires and then the roads should be dragged after every rain and kept in repair. This is the way to reduce the expense of hauling farm products.

STORES CLOSE THANKSGIVING

We the undersigned business men of Grapeland, hereby agree to close our respective places of business on Thanksgiving day, Thursday November 26th, 1914.

Geo. E. Darsey, A. B. Guice, McLean & Riall, J. N. Parker, S. E. Howard, M. L. Clewis, J. P. Royall, F. & M. Bank, J. W. Howard, T. S. Kent, W. R. Wherry, Guaranty State Bank, T. H. Leaverton, J. W. Caskey, Cash Grocery Co., Kennedy Bros. J. J. Brooks, Keeland Bros., Traylor Bros., F. Allen, A. S. Porter, O. W. Davis, Messenger.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS

As an oversight on the part of the teachers in deciding the date of the institute following the one held at Grapeland, they failed to note that the date on which the institute was to be held at Creek would be the same as for the State Teachers Association at San Antonio, also white teachers pay day. For the above reasons I have decided that it would be better to put off the institute one week, making it Dec. 4 and 5. Hoping that this will meet the approval of the teachers, I remain, Yours truly, C. W. Butler, Jr.

Cows are economical food producers when they give enough milk to pay for their keep and a profit for the keeper. Good cows give regular employment and there is a profit in keeping them. The labor should not be irksome. Get all the dairy cows your place will maintain if you want to build up the soil profitably.

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LEARN TO SAVE the nickels and dimes, the dollars will care for themselves. The most difficult part in starting A BANK ACCOUNT is the beginning.

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THE SCHOOL NEWS

Interesting Items of Grapeland's School

Miss Addie Hill's room had charge of chapel Wednesday morning.

The girls glee club met Wednesday afternoon.

Mesdames Cromwell and Leaverton, representing the Mothers Club, visited the school Wednesday morning and presented Miss Hill's room with a beautiful picture as a reward for cleanliness and order.

Some of Miss Hill's boys gave us some fine singing Friday morning.

Miss Alta Kershner was absent Thursday evening and Friday.

A fine Dictionary and stand have been received and installed in Mr. Jackson's room.

The boys are busy grubbing the stumps off their basket ball ground and a fine regulation ball has been received.

Bro. Trimble made a fine talk Monday morning, which was highly appreciated by the school.

Miss Eula Rial Hollingsworth furnished music Monday morning.

The mothers club met at the school house Friday evening.

William Hague entered school Monday. We are glad to welcome him back.

The literary society will hold a joint program with Enon school Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. The main event upon the program is a debate, subject Resolved that all immigrants to the United States should be able to read in

some language. An interesting time is promised to everybody, and everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Frank Murchison was absent Tuesday on account of sickness.

The basket ball girls are preparing for a game with Latexo Saturday. They are not certain that they can get the game but they are waiting patiently for a reply.

We believe that the campus committees are working hard, for the grounds look better than it has in some time.

The school library opened for the first time Friday afternoon and there was hardly a book left. Miss Denny being librarian we feel sure that all the books will be returned promptly.

Guard your kidneys, the health of the body depends on those small but important organs. They extract uric acid from the blood which if allowed to remain in the system would cause dropsy and Bright's Disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a successful kidney tonic; it heals and strengthens the kidneys, regulates the liver, stimulates the stomach and digestion, and cleanses the bowels. It will prevent or cure Bright's Disease. Sold by all druggists. adv

Rev. H. A. Matney left Saturday for Bay City to attend the annual conference of the M. E. Church.