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## NEWS FROM SAN PEDRO

Feb. 21—It seems as if spring had really begun, for the flowers are blooming and you can hear the merry song of the birds, but we fear they have appeared too soon.

Most all the farmers are now making preparations for another crop and we are glad to say that they have decided to make a living at home and not depend so much on cotton. If all the farmers would adopt this plan we think that times would be much better this fall.

Mr. Gale of Salmon was in this community Saturday.

I. N. Whitaker and family also Joe Hollis and family were visiting at Dan Whitaker's Sunday.

Carl Whitaker spent Saturday night with Garrett Luce.

At an entertainment at Carl Gainey's Saturday night there was a large crowd present and all report a nice time.

Tom Whitaker and wife visited their daughter near Salmon Saturday and Sunday.

W. R. Brown spent Sunday at W. A. Kleckley's.

Next Saturday is the day set for an election to determine whether or not there shall be a tax of 50c on the hundred dollar valuation for the purpose of maintaining two teachers for this school. The tax will be termed a "sliding tax," and if after the first year the school board and county superintendent see fit they may drop it to any amount which they think is actually necessary for the school. The patrons also hope by this to be able to employ a first grade teacher as principal, and we think that this community is entitled to a good school the same as any other place. So all you men come to the school house next Saturday and cast your vote for the best interest of your children and the community.

Nero.

### FOR COUNTY JUDGE

B. F. Dent, present county attorney, has authorized the Messenger to announce his candidacy for the office of county judge. After a careful consideration of the matter, he has yielded to the solicitation of his many friends and will make the race for judge, subject to the will of the voters in the democratic primary.

Mr. Dent is now serving his third term as county attorney, the last two terms having been elected without opposition, which indicates that he is held in high esteem by the citizens of the county. His record in this office has been a credit to himself and the county. During the time he has gained much knowledge of county affairs that will be valuable to him in the discharge of his duties as judge, should he be elected.

Mr. Dent is a man who makes friends easily and one who enjoys the friendship and good will of a large number of people in every section of the county.

The people know that he is honest and sincere, that he is intelligent, that he is energetic and progressive, that he is competent to fill the office to which he aspires, and if elected will render them the best service in his power to give. We commend his candidacy to your serious consideration.

## NEGRO KILLED AT REYNARD

Henry Patton, negro, was killed by Wm. McLean, negro, at Reynard on the Stevens farm Wednesday night of last week. The difficulty was caused by Patton whipping his wife, who is a sister of McLean's. Officers from Grapeland were called to the scene Thursday morning, but McLean had departed for parts unknown and has not yet been apprehended, but the officers are sure they will get him in a few weeks.

### FOR COMMISSIONER

The Messenger is carrying this week the announcement of S. A. (Silas) Cook of the Porter Springs community as a candidate for Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

Mr. Cook is a farmer and has lived at Porter Springs all his life. He has served five years as a member of the county board of trustees, and has been one of the leaders on the board in the advancement of the school interests of the county. Naturally he has an insight into the county's affairs and understands the needs of the county and his precinct. He is a man who has proven his worth by being loyal to his friends and his party.

He respectfully solicits your support, and if elected, his aim will be to conduct the affairs of county upon an economical basis.

Mrs. H. A. Matney of Rosenberg, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holcomb, at Augusta, returned home Tuesday.

## NEW PROSPECT HAPPENINGS

Feb. 21.—The past week has been good for those who had grass and brush to burn and suppose all have, as it looks very smoky.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Sim Finch is improving, as she has been very sick.

Willie Lewis Finch has been right sick the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bridges are the proud parents of a big boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Herod Parker of Oak Grove spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Herod.

Prof. Snell has visited our school since last writing.

The rail splitting at Mrs. Honycutt's was well attended.

Bob Parker and son, Leonard, went to Latexo Sunday.

Warren Baker happened to a pretty bad accident at school by getting his foot sprained and had to be carried home in the teacher's buggy.

Lewis Smith was over Saturday looking at the school house as there is some work to be done to make it more comfortable.

We are sorry to hear that Owen Baker is down with pneumonia. Hope he will soon recover.

Well, corn planting time is here, if we plant when the doves begin to coo, as they have been cooing all the week. A Reader.

Judge B. H. Gardner of Palestine, who is a candidate for District Judge, spent a couple of days here last week meeting the people. The Judge expressed himself as being well pleased with the outlook and believes that when the votes are counted he will be the next district judge.

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**A. B. GUICE**





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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—At Trovon's, a Paris inn, the youth Marcel Trovon, afterwards to be known as Michael Lanyard, is caught stealing by Burke, an expert thief, who takes the boy with him to America and makes of him a finished cracksmen.

CHAPTER II—After stealing the Omber jewels and the Huysman war plans in London Lanyard returns to Trovon's for the first time in many years because he thinks Roddy, a Scotland Yard man, is on his trail. On arrival he finds Roddy already installed as a guest.

CHAPTER III—At a dinner a conversation between Comte de Morbihan, M. Bannan and Mile. Bannan about the Lone Wolf, a celebrated cracksmen who works alone, puzzles and alarms him as to whether his identity is only guessed or known.

CHAPTER IV—To satisfy himself that Roddy is not watching him, Lanyard dresses and goes out, leaving Roddy apparently asleep and snoring in the next room, then comes back stealthily, to find a girl in his room.

CHAPTER V—The girl turns out to be Mile. Bannan, who explains her presence by saying that she was sleep-walking.

CHAPTER VI—In his apartment near the Trocadero he finds written on the back of a twenty-pound note, part of his concealed emergency hoard, an invitation from The Pack to the Lone Wolf to join them.

CHAPTER VII—Lanyard attempts to dispose of the Omber jewels, but finds that The Pack has forbidden the buyers to deal with him. He decides to meet The Pack.

CHAPTER VIII—De Morbihan meets him and takes him before three masked members of The Pack.

CHAPTER IX—He recognizes Popinot, apache, and Wertheimer, English mobman, but the third, an American, is unknown to him. He refuses alliance with them.

CHAPTER X—On his return to his room he is attacked in the dark, but knocks out his assailant.

CHAPTER XI—He gives the unconscious man, who proves to be the mysterious American, a hypodermic to keep him quiet, discovers that Roddy has been murdered in his bed with the evident intention of fastening the crime on him, and changing the appearance of the unconscious American to resemble his own, starts to leave the house.

CHAPTER XII—In the corridor he encounters Lucia Bannan, who insists on leaving with him.

CHAPTER XIII—Having no money Lucia is obliged to take refuge with Lanyard in the studio of an absent artist friend of his. He locks her in a room alone and retires to get some rest himself.

CHAPTER XIV—After sleep Lanyard finds his viewpoint changed. He tells Lucia who he is.

CHAPTER XV—Mutual confessions follow. She is Lucy Shannon, not Bannan, and has been used as a tool by Bannan, the crook. The American murderer of Roddy was Bannan's secretary. Both men are members of The Pack and out to get Lanyard.

CHAPTER XVI.

Decision.

"Poor child!" he heard himself murmuring—"poor child!"

"Don't pity me!" she insisted, still with face averted. "I don't deserve it. If I had the spirit of a mouse I'd have defied him; it needed only courage enough to whisper one word to the police—"

"But who is he, then?" Lanyard demanded. "What is he, I mean?"

"I hardly know how to tell you. And I hardly dare. I feel as if these walls would betray me if I whispered even. But to me he's the incarnation of all things evil."

She shook herself with a nervous laugh.

"But why be silly about it? I don't really know what or who he is. I only suspect and believe that he is a man whose life is devoted to planning evil and ordering its execution through his lieutenants. When the papers at home speak of 'The Man Higher Up' they mean Archer Bannan, though they don't know it—or else I'm merely a hysterical woman exaggerating the impressions of a morbid imagination. And that's all I know of him that matters."

"But why, if you believe this—how did you at length find courage—"

"Because I had no more courage to endure; because I was more afraid to stay with him than to go—afraid lest my own soul be the forfeit. And then, last night, he ordered me to go to your room and search it for evidence that you were the Lone Wolf. It was the first time he'd ever asked anything of the sort of me. I was afraid, and obeyed; but I was glad when you interrupted me—glad, even though I had to lie to you the way I did. And all that worked on me, after I'd gone back to my room, until I felt I could stand it no longer, and after a long time, when

the house seemed all still, I got up, dressed quietly, and— That is how I came to meet you—quite by accident."

"But you seemed so frightened at first when you saw me—"

"I was," she confessed simply; "I thought you were Mr. Greggs."

"Greggs?"

"Mr. Bannan's private secretary—his right-hand man. He's about your height and has a suit like the one you wear, and in that poor light and at the distance I didn't notice you were clean-shaven—Greggs wears a mustache—"

"Then it was Greggs murdered Roddy and tried to drug me! I shaved off his mustache when I left him there to wait for the police. By George, I'd like to know whether they got there before Bannan or somebody else discovered the substitution. It was a telegram to the prefecture, you know. I sent from the Bourse last night!"

In his excitement Lanyard began to pace the floor, and now that he was no longer staring at her, the girl lifted her head and watched him closely as he moved to and fro, talking aloud—more to himself than to her.

"I wish I knew! And what a lucky thing you did meet me; for if you'd gone on to the Gare du Nord and waited there—well, it isn't likely Bannan



"Don't Pity Me!" She insisted.

didn't discover your flight before eight o'clock this morning, is it?"

"I'm afraid not."

"And they've drawn the deadline for me round every conceivable exit from Paris. Popinot's Apaches are picketed everywhere. And if Bannan had found out about you in time it would have needed only a word—"

He paused and shuddered to think what might have ensued had that word been spoken and the girl been caught waiting for her train in the Gare du Nord.

"Mercifully, we've escaped that. And now, with any sort of luck, Bannan ought to be busy enough, trying to get—or keep—his precious Mr. Greggs out of the Sante, to give us a chance. And a fighting chance is all I ask."

"Mr. Lanyard"—the girl bent toward him across the table with a gesture of eager interest—"have you any idea why he—why Mr. Bannan hates you so?"

"But does he? I don't know!"

"If he doesn't, why does he connive in a plot to cast suspicion of murder on you? Why was he so anxious to know whether you were really the Lone Wolf? I saw his eyes light up when De Morbihan mentioned that name after dinner; and if ever I saw hatred in a man's face, it was in his as he watched you when you weren't looking."

"As far as I know, I never heard of him before," Lanyard said carelessly. "I fancy it was nothing more than the excitement of a man-hunt. Now that they've found me out, De Morbihan and his crew won't rest until they've got my scalp."

"But why is that?"

"Professional jealousy. We're all crooks, all in the same boat, only I won't row to their stroke. I've always played a lone hand successfully; now they insist on coming into the game and sharing my winnings. And I've told them where they could go."

"And because of that, they'd—"

"There's nothing they wouldn't do, Miss Shannon, to bring me to my knees or see me put well out of the way, where my operations can't hurt their pocketbooks. Well—all I ask is a fighting chance, and they shall have their way!"

Her brows contracted. "I don't understand. You want a fighting chance—to surrender—to give in to their demands?"

"In a way—yes. I want a fighting chance to do what I'd never in the world get them to believe I mean to do—chuck it all up and leave them a free field."

And then, when still she searched his face with puzzled eyes, he insisted: "I mean it; I want to get away—clear out—chuck the game for good and all!"

A little silence greeted this announcement. Lanyard, at pause near the table, resting a hand on it, bent to the girl's upturned face a grave but candid regard. And the deeps of her eyes that never swerved from his were troubled strangely in his vision.

He could by no means account for the light he seemed to see therein—a light that kindled while he watched, like a tiny flame, feeble, fearful, vacillating; then, as the moments passed, steadied and grew stronger, but ever leaped and danced, so that he, lost in wonder of it and forgetful of himself, thought of it as the ardent face of a happy child dancing in the depths of some brown autumnal woodland.

"You," she breathed incredulously—"you mean you're going to stop—"

"I have stopped, Miss Shannon. The Lone Wolf has prowled for the last time. I didn't know it till just now—when I woke up an hour or so ago—but I've turned my last job."

"But why?" she demanded in bewilderment. "But why do you say that? What can have happened to make you—"

"Not fear of that Pack!" he laughed—"not that, I promise you. If I thought Paris too small for them and me I'd never leave it alive!"

"Oh, I know!" she said impatiently—"I know that very well. But still I don't understand."

"If it won't bore you, I'll try to explain." He drew up his chair and sat down again, facing her across the littered table. "I don't suppose you've ever stopped to consider what an essentially stupid animal a crook must be. Most of them are stupid because they practice clumsily one of the most difficult professions imaginable, and inevitably fail at it, yet persist. They wouldn't think of undertaking a difficult piece of engineering without any sort of preparation, but they'll tackle a dangerous proposition in burglary without a thought and pay for failure with years of imprisonment, and once out, try it again. That's one kind of criminal—the ninety-nine-per-cent class—incurably stupid!"

"There's another class, men whose imaginations forewarn them of dangers and whose mental training, technical equipment, and sheer manual dexterity enable them to attack a formidable proposition like a modern safe—by way of illustration—and force its secret. They're the successful criminals, like myself—but they're no less stupid, no less failures than the other ninety-nine in our every hundred, because they never stop to think. It never occurs to them that the same intelligence, applied to any one of the trades they must be masters of, would not only pay them better, but leave them their self-respect and rid them forever of the haunting dread of arrest that dogs us all like the memory of some shameful act. All of which is much more of a lecture than I meant to inflict upon you, Miss Shannon, and sums up to just this: I've stopped to think."

With this he stopped for breath as well and momentarily was silent, his faint, twisted smile testifying to self-consciousness; but presently, seeing that she didn't offer to interrupt, but continued to give him her attention so exclusively that it had the effect of fascination, he stumbled on, at first less confidently.

"When I woke up just now it was as if, without my will, I had been thinking all this out in my sleep. I saw myself for the first time clearly, as I have been ever since I can remember—a crook, thoughtless, vain, rapacious, ruthless, skulking in shadows and thinking myself an amazingly fine fellow because, between coups, I would play the gentleman a bit, venture into the light, and swagger in the haunts of the respectable. In my poor, perverted brain I believed there was something fine and thrilling and romantic in the career of a great criminal and myself a wonderful figure—an enemy of society—potentially as deadly as a rattlesnake, always ready to kill—if I never did!"

"Why do you say this to me?" she demanded abruptly out of a phase of profound thoughtfulness.

He lifted an apologetic shoulder and

laughed with a sheepish air.

"Because, I presume, I'm no longer self-sufficient. I was all of that twenty-four hours ago, but now I'm as lonesome as a lost child in a dark forest. I haven't a friend in the world. I'm like a stray pup, groveling for sympathy. And you—are you unfortunate enough to be the only person I can declare myself to. It's going to be a fight—I know that too well—and without something outside myself to struggle toward I'll be heavily handicapped. But if—he faltered, with a look of wistful earnestness—"If I thought that you, perhaps, were a little interested, that I had won your faith and had that to respect and cherish—if I dared hope that you'd be glad to know I had won out against odds—it would mean a great deal to me; it might mean my salvation!"

Watching her narrowly, hanging upon her decision with the anxiety of a man proscribed and hoping against hope for pardon, he saw her eyes cloud and shift from his, her lips parted but hesitant, and before she could speak he hastily interposed:

"Please don't say anything yet. First let me demonstrate my sincerity. So far I've done nothing to persuade you but—talk and talk and talk! But give me half a chance to prove I mean what I say."

"How"—she enunciated only with visible effort and no longer met his appeal with an open countenance—"how can you do that?"

"In the long run, by establishing myself in some honest way of life, however modest; but now, and principally, by making reparation for at least one crime I've committed that's not irreparable."

He caught her quick glance of inquiry and met it with a confident nod as he placed between them the morocco-bound jewel case.

"In London, yesterday," he said quietly, "I brought off two big coups. One was deliberate, the other the inspiration of a moment. The one I'd planned for months was the theft of the Omber jewels—here."

He tapped the case, then resumed in the same manner: "The other—needs a diagram. Not long ago a Frenchman named Huysman, living in Tours, was mysteriously murdered—a poor inventor, who had starved himself to perfect a stabilizer, an attachment for aeroplanes which renders them practically fool-proof. His final trials had created a sensation, and he was on the eve of selling his invention to the government when he was killed and his plans stolen.

"Circumstantial evidence pointed to an international spy named Ekstrom—Adolph Ekstrom, once chief of the aviation corps of the German army, cashiered for general blackguardism—with a suspicion of treason to boot. However, Ekstrom kept under cover, and presently the plans turned up in the German war office. That was a big thing for Germany; already supreme with her dirigibles, the acquisition of the Huysman stabilizer promised her ten years' lead over the world in the field of aeroplanes.

"Now, yesterday, Ekstrom came to the surface in London with those self-same plans to sell to England. Chance threw him my way, and he mistook me for the man he'd expected to meet—Downing street's secret agent. Well—no matter how—I got the plans from him and brought them over with me, meaning to turn them over to France, to whom, by rights, they belong."

"Without consideration?" the girl inquired shrilly.

"Not exactly. I had meant to make no profit of the affair—I'm a bit squeamish about tainted money—but under present conditions, if France insists on rewarding me with safe conduct out of the country, I sha'n't refuse it. Do you approve?"

She nodded earnestly. "It would be worse than criminal to return them to Ekstrom."

"That's my view of the matter."

"But these?" The girl rested her hand upon the jewel case.

"Those go back to Mme. Omber. She has a home here in Paris that I know well. In fact, the sole reason why I didn't steal them here was that she left for England unexpectedly, just as I was all set to strike. Now I purpose to use my knowledge of her house to restore the jewels without risk of falling into the hands of the police. That will be an easy matter. And that brings me to the one great favor I would beg of you."

She gave him a look so unexpectedly kind that it staggered him. But he had himself well in hand.

"You can't leave Paris now before morning—thanks to my having overslept," he continued. "There's no honest way I know to raise money before morning opens the pawnshops. But I'm hoping that won't be necessary; I'm trusting I can arrange matters for us without going to that extreme. Meanwhile—you agree that these jewels must be returned?"

"Of course," she affirmed gently.

"Then—will you accompany me when I replace them? There won't be the slightest danger. I promise you that. Indeed, it would be more hazardous for you to wait for me elsewhere while I attended to the matter alone."

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And I'd like you to be convinced of my sincerity."

"Don't you think you can trust me for that as well?" she asked with a flash of humor.

"Trust you!"

"To believe, Mr. Lanyard," she told him earnestly, "I do believe!"

"You make me very happy," he said—"but I'd like you to see for yourself. And I'd be glad not to have to fret about your safety in my absence. As a bureau of espionage, Popinot's brigade of Apaches are without a peer in Europe. I'm positively afraid to leave you alone."

She was silent.

"Will you come with me, Miss Shannon?"

"That is your sole reason for asking this of me?" she insisted, eyeing him steadily.

"That I wish you to believe in me—yes."

"Why?" she pursued, inexorable.

"Because—I've already told you."

"That you want someone's good opinion to cherish. But why, of all people, me—whom you hardly know, of whom what little you do know is hardly reassuring?"

He colored, and boggled his answer. "I can't tell you," he admitted in the end.

"Why can't you tell me?"

He stared at her miserably. "I've no right. In spite of all I've said, in spite of the faith you so generously promise me, in your eyes I must still figure as a thief, a liar, an impostor—self-confessed. Men aren't remade by mere protestations, nor even by their own efforts, in an hour, or a day, or a week. But give me a year. If I can live a year in honesty, and earn my bread, and so prove my strength—then, perhaps, I might find the courage, the—the effrontery to tell you why I want your good opinion. Now I've said far more than I meant or had any right to. I hope," he ventured pleadingly, "you're not offended."

Only an instant longer could she maintain her direct and unflinching look. Then his meaning would no more be ignored. Her lashes fell, a tide of crimson flooded her face, and with a quick movement, pushing her chair a little from the table, she turned away from him. But she said nothing.

He remained as he had been, bending eagerly toward her.

And in the long minute that elapsed before either spoke again, both became oddly conscious of the silence brooding in that lonely little house, of their isolation from the world, of their common peril and mutual dependence.

"I'm afraid," Lanyard said after a time—"I'm afraid I know what you must be thinking. One can't do your intelligence the injustice to imagine you haven't understood me—read all that was in my mind and—his voice fell—"In my heart. I own that I was wrong to speak so transparently, to suggest my regard for you at such a time, under such conditions. I am truly sorry, and beg you to consider unsaid all that I should not have said. After all, what earthly difference can it make to you if one thief more decides suddenly to reform?"

That brought her abruptly to her feet, showing him a face of glowing loveliness, with eyes distractingly dimmed and softened.

"No!" she implored breathlessly. "Please, you mustn't spoil it! You've



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paid me the finest of compliments, and one I'm glad and grateful for—and would I might think I deserved! You say you need a year to prove yourself? Then—I've no right to say this—and you must please not ask me what I mean—then I grant you that year. A year I shall wait to hear from you from the day we part, here in Paris. And tonight I will go with you, too, and gladly, since you wish me to!"

And then as he, having risen, stood at loss, thrilled and incredulous, with a brave and generous gesture she offered him her hand, across the table whereon still rested the spoils of his final coup.

"Mr. Lanyard, I promise."  
To every woman, even the least lovely, her hour of beauty—it had not entered Lanyard's mind to think this woman beautiful until that moment. Of her exotic charm, of the allure of her pensive, wistful prettiness, he had been well aware, even as he had been unable to deny to himself that he was all for her, that he loved her with all the strength that was his; but not till now had he understood that she was the one woman whose loveliness to him would dim the beauty of all other women.

And for a little, while he held her hand tremulous upon his finger-tips, as though he feared to bruise it with ruder contact, he could not take his eyes from her.

Then reverently he bowed his head and touched his lips to that hand—and felt it snatched swiftly away, and started back, aghast, the idyl roughly dissipated, the castle of his dreams tumbling in thunders round his ears.

In the studio skylight overhead a pane of glass had fallen in with a shattering crash as ominous as the trump of doom.

(To Be Continued)

## FOR DISTRICT CLERK

In our announcement column this week will be found the name of John D. Morgan, who seeks re-election as District Clerk. Mr. Morgan has filled this office with credit for four years, being elected the first time over a strong opponent and the second time without opposition. He has made an efficient and faithful officer and if re-elected the people can expect and be assured of receiving the same uniform service that has characterized his administration. He will be grateful for your support.

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## BEWARE OF HALF AND HALF COTTON

Dallas, Texas.—Strenuous efforts are being made and a vigorous campaign is under way to prevent enormous losses to the cotton growers of Oklahoma and Texas through the growing of half-and-half cotton during the coming season, according to local cotton dealers. Some time ago the Dallas Cotton Exchange undertook an explanation to the farmers of the undesirability and positive losses that will come through the growth of this short cotton. Information was received recently that Waco, Ft. Worth, Houston and New Orleans factors are also assisting in the campaign.

"Cotton buyers have advised us that they will not buy half-and-half cotton at the market price," said W. C. Barrickman, secretary of the Texas Industrial Congress. "Some dealers will accept it, but it is sure to bring from \$15 to \$25 a bale less than the standard varieties. We are informed that one of the largest cotton agencies in Texas and Oklahoma, whose purchases are among the largest in this territory, have decided not to handle half-and-half at any price and will withdraw their agents from any locality in which it is being offered as soon as that fact is ascertained."

"This company, so we understand, found itself at the close of last season, with considerable of this cotton on hand. It will be compelled to place them on the market as 'linters' and receive some 5c less per pound for it than the price paid, so their agents have been ordered to stop buying in any market where they may be in danger of receiving the objectionable staple unawares. Under these conditions one farmer growing half-and-half cotton may cause the buyer of large amounts of cotton to withdraw from the county in which he lives, and consequently cause inconvenience and loss to his neighbors who may be offering the very desirable types of long fibered cotton."

"This movement is one of self-defense for the cotton buyers. Cotton machinery in Europe and elsewhere is planned with a view of manufacturing the standard length fiber, while half-and-half produces a five-eighth inch fiber,

and is consequently below standard. Therefore the dealers, if they are able to sell it all, must do so at a much lower price. They in turn pay a lower price for the short staple, and the Texas farmer is the final and heaviest loser.

"The law does not help; in fact, it is specifically provided in the cotton futures act that the staple must measure seven-eighths of an inch to be tenderable on cotton contracts. So far as the act is concerned, half-and-half is not cotton. Certainly, with the law reading as it does, no one can blame the dealer for refusing to handle this variety of cotton at any price."

"Long experience has shown the average of lint cotton grown on an acre in Texas is slightly less than one-third of a bale. Last year the yield was 168 pounds. If the flattering statements about half-and-half are true, the grower would gather 196 pounds from the average acre, for which, at 7c a pound, he would receive \$13.72, and it must be remembered that half-and-half is here classed as 'linters' and that the price is ordinarily 3 and 4 cents, but that 7c is now being paid because it is valuable in making explosives for the European war. When the war ends it is certain that the price for 'linters' and this short fibered cotton will suffer a marked decline."

"The fact is this variety of cotton is unprofitable, the government has warned against it and its planting should be discouraged. It should be avoided by the farmer who would make a profitable crop, and especially because the price of the crop throughout the state may fall on account of this inferior grade."

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of cotton that will prove profitable through the production of an excellent grade of merchantable staple. These standard varieties should be used and half-and-half should be avoided."

## DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT

Last Wednesday night, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Leaverton entertained Class No. 1 of the Christian Sunday School, and those who visited the class in a recent contest, in which they were winners, in a very delightful manner. The guests were first invited to enter into an old fashion spelling bee, after which a delicious "School Luncheon" was served. The leader of the winning side was to be declared master of ceremonies and select-

ed partners for the ladies after supplying them with a lunch, and each one requested to share it with her partner.

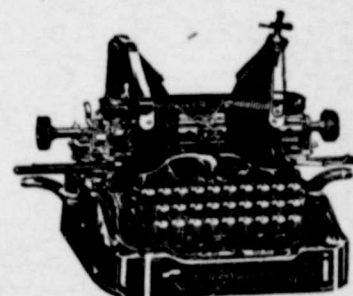
After "recess" and luncheon there were several musical renditions by Mrs. Sidney Boykin, and Misses Riall Hollingsworth and Ruth Jensen of Crockett; a vocal solo by Mrs. O. W. Davis. Miss Kate Jensen of Crockett gave several excellent readings, and was repeatedly urged "for another" by the guests which evidenced their enjoyment and appreciated Miss Jensen's talent.

All the guests—old and young—enjoyed every moment of the time spent in this hospitable home and were very profuse in their expressions of the evening's pleasure.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 24, 1916

**FOR COUNTY TREASURER**

Mr. G. R. Murchison of this city authorizes his announcement this week as a candidate for county treasurer. Mr. Murchison has had the matter under advisement for several weeks, and after very strong solicitation from his many friends over the county, decided to "throw his hat into the ring."

Mr. Murchison is a well known citizen to a large number of people of Houston county and is a man who has always given satisfaction in the offices he has filled. He is at present commissioner of precinct No. 2, holding this office the last two years and was commissioner prior to that time. He also served as constable of this precinct several years ago. As commissioner, Mr. Murchison has made a faithful and efficient officer. The many things coming up in his precinct have received careful attention and he has been especially active in fostering the good roads movement. If elected treasurer, the people may rest assured that he will fill the office efficiently and faithfully. He solicits your support.

**OUR HONOR ROLL**

Our honor roll this week covers a period of three weeks, and is as follows:

S. E. Howard, Sid Boykin, Harry Long, Byron Maxwell, W. H. Maybar, J. A. Frisby, R. F. Hale, O. W. Davis, M. D. Murchison, Bob Wherry, Grape-land.

Mal Whitaker, Walter Caskey, John Clark, Robt. Cunningham, Route 1.

L. E. Goolsby, Ed Smith, A. P. Luce, Arland Gainey, G. W. Weisinger, Mrs. Cora Chapman, Route 2.

G. L. Waddell, Rev. J. E. Bean, J. R. Finch, H. M. Brown, Geo. Chaffin, J. O. Brown, Route 3.

Herman Beazley, Mrs. C. B. Dailey, E. L. Frisby, Mrs. W. F. West, Route 4.

W. R. Campbell, Salmon. Eugene Yarbrough, Sour Lake. Mrs. W. T. Warner, Merkel.

E. A. Walling, Mrs. L. C. Smith, Elkhart, Route 2.

J. L. Rush, W. H. Holcomb, Augusta.

M. H. Sammon, Mrs. L. A. Dickey, D. M. Jones, W. H. Lively, Alton Lively, Mrs. Sidney Lively, Percilla.

C. W. Jones, Crockett. F. M. Patton, Creath.

Henry Newman of Augusta, sends the paper to his brother, Hon. Porter Newman, Durant, Okla.

Jim Ryan sends the paper to his father at Centerville.

Preston Morrison sends the paper to his father at Buffalo.

J. H. Leaverton sends the paper to his sister, Mrs. Dora Pritchard, at Richmond, Cal.

**RECITAL TONIGHT**

Tonight (Thursday) at the auditorium, Miss Riall Hollingsworth's music pupils will give a recital. A good program has been arranged and you may be assured of a pleasant evening's entertainment. The admission will be free, and a cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

We can add to the appearance of your room if you will let us frame those pictures that you have laid away, so you can then hang them and get the benefit of them. T.H.Leaverton.Lmbr. Co.

**NOTICE TO SCHOOL PATRONS AND TRUSTEES**

The 34th legislature changed the law regarding the time for taking the scholastic census and raised the scholastic age 1 year. The census must now be taken by the census trustee in the month of March, and all children who will be seven on or before the first day of September next, and all who will not be eighteen on or before the first of September next, must be enumerated. Anyone refusing to render the names and ages to the census trustees of all children coming under this description will be violating the law and subject to prosecution for such violation.

I desire to ask that all assist the census trustee in securing as complete a census of the districts and county as possible; every child in the age limit whose name does not appear on the roll will not receive his apportionment, and such failure will cause the school to lose that much and it is very evident that we need all that is coming our way for the education of our children. Any patron knowing of a child who has not been enrolled will be conferring a favor upon the school and the child by notifying the census trustee.

Census trustees should know that they have enumerated every child in their district, but it is very necessary that we refrain from enumerating children in other districts, in order to avoid the confusion of double enumerations. A child living in one district who desires to attend the school of another district can be transferred by parent or guardian at any time before August 1. Transfer blanks can be secured from the county superintendent or from the census trustee. No child can be legally transferred from one district to another without there is a valid reason for such transfer, and we wish to let it be known that we expect to transfer every child that application is made for, provided there appears a legal reason for same, but we cannot grant transfers to those who desire such because of some local condition that should not enter into school affairs. The following are some valid reasons for transferring: A child can be transferred from a school of primary classification to that of an intermediate classification and from either of these to a high school classification, provided that it appears that the child in question can secure better tuition in the other

school to which the child desires to be transferred; a child may be transferred from one district to another because of physical conditions, such as impassable creeks, too great a distance to walk if there is no way of transporting; one may be transferred if the parent is moving or going to move from the district or expects to board the child at the school. The foregoing are some of the reasons that I shall consider as valid and good; there may be others. The only reason that I desire to make this plain is because every year there arises conditions that have to be met in the proper way and manner in order to avoid confusion among the school districts and patrons; it is not because any one desires to appear dictatorial or obstinate; we desire to be understood and that the laws in regard to such matters may be understood and that all school affairs might be attended to in a way that all patrons and others interested may feel that they have had fair treatment.

J. N. Sneel.

**PROTECT YOUR FEET**

Pneumonia, lagrippe and many other diseases contracted in wet weather are caused by poorly protected feet. You should wear all-leather shoes. Darsey's line of leather shoes have full vamps, solid leather counters, leather heels and leather soles. You should inspect this line before you buy, as this line is the best line of shoes for wet weather.

**NOTICE**

I am now feeding a bunch of hogs getting them ready to ship about April 15. If there are others in the country who have hogs to ship about that time I would be glad to buy them and ship with mine. See me about it at once. Geo. Calhoun.

**"Mary Newton" Dolls Given Away Free With "Mary Newton" Dresses For Girls**

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We are making a very pretty showing of ladies and misses millinery and ladies' sport sets, skirts, etc. We have most everything you will want in Muslin underwear and will be glad to have you call. Come and look through the style books.

**Silk Waists**

We have on display a big lot of the newest silk waists in crepes, wash silks, etc. Our line of sizes is complete.

Jap Silk waists.....\$1.25  
Crepe and tubsilk waists in all

colors.....\$2.50 to \$5.00  
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You will find at our store as complete line of dress goods in all of the leading fabrics as you will find in larger places.

Palm Beach Suiting Wool Suitings  
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We have a big line of Linens, Suitings, Utility Gingham, Calicoes, Nainsook, Cambric, Sheeting, and everything found in an up-to-date dry goods store.

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Miss Adele Mansell visited in Trinity Saturday and Sunday.

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- Men's dress shirts 40c and up
- Men's flannel shirts 50c up
- Ladies shoulder scarfs, value 75c, only.....50c
- Ladies scarfs, \$1 value...75c
- Nice black petty coats worth 75c and \$1.....50c and 75c
- Boys suspenders.....10c
- A few boys' suits AT COST.
- Men's belts, 50c value....25c
- 3 cans string beans.....25c
- 3 lb can of apples 3 for....25c
- 3 lb can kraut, 3 for.....25c
- 3 lb can pie peaches 3 for.25c
- 3 cans pine apples.....25c
- 3 cans Brookdale salmons.25c
- 2 cans Libby's salmons...25c
- 3 packages mince meat....25c
- Evaporated apples, per lb.10c
- 1 dozen boxes matches...35c
- 6 bars Ivory soap.....25c
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### Brain Against Brawn

*Why* do some farmers prosper and enjoy many luxuries, while others, who work just as hard, are always hard up? The answer is simple: one has used his brains and kept posted on up-to-date farming methods, while the other has felt that there is nothing for him to learn. He will not even read a first-class farm paper because he thinks no one can possibly tell *him* how to run his farm. FARM AND RANCH is prepared especially for farmers, gardeners, live stock and poultry raisers and fruit growers of the Southwest—the home builders. It has been the Southwestern farmer's right hand man for more than a third of a century.

### Double Value This Year

*This Year Holland's Magazine* is just as large and much more interesting than ever before and the publishers are entering all subscriptions TWO FULL YEARS for the same price you formerly would have paid for a one year subscription. The short stories and special articles are clean, snappy and timely. The departments for the house-keeper are many and complete; the fashion pages show the late styles, and the children have a corner of their own. Holland's is truly a Southwestern Home Magazine of sunshine and good cheer which, in ten years time, has become indispensable to more than three quarters of a million people in the Southwest.

Send us your order for these three publications—our paper one year, Farm and Ranch one year and Holland's Magazine TWO YEARS—right away; also show this BIG VALUE OFFER to your neighbor who is not a subscriber to this paper. New and renewal subscriptions will be accepted at the rate advertised, so bring or mail your order now and get the benefit of the combination price.

#### J. J. BISHOP ANNOUNCES FOR RE-ELECTION

The Review is authorized to announce J. J. Bishop as a candidate for re-election to the office of district attorney, the position he is at present filling for the first term. Mr. Bishop has made an enviable record in this office, and one that challenges the commendation of the people of the entire district. The highest test of efficiency is work accomplished and judged by that, no one can deny that Mr. Bishop deserves an endorsement of his record by a unanimous re-election and without opposition. The term of this office is only two years and nearly a year yet remains of that term, but the

work he has done even now is worthy of approval. Since he went into office there have been tried in the district court 91 felony cases and out of these there have been only 16 acquittals. Out of this large number nine were appealed and only one has been reversed.

Mr. Bishop, though not his duty to do so, follows his appealed cases to the higher court. In the case that was reversed his business engagements were such he couldn't follow it up to the higher court and it was reversed.

If this record does not warrant a re-election, even if such a course were not the usual custom, we know not what would warrant a re-election to the second term.

Though it has been rumored

that he would have opposition, we know nothing of it. But it does seem it would be a piece of reckless political procedure for anyone to tackle such a record against an official offering for a second term with so commendable a record behind him.

From our knowledge gleaned from his home people, he will get their almost unanimous support, if not entirely so. Having labored so diligently and efficiently in the discharge of the duties of this office he is clearly entitled by all democratic usages and precedents, to a re-election and the Review will be woefully disappointed if the people of the district do not so regard his candidacy.

Hurrah for Bishop.—Athens Review. adv.

#### SENATOR CULBERSON'S CANDIDACY

Crockett, Texas, Feb. 21, 1916  
Editor Messenger:

Your reference to Senator Culberson's candidacy for re-election in last week's Messenger has attracted my attention, and knowing that a great many people feel as you express yourself about it, I beg space of you to make this statement:

I quite agree with you that if Senator Culberson should be defeated at all it will be because of the impression, as you state it, that "his ill health will prevent him from active service, and not because he is not an able and competent man."

No one will sincerely question the Senator's great abilities, for his long and faithful service as Attorney General, Governor and United States Senator has placed him among the foremost public men of his day, in all of which he has acquitted himself to the entire satisfaction of his constituencies. It is doubtful if any public officer ever had a cleaner record, or one freer from mistakes, or one marked by greater fidelity to the best interest of those he has served.

This being so, it must also be admitted that his defeat, except for sufficient cause, would be wholly unwarranted. I am not willing to concede that the condition of his health is such as to justify his defeat. While it is true that his health has not been good for the past year or two, on account of which he has not been on the floor of the senate actively and regularly, yet to those who know him well, the very fact that he has decided to make the race for re-election is sufficient evidence of his rapid restoration to health and of his candid conviction that he will be able to faithfully and actively discharge the duties of the office if he should be elected. Without this conviction, his candidacy would be unjust to those he wishes to serve, and no one can reasonably charge that Senator Culberson would be guilty of misleading the people of Texas upon this question. In other words, if he were even partially satisfied that he would not be able to fill the office properly and acceptably, he would not enter the race. His candor with the people would be such as to induce him not to seek re-election.

Hence, knowing Senator Culberson as I do, I do not hesitate to say that I am morally certain that his ill health will not be in his way in the future, and that the people of this state can vote for him with fair and reasonable assurance of that fact. Further, I will state that I have private information of this character and from sources that are entirely reliable, and I trust the voters of Texas will not make the mistake of opposing him on this ground. There never was a time when we needed men like him in the Senate more than we do now, and we should go slow about retiring him in favor of some one else, no matter how well we may think of him. I certainly hope the people will weigh this matter well, and fairly and impartially, before they fully make up their minds about it.

J. W. Madden.

For driving out dull bilious feeling, strengthening the appetite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, Prickly Ash Bitters is a golden remedy. For sale by D. N. Leaverton.

#### NEWS ITEMS FROM PERCILLA

Feb. 20.—With the sunshine for the past few days farmers are very busy sowing oats and preparing their land for another crop.

Preparedness seems to be a national slogan. The same slogan would, according to our judgement be a good policy for the farmers of this country to adopt if they haven't already adopted it. Land well prepared is one of the secrets in successful farming. If you go to build any kind of a structure the first thing you think of is your foundation. The same rule will apply to farming. Land well prepared is the foundation well laid for successful farming. Land poorly prepared when the drouth comes you need not be surprised at your farming structure giving away.

Mrs. Monroe Lock who has been sick for some time is improving some. Mrs. Tims is also on the sick list.

Mr. Kirk Denson and family have moved to Palestine where they will make their future home.

Mr. Walter Wright is at Palestine where he has a position. His family will go there in the near future, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Shaw of near Grapeland visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Charlie Daniels is visiting relatives in Palestine this week.

Miss Lula Jones has returned to her school at Belott, having to be at home a few days on account of a severe spell of la-grippe.

Our Sunday School is progressing nicely, enrolling new pupils most every Sunday.

JAMES R.

#### CHRISTIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL ELECTS OFFICERS

The Christian Sunday School, at a meeting at the church last Sunday afternoon elected the following officers and teachers for the ensuing year:

T. H. Leaverton, Sup't.; Jno. R. Owens, Asst. Sup't.; Campbell Lively, Sec'y-Treas.; Mrs. M. D. Murchison, teacher Class No. 1; Mrs. P. H. Stafford, teacher Class No. 2; Mrs. M. L. Clewis, teacher Class No. 3; Mrs. J. B. Lively, teacher Class No. 4; Mrs. Owen Johnson, teacher Class No. 5; Mrs. T. H. Leaverton, teacher Class No. 6; Miss Eula Riall Hollingsworth, pianist.

About thirty-five Grapeland people and a crowd from Augusta attended the Brown-Zimmer match in Crockett Monday night.

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# ANNUAL REPORT OF A. S. MOORE, COUNTY CLERK, YEAR ENDING FEB. 1, 1916

February 1st, 1916.

THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS:

In compliance with the law, I herewith hand you my annual report, showing amounts received and paid out of various funds of the County by the County Treasurer, also the amounts of outstanding indebtedness as it existed on the above date:

JURY FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 13.24	
	To Amount received during year	4,990.55	
	By Amt. paid out during year		\$ 4,359.38
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		99.85
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		95.18
	By Amount to Balance		49.38
		\$ 5,003.79	\$ 5,003.79
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 49.38	
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 213.10	
	To Amt. received during year	8,328.69	
	By Amt. paid out during year		\$ 5,968.41
	By Amt. trans. to other funds		2,180.00
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		166.56
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		119.44
	By Amount to Balance		107.38
		\$ 8,541.79	\$ 8,541.79
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 107.38	
GENERAL COUNTY FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 381.85	
	To Amt. received during year	17,701.22	
	By Amt. paid out during year		15,340.30
	By amt. trans. to other funds		1,500.00
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		355.00
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		306.79
	By Amount to Balance		580.98
		\$ 18,083.07	\$ 18,083.07
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 580.98	
COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 1.85	
	By amt. paid out during year		1.81
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		.04
	By Amount to Balance		.00
		\$ 1.85	\$ 1.85
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand		
JAIL BUILDING FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 82.40	
	To amt. received during year	310.38	
	To amt. trans. from other funds	27.50	
	By amt. paid out during year		\$ 1,876.34
	By amt. trans. to other funds		900.00
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. received		6.21
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		37.52
	By Amount to Balance		322.71
		\$ 3,142.78	\$ 3,142.78
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 322.71	
ROAD AND BRIDGE SINKING FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 815.00	
	To amt. received during year	1,757.05	
	By amt. paid out during year		1,540.00
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		35.12
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		30.80
	By Amount to Balance		966.13
		\$ 2,572.05	\$ 2,572.05
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 966.13	
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL NO. ONE (1) FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 000.00	
	To amt. received during year	296.17	
	To amt. trans. from other funds	232.50	
	By amt. paid out during year		380.28
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		5.92
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		7.60
	By Amount to Balance		134.87
		\$ 528.67	\$ 528.67
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 134.87	
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL NO. TWO (2) FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 000.00	
	To amt. received during year	105.91	
	To amt. trans. from other funds	232.50	
	By amt. paid out during year		229.28
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		2.09
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		4.58
	By Amount to Balance		102.46
		\$ 338.41	\$ 338.41
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 102.46	
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL NO. THREE (3) FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 88.20	
	To amt. received during year	617.13	
	To amt. trans. from other funds	232.50	
	By amt. paid out during year		594.38
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		12.34
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		11.87
	By Amount to Balance		319.24
		\$ 937.83	\$ 937.83
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 319.24	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. ONE (1) CURRENT FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 60.36	
	To amt. received during year	297.73	
	By amt. paid out during year		\$ 91.06
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		5.95
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		1.83
	By Amount to Balance		259.25
		\$ 358.09	\$ 358.09
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 259.25	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. THREE (3) SINKING FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 1,361.45	
	To amt. received during year	11,123.07	
	To amt. trans. from other funds	1,650.00	
	By amt. paid out during year		\$ 12,460.47
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		222.43
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		249.19
	By Amount to Balance		1,202.43
		\$ 14,134.52	\$ 14,134.52
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 1,202.43	

ROAD DISTRICT NO. THREE (3) CURRENT FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 303.24	
	To amt. received during year	1,872.98	
	By amt. paid out during year		\$ 1,988.05
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		37.45
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		38.74
	By Amount to Balance		111.98
		\$ 1,176.22	\$ 1,176.22
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 111.98	
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL NO. FOUR (4) FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 24.50	
	To amt. received during year	584.41	
	To amt. trans. from other funds	232.50	
	By amt. paid out during year		709.33
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		10.33
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		15.54
	By Amount to Balance		106.21
		\$ 841.41	\$ 841.41
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 106.21	
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL NO. ONE (1) R TAX FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 000.00	
	To amt. received during year	20.00	
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		.40
	By Amount to Balance		19.60
		\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 19.60	
ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. TWO (2) SPECIAL R TAX FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 000.00	
	To amt. received during year	6.00	
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		.12
	By Amount to Balance		5.88
		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 5.88	
ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. THREE (3) SPECIAL R TAX FUND			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 000.00	
	To amt. received during year	110.00	
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		2.20
	By Amount to Balance		107.80
		\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 107.80	
ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. FOUR (4) SPECIAL R TAX FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 000.00	
	To amt. received during year	22.70	
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		.45
	By Amount to Balance		22.25
		\$ 22.70	\$ 22.70
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 22.25	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. ONE (1) SINKING FUND.			
Feb. 1, 1915	To Balance on hand	\$ 1,325.16	
	To amt. received during year	1,591.30	
	By amt. paid out during year		1,258.64
	By amt. trans. to other funds		750.00
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. rec'd.		31.27
	By 2 per ct. com. on amt. pd. out		25.69
	By Amount to Balance		850.86
		\$ 2,916.46	\$ 2,916.46
Feb. 1, 1916	To Balance on hand	\$ 850.86	

RECAPITULATION.	
JURY FUND, BALANCE	\$ 49.38
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, BALANCE	107.38
GENERAL COUNTY FUND, BALANCE	580.98
JAIL BUILDING FUND, BALANCE	322.71
ROAD AND BRIDGE SINKING FUND, BALANCE	966.13
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL No. 1, BALANCE	134.87
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL No. 2, BALANCE	102.46
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL No. 3, BALANCE	319.24
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL No. 4, BALANCE	106.21
ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 1 Road Tax, BALANCE (Special)	19.60
ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 2 Road Tax, BALANCE (Special)	5.88
ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 3 Road Tax, BALANCE (Special)	107.80
ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 4 Road Tax, BALANCE (Special)	22.25
ROAD DISTRICT No. 1 SINKING FUND, BALANCE	850.86
ROAD DISTRICT No. 1, CURRENT FUND, BALANCE	259.25
ROAD DISTRICT No. 3, SINKING FUND, BALANCE	1,202.43
ROAD DISTRICT No. 3, CURRENT FUND, BALANCE	111.98
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,269.41</b>

LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND.	
ROAD DISTRICT No. 1, BOND	\$ 24,000.00
ROAD DISTRICT No. 3, BOND	140,000.00
ROAD AND BRIDGE BOND	8,000.00
JAIL BUILDING WARRANTS	14,000.00
	\$258,000.00
TOTAL AMOUNT OF REGISTERED SCRIP IN ALL FUNDS UNPAID.	
FEB. 1, 1916—JURY FUND, UNPAID SCRIP	\$ 1,031.23
FEB. 1, 1916—COUNTY FUND, UNPAID SCRIP	5,596.49
FEB. 1, 1916—ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 1, UNPAID SCRIP	1,549.75
FEB. 1, 1916—ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 2, UNPAID SCRIP	896.55
FEB. 1, 1916—ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 3, UNPAID SCRIP	1,990.37
FEB. 1, 1916—ROAD AND BRIDGE No. 4, UNPAID SCRIP	3,040.34
FEB. 1, 1916—ROAD DISTRICT No. 3, UNPAID SCRIP	1,800.71
<b>TOTAL AMT. OF UNPAID SCRIP FEB. 1st</b>	<b>\$15,865.44</b>

**THE STATE OF TEXAS—COUNTY OF HOUSTON.**  
 I, A. S. Moore, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Annual Report, showing the amounts received and paid out in the different funds of said County, and the amounts of outstanding indebtedness against said County, is true and correct according to the records of my office and the reports of the County Treasurer now on file in my office.  
 WITNESS my hand and seal of office, at Crockett, Texas, this 7th day of February, A. D. 1916. A. S. MOORE,  
 County Clerk, Houston County, Texas.

**BROWN-ZIMMER MATCH**  
 The Brown-Zimmer wrestling match in Crockett Monday night between Pet Brown, world's champion middle weight wrestler, and Ray Zimmer, a Crockett wrestler was a very one sided affair, and resulted in two falls for Brown, the first fall coming in thirty four and one half minutes, the second in sixteen and one-half minutes. Brown threw his opponent with the "front body scissor" hold both times. Zimmer was on the defensive practically all the time, and was slow, while Brown was the aggressor and was quick as a cat

in his movements when "working" and was never in a tight place. In the second fall Brown laid on his side for a moment and Zimmer, in his efforts to turn Brown over, caused the champion to remember the days of his babyhood, when his mother used to rock him to sleep in a cradle. The main feature of the match was the opportunity to see Brown in action, and probably Zimmer would have been in Brown's class if there had been about 100 pounds less of Brown.  
 Mrs. J. F. Haltom returned Sunday from Crockett, where she had been visiting a few days.

## IF WE COULD CALL HER BACK

If we could call her back for one short hour,  
 Who was, of love and truth, so fair a flower,  
 And see her lovely face and smiling eye,  
 Just as they were, ere she was called to die.  
 We'd tell her how this sad and lonely day  
 Our spirits grieve because they have taken her away;  
 And how we'll miss her footsteps at the door,  
 To which we know she will come no more!  
 If we could call her back for one short day  
 We'd say many kind words we failed to say;  
 'Til it is all too late, her gentle spirit has passed away,  
 And found a home with God and the pure that are dead,  
 We are left here with the mockery of flowers—  
 Though dewed with tears and culled from sacred bowers,  
 And to our cries her dull cold ears are deaf,  
 Which ne'er before were turned away from grief.  
 If we could wake her last long sleep,  
 Here where the stars their watches keep;  
 And she could come and visit us in our homes,  
 We'd tell her how so often we we had thought  
 To say kind words of praise for deeds she had wrought,  
 And so plant flowers of hope in her kind heart,  
 For she, we all consent, has done her part.  
 If we could take her place in death's cold embrace,  
 Our souls annealed by God's redeeming grace,  
 And she could live to see her hopes matured,  
 For which she prayed and many things endured,  
 It might, in some strange way to us unknown,  
 The course of events change—some things atone;  
 And so, the world be better after all—  
 But oh! Her life is gone beyond recall.  
 So let us say to our loved ones sweet words of praise;  
 Fan every struggling hope into a blaze  
 And tell them how we prize the work they've done;  
 Each little fault be ready to condone;  
 Strew flowers of love now all along their way—  
 Don't wait to place them on a mound of clay.  
 Press oft in love the lips your own have kissed,  
 Else you'll not know till then what you have missed.  
 The sentiment of Enon school at the death of Lorene Whitaker, a faithful schoolmate, pupil and christian. Prepared by her teacher, J. A. Mason. (Adv.)

## EDGAR INGRAM DEAD

Edgar Ingram, living about five miles east of town, died last Thursday morning and was buried in the Davis cemetery. Mr. Ingram had been sick since Christmas. He is survived by a wife and three children.  
 The man who was "born tired" should use Prickly Ash Bitters. It makes work a necessity to give vent to the energy and exuberance of spirits generated by functional activity in the system. For sale by D. N. Leaverton.



## Attention, Farmers!

I urge every farmer to see to it that his work horses are put in condition for the hard work of spring and summer, so that when the sun shines your horses will be rid of their old coats, full of stamina and ready for business.

How about the "mortgage lifters"—your hogs? Are they free from disease? Free from worms?

And your milk cows, are they conditioned for the long milking season? Remember your stock have been cooped up for the last few months and have been on dry feed. As corn, oats, hay, etc., do not contain the laxatives and tonics so abundantly supplied in grass, your stock are pretty apt to be out of fix.

DR. HESS' STOCK TONIC will put your stock in excellent condition.

His POULTRY PANACEA will make your hens lay.

We also carry LeGear's Stock Remedies

**"Honesty and Quality"**

## The Peoples Drug Store

WADE L. SMITH

Headquarters for all kinds of

### Shop Work, Woodwork and Blacksmithing

#### HORSE SHOEING A SPECIALTY

In fact, any kind of ordinary smithing done to order. Call and see us.

Driskell & Knobel :: Grapeland

## LOCAL NEWS

Second hand stove for sale at Bill Dotson's restaurant.

Miss Blanche Ray spent Saturday and Sunday in Troup with relatives.

Carbon now on hand. Bring your container to Leaverton's drug store.

Pure Sudan Grass seed at 15c a pound. Also amber, orange and red top cane seed.

S. E. Howard.

Drop around to Clewis' tailor shop and see the many new spring samples.

Last week Mrs. C. L. Haltom sold ten barred rock hens for \$5.00, the ten weighing 70 lbs. One of them weighed 9 pounds.

We are closing out a lot of six bushels of onion sets at 10c a quart. More to arrive.

S. E. Howard.

Martin Baber and daughter, Miss Gracie Mae, of Elkhart were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Owens Sunday.

Don't take something just as good—demand ALL LEATHER shoes. You can get them at Darsey's at the same price others cost you.

Fly time is coming. We have just received a complete line of screen doors, also screen wire. Begin in time and swat the fly.

T.H.Leaverton Lumber Co.

Monday night at the Electric Theatre "The Perils of Pauline" and a rip-roaring comedy, "Rastus' Rabbit Hunt" will be shown. Friday night, "The Perils of Pauline" and a 4-reel feature—"Secret of the Mountain." Only 10c. Get the habit of attending the picture show—it's a good one.

## YOU CAN CHEAT DEATH

It is no trouble to cheat death when you keep in touch with this drug store. The simple remedies that we sell will keep your liver in good condition, your blood in proper circulation and the color of health in your cheeks. 25c worth of prevention is equal to a hundred dollars' worth of cure.

We have a fine line of—

### TOILET ARTICLES For MEN and WOMEN

Brushes, Combs, Toilet Water, Perfumery, Talcum Powder, etc.

Patronize Your Home Druggist

## LEAVERTON'S

THE LEADING DRUG STORE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic primary:

For District Judge, 3rd Judicial District:

B H Gardner  
Anderson County  
J S Prince (Re-election)  
of Henderson county

For State Senator:  
J J Strickland  
of Anderson County

For County Treasurer:  
W M (Willie) Robison  
Ney Sheridan (Re-election)  
G R Murchison

For County Attorney:  
J L Lipscomb  
For County Clerk:  
O C Goodwin  
A S Moore (Re-election)  
Arthur Owens

For Tax Collector:  
C W Butler Jr  
W N (Will) Standley  
For District Clerk:  
John F Gilbert  
Jno D. Morgan, re-election

For County Judge:  
B F Dent  
For Sheriff:  
R J (Bob) Spence  
(Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:  
Ed Holcomb  
For Constable Prec't. No. 2:  
John Scarbrough  
(Re-election)

For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1:  
E E Holcomb (Re-election)  
For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2:  
J C Estes  
J E Bean  
S A (Silas) Cook

### FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

One gentle work mule, \$100. 2000 stalks cane seed, \$20. Can use peanuts, corn or cattle.

W. T. PRIDGEN,  
Grapeland, Route 3.

Make home comfortable and healthy. You can do this with a little screen wire and a few screen doors. We have just received a complete line of both.  
T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co.

**Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured** by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Circulars free. All Druggists, 75c.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

# CURLEE Pants FOR SPRING

## How are you Fixed?

Add to your looks as well as your purse. Curlee Pants does both. Add materially to your appearance because of the attractive patterns and correct modeling which you may at the same time obtain at far less than the average price.

With these combinations, the correct styles, the best patterns that you can buy, better pants for less money, you get more here than elsewhere, so why not buy your spring pants here?

Very Same Price the World Over  
\$2.50 \$3.50 \$5.00

## Kennedy Bros.

"THE STORE FOR EVERYBODY."



ADD TO SEE  
CURLEE  
\$2.50 \$3.50 \$5.00  
PANTS



**CITATION BY PUBLICATION.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of  
Houston County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to  
summon the unknown heirs of  
B. F. Wright, the unknown heirs of  
Robert Collins, deceased, the un-  
known heirs of M. A. Lamkin, de-  
ceased, the unknown heirs of F. P.  
Lamkin, deceased, the unknown  
heirs of L. B. Lamkin, deceased,  
the unknown heirs of J. W. Lamkin,  
deceased, Robert Collins, M. A. Lamkin,  
F. P. Lamkin, L. B. Lamkin and J. W. Lamkin  
by making publication of this Cita-  
tion once in each week for eight  
successive weeks previous to the re-  
turn day hereof, in some newspaper  
published in your County, if there  
be a newspaper published therein,  
but if not, then in any newspaper  
published in the nearest County to  
your County, to appear at the next  
regular term of the District Court  
of Houston County, to be holden at  
the Court House of said Houston  
County, in the town of Crockett, on  
the seventh Monday after the first  
Monday in February, A. D. 1916,  
the same being the 27th day of  
March, A. D. 1916, then and there  
to answer a petition filed in said  
Court on the 14th day of January,  
A. D. 1916, in a suit, numbered on  
the docket of said Court No. 5610,  
wherein the Prison Commission of  
the State of Texas is Plaintiff and  
the unknown heirs of B. F. Wright,  
deceased, the unknown heirs of Robert  
Collins, deceased, the unknown heirs  
of M. A. Lamkin, deceased, the unknown  
heirs of F. P. Lamkin, deceased,  
the unknown heirs of L. B. Lamkin,  
deceased, the unknown heirs of J. W.  
Lamkin, deceased, the unknown heirs  
of J. W. Lamkin, deceased, Robert  
Collins, M. A. Lamkin, F. P. Lamkin,  
L. B. Lamkin, and J. W. Lamkin  
are Defendants, and said petition  
alleging that the Plaintiff is the  
owner in fee simple, being lawfully  
seized and possessed of the following  
described tract or parcel of land, lying  
and being situated in Houston  
County, Texas, being known as the  
James Colcott 78 1/2 acre survey,  
patented to James H. Collard, as-  
signee, and described by field notes  
as follows:

Beginning at the East corner of  
No. 1. Thence South 51 West with  
No. 1, 1574 vrs. to the North or East  
corner of No. 2. Thence South 22  
East with No. 2, 1428 vrs. to the  
Northwest corner of No. 4, which is  
the Southeast corner of No. 2, on  
Telegraph road. Thence South 70 1/4  
East with No. 4, 810 vrs. to the  
corner, a stake, whence a Hickory 12 in.  
brs. S. 50 E. 7 vrs., and a Red Oak  
brs. N. 23 W. 7 vrs. Thence North  
1107 vrs. to stake, whence a Black  
Jack 8 in. brs. N. 51 W. 5 vrs., an-  
other 6 in. brs. S. 13 E. 8 vrs. Thence  
North 45 West 170 vrs. to the  
corner of the Frisby 1200 vrs. to the  
beginning, containing 264 3-10 acres  
of land.

**SECOND TRACT:** Beginning at  
the corner of No. 2 and 3 in the  
Telegraph road. Thence South 12  
West with said road 550 varas to  
corner in the road where a Post  
Oak 15 in. brs. N. 57 E. 16 vrs., an-  
other 18 in. brs. N. 54 E. 19 vrs.  
Thence South 75 East 700 vrs. to  
stake, a Post Oak 20 in. brs. S. 81 E.  
20 vrs., another 18 in. brs. N. 16 W.  
16 vrs. Thence North 83 East 59  
vrs., intersected the East boundary  
of the Reynolds survey, set stake in  
prairie, a Pin Oak 15 in. brs. S. 5 W.  
38 vrs. Thence North 45 West with  
Reynolds 530 vrs. to the West cor-  
ner. Thence North 70 1/4 West 810  
vrs. to the beginning, containing 90  
7-10 acres of land.

Plaintiff sets out in its petition all  
of the deeds and other muniments of  
title under and by virtue of which  
they claim title to said land; Plain-  
tiff alleges that those whose title it  
holds to said land have had the peace-  
able, continuous and adverse posses-  
sion thereof, cultivating, using and  
enjoying the same, paying all taxes  
due thereon, under deeds duly regis-  
tered for periods of five and ten  
years immediately preceding the fil-  
ing of this suit, and Plaintiff special-  
ly alleges that the adverse possession  
held in and to said property was under  
the Plaintiff's immediate Vendors,  
and that the statutes of limita-  
tion were long since completed at the  
time of the conveyance of said prop-  
erty to the Plaintiff herein.

Plaintiff further alleges that there  
is no title out of the said B. F.  
Wright, deceased, or his heirs, or  
any of the Defendants herein con-  
veying said property, which casts a  
cloud on Plaintiff's title, and that  
any other and further claims of the  
Defendants are unknown. Plaintiff  
prays judgment for said land, remov-  
ing all clouds therefrom, and for  
general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have be-  
fore said Court, at its aforesaid next  
regular term, this writ, with your re-  
turn thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk  
of the District Court of Houston  
County.

Given under my hand and the seal  
of said Court, at office in Crockett,  
this 14th day of January, A. D.  
1916. JOHN D. MORGAN,  
Clerk, District Court, Houston Co.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of  
Houston County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to  
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James H. Collard, deceased, the un-  
known heirs of A. D. Hutchings, de-  
ceased, the unknown heirs of J. E.  
Hutchings, deceased, the unknown  
heirs of J. M. Forrest, deceased, the  
unknown heirs of Maggie E. Forrest,  
deceased, the unknown heirs of W.  
H. Roberts, deceased, James H.

Collard, A. D. Hutchings, J. E.  
Hutchings, J. M. Forrest, Mag-  
gie E. Forrest and W. H. Roberts  
by making publication of this Cita-  
tion once in each week for eight  
successive weeks previous to the re-  
turn day hereof, in some newspaper  
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the docket of said Court No. 5609,  
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the State of Texas is Plaintiff and  
the unknown heirs of James H. Col-  
lard, deceased, the unknown heirs of  
A. D. Hutchings, deceased, the un-  
known heirs of J. E. Hutchings, de-  
ceased, the unknown heirs of J. M.  
Forrest, deceased, the unknown heirs  
of Maggie E. Forrest, deceased, the  
unknown heirs of W. H. Roberts, de-  
ceased, James H. Collard, A. D.  
Hutchings, J. E. Hutchings, J. M.  
Forrest, Maggie E. Forrest and W.  
H. Roberts are Defendants, and said  
petition alleging that Plaintiff is the  
owner in fee simple, being lawfully  
seized and possessed of the following  
described tract or parcel of land, lying  
and being situated in Houston  
County, Texas, being known as the  
James Colcott 78 1/2 acre survey,  
patented to James H. Collard, as-  
signee, and described by field notes  
as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner  
of Charles Richards survey of one  
league, and on the West boundary of  
a survey of 640 acres made for M.  
J. Ledbetter, a stake from which a  
Post Oak marked C. R. brs. N. 60 W.  
5 8-10 vrs., and another mkd. X brs.  
S. 15 W. 6 4-10 vrs. Thence South  
with said Ledbetter's line 145 vrs.,  
intersect the Northwest boundary of  
a part of eleven leagues made for G.  
Badillo, set stake from which a Post  
Oak mkd. J. C. brs. N. 58 W. 10 6-10  
vrs., and a Black Jack mkd. X brs.  
S. 55 W. 3 8-10 vrs. Thence South  
55 West with the Northwest bound-  
ary line of said Badilla's survey,  
730 vrs., prairie, 820 vrs., intersec-  
ted the Northeast boundary of  
George Robbins league, a stake in  
prairie. Thence North 45 West with  
said Robbins line 871 vrs., intersec-  
ted the corner of said Richards  
league, a stake in prairie. Thence  
East with said Richards league 820  
vrs. timber 1275 vrs., the beginning.

Plaintiff sets out in its petition all  
of the deeds and other muniments  
of title under and by virtue of which  
it claims title to said land. Plaintiff  
alleges that those whose title they  
hold to said land have had the peace-  
able, continuous and adverse posses-  
sion thereof, cultivating, using and  
enjoying the same, paying all taxes  
due thereon, under deeds duly regis-  
tered, for periods of five and ten  
years immediately preceding the fil-  
ing of this suit, and Plaintiff special-  
ly alleges that the adverse posses-  
sion held in and to said property was  
under the Plaintiff's immediate ven-  
dors, and that the statutes of limita-  
tion were long since completed at the  
time of the conveyance of said prop-  
erty to the Plaintiff herein.

Plaintiff alleges there is no  
title out of the said James H. Col-  
lard, the original grantee, to said  
land, in and to Plaintiff or any of  
Plaintiff's vendors, which casts a  
cloud on Plaintiff's title, and that  
any other and further claims of the  
Defendants are unknown. Plaintiff  
prays judgment for said land, remov-  
ing all clouds therefrom, substituting  
all deeds, and for general and  
special relief.

Herein fail not, but have be-  
fore said Court, at its aforesaid next  
regular term, this writ, with your re-  
turn thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk  
of the District Court of Houston  
County.

Given under my hand and the seal  
of said Court, at office in Crockett,  
this 14th day of January, A. D.  
1916. JOHN D. MORGAN,  
Clerk, District Court, Houston Co.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of  
Houston County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to  
summon the unknown heirs of  
Samuel Calhoun, the unknown heirs  
of S. C. Cabiness, the unknown heirs  
of R. H. Cabiness, the unknown heirs  
of F. M. Cabiness, the unknown heirs  
of B. F. Cabiness, the unknown heirs  
of L. P. Hyatt, the unknown heirs  
of Benjamin Hyatt, the unknown heirs  
of M. E. Forrest, the unknown heirs  
of C. A. Forrest, the unknown heirs  
of Mollie M. Alston, the unknown  
heirs of John M. Wright, the un-  
known heirs of Lucy A. Wright, the  
unknown heirs of M. C. Kelley, the  
unknown heirs of E. L. Wilson, the  
unknown heirs of James R. Wilson,  
the unknown heirs of Mary E.  
Wright, the unknown heirs of B.  
F. Wright, the unknown heirs of  
Martha A. Cabiness, S. C. Cabiness,  
R. H. Cabiness, F. M. Cabiness, B.  
F. Cabiness, L. P. Hyatt, Benjamin  
Hyatt, M. E. Forrest, C. A. Forrest,  
Mollie M. Alston, John M. Wright,  
Lucy A. Wright, M. C. Kelley, E. L.  
Wilson, James R. Wilson, Mary  
E. Wright, Mary C. Smith, B. F.  
Wright and Martha A. Cabiness  
by making publication of this Cita-  
tion once in each week for eight  
successive weeks previous to the re-  
turn day hereof, in some newspaper

published in your County, if there  
be a newspaper published therein,  
but if not, then in any newspaper  
published in the nearest County to  
your County, to appear at the next  
regular term of the District Court  
of Houston County, to be holden at  
the Court House of said Houston  
County, in the town of Crockett, on  
the seventh Monday after the first  
Monday in February, A. D. 1916,  
the same being the 27th day of  
March, A. D. 1916, then and there  
to answer a petition filed in said  
Court on the 14th day of January,  
A. D. 1916, in a suit, numbered on  
the docket of said Court No. 5611,  
wherein the Prison Commission of  
the State of Texas is Plaintiff and  
the unknown heirs of Samuel Cal-  
houn, the unknown heirs of S. C.  
Cabiness, the unknown heirs of R.  
H. Cabiness, the unknown heirs of  
F. M. Cabiness, the unknown heirs  
of B. F. Cabiness, the unknown heirs  
of L. P. Hyatt, the unknown heirs of  
Benjamin Hyatt, the unknown heirs  
of M. E. Forrest, the unknown heirs  
of C. A. Forrest, the unknown heirs  
of Mollie M. Alston, the unknown  
heirs of John M. Wright, the un-  
known heirs of Lucy A. Wright, the  
unknown heirs of M. C. Kelley, the  
unknown heirs of E. L. Wilson, the  
unknown heirs of James R. Wilson,  
the unknown heirs of Mary E.  
Wright, the unknown heirs of B.  
F. Wright, the unknown heirs of  
Martha A. Cabiness, S. C. Cabiness,  
R. H. Cabiness, F. M. Cabiness, B.  
F. Cabiness, L. P. Hyatt, Benjamin  
Hyatt, M. E. Forrest, C. A. Forrest,  
Mollie M. Alston, John M. Wright,  
Lucy A. Wright, M. C. Kelley, E. L.  
Wilson, James R. Wilson, Mary  
E. Wright, Mary C. Smith, B. F.  
Wright and Martha A. Cabiness are  
Defendants, and said petition alleging  
that the Plaintiff is the owner in fee  
simple, being legally seized and posses-  
sed of the following described tract  
or parcel of land, lying and being  
situated in Houston County, Texas,  
same being the William Ford 38 9-10  
acre survey, described by field notes  
as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner  
of a survey made for Henry Gold-  
man, from which a Post Oak mkd. B  
brs. S. 47 1/2 E. 58 vrs., another  
brs. S. 30 E. 5 9-10 vrs., mkd. E. Thence  
North 55 West 400 vrs., intersecting  
Goldman's line on G. B. Grant's line.  
Thence North 55 East 1170 vrs., in-  
tersecting J. Coughran's and Grant's  
lines. Thence South 35 West 1099  
vrs. to the beginning.

Plaintiff sets out in its petition all  
of the deeds and other muniments  
of title under and by virtue of which  
they claim title to said land.

That Plaintiff and those under  
whom Plaintiff claims title to said  
land have been in the actual, contin-  
uous, peaceable and adverse posses-  
sion thereof, cultivating, using and  
enjoying the same for a period of  
ten years immediately preceding the  
filing of this suit, and Plaintiff special-  
ly pleads the ten years statute of  
limitation under and by virtue of the  
possession and adverse claim held to  
said property by its immediate ven-  
dors herein for said period of time,  
in bar of any claims asserted to said  
property by the said Defendants.

Plaintiff would respectfully show  
that there is no title out of Samuel  
Calhoun, or any of his heirs herein  
named as Defendants, conveying  
said property to any one, which casts  
a cloud on Plaintiff's title, and that  
any other and further claims asserted  
to said property by the Defend-  
ants herein are unknown.

Plaintiff prays judgment for  
said land, removing all clouds there-  
from, and for general and special re-  
lief.

Herein fail not, but have be-  
fore said Court, at its aforesaid next  
regular term, this writ, with your re-  
turn thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk  
of the District Court of Houston  
County.

Given under my hand and the seal  
of said Court, at office in Crockett,  
this 14th day of January, A. D.  
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Clerk, District Court, Houston Co.

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You are Hereby Commanded to  
summon the unknown heirs of B. F. Wright,  
the unknown heirs of Henry Gold-  
man, the unknown heirs of James S.  
Cabiness, the unknown heirs of M.  
A. Lamkin, the unknown heirs of  
Phillip Alston, the unknown heirs  
of Wrixson Marriner, the unknown  
heirs of Jesse Smith, the unknown  
heirs of J. P. Lamkin, the unknown  
heirs of L. B. Lamkin, the unknown  
heirs of J. W. Lamkin, the unknown  
heirs of A. D. Hutchings, the un-  
known heirs of Maggie Hutchings,  
the unknown heirs of Emma Hutch-  
ings, the unknown heirs of Alice  
Hutchings, the unknown heirs of M.  
E. Haden, the unknown heirs of E.  
L. Parish, the unknown heirs of Alice  
Parish, the unknown heirs of Dock  
Pegues, the unknown heirs of Eliza  
Pegues, the unknown heirs of G.  
C. Davis, the unknown heirs of  
Nannie Davis, the unknown heirs  
of B. F. Cabiness, the unknown heirs  
of W. H. Roberts, the unknown heirs  
of L. P. Hutchings, the unknown  
heirs of R. H. Hutchings, the un-  
known heirs of Robert H. Alston,  
the unknown heirs of Agnes Alston,  
the unknown heirs of Eliza Alston,  
the unknown heirs of Halley Smith,  
the unknown heirs of Robert T.  
Smith, the unknown heirs of Mrs.  
Nartin Bean Gav, the unknown heirs  
of Daniel Gay, the unknown heirs  
of Ellen Chenault, the unknown heirs

of J. W. Chenault, the unknown  
heirs of L. T. Chenault, the unknown  
heirs of A. O. Chenault, the un-  
known heirs of M. F. Thompson, the  
unknown heirs of R. L. Thompson,  
the unknown heirs of Harriett  
Thompson, the unknown heirs of  
Mary E. Thompson, the unknown heirs  
of J. Lyle Smith, B. F. Wright, Hen-  
ry Goldman, James S. Cabiness, M.  
A. Lamkin, Phillip Alston, Wrixson  
Marriner, Jesse Smith, F. P. Lamkin,  
L. B. Lamkin, J. W. Lamkin, A.  
D. Hutchings, Maggie Hutchings,  
Emma Hutchings, Alice Hutchings,  
M. E. Haden, E. L. Parish, Alice Pa-  
rish, Dock Pegues, Eliza Pegues, G.  
C. Davis, Nannie Davis, B. F. Cab-  
iness, Mamie Cabiness, W. H. Rob-  
erts, Kate Roberts, L. P. Hutchings,  
R. H. Hutchings, Robert H. Alston,  
Agnes Alston, Eliza Alston, Halley  
Smith, Robert T. Smith, Mrs. Nartin  
Bean Gav, Daniel Gay, Ellen Che-  
nault, J. W. Chenault, L. T. Che-  
nault, A. O. Chenault, M. F. Thomp-  
son, R. L. Thompson, Harriett Thomp-  
son, Mary E. Thompson, and  
J. Lyle Smith are Defendants, and  
said petition alleging that Plaintiff  
is the owner in fee simple, being law-  
fully seized and possessed of the fol-  
lowing described tract or parcel of  
land, lying and being situated in  
Houston County, Texas, same being  
a part of the Henry Goldman survey,  
and more particularly described by  
field notes as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest cor-  
ner of said Goldman survey on East  
bank of Trinity River, Ash mkd. S.  
Thence North 35 East with line be-  
tween Goldman and William Ford  
survey 2500 vrs. to corner on South  
line of Badilla Grant. Thence North  
55 East with said line to stake where  
East line of a 700 acre tract, con-  
veyed by Louis Calhoun and W. L.  
Hayden to Mrs. Delha Eastham,  
crosses said line. Thence South 55  
East 350 vrs. to extreme Northeast  
corner of Hosea Smith tract, an Elm  
8 in. mkd. X brs. N. 84 W. 3 vrs.  
Thence South 82 West 119 vrs. to  
stake for corner, a Locust 16 in.  
mkd. X brs. N. 80 E. 8 7-10 vrs.  
Thence South 35 West 603 2-10 vrs.  
to stake for corner whence a Locust  
20 in. mkd. X brs. S. 66 E. 8 vrs.  
Thence South 62-43' East 350 7-10  
vrs. to stake in Crockett and Hunts-  
ville road. Thence Southwest with  
the meanders of said road to stake  
where said road crosses the South  
boundary line of said Goldman sur-  
vey. Thence South 35 West with  
the South boundary line of said  
Goldman survey to stake on East  
bank of Trinity River. Thence with

the meanders of said River to the  
place of beginning, containing 660  
acres of land, more or less.

Plaintiff sets out in its petition all  
of the deeds and other muniments  
of title under and by virtue of which  
it claims title to said land.

Plaintiff further alleges that those  
under whom the Plaintiff claims title  
to said land have been in the actual,  
continuous, peaceable and adverse  
possession thereof, cultivating, using  
and enjoying said land under deeds  
duly registered, paying all taxes due  
thereon, for periods of five and ten  
years before the filing of this suit,  
and Plaintiff specially alleges that  
the possession herein alleged and  
claimed by Plaintiff was held under  
and by Plaintiff's vendors prior to  
Plaintiff's purchase of said land, and  
Plaintiff specially pleads the five and  
ten years statutes of limitation in  
bar of any claims asserted by any of  
the Defendants to said property.

Plaintiff would further represent  
and show to the Court that said  
property was patented to the heirs  
of Henry Goldman, but that there is  
no title out of any of said heirs, so  
far as Plaintiff knows, conveying  
said property, which casts a cloud on  
Plaintiff's title.

Plaintiff would further show that,  
as shown by the records of Houston  
County, B. F. Wright at one time as-  
serted some character of claim in  
and to said property, the exact na-  
ture of which is unknown to Plain-  
tiff, which casts a cloud on Plaintiff's  
title; and Plaintiff would further  
show that any other and further  
claims to said property by any of the  
Defendants herein are unknown to  
Plaintiff.

Plaintiff prays judgment for  
said land, removing all clouds there-  
from, and for general and special re-  
lief.

Herein fail not, but have be-  
fore said Court, at its aforesaid next  
regular term, this writ, with your re-  
turn thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk  
of the District Court of Houston  
County.

Given under my hand and the seal  
of said Court, at office in Crockett,  
this 14th day of January, A. D.  
1916. JOHN D. MORGAN,  
Clerk, District Court, Houston Co.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of  
Houston County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to  
summon the unknown heirs of  
Mary Jane Ledbetter, deceased,  
the unknown heirs of James H.  
Starr, deceased, and the unknown  
heirs of Oliver Biene, deceased,  
by making publication of this Cita-  
tion once in each week for eight  
successive weeks previous to the re-  
turn day hereof, in some newspaper  
published in your County, if there  
be a newspaper published therein,  
but if not, then in any newspaper  
published in the nearest County to  
your County, to appear at the next  
regular term of the District Court  
of Houston County, to be holden at  
the Court House of said Houston  
County, in the town of Crockett, on  
the seventh Monday after the first  
Monday in February, A. D. 1916,  
the same being the 27th day of  
March, A. D. 1916, then and there  
to answer a petition filed in said  
Court on the 14th day of January,  
A. D. 1916, in a suit, numbered on  
the docket of said Court No. 5608,  
wherein the Prison Commission of  
the State of Texas is Plaintiff and  
the unknown heirs of Mary Jane  
Ledbetter, deceased, the unknown  
heirs of James H. Starr, deceased,  
and the unknown heirs of Oliver  
Biene, deceased, are Defendants,  
and said petition alleging that the  
Plaintiff is the owner in fee simple,  
being lawfully seized and possessed  
of the following described tract or  
parcel of land, lying and being situ-  
ated in Houston County, Texas, be-  
ing the Mary Jane Ledbetter 640  
acre survey and described by field  
notes as follows:

Beginning at the South corner of  
Plummer's 640 acre tract marked B.  
Thence South 45 East 1550 vrs., in-  
tersecting Badilla's two league tract,  
a stake from which a Post Oak mkd.  
X brs. N. 30 E. 3 3-5 vrs. and a  
Black Jack mkd. X brs. E. 8 2-10  
vrs. Thence with said Badilla's line  
South 55 West 2450 vrs., intersect-  
ing the Northeast boundary line of  
Charles Richards' league, a stake for  
corner. Thence with said survey,  
North at 3250 vrs., intersecting said  
Plummer's 640 acre tract, a stake  
from which a Black Jack brs. S. 75  
E. 14 5-10 vrs. Thence with said  
Plummer's line South 45 East 1283  
vrs. to the place of beginning.

Plaintiff sets out in its petition all  
of the deeds and other muniments  
of title under and by virtue of which  
it claims title to said land.

Plaintiff further alleges that those  
under whom the Plaintiff claims title  
to said land have been in the actual,  
continuous, peaceable and adverse  
possession thereof, cultivating, using  
and enjoying said land under deeds  
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thereon, for periods of five and ten  
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of title under and by virtue of which  
they claim title to said land. Plain-  
tiff alleges that those whose title  
they hold to said land have had the peace-  
able, continuous and adverse posses-  
sion thereof, cultivating, using and  
enjoying the same, paying all taxes  
due thereon, under deeds duly regis-  
tered for periods of five and ten  
years immediately preceding the fil-  
ing of this suit, and Plaintiff special-  
ly alleges that the adverse possession  
held in and to said property was under  
the Plaintiff's immediate Vendors,  
and that the statute of limita-  
tion was long since completed at the  
time of the conveyance of said prop-  
erty to the Plaintiff herein.

Plaintiff alleges that said tract of  
land was patented by the State of  
Texas to Mary Jane Ledbetter on  
March 30, 1845, and that said prop-  
erty was conveyed by George W.  
Grant and his wife, Mary Jane



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Grant, to James H. Starr, and Plaintiff has no absolute proof that the said Mary Jane Grant was the same person to whom said land was patented, and that there is no title out of James H. Starr, which casts a cloud on Plaintiff's title, and that any other and further claims of the Defendants are unknown. Plaintiffs pray judgment for said land, removing all clouds therefrom, and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

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That by an instrument in writing, dated November 24, 1858, recorded in Volume 14, page 244 of the Houston County Deed Records, one Jose E. Sepulveda et al purported to convey 5 1/2 leagues of land belonging to said Gordiana Badilla, reciting in said deed that same was conveyed by said Badilla to said Sepulveda, and Plaintiff alleges that said Sepulveda had no title to said property, but that by reason of said deed appearing on the records, a cloud is cast on Plaintiff's title, which Plaintiff says should be removed.

Plaintiff would further show that the records of Houston County show various deeds and other instruments

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of  
Houston County, Greeting:**

You are hereby commanded to summon A. E. Bradley and wife, C. E. Bradley, Geo. W. Johnston and wife, M. E. Johnston and Mary E. Richardson by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District of Texas, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of said Houston County, to be holden at the Court House thereof in Crockett, Texas, on the seventh Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1916, the same being the 27th day of March, A. D. 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1916, in a suit numbered on the Civil Docket of said Court No. 5620, wherein Geo. E. Darsey is plaintiff and A. E. Bradley and wife, C. E. Bradley, Geo. W. Johnston and wife, M. E. Johnston, Mary E. Richardson, C. J. Wheeland and wife, Ella C. Wheeland and O. B. Berry are defendants, and said petition alleging that defendant Mary E. Richardson, Nov. 5, 1909, executed her promissory note for \$1500.00, payable to W. L. Parsons, November 5, 1912, and to secure same executed deed of trust on the following described four tracts of land situated in Houston County, Texas, the first two being part of the C. C. Marsh 960 acre survey, and all described as follows:  
1st Tract: 25 acres, beginning on the N. B. line of the Watson survey of 640 acres at stake for corner from which B J 15 in mkd. X brs W 5 1-3 vrs, P O 2 1-2 in mkd X brs S 9 E 2 vrs. Thence N 4 E 330 vrs to stake for corner from which B J 5 in brs N 10 E 1 vr, Do brs S 60 E 2 1-5 vrs. Thence E 435 vrs to

stake for corner from which B. J 8 in brs S 10 E 2 1-3 vrs. Thence S 4 W 330 vrs to N B line of the Watson survey to stake for corner from which Hickory 12 in brs S 53 E 2 vrs. Thence W 428 vrs to the beginning.  
2nd Tract: 42 acres, beginning on the S B line of said survey at S E corner of 25 acre tract deeded to F. Woodelle by T. J. Herod and wife, stake from which Hickory 13 in brs S 14 E 2 1-5 vrs, mkd X. Thence E 680 vrs to rock for corner from which R O 8 in brs S 20 W 4 vrs mkd X, B J 9 in brs S 65 E 4 vrs. Thence N 30 E 330 vrs to stake from which B J 6 in mkd X brs S 46 W 4 2-10 vrs. Thence N 87 W 780 vrs to N E corner of said 25 acre tract. Thence S 4 W 330 vrs to the beginning.  
3rd Tract: 213 acres, more or less, out of the Wm. Watson survey, beginning at N E corner of B J Jacobs 7 acre survey, stake from which S J mkd X brs N 2 1-2 yds, Do mkd X brs E 4 yds. Thence N with R B Reeves W B line 882 vrs to corner on the N B line of Wm. Watson survey, corner from which B J mkd X brs E 5 yds, P O mkd X brs S 12 W 7 yds. Thence W with said Watson N B line 922 1-2 vrs to N E corner of the J T Herod survey, corner from which Hickory mkd X brs S E 6 vrs, Do mkd X brs S W 7 vrs. Thence S with Herod's E B line 257 1-2 vrs to corner stake from which S J mkd X brs N W 5 1-2 vrs, B J mkd X brs W 5 1 2 vrs. Thence in S W direction with Herod's line 553 vrs to stake in Grapeland & Daly's road from which Hickory mkd X brs N W 3 yds, Do mkd X brs S 10 E 3 vrs. Thence S with W J Clark's line 515 vrs to corner at graveyard, stake from which Hickory mkd X brs S 3 yds, Do mkd X brs E 2 yds. Thence E with N B line of Burton survey 1062 vrs to S W corner of B J Jacobs 7 acre survey 116 1-2 vrs Jacobs N W corner. Thence E with N B line of Jacobs 7 acre survey 331 vrs to beginning.  
4th Tract: 110 acres more or

less, of the W L Burton survey, beginning at N W corner of said Burton survey from which B J mkd X brs —85 W 6 vrs, Do mkd X brs S 83— 8 5-10 vrs. Thence E with Whitley line 990 vrs to stake, Hickory 16 in mkd X brs N 77 vrs, Do 10 in mkd X brs S 55 E 8 vrs. Thence S with W line of the J L White-scarver tract to stone for corner. Thence W 990 vrs to Hickory 12 in for corner. Thence N with E line of Whitley tract to corner of school lot on same. Thence E 80 vrs with school lot to corner of same. Thence N 141 vrs with line of said school lot to the beginning; that said M E Richardson, about Jan. 4, 1910 conveyed said lands to defendant G W Johnston, who assumed payment of said \$1500.00 note, and with his wife, M E Johnston, about Sept. 16, 1912, in writing acknowledged there would be due on same Nov. 5, 1912, the sum of \$1650.00 and agreed to pay same November 5, 1915, with 10 per cent interest per annum from Nov. 5, 1912, and acknowledged the assumption of said \$1500.00 note; that plaintiff is the owner of said notes for a valuable consideration in due course of trade and same are past due, and plaintiff has demanded payment of same, which defendants refuse to pay, except the interest on said \$1650.00 note for the years ending Nov. 5, 1913 and 1914; that defendants Geo. W. Johnston and wife, Sept. 11, 1912, executed their promissory note for \$50, payable to W. L. Parsons Sept. 11, 1915, and to secure same executed deed of trust on said described four tracts of land, and which note is owned by plaintiff who acquired same for a valuable consideration in due course of trade; that defendants A. E. Bradley and wife, C. E. Bradley, executed their three promissory notes dated Dec. 19, 1914, due respectively Dec. 1, 1915, 1916, 1917, each for \$233.33, payable to plaintiff, bearing 8 per cent per annum interest from date, interest payable annually, and providing failure to pay same or any installment of interest at its due date matures said notes at option of the holder, and plaintiff alleges the first of said notes is past due and plaintiff has demanded payment from said makers thereof who refuse and fail to pay same, and plaintiff has declared said three notes due, and since has demanded payment of said notes from said makers who refused to pay same or any part thereof; that defendants A. E. Bradley and wife to secure the last mentioned three notes executed their deed of trust dated Dec. 19, 1914 on said described 4 tracts of land; that defendants A E Bradley and wife, about Nov. 9, 1915, executed a deed conveying said lands to defendant Ella C Wheeland, stipulating therein same was made subject to deed of trust securing \$2,900.00 they owed to plaintiff, and defendant Ella C Wheeland assumed the payment thereof, and the vendor's lien on said land was retained in said deed to secure the payment of same; that defendant O B Berry claims the legal title to said land, and plaintiff alleges if said O B Berry owns same he holds the title subject to all of plaintiff's liens above set forth, and that all of said deed of trust liens and vendor's lien are now in full force and effect to secure the amounts due plaintiff; that all of said notes provide for the usual ten per cent attorneys fees if collected by law or if placed with attorneys for collection; that plaintiff has placed said notes in the hands of his attorneys and agreed to pay them the attorney's fees provided for therein, and prays for judgement for the amount due on said notes, principal, interest and attorney's fees, for foreclosure of said deeds of trust liens and said vendor's lien on said 4 tracts of land, that same be sold according to law, and the officer executing such writ place the purchaser in possession thereof, and for costs of suit and such other and further orders and decrees as plaintiff may be le-

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Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.  
Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.  
Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1916.  
(Seal) JOHN D. MORGAN,  
Clerk, District Court,  
Houston County, Texas.  
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