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LOCAL NEWS FROM NEW PROSPECT

May 8.—The health of our community is getting better, although many have been on the sick list since our last letter. Mrs. J. L. Kennedy is recovering from a sick spell. Several others have been having chills. Earl Music has had a bad attack of rheumatism.

The big rain last Saturday will give the farmers plenty to do. Some are replanting cotton, as they have a better stand of grass than cotton.

Mr. Ector Finch of our community and Miss Luna Guice of Oak Grove were married last Sunday.

Our Sunday school was well attended yesterday. A large crowd gathered for preaching, but there being a misunderstanding some way, Bro. Florence did not get here until evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bridges and children and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Musick were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Musick Sunday.

The trustees have signed a contract employing Mr. Wilcox, who will be our principal next year. We are glad to say we have our same assistant teachers for another year.

S. T. Parker and Mrs. Ann Baxley visited Mrs. Z. A. Parker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Herod took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Herod visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bridges Sunday.

A READER

O. C. Coodwin spent last Saturday in our city.

LOCAL NEWS FROM EPHEBUS

The health of this community is very good at present.

The farmers are all busy replanting cotton.

Miss Jewel Turner of this community, who has been teaching school at Norton, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Luther Goolsby of San Pedro was visiting relatives in this community Sunday.

Miss Ruth Allen was a visitor at Mrs. Joe Hambs' Sunday.

Miss Minnie Anderson was visiting Mrs. Lee Graham Sunday.

There was an entertainment at Mrs. John Nealys' Friday night. A large crowd was present, and everybody had a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Graham were visitors at Mr. Lee Graham's Sunday.

Mr. Buck Cutler of San Pedro, was a visitor in this community Sunday.

Mr. Ruben Graham was visiting Mr. Will Robbins Sunday.

Rev. W. R. Durnell will be here the 13th of May, and will preach at Ephesus on that night.

Correspondent.

PRECINCT CONVENTION

At the precinct convention held last Saturday afternoon the following delegates were elected to the county convention: Dr. Kennedy, T. S. Kent, R. T. Murchison, Frank Leaverton, A. B. Spence and A. H. Luker.

A resolution was adopted endorsing Dr. Sam Kennedy as a delegate to the state convention at San Antonio.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The memorial service will be held at the Muse cemetery the fourth Sunday in May. Following is the program:

10:30 a. m.—Song service led by W. R. Campbell.

11:00 a. m.—Opening address by Rev. McLeod.

Song.

11:30 a. m.—Why decorate in memory of the dead? Rev. Pack of Slocum.

Adjourn for dinner.

1:30 p. m. Congregation called together by singing.

1:45 p. m. Talk by Rev. Cyrus Campbell. Subject, "State of the dead."

Song.

2:30 p. m. Talk by Rev. J. S. McDaniel. Subject, "The resurrection."

Song.

3:00 p. m. Talk by Rev. W. R. Durnell. Subject, "The Judgment and Man's Final Destiny."

Everybody is invited to attend this service and bring a basket well filled with good things to eat.

Wy Watts,
T. F. Lively,
J. F. Hobson,
Committee.

TRIPLETS BORN

Triplets, three boys, were born Saturday morning, to Mr. and Mrs. Collie Jowers, who live about seven miles northeast of Grapeland on Route 1. Two are living and doing nicely, one being born dead.

GRAVEYARD WORKING

All parties interested in the Parker graveyard will meet there Friday, May 19th, with tools to clean off same.

S. T. Parker.

Homer Goodson of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goodson several days last week.

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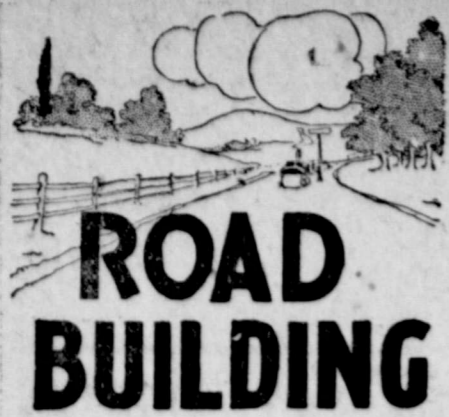
The tuition fee has been fixed at ten dollars for the term, and a faculty of teachers experienced in normal work will give instruction in all subjects required for teachers' certificates.

An expert will give instruction in primary methods and public

school music.

The normal has been officially indorsed by the state superintendent and by the superintendents of Anderson, Smith and Cherokee counties. Full information may be obtained by writing Dr. J. H. Hicks, Conductor, Elkhart, or Bonner Frizzell, Secretary, Palestine.

A. L. Carnes and family left last Friday for Willis where they will reside in the future. Mr. Carnes will engage in the mercantile business.



ROAD BUILDING

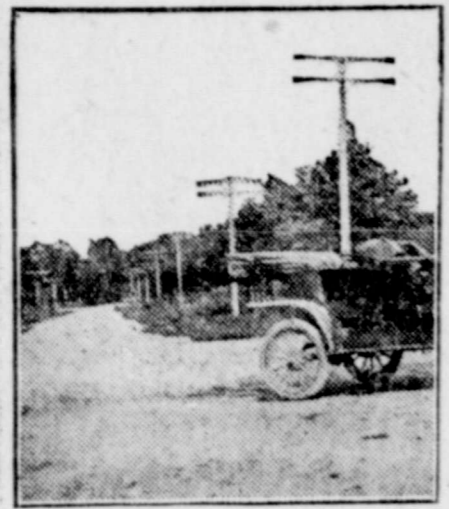
GOOD MANAGEMENT OF ROADS

Road Specialists of Department of Agriculture Place Blame for Defects in Highways.

When a county builds a good road and soon lets it become rutty, washed out, or uneven, who or what is principally to blame? As a result of a study of conditions in a number of counties, road specialists of the department are inclined to place the responsibility upon the following defects in road management, some or all of which are found in all counties where good roads are not properly repaired and maintained:

1. County boards, although having full administrative authority, appear not to attach to their official action in road matters the importance or legal effect which it should have.

2. County boards do not generally have sufficient accounting control of road funds to know what is available



A Michigan Improved Road.

for any particular project, where funds have been or where existing balances are to be expended.

3. Lack of any systematic practice in handling road funds among most counties makes it very difficult to carry out over even a single year any persistent maintenance policy, because funds officially obligated for maintenance purposes are not protected against sporadic and irregular drafts for miscellaneous purposes. The greatest likelihood consequently exists everywhere that there will be no balance in the maintenance fund in the last half or third of the year, although only a part of the fund allotted may have been spent.

4. Local labor available for maintenance work is made dissatisfied by the constant, unintelligent, and unfavorable criticism of those using the road.

5. Maintenance continuing over a period of years—the ultimate indispensable condition of effective maintenance—is jeopardized by the lack of accounting control that will prevent spending next year's current income in this year.

6. The lack of skilled supervision in construction and the effect of this in increasing the cost or in making effective maintenance impossibly expensive is everywhere seen.

7. The county authorities are commonly opposed to following suggestions for maintenance that involve tying up road funds in any way, such as purchasing materials in advance to store along the road for making repairs or maintaining the road surface.

WIDE TIRES IMPROVE ROADS

They Have Same Effect on Country Highways as a Roller on Plowed Field—Wagon Pulls Easier.

The following appeared in a recent issue of "Extension News Service," published by the University of Nebraska.

Wide tires build up roads and save horse labor, according to the department of agricultural engineering at the university farm. They have the same effect upon a country road as a roller on a plowed field. On the other hand, the narrow tire cuts up a road like a disk. It has been found by actual test in this department that the wide-tired wagon pulls easier in nearly all cases than the narrow-tired wagon. In deep mud on a country road the wide-tired wagon pulls 6.2 per cent easier. On the country road with a thin surface of mud or deep dust, however, the narrow tires pull 4.9 per cent easier. In a cornfield the wide tires pull 30.5 per cent easier, in a dry alfalfa field 17.7 per cent easier, and on a dry country road 10.2 per cent easier.

HAVE FAILED TO UNDERSTAND

Writer in Atlantic Monthly Criticizes the Ideas Held by Great Men Concerning Women.

It seems that the intelligence of man cannot solve the problem of woman, which is a bad sign in a superior intelligence. The trouble lies in this: man assumes far too readily that woman essentially differs from man. Hardly a man has lived who did not so exaggerate. Nietzsche, Schopenhauer, agreed to despise women; Napoleon seemed to view them as engines of pleasure; for Shakespeare they may well have embodied a romantic ideal, qualified by sportive wantonness. In Walter Scott women appear as romance in a cheap edition; Byron in their regard is a beast of prey, Doctor Johnson a pompous brute, and a puritanical sensualist. Cervantes mixed in his romantic outlook a sort of suspicious hatred, while Alexandre Dumas thought them born only to lay laurel wreaths and orange blossoms (together with coronets) upon the heads of musketeers. All, all—from Thackeray, who never laid his hand upon a woman save in the way of patronage, to Goethe, to Dante, to Montaigne, to Wellington—all harbored this curious idea; in one way or another woman differs from man. And today, whether we read Bernard Shaw, George Moore, M. Paul Bourget or Hall Caine, we find that there still persists a belief in Byron's words: "What a strange thing is man! And what a stranger is woman!"—Atlantic Monthly.

CASH INSTEAD



"I came near marrying him once, but it was all for the best that I didn't."

"How's that?"

"I sued him for ten thousand dollars for breach of promise and won."

TESTING PAINTS AND DYES.

Increased use is being made of the flaming arc for paint and dye testing, according to a paper read recently before the American Electro-Chemical Industry. The suggestion was made by the author that with a consumption of 25 amperes the lamp be used at two feet away from the samples being tested. The author declared that after having made several hundred tests between sunlight and the white, flaming arc lamp, he had found the latter far superior. The flaming arc lamp was also found more satisfactory than the nitrogen-filled lamp and other illuminants. Not only does the flaming arc give more uniform conditions of test, but it is more rapid, and tests can be made in ten hours which require two weeks by sunlight.

A PERFECT WOMAN.

"My daughter has finally struck a perfectly balanced ration."

"What is it?"

"Fish gives you brains and carrots make you beautiful. In a few weeks the moving picture impresarios may begin to send in their bids."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

REVERSING THE USUAL ORDER.

"Do you know, Jones does some uncommonly queer things. Anything to be different from other people?"

"Like what, for instance?"

"Why, he's just put a mortgage on his limousine to have repairs made on his house."

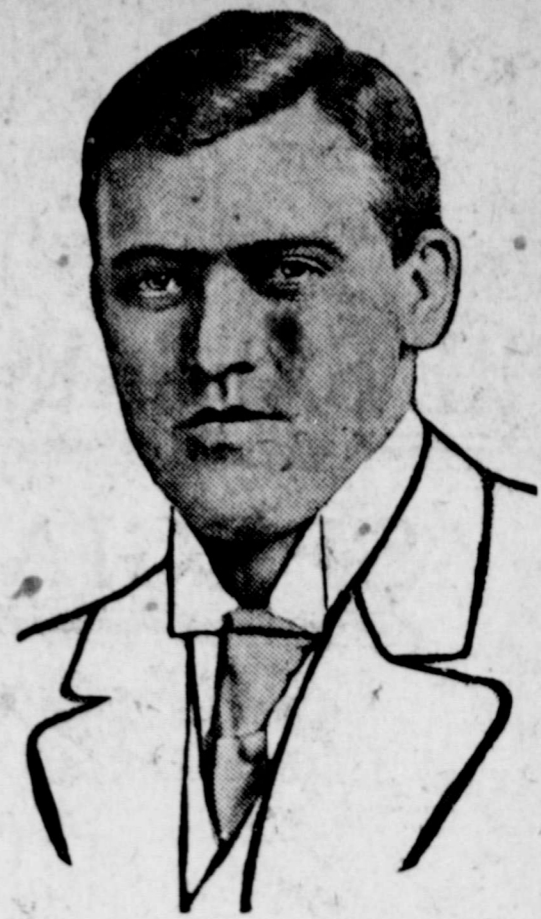
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The Auction Block

By REX BEACH

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TO SUPPRESS RUMORS NOW

Imprisonment Awaits the Man Who Indulges in Gossip in London About the War.

In war times, under a strict censorship, rumors are as common as dirt. Everyone has one to pass on, remarks the New York Tribune. You don't "belong" in any gathering unless you have at least one rumor to whisper. If a newspaper reporter believed all he heard he would never stop writing, or wouldn't write a line, depending on his physical make-up.

Now the London police authorities have decided there are too many rumors about, and are taking steps to put a gag on the rumor mongers. They have a merry task ahead of them. If every rumor monger is caught and labeled there will be more gags worn there than iron crosses in Berlin.

But there is to be a distinction made in rumors. In the near future the man who whispers, "My friend in the admiralty tells me the Zeppelins are coming tonight," is liable to be thrown into jail and kept there at hard labor for some months. It won't make any difference whether he is an Englishman, a Frenchman or an American. Prosecutions will be pressed under the Defense of the Realm act, and this act gives the authorities a wide latitude. Woe betide the offender!

SAME WISH, BUT DIFFERENT.

Mrs. Gnagg—You have absolutely no push, no ambition. Oh, I wish I was a man.

Gnagg—I wish you were, too; then I never could have married you.

COMPLETE HISTORY OF TREES

"Library" That Probably Cannot Be Equaled in Any Part of the Earth.

There is, perhaps, one of the most curious collections of books in the world to be found in a small town on the continent. It is really a botanical collection. Outwardly each volume presents the appearance of a block of wood, and that is what it actually is; but an examination reveals the fact that it is also a complete history of the particular tree which it represents.

At the back of the book the bark has been removed from a space which allows the scientific and the common name of the tree to be placed as a title for the book. One side is formed from the split wood of the tree, showing its grain and natural fracture; the other side shows the wood when worked smooth and varnished. One end shows the grain as left by the saw, and the other the finely polished wood. On opening the book it is found to contain the fruit, seeds, leaves and other products of the tree, the moss which usually grows upon its trunk and the insects which feed upon the different parts of the tree. These are supplemented by a full description of the tree. In fact, everything which has a bearing upon that particular tree secures a place in the collection.

SPEECH READY.

"Have you made up your mind what you will say when you get to congress?"

"Yes," replied the statesman. "Till I see how things are going, I intend simply to sit through the roll call and say 'Present!'"

A. E. Owens

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What Would We Do Without Sugar?



We are so used to sugar that we are likely to forget to give it its proper place. Right now if somebody asked you what sugar was good for you'd probably say—"Oh! to put in coffee and tea and for making candies and desserts." That's it—we all think of sugar as a sweetener and overlook its value as a food.



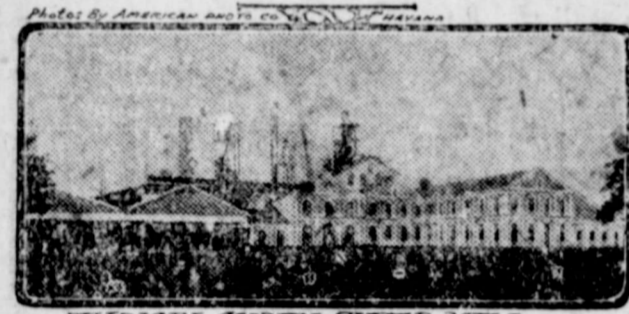
The chemists classify sugar as a hydrocarbon—that name may or may not be interesting to us, but what is interesting is their statement that it has, as a hydrocarbon, equal food value with the starchy foods and by oxidation largely adds to the fatty tissues of the body.

Why do we eat sugar anyway? Your first answer might be, "Because it is sweet and tastes good." Of itself the answer would be correct, but the more important fact is that the body craves sugar because it needs it. And when the body craves something it gives us an appetite for it. So primarily that's why we like sugar and things made with sugar and not just because they are sweet.

In view of the fact that sugar has gone up so tremendously of late these facts

are interesting because we find that instead of the luxury sugar having gone up it is the FOOD sugar that has raised its price. Yet—even though the price is up we have to have our sweet food just the same.

Certainly the makers of that delicious beverage Coca-Cola must have discovered that sugar is up, because one of the principal ingredients in making Coca-Cola is fine cane sugar. Think of it—they use an average of 80 tons of sugar a day—about 4 car-loads. But unlike many manufacturers that company has itself borne the raise and so you and I pay just the same today for our bottle or glass of Coca-Cola that we've always paid. Incidentally, this phase of the situation is a good reminder of the benefits one gets from drinking a beverage as pure and good as Coca-Cola. Not only do we please our palates and derive wholesome refreshment from the drink but we also give our systems that bit of sugar sweetness that they crave and which is necessary to health and tissues. Is it any wonder then that Coca-Cola is so popular and so universally drunk that it has been called "the drink the nation drinks"?



ELAINE'S GARDEN

By CLARISSA MACKIE.

It was such a hopeless looking garden! Rather, it was a neglected back yard criss-crossed with clotheslines, bounded by two neat brick walls on either side and a shabby brick laundry shed at the back which gave upon an alley. The rear of Mrs. Frick's boarding house formed the fourth boundary, and from her window on the fourth floor Elaine Rogers could look down on the bleak squalidness of the neglected rectangle and compare it, most unfavorably, with the green loveliness of the one next door.

"Why don't I have a garden?" Mrs. Frick replied when Elaine questioned her. She laughed harshly. "And who would be getting three meals a day, eh? Suppose you all came in to dinner and found no dinner at all and me mincing around in a garden! 'Come into my garden and eat by smelling of my flowers!' I'd say, Humph!" she ended contemptuously.

Elaine said no more about gardens, but she continued to look wistfully down at the neglected space and dream of what might be done with it.

"If I had money enough," she sighed, but there never was money enough to spare from her salary as kindergarten teacher. Elaine was quite alone in the world and this was her first year at self-support. She had not known that boarding houses could be so drear, food so unappetizing, landladies so hardened to anything that approached beauty.

"How absurd I am!" she exclaimed. "Sitting here and wishing will not bring things to me. I must go out after them. Now, shall I attack Mrs. Frick's back yard. No! But I can have a window garden of my very own and this southern exposure will be just the thing."

The next Saturday found Elaine, singing like a lark, arranging pots of geraniums and ferns and ivy on the wide sill of her solitary window. She had placed the last plant and was leaning out to arrange some falling sprays of ivy when something happened—something that brought a frightened exclamation from her lips and caused the young man walking in the garden next door to glance up with a startled expression of his pale face.

"The tiniest potted geranium of a sweet-smelling variety went hurtling down toward him.

"Look out!" warned Elaine, but he did not move and the little flower pot sped to its mark between his eyes.

Elaine covered her own eyes for a moment. When she withdrew her hands the man was lying prostrate and a man-servant was bending over him.

Elaine flew down the stairs to the front sidewalk and hastened into the area of the house next door. Here all was specklessly neat and bearing evidence of well-to-do occupants. She rang the basement bell and a flurried-looking maid admitted her.

"A flower pot fell from my window and I am afraid it has injured the young man who was in the garden," hurriedly explained Elaine.

The maid nodded. "Mr. Arthur is in the dining room, miss. James is dressing the wound while he waits for the doctor."

"Oh, is he so badly hurt?" breathed Elaine.

"It bleeds frightfully, miss. It struck him fairly between the eyes," explained the girl.

"It seems so strange that he did not move out of the way. He seemed to be looking straight at it."

"Mr. Arthur is blind, miss," said the maid gravely.

"Blind!" cried Elaine pityingly. "Oh, no—how dreadful!"

There was a murmur of voices in the next room and a man appeared with a roll of bandages in his hand.

"Mr. Arthur wishes to know who is here, Mary?" he said.

"The young lady next door. She came to see if he was badly hurt. It was her flower pot that fell."

"Please ask her to come in here, Mary," said a man's impatient voice, and in response the three of them hastened to enter the open door of the dining room.

Elaine's victim was lying on a broad leather-covered couch and James' skillful hands had neatly bandaged his eyes. Elaine could only see a fine forehead, with dark hair brushed smoothly back, the end of a handsome nose and firm, well-cut lips.

"I am so sorry!" she breathed impetuously.

"That's the voice!" he cried excitedly. "You were singing," he went on eagerly.

"Yes," she replied. "You sounded so happy—I was wishing I could see you—my confounded eyes—" he ended abruptly.

"And I have made them worse," trembled Elaine, very near tears. "Hardly—the earth and the plant

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Sunday School at 10 a. m.

M. E. Darsey, Superintendent.

CHRISTIAN:

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Rev. J. W. Shockley, Pastor.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.

T. H. Leaverton, Superintendent.

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Now he could actually see her and she was as fair as her voice. He used to marvel how anyone could live in Mrs. Frick's dreary domain and sing so cheerily.

Round-eyed children eyed him with amusement as they sang and it was a gurgle of merriment that attracted Elaine's attention. Her voice ended suddenly and the childish voices trailed into silence.

"What do you want?" she asked gravely.

"I heard your voice singing," he said humbly, "and I wanted to actually see you."

"Oh, are you Mr. Pierce. Won't you come in?"

He came in and Elaine gave him a seat on the low platform.

"You can see?" she said gladly.

He explained the nature of his temporary blindness.

"I'm glad it happened," he said bluntly. "If it hadn't I never should have met you."

"Some day I shall have a real garden—with worms and caterpillars and everything," she laughed to cover her confusion.

"I'm sure you will," he said with sudden gravity.

The next day he bought an old-fashioned place in the suburbs. For months he supervised its repairs and remodeling, and one October day he took Elaine to see it and asked her to be his wife.

"I really can't resist this lovely garden," she said, with a happy smile.

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Fruit Trees Along Roadside.

J. H. Taylor recommends the planting of fruit trees for shade along country roads. He suggests that the owner of a row of maple trees gets no fruit from them, and that he might plant fruit trees in the same spirit, letting travelers have what they desired as they passed along. It is not uncommon to meet with a nice apple, pear or cherry tree now along country roads, but in the vicinity of cities, where boys are numerous, they play havoc with such trees.

were loosened from the pot and struck me first, breaking the blow of the pot itself. Doctor Hurd will fix that up in a trice. Tell me what you were doing, please."

Elaine sat down and told him about her window garden and how it had been inspired by his own well-kept plot next door.

He listened eagerly and nodded his head many times as if he understood just how she felt about boarding houses and back yards that ought to be gardens and persisted in being back yards.

By the time she had finished, the doctor arrived and she listened palpatingly to his report.

"A bad bruise—it won't help the eyes any," growled the physician.

Elaine turned to go. There was nothing she could do save to express her contrition for the accident. The doctor looked at her severely, the maid was quite haughty and James wore a look of stern disapproval.

The door closed behind her and then Arthur Pierce lifted his head. "Who went out?" he demanded sharply.

"The young lady," murmured the maid.

"She didn't say anything," protested Arthur; "she went away without a word."

"She was crying, I think, sir," explained Mary.

"Crying—and for me?" He jumped up and paced the floor restlessly. Later in the day, he told Mary to go and ask Mrs. Frick for the name of the girl who had the window garden.

Mrs. Frick cheerfully supplied the name, but of Elaine's present whereabouts she professed profound ignorance.

"I told her I wouldn't have any messing around with flowers and that my neighbors would be suing me for damages what with her carelessness in dropping flower pots about, and so she packed her trunk and went away—good riddance I say."

When Mary repeated this conversation to her master, Arthur frowned blackly. "If I hadn't been out there listening to her singing, the pot would not have landed between my inquisitive eyes," he groaned.

Three times during the ensuing week Elaine telephoned an inquiry concerning Arthur's injury, and when Mary told her the last time that all traces of it had disappeared the inquiries ceased.

It was six months after that when Arthur Pierce walking through the street heard Elaine's voice once more. She was singing the same song and with her voice there blended a score of childish trebles.

SUMMER TIME!

Next month is June. The play-time month. The month for picnics, parties and weddings. This month is May. The month for work. If you are not ready for summer's hot days, get ready now! Our large stock of well selected merchandise will make your task pleasant and easy.

<p>Dress Goods</p> <p>Our line of dress goods and wash fabrics is completeness in itself. We are showing pretty patterns in all the popular shades and stripes at per yard..... 10c to \$1.50</p> <p>Our farsighted buying in lawns, flaxons and other white goods enables us to give you better values than others who bought late.</p> <p>Mary Newton Middies</p> <p>We have received a new shipment of these famous blouses for women and misses and they are coolness in themselves. All of the popular summer styles... 50c \$1.00</p> <p>Low Quarter Shoes</p> <p>This has been the biggest spring shoe season we have ever had and this is due to our newness of styles and popular prices. We are showing misses' and children's pumps and oxfords in all sizes.</p>	<p>Ladies' pumps, strap pumps and Baby Doll at..... \$2.25 to \$3.50</p> <p>Men's low quarter shoes in button and lace at..... \$2.50 to \$5.00</p> <p>We have the 'fastest' selling line of hosiery in Grapeland. Prices range from per pair.... 10c to \$1.00</p> <p>A full line of colors.</p> <p>Ladies' Ready-to-Wear and Muslin Underwear</p> <p>At all times we have in stock the most seasonable waists, hats, skirts, coats, etc. We will receive this week a big shipment of Palm Beach and other wash skirts which we will sell at popular prices.</p> <p>We have a pretty showing of undershirts, pants, gowns, chemise, etc., in our muslin line.</p> <p>Parisiana Corsets</p> <p>This line of corsets is the most satisfying of any line of popular priced corsets. We have them</p>	<p>with all the new lines—just right for the new dress styles—\$1.00 and up.</p> <p>Paris Model Corsets..... 50c</p> <p>Special orders on Flexibone corsets..... \$1.50 to \$15.00</p> <p>These corsets give comfort to the wearer and we take pleasure in ordering extra sizes.</p> <p>Standard Patterns</p> <p>We have the largest stock and most complete assortment of patterns in Grapeland. We receive new patterns every week. This is the second largest pattern concern in the world and the styles are absolutely authentic. Come in and get a fashion book. They are free. We shall be glad to have you look through the newest designer at our pattern counter any time.</p> <p>Men, Comfort is Yours!</p> <p>It awaits you at our store. We are always ready to serve you with</p>	<p>the season's newest goods in wearing apparel and invite your inspection.</p> <p>Palm Beach suits... \$6.50 and \$7.50</p> <p>Styleplus Suits \$17 (Always the same.)</p> <p>Woolen suits \$10 and up</p> <p>Palm Beach pants..... \$3.00</p> <p>A big lot of men's pants just received at..... \$1.50 to \$5.00</p> <p>Dress shirts..... 50c to \$3.00</p> <p>We are particularly proud of our line of Straw Hats. First, because of the nifty styles, and second, because we are giving better values than anybody else.</p> <p>Genuine Panama hats, 3 styles \$3.00</p> <p>Italian Panamas..... \$2.00 to \$2.50</p> <p>Leghorns and Hems, \$1.50 to \$3.00</p> <p>Other straws \$1.00 and up</p> <p>We have a big lot of SILK HATS in all colors at..... 50c</p> <p>A big line of field straws at..... 10c to 35c</p> <p>A big shipment of Boys' Suits and extra Trousers just received. All sizes. At..... 50c to \$2.00</p> <p>Boys, we give you a fair deal!</p>
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THURSDAY, MAY. 11, 1916

THE WRONG IDEA

The price of paper has gone "sky western crooked," and it looks as though there will be no end to the advance. Every few days we receive a new price list marked "subject to change without notice." The printers are certainly getting it in the "neck."—Grapeland Messenger.

Brother Luker, of The Messenger, has the wrong idea of this paper situation. There's no need, so far as we can see, of the newspapers "getting it in the neck." If you are buying potatoes for 25c a peck, and the grocer has to pay more today for them than he did yesterday nine chances out of ten YOU will pay the increase. This rule should apply to all kinds of business. Printers never did get enough money for their work, and now is a good chance to put the business on a sound foundation. At the June meeting of the Texas Press Association in El Paso, this matter should be a

topic for serious thought, and consideration.—Clarksville News.

Houston County has an array of candidates for public office that would startle the average reader of a newspaper. The question bothering us is, who will be left to do the voting? Surely there ought to be a few natives left who might be afforded the opportunity of discharging this sacred duty.—Lufkin News.

BUILDING GOOD ROADS

The news comes from Grapeland that the business men of that town have sent out word to the country people that if a sufficient number of those living on any given road will decide upon any kind of road improvement, that the business men of Grapeland will rally to their support and aid them in a financial way as much so as required. The merchants and business men of that city realize the importance of good thoroughfares, and are willing to donate to their building. If the farmers of that section cannot grasp the opportunity now before them, they are to be pitied indeed. Good roads are the everlasting salvation of any community, whether it be the Grapeland community or the Lufkin section of the country—and the sooner all our people find this out the better off we will be.—Lufkin News.

B. T. Masters went to Crockett Monday morning to do jury service.

FORTY YEARS AGO

By J. L. Chiles

Daly's and Reynard communities as remembered by a boy when 14 or 15 years of age.

The boundary reached from the river as far down as Hall's Bluff east, beyond the little Elkhart creek; as far north as W. N. Sheridan's. The church and school house was an improved one and not the old log hut, but was a neat box house with windows in the side—one in the end and a door in the other. It was situated near Uncle Joe Keen's and Dr. F. L. Meriwether's and Uncle Jimmie Kyle's, right close to the present Grapeland road, opposite mail box No. 44. This is where we got what little book learning we have and was the first Sunday school ever attended. A black jack tree stood in the south end by the window and is still there now, by which you can tell the exact spot where the old house stood. A clump of some kind of trees marks the place where the mounting blocks stood and many a pretty girl has been helped on and off her horse, for very few came any other way. The same post oaks mark the bases of the old town-ball yard. G. W. Mobley attended this college and expect it was the highest he ever attended, and I wonder if he remembers how near he came killing the writer by hitting him on his enlarged spleen.

We had a large Sunday School and I am safe or nearly so, by saying that not a male member

was a member of the church, the Supt. not excepted, and a very few of the ladies. Capt. J. C. Wootters was superintendent and T. J. Keen, G. B. Moore and others were the song leaders, and my, how they could sing! They may not have understood the art, but they knew the sound, and that is the best part of music, anyway. Some of the new songs they sung were "The Sunday School Bells Are Ringing," "Holy Manna" and "Gentle Spring is Here Again." J. H. Beazley was the writer's teacher and he taught us many useful lessons aside from the catechism. We have a little Bible he gave us as a reward for something we did. We decided to have a Sunday school celebration and all form and march around the house. A large flag was made and all were to wear a badge, a bow made of pink ribbon. Miss Eliza Wortham, a Crockett girl who was visiting at Dr. Meriwether's, made my bow. The superintendent called for a volunteer to be flag bearer, and we were always kinder frisky and fussy, so we volunteered, and how proud we were carrying that flag at the head of the procession, and my, the dinner! The name of the school was "Elkhart Union," and the enrollment was 75 or a 100. We liked to go to Sunday school then and still like it and if we did not would think we had woefully backslidden.—To be continued.

Miss Jewel Turner who has been teaching at Norton, returned home last Friday.

THE TOWN SLOUCH

By ELI'S M. CLARKE



Cy Cawkins is Naturally Meek, but He Did Take A-fence In Deacon Wattles' Paster T'other Day.

That "man must work and woman must weep,"
Is well enough for a song,
But you'll find in practical life, my friend,
Th' poesy is dead wrong.
Man's usually snoozin' in bed, all steady
Enough 'til th' woman gets breakfast
ready.

TO ENTERTAIN OLD SOLDIERS

At a meeting held Tuesday afternoon, arrangements were completed for entertaining the old solgers when they meet here June 3.

All the necessary committees were appointed and a list of them will be published next week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Patton of Creath attended the closing exercises of the Union school Friday and Saturday nights, returning home Sunday, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Alice Montgomery, who has been teaching at Union.

LOCAL NEWS

Boys and men's Palm Beach pants at Darsey's.

Buford Carr has returned home from Alto, where he has been for several months.

LEXICON—The newest and most popular Arrow collar at Darsey's.

Jim Parker has accepted a position with the City Meat Market.

Miss Maudess Holcomb of Alto is visiting Miss Ora Gainey of near Augusta.

Frank Allen has moved his stock of goods into his new building on the west side of the railroad, opposite the depot.

Miss Maud Eaves left last Thursday for Ratcliff to attend the closing exercises of the school.

New Arrow Collars in regular and quarter sizes. 2 for 25c. All shapes—All heights at Darsey's.

Stell Sharp of Latexo was here Saturday meeting our people and pressing his claims for commissioner.

JERSEY BULL CALF

FOR SALE—A bargain for someone who wants a good bull. Geo. E. Darsey.

Darsey's store—not best because it is the biggest but biggest because it is best. Quality did it.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Hall's Catarrh Cure has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the Blood on the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison from the Blood and healing the diseased portions. After you have taken Hall's Catarrh Cure for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Cure at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Miss Eleanor Granberry of Cabot, Ark., is here on a visit to her brother, W. D. Granberry.

Drs. Sam Kennedy and P. H. Stafford are in Galveston this week attending the state medical convention.

Dr. and Mrs. Chas. Hill of Daly's are spending this week in Galveston attending the state medical association.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Driskell returned Saturday from Troup, where they have been visiting relatives.

FOR SALE

Fresh Jersey milch cow. Mrs. Wright Pridgen. Grapeland, Route 3.

Jim Ryan is spending the week at his old home in Centerville, having been called there on account of the sickness of his mother.

Chess Davis, a prosperous farmer living in the Ioni community, is the latest to acquire an automobile, having purchased a 5-passenger Ford.

Warner Eaves, who has been teaching at Gouldbusk, is at home to spend the summer with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Eaves.

John R. Owens left Monday night for Waco to attend a church and Sunday school convention, going as a representative of the Christian church of this city.

COMING WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

"Brewster's Millions" in 5 reels. See this picture and see how quick Brewster spent a million dollars. Full of good comedy. Electric Theater.

Mr. Ector Finch and Miss Luna Guice were married Sunday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Guice, who live a few miles northwest of town, Esq. Jno. A. Davis officiating. The Messenger joins friends in congratulating these young people and wishes them a long and happy life.

STRAYED--REWARD

Jersey male about 14 months old. No marks or brands. Liberal reward paid for recovery.

Eugene Walling, Grapeland, Route 1

FOR SALE OR TRADE

A piano; with little repair can be made as good as new, square upright; will sell, or trade for livestock, or anything of equal value. See J. F. Martin.

PARKER RE-UNION

The Parker re-union will be held at the graveyard Sunday, May 21. Everybody is invited to come and bring dinner.

All singers come and bring your song books and spend the day in a friendly manner. Welcome address by Arthur Owens, followed by O. C. Goodwin. Parker Bros.

Why leave Grapeland to have your eyes fitted with glasses?

We have arranged with Dr. Shelfer, who has been making regular visits to the larger towns of east Texas for several years, to make regular visits here, and owing to the inclemency of the weather during this visit, he has decided to come back next week and will be with us Thursday, May the 11th, one day only.

We insist that you come in, get acquainted with Dr. Shelfer and the class of work he is doing in the fitting of spectacles and eyeglasses. He makes a specialty of prescription work, fitting those others fail to fit, and your glasses will be ground in Houston where the prescription is kept on file that you may have them duplicated at any time in case you break them.

Remember the next date, Thursday, May 11th, Leaverton's Drug Store.

Attorneys Earle Adams Jr., and Marvin Ellis and Mack Hale of Crockett were here Saturday, having business with the justice court.

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SINGING CONVENTIONS AND MUSIC TEACHING

Salmon, Texas, May 8, 1916.—The writer, accompanied by Dr. C. L. Cromwell and wife, and misses Myriam Weisinger and Lucretia Collins, attended the singing convention at Shiloh last Sunday, the doctor carrying us down in his new car.

Attending this convention has called forth this letter. Now, I believe in conventions and all-day singings. I know of no better way to prove my attitude toward same than by the following poem:

"If time would deign to measure
From out his cob-webbed cask,
Such brimming draughts of pleasure
As I might choose to ask,
I'd ask no round of revel
In marble mansion hall,
But to an humble level
My desires would fall.
And just to set hope ringing
And make the pulses bound,
I'd want an all-day singing
With dinner on the ground."

I'll say again that I certainly do believe in all day singings, where we can all meet together in mingling our voices in singing praises to our Master. Yes, we can sing the gospel just as effectively as we can preach it, and sometimes with more effect.

Some of our greatest preachers and leaders date their conversion back to the singing of some simple song. So in order to believe the Bible, I am bound to believe in singing the gospel, but I want to go on record as standing out four-square against the way some of our conventions and all day singings are conducted. (I mean on Sunday.) For instance, the first thing you hear when you get on the ground is "Ice cold soda water and lemonade!" As to the singing, I am bound to admit that some of it was very good, but

lister: At times if you did not know it was a singing convention you would mistake it for a negro minstrel or vaudeville show. Again, if you were a bystander the chances are you would mistake it for a great political speech by Wilson on preparedness. I mean by this the

amount of whooping they do sometimes.

We as christian people are commanded to let our lights shine, and I want to ask in all sincerity, if our light has not become darkness when we are so conducting ourselves. Ah, yes! We know that such like tickles the fancy of some, but is that doing what God would have us do? The divine injunction is to sing ni the spirit and understanding and also sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Nowhere can I find in Holy Writ scriptures that will bear us up in the way some of our singings are conducted.

I am sure there is no one reading this can accuse me of being a knocker or a fault-finder, and if it is knocking such men as Cornelius, Showalter, Edmonds, Lincoln, Pounds and Patton are all knockers, for they are certainly against singing conventions being conducted in such an unchristianlike manner.

Now, as to music teaching. There is only one way that it should be taught and that is the right way. Real music teaching means by far more than learning to play or sing a few songs by heart. However, there a few so-called teachers who are ready to call you down and turn a deaf ear when you undertake to explain how music is really taught. Music is music, and teaching one to sing correctly is at the same time teaching them to play. It is one of the deepest sciences known. It involves deeper thinking and greater intellect than most any other one thing. The reason so many skim along on the surface or fall by the way side is because it is too deep for them. I want to be known as standing four-square for religious singing conventions and all-day singings and also for the correct way of teaching music. So will close with the following little poem:

"God sent his singers up on earth
With songs of sadness and of myrth
That they might touch the hearts of men
And bring them back to heaven again.

W. R. Campbell



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Clipped From Our Exchanges

Other's Views on Current Items

THE COMMUNITY AT WORK

When the people living in a rural community determine to have better citizenship as influenced by better schools, better churches, better roads, they will sooner or later have it. That is to say a few who oppose, as there will generally be with any step in progress, will not be able to keep the people from getting what they determine for the good of the entire community.

The difficulty then, in getting rural improvement is to secure the interest and help of a majority. There will be some who while, they have not the moral courage to oppose reform, will nevertheless refuse to help. They will leave the burden upon those who sincerely desire improvement and thus in not taking part with the active are helping the enemies of reform.—Farm & Ranch.

PROVING FAITH BY WORK

A clever little girl, distressed over a brother's bird-trapping, once provided a very telling example of the faith that is allied to work. Her mother, whose assistance she had implored in behalf of the birds, declined to interfere, but suggested that the child pray for her feathered friends. Presently noting that a serenity had succeeded the sadness, she asked for late details of the affair.

"Oh, it's all right, mama," came the prompt and smiling response. "I've fixed it three ways. First, I asked God to make Johnny a better boy, so he wouldn't want to be trapping the poor little birdies, then I prayed that no poor little birdie would get into the trap, and then I went out and kicked the darned old trap to pieces."—Ex.

Anybody who goes to bed a pessimist and gets up an optimist has had a good night's sleep.—Toledo Blade.

According to Sam P. Harben, editor of the Richardson Echo, one of his exchanges carries at its mast head the following: To avoid criticism, do nothing, print nothing. We'd like to see a copy of that paper? "There ain't no sich animal," as avoiding criticism in publishing a newspaper.—Clarksville News.

As one approaches the upgrade towards forty, the days seem to pass more swiftly, in fact the days when father time walked, traveled in buggy or a wagon has passed along. He travels in an auto nowadays and the days flit by with only a glimpse at each and they are gone, and the month has gone, and the year has gone before we are really ready to start.—Ex.

Under the law officers may invade the store, shop or stand of the merchants and compel him to keep food offered for sale protected from flies. The law compels the merchant to protect such goods. But when purchased and taken to the home, they may be left uncovered, in unscrubbed rooms, swarming with flies and there is no way to protect the users of the

food unless they do it themselves. The fact of disease being spread by flies and mosquitoes is so thoroughly established that it seems every person of ordinary intelligence would look to the screening of their premises, yet some of those so-called "the very best people" have neglected this and have kitchens and dining rooms filled with flies. The earlier the war on flies and other insect pests begins the easier it will be to guard against them when the real hot weather is here.—Austin American.

A six-cylinder American congressman recently replied to a hyphenated constituent who besought him to use his influence to cause this nation to coincide with the German submarine policy and thus avert war, in this wise: "War is better averted by the wrong yielding to the right than by right yielding to wrong, therefore address your pleas to Count Bernstorff and Von Hellweg, rather than to me." Hats off to such a statesman!—Venus Express.

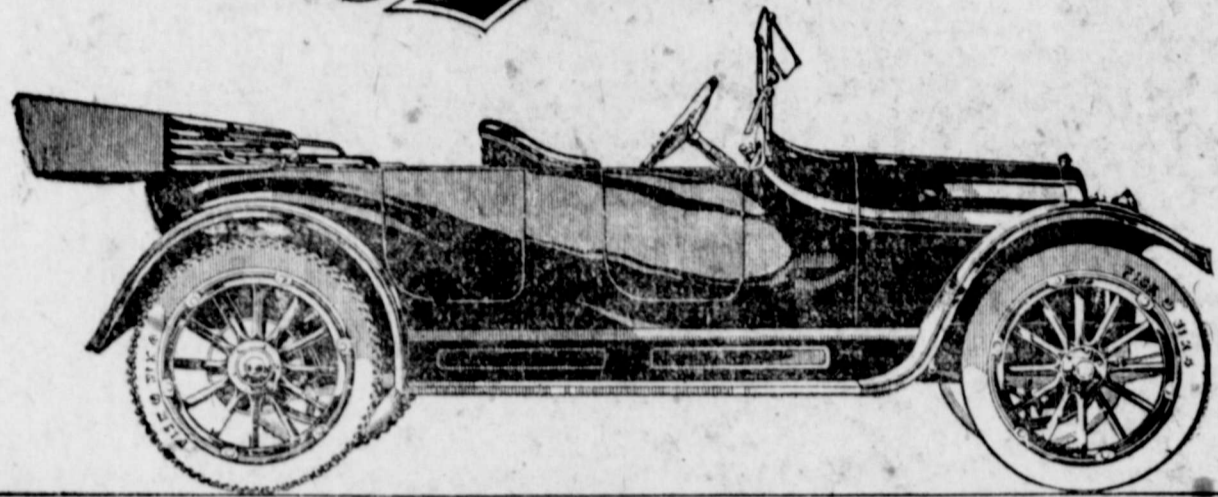
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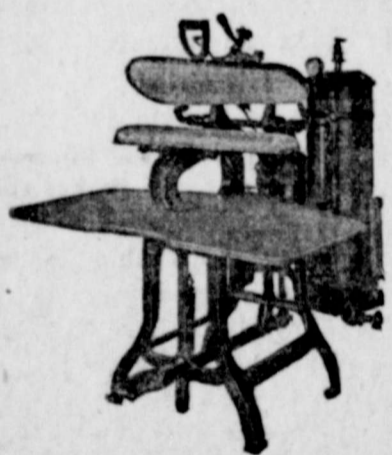
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By HERBERT KAUFMAN

Author of "Do Something! Be Something!"

HALF a century ago there were ten million acres of land, within half a thousand miles of Omaha, upon which not even a blade of grass would grow. Today upon these very deserts are wonderful orchards and tremendous wheatfields. The soil itself was full of possibilities. What the land needed was water. In time there came farmers who knew that they could not expect the streams to come to them, and so they dug ditches and led the water to their properties from the surrounding rivers and lakes; they tilled the earth with their brains as well as their plows—they became rich through irrigation.

Advertising has made thousands of men rich, just because they recognized the possibilities of utilizing the newspapers to bring streams of buyers into neighborhoods that could be made busy locations by irrigation—by drawing people from other sections.

The successful retailer is the man who keeps the stream of purchasers coming his way. It isn't the spot itself that makes the store pay—it's the man who makes the spot pay. Centers of trade are not selected by the public—they are created by the force which controls the public—the newspapers.

New neighborhoods for business are being constantly built up by men who have located themselves in streets which they have changed from deserted by-ways into teeming, jostling thoroughfares, through advertising irrigation.

The storekeeper who whines that his neighborhood holds him back is squinting at the truth—he is hurting the neighborhood.

If it lacks streams of buyers, he can easily enough secure them by reaching out through the columns of the daily and inducing people from other sections to come to him. Every time he influences a customer of a competitor he is not only irrigating his own field but is diverting the streams upon which a non-advertising merchant depends for existence. Men and women who live next door to a shop that does not plead for their custom will eventually be drawn to an establishment miles away.

The circulation of every newspaper is nothing less than a reservoir of buyers, from which shoppers stream in the direction that promises the most value for the least money.

The magic development of the desert lands has its parallel in merchandising of the men who consider the newspaper an irrigating power which can make two customers grow where one grew before.

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By Jno. R. Owens

HENRY VS COLQUITT

The Hamilton Herald, in it's editorials, favors Mr. Colquitt in preference to Mr. Henry for the senate. In commenting upon Mr. Colquitt, the Herald says in part: "If he (Mr. Colquitt) were elected to the senate he would represent the interests of Texas and help direct the policies of the democratic party instead of doing the bidding of Mr. Wilson or anybody else." In the Herald's comment on Mr. Henry, it says: "The people of Texas are entitled to the services of men of larger caliber than Henry." Texas has failed several times to get men of large calibre for its most important offices, and a small calibered man filling a large "calibered" office was demonstrated when Colquitt was Governor. If Texas deserves larger calibered men than Mr. Henry, for the state's sake, don't try to leave the impression that Mr. Colquitt would measure up to the required size. Mr. Henry is the best "timber" of the two, so why not show a little patriotism to our state and quit placing 22 caliber men in the 44 caliber jobs? It won't work, for it has been tried too much already.

No doubt there is lots of food for thought, but this kind of food is not sought after as much as the other kind.

Fried frog legs and pickled pigs feet may be considered good, but please excuse us from oiled okra.

No, ladies, not all men are beasts. There are times when the beast would object to the comparison.

We have been wondering what State Topics will fill its columns with when Texas goes dry. We suppose it will increase the space now devoted to "McLemore in Congress."

England newspapers, in their comment and criticism on the late note from Germany to the United States, show plainly that their chief desire at present is to drag U. S. into the conflict.

Grapeland still holds the blue ribbon as a trade center. The other day a man from a nearby town said Grapeland does more business in one ordinary day than his town did in a week.

Our idea of an undeserving, unappreciative and undesirable man, is one who had gone to the dogs when some good woman married him and made him better, and he took all the credit himself.

A Symbol of Health

The Pythagorians of Ancient Greece ate simple food, practiced temperance and purity. As a badge they used the five pointed star which they regarded as a symbol of health. A red five pointed star appears on each package of Chamberlain's Tablets, and still fulfils its mission as a symbol of health. If you are troubled with indigestion, biliousness or constipation, get a package of these tablets from your druggist. You will be surprised at the quick relief which they afford. Obtainable everywhere.

BAD TASTE IN THE MOUTH

Coated tongue, foul breath, dizziness, and a tired, lazy feeling indicates a torpid condition of the liver and impaired digestion. To get rid of this misery, take

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IT IS A THOROUGH SYSTEM PURIFIER

It drives out badly digested food and bilious impurities through the bowels, tones up the stomach, strengthens digestion, regulates the bowel movements and imparts a fine feeling of health and exhilaration all through the body. Try its excellent correcting properties. It gives you full value for the price. Sold by all druggists and dealers.

Price \$1.00 per Bottle

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D N LEAVERTON

Young Friend, Will You Give Orders or Only Take Them?

Poverty is no Barrier.

You Can Succeed!

The one thing absolutely necessary to success is the rugged determination that makes a fellow grit his teeth, clench his fist, and say, "I can because I will!" Your place in the world depends not upon circumstances, but upon You. Whether or not you will attain a high position in the work of your choice; whether you will give orders or only take them; whether your pay will be "wages" or "salary"—all this depends upon your determination. First, last, and all the time, he wins that turns a resolute face to the grim old world, and answers its challenge with an unflinching "I can succeed." Every man that wills it can be a success.

The supply of "average" workmen is usually greater than the demand. That is why the unskilled live so often in dread of idleness, with its specters of humiliation and discouragement. The market of unfrained help grows narrower with every invention of a labor-saving machine, and with every "examination" safeguard adopted by states or employers. The demand of today is for trained men and women. Men and women qualified to answer satisfactorily the world's unavoidable "What Can You Do?" Every busy business office demands the keeping of books, the handling of cotton, the filling in of contracts and other legal documents, shorthand, typewriting, or the operating of a telegraph key. Young man, young woman, can you do these things for which the business world pays handsomely? Say to yourself, "I can succeed, I will succeed," and write for catalog today, asking for credit plan if necessary. State confidentially your financial condition, and the course you are interested in. Make the start. Do It Now. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas. America's business training University. It has helped more than ten thousand boys, girls, men and women.

Prickly Ash Bitters cures the kidneys, regulates the liver, tones up the stomach and purifies the bowels. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

New spring samples are now on display. Many styles, reasonable prices, fit guaranteed. Be sure to see them. Clewis.

The ladies wonder how Mrs. B. manages to preserve her youthful looks. The secret is she takes Prickly Ash Bitters; it keeps the system in perfect order. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

WATCH THE DATE!

Our subscribers are requested to watch the date printed on the paper opposite the name and renew their subscriptions promptly. For an example, your name appears like this—

John Doe Mar 1 16

Means that the subscription expired Mar. 1st, 1916.

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"THE AUCTION BLOCK"

What Newspaper Reviewers Say of Our New Serial Story By Rex Beach.

"The Auction Block," by Rex Beach, stands out by the virtue of the humor which he finds in the wicked metropolis. It is a story that is especially American and especially worth while. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

In its healthy optimism, which includes the ability to squeeze a joke out of many a tight corner, "The Auction Block" is especially American. —Minneapolis Journal.

Those who have had personal experience in the society of which the author speaks, admit that he comes very close to hitting the nail on the head. The readers, to whom the whole thing is merely fiction, are entertained by the well-known Rex Beach style of telling things. —Burlington (Ia.) Hawkeye.

You can spot a tailor made suit every time you see it. And if you can spot it on others, others can spot it on you. Let us take your measurement today for your spring suit. Our new samples are on display. Look them over. M. L. Clewis

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 District Attorney, 3rd Judicial District.
B F Dent
Of Houston County
- For County Treasurer:
W M (Willie) Robison
Ney Sheridan (Re-election)
G R Murchison
J. H. Bobbitt
C. G. Lansford
Leonard Arnold
- For County Attorney:
J L Lipscomb
Sonley LeMay
J F Mangum
- For County Clerk:
O C Goodwin
A S Moore (Re-election)
Arthur Owens
D R Baker
Ed Cassidy
Jeff Kennedy
- For Tax Collector:
C W Butler Jr
W N (Will) Standley
T. R. Deupree
- For District Clerk:
John F Gilbert
Jno D. Morgan, re-election
Barker Tunstall
- For Representative:
J D (Joe) Sallas
W. F. Murchison
Dr. J. B. Smith
- For County Judge:
E Winfree (Re-election)
- For Sheriff:
R J (Bob) Spence
(Re-election)
- For Tax Assessor:
Ed Holcomb
John H Ellis (Re-election)
- For County Superintendent:
J N Snell (re-election)
- For Constable Prec't. No. 2:
John Scarbrough
(Re-election)
- For Commissioner Prec't. No. 1:
E E Holcomb (Re-election)
Oscar Dennis
Alvey D Grounds
C E Jones
- For Commissioner Prec't. No. 2:
J C Estes
J E Bean
S A (Silas) Cook
R T (Riley) Murchison
Stell Sharp
- For Justice Peace Prec't. No. 5:
Jno A Davis (Re-election)
- For Justice Peace Prec't. No. 2:
Clyde Story, (re-election)
R R (Riley) Sullivan
- For Constable Prec't. No. 5:
C. R. Taylor (re-election)

The annual memorial services were held at Evergreen cemetery last Friday and a large crowd was present. The people of that community certainly take a great deal of pride in their cemetery and keep it in first-class shape all the time.

A communication from Daly's was consigned to the waste basket this week because the writer failed to sign his name. We are glad to get letters for publication, but must know who write them. This is a rule all newspapers invariably follow.

**Bank No. 768
Official Statement
OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION
OF THE
Guaranty State Bank**

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 1st day of May, 1916, published in the Grapeland Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 11th day of May, 1916.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$40,402.51
Loans, real estate	2,187.93
Overdrafts	31.00
State and county warrants	930.61
Real estate, (banking house)	3,428.90
Furniture and Fixtures	2,189.40
Due from approved reserve agents, net	14,013.59
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net	1,203.80
Cash Items	16.75
Currency	2,999.00
Specie	2,446.40
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	679.73
Other resources as follows: Money in transit	56.00
Total	70,585.62

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	3,500.00
Undivided profits, net	2,594.79
Individual deposits, subject to check	44,214.07
Time Certificates of Deposits	5,253.01
Cashier's Checks	23.75
Total	70,585.62

State of Texas, County of Houston.

We, C. W. Kennedy as president, and U. M. Brock as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

C. W. KENNEDY, President.
U. M. BROCK, Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 10th day of May, A. D., nineteen hundred and sixteen
Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

J. N. A. DAVIS, Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.
Correct—Attest:
W. H. Holcomb } Directors
M. P. Herod }
E. G. Walling }

Chamberlain's Tablets Have Done Wonders for Me"

"I have been a sufferer from stomach trouble for a number of years, and although I have used a great number of remedies recommended for this complaint, Chamberlain's Tablets is the first medicine that has given me positive and lasting relief," writes Mrs. Anna Kadin, Spencerport, N. Y. "Chamberlain's tablets have done wonders for me and I value them very highly." Obtainable everywhere.

CHILDREN'S DAY

Next Sunday will be observed as Children's Day at the Methodist church. An interesting program has been arranged by the teachers and pupils in the Sunday school. The Sunday school will convene at 10 o'clock, the regular time and the program will occupy one hour from 11 to 12. The offering on this day will go to the general Sunday School Board of this conference for the purpose of extending Sunday school work in this part of the state. A large attendance and hearty contribution will be appreciated.

Tab Sadler of Palestine was a Grapeland visitor Saturday.

**Bank No. 183
OFFICIAL STATEMENT
Of the Financial Condition of the
Farmers & Merchants State Bank
At Grapeland, State of Texas,**

at the close of business, on the 1st day of May, 1916, published in the Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 11th day of May, 1916:

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$42,981.99
Loans, real estate	7,500.00
Overdrafts	169.09
Real estate (banking house)	2,983.03
Furniture and fixtures	2,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents, net	8,768.00
Cash Items	421.57
Currency	4,159.00
Specie	1,282.36
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	1,236.07
Other resources as follows: Collection in Transit	171.00
Total	\$71,672.11

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	12,000.00
Undivided Profits net	1,061.00
Individual Deposits, subject to check	37,876.92
Time Certificates of Deposit	5,518.73
Cashier's Checks	165.46
Other liabilities as follows: Dividend Unpaid	50.00
Total	\$71,672.11

State of Texas, County of Houston.

We, George E. Darsey, as President, and W. D. Granberry as Cashier of said Bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

GEO. E. DARSEY, President.
W. D. GRANBERRY, Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 8th day of May, A. D., nineteen hundred and sixteen. Witness my hand and notarial seal, on the date last aforesaid.

J. R. RICHARDS, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
W. G. DARSEY } Directors
M. E. DARSEY }
T. S. KENT }

OUR HONOR ROLL

- The following have our thanks for their subscription:
- Mrs T J Sullivan, Sol Adams, Grapeland.
 - J H Beazley, Route 4.
 - Miss Jewel Turner, Crockett, Route 1.
 - Louis Brimberry, Ekhart.
 - Mrs WH Conaway, Palestine.
 - A M Woodell, Merryville, La.
 - Seth Brimberry, Lewis Springs, Ariz.
 - H F Newman, Augusta.

Judge B. H. Gardner was here Saturday in the interest of his candidacy for district judge.

Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Cromwell left Tuesday morning in their car for a business and pleasure trip to Dallas.

T. H. Leaverton is erecting lumber sheds on his lots just north of the Brooks store preparatory to moving his lumber yard.

You can spot a tailor made suit every time you see it. And if you can spot it on others, others can spot it on you. Let us take your measurement today for your spring suit. Our new samples are on display. Look them over. M. L. Clewis

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