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\$1.00 Per Year

You Will Meet Your Friends at the

BARGAIN STORE

It is easier to save a dollar than it is to make a dime if you spend your money with us. :- :- :- :- :- :-

JUST ARRIVED—A shipment of Ladies Dress Goods, latest patterns

Dry Goods, Notions Shoes and Groceries

Don't buy until you see our goods and get our prices
A big line of Ready-made Dresses, Ready-made Skirts and Middy Blouses.

MY MOTTO: "SPOT CASH AND SMALL PROFITS"

W. R. WHERRY
Telephone 37 Free Delivery

An Evidence That Advertising Pays Good Dividends

Grapeland, Texas, July 24, 1917
Mr. Albert H. Luker,
Editor the Messenger,
Grapeland, Texas,
Dear Sir and Friend:—

We are very much gratified at the splendid results obtained from our ROUT 'EM OUT shoe sale advertisement in last week's issue of the GRAPELAND MESSENGER. Before all of our subscribers had received their copy of the paper, numbers of them had taken advantage of the splendid values we are offering in all summer low shoes.

We believe in telling the people about our goods in a truthful way and find that the MESSENGER is the best medium in Houston County to accomplish the best results.

Trusting that you will enjoy added prosperity during the coming season, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,
GEORGE E. DARSEY.

Official Returns of Election for Road Superintendent

	Holcomb	Ellis	Bayne
Augusta.....	73..	10..	9
Antioch.....	6..	0..	21
Ash.....	0..	5..	10
Arbor.....	3..	13..	17
Belott.....	7..	26..	5
Crockett (4 boxes)	23..	271..	160
Dodson.....	2..	0..	4
Daly's.....	5..	12..	3
Daniel.....	0..	7..	5
Freeman.....	0..	5..	10
Grapeland (2boxes)	172..	42..	78
Holly.....	0..	0..	23
Kennard.....	10..	14..	18
Lovelady.....	35..	36..	37
Percilla.....	5..	28..	9
Porter Springs...	4..	6..	25
Ratcliff.....	38..	36..	12
Shiloh.....	1..	6..	13
Tadmor.....	1..	4..	6
Tyer's Store.....	2..	3..	17
Volga.....	7..	6..	7
Weches.....	11..	20..	16
Weldon.....	5..	8..	44
Total.....	410..	558..	549

Ellis' plurality, 9

(No election held at Creek.)

W. G. Darsey, D. N. Leaverton, A. B. Spence and J. C. Kennedy were elected as Advisory Board for Grapeland Road District. Jack Driskell, Chas. Stevenson, Hayne Mainer and Alvin Waller were elected for Lovelady district, and C. C. Warfield, G. Q. King, E. B. Stokes and J. G. Millar for Crockett district.

NOTICE

To the citizens of Reynard and Daly's: Let's meet at Daly's Friday afternoon at 3:30 to attend to an important matter.

J. L. Chiles.

Mrs. A. H. Luker and little son, and her mother, Mrs. M. S. Spence, left Saturday night for Shreveport to visit Mrs. C. E. Dockery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Luce and children of Palestine visited relatives here Sunday.

Get Our Prices

on

Furniture

Hardware

Groceries

and Stoves

Don't buy until you see us.
We will save you money.

Free Delivery. - Phone us your orders

Keeland Brothers

THE PRICE IS THE THING

THE REVIVAL

A revival meeting is in progress at the Christian church this week, being conducted by the pastor, Bro. Shockley, and Evangelist Ford of Beaumont. Good crowds are attending and much interest is being manifested. Several new members have been added to the church.

BEST SURF BATHING AT GALVESTON, POPULAR LOW-RATE EXCURSION VIA I. & G. N. Tickets on sale for trains reaching Galveston P. M. Saturday, August 4 and A. M., Sunday 5th; limit to leave Galveston Monday, 6th. See Ticket Agent, I. & G. N. Ry.

NOTICE

All persons interested in the Parker Cemetery are requested to meet there August 3, at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of devising ways and means of erecting a shed for the benefit of the public.

Herod Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Hiroms of Augusta passed through early Monday morning enroute for Dallas, where they will visit the wholesale markets and purchase their fall goods. Mr. Hiroms only recently engaged in business at Augusta, but says he is enjoying a large volume of business.

C. T. Sims and son, Joel, are in Bryan this week attending the Farmers Short Course being conducted at A. & M. College.

Mrs. W. D. Dumont and daughter of New York City are visiting Mrs. Dumont's mother, Mrs. G. E. Whitley, and other relatives in Grapeland.

The Things You Need!

WE HAVE THEM

Plenty of Cotton Pickers' Sacks--8 oz Duck.

New Goods Arriving Every Day. Ask to see our New Gingham, Serges, Taffetas, Crepe de Chines, China Silks, Wash Skirts, Waists, etc.

Remember, our Grocery Department is Sanitary. No flies or dirt can touch the groceries you get from us. Just received some fresh Swift's Premium Hams; let us send you one.

We have plenty of Mason Fruit Jars in Pints, Quarts and Half Gallons.

We Want Your Produce
We Pay the Highest Market Price
Phone us your orders. We will deliver promptly.

W. H. Long & Co

East Side Railroad Traylor Bros. Old Stand
We are Funeral Directors and carry a complete stock of Coffins and Burial Goods. All calls, especially at night, promptly answered. Phone 109.

Specials

Lots of time is left for summer suit service. Lots of time for light weight trousers.

We are going to make some very SPECIAL OFFERS in these two items, beginning with this issue and lasting until AUGUST 11th.

All \$20.00 Summer Suits.....	\$17.75
All \$15.00 Summer Suits.....	\$13.25
All \$12.50 Summer Suits.....	\$10.00
All \$10.00 Summer Suits.....	\$ 7.50
All \$ 7.50 Summer Suits.....	\$ 5.00
All \$ 5.00 Summer Pants.....	\$ 3.95
All \$ 4.00 Summer Pants.....	\$ 3.05
All \$ 3.50 Summer Pants.....	\$ 2.70
All \$ 3.00 Summer Pants.....	\$ 2.35
All \$ 2.50 Summer Pants.....	\$ 1.95

Don't let these bargains escape you. They are values you can't afford to miss.

Remember us when you need anything in Dry Goods, Shoes or Groceries. Our stocks are full and you can supply your needs.

McLean & Riall

THE HOME OF DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE
FREE DELIVERY BOTH PHONES

To leave the Store without calling for "GREEN" Coupons is like leaving your Change on the Counter.

List of Numbers of Those Drafted for National Army

The Messenger prints below the list of numbers as they were drawn in Washington for the new national army.

We made an effort to get the county list, but the exemption board at Crockett announced that it would not be ready until Wednesday. That would not give us sufficient time to handle it.

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THE MESSENGER, GRAPELAND, TEXAS

Main body of the page containing a large grid of numbers, likely a telephone directory or a similar reference table. The numbers are organized in columns and rows, with some larger numbers at the top of each column.

(Continued Next Week)

THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

A. H. LUKER, - - Editor and Owner

Entered in the Postoffice at GrapeLand, Texas, every Thursday as Second Class Mail Matter.

THURSDAY, AUG. 2, 1917

Happenings in the Rock Hill Neighborhood

July 30—The farmers are most through work and are taking their fishing trips.

We think if the boll weevils, or something serious does'nt strike our cotton, we will be able to furnish our soldiers some clothing before another year.

Peanuts are fine in this part of the country. We all hope to have plenty of feed stuff, although our corn crop has fallen very short, on account of the drouth.

Mrs. Mary Blackwell and son, Walter, were visitors in the Antrim community Sunday.

Misses Luna and Leola Kolb, and Mrs. R. M. Brooks visited Mrs. Mary Gray of the Antrim community Sunday.

Mr. Sam Blackwell and family visited in the Antrim community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Streetman and family visited Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kiser Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Campbell of GrapeLand, visited homefolks and relatives a few days this week.

We postponed our prayer meeting this last time on account of being wearied from so many meetings, but will have it from now on at regular dates. Let's all come and bring somebody with us.

Mr. Arthur Brooks and family of the New Prospect community were among the visitors to our Sunday School Sunday. Others were, Miss Mary Hemby and brother and Mr. Ed Pierson of the Myrtle Springs community.

Miss Ola Willis has opened a summer school here. She has 21 pupils and is expecting more in the near future. Miss Ola taught this school last year and gave perfect satisfaction, so we are looking for some good work to be done this summer. She has a contract for the school another year.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Streetman have had a very sick baby, but we are glad to report that it is better.

Mr. Jessie Willis is at home from Jacksonville for a short stay among his homefolks and friends, and help during the meeting. He has with him two friends from Jacksonville.

Mr. G. W. Langham and family visited Mr. J. L. Nichols Sunday.

Mr. H. M. Streetman and family visited Mrs. Mary Gray Sunday.

"Norman."

Sam Parker came over from Lufkin Saturday, returning Sunday afternoon accompanied by Mrs. Parker and children, who have been visiting relatives here the past two weeks.

Henry Holcomb of Augusta returned Wednesday morning from Palestine, where he had been to see Mrs. Holcomb who is taking special treatment in a sanitarium.

Little Jack Spence broke his right arm Sunday morning while cranking a Ford.

Mrs. L. Meriwether of Crockett, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

ROUT 'EM OUT SALE

of all LOW SHOES will continue until

Saturday, August 4th.

HUNDREDS of our many friends and customers in and near GrapeLand and from other towns have profited by taking advantage of the extremely low prices we are offerering on all Summer Low Shoes. There will be ample time before cold weather to get your money's worth out of a pair of low quarters and it will not be folly to anticipate your wants for next summer and put aside a pair until then. There will be no material difference next spring and now---except in price.

YOU CAN STILL BUY FROM

Over a dozen Styles at \$2.10

A few Styles at . . . \$2.60

A choice selection at . \$3.10

Our entire line of **BILLIKEN LOW SHOES** has been reduced

Our entire line of **FLORSHEIM** low shoes is on aale at \$5.75

Don't delay: Don't practice false economy; buy what you need; help us TO KEEP BUSINESS BETTER THAN USUAL.

SOME TIMELY ARRIVALS

Owing to the lateness of the receipt of our ready-made mosquito bars on frames, we will close them out at, each \$2.00

You effect a saving of 50c as these bars are made full, with plenty of net and are \$2.50 values.

BUY GINGHAMS NOW

Now is the time to begin to get ready for school. We are showing a pretty array of gingham patterns and you can have the choice of nearly a hundred patterns. These prices cannot be duplicated:

Utility Bookfold Fast Colored Ginghams 15c

Eastern Maid B. F. Dress Ginghams 10c

Staple Check Ginghams 10c

WHITE LAWNS AND DIMITYS

We have a complete line of white lawns, checked lawns, pajama checks, etc., at 7c, 10c, 12 1-2c and up to 25c.

We are showing some pretty numbers in organdies, flaxons, batistes, and other white goods at 15c to \$1.00.

25 PER CENT DISCOUNT TO MEMBERS of THE NATIONAL GUARD

We will give any national guardsman a special discount of 25 per cent on any personal purchase for use while in camp at Ft. Worth. You will need Sox, Underwear, Towels, Tooth Brushes, Tooth Paste, Combs, Brushes, Shoe Polish, etc. Buy it here and you can **SAVE ONE-FOURTH** on your purchase.

George E. Darsey

THE SERVICE FIRST STORE

LOCAL NEWS

"Very Best" flour is the best.
W. H. Long & Co.

Miss Glennie Bush of Palestine is visiting relatives here.

No. 666 will cure Malaria or Billious Fever. It kills the germs.

Clay Starnes of Winona, was a Grapeland visitor Sunday.

Trunks and suit cases at W. H. Long & Co.

Miss Florence Keen of San Antonio is visiting relatives here.

Rub-My-Tism—Antiseptic, Anodyne—Kills pain, stops putrefaction.

T. D. Zackary brought us a great big water melon last Saturday. Thanks.

Let Clewis clean and reblock your old hat. Then it will look like a new one.

Luther Ward and family of Rayland are here on a visit to the family of J. L. Ward.

Miss Cora Belle Kent of Reynard was the guest of relatives here the latter part of last week.

BUTTER WANTED

We want to buy fresh country butter and will pay top market price for same. See us before you sell. City Meat Market.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured
with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Cure was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Cure is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.
All Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

City Barber Shop
Denson & Walton, Props.

Your Business will be Appreciated

Shop on main street, the new brick building, next door to the Guaranty State Bank.

LAUNDRY AGENCY

Laundry basket leaves Wednesday and returns Saturday

Plenty of 8 oz. duck at McLean & Riall's.

No. 666 will cure Chills and Fever. It is the most speedy remedy we know.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Jacobi visited in Crockett Sunday.

Miss Addie Hill left Sunday night for Forney to visit her sister, Mrs. Rhea.

We are equipped for all car repair work, including charging of batteries. Guice's Garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hancock of Weatherford visited relatives in and near Grapeland last week.

Clewis' Tailor Shop Phone No. is 73. Phone when you want work.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McCorkle of Route 2, announce the birth of a girl Friday, July 20.

Palm Beach suits cleaned and pressed for 50c. We do it right. Clewis.

J. L. Chiles of Reynard, visited friends here from Saturday until Monday.

Why send your batteries away when they can be charged at home? We are equipped to do the work. Guice's Garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Long of Augusta visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Cora Walling of Route 1 presented the force with a crate of luscious Elberta peaches Saturday, which were greatly appreciated.

BATTERIES CHARGED

We have installed a dynamo and can charge your batteries as good as anybody. Guice's Garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Beazley of Reynard, have returned home from Shreveport, where they visited relatives.

LOOK OUT for two Poland China pigs, male and gilt, both bald face, unmarked. If found please notify me. George Shaver.

STRAYED

One red two year old heifer and one small jersey muley cow—both branded ED on the left hip. Liberal reward to anyone finding these cattle or giving information leading to their recovery. Speer Darsey.

Local News Reported From Waneta Country

July 30—The protracted meeting at Hickory Grove closed Sunday with several additions to the church.

The Baptist meeting at New Hope began Monday, conducted by Rev. Weldon.

Mr. W. B. Moore and wife spent Thursday and Friday in Palestine on business.

Rev. Aron Foster and Mr. Will Lively have been at Buffalo Gap the past week. Rev. Foster has been conducting a meeting and Mr. Lively has been visiting relatives.

Mr. J. E. Edmondson was in Austin from Tuesday till Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Holcomb, accompanied by Misses Ollie and Roxie, of near Alto, visited relatives and friends here the latter part of the week.

Mr. Jess Sheffield and wife were guests of Mr. Andy Goff and wife Thursday.

Misses Ora and Cora Goff, of near Alto, have been visiting their cousin, Miss Carnelia Goff, the past week.

Mrs. Mary Lively happened to the misfortune of getting snake bit last Monday, but we are glad to know she is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Wilson visited at Augusta Sunday.

Mr. John Penick and wife were guests of Mr. Marsh Welsh and family Sunday.

Mr. Bob Cliburn and wife have been staying with Mrs. Susie Foster and children while Rev. Aron has been at Buffalo Gap.

Several from this place are attending a singing school at Hickory Grove.

Mrs. Buckaleu of Percilla was the guest of Mrs. N. B. Hendricks Saturday night.

Mr. Alton McKenzie and wife were at Charlie Hendricks Saturday night.

Mr. Chas. Killgo, wife and children visited at Slocum Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Eunice Edmondson was the guest of the Misses Dickey Saturday night.

Mrs. Allie Cliburn of Denson Springs, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lively, the latter part of the week.

Health of the community is very good with the exception of a few chills.

Mr. Tyer, come again with another good letter. We are all ways glad to read your letters. Bonnie.

Get a sack of Paris Special Flour at McLean & Riall's.

ONE MILLION

best pine shingles for sale at lowest prices, both sap and heart. Best cut shingles ever made. Patronize "home industry." For particulars see Kennedy Bros., Grapeland, Texas, or write D. E. Holcomb & Co., Augusta, Texas. 4t

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wilson are spending the week at Agusta with relatives and friends.

AUCTION SALE

To be sold at public outcry next Saturday in Grapeland between the hours of one and four o'clock, one chest of carpenter tools, including chest. John C. Williams.

1t. Paid.

John Murchison is carrying his right arm in a sling, the result of a cut with a piece of glass which required several stitches to sew it up.

Why You Should Trade WITH US

We have a full stock--if not in stock we get it for you.

We buy in advance of increased costs, hence can SAVE YOU MONEY.

We never substitute for we have the goods.

Our store is clean--free from objectional chance devices.

We treat all alike.

Our business is far BETTER THAN USUAL.

The Peoples Drug Store

"Honesty and Quality"

WADE L. SMITH



"SAFETY FIRST"

and profit afterwards is the rule in handling the money of our depositors. Read our last statement and judge for yourself how well the funds are invested, how ample the cash reserve and how easily convertible into cash the investments are. We invite the strictest scrutiny from intending depositors.

We Close Every Day Except Saturday at 4 p. m.

Farmers & Merchants State Bank

Don't suffer the misery of indigestion when you can get relief from Prickly Ash Bitters. It eases pain and drives out badly digested food. One dose does the work. Try it. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

A. E. Owens of Crockett was here Sunday.

TEXAS FARMERS' CONGRESS, COLLEGE STATION, AUGUST 1-3. FARMERS' SHORT COURSE, A. & M., JULY 30-AUGUST 4. Exceeding LOW rates. Tickets on sale via I. & G. N. July 29 to August 2, inclusive; limit August 5. See Ticket Agent, I. & G. N. Ry.

SERVICE THAT WINS

The service that WINS is the service that SATISFIES. Our service is that kind.

FIRST: We give you just what you want if it is in the house.

SECOND: We employ every effort to have what you want.

THIRD: We never seek to put off on a customer a substitute for an article called for, unless the customer so desires.

This three-fold policy has secured for us a line of SATISFIED CUSTOMERS of which we are indeed proud.

Ours is a drug store of SATISFACTION, and we want to SATISFY YOU

LEAVERTON'S
THE LEADING DRUG STORE

Patronize the New Market

WE HAVE

Fresh Beef Ham

Pork Sausage

CHEESE ON ICE

We Serve BEVO and SODA WATER

Telephone Us

Free Delivery

THE CITY MEAT MARKET

J. W. JONES & SON, Proprietors

To The People of Texas:

The railroads of Texas were built and are maintained and operated for your benefit. They are necessary for your welfare and happiness, else they would not have been authorized or constructed.

Legally, it is the duty of the railroads to furnish you with reasonably adequate and expeditious transportation service.

You are required to pay, in the way of freight and passenger rates and fares, enough to pay all of the necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the railroads and in addition thereto, enough to yield to the owners a reasonably fair return upon the value of the property devoted to your use and benefit.

The amount that you are required to pay is controlled by your public officers, acting under oath, and appointed by your President or elected by you. The amount that the public officials require you to pay is determined mainly by what it costs to operate the railroads. As you will see further on, neither the Interstate Commerce Commission or the Texas Railroad Commission have authorized the charging of more than is necessary.

The records of the railroads are kept in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Those rules require the operating expenses of the railroads to be kept separate from all other expenses.

Each month there is given out from Austin for publication a statement of the gross revenues of the railroads and their operating expenses.

These statements are correct as far as they go, but they do not tell all the truth, for the reason that they do not show the other expenses of the railroads, such as taxes, etc. These other expenses, taxes, hire and rent of equipment, rents of joint facilities, rents accrued for lease of roads and miscellaneous rents will, for the year ending June 30, 1917, amount to about seventeen million five hundred thousand dollars. Taxes alone will amount to over five million dollars. These expenses are just as legitimate and necessary as the expense of running the trains.

When these other necessary expenses are deducted, it will be seen that the railroads of Texas have earned during the year ending June 30 not over 6 per cent upon the value of their properties that are used exclusively for transportation purposes for your benefit.

For the eight preceding years the railroads of Texas had been operated at a net loss of over twenty million dollars.

While other legitimate business is paying dividends of from ten to fifty per cent per annum, surely no just man will object to the railroads occasionally earning such a small return on the value of their property. Surely they ought to be permitted to earn 6 per cent once in nine years without being complained at, or abused.

Out of the aforesaid return, the railroads must pay the interest on their bonds and other indebtedness and make betterments, etc.

Unfortunately, the inability of the railroads to earn anything like adequate returns makes

railroad investments very unattractive and accounts for the almost complete cessation of railroad construction.

More and better railroads are needed, but until the business and earnings of the railroads improve so as to favorably compare with other business, men with money will not invest in railroads, there being so many other avenues of investment where the returns are much larger and much more certain. Whenever the operation of railroads becomes reasonably profitable, money will be readily obtainable for building additional lines.

An analysis and understanding of the conditions of the railroads, physical and financial, will convince any fair-minded man that they cannot stand a reduction in either their freight or passenger rates, and give to the people anything like adequate service. If passenger rates were reduced, freight rates would necessarily have to be increased. Everyone who buys anything, shipped by rail, has to contribute to pay freight rates. Only those who travel extensively would want passenger rates reduced and freight rates increased. These few are more able to pay the present reasonable passenger fares than the masses of the people to pay greater freight rates.

To you who pay the expenses and are entitled to know the facts, this simple statement of the condition of these public service utilities is submitted and we most respectfully and earnestly ask your fair and intelligent consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

General Managers Texas Railroads Austin, Texas

"THE NEED OF THE HOUR"

Our country entered this war to fight for personal liberty of every down trodden nation, as well as to preserve our own freedom, and our success depends, not alone on our army, but upon every phase of our industrial life to sustain our army and just now the shortage of skilled office workers is very serious and will grow worse unless the young ladies and the young men who are too young or physically unable or otherwise exempt from war duty realize that it is their duty to acquire a business training immediately to come to the rescue of both the government and commercial organizations. Read the following announcement which speaks for itself. Washington, July 19.—The United States government needs, and needs badly, a great number of stenographers and typewriters, both men and women, for service in the departments at Washington, D. C. and the situation in federal offices outside of Washington is scarcely less urgent. The supply of qualified persons on the commission's list for this class of work is not equal to the demand, and the commission urges, as a patriotic duty, that citizens with this special knowledge apply for examination for the government service. At present all who pass the examination for the departmental service are certified for appointment, examination papers are rated without delay. Examinations for the departmental service in

Washington, D. C., for both men and women are held every Tuesday in 400 of the principal cities. Examinations for the field service (positions outside of Washington, D. C.) are held frequently.

W. B. SHUFORD,

Sec'y Civil Service Board.

The leading railroads are begging us for well trained young men and women to take places in their many departments, made vacant by the draft, and volunteer system, and are offering large salaries. You can prepare in America's most up-to-date and largest business training school of Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Telegraph, Cotton Clashing and Business Administration and Finance, to hold the position of your choice, either with the government, railroad or business house. The necessary literary work is given free with all our courses. When graduated, our free Employment department will place you in a position where your first three months salary will reimburse you for the entire cost of your course.

Write for our large free illustrated catalogue.

TYLER COMMERCIAL COLLEGE,
Tyler, Texas.

RETURNED FROM AUSTIN

Joe E. Edmondson, prosperous farmer of the Waneta community and prominent in agricultural matters of state, returned Sunday morning from Austin, where he had been to attend the Farmers' State Institute. Mr. Edmondson stated that crop prospects between here and Austin

are very sorry, especially after passing Oakwoods, and from information gathered from delegates in attendance from West Texas that country is in a sad plight. He said the best crops he saw on the route were between Grapeland and Palestine.

ORDAINED TO PREACH

At a special service held at Salmon Sunday, July 22, Sneed Taylor was duly ordained as a minister of the gospel of the Baptist faith. Mr. Taylor is a young man of splendid character and ability, and The Messenger joins his many friends in wishing him success in his chosen work.

ERADICATION OF CATTLE TICK

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County Texas, acting under Chapter 60, Article 7312, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and under authority of recent law enacted by the 35th Legislature of the State of Texas, for the "Eradication of Cattle Ticks", orders that an election be held at all the voting precincts of Houston County Texas on Saturday, Sept. 22nd 1917, and those voting at the said election in favor of the Eradication shall have printed or written upon their Ballots: "For Tick Eradication in Houston County," and those opposing shall have written or printed upon their ballots, "Against Tick Eradication in Houston County." And the same man-

Haphazard Building

Don't do it. It is never satisfactory and is always a source of regret.

Don't buy your supplies "here and there". After you have estimated exactly what you will need in your building, let us enter a bid to furnish

All of the Materials

We have all you will need, from the heavy rough timbers to the finest finishings, all of the BEST QUALITY of timber, accurately sawed and thoroughly seasoned. And it will be uniform.

Our experience is also at your service.

We have just received a car of

High Grade Cypress Shingles

If you want the BEST PAINT in the world, try MASURY.

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER CO.
EAST SIDE RAILROAD GRAPELAND, TEXAS

gers appointed by the Commissioners Court for the next two years in each precinct shall hold the said election and make due returns thereof in conformity with the law governing elections.
E. Winfree,
County Judge,
Houston Co., Texas.

When there is hard work to do in hot weather Prickly Ash Bitters proves its worth as a stomach, liver and bowel purifier. Those who use it stand the heat better and are less fatigued at night. Wade L. Smith, Special Agent.

Growing Wheat in Houston County is a Possibility

No movement that has been started by the Commercial Club has attracted the county wide interest equal to the suggestion that the farmers of Houston county grow enough wheat to supply their own requirements. The announcement was made at the beginning that if a guarantee that a thousand acres of wheat would be planted this fall a flour mill could be established at Crockett that would make our people largely independent of shipments of flour made from the outside.

Immediate responses from all sections of the county began coming in, and at a rate that proved conclusively that the farmers are in full sympathy with the movement. Up to last Saturday over four hundred acres had been pledged and several parties who are engaged in canvassing their neighborhoods had not reported. It now looks as if the number of acres would be nearer two than one thousand. To show that this idea of raising our own wheat is not confined

to Houston county, we quote from the Progressive Farmer: "In every wheat producing country in the southwest the farmers are planning to greatly increase the acreage devoted to wheat this fall. They seem to realize fully that there is a world wide shortage of wheat, and that bumper crops in this country for even two or three years will not materially lower the price. The soil will be thoroughly prepared by disking, plowing, disking and harrowing and the best wheat seed obtainable in each community put in with a grain drill."

Information as to the best variety of wheat for this section, together with the source of supply and cost, and other essentials, is being secured, and will be published or furnished upon personal application as fast as available.

Evidences of a sufficient number of reapers and threshers to properly take care of the crop that may be grown in this county are daily coming to the surface, and no farmer need hesitate about planting a few acres on this account. A series of meetings at country school houses in the interest of this most important movement will be inaugurated this week.

H. A. Fisher.

STOCK LAW AND HOG ELECTION

On petition presented to the Commissioners Court this 10th day of July, 1917, for both "Stock Law" and "Hog Law" election, to be held for the benefit of Grapeland, Hays Spring and Woodland Hall school Districts, to prevent from running at large, horses, mules, cattle, sheep, hogs and goats, notice is hereby given that an election will be held at Grapeland voting precinct for the benefit of all the said voting Districts on Tuesday the 21st day of August, 1917 to determine whether any such class of animals shall be permitted to run at large within the territories of each of the above described precincts or school districts, and the present managers of Grapeland voting box appointed by the Commissioners Court to serve for the next two years, shall hold the said election and make due returns thereof in conformity with the law governing elections.

E. Winfree,
County Judge,
Houston Co., Texas.

ELECTION FOR CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Under Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas Amended by the 35th Legislature of the State, for the Conservation and development of all the natural resources, such as may be created within the State of Texas. Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at all the Voting Precincts within said Houston County Texas on Tuesday, 21st day of Aug. next, 1917, and at said election the vote shall be by official Ballot, which shall have printed

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All votes favoring the Proposed Constitutional Amendment shall erase the words "Against the Amendment to Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for Conservation of Districts, the creation of such Districts and their Government and Regulation", which said erasures shall be made by making a mark with pencil thru said words. The same election managers already appointed by the Commissioners Court to serve for the next two years shall hold said election in each voting precinct in said county and make due returns thereof

in conformity with other elections so held. E. Winfree,
County Judge
Houston Co., Texas.

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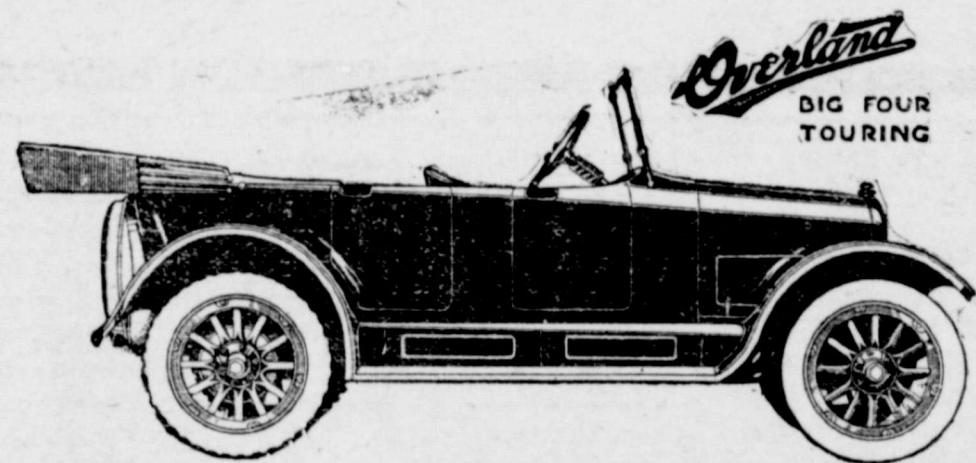
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Local Happenings in the Lone Star Community

July 30.—Our protracted meeting came to a close Saturday at 11 o'clock at the water, there being one baptized.

Our Sunday school is still gaining. On with the good work! But there are some like the preacher said, have got nothing but "summer religion;" they don't want to be anything and try to hinder the cause of Christ.

It was our good fortune to attend the meeting at San Pedro bridge Sunday. The meeting is just in its infancy, but with help of the good people we feel sure much good can be accomplished by Bro. J. F. Lively, who is conducting it.

We lacked to have forgotten it, but you remember we whispered dinner on the fourth Sunday, and my, what a dinner it was! There was plenty for all and more besides, unless the editor and H. A. Tyer had been present. The good ladies should be thanked for they had all a hungry man could ask for.

John R. Owens, who has been with The Messenger almost continuously for ten years, has resigned and accepted a position with McLean & Raill as office man and bookkeeper. He entered upon his new duties Monday morning.

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The horrible news comes from Arkansas that a boy climbed a corn stalk to see how the corn was getting along and now the stalk is growing up faster than the boy can climb down. The boy is plumb out of sight. Three men have undertaken to cut down the stalk with axes and save the boy from starvation. It grows so fast that they can't hit twice in the same place. The poor boy is living on green corn and has already thrown down four bushels of cobs. He is anxious to be rescued so he can order a good suit of clothes from Clewis.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sam Walker, who have been visiting relatives at Laxeco, have returned to their home in Ft. Worth.

SHOT FROM AMBUSH

Frank Brown, negro, was shot from ambush last Thursday evening while returning to his home from Augusta. Two shots were fired at him with a gun loaded with buck shot, inflicting a few flesh wounds and one shot went through a lung. His condition is not thought serious. Brown stated he did not know who it was that fired at him, but officers have arrested Will Norman, another negro, on suspicion and placed him under bond. Brown shot and killed his wife several weeks ago after she had cut him with a knife and this attempt on Brown's life is thought to be an aftermath of that trouble.

Rev. G. W. Henderson has returned from Jourdonton, where he has been visiting his son.

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Lenard Morgan has returned from Austin, where he has been attending school at the State University.

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