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State and General News

A statement given out at Washington a few days ago says the war is costing the country a billion dollars per month.

Petitions are being circulated in many parts of the state asking members of the legislature to support all measures in favor of equal suffrage.

A man was convicted in New York a few days ago for forcibly kissing his wife after she had refused to "make up" with him following a quarrel. Served him right.

A half million dollar mattress factory, with a capacity of 500,000 to 600,000 mattresses a year, will be opened in Dallas within a few weeks. It will be used to make mattresses for the war department.

Passenger train service in the entire western part of the country is to be reduced one-third or more, it has given out from Washington. Officials state that the reduction will not result in any serious inconvenience to passengers.

David Heath, a 10-year old boy, was accidentally killed a few days ago on the J. R. Cook place on the Trinity river not far from Oakwoods. Blake Rose was grubbing sprouts when the boy ran up behind him and received a heavy blow as the hoe swung into action.

To conserve the fast disappearing supply of wheat flour in Texas, Food Administrator E. A. Peden has notified all district food administrators that only 12 pounds of flour will be sold to city consumers and 24 pounds at a time to country consumers. The old rule as to substitutes continues in effect.

Fire swept the business section of Lancaster a few days ago, destroying all the buildings on four blocks in the heart of the town, with a loss estimated at \$300,000. The Herald plant was totally destroyed; but the paper is being printed in Dallas and did not miss an issue. A new plant has been bought for the paper and will soon be in use in a new building.

Clarence Ousley has been making speeches over Texas telling the farmers that corn is needed far more than cotton, and urging that cotton acreage be curtailed this year. Mr. Ousley is a well known Texan who is now working for Uncle Sam in the capacity of assistant secretary of agriculture. He evidently knows what he is talking about and the farmers would do well to heed his warning—as we believe they will do.

Announcement has been made by the Ford Motor Co. that work was started on February 22nd on a shipbuilding plant that is to turn out submarine-killers. The buildings, which are to cover five acres, will probably be completed in May. It is understood that the plant will employ between 10,000 and 15,000 men. The boats can be launched in a canal at the plant and taken to the Atlantic ocean via the Detroit river and Great Lakes.

The Texas legislature, in special session, has ratified the pending amendment to the federal constitution (the amendment providing for nation-wide prohibition) and some of the state's leading citizens and newspapers are displeased with the action taken. The argument has been made by many that action ought to have been taken by the next legislature, elected after the amendment was proposed, so that the voters in selecting their

representatives could have some say in giving instructions on the proposition. And now the Houston Post advocates the putting of the question of ratification or no ratification on the primary ballot in July and permitting the people of Texas to vote on it. The Post's argument is that as the legislature was called in special session to do certain things, its action on this matter is of doubtful validity and may be questioned in the courts.

The legislature is about to make an appropriation of \$2,000,000 from state funds for the relief of drouth stricken people in Central and West Texas, and Attorney General Looney holds that such appropriation will be constitutional.

Brunk's Comedians in their Big Tent Theatre will open a seven days' engagement in Crockett, starting Saturday, March 9th. This company has thirty people, a large band and orchestra and a seating capacity of 2,000 people. This is the same company that made such a hit in Crockett last December. The opening play Saturday night will be the great New York success—"The Shoplifter." The price is within reach of all—11 and 22 cents. Reserve seats 15c extra.

Walter Howard of route 1, was in to see us the other day and renewed his subscription and voted for his favorite in the contest. Mr. Howard has been subscribing for the Messenger a long time and is one of our valued patrons.

List of Grand and Petit Jurors for Spring Term of District Court of Houston County

The following named persons are to appear Monday, March 25, 1918, to serve as grand jurors for Houston county, Texas, and are to appear at 10 o'clock a. m.:

W. L. Vaught, Weches
J. C. Merriweather, Kennard
Wm. Bumgarner, Ratcliff
Hayne Mainer, Lovelady
O. T. Ratcliff, Ratcliff
J. W. Shipman, Weldon
Tom Waller, Crockett
J. W. Jones, Grapeland
T. F. Dailey, Grapeland
Oran Rials, Grapeland
Henry Newman, Augusta
Jim S. Shivers, Crockett
C. W. Kennedy, Grapeland
H. G. Jackson, Percilla
L. H. Morrow, Creek
J. B. Alexander, Belott

The following named persons are summoned to appear Monday, April 1, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., to serve as petit jurors for Houston county:

T. A. Green, W. A. Hager, Dan Gentry, R. F. Dickey, J. R. Turner, Leslie Neal, C. B. Lively, John Wolf, T. C. Cruse, A. Z. Bean, A. C. Pool, D. C. McCarty, W. M. Campbell, W. M. Newman, Jesse Eaves, S. H. Platt, G. W. Allen, J. L. Green, E. A. Brock, W. T. Dauphin, B. H. Brister, C. M. Baughman, C. T. Gaines, H. F. Hallmark, H. B. Cruse, Earle Parker, L. L. Ash, P. S. Christopher, Hill Huff, B. A. Speer, Dan F. Hill, J. M. Ellis, W. R. Steed, Luther Allen, D. L. Brooks, Henry Monzingo, W. O. Conner, J. L. Beard, W. T. Dixon, T. W. Graham.

If the shoes you have been buying failed to give satisfaction, try W. R. Wherry. 50tf

Don't Fail to see Our Line of Bridge Beach Stoves

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Shipment Matting Shipment Art Squares
Porch Swings Kitchen Cabinets

GROCERY SPECIALS

6 Pounds Best Green Coffee.....\$1.00
5 Pounds Best Roasted Coffee..... 1.00
\$1.00 Bucket Ground Roasted Coffee..... .90
Irish Potatoes, per peck..... .50
5 Gallons of best oil for..... .70
5 Bottles Garrett Snuff for..... 1.00
Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup, per gallon..... .90
No. 1 Kelly Points for..... .20
No. 1 Kelly Landsides for..... .20

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New Wearing Apparel For Men

We have just unpacked a splendid line of Men's Suits and Pants. They are nobby patterns and the prices are very attractive. You owe yourself the treat that is in store for you here. Come in and see our lines before you buy.

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Your Spring Season

Will be an assured success, young men, if you will buy your Hats, Shoes and Suits from us.

We have just received a big shipment of the Famous Arrow Collars, for the men who care for style, all the new styles in soft and laundered Collars.

Our Shoe stock is complete, also our stock of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods. Try us for your next bill.

Farm Implements

We have a complete line of Planters, Cultivators, Steel Plows, Kelly Plows, Georgia Stocks, Sweeps, Shovels, Hoes, Rakes, Garden Plows, in fact everything that you will need on the farm. Remember we have plenty of Fertilizer, and this is the year that it will pay to use it, because farm products are higher than ever before. Plenty of Triumph Seed Potatoes due to arrive this week.

BRING US YOUR PRODUCE

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Many thousands of women suffering from womanly trouble, have been benefited by the use of Cardui, the woman's tonic, according to letters we receive, similar to this one from Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C. "I could not stand on my feet, and just suffered terribly," she says. "As my suffering was so great, and he had tried other remedies, Dr. _____ had us get Cardui. . . I began improving, and it cured me. I know, and my doctor knows, what Cardui did for me, for my nerves and health were about gone."

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Treasurer's Annual Report

TO the Honorable Commissioners Court of Houston
County, Texas:

Crockett, Texas, February 1st, 1918.

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

Jury Fund, 1st Class

Balance last report	\$1085 92
To Amount received since last report	6686 16
By Amount paid out since last report, Ex. "A"	\$5051 15
" per cent Commission on amount received	133 72
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	100 82
Amount to balance	2486 39
	7772 08 7772 08
Balance	\$2486 39

Road and Bridge Fund, 2nd Class

Balance last Report	\$ 134 63
To Amount received since last Report	1919 21
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "B"	\$1953 25
" per cent Commission on amount received	38 59
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	39 07
Amount to balance	22 93
	2053 94 2053 94
Balance	\$ 22 93

General County Fund, 3rd Class

Balance last Report	\$ 744 71
To Amount received since last Report	23484 77
By Am't paid out since last Report, Ex. "C"	\$22411 37
" per cent Commission on amount received	468 20
" per cent Commission on Amount paid out	448 24
Amount to balance	901 67
	24220 48 24220 48
Balance	\$901 67

Jail Building Fund

Balance last Report	\$ 564 32
To Amount received since last Report	1745 99
To Amount transferred from other Funds since last Report	500 00
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "D"	\$1790 45
" per cent Commission on amount received	34 90
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	35 06
Amount to balance	949 90
	2810 31 2810 31
Balance	\$949 90

Road and Bridge Sinking Fund

Balance last Report	\$ 486 98
To Amount received since last Report	1745 99
To Amount transferred from other funds since last report	660 00
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "E"	\$1457 55
" per cent Commission on amount received	34 90
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	28 40
Amount to balance	1372 12
	2892 97 2892 97
Balance	\$1372 12

Road and Bridge No. 1 Fund

Balance last report	\$ 191 14
To Amount received since last report	1110 83
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "F"	\$1215 27
" per cent Commission on amount received	17 99
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	17 62
Amount to balance	51 09
	1301 97 1301 97
Balance	\$ 51 09

Road and Bridge Fund No. 1, Road Tax

Balance last Report	\$ 79 38
To Amount received since last report	213 40
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "G"	\$ 48 50
" per cent Commission on Amount received	4 27
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	97
Amount to balance	239 04
	292 78 292 78
Balance	\$ 239 04

Road and Bridge No. 2 Fund

Balance last Report	\$ 388 65
To Amount received since last Report	593 03
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "H"	\$ 869 87
" per cent Commission on amount received	9 60
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	18 64
Amount to balance	83 57
	981 68 981 68
Balance	\$ 83 57

Road and Bridge No. 2 Road Tax

Balance last Report	\$ 5 88
To Amount received since last Report	5 00
By per cent Commission on amount paid out	\$ 10
Amount to balance	10 78
	10 88 10 88
Balance	\$10 78

Road and Bridge Fund No. 3

Balance last Report	\$ 100 48
To Amount received since last report	2446 43
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "A"	\$2443 89
" per cent Commission on amount received	42 51
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	40 22
Amount to balance	20 29
	2546 91 2546 91
Balance	\$ 20 29

Road and Bridge No. 3 Road Tax

Balance last Report	\$ 66 75
To Amount received since last Report	50 00
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "B"	\$ 61 60
" per cent Commission on amount received	1 00
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	1 23
Amount to balance	52 92
	116 75 116 75
Balance	52 92

Road and Bridge No. 4 Fund

Balance last Report	\$ 195 50
To Amount received since last Report	2611 52
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "C"	\$2671 76
" per cent Commission on amount received	44 75
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	44 24
Amount to balance	46 27
	2807 02 2807 02
Balance	46 27

Road and Bridge No. 4, Road Tax

Balance last Report	\$14 71
To Amount received since last Report	41 20
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "D"	\$16 85
" per cent Commission on amount received	72
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	34
Amount to balance	38 00
	55 91 55 91
Balance	\$38 00

Road District No. 1 Fund

Balance last Report	\$ 188 77
To Amount received since last Report	1450 26
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "E"	\$1162 09
" per cent Commission on amount received	29 00
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	17 80
Amount to balance	430 14
	1639 03 1639 03
Balance	\$ 430 14

Road District No. 2, Sinking Fund

Balance last report	\$ 543 97
To Amount received since last Report	2469 74
To Amount transferred from other Funds since last Report	460 00
By Amount paid out since last Report	\$2279 27
" per cent Commission on amount received	49 42
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	46 58
Amount to balance	1098 44
	3473 71 3473 71
Balance	\$1098 44

Road District No. 3, Sinking Fund

Balance last Report	\$ 2551 58
To Amount received since last report	13925 04
By Amount paid out since last report, Ex. "G"	\$12066 32
" Amount transferred to other Funds since last Report	1620 00
" per cent Commission on amount received	217 11
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	242 70
Amount to balance	2330 49
	16476 62 16476 62
Balance	\$ 2330 49

Road District No. 3, Current Account Fund

Balance last Report	\$ 5 62
To Amount received since last Report	2908 64
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "H"	\$1869 07
" per cent Commission on amount received	53 52
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	33 72
Amount to balance	957 95
	2914 26 2914 26
Balance	957 95

Road District No. 1, Road Tax

Balance last Report	\$ 24 50
To Amount received since last Report	154 70
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "I"	38 42
" per cent Commission on amount received	2 50
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	77
Amount to balance	137 21
	179 20 179 20
Balance	\$ 137 21

Road District No. 3, Road Tax

Balance last Report	\$ 45 08
To Amount received since last Report	225 80
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "A"	\$265 99
" per cent Commission on amount received	50
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	4 49
Amount to balance	x xx
	270 88 270 88

State Highway

Balance last Report	\$782 97
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "B"	\$149 75
" per cent Commission on amount received	15 66
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	3 00
Amount to balance	614 56
	782 97 782 97
Balance	\$614 56

Lovelady J. P. Road District No. 6

To Amount received since last Report	\$547 72
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "C"	76 43
" per cent Commission on amount received	10 95
" per cent Commission on amount paid out	1 52
Amount to balance	458 82
	547 72 547 72
Balance	\$458 82

Road Construction Warrants Fund

To Amount received since last Report.....	\$2473 14	
By Amount paid out since last report, Ex. "D".....		\$2905 66
per cent Commission on amount received.....		33 23
per cent Commission on amount paid out.....		58 11
Amount to balance.....	523 86	
	2997 00	2997 00
Overdrawn.....		\$ 523 86

RECAPITULATION

Jury Fund.....	Cash on Hand.....	\$ 2486 39
County Fund.....	" " ".....	901 67
Road and Bridge Current Fund.....	" " ".....	22 93
Jail Building Fund.....	" " ".....	949 90
Road and Bridge Sinking Fund.....	" " ".....	1372 12
Commissioner Precinct No. 1.....	" " ".....	51 09
" " No. 1 Road Tax.....	" " ".....	239 04
" " No. 2.....	" " ".....	83 57
" " No. 2 Road Tax.....	" " ".....	10 78
" " No. 3.....	" " ".....	20 29
" " No. 3 Road Tax.....	" " ".....	52 92
" " No. 4.....	" " ".....	46 27
" " No. 4 Road Tax.....	" " ".....	38 00
Road District No. 1, Current Fund.....	" " ".....	430 14
" " No. 1, Sinking.....	" " ".....	1098 44
" " No. 3.....	" " ".....	2330 49
" " No. 3, Current.....	" " ".....	957 95
" " No. 1, Road Tax.....	" " ".....	137 21
State Highway.....	" " ".....	614 56
Lovelady J. P. Road District No. 6.....	" " ".....	458 82

TOTAL CASH ON HAND.....\$12302 58

ROAD CONSTRUCTION WARRANTS, Overdrawn.....	\$ 523 86
County Registered Unpaid Scrip.....	13478 60
Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Unpaid Scrip.....	2339 76
" " No. 1, Time.....	1763 10
" " No. 2.....	295 06
" " No. 3, Unpaid.....	3636 07
" " No. 3, Time.....	1494 75
" " No. 4, Unpaid.....	5495 60
" " No. 4, Time.....	2111 10
Road Construction Scrip.....	110000 00
Road District No. 3, Bonds.....	130000 00
Road District No. 1, Bonds.....	22000 00
Old Road Bridge Bonds.....	6000 00
Jail Building Warrants.....	12000 00
TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS IN BONDS, TIME WAR-	
RANTS AND REGISTERED WARRANTS.....	\$311137 90

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Houston } I. A. E. Owens, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing ANNUAL REPORT, showing the amounts received and paid out in the different funds of said County, and the amount of out-standing indebtedness of said County, is true and correct according to the records of my office and the reports of the County Treasurer now on file in my office.

WITNESS my hand and Seal of Office at Crockett, Texas, this the 14th day of February, A. D. 1918.

A. E. OWENS
County Clerk, Houston County.
By W. D. COLLINS,
Deputy,

SWORN TO and subscribed before me, this, 25th day of February, A. D. 1918.

E. WINFREE,
County Judge, Houston County, Texas.

Texas Will Brand the Slacker and Shoot the Traitor

Texas has sent her sons to the firing line to fight for home, honor and liberty, and the men and women remaining are going to make it possible for our boys to win by producing an abundant supply of food and fibre to keep not only our own soldier boys well fed and warm, but a surplus for the millions of hungry men, women and children in our allied countries.

The farmers understand that all cannot carry rifles and get behind the trenches, but with plow and hoe they will tickle the bosom of every sleepy acre of land in our great state and make it smile back with a bountiful harvest.

Texas will brand the slacker and shoot the traitor, and Texas farmers will show their loyalty by doing their full share to win the war and save the country for peace, liberty, happiness and prosperity.

—Col. F. P. Holland.

FOR CONSTABLE

Will Brumley of Percilla, authorizes his announcement this week as a candidate for Constable of Precinct No. 2, subject to the action of the July primary. Mr. Brumley has lived in that community about eighteen years, and is well known. If elected to the office to which he aspires, he promises a faithful discharge of his duties. We commend his candidacy to a careful consideration of the voters in that precinct.

FOR WOMEN ALSO

Women who complain of sick headaches, nervousness, constipation or the irregularities peculiar to the sex, revive wonderfully under the cleansing and stimulating properties of

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NEWS FROM SALMON

March 2.—The good rain that fell last Thursday night was a blessing that we all ought to be very thankful for, as the ground was surely getting dry and hard.

Some few farmers around here have planted corn, which we hope will come up and not get killed.

We are glad to see J.H. Gaines up and able to go again, after being sick so long. Also are we glad to hear that J. T. McKnight is improving after being down with a severe case of pneumonia.

L. N. Lasiter, Hub Starkey, Joe Redman and J. T. Starkey went to Palestine one day last week on business.

Miss Maybell Murdock visited in Palestine from Sunday until Tuesday.

The Red Cross meeting was well attended at the church last fourth Saturday night, and some new members came in. We have a membership of about sixty-five, and we want to make it a hundred soon.

Leslie Jackson, our district clerk, will speak at the church next Sunday evening on Red Cross matters. Come and hear him.—Reporter.

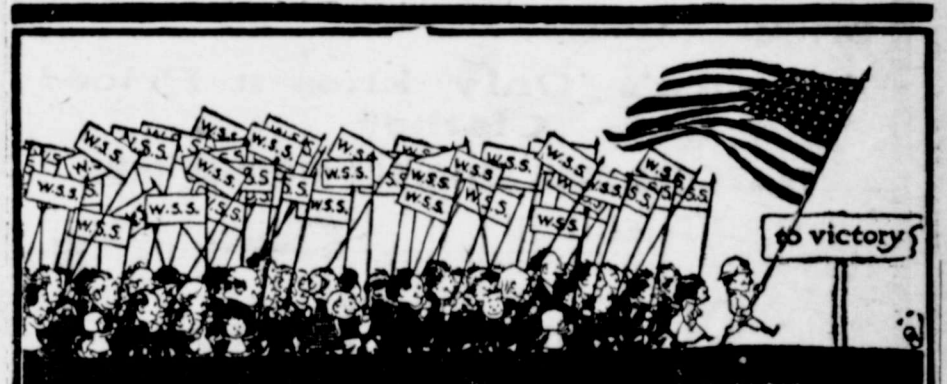
While the highly specialized farm represents the possibility of heavy losses on account of the tremendous fluctuation in production, and consequently in prices, of the products of intensive farming. In the greater portion of the country the great mass of farmers must gain their livelihood from the ordinary field crops and the common types of live-stock.

Alton Lively has accepted a position with Kennedy Bros. He has purchased the Driskell place and will soon move his family here from Waneta. We are glad to have these good people come among us.

If the bowels are clogged up, poisons get into the blood, causing loss of strength, skin eruption, dizziness and vertigo (blind staggers). Prickly Ash Bitters will open the bowels, drive out the impurities and restore

strength, energy and cheerful spirits. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

J. W. Howard will buy your peanuts and goober hay and pay the highest market price. tf



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See the crowd! It is a happy crowd! Why? Because it is on the road to Victory. It is an old road, the Thrift road, the broad highway to personal success. And as usual, the success of the individual means the success of the Nation.

The Nation to-day wants Victory. The individual here at home can help best by winning a million smaller victories over waste and extravagance.

Join the crowd! Take the Thrift pledge! Raise the W. S. S. flag and keep it flying. Put your quarters and your dollars behind your sons and husbands and brothers on the sea and in France.

JOIN THE CROWD!!

Be a War Saver



Be a Life Saver

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New Styleplus Clothes for Spring



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Style that satisfies your desire to create the right impression---to stamp yourself as a man of discrimination.

Quality that satisfies your demand for good clothes and that tells in faithful wear.

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The combination of all these qualities commends

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\$21 AND \$25
Each grade the same price the nation over

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THURSDAY, MAR. 7, 1918

ANTRIM

BY HIAWATHA

March 3, 1918.

There is not very much corn planted here yet, though if the good weather continues, there will be much planting done this week.

Several from here attended the singing convention at Slocum Sunday and reported a nice time.

Quite a number from here attended church at New Prospect Sunday night.

Henry Sharpe of near Crockett, was a visitor in our community Sunday.

M. F. Hopper and two daughters, Myrtle and Bertha, visited H.A. Skeens and family Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Blackwell and son Walter, were the guests of Mrs. J. F. Martin Sunday.

Our literary society will meet next Friday night, March 8th, and have arranged a good program. Everyone is invited to attend.

Miss May Martin visited in Grapeland a few days last week.

Robert Marsh and family of near Crockett, visited Mrs. L. L. Williams Saturday and Sunday.

A. N. Edens, wife and children visited at the home of W. M. Durnell Sunday.

Bro. Henderson will preach at Antrim next Sunday. All are invited.

Katie and Chester Martin visited their grandmother, Mrs. S. J. Martin, Sunday.

Our school is only four weeks longer and we hope there will be lots of good work done in school by that time.

Red Cross Activities

The Grapeland auxiliary of the Red Cross have made their first shipment of garments to headquarters as follows: Thirty pajama suits, 24 pairs bed socks, 12 convalescent robes, 24 bath towels, 48 face towels, 72 handkerchiefs, 12 pairs ward slippers.

Augusta furnished 6 pajama suits.

The above are hospital garments for twelve soldiers. The chapter is again at work and will be glad for others to come and get work.

Smileage Books for Soldiers

The scoutmaster of the boy scout troop here, has received a communication that Grapeland will be on the list for smileage book sales under the auspices of the local scouts. These little books contain twenty 5c coupons, redeemable at the different Liberty theaters in the army camps and will sell for \$1. Anyone having friends in the army camps can add many a smile to his life with one or more of these little books, and the movement is sanctioned by Secretary of War Baker. Last Saturday the scouts launched their war saving certificate and thrift stamp campaign and greatly added to the receipts at the post office. Each boy is working for an honorary medal, and every stamp you buy on the card he has given you, will enlarge his chances for one of these medals. If you are not already behind the local scout troop, you should get busy at once. They need your encouragement.

ROCKHILL

BY NORMAN

March 4.—We had a nice rain Thursday night, which will prove good for our farmers.

G. L. Streetman visited his parents in this community last week.

J. L. Willis from Jacksonville, visited his parents the latter part of last week. He delivered a good sermon Saturday night to a large crowd.

Idas Nichols happened to the misfortune of being thrown from a mule last Friday morning. He is getting along nicely at present.

Tom Matthews of this community and Miss Maude Becker Myrtle Springs community were married in Palestine Saturday morning. We wish them a long and happy life.

Misses Ola Willis and Lizzie Belle Streetman visited the home of Miss Louise Carroll Sunday.

Our Society was called in last Friday night on account of bad weather. We will have our next program Friday night, March 29, which will be the last of school. We are expecting to have a nice program.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Willis have had a very sick child but we are glad to report it is better at present.

Those on the sick list are: Mrs. Julia Brooks, little Melba Willis, Idas Nichols, Mrs. Ed Weisinger and Miss Ruby Helm. We hope all of them may soon recover.

Tom Green and family visited Lina Helm's home Sunday.

W. E. Page and family visited relatives east of Grapeland Sunday.

George Kyle, who has been at Elkhart, has returned home to help with the crops.

J. L. Nichols attended services at Muse Sunday.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

S. A. Denny of Crockett, announces in this issue as a candidate for County Judge of Houston county, subject to the action of the primary in July. Speaking of his candidacy, the Houston County Times says: "Nearly everybody knows him. He was born and reared in this county, being raised in the country until he was grown, when he came with his parents to Crockett. Soon after his removal here he entered into the practice of law, being a partner for a number of years with Col. D. A. Nunn. He and Judge A. A. Aldrich were also partners for a while. When he married he went west and lived several years, serving as county judge of Clay and Archer counties for six years respectively. Therefore, besides being a lawyer of ripe experience and a most excellent man, he would bring to the office he seeks an experience as judge which would serve him well in its administration. The people will do well to earnestly consider his eminent fitness for the office when they come to vote in the primary. We commend him to their unbiased judgment, but without meaning to disparage the claims of his opponents."

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their kindness to us during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. Such devotion of friends will always be a pleasant memory in our lives, and has done much to take away the sting of sorrow.

H. W. Huff and children.
Mrs. R. T. Murchison.
H. L. Mobley.

We are now in the market for several car loads of speckled peas.—Kennedy Bros. 1t

You will find at Darsey's a complete line of staple dry goods—tickings, ginghams, calicoes, pepperell sheeting, domestics, etc. 1t

LOCAL NEWS

Alfalfa hay at Kennedy Bros. 1
 Buy your next bill from W. R. Wherry. 50tf
 Ask about the new corn stick pans at Kennedy Bros. 1t
 Newest dress goods at Darsey's. 1t
 A solid car load of alfalfa hay at Kennedy Bros. 1t

RUB-MY-TISM—Antiseptic, Relieves Rheumatism, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc.
 A new shipment of pretty spring dresses at Darsey's. 1t
 Buy a corn stick pan at Kennedy Bros. and eat more corn bread. 1t
 I want to buy two or three dozen young laying hens. T. H. Leaverton, at lumber yard. 1t

To Autoists

You will find the best lubricating oil and grease at Hughes & Son's garage. 52-tf
 B-i-n-g-o! And your new spring hat is ready for you in a jiffy at Darsey's Millinery Department. 1t

Mebane Cotton Seed For Sale

Pure Mebane cotton seed for sale at \$1.75 per bushel.—Eugene Holcomb, Augusta, Tex. 1-t4

If you have two or three dozen young laying hens that you want to sell, see me. T. H. Leaverton, at the lumber yard. 1t

FOR SALE

Two full-blooded Poland-China sow pigs; also two full-blooded Tamworth male pigs. 1-tf
 J. E. Hollingsworth.

Eggs for Sale

Rhode Island Red eggs, per setting \$1.50. Mrs. R. B. Edens, Union phone. 2-tf

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.

Plenty of home Meridian fertilizer at Kennedy Bros. 1t

Arthur Walton spent several days in Houston this week.

Breaks your Cold or LaGrippe with a few doses of 666. tf

Marshall Hollingsworth is in Grapeland visiting relatives.

Madam, your spring suit or coat will be correct if it is from Darsey's. 1t

Walter Gainey of Camp Travis, is here on a visit to relatives and friends.

Home Meridian fertilizer is the best. We have plenty. 1t
 Kennedy Bros.

Dan McLean of Camp Bowie, is visiting his parents at Augusta this week.

Bring us your speckled peas; we will pay highest market price. 1t
 Kennedy Bros.

If your Ford is worn out, make it like new. You can almost build a Ford from the parts at Darsey's. 1t

FOR SALE

2-seated hack for sale at a bargain. 52-t2
 Ben Masters, route 3.

Waltus Scarborough of Palestine, spent the first of the week here visiting his brother.

Wanted

Two or three dozen young laying hens for yard purposes. See T. H. Leaverton at the lumber yard. 1t

Arthur Lasiter was a visitor to Houston the latter part of last week.

Louis McPherson has returned to his duties at Camp Bowie, after a visit of several days here to his father.

Syrup for Sale

Pure ribbon cane syrup for sale. See or phone R. B. Edens, Union phone. 2-tf

Connor Denson is able to be out after an attack of measles. Connor says now he wishes he had had the measles when he was a kid.

FOR SALE

1916 5 passenger Ford car. All works brand new, new tires all around; has been worked over. It is as good as new. 2-tf
 J. H. Bowman.

FOR SALE

1 good milch cow; also want to buy a dozen good hens. See Frank Leaverton, at the post-office. 1t

Eggs for Setting

Buff Leghorn eggs, 15 for \$1.00; 100 for \$5. Write or phone 1t
 M. L. Whitaker, route 2.

T. H. Leaverton spent several days in Ft. Worth this week on business.

Sneed Taylor of Camp Travis, spent a few days here last week visiting his parents. He returned to San Antonio Monday night.

Mrs. Kerr Scarborough and children were here Monday on their way from Augusta to Grand Saline, where they will stay for some time and where Mr. Scarborough has employment.

Now Open for Business

The Grapeland Bottling Works is now open for business, next door to the Woodmen building, and we want your trade for soda water and peanut candy. The bottling works is under the management of Whittington of Tyler, an old experienced soda water man. A trial with me is a customer of you. 1t

Get the Habit!

Why not save your cash discounts? We give

Profit-Sharing Coupons

which entitles you to merchandise equaling

From 5 to 10 Per Cent

Standard goods, such as

Rogers Silverware, etc.

HONESTY AND QUALITY

The Peoples Drug Store

WADE L. SMITH

THE CONTEST WILL SOON BE OVER

If You Are Not Taking The Messenger, You Will Take it. Why Not Subscribe Now, While You Can Help Some Young Lady Win a Prize?

Promptly at 5 o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, March 9, the curtain will fall and our subscription boosting campaign will be at an end—all except counting the votes and awarding the prizes. The merry war will rage from now until the close, with the workers and their friends lining up for a fight to the finish. Several of the contestants are so close together, as shown by the vote, that there is no telling to whom first honors will fall.

How to Vote on the Last Three Days

We have a rural route mail box in the office and all ballots have to be deposited in this box. At 9 o'clock on Thursday morning, March 7, the box will be locked and the key sealed in an envelope and placed in the Farmers and Merchants State Bank. The box will remain in the printing office until 5 o'clock p. m. on the closing day. Contestants and their friends may put votes in the box up to the closing hour. The box will be sealed just at 5 o'clock and there can be no voting done after that time. The judges appointed by the contestants will then carry the box to the bank, count the ballots carefully and compare them with the deposits. After all parties have been convinced of the correctness of the count, the prizes will be delivered. Contestants are advised that all money and votes must be in the box by 5 p. m. on the closing day and not one minute later.

This way of voting gives anyone an opportunity to vote for any contestant without giving others a chance to know anything about it. We will know nothing about the voting hereafter and do not want to know. The contestants and their friends will prepare all votes, subscription orders and money and place them in the box in sealed envelopes, and they alone will know how much voting they do. When the key to the box is taken to the bank the contest will be practically closed so far as the contest manager or anyone connected with The Messenger is concerned.

Our Books Will Be Opened

Not only do the contestants appoint their own judges, but they will be given the privilege of inspecting our books and records and they cannot but come to the decision that our contest is fair in all particulars—that it is a straight-forward business proposition with us, and every contestant in the race will have an equal chance to win first honors.

The Contest Bulletin will be issued Friday and Saturday, but contestants will be able to change their vote only by turning over to the contest manager reserved vote certificates and not new business. There will be no more reserved vote certificates issued, and all that can be voted in changing the standing of contestants will be certificates dated on or previous to March 6.

No Votes Will Be Sold

There will be no votes sold. The only way to get votes is by turning in subscriptions to The Messenger, and the cash must accompany each order.

We Have Subscription Blanks and voting ballots at the office which have been prepared especially for use on the last days. By using these blanks, much time will be saved in getting money and votes ready for the box.

TO FRIENDS OF CONTESTANTS

If you think your favorite worker needs more votes, give her another subscription or two. Extend the time on your own subscription for a year or two or give to one of the workers the money to pay for having the paper sent to some relative or friend.

WE THANK YOU

We thank every person who has in any way helped us make a success of our subscription boosting campaign. It has already been a big success and we have added hundreds of names to our list, and we shall always feel grateful to our workers and their friends.

List of Contestants

Grapeland

Miss Annie Rainey Hollingsworth..... 109,600
 Miss Rena Ross Richards 11,000
 Miss Thelma Lee Clewis 10,000
 Miss Esther Darsey.... 86,800
 Miss Eula Mae Riall..... 108,800

Percilla Route 1

Miss Buna Covington.... 8000
 Mrs. Ruby Lively..... 64,000

Percilla

Miss Edwina Bush..... 8500
 Miss Rosa Branch..... 92,700

Elkhart

Miss Gracy May Baber.. 7500

Elkhart Route 2

Miss Ellen Bridges..... 42,800

Grapeland Route 3

Miss Ola Willis..... 39,200
 Miss May Martin..... 12,500

Salmon

Miss May Belle Murdock 9,000

Augusta

Miss Cloie Scarborough.. 67,700

Add \$2.00 to \$4.00 Worth of Plant Food—Add \$20 to \$40 Worth of Human Food

THE cost of fertilizer is small compared with the increased yields that result from their use. The McNeil Experiment Station increased the yield of beans from 26 to 71 bushels per acre through the use of Meridian Fertilizers

An expenditure for "The Red Bag Fertilizers" increased the yield of tomatoes from 48 to 143 bushels. Other crops increased in like proportion.

The fertilizer applied to your land last year will no more feed this year's crop than hay that was in your barn last year will feed your horses this season. Every crop takes away plant foods. Fertilizer alone will replace them. The man who doesn't use fertilizer is selling his farm and doesn't know it. He pays for it many times over without ever getting the benefits.

For this section we firmly believe the Meridian Fertilizers to be the best a farmer can buy. ORDER EARLY!

Kennedy Bros

The Red Bag
 Is printed on the outside of every bag of Meridian Fertilizers. It indicates good plant-food inside.

Meridian Fertilizers

SPRING STYLES

YOUR Home Tailor knows the styles and he takes a delight in making his customers look like they have just stepped off of Broadway. And the customers who have patronized the shop in the past are the strongest friends we have right now. Tell us what you want in the way of clothing, and we will give you quick service, correct information and a square deal. Your old clothing will be made to look new if you will bring it to this shop. Let us serve you.

CLEWIS

THE TAILOR

BREAD AND BUTTER QUESTION

Teaching is a noble, charitable profession, but are you content to work in the charity department of your state when they allow you no pension or protection in old age? Or will you go into the great broad fields of business, where you can lay up something for a rainy day, and provide your own protection for old age? The draft has crippled the teaching profession some but the state has made no provision to increase the teachers' salaries, although the high cost of living has increased between fifty and one hundred per cent. All commercial concerns have realized this condition and have increased salaries in proportion to the increased cost of living. Six thousand teachers quit the profession in Texas annually. Can you blame them when you compare their annual earning capacity with that of any other class of educated men or women? Bookkeepers, stenographers, private secretaries, or operators, as beginners, get from \$75 to \$100 per month, twelve months in the year, and soon receive advances in salary and it is not long, if they are made of the right kind of stuff, before they are promoted to assistant manager, or managers of large business concerns, or engage in business for themselves and are thereby enabled to lay up a comfortable living for old age. Compare the teacher and the com-

mercial student after they graduate from the high school. The teacher must spend at least one or two years in a State Normal, while the commercial student spends only three to six months with us. The teacher spends many times the amount of money in preparation, and must wait several times as long before beginning to earn. Each year the business man increases his earning power more and forges further ahead of the teacher. More evidence on this subject can be had by writing the Tyler Commercial College at Tyler, Texas, for a large illustrated catalogue giving full particulars of America's largest commercial training school, with more than three thousand enrollments last year, and reading what teachers who have attended this institution say of the advantages it offers to those entering the business world, where they can greatly increase their earning capacity, enabling them to own homes of their own and enjoy the comforts that should rightly be theirs.

Do you have spells of dizziness and everything turning black before the eyes? These are symptoms of torpid liver and a clogged condition of the bowels. Take Prickly Ash Bitters and get rid of the misery. Price, \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

A Cold in the Chest clogs the lungs and air passages and becomes serious if neglected; besides it makes you feel bad. To get rid of the misery, take

BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP

It is a Fine Relieving Remedy

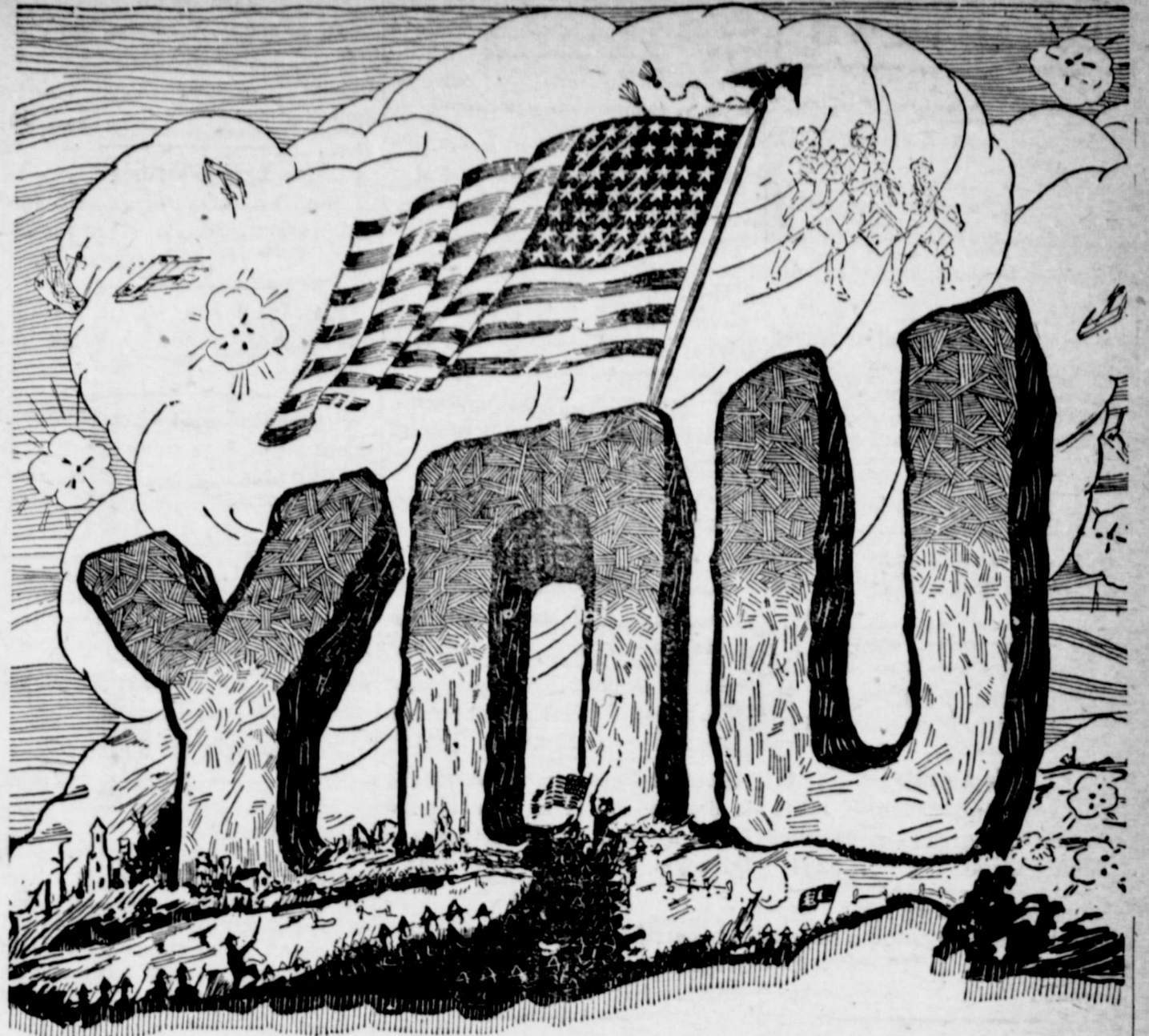
It is good for colds settled in the lungs, Loss of Voice, Hoarseness, Soreness in the Bronchial tubes, Hard Coughs, Congestion in the Lungs. It is soothing and healing and very comforting to the sufferer.

Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per Bottle

Buy the \$1.00 size. You get five times as much as the 25c size, and you get free with each bottle a Dr. Herrick's Capsicum Plaster for the chest.

JAS. F. BALLARD, Proprietor ST. LOUIS, MO.

FOR SALE BY D. N. LEAVERTON



"State Units Now Training Within Sound of Enemy Guns"

A cablegram from France, publication of which was recently authorized, contains the following information:

Part of the National Guard has arrived in France and is undergoing intensive training behind first line trenches within the sound of the guns at the front.

This Brings the War Home to YOU

In a short time these gallant young men, whose parents, brothers and sisters, wives and sweethearts are your own neighbors, will be IN the front line trenches, under the murderous fire of enemy artillery, and going "over the top" to meet the sweeping hail of the machine guns and the bayonets of the Huns.

If these soldier boys—YOUR soldier boys—were three miles away instead of three thousand, you would bend every energy, exhaust every resource, make every sacrifice, to make sure that they were fed, clothed, armed and equipped as no soldiers ever were before.

Is your duty any less imperative, any less sacred, because it is your neighbor's boy who is defending your country, your flag and your home from German frightfulness on the other side of the ocean?

Is it not a splendid privilege as well as a duty to deny yourself luxuries, to save food, save clothing, above all to save money, for our soldiers?

U. S. Thrift Stamps Save Lives and Shorten the War

There is one thing you can do, every day, to help the Government provide the guns, ammunition, food, clothing and other supplies which our soldiers and sailors MUST HAVE to win the war, win it quickly, and come safely home again.

Go today to any bank, any postoffice, or any store where you see the W. S. S. (War Savings Stamps) sign displayed.

For 25 cents you will receive a U. S. Thrift Stamp and a card to paste it on. The card has spaces for 16 stamps, costing you \$4. When it is full, exchange it—with a few cents additional in cash—for a War Savings Stamp, for which the Government will pay \$5 January 1, 1923.

These War Savings Stamps are as safe as U. S. Bonds. They are the safest investment in the world because they are backed by the entire resources of the country, and the profit you make on them amounts to four per cent interest, compounded quarterly, if held till January 1, 1923.

Buy a U. S. Thrift Stamp with every quarter you can possibly save. Every stamp helps to stamp out autocracy. Every stamp saves priceless American blood. Every stamp is a blow for Liberty. Every stamp will help bring peace to the world—a permanent peace, grounded in justice and righteousness.



Every Stamp Helps to Bring Those Soldiers and Sailors Home Again Alive and Victorious

THIS SPACE PATRIOTICALLY CONTRIBUTED BY

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK

Protect Your Health

Fly time is just about here and we have had your welfare in mind and have just unloaded the largest stock of SCREEN DOORS AND SCREEN WIRE that has ever been in Grape-land. We ask that you call and let us figure just how much it will cost you to screen your home. Protect yourself against flies, gnats and mosquitoes—the foes of health.

PLENTY OF CYPRESS SHINGLES

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER COMPANY

The Soldier, the Ruler of the World in the Making.

Dear Editor:—I have just read The Messenger and in it find these words: "The army does not make good boys," and also the sentiment expressed that the boys are scarcely expected to maintain their moral and spiritual equilibrium while nobly serving their country.

This idea is prevalent. However, is it not erroneous? Who constitute the army from which so many shrink in horror? Only mothers' sons, and there is not one whose mother does not love him. Therefore, since "friends are nearer each other when bound by memories," they have not forgotten thee, oh mothers, nor are your tender words and caresses easily dismissed from mind. The admonition that so early found lodging in his heart will again bring sunshine in his soul as through the clouds the mother's smile dawns upon him in full force perhaps for the first time in life. Has not your boy been so taught that early in his boyhood days he has determined in his heart as "Daniel to serve God?" If so, there is a guiding hand over the battlefield and over the home. Moreover, the words divine, "train a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it," intervene when the true parent ponders over the pitfalls that await his son.

I see the flower of America now marching, some into eternity; others, at present only, to victory and renown. It is in the hands of this throng that the

steering wheel of man's dominion is resting. Shall we raise their weary hands that the tide shall bring justice and freedom, or tell them that because home ties are broken they stand alone without decision of character?

With such radical changes in environment, there is evidently an upheaval within a soldier, but that about which a man thinks, determines the acts he is to perform. Have they, then, been trained to think properly? If they have, fear not that they will cease to be "good boys."

If however, there are parents who doubt the integrity of their boy, it is expedient that immediately the responsibility of training him correctly be assumed, and also that every available opportunity be used to place before those who are yet to be enlisted the necessary virtues of valiant soldiers, which will in the end develop men for world-wide service, both in and after the present great conflict. Hence I appeal to parents in this critical time to prepare their boys for a man-winning campaign co-extensive with the enlisting multitude. We will be able in this way to eradicate and cast into oblivion the now pending dangers, and in return be able even in the ranks to make and keep boys of unquestionable integrity.

JESSE L. WILLIS.
Jacksonville, Texas.

PEANUT HAY WANTED

Will pay \$25.00 per ton for good, clean Peanut Hay.

J. W. HOWARD.

For 65 Years

MASURY PURE PAINTS have been used by the discriminating buyer. Your great grand parents knew this paint was good, and used it. . . WHY NOT YOU?

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER CO.



He's Learning Two Great Lessons

One is the joy of self denial—the sense of real thrift. His little investment of 25 cents may mean as much to him as the first ten dollars you ever earned—or the first thousand you ever invested.

He can be made to help wonderfully in developing him into a substantial citizen. His early habit of sensibly saving will do as much as any other thing to start him on the straight road to success.

The other lesson is that of patriotism. He has learned "to do his bit." A country worth living in is a country worth fighting for. He is too young to fight, but he wants to help.

While you rejoice that he cannot go to the front, teach him to help end this war by loaning his savings to his government.

Thrift and patriotism—two great lessons at one time. All so easy. Just tell him to get a Thrift Stamp—and with it a Thrift Card. Then help him add to it until he has enough for a War Savings Stamp. With that he will get a War Savings Certificate—and his savings begin to draw interest.

If you will show him how money breeds money, he will be all the better for it. And every penny he saves and lends may help to save some other mother's boy—may go a long way toward bringing peace to all.

Encourage him to begin saving today. It's real patriotism,—but it is more. It is laying the foundation for his future—and it is helping to make him what you want him to be.

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

Thrift Stamps cost 25 cents each and draw no interest. You can buy them from your letter carrier, either city or rural route, at the post office or your bank. You will be given a card to paste them on. This costs nothing. There are spaces for 16 Thrift Stamps on this card. When your card is full, take it to your post office or bank any time with a few cents additional and your card will be exchanged for an interest-bearing War Savings Certificate worth \$5 on Jan. 1, 1923. This gives you 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly. You can buy 20 War Savings Certificates at one time. They will cost you \$22.40, and their face value at the time of redemption, January 1, 1923, will be \$100. War Savings Certificates may be converted into cash at the post office where issued if you need the money. You will get interest, too, at about 3 per cent. The name and address of the owner will be placed on each Certificate at the time it is issued. War Savings Certificates may be registered at any post office of the First, Second or Third Class.

This Advertisement Paid for and Donated by

Grapeland Troop No. 1, Boy Scouts of America

ANTRIM

BY HIWATHA

[DELAYED]

February 24.—Health of this community is improving and we are glad to see most of the people able to be out again.

Little Edith Lois Durnell, who has been ill with typhoid fever for some time, is gradually improving, though she still has fever.

Our literary society met last Friday night. A good crowd was present and a very good program rendered. Our next meeting will be March 8th.

A. N. Edens, wife and children were guests at the home of W. M. Durnell Sunday.

Rev. W. R. Durnell filled his regular appointment at Hickory Grove Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. M. E. Williams visited at the home of Dan Wright Sunday.

Katy Martin spent Sunday with Eula Durnell.

Ed Gray and family and Geo. Little and family were guests at the home of Jasper Simpson Sunday.

Prof. J. A. Bynum spent Saturday and Sunday with home-

folks near Lovelady.

John Hudnell and wife and Mrs. Blackwell and son were guests at the home of Frank Taylor Sunday.

Lee Martin, Robert Gardner and Walter Blackwell visited at J. F. Kiser's Sunday.

Several from this community attended church at Rock Hill Sunday.

LIBERTY HILL

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

[DELAYED]

February 24.—Misses Meta Elliott and Beulah Ford and Arthur Branch were visitors here Sunday night.

Miss Cordie Holcomb's friends are glad that she is so much better after a siege of the measles.

The stork presented Seth Atchley and wife with a fine boy last Monday.

John Mason has been visiting at the home of Arthur Holcomb this week.

There was a surprise party at the home of L. A. Avera Saturday night in honor of Mr. J. Mason.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rates—Cash in Advance.
County Offices.....\$6 00
Precinct Offices.....\$3 00
District Offices.....\$12 00
Congress.....\$20 00

The Messenger is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July:

- For County Judge:
Nat Patton.
S. A. Denny.
- For Sheriff:
Preston Lively.
E. B. (Bud) Hale.
R. J. (Bob) Spence.
- For Tax Assessor:
Will McLean.
- For County Road Superintendent
G. R. Murchison.
- For County Treasurer:
Willie Robison.
Ney Sheridan. (Re-election)
- For Tax Collector:
C W Butler Jr. (Re-election)
- For County Supt. Public Schools:
J. N. Snell.
- Constable Precinct No. 2:
Will Brumley.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS
FOR BACKACHE KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

Just Arrived

French glaze zephyrs, crepe de chine, silk tussah, Utopia silks, Belfont tissue, French plaid serge, military cloth, silk stripe voil and taffeta. A real nice line of ladies' shoes and dress goods. 51tf W. R. Wherry.

Tom Edmonds of Alto, has leased the Woodmen building on the east side and will soon open a first class restaurant. He is an experienced man at the business, formerly conducting a similar business at Alto. Grapeland people will be glad to welcome Mr. Edmonds and his family to our community.

HUGHES & SON AUTO SHOP

We are prepared to do your auto work and will appreciate your patronage. Right treatment to all. Located in old livery stable building. Calls answered anywhere. Phone us at any time. 48-tf

Leslie Neel and family and T. C. Neel, who have lived in this community many years, have purchased a farm near Elkhart, and left this week for their new home.

REWARD

For one Poland-China boar, marked right ear cut off, about 2 years old, weight about 300 lbs. Left my farm about Jan. 15, last. 1-tf W. T. Prigden, R.F.D. No. 3. F. U. phone.

Will Lively and J. S. Sheffield of the Waneta community, were in to see us a little while Saturday afternoon. Mr. Sheffield has recently moved to that community from Grand Saline and bought the farm of Alton Lively.

\$300 REWARD

Three hundred dollars (\$300) reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties guilty of the murder of Daniel Crenshaw, which occurred on December 14, 1917. The above amount is now in the Guaranty State Bank of Grapeland, Texas, and will remain there as long as twelve months. 52-t4

H. A. Skeen of the Antrim community, mysteriously left his home Sunday night, and nothing has been heard from him or any trace as to his whereabouts. Officers have been asked to help locate him.

WANTED TO BUY

I am now in the market for several car loads of old scrap iron and other kinds of junk. See me for prices and sell me what you have. tf J. W. Howard.

Notice Trustees

The school trustees of the common school districts will meet in Crockett Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Business of importance. J. N. Snell, County Superintendent.

FOR SALE

Good milch cow. H. C. Jones, route 1. 2-tf

Lloyd Anderson of route 2, says his flock of hens are helping to win the war by adding to the food supply. During the month of February he sold a fraction over \$32 worth of eggs. So far as we know, he holds the record for one month's sale of eggs.

Garland Ellis and family of Crockett, visited relatives near here Sunday.

S. E. Traylor and family left last Friday for Cleveland, where they will reside in the future. He will engage in the mercantile business with his brothers. During their several years' residence in Grapeland they made many warm friends, who regret very much to see them leave this community.

Smith Dailey has returned to Charleston, South Carolina, to resume his duties in the navy, after spending over a week visiting his mother.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS
FOR RHEUMATISM KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

SAVE YOUR MONEY

Buy War Saving Stamps

To save you money, buy your bill complete from us, and you will be able to save your money so that you may buy War Saving Stamps. To see our line of Dress Goods is to see spring in its brightness, for you will find the prettiest line on display at our store that were ever shown in your town. See them this week--use your pleasure--any time suits us.



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Producing more time for you

Ready-made clothes have provided hundreds of hours of extra time for the men of this country.

Time is the one thing that is doled out alike to every man. If you can make a few extra hours here and there, you are that much ahead.

Ready-made clothes do it for you. They save time. You can come in here and be fitted perfectly in half an hour at the outside, regardless of your figure. We make a study of it.

But that's not the only reason for buying such clothes as Hart Schaffner & Marx make. You want them because of their smart style. You can't surpass it anywhere. You want them for their all-wool fabrics, for the fit, for the guarantee of satisfaction. You know before you buy and you are protected afterwards.

<p>Corsets</p> <p>Style is a mere matter of selection. Use care in selecting your corset; it is the foundation of all costumes. For your costume to be right your corset must be right.</p> <p>MADAM GRACE CORSETS have the style and the fit so necessary to fashionable dressing. Your next corset should be a Madam Grace</p> <p>Gingham Dresses</p> <p>You will be pleased with the showing of ladies and misses gingham dresses that we are showing, for they are beauties. See them and be convinced.</p>	<p>Foulards</p> <p>Silk Foulards are very pretty patterns for your spring dresses; see them on display at our store. Prices to please every one.</p> <p>Tissue Gingham</p> <p>Tissue Gingham are very strong this season for your early spring dress and we are showing them in lots of pretty patterns at prices that are very close. See these goods.</p>	<p>Flaxons</p> <p>Never has our stock been so complete in Flaxons as it is now. We are able to show you any pattern you may want in this line.</p> <p>Ladies' Waists</p> <p>We will be glad to show you our line of voile, organdy and silk waists. They will please you, so we ask that you allow us to show them to you.</p> <p>Ladies Skirts</p> <p>You will not find a more complete line of skirts anywhere than we are showing. See these good values and you will buy.</p>
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Kennedy Brothers

The Store for Everybody

have attended this institution say of the advantages it offers to those entering the business world, where they can greatly improve their business, visited relatives here this week.

McLean & Riall pay more for produce. 1

Miss Orvilla Ferguson of Percilla, was the guest of Miss Esther Darsey Sunday.

Wade L. Smith and family have moved into their home purchased from S. E. Traylor.

Earle Adams, Jr., E. B. Hale, C. W. Butler, Jr., and Ney Sheridan of Crockett, were visitors to Grapeland Saturday.

Triumph seed potatoes at McLean & Riall. 1

Woodie Eaves is home from McCaulley, where he has been teaching school. He has qualified for special service with Uncle Sam, and is now awaiting the call.

Removal Notice

I have removed my shoe repair shop to the rear of Wherry's store. Bring me your work to new location. 2-tf J. L. Buckalew.

MASS MEETING

The mass meeting advertised for last Thursday night at the auditorium, was postponed on account of bad weather, and will be held tonight (Thursday). The meeting is called to discuss school matters and food and feed production--two questions that all good citizens are interested in, and it is hoped that a large crowd will be present.

Grapeland Red Cross activities are no doubt equal to any in the state. The noble women who are giving so much of their time to the cause every week are doing a great deal for the soldier boys. Their first large shipment of garments went out over a week ago.

The boy scouts are now devoting a considerable amount of time to selling war saving stamps and are meeting with much success. The scouts of the United States are rendering invaluable service to the government at this time.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS
FOR BACKACHE KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

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TAILORGRAM

Easter--almost here--March 30. High time to order tailored clothes. Our tape and tailoring service ready to serve you at once. A wealth of woven masterpieces on display at our store--fabrics that sell on sight---hand tailoring that excels and undersells.

CLEWIS

THE TAILOR

FOR SALE

One Duroc-Jersey sow and one Tamworth sow, both registered stock. Both bred and will come in next June.

A. J. Phillips, Elkhart, t1 Route 2, box 18.

Carl Hobson and family, who have been living in western Texas, near Coleman, for several years, have returned to Grapeland to make this their home. Mr. Hobson says he was in the drought section and that country is in bad shape.

AN EGG STORY

The hens of the Grapeland country are waking up to the fact that we are at war with the kaiser, and that there is a food shortage to supply. They are getting into form and have begun the "spring drive." Saturday there was marketed in Grapeland 121 1/2 cases of eggs, which brought the farmers of this community the sum of \$1,275.75. Grapeland easily leads any point in east Texas when it comes to marketing produce.