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\$1.50 PER YEAR.

THE RED CROSS DRIVE IS GOING GOOD

Sunday was a great day in Grapeland. It marked the beginning of the week's campaign to help raise the \$100,000,000 war relief fund for the Red Cross. Grapeland school district was allotted the sum of \$268.00 as its quota. We went "over the top" five times, raising the splendid sum of \$1106.50. The services were held at the Christian church. Rev. Jas. Todd, the pastor, preached a splendid patriotic sermon, emphasizing the work being done by the Red Cross. The program was interspersed with appropriate songs. At the conclusion of the sermon, Mr. W. A. Riall made a few appropriate remarks, then the pledges were taken by Mr. T. H. Leaverton. They came thick and fast. Fifty-one men, almost simultaneously, pledged \$10 each; then the subscriptions came in five, two-fifty and one dollar lots.

Sunday afternoon speakers visited the following places and reported this result:

Enon subscribed \$101.00, her quota being only \$58.00. Oak Grove subscribed \$87.35. Her quota was \$65.00. Cedar Branch, a negro community near Trinity river, with an allotment of \$38.00, subscribed \$52.00. These people deserve credit for the interest they manifested in the cause and for the liberal way in which they responded. Several of them paid \$5.00 each. They are loyal and

are anxious to do their part. Monday night Union pledged \$76.50 over her quota of \$70.00, and a committee was appointed to canvass the community more. Union always comes to the front. New Prospect went over the top in grand style with a cash contribution of \$104.50. Her quota was \$97.00. Percilla paid in a little over \$40.00, and a committee was appointed to solicit the balance of her quota of \$98.00. They feel confident of raising it.

Tuesday night, Rock Hill paid in \$76.50 of her quota of \$92.00, and appointed a committee to raise the balance. Antrim subscribed her quota of \$53.00 considerably, raising \$65.75. Daly's over doubled her quota of \$35.00, raising \$78.25.

The people everywhere are manifesting a deep interest in this drive and we feel sure that north Houston county will raise her quota without a struggle. "Let's oversubscribe our quota and do it in a hurry," seems to be the motto.

The big one doesn't always get away if he is hooked on one of the silk lines from Darsey's. All kinds of fishing tackle.

SAVE MONEY! by using DEAD SHOT! It kills any kind of timber, root and branch. No sprouts follow. Sold at Howard's.

Ready made mosquito bars on the frames \$2.50; without the frame \$1.50, at Darsey's.

ADDITIONAL DATES FOR THE RED CROSS DRIVE

Speakers will visit the following places on the dates named in the interest of the Red Cross War Relief fund:

Livelyville, Friday night, May 24th.

Mt. Zion (for negroes) Sunday afternoon, May 26th.

New Salem (for negroes) Saturday night, May 25th.

St. John Church, Grapeland, (for negroes) Sunday at 4 p. m. May 26th.

LOVELADY IS BUSY DOING WORK FOR RED CROSS

Auction Sales Saturday Netted A Neat Sum

Lovelady, Texas, May 19th.—Lovelady is trying to do her bit for the Red Cross, and had quite a sum before the drive really begun.

Saturday many ladies, both old and young, were on the street soliciting funds. A splendid donation was given by Grandma McKee, the oldest resident in our community. She is over 90 years old, but patriotism still reigns in her breast, and she has done her bit. She sent down to the public square a calf about a year old, which was sold at auction and brought \$113.00. "Woodrow Wilson" sold to the first bidder, J. O. Monday, for \$20.00. He was returned to the Red Cross for sale again and was next purchased by T. L. Lundy for \$17.00. He immediately said, "sell him again," and he was bought and sold again and again by Bud Andrews, J. J. Young, W. E. Elkins, W. F. Rayburn, Earl Goodrum, R. E. Parker, Mr. Knox and others, finally to Roland Thompson, who led him away. A baby cap made by Mrs. Toole was sold for \$7.00, and a hen brought \$8.85.

Bro. Ansley did the boasting for the sales and made a splendid talk. He proved himself very patriotic, not only in words, but in deeds, and which is shown by the number of Red Cross badges and Liberty Bond buttons he wears.

The merchants and other business men of the town gave 10 and 20 per cent of their sales Saturday to the Red Cross. We feel sure of going "over the top" and hope that Grandma McKee will live to see much good from her generous donation and our nation again at peace.

Your auto needs attention and should be carefully gone over. At Darsey's you can find a complete line of accessories and tools that may save you a neat sum of money. A complete line of known tires, tubes, etc.

The "Womanless Wedding," given at the auditorium last Friday night, brought the local Red Cross Chapter nearly \$300. After "the wedding" an auction sale of candy and other things brought \$135. One box of candy was sold three times and brought \$50. A lady's collar, made by Mrs. Sam Long of Augusta, was sold quite a number of times.

Canning Time Is Here

Big Shipment of FRUIT JARS RUBBERS and TOPS

Our Prices for the Week

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| Best Grade of Corn Meal, 35-lb sack | \$1.75 |
| 5 Gallons of Best Oil for | 75c |
| \$1.00 Bucket of Coffee for | 90c |
| Table and Pickling Vinegar per gallon | 40c |
| 5 Bars of White Soap for | 25c |
| Garrett Snuff per Bottle | 20c |
| Quart Jars, per dozen | 90c |
| 3 Dozen Best Red Rubbers for | 25c |

We have plenty of

Corn Flour, Rice Flour, Corn Chops, Oats and Bran

We can save you mones on FURNITURE, HARDWARE and STOVES

Don't Buy until you see us

KEELAND BROS.

"THE PRICE IS THE THING"

RED CROSS WEEK

On the battlefields of Europe brave men by the tens of thousands are being crushed and torn by shells and left upon the field through hours of unspeakable torture until their life-blood ebbs away and death relieves their suffering.

Brave men are choked by poison gas and scarred by liquid flame, and half unconscious lie upon the ground within that ghastly strip called "No Man's Land" waiting for death to stop the fearful agony.

And as they lie there, looking up in their delirium to catch a final glimpse of blue sky overhead before they die, they see hovering over them, circling near and even nearer, great flocks of crows that hardly wait till death has come before they settle down to their feast of human flesh.

No doctor there to stop the gaping wounds! No Red Cross nurse to ease the agony! No human being to even give a cup of water to quench the awful thirst! Alone they die, in that waste of death and desolation—no living thing in sight except the carrion crows that wait to feed upon their mangled flesh and pick their bones!

The time has come when we, too, are in this war up to the hilt. The time has come when every man and woman and child, every human being, old or young, every living person within the borders of these United States, no matter who you are or what country you may have come from, should furnish money to the Red Cross Fund to save the lives of our soldiers and the soldiers of our allies to win this war.

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE?

What will you give to ease the suffering of those heroes dying there?

W. H. Long & Co.

We Handle Coffins, Caskets and Burial Robes.

Some Conservative Values

| | |
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| Men's KHAKI colored Palm Beach Suits (something new for only | \$10.00 |
| Men's Mohair and Kool Kloth Suits, form | \$10.00 to 12.50 |
| Men's Palm Beach Trousers, well made for | 5.00 |
| Men's Panama Hats extra good, for | 6.00 |
| Nice line of men's shirts, prices ranging from | \$1.50 to 2.00 |
| Men's Silk Hose priced at 50c, 65c and | .75 |
| Men's Straw Hats at the popular price of | 3.00 |

We are showing some pretty patterns in summer dress goods and lawns and silk waists \$1.50 to \$6.00

We have for your inspection and approval a nice of

Ladies Silk Skirts and Petticoats

Ladies Silk Hosiery in a variety of colors priced from 65c to \$2.00

Watch This Space Every Week

McLean & Riall

Dependable Merchants

STATE AND
GENERAL NEWS

W. R. Skeen of Slocum has joined the Texas cavalry, and has donated to the Palestine chapter of the Red Cross 640 acres of land in Brewster county. Plans are being formulated to dispose of this property to the best advantage. Skeen was not of age during registration, and said he felt like he should help the boys who have already went across to fight for those at home

With more than 500,000 men now in France, army officials are more than ever hopeful that a powerful American force will be co-operating with the allies there by the end of the year. Unhappy experience with over-sanguine estimates of what can be accomplished make them slow to put their hopes into definite predictions. It has not been possible to obtain specific confirmation of the report from Paris that 1,500,000 fighting troops before January 1 had been promised.

A "super wheat" containing 14 per cent gluten has been evolved by Luther Burbank after experiments extending over eleven years, it has been announced. It may be grown from Hudson bay to Patagonia. The new wheat is said to be of the winter variety, very hardy and producing a very white flour. Mr. Burbank has turned his attention to a new rye and barley, in which he hopes to increase the amount of gluten now obtainable in these grains.

Wm. Schattel of East Bernard, father of 12 children, is so anxious to serve his country that he left his farm and family to enter the service of his country. He joined the Texas National Guard.

Congress last Thursday passed without a record vote the conference report on the bill requiring registration in the draft of youths who have become 21 years of age since June 5 last.

D. H. Guinn, chairman of the Anderson County Council of Defense, has asked through the local papers for the names of men who are loafing and not working, and if they have been placed in deferred classification by the exemption board, he will get them certified for service in class one. Chairman Hughes of the exemption board has assured Mr. Guinn he will be glad to place the men in the first class if they are not working or doing something for their country.

Governor Hobby has addressed letters to the chairmen of the House and Senate committees at Washington asking that if they report a bill fixing the minimum price of cotton, the price be adequate to cover cost of production, and gives the opinion that from 32c to 35c per pound should be the minimum.

Luling, Texas, May 17.—A man was tarred and feathered by a committee composed of Luling's prominent citizens after he had refused to give to the Red Cross and cursed that organization. After the tar and feathers were applied, he was publicly branded, marched

through the streets and then given twelve hours in which to get out of town. He is worth several thousand dollars and was only asked to give \$2.00.

Announcement has been made from the war department at Washington that there is no intention of refusing to federalize the Texas National Guard now being put on a new basis, but the department makes it clear that there is no intention of taking these national guard troops into the federal organization with the view of using them for oversea service. It was admitted they may be used for patrol duty along the Mexican border.

Rhode Island refused to ratify the National Prohibition Amendment, but appropriated \$760,000 to enlarge its penitentiary.

A group of 100 women telephone operators, to serve with the expeditionary forces, have already been sent to France, and 150 are now in training schools to meet future demand. Wives of officers and men who are eligible for duty in France are not accepted.

The British meat shortage is being felt more severely than at any time since war was started. That the shortage is not confined to meats, however, is shown by the fact that effective control of the milk supply is already being considered, in order to meet a possible greater shortage later in the year, and that some sections of English labor are favoring extensions of the compulsory rationing system to bread, cheese and tea.

CHAUTAUQUA PROGRAM
WILL BE PATRIOTIC

On June 19, 20 and 21, the Radcliffe Chautauqua System of Washington, D. C., will present its "wake up America" program in Grapeland. This program is patriotic in every respect, and comes to us with the approval of the government officials at the head of the many departments at Washington. Mr. Radcliffe, who is at the head of this chautauqua system, is in close touch with the governmental pulse, and has built a program which is sent out in order to help destroy whatever pro-German feeling there may be still lurking in the various parts of the country.

The program which has been booked for us is one which has appeared in quite a number of towns since the first of the year and it has been of great value to these communities. Many of them have been in settlements where pro-German elements exist, and this program has done a great deal of good in crushing it. We are, therefore, glad to welcome it here because it will bring us some new facts in connection with the winning of the war, and will stimulate us to greater activities along all lines of patriotic endeavor.

Biliousness is a disorder involving the stomach, liver and bowels. It opens the door for disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is the right remedy. It drives out bile and impurities and makes you feel bright, vigorous and cheerful.—Price \$1.25 per bottle. Sold by Wade L. Smith.

To err is human; to criticise is more so.

"I'm Afraid That's All I Can Spare"

YOU'RE a regular, red-blooded American. You love your country. You love that flapping, snapping old flag. Your heart thumps hard when the troops tramp by. You're **loyal--100 per cent!**

You intend to---you **want** to---help win the war in a hurry.

"Sacrifice? Sure," you've been thinking. "Just you wait till they really need it. And you've honestly thought you **meant** that too.

But--look yourself in the eye, now, and search up and down inside of your heart--**did** you mean it? **Did** you really mean "sacrifice"?

Listen: You feel poor. This third Liberty Loan, the high prices, the Income Tax--you've **done** your bit. You feel that you've given all you can spare.

What? Then what **did** you mean? What's that you said about loving your country? What did you think the word "sacrifice" means?

Surely you didn't mean, did you, to give only what you can **spare?**

What about our boys who are giving their lives in the trenches? Are **they** giving only what they can "spare"?

How about those mothers and little "kiddies" in the shell wrecked towns of that war-swept hell--hungry--ragged--sobbing--alone? Giving up their homes, their husbands, their fathers.

While, **we--**over here with our fun and our comforts--we hold up our heads and feel **patriotic** because we have given--**what?** Some loose bills off the top of our roll, "**We've** given all we can spare!"

Come, come! Let's quit fooling ourselves. Let us learn what "sacrifice" **means.** Let us give **more** than we can spare--Let us "give until the heart says stop."

EVERY CENT OF EVERY DOLLAR RECEIVED FOR THE RED CROSS WAR FUND
GOES FOR WAR RELIEF

The American Red Cross is the largest and most efficient organization for the relief of suffering that the world has ever seen.

It is made up almost entirely of volunteer workers, the highest executives being without exception men accustomed to large affairs, who are in almost all cases giving their services without pay.

It is supported entirely by its membership fees and by voluntary contributions.

It is today bringing relief to suffering humanity, both in military and civil, in every war torn allied country.

It plans tomorrow to help in the work of restoration throughout the world.

It feeds and clothes entire populations in times of great calamity.

It is there to help your soldier boy in his time of need.

With its thousands of workers, its tremendous stores and smooth running transportation facilities, it is serving as America's advance guard--and thus helping to win the war.

Congress authorizes it.

President Wilson heads it.

The war department audits its accounts.

Your army, your navy, and your allies enthusiastically endorse it.

Twenty-two million Americans have joined it.

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McLean & Riall

Farmers and Merchants State Bank

Kennedy Bros.

Keeland Bros.

PRESCRIPTIONS

FILLED ACCURATELY

BRING all your prescriptions to us for the best attention, greatest care, the purest drugs, the greatest skill and care in compounding them; the honest adherence to every instruction, are all absolutely necessary to give exactly what the doctor has directed. Your life may be endangered by the slightest mistake. So go where you know your prescription will be handled in an absolutely scientific and proper manner. We give prompt attention to all prescriptions. Thus you do away with needless delay.



LEAVERTON'S

LEADING DRUGGIST

Leonidas J. Brooks
Chas. G. Wynne
Richard F. Holcomb
Thomas A. Glenn
Vernon L. Ward
Baylor Hallmark
Harvey Bland
Max Taylor
Jim Crowson
Alvin E. Crowson
Chas. Leon Ursprung
John Willis McConnell
Claude H. Hedgspeth
John T. Spriggs
Garrett M. Dickey
Jack Nessunth
Pinkney A. Smith
Sam E. Shifflet
M. Pinkney Bennett
John V. Wagley
John Swanson Morris
Sallie J. Cherry
Thomas J. Ham
John Speer Darsey
Wm. Franklin Payne
Jule B. McLain
Harry H. Collins
G. Brinson Lundy

Bank No. 183

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Of the Financial Condition of the

Farmers & Merchants State Bank
At Grapeland, State of Texas,

at the close of business on the 10th day of May, 1918, published in The Grapeland Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 23rd day of May, 1918.

—Resources—

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| Loans and discounts personal or collateral | \$ 88,912.42 |
| Loans, real estate | 9,050.00 |
| Overdrafts | 118.94 |
| Bond account | 897.50 |
| Libearty Bonds and U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness | 13,100.00 |
| Real estate, (banking house) | 2,988.03 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 1,750.00 |
| Due from approved reserve agents, net | 41,781.25 |
| Due from other banks and bankers subject to check, net | 284.57 |
| Cash items | 3,312.79 |
| Currency | 13,682.00 |
| Specie | 3,068.34 |
| Interest and assessment depositors' guaranty fund | 1,533.60 |
| Other resources: War Saving Stamps, | 476.19 |
| Total | \$180,851.63 |

—Liabilities—

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Capital stock paid in | \$ 15,000.00 |
| Surplus | 13,500.00 |
| Undv. profits, net | 1,935.56 |
| Individual deposits, subject to check | 129,246.22 |
| Time certificates of deposit | 21,071.15 |
| Cashier's Checks | 48.70 |
| Other liabilities: Dividends unpaid | 50.00 |
| Total | \$180,851.63 |

State of Texas }
County of Houston } We, George E. Darsey, as president, and W. D. Granberry, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief
Geo. E. Darsey, President.
W. D. Granberry, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day [SEAL] of May, A. D., 1918.
J. R. Richards,
Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:
W. G. Darsey, }
M. E. Darsey, } Directors
T. S. Kent, }

Bank No. 763

Official Statement

OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

Guaranty State Bank

at Grapeland, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 10th day of May, 1918, published in the Grapeland Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 23rd day of May, 1918.

RESOURCES:

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| Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral | \$51,345.56 |
| Loans, real estate | 2,690.89 |
| Overdrafts | NONE |
| Bonds, and Stocks: | |
| Liberty | 2,500.00 |
| Real estate, (banking house) | 3,428.90 |
| War Saving Stamps | 667.47 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 2,000.00 |
| Due from approved reserve agents, net | 56,338.65 |
| County Warrants | 390.00 |
| Cash Items | 30.97 |
| Currency | 18,968.00 |
| Specie | 2,843.50 |
| Interest and Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund | 1,077.33 |
| Other Resources: | |
| Collections | 64.65 |
| U.S. Certificates of Indebtedness | 55,000.00 |
| Total | \$197,845.92 |

LIABILITIES:

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Capital stock paid in | \$15,000.00 |
| Surplus Fund | 5,000.00 |
| Undivided profits, net | 2,918.72 |
| Individual deposits, subject to check | 149,890.63 |
| Time Certificates of Deposits | 24,456.08 |
| Cashier's Checks | 80.49 |
| Total | \$197,845.92 |

State of Texas, }
County of Houston, }

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

C. W. KENNEDY,
President.

U. M. BROCK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of May, A. D., nineteen hundred and eighteen
E. E. Hollingsworth,
Notary Public,
Houston County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:
J. C. Kennedy }
M. P. Herod } Directors
E. G. Walling }

TWO NEGRO SOLDIERS DIED AT CAMP TRAVIS

Andrew Gilmore, a negro soldier in training at Camp Travis, died of pneumonia, and his remains were shipped here Saturday for interment. His body was met at the train by relatives and carried to the Cedar Branch cemetery and buried Sunday afternoon. He was the son of Jeff Gilmore, a well to do negro farmer of the Cedar Branch community.

Buddie Walker, another negro soldier, died at Camp Travis, and his remains arrived here Tuesday morning and carried out in the Reynard country for burial. He also was a victim of pneumonia.

UNCLE SAM'S ADS

If Uncle Sam were required to pay for all the advertising he has been given by the newspapers of Texas during the last three weeks, he would have to soak his striped pants, meta-

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 Representative:
E. Winfree.
J. D. Sallas (re-election).
- 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.
John H. Ellis. (Re election)
- For County Road Superintendent:
G. R. Murchison.
F H Bayne
- For County Treasurer:
Willie Robison.
Ney Sheridan. (Re-election)
Mike McCarty.
- For Tax Collector:
C W Butler Jr. (Re-election)
- For County Attorney:
Earle Porter Adams
J. F. Mangum (re-election).
- For District Clerk:
B V (Barker) Tunstall
John D Morgan (Re-election)
- For County Clerk:
A E Owens (Re-election)
A S Moore
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 1:
J. S. Long.
W J Branch
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:
R. T. Murchison.
(Re-election)
- For County Supt. Public Schools:
J. N. Snell.
J H Rosser
- Constable Precinct No. 2:
Will Brumley.

phorically speaking, to raise the money. Without the assistance of the newspapers of the United States, so freely given, the cost of raising the government loans would be enormously increased. Yet Uncle Sam, like nearly all sturdy old gentlemen with that style of chin whiskers, is not disposed to be any more liberal in his estimate of the press than seems urgently necessary.—Galveston News.

Alton McKenzie, postmaster at Percilla, went to Tyler Tuesday of last week in answer to a call from the federal court, alleging a shortage in the funds of the Percilla postoffice. Mr. McKenzie arranged his bond while in Tyler and is now at home. The amount of the shortage as stated in the Messenger last week to be about \$1500.00 was incorrect. The exact amount is not known, but is less than that amount.

ABSTRACTS

You cannot sell your land without an Abstract showing perfect title. Why not have your lands abstracted and your titles perfected? We have the Only complete up-to-date Abstract Land Titles of Houston County.

ADAMS & YOUNG
Crockett, Texas

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS
FOR BACKACHE KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

SEVENTY-THREE MEN TO GO IN THE NEXT DRAFT

Local Board Issued Call for Men to go to Training Camp

List of white registrants who will be called by the Local Board of Houston County between the 25th and 30th of May to entrain for Camp Travis. Hon. W. B. Page, Chairman of the Board, has taken the matter up with the Adjutant General as to whether or not enlistments in the cavalry troop recently organized in this county will exempt the men from this draft. If the Adjutant General rules that it does, other men will be substituted for those that have enlisted and have been named in this list:

- John Gates
- John W. Eddy
- Oscar J. Patterson
- C. A. Dennis
- Andrew C. Lasiter
- John H. Puntch
- Benj. F. Davis
- Fred C. Gunther
- A. J. Spence
- C. A. Rosson
- R. C. Reeves.
- George Loftin
- R. O. Hooks
- Ed Frizzell
- Ed Buller
- John R. Salisbury
- Homer R. Denman
- Lanye B. Barnes
- John A. Brimberry
- Alvin A. Bynum
- Harry G. Williams
- Thos. H. Buller
- G. J. McCall
- Porter L. Payne
- J. W. Westbrook
- Alva C. Conner
- Hoyt Lee Garrard
- Ruff Kennedy
- John T. Bumgarner
- Dudley M. English
- Roland N. Allbright
- Malon Wright
- Edwin Dawson
- James C. Goodwin
- Archie Wilson
- Luis Crug
- Isador Krenek
- Thomas L. Willis
- John H. Clark
- James I. Shuptrine
- Edgar B. Daniels
- John E. Bowden
- Fatie Tims
- Eugene Torrence
- John Hooker Brown

Helps Sick Women

Cardui, the woman's tonic, helped Mrs. William Eversole, of Hazel Patch, Ky. Read what she writes: "I had a general breaking-down of my health. I was in bed for weeks, unable to get up. I had such a weakness and dizziness, . . . and the pains were very severe. A friend told me I had tried everything else, why not Cardui? . . . I did, and soon saw it was helping me . . . After 12 bottles, I am strong and well."

TAKE

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

Do you feel weak, dizzy, worn-out? Is your lack of good health caused from any of the complaints so common to women? Then why not give Cardui a trial? It should surely do for you what it has done for so many thousands of other women who suffered—it should help you back to health.

Ask some lady friend who has taken Cardui. She will tell you how it helped her. Try Cardui.

All Druggists

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 3 Months..... .40

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1918

The man who is honest only because of the law is a poor citizen.

Many a fellow's idea of happiness is to get more than his money's worth.

By this time the Huns are realizing that two can play at the game of "frightfulness."

The ups and downs of some people consist mostly in talking themselves up and their neighborhood.

That dirt on daughter's hands may not be out of the war garden, after all. Maybe she's been dusting off the porch swing

There are three things we must do today: Pray to God, trust to Foch and hand over our dollars to the Red Cross.

This would be a great and glorious old world in a few years if our children would only achieve what we expect and predict for them.

While the Kaiser is busy taking the church bells in Germany, he had better take an organ, too, for it won't be long until he'll be playing his last tune.

It looks like before we finish the job of making the world safe for democracy, we're going to have to shove our southern border line down as far as Guatemala.

When we get around where there's a fellow smoking a cigarette that smells like somebody shoeing a horse, we wonder more than ever why this country does not declare war on Turkey.

An outburst of temper is like the bursting of a steam boiler—it is impossible to tell before hand what will be the result. The evil may never be remedied. Starve your temper. It is not worth keeping alive. Starve it.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT

J. H. Rosser announces this week for county superintendent of schools. Mr. Rosser is a splendid young man, possessing the necessary qualifications to efficiently fill this office. Four years ago he was a candidate for this place, but was defeated. He feels that he has waited a sufficient length of time, and again offers for the place. He has been identified with the educational interests of this county several years, and has taught some of the best schools in the county. He has a reputation of being a good school man, and if elected to the position to which he aspires, we feel sure he would give entire satisfaction. We commend his candidacy to your careful consideration.

Just received another lot of RIT—the wonderful dye soap, at Darsey's.

Trespassing Not Allowed
 My pasture and lake west of town is posted and trespassing will not be allowed. Grapeland, Texas, May 21, 1918.
 Geo. E. Darsey.

S. N. Boykin smashed his car Sunday afternoon when he turned out of the road for another car and struck a tree.

Mrs. Dora Gray of Little Rock is here visiting friends and relatives.

Ex-governor Colquitt will speak in Crockett Saturday at 2 o'clock in the interest of Governor Hobby's candidacy for governor.

Lee Burden happened to an accident Sunday and turned his car over. His family was with him but none of them were hurt. The car was damaged considerably.

J. V. Rosprim, a prominent farmer of Salmon, was here on business Monday. He called at the Messenger office and had his name enrolled on our subscription book.

Our good friend, Sim Finch of the New Prospect community, was in to see us a little while Saturday afternoon. He said things in his community were progressing nicely, that the people were interested in the war and anxious to do their part in helping to win it. He expressed the hope that they would over-subscribe their quota of the Red Cross fund.

HEART-TO-HEART

Here is what Meredith Nicholson says:

"The Red Cross is, we may say, the arms of the mothers of the world reached out to their sons to bind up their wounds and comfort them. The Red Cross is an army without a gun that wages war only upon suffering and heartache. Where the flag of the stars goes there the banner of the Red Cross must fly beside it. We watch our boys go forth to war with a spirit of hopefulness because we know that this great agency of humanity presses near behind them; that its work is not incidental, but the intelligent directed effort of one of the most marvelous organizations ever contrived by American genius."

Our idea of conservation is shown by the Grapeland girl who took a pair of silk stockings to make a veil and then took a veil to make a pair of stockings.—Grapeland Messenger.

The Grapeland young lady is in a class with one of our uncles, when it comes to conserving. The relative referred to used to buy the punkest chewing tobacco on the market, which was "Battle-Ax," give each chaw about two separate chewings, after which he would deposit it in the sunshine for it to dry so he could smoke it in his clay pipe. After smeking the tobacco, he would save the ashes to put in his sox to keep his feet from perspiring when he went to church.—Groveton Times.

A slacker dollar may be bad, even contemptible, but it is the slacker man and the slacker acres that hurt. We can commandeer the dollar, but the traitor who wastes the summer and the acre that meets harvest time with weeds have fought for the enemy.—Houston Post.

Give to the Red Cross



THE AMERICAN RED CROSS is doing more to bring cheer and comfort to the war stricken world than all other agencies combined.

THE RED CROSS looks after our boys in the training camps and on the battlefields of France, cares for the wounded and the destitute women and children of Europe and ministers unto the wounded and dying soldiers at the front.

The work of the RED CROSS cannot be estimated in dollars and cents—it's a matter of life. Don't try to ease your conscience with just a little donation—GIVE ALL YOU CAN!

GIVE UNTIL IT HURTS

IT'S HIGH TIME FOR SUMMER SHOES

If you have delayed buying your low shoes until warm weather, now is the opportune time. We have a carefully selected stock of low shoes for men, women and children in popular brands and are selling them at very attractive prices. Our stock of low shoes is being brightened up as the new ones come out and you'll not be disappointed by a look here.

Men's low shoes up from \$3.00
 Women's low shoes up from 2.00

Children's low shoes priced according to size

In Addition to Florsheim Shoes

The men-folk of this place are familiar with other popular trade-mareed lines of wearing apparel--every one backed by this store's guarantee of satisfaction.

STYLEPLUS CLOTHES

are the only known priced clothes in America. All popular weaves and styles for men of all shapes and sizes at—
 \$17, \$21 \$25

STETSON HATS shown here in your favorite shape in spring colors—by far the leading line of felt hats in America
 \$5, \$6, \$7

WORTH HATS are here in the new spring felts as well as all popular straw materials—Leghorns, Bangkoks, Sennets, Panamas, etc., at—\$3 and up that suggest summer themselves, are here in serviceable silk and cotton materials, in a most pleasing array of colors at \$1.50 to \$7.50

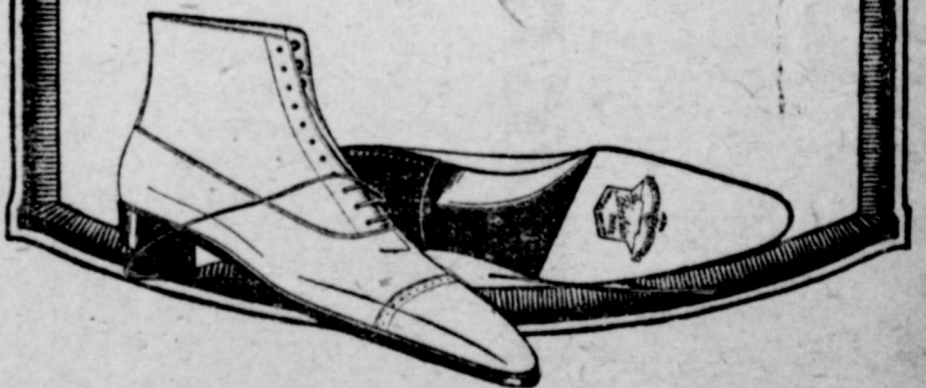
NEW TIES that include all popular widths, four-in-hands, bat wing, bows and windsorettes, etc., all shapes, in many colors at 25c to 1.50



Quality...

is maintained at this store, and at a reasonable advance we can supply the same high grade merchandise that you have always expected from us.

The name "Florsheim" on our men's fine shoes, and dependable trade-marks on other lines, is our assurance that we are giving you the identical quality that you have had before—the best values the market affords.



Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

THE "SERVICE FIRST" STORE

LOCAL NEWS

Trunks and suit cases at Darsey's.

Try WHERRY for anything you want in dry goods or shoes.

RUMY-B-TISM—Antiseptic, Relieves Rheumatism, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc.

A few bushels of black eyed peas at Howard's.

\$6.00 shoes selling for \$4.50 at Wherry's.

Pure ribbon cane syrup at Howard's.

Get your fruit jar tops and rubbers from McLean & Riall.

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

Hoes, rakes and spades at McLean & Riall's.

The best and cheapest line of Tennis Shoes at Wherry's.

Ney Sheridan and family of Crockett were here Sunday, the guests of relatives.

Call at Howard's for your groceries. One price to all and that the lowest.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett visited relatives here Sunday.

"Sampson Overalls"—nothing better. \$1.65 a pair at Wherry's.

Misses Eula Mae Riall and Winnie Davis visited in Crockett Saturday.

For spring and summer hats in men's, ladies' and children's see ours. S. E. Howard.

McLean & Riall have a nice assortment of granite and enamelware. Get yours before this lot is gone as the next shipment will be higher.

Emmett Whitley of Ft. Worth spent several days here last week visiting his mother, and other relatives.

When your clothes need treatment, carry them to Clewis' Sanitarium. All cases carefully treated.

Dr. Clewis' Hospital.

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.

J. W. Howard.

FOR SALE

One full blood Tamworth male pig, 5 months old—he is a good one. J. E. Hollingsworth.

For oil, grease and GENUINE FORD PARTS, come to Hughes & Son's Auto Shop. Phone day and night. tf

A beautiful line of queensware just received, decorated lamps, tableware, etc.

S. E. Howard.

George Moore and J. L. Rush of Augusta returned Friday night from Camp Bowie, where they spent a few days visiting the soldier boys. They said the boys were of the opinion that they would soon start toward Berlin.

Nice wash pants \$1.50 per pair at Wherry's.

A Panama hat to suit the man who cares at W. H. Long & Co.

J. H. Leaverton had the misfortune to break his arm while trying to crank his car.

We still sell Searchlight matches at 5c a box.

S. E. Howard.

Miss Mattie Sullivan of Palestine is visiting her mother, east of town.

Buy your gingham and percales from Wherry. 15c and 16c per yard.

Beautiful line of ladies wash skirts now on display.

W. H. Long & Co.

FOR SALE

A good milk cow with calf for sale cheap. Frank Leaverton.

Miss Waneta Hatchell of Crockett visited friends and relatives here this week.

FOR SALE

Some extra good ear corn at \$2.00 per bushel.

P. H. Stafford.

Mrs. Ben Hancock of Weatherford is here visiting her father, S. M. Yarbrough.

Don't forget the Howard & Foster shoes. We have a beautiful selection to pick from.

W. H. Long & Co.

Lewis Lee of the U. S. army, stationed at Key West, Fla., is here to see his grandmother, Mrs. Pennington, who is ill.

FOR SALE

A good, gentle work mule, 8 years old. Cash or terms. 13 4-t

M. E. Bean.

A car driven by Mrs. Walter Pennington and the other by W. R. Durnell collided Saturday afternoon in front of Guice's garage. No one was hurt, but Mr. Durnell's car was damaged.

CAR OF MAIZE

due to arrive about Saturday. This is the last car for this season, so you had better see me if you want any.

J. W. Howard.

Ney Sheridan and Wyley Ritchie had a collision out on the Crockett road Sunday morning, and both cars were damaged but none of the occupants were hurt.

Mrs. Harmon Gray of Little Rock, Ark., is here visiting her grandmother, Mrs. E. G. Pennington, who is in very feeble health.

POSTED—KEEP OUT

My pasture and lake west of town is posted and you are requested to keep out of same.

Geo. E. Darsey,

May 21, 1918.

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. P. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

"ATTENTION"

STENOGRAPHERS WANTED

Be patriotic; go into training immediately and serve your country well. In line with the selective conscription bill passed by congress, the government is making an extraordinary effort to fill the great number of clerical positions now open. Our government is hard pressed for more help and each of us can relieve this need somewhat by offering our services. Read the following letter and be convinced:

Washington, D. C.—

Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Gentlemen: The present emergency conditions are taxing the resources of this Commission to furnish stenographers and typewriters in sufficient number for the departments at Washington. For the present, examinations for both men and women are being held every Tuesday in 400 of the principal cities.

Inclosed are two poster announcements of stenographer and typewriter examinations. It is requested that they be distributed where they will come to the notice of your students and other stenographers, that you personally make an announcement in the class room of the need of the government, and that if practicable you communicate the information to your graduates.

The civil as well as the military forces must be recruited to meet the unusual situation. Stenographers and typewriters in large numbers are needed. It is the patriotic duty of citizens who have this special knowledge to use it where it will be of most value to the government.

The Commission will be grateful for your co-operation.

Very respectfully,
John A. McIlhenny,
Pres. U. S. Civil Service Com.

Uncle Sam is refusing to draft for military service any who have industrial or commercial training and are needed more at home. Can you say that a young person fighting a typewriter or pushing a pen for Uncle Sam is not as patriotic as one who shoulders the rifle? Certainly not. Uncle Sam has already so many men for the draft that he has not enough training camps to call them out. Yet he is sending appeals for help in his work at home. Then, too, you have the following points to consider. You are not required to enlist, and you may resign at any time. You will receive a training worth thousands of dollars to you after peace is declared and will have the permanent recommendation that you have held a government position. The entrance salary is from \$1000 to 1200 per year. Can you equal them in any other way, considering the duty you owe your country? Young ladies and young men who are unfit physically for military service have this excellent opportunity to serve our country and draw pay for so doing. These positions are permanent for business never gets dull with Uncle Sam. The government has long since recognized the Tyler Commercial College as the greatest institution of its kind for preparing young people for this work. Get busy.

Do These Things and be Happy

Give to the Red Cross liberally.

Buy your Ingersol Watches from us.

We guarantee them.

Buy your Sundries here. We can supply your wants.

Have your Prescriptions filled here. We have an expert pharmacist and the proper ingredients.

OUR PRESCRIPTION SERVICE
ranks among the best in the state
outside of cities.

HONESTY AND QUALITY

The Peoples Drug Store

—WADE L. SMITH—

Home Builders

To own a home—to say as you return from your day of labor—"this is my hearthstone," brings a satisfaction that is close to blessed.

The dearest thing to the heart of any right made man or woman—next to cherishing one another and their little ones—is the desire for a home.

We are the home builders of this district, equipped and prepared to serve you with "better and more modern homes."

MAY WE SERVE YOU?

T. H. Leaverton Lumber Company

Do your bit. Write today for free catalogue and enlist now. Tyler Commercial College, civil service department,

WATCH AND WAIT FOR G. WARD SHELFER

to have your eyes examined and glasses fitted. He will be with us again Friday and Saturday, June 7th and 8th. All glasses ground in Dallas by the COLUMBIAN OPTICAL CO., 1413 Main St., and a record kept of every pair that you may have more made at any time in case you lose or break a pair, simply order yourself. Beware of the peddlers claiming to be Dr. Shelfer or connected with him in any way, as he positively makes no trips out in the country. Remember the name and his next dates—June 7th and 8th, phone us for appointment and come in as early as you can. Again we thank you.

D. N. Leaverton,
Druggist,
Grapeland, Texas.

FOR SALE

Stock horse, about 7 years old, for sale at a bargain, either cash or trade. J. V. Rosprum, Salmon, Texas.

GRAVEYARD WORKING

We are requested to notify those interested that the Denison graveyard near Bob Owens, will be cleaned off next Wednesday, May 29. All are requested to bring working tools and a basket of dinner.

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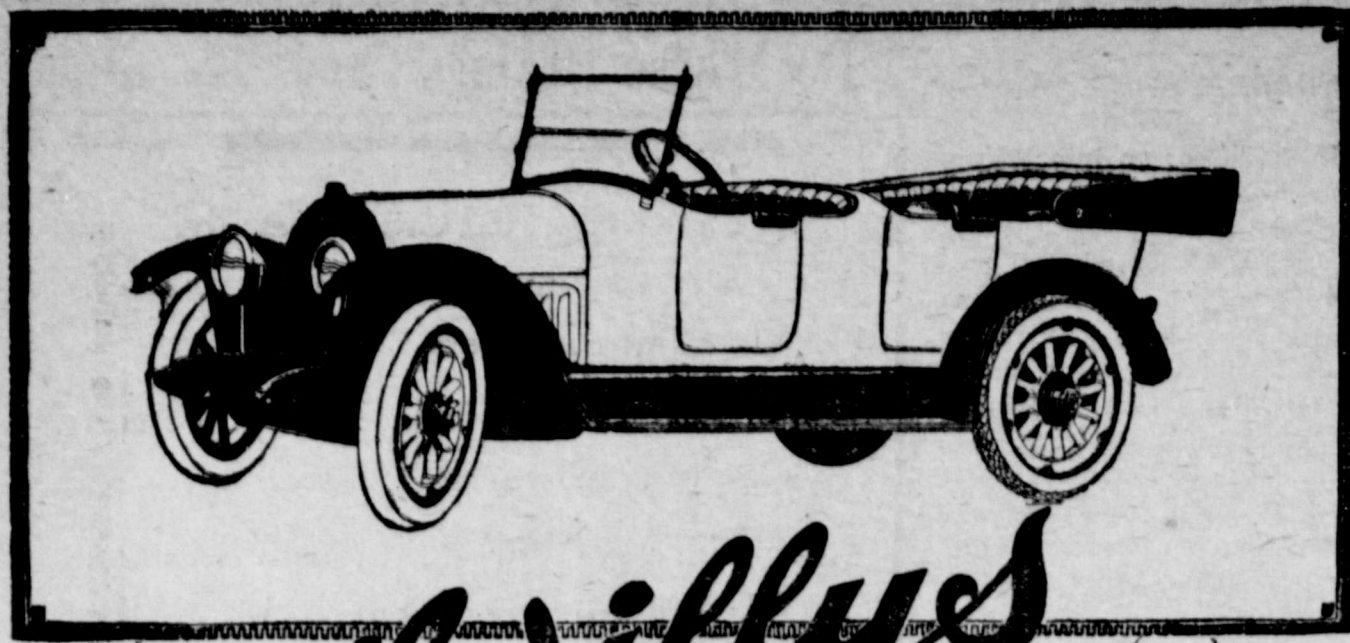
15-jewel Waltham watch; my name stamped on fob. Lost somewhere here in town. Reward for return. Lee Finch, Route 3.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Sparks of Lovelady, and W. H. Hall of Jewett were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Crowson the latter part of last week.

DIPPING NOTICE

Thursday, May 30, is dipping day for Grapeland, and all cattle that run at large must be dipped. H. L. Morrison, Inspector.

Hadie Gilbert, who volunteered last summer and went to Camp Bowie with the Houston county company has been honorably discharged on account of a slight physical defect, and is now at home.



Willys
KNIGHT
Sleeve-Valve Motor



Come and see the Type of Motor that is Helping the Allies Win

From the European battle front comes additional evidence of the superiority of the "Knight."

To transport troops overland was a desperately urgent and tremendously difficult task. The fate of nations hung upon the results!

London omnibuses, with "Knight" motors, were largely used. Why?

When the British Tank was adopted the "Knight" was again chosen. Why?

The Four Touring \$1625

Twenty-five thousand owners of Willys-Knight cars in America can readily and enthusiastically tell you why.

Because the sleeve-valve Knight motor is supremely quiet, vibrationless and absolutely dependable—

And because—

The sleeve-valve motor holds every world's record for length of run, power produced, absence of wear and lack of carbon deposit.

Prices f. o. b. Toledo Subject to change without notice

Against all the arguments for all other types of motors is this out-weighting advantage of the Willys-Knight—the Knight is the only type of motor that improves with use.

Additional reasons for preferring the Willys-Knight are its noiseless body construction and its moderate cost.

Our volume enables us to market this more efficient and self-preserving motor at a remarkably moderate cost.

The Eight Touring \$2100

J. E. Towery, Crockett, Texas

ROCKHILL

BY NORMAN

Rock Hill, May 20.—Rev. R. L. Brooks has returned to his home in Fouke, Ark., after a short stay here with his relatives. He preached several sermons while here.

Quite a number of the Rock Hill people attended the reunion at Oak Grove Sunday. All report a very pleasant time.

The measles have about "died down;" only two cases.—Mamie Weisinger and Polly Ida Kolb, who are getting along very well at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Weisinger and Mrs. Lina Helm visited the home of Rube Weisinger, west of Grapeland, Sunday.

The Red Cross drive will be held here Tuesday night. We must get right down to work and go right "over the top."

Several of the young people of this community attended the cream supper last Friday night at J. F. Martin's, and report a nice time.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS

The chapter of the Confederate Daughters will entertain the old soldiers of Crockett Camp, and their wives, and to include Col. D. A. Nunn's company of old soldiers, at Crockett on Wednesday, June 5th, 1918. Let all come.

E. Winfree, Commander.

RUN OVER BY CAR

Bob Brinkley, a fifteen year old lad, was run over by an automobile Saturday afternoon and sustained a broken leg and several severe bruises on the face and body. The accident occurred out on the Crockett road near

Elkhart creek. Two cars were coming this way and the car ahead stopped to pick up the boy to bring him to town, and as he crossed the road to get in the car behind pulled out to pass and struck him. Those witnessing the accident said it was unavoidable and no blame could be attached to the driver, who stopped his car almost instantly. The car was driven by a Mr. Weatherford of Elkhart. They brought the little fellow to town for medical treatment.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY

J. F. Mangum of Crockett was in Grapeland Saturday and called at the Messenger office and authorized his announcement for re-election as County Attorney, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

Mr. Mangum is now serving his first term in this office and feels that he has discharged his duties faithfully to the people who elected him. If re-elected, he promises to continue to give the best service of which he is capable.

Mr. Mangum has served the people of Houston county in a public way for many years. He was county superintendent of schools several years and rendered splendid service in that capacity. He is a graduate of the law department of the State University and practiced law in Crockett prior to his election as county attorney. We commend his candidacy to your careful consideration.

IF YOUR FOOD DOES NOT DIGEST

You feel a hot burning sensation in the throat, fullness or bloated feeling in the stomach, belching, sour risings and a loss of your usual vim and energy. You need the help of

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

It is an admirable digestive stimulant. It cleanses the stomach of fermented food, cools and tones the digestive organs, drives bilious impurities into the bowels where its excellent cathartic properties force the bowels to operate thus ridding the body of the disturbing matter. It acts quickly and thoroughly, checks heartburn in a few minutes, restores the appetite, comfortable digestion and cheerful spirits.

Sold by Druggists and Dealers in Medicine.

Prickly Ash Bitters Co. Proprietors St. Louis, Mo.

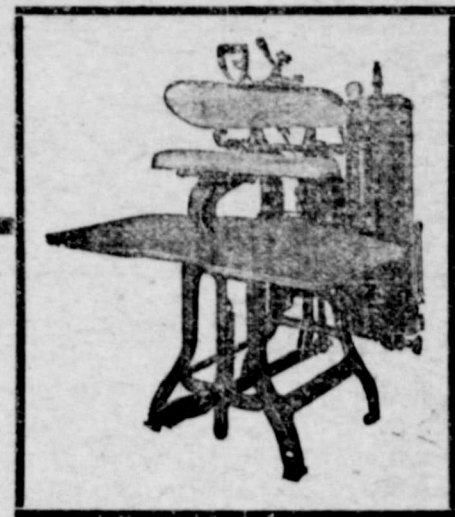
WADE L SMITH



EVERY CHECK MADE OUT

Is also a receipt for the money. There is no possibility of disputes. We welcome the accounts of those who have no banking connections. We are always glad to assist such with both advice and financially when occasion warrants. Call on us freely for any information on financial matters you require

Farmers & Merchants
State Bank



CAN YOU AFFORD

To neglect your personal appearance when our prices for cleaning, pressing and repairing clothes are easily within your means?

Can You Afford

To overlook the importance of personality as relates to outer garments?

You Can Not

We solicit your patronage and agree to give you unexcelled service.

May We Start Today?

CLEWIS--The Tailor

Sores and Wounds on the limbs or body should not be neglected. They quickly become ulcers and are hard to cure.

BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT

Heals Quickly

It is an excellent remedy to keep in the house for prompt use when accidents occur. Try it for Cuts, Wounds, Sores, Galls, Swellings, Chafed Skin, Sore Feet, Oak or Ivy Poisoning. It is good for human or animal flesh. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle.

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

FOR SALE BY D. N. LEAVERTON

City Barber Shop

Denson & Walton, Proprietors

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

John Spence

Lawyer

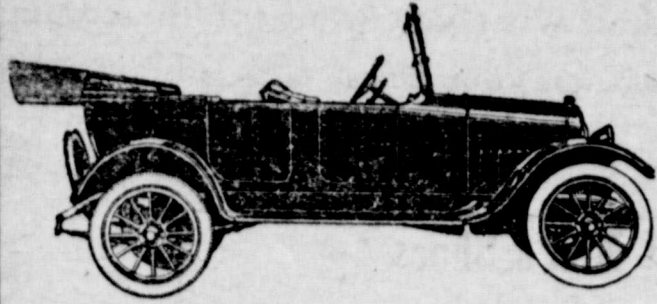
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Office Upstairs over Monzingo Millinery Store

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Veterinarian

Telephone Goodson Hotel or Drug Stores

Do You Know the Terms of That 22,000 Mile Test?



Maxwell Motor Cars

5-Pass. Car . . . \$ 825
Roadster 825
5-Pass. Car with All-Weather Top . . . 935
5-Pass. Sedan . . . 1275
6-Pass. Town Car . 1275
All prices in Detroit
Wire wheels, regular equipment
with ocean and Tow Car

Official Figures of the Test

| | Daily Mileage | Av. Miles Per Gal. Gasoline |
|--------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Nov 23 | 511.3 | 22.2 |
| " 24 | 551.4 | 22.82 |
| " 25 | 537.4 | 21.49 |
| " 26 | 505.9 | 22.47 |
| " 27 | 516.5 | 23.70 |
| " 28 | 505.9 | 23.02 |
| " 29 | 515.5 | 26.40 |
| " 30 | 480.1 | 22.80 |
| Dec. 1 | 498.8 | 23.99 |
| " 2 | 484.6 | 21.77 |
| " 3 | 506.6 | 20.71 |
| " 4 | Rain 438.9 | 19.51 |
| " 5 | 502.7 | 19.44 |
| " 6 | 517.0 | 22.15 |
| " 7 | 505.0 | 22.35 |
| " 8 | 493.3 | 22.03 |
| " 9 | 472.6 | 21.33 |
| " 10 | 477.7 | 23.43 |
| " 11 | 455.2 | 23.82 |
| " 12 | 540.1 | 23.55 |
| " 13 | 539.3 | 23.18 |
| " 14 | Rain 465.9 | 23.85 |
| " 15 | 523.1 | 22.95 |
| " 16 | 539.1 | 21.99 |
| " 17 | 492.8 | 22.09 |
| " 18 | 512.0 | 21.72 |
| " 19 | 525.9 | 28.33 |
| " 20 | 527.5 | 23.44 |
| " 21 | 496.8 | 24.50 |
| " 22 | 490.8 | 22.30 |
| " 23 | 487.1 | 23.13 |
| " 24 | 480.5 | 21.75 |
| " 25 | 477.5 | 22.83 |
| " 26 | 492.6 | 22.30 |
| " 27 | 487.1 | 19.79 |
| " 28 | 477.4 | 18.91 |
| " 29 | 523.9 | 18.20 |
| " 30 | 466.9 | 20.24 |
| " 31 | 504.9 | 21.08 |
| Jan. 1 | 501.4 | 19.82 |
| " 2 | Rain 451.8 | 20.07 |
| " 3 | Rain 479.1 | 21.56 |
| " 4 | Rain 455.6 | 19.82 |
| " 5 | Rain 562.5 | 19.10 |

Elapsed time 44 days
Total mileage 22,022.3
Average speed per hour 25 miles
Average day's run 500.6
*Longest day's run 562.5
Average miles per gal. 22 miles
Smallest day's mileage 18.20 miles
per gallon
Greatest average miles 28.33 miles
per gallon
Average tire life 9,875 miles
*Note that longest day's run was made on last day of the test



GEORGE E. DARSEY

You know, of course, that the Maxwell Motor Car is the long distance champion of the world.

You have read that a "stock" Maxwell 5-passenger car ran for 44 days and nights without stopping the motor.

And that, in the 44 days non-stop test, the Maxwell covered 22,022 miles, at an average speed of 25 miles per hour.

But have you, up to now, realized the full significance of that performance?

Do you know that no other motor car in the world has ever equalled or even approached that performance?

In a word, did you take this test seriously when you heard of it?

Or did you set it down as a "selling stunt" to give the publicity man something to talk about?

It's worth your while to read and to study the conditions under which that test was made.

You know that the American Automobile Association (familiarly known as the "A. A. A.") is the official arbiter of every automobile test and contest.

But perhaps you didn't know that when a maker places his product under A. A. A. supervision he must do absolutely as told and abide by the decisions of the Board.

That's why there are so few A. A. A. Official Records!

This 22,000-mile Maxwell non-stop test was official from start to finish.

Therein lies its value to you.

It proves absolutely the quality of the car—of the very Maxwell you buy.

For verily this was a "stock" Maxwell. Listen:—

First: the inspectors disassembled the motor to see that no special pistons, valves, bearing-metal or other parts had been used.

Every other unit was as critically inspected. Then the car was re-assembled under their own supervision.

As we had much at stake and the test was made in winter (November 23 to January 5) we asked permission to take certain little precautions against accidental stoppage.

Sounds reasonable, doesn't it?

But they refused permission to do any such thing.

For example:—They would not permit a rubber cover over the magneto—it wasn't "stock."

They refused to let us tape the ignition wire terminals—they are not taped on the Maxwells we sell—so of course it wasn't "stock."

Neither would they let us use a spiral coiled pipe in place of the usual straight one from tank to carburetor to guard against a breakage from the constant, unremitting vibration—it isn't "stock."

Nor to use a special high priced foreign make of spark plug—the run was made on the same spark plugs with which all Maxwells are equipped.

So rigid were the rules, we were unable to carry a spare tire on the rear—it wasn't "stock." A telegram to headquarters in New York finally brought a special permit to carry a spare tire.

"It isn't stock!" "It isn't stock!"

That was the laconic reply of those A. A. A. inspectors to every last suggestion that called for anything but the precise condition of the standard, stock model Maxwell that any customer can buy from any one of 3000 dealers anywhere.

We are glad now—mighty glad—that the rules were so strict and so rigidly enforced.

Any other car that ever attempts to equal that record must do it under official supervision—and comply with the same terms.

And it will have to go some.

For Maxwell set the standard when it performed this wonderful feat.

Maxwell complied with those rules—and made good.

Every drop of gasoline and oil and water was measured out and poured in by the inspectors themselves. They would not even let our man pour it in!

Every four hours the car had to report at the official station for checking.

And it had to be there on the minute.

And every minute there was an inspector beside the driver on the front seat—two more men in the rear. One got out only to let another in—day and night for 44 days and nights!

There was one technical stop.

It is interesting to know the circumstances.

Dead of night—a driving storm—a cloudburst—suddenly another car appeared in the road ahead.

In his effort to avoid a collision the Maxwell driver stalled his motor.

At least the observers thought it stopped and so reported.

The car did not stop, however, so its momentum again started the motor (if it had indeed stalled) when the clutch was let in.

The contest board exonerated our driver on grounds that his action was necessary to save life.

That shows you how rigid were the rules—how conscientiously applied by the observers.

You who have owned and driven motor cars—you who know how small a thing may clog a carburetor or a feed pipe; "short" a spark or stall a motor—will realize what a wonderfully well made car this must be to go through that test under those conditions—44 days—22,022 miles without stopping.

The exact amount of gasoline, of oil, of water used; the tire mileage, tire troubles, tire changes; the distance and the routes are matters of official record, attested under oath and guaranteed by the A. A. A.

(By the way, the average was nearly 10,000 miles per tire.)

Any Maxwell owner—or anyone interested may see those records.

And—here's the most wonderful part—though no attempt was or could be made for economy; the Maxwell averaged 22 miles per gallon of gasoline.

Some other car may, some time, equal some one of those performances. But to equal them all in the same test—that car must be a Maxwell.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

Other Interesting Items From the County Capital

Crockett, Texas, May 20.—The May term of the Commissioners' court was held last week. All commissioners were present.

Quarterly Reports

The following officers' reports for quarter ending May, were examined and approved:

Ney Sheridan, treasurer; C.R. Stephenson, Justice Peace Precinct No. 1.

The contract with Dick Calhoun as agent for Tom Calhoun for building dipping vats in the county was abrogated.

On the petition of citizens an election was ordered for Road District No. 8 to be held June 12th, to decide whether or not road improvement bonds in the sum of \$50,000 should be issued and a maintenance tax of fifty cents levied.

The returns for the election of school trustees for the county at large were canvassed and the following were declared elected: D. D. Montgomery, J. J. Willis and D. C. McCarter.

A letter signed by three of the commissioners, addressed to the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., and Dr. J. B. Reidy of Houston, requesting that Dr. Haag, federal tick expert, be removed from that position in this county and given a position in some other county, was spread on the minutes, and the original ordered forwarded as directed. This letter charges neglect of duty, the stirring up of strife among the citizens of the county to the detriment of the eradication of the tick, and other charges. Your correspondent was unable to find Dr. Haag Monday and get a statement.

Claims

Claims to the amount of \$7223.29 were examined, allowed and warrants ordered issued. This is an average of \$1204.73 per day. In the sum total of claims are included the amount of \$382 for the pauper list and \$725 to pay the ex-officio salaries of the different county officers. Among the largest of the claims were:

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| C. W. Butler Jr., tax collector, for compiling the delinquent tax rolls for the years of 1915-16-17 | \$225.00 |
| Crockett Drug Co., fluid for killing ticks..... | 390.00 |
| John B. Turner, Lovelady (same)..... | 303.15 |
| D. N. Leaverton, Grapeland (same) | 290.57 |
| Ratcliff Drug Co. (same) | 283.90 |
| A. W. Ellis, salary as road Supt. | 125.00 |
| J. H. Ellis, deputy hire.. | 100.00 |
| J. H. Ellis, making highway map of Houston county | 500.00 |
| R. J. Spence, sheriff, board of prisoners..... | 71.00 |

From the above it will be seen that the sum of \$1208.58 was allowed for fluid for killing ticks. One of the paupers, Warren Fox, who draws \$8.00 per quarter, has been on the county nearly a quarter of a century.

Ex-Officio Allowances

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| E. Winfree, judge..... | \$375.00 |
| A. E. Owens, Clerk..... | 100.00 |
| J. D. Morgan, District Clerk | 100.00 |
| R. J. Spence, sheriff..... | 150.00 |

Up until January 8, 1917, the county judge drew \$1200 per

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year for such services, and the sheriff \$300, but on that date the commissioners' court raised the salary of the county judge to \$1500 per year, and that of the sheriff to \$600.

Troop M, 1st Texas Cavalry, was mustered into service in this city Saturday by Maj. H. L. Clark of Houston. The Company, composed of Houston and Anderson county men, is 107 strong, with recruiting still going on. Out of 113 enlisted, only six were rejected on account of physical defects. The membership is composed of men mostly under and above the draft age, nearly one-third of whom are married men. The officers of the company are: J. N. Snell, Captain; T. R. Deupree, 1st Lieutenant; A. E. Owens, 2nd Lieutenant; A. Carroll, 1st Sergeant; Ed C. Parker,

2nd Sergeant; Jake P. Peacock, Supply Sergeant; Byron B. Snell, Stable Sergeant. Captain Snell and Lieutenants Deupree and Owens left for Houston Monday to consult with Gen. Jake Wolfers. Upon their return drilling will be commenced.

ANNOUNCEMENT

To my friends and the general public: Remember please, I will be in Crockett again at Bishop Drug Co. Wednesday and Thursday, June 5th and 6th, two days only; in Grapeland at D. N. Leaverton's Drug Store Friday and Saturday, June 7th and 8th, two days only. Eyes examined, glasses fitted. **A FEW WORDS OF WARNING:** Many people are being deceived and badly swindled by incompetent, unworthy peddlers going through the country using

my name, or pretending to be "great eye specialists," and to protect myself and the general public I insist that you call up the druggist where I do business and find out who I am and the way I do business. If you will call up your sheriff and turn "Mr. Great Eye Specialist" over to him you will soon find out who he is. Try this out and help us drive these frauds out of the State. There are plenty good Optometrists who will fit you accurately at reasonable prices. Quit ruining your eyes with worthless glasses at high prices. Remember my dates—come to see us and get what you really need and want and don't forget to help the RED CROSS all you can. Personal address, P. O. Box 133; office address, 1413 Main St. **G. WARD SHELFER,** Dallas, Texas.

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