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In 1918 there were 37,000,000 acres planted to cotton in the United States. The 1918 yield estimated by the government is 11,818,000 bales, or 2,338,000 bales less than 1913 with the same acreage planted. The prime cause of this reduction in yield was due to incomplete or unbalanced fertilizers, in 1913 the fertilizers contained sufficient Potash, since then we have little or no Potash, until now.

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OUR HONOR ROLL

The following have our thanks for their subscription since last issue. This is a pretty good list. Let others follow suit:

Grapeland—A. D. Funderburk, B. R. Eaves, J. F. Lively, Marvin Gilbert, Sid Boykin, J. J. Knoble, H. A. Leaverton, H. C. Foreman, I. H. Shaver, Eugene Walling.

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Malvern—Byron Maxwell.

Salmon—Ernest Denman.

Livingston—N. J. Davis.

Elkhart, Route 2—Walter Caskey.

Big Sandy—Mack Martin.

Colored — Chas. Simpson, Grapeland; Ed Coleman, Route 3.

OBITUARY

To the memory of Mrs. John Reagan Peterson, wife of Marion Peterson, born June 20th, 1896, in Cherokee county, Texas, and came to Houston county with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hall, and was married to Mr. Marion Peterson September 28, 1912.

She was 22 years, 8 months and 28 days old when death came, caused by influenza, on February 18, 1919.

To this union was born 4 children. One preceded her some years ago and one followed a few days after she died. She was a member of the Missionary Baptist church at New Hope. She was a good wife, good mother, good neighbor and a good member of the church.

Funeral services were held by Rev. W. A. Foster at Evergreen cemetery February 19.

We can say to those of her friends and relatives, weep not as those who have no hope, for if we live as we should we will meet her in that world where parting is no more.

"Me thinks we can almost hear her say:

Weep not for me my friends so dear;

I am not dead, but sleeping here.

I was not yours but Christ's alone,

He loved me best and took me home."

Written by a Friend.

At the Methodist Church

Subject for Sunday's services are: 11 a. m. "Sampson Gets a Hair Cut." 7:30 p. m. "The Public Weigher." You are invited to be present.

J. E. Buttrill, Pastor.

CARD OF THANKS

To our neighbors and friends of the Waneta and New Hope communities:

Dear friends, one and all: We address ourselves to you who were so kind to us during our siege of sickness and death, we return our heartfelt thanks for the assistance rendered during the time, for without your help we would have suffered greatly.

Yours truly,

Marion and Henry Peterson.

Dr. John R. Moos, a Missionary from Korea, filled the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour, and a large congregation was present to hear him. Dr. Moos has been in Korea twenty years and his description of the country, the people and their customs was greatly enjoyed.

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Building is a basic industry. To build a home, aside from the obvious benefits to the home-owner, is to make an important and direct contribution to national readjustment and reconstruction.

First, the country needs thousands of homes. After that the home-builder creates a demand for stone, bricks, lumber, hardware, concrete, paint, etc., etc.; money circulates—only blood that circulates makes for health. Building absorbs labor. That is of prime importance right now when thousands of soldiers are being released from the army and industry is in transition from the war to peace gear.

Your money, invested in building a home, works for your permanent prosperity and welfare and, at the same time, renders a not less tangible service to your country. Put your money to work—BUILD NOW.

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EVERYBODY IS NOW FIGURING INCOME TAX

In Order to Be Helpful to Public, Internal Revenue Bureau Has Every Available Officer in Field.

SEVERE PENALTIES IF YOU DELAY BEYOND MARCH 15

With the due date for Income Taxes only a few weeks away, the collection of this far-reaching tax on 1918 incomes has started off with a bang. Everybody is figuring income tax.

Payments and sworn statements of Income must reach Internal Revenue offices on or before March 15, and there are severe penalties for delinquency. Residents of Texas are required to make their returns and pay their taxes to Alexander S. Walker, Collector of Internal Revenue, Austin, Tex., or to deputy collectors who are now doing free advisory work on Income Tax.

"Pay your Income Tax by March 15," is the slogan of the Internal Revenue Bureau, which has sent every available officer into the field to help the public to understand the requirements and to prepare the returns.

Who Must Make Return.

It is estimated that many thousands of single and married persons in this section of the United States who have never before made annual returns are required to do so this year.

Income tax returns must be made between now and March 15 by persons who come under the following classifications:

Any unmarried person whose 1918 net income was \$1,000 or over. Widows and widowers, divorcees and married persons who are living apart from their husbands or wives, are for the purposes of the Income Tax classed as unmarried.

Any married person living with wife or husband whose 1918 net income was \$2,000 or over. The income of both husband and wife must be considered, together with the earnings of minor children, if any.

Revenue Bureau Offers Aid.

Each person in the United States who is in either of these classifications must get busy at once if penalties are to be avoided. He should secure a blank Form 1040 A for reporting net income up to \$5,000, or Form 1040 if his net income exceeded that amount. Forms are being distributed by Collectors and their Deputies, also by banks. By following the instructions on the forms a correct return can be prepared at home. If a person needs advice or aid, the Deputy Collectors in the field will furnish this without charge.

The new Revenue law places the Income Tax duty on citizens and residents. The Internal Revenue Bureau is sending its men to work right with the public to get the tax and the returns in. With active co-operation, every tax due March 15 will be paid and every return required by law will be in the Revenue offices on time.

Exemptions Allowed.

A single person is allowed a personal exemption of \$1,000. If he is supporting in his household relatives who are dependent upon him, he may claim the status of the head of a family who has

the same exemption as if married.

A married person, who lives with wife or husband, is allowed a personal exemption of \$2,000. The head of a family is entitled to claim a similar personal exemption.

An additional exemption of \$200 is allowed for each person under eighteen or incapable of self support, who was dependent upon and received his chief support from the taxpayer.

A husband and wife living together are entitled to but one personal exemption of \$2,000. If they make separate returns, the exemption may be claimed by either or divided.

Accuracy Required.

Absolute accuracy is necessary in making up income figures. Any person who is working for wages should find out exactly how much he received during the whole year 1918. Fees, bank interest, bond interest, dividends, rents received, and all other items must be reported correctly. Mere guesses are not accepted, for they are unjust alike to the taxpayer and the Government, and defeat the proper administration of the law.

INCOME TAX IS TRULY POPULAR.
 "The payment of Income taxes takes on a new significance which should be understood by every citizen. The taxation system of this country is truly popular, of the people, by the people and for the people. Every citizen is liable to tax, and the amount of the tax is graduated according to the success and fortune attained by each individual in availing himself of the opportunities created and preserved by our free institutions. The method and degree of the tax is determined by no favored class, but by the representatives of the people. The proceeds of the tax should be regarded as a national investment."—Daniel C. Roper, Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

FRIGHTENED BY TRAMPS

Last Friday afternoon two tramps appeared at the home of E. A. Walling in the Oak Grove community and asked for something to eat. Mrs. Walling and the children were at home alone, Mr. Walling having come to town to attend the spelling match. Mrs. Walling invited them in and provided something for them to eat, and while they were eating she and the children went to a neighbor's house nearby. She phoned to town for her husband, who left with other men for his home. Upon arrival, the "guests" were seated around the fire, comfortable as you please and enjoying life. When asked what they were doing, they replied they were waiting for the lady who fed them to return. They did not molest anything in the house and seemed to be harmless. One of them was an Italian, whom Sheriff Spence carried to Crockett for further investigation, the other was a discharged soldier, whom we understand has hired to one of the citizens of the Oak Grove community.

COMPILING RECORD OF OUR SOLDIERS

Some time ago it was announced that a record would be made of each soldier or sailor who enlisted or was drafted from Houston county in the great war and the record kept in a permanent form in the County Clerk's office. This record is to be made and kept as a matter of justice to the brave young men who served their country when the services of brave men were needed, and for the information of future generations. The blanks for obtaining these records are now ready for distribution and the following named gentlemen will receive a supply of them and are earnestly requested to see every returned soldier and sailor in their respective neighborhoods and obtain a complete history of each one's war record from the date of enlistment to date of discharge on one of these blanks and forward the completed blanks to Hon. A. E. Owens, County Clerk:

- Crockett: Nat Patton, D. O. Kiessling, C. W. Butler.
- Grapeland: Murdock Darsey, C. W. Kennedy.
- Lovelady: W. H. Collins, C. B. Moore.
- Kennard: Hugh English, Claibe Lattimore.
- Ratcliff: Bob Conner, Frank Weimar.
- Augusta: A. S. Moore.
- Weldon: W. H. Mangum, Mr. Carroll.
- Weches: Will Vaught.
- Fodice: D. McCullough.
- Creek: J. D. McCullar, Jr.
- Porter Springs: J. G. Webb.
- Ash: L. J. Knox.
- Arbor: Dr. M. A. Thomas.
- Belott: Geo. Parker.

Blanks will be sent to each of the above named gentlemen as soon as possible but if any of them are in Crockett in the next few days or before they receive the blanks they are requested to call at the County Clerk's office for a supply.

It is exceedingly important, if the record is to be of value, that every soldier and sailor who went to the war from Houston county be seen, no matter how long or how short his service may have been or whether he reached France or not, and the record of his services obtained. Where a soldier or sailor was killed in battle or died in service obtain his record from his parents or nearest relative.

I. A. Daniel, Chairman.

CHAMPIONS DEFEATED

That spelling match between the high school and the town spellers, who styled themselves "the champions," was pulled off in grand style at the auditorium last Friday night. As predicted in these columns last week, the champions went down in defeat, but the high school realized at the finish that they had had a race for their money. The "old timers" who learned how to spell away back yonder in the "blue back speller" did not easily yield to newer and more up-to-date ways of spelling. Dr. G. H. Black was the last of the champions to go down. Little Misses Jo Wherry and Dimple Cromwell were the last from the high school and between these two the championship went to Jo Wherry. Other numbers on the program, music by Lively's string band and declamations by the junior and senior boys and girls, were greatly enjoyed by the vast audience.

The door receipts amounted to about \$85.00, and as only ten and fifteen cents was charged, you can estimate the crowd.

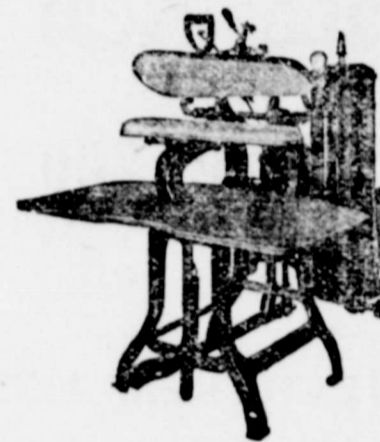
The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allen of Latexo was struck by an automobile Sunday afternoon and sustained several severe bruises. The car was driven by Jot Davis Hollingsworth of this city. Quite a number of children were playing on the roadside and the little fellow attempted to cross the road ahead of the car.



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YOUR DRUGGIST

STORE SERVICE

The service which the stores of Grapeland offer to our people, is not always fully appreciated. It represents an achievement far beyond what can be created by any group of men.

It is linked up with a system of world-wide distribution, built up through years of effort of the brightest business minds.

Years ago the ordinary retail store had no such command over the world's resources. Today a system has been organized by which any store great or small, can draw at once on central depots for anything under the sun that it can pay for. It is visited regularly by trained representatives of these centers, who give expert help in meeting the needs of the public.

Thus any bright and progressive store becomes an integral part of a great system, in a position to offer standardized service. It can provide anything that the public wants, in an intelligent way, and in so far as its business is conducted on progressive principles, for a reasonable price.

16-INCH GUNS THE LIMIT

Our Navy Department believes the 16-inch gun about the limit for practicable naval use. The 18-inch guns on the British superdreadnought, Furious, have been taken out, because their discharge put too great a strain on the ship.

SLANDEROUS TALK

Consider the character assassin. Compared to the night prowler and the anarchist, he is infinitely more despicable, for these at least have more or less physical courage. We wonder how many of these conveyers of slander realize the enormity of their sins in circulating rumors and reports of questionable origin, reflecting directly or indirectly upon the character of the absent, regardless who they may be. We wonder if the old rhyme still lingers in the memory of the average man and woman:

"If Wisdom's ways you'd wisely seek
Three things observe with care:
Of whom you speak, to whom you speak,
And how, and when and where."
—Exchange.

CHURCH BELLS MADE INTO MUMMITIONS

In the German city of Coblenz of more than 50,000 inhabitants there are but three church bells. Before the war Coblenz, now the headquarters of the army of occupation, had scores of church bells, but all but three of them were taken by the German government to be turned into mummitions of war.

Probably it makes even a prohibitionist mad to drill for oil and get water.

LOOK FORWARD NOT BACKWARD

Will you sit and worry about the ravages of the War and the "Flu" while other young people prepare to meet the demand of "Business?" Training is the one thing that makes a difference between the executive and the man in overalls. We are entering a period in which business training is more necessary than ever. The next five years in this country will be the most progressive, prosperous and successful in our history. It will mean to you much or little in accordance with the manner you will be prepared to meet it. There will be no time to train the unskilled in the business office.

Business is already moving ahead by leaps and bounds. Every paper is carrying many advertisements for commercially trained help. A country wide investigation of Employment conditions, to get information as to the help in greatest demand, shows the following results: 1338 of 2445 advertisements for help specified a business training and 524 of the remaining 1107 advertisements were for positions that office assistants grow into. No other profession can claim one fifth as great a demand. In fact, this proves that there is a greater demand for business training than all other trades and professions combined. Are you passing up a business training and its wonderful opportunities to become a day laborer, house maid, department store clerk, telephone operator, factory hand, etc? Uncle Sam did not send untrained soldiers to France to win the war. Neither will American business men place untrained men and women in their stores, Banks, etc. to win in this great battle for business supremacy. If you want to work with the big men in business you must get a business education.

Remain as you are and you will occupy the same relative position ten years from now. Do not permit yourself to work under an unnecessary handicap all the rest of your life. Spend a few months with the Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, securing the training that means an opportunity to make a success of life. Do not permit any obstacle to stand in your way. Fit yourself for a life worth while. We have trained thirty thousand young people for business; we know how. We have helped solve other's problems that now confront you so won't you let us help you? Look forward, enroll NOW in America's largest Commercial School for a thorough and practical course of Bookkeeping, Business Training, Shorthand, Telegraphy Penmanship, Cotton Marketing and Sampling and Business Administration and Finance.

Fill in and mail for large free catalogue. Positions secured.
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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

Notice to returned sailors and soldiers and employers, I have the following positions open:

20 wage hands for general farm labor, \$2.25 per day and up.
40 saw mill hands, \$2.50 to \$6.00 per day.

1 farm hand, must be first class, \$30.00 per month and board.

1 farm hand, must be single, \$50.00 per month and board.

1 farm hand, to work on halves or for wages, must be strictly moral top wages.

I also have the following applications for positions:

White man, age 32, man of family and of good morals, wants position as office man or as overseer on large farm.

White man, two years experience as double entry bookkeeper, five years in post office, can handle typewriter and adding machine and furnish Houston county references, wants position as office man.

If you are interested in any of those propositions, see, write or phone A. E. Owens, County Clerk, Crockett, Texas.

FORMER PASTOR WRITES FRIENDS

Lindale, Texas, Feb. 24, 1919.
Editor Messenger:

Dear friend and brother: As your custom has been since I became acquainted with you and your paper to publish short epistles from different parties and places, I will try my hand at it, first, because I want to acknowledge through your paper the kindness of some friend who has sent me your paper since soon after I left your town, and assure both yourself and whoever sent me the paper that I appreciate it very much because it gives me the news happenings from among a people with whom I lived three very pleasant years of my life, and to say the least, many of whom I think I may rightly call my true friends.

Now, Mr. Editor, old Grapeland folks are o. k. ain't they, even if they don't like to be hit hard from the pulpit on Sunday, and by the way, I am glad to see in your paper that they are getting a move on themselves in church matters and I say "on with the battle" along this line. Keep hitting the ball—you can get where you can go if you will.

There are lots of folks down there, in fact, all of them, that I would like to see. Hope everybody is well and happy with lots to eat and that all the boys will soon be back home safe and sound.

We are very pleasantly situated up here; parsonage one block from the church and with the best garden spot in town. Come up in the spring and we will eat vegetables together.

We have a nice town with four churches; have twenty sermons a month preached in town, so you see we ought to be religious whether we are or not.

Well, I guess this is about all you want to bother with, so will quit for this time. The madam has gone to sleep, but say, I had chille for supper and got a bucket of buttermilk in the kitchen, so believe I will go get a drink and go to bed, too. So by by. Tell everybody howdy.

B. C. Ansley.

DISTRICT LEAGUE MEET

The University Interscholastic League District meet will be held at Livingston.

School boys and girls from every section of Texas will gather in Austin during the first week of May to determine championship in Spelling, Declamation, Debate, and all manner of athletic contests under the Interscholastic League. The meet for this district, which consists of Liberty, San Jacinto, Polk, Trinity, and Houston counties, will be held at Livingston, Texas, April 11 and 12. Big preparations are being made by the Livingston public school and prizes will be given to the winners of various contests. A large loving cup goes to the school that wins in declamation.

The 2000 boys and girls who come to participate in the final contests at Austin have been selected by a gruelling process of elimination beginning in the particular school from which they come, then the county contest, and finally the district contest, before they are eligible for the state contests which decide the championship.

Every school in Texas below college rank can and should become a member of this league. Bulletins containing the rules governing each of the contests, the manner of conducting them and all other necessary information may be had free of charge upon request of Dr. E. D. Shurter, chairman, University Station, Austin, Texas, or to E. A. Moore, Director General for the District, Livingston, Texas.

By means of the Extension Loan Library and specially prepared bulletins, material for the debates and declamation contests is furnished those who are preparing to enter the contests.

The county and district contests have proved to be the most successful school rallies ever held. Older boys who are about

CHURCH DIRECTORY

BAPTIST CHURCH

W. E. Ray, Pastor.
C. L. Haltom, Church Clerk
Preaching each first and third Sundays, morning and evening.
Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.
W. D. Granberry, Supt.
Baptist Women's Auxiliary meets each Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.
Mrs. Geo. Moore, Pres.
Mrs. Frank Allen, Sec'y.

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G. H. Farmer, Pastor.
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Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.
T. H. Leaverton, Supt.
Lucretia Riall, Sec'y.
Ladies' Aid Society meets on Monday afternoon following the first and third Sundays in each month.
Mrs. W. A. Riall, Pres.,
Mrs. Geo. Calhoun, V-Pres.
Mrs. J. B. Lively, Sec'y.
Official Board meets on Monday night following each third Sunday.
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Miss Blanche Kennedy, Secretary.

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M. E. Darsey, Supt.
A. H. Luker, Sec'y.
Junior League each Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.
Miss Hatchell, Supt.
Dorothy Darsey, Sec'y.
Women's Missionary Society meets Tuesday afternoon following the second and fourth Sundays at 3 o'clock.
Mrs. C.W. Kennedy, Pres.
Mrs. Marvin Gilbert, Sec.
Board of Stewards meet on Monday night following each third Sunday.
E.E.Hollingsworth, Pres.
S. E. Howard, Sec'y.

to drop out of school have their interest in things quickened, parents catch the enthusiasm of the teachers and pupils, and the whole community is benefited.

The subject for debate is always some live public question in which the people should be interested. The question for this year is "Resolved, that the universal military training similar to the Swiss system should be adopted in the United States, constitutionality granted." Each contestant must prepare on both sides of the question, reliable information being finished him by the Extension Department. Just as the contests in debate, declamation, essay-writing, spelling are highly instructive, so the various contest in athletics are entertaining and teach many of the greatest lessons that life has to teach, the lessons of self-control, fairness, courage and social leadership.

All teachers should grasp the opportunity at once and prepare the pupils for the county meet. Material is always available and it is a teacher's patriotic duty to push this work. The pupils who take part are fitting themselves for places of prominence. They become leaders by participation in these contests, and they will remain leaders in their counties, districts and in the State. So, all teachers should start at once on some of the work and be ready for the county meet, and later for the district meet at Livingston. The strongest and largest schools in the district are in Houston county and the teachers should do all in their power to keep Houston county on the top, and win most of the prizes at Livingston.

WENT IN SWIMMING

When announcement was made to the Tennessee senate that \$20,000 worth of liquor had just been emptied into the Cumberland river the body immediately recessed, but whether to give three rousing cheers or go in swimming deponent sayeth not.—Macon Telegraph.

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. P. Lamar by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 3rd Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 3rd Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, Texas, on the 4th Monday in March A. D. 1919, the same being the 24th day of March A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 18th day of February A. D. 1919, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 5779, wherein W. T. Pridgen is Plaintiff, and J. P. Lamar is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff sold and conveyed by deed to defendant the J. M. Cunningham Subdivisions of Surveys No. 37 and 38, Austin and Williams League No. 340, Jones County, Texas, being the land conveyed by J. M. Cunningham to plaintiff out of said League. That as part consideration for said conveyance defendant made, executed and delivered to plaintiff his six promissory vendor's lien notes, dated December 1, 1916, numbered from one to six inclusive, due in one, two, three, four, five and six years, after date respectively, each for principal a sum of \$100.00, bearing 8 per cent interest from date till paid, and past due interest 6 per cent till paid, payable to W. T. Pridgen or order, providing usual attorney fee clause, and in case of default, right to mature entire indebtedness and foreclosure at holder's election, and each payable at Grape-land, Texas, Houston County.

That default had been made in note one and two and interest thereon, that plaintiff being the holder of all notes, elects to mature entire debt and is forced to place notes in hands of attorney for collection, maturing attorney fees, that said notes or no part has been paid the payment has been requested and refused and is now refused and each is long past due. That a vendor's lien was retained in deed of conveyance as well as said notes to secure the payment of said notes; all to plaintiff's damage of \$825.00.

Plaintiff prays for citation, judgment, foreclosure, levy sale and application as provided by law, for general and special relief.

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

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this the 18th day of February A. D. 1919.

(Seal) V. B. Tunstall, Clerk,
District Court, Houston County.
By J. B. Stanton, Deputy.
Issued this 18 day of Feb. A. D. 1919.
V. B. Tunstall, Clerk.
By J. B. Stanton, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Isabelle Herod by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District to appear at the next regular term of the District court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House of said Houston County, in the town of Crockett, on the 4th Monday in March A. D. 1919, the same being the 24th day of March A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 18th day of February A. D. 1919, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 7796, wherein Hugh Herod is plaintiff, and Isabelle Herod is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married on or about August, 1908, and separated June 19, 1918; that on the last mentioned date defendant, without cause or provocation, abandoned plaintiff and was taken by plaintiff in adultery with another; that plaintiff has been an actual bona fide inhabitant and resident of Houston County, Texas, for the past two years; and prays for divorce and general and special relief.

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

Witness, V. B. Tunstall, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this the 18th day of February A. D. 1919.

V. B. Tunstall, Clerk,
District Court, Houston County.
(Seal) By J. B. Stanton, Deputy.
Issued this 18 day of Feb. A. D. 1919.
V. B. Tunstall, Clerk.
By J. B. Stanton, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Isaiah Price by making publication of this Citation once in each week or four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if here be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Third Judicial District to appear at the next regular term of the District court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House of said Houston County, in the town of Crockett, on the 4th Monday in March A. D. 1919, the same being the 24th day of March A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 18th day of February A. D. 1919, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 7797, wherein Martha Ann Price is Plaintiff, and Isaiah Price is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married about 15 years prior to the filing hereof and defendant without cause or provocation abandoned plaintiff on or about May, 1908, with intention of not returning and has not returned to this date; that plaintiff is now has been for the last ten years an actual bona fide inhabitant and resident of Houston County, Texas, plaintiff prays for divorce and general and special relief.

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

Witness V. B. Tunstall, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this the 18th day of February A. D. 1919.

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HOW THE DRAFT MACHINERY WORKED

In the annual report on the selective service system which Maj. Gen. Crowder, provost marshal general, made public a short time ago credit is given to "thousands upon thousands" of American men and women who patriotically aided in making the selective system successful. It is declared that history alone can tell "how great a part American selective service played in the drama of the world war."

The work of the draft organization is briefly summarized as follows: Enrolled more than 24,000,000 men for service; mobilized a selected army numbering more than 2,800,000 men, a million of them within a single 90-day period; made available for calling to military service an additional 2,000,000 men; classified this man-power in the order of military and industrial importance in such a way as not to dislocate the domestic and industrial life of the nation; stimulated war-time activities and helped to maintain them on an efficient basis.

The report shows that at the time the armistice was signed more than 4,791,000 men—19 per cent of the male population of the country—were in the military and naval service of the United States. At that time the total that had been called by England numbered more than 5,850,000, or about 60 per cent. The total number of Americans registered under the selective service law was in excess of 24,234,000.

More than 56,800 were granted exemption on religious grounds. About 16 per cent of the total registered were classified as aliens. Of these nearly 57.5 per cent were subjects of belligerent nations, 16.4 per cent were subjects of neutral nations and 26 per cent were subjects of enemy nations. Only 10 per cent of the married men among the registrants were called for military duty. Out of every 100 men classified 74 were granted deferment because of dependency.

About 30 men out of each 100 among the more than 3,208,000 who were examined were found physically disqualified for military service. About one and a third per cent of these disqualifications resulted from the use of alcohol and drugs; 13.5 per cent were due to nervous and mental disorders; eight and a

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CROCKETT, TEXAS

half per cent resulted from tuberculosis and a little over nine per cent resulted from mental deficiency.

The personnel of the selective draft organization numbered nearly 200,000. The actual cost of getting a man into the army is given as approximately \$7. Under the voluntary enlistment system the cost has been about \$24.50; under the conscription system used in the Civil War it was over \$227.

It is estimated in the report that the "work-or-fight" order turned more than 137,000 men from non-productive to productive occupations. Drastic new regulations were being formulated and were about to be made operative when the war was terminated by the armistice, the report discloses. These regulations which extended the work-or-fight principles were designed specially to conserve labor already engaged in essential industries.

Particularly rigorous treatment was contemplated for "industrial slackers"—men who worked a short time for war wages and then laid off to spend what they had made. A minimum working week of eight hours a day was to have been established and men of military age who failed to put in the prescribed time weekly and were unable to give satisfactory reasons for such failure would have suffered the cancellation of their furloughs which would make them subjects to call for military duty.

Gen. Crowder, in the report suggests that the draft machin-

ery could be used advantageously in taking the census next year instead of the complicated, cumbersome organization ordinarily depended on. He points out that by means of the draft organization 13,000,000 men were registered in a single day and 24,000,000 in four days, and not only were they registered but complete survey and classification of the domestic and industrial status of each was made. These achievements, he believes, demonstrate that the same or a similar organization could obtain the census data in days instead of months as is the case with the present system.

Another thing—if there are no dress problems for the angels to talk about in heaven, what do they talk about?

CHANGED ITS NAME

Farmers who want to buy quantities of the variety of field pea introduced several years ago by the United States Department of Agriculture from Germany, and then known as the "Kaiser" pea, will save trouble by not using that name any more. These peas are now known as "McAdoo's," and they are as widely distributed through the Northwest as Liberty bonds, which caused the substitution in nomenclature.

WON'T BE SATISFIED

"Even when a man realizes his hopes," says the Washington Post's Uncle Eben, "he generally wishes he had hoped for sumpin' else."

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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It extends its purifying and restorative influence to every part of the system. Women who are pale, sallow, weak and nervous soon pick up and become bright and cheerful under its excellent correcting properties. It clears the complexion, restores color to pale cheeks, sweetens the breath, brightens the eye and promotes regularity in the bowel movements.

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TALKING TO STARS

Marconi, inventor of the wireless, says strange signals are continually coming out of the ether from somewhere outside the earth. He believes in the possibility of communicating by wireless with other planets. But the distances are so tremendous that messages sent off 10 years ago have not yet reached the nearest planets, he declares. "And when they arrive, why should they stop?" Marconi asks. "That is what makes me hope that some day communication with the stars will be possible. It is silly to say other planets are uninhabited because they have no atmosphere or are otherwise so different from the earth." The inventor believes the language difficulty can be solved. "For instance," he says, "one might get thru some such message as 2 plus 2 equals 4, and go on repeating it until an answer came back saying 'yes.' He believes mathematics to be the same throughout the universe, and that by sticking to some simple problem for a number of years it would become the basis ultimately for communication with the inhabitants of other worlds.

TO BRAND GERMAN GOODS

A modified boycott of "made-in-Germany" products is provided for in a bill introduced by Senator Lodge of Mass. It specifies that all persons in this country who buy or sell articles of German manufacture shall display a sign "Dealer in German Goods" and shall also carry this notice on their letterheads, etc.

Mrs. Pritchard Millar of Houston visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Anthony, a few days last week.

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A GERMAN THREAT

Professor Hans Delbrueck has been interviewed again and this time warns the world that the terms of peace must not be made too hard, for if they are the Germans will take the first opportunity to rise and plunge the world into another war.

There is, of course, a limit to the weight of the burden that is to be placed on the shoulders of the Germans, but we do not think the danger that at some distant date the Germans may show fight is a factor that sets the limit. Germany is whipped now, and whether the general league of nations is formed or not, there will be a league of nations to enforce the peace terms. It will be a league which the Germans can not hope to resist.

The real limiting factor is the ability of the Germans to do justice under compulsion. Some Germans seem to think that President Wilson will favor letting Germany off at something less than that, but there is no reason for thinking that his Scotch conscience will be any softer than the stern demands of the occasion which brought Germany to the judgment seat of the nations.—St. Louis Republic.

Prince Carl of Hohenzollern, until a short time ago a lieutenant-general in the German army, says that Germany made a big mistake in starting her submarine warfare without first being absolutely certain that it would be successful. He also regrets that German propaganda in the United States was carried on in such a clumsy manner that it failed to accomplish the results hoped for the Huns; the ex-kaiser's government, he declares, should have devoted millions of marks to this work instead of thousands. In other words, Hun submarine warfare, spying and underhand propaganda would have been perfectly satisfactory and right, in his opinion, if they had been successful. The great trouble with Carl, and apparently with most other Germans, is that they are not truly sorry for Germany's awful crimes; their only regret is that, despite her stooping to the basest diplomatic tricks and her employment of the most barbarous methods of warfare in violation of all laws. She failed to gain the ends desired.—The Pathfinder.

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JURY LIST FOR THE SPRING TERM OF COURT

The following named persons are to appear at Crockett, Texas, Monday, March 24, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m. to serve as grand jurors at the spring term district court Houston County, Texas:

T. H. Leaverton, Grapeland.
J. C. Kennedy, Grapeland.
W. H. Holcomb, Augusta.
Jerry Mahoney, Ratcliff.
H. J. Arledge, Crockett.
G. Q. King, Crockett.
Charlie Stevenson, Lovelady.
W. B. Cochran, Lovelady.
J. L. Carroll, Weldon.
W. D. James, Weldon.
J. R. Cupp, Lovelady.
Lee Traylor, Porter Springs.
Jim Cook, Kennard.
Ira Young, Lovelady.
A. M. Carlton, Crockett.
Fred Bridges, Grapeland.

Petit Jurors

Petit Jurors, first week to appear Monday, March the 24, at 10 o'clock:

Will Robbins, Grapeland.
P. J. Austin, Crockett.
H. W. Shaw, Crockett.
Boss Cowherd, Creek.
J. K. Shields, Crockett.
J. E. Elliott, Percilla.
H. M. Barbee, Lovelady.
E. D. Linderman, Ratcliff.
W. H. Hearon, Crockett.
J. R. Elliott, Lovelady.
G. B. Milliken, Lovelady.
J. A. Ferrell, Augusta.
H. H. Hallmark, Crockett.
T. B. Satterwhite, Crockett.
J. L. Brahsler, Ratcliff.
W. H. Richards, Grapeland.
J. C. Stephens, Lovelady.
R. H. Hearn, Crockett.
L. A. Finch, Grapeland.
J. W. Whitehead, Grapeland.
J. M. Cunningham, Grapeland.
Geo. Ivey, Percilla.
J. L. Rice, Crockett.
Morgan Wall, Grapeland.
George Tatum, Crockett.
H. B. Monday, Lovelady.
T. E. Callier, Crockett.
H. M. Robinson, Lovelady.
E. Woolen, Crockett.
C. O. Murray, Lovelady.
J. J. Lowe, Crockett.
A. West, Crockett.
Geo. Moore, Augusta.
Jimmie Caskey, Grapeland.
A. S. Hallmark, Kennard.
H. B. Selman, Crockett.
Avery Lovelady, Lovelady.
A. H. Henderson, Augusta.
J. B. Callier, Crockett.
Ford Newman, Grapeland.

Second week to appear Monday, March the 31st, at 10 o'clock:

John Markham, Crockett.
E. W. McCullar, Lovelady.
J. W. Daniels, Crockett.
T. E. Covington, Percilla.
Harry Long, Grapeland.
O. Caskey, Grapeland.
J. C. Kleckley, Crockett.
Joe Matlock, Crockett.
Percey Leaverton, Crockett.
W. R. Henry, Porter Springs.
G. W. Hallmark, Crockett.
J. R. Beeson, Grapeland.
P. H. Parker, Grapeland.
J. D. Perkins, Augusta.
E. T. Ozier, Crockett.
Dave Bennett, Crockett.
Ed Little, Weldon.
Jim Wilcox, Creek.
T. C. Cruise, Crockett.
Burton Dickey, Percilla.
J. W. Howard, Grapeland.
A. M. Decuir, Crockett.
M. F. Barnes, Percilla.
Jim Oliver, Porter Springs.
A. E. Hollingsworth, Weldon.
W. E. Monzingo, Lovelady.
Linie Ellisor, Crockett.
B. H. Brister, Crockett.
Richard Spence, Grapeland.
A. P. Bolch, Crockett.
W. N. Irwin, Grapeland.
Sam Cohen, Ratcliff.
D. M. Jones, Percilla.
C. H. Morrow, Lovelady.
R. C. Spinks, Crockett.
J. F. Fulmer, Grapeland.
J. P. Barnhill, Crockett.
C. O. Morrow, Lovelady.
O. W. Davis, Grapeland.
P. S. Christopher, Crockett.

Third week to appear Monday, April the 7th, at 10 o'clock:

R. L. Weeks, Crockett.
Hill Huff, Grapeland.
Carl Porter, Porter Springs.
Arch Baker, Crockett.
Charlie Fuller, Crockett.
E. G. Vickers, Crockett.
J. H. Smith, Crockett.
J. Wylie Moore, Crockett.

D. Ham, Lovelady.
W. L. Lawson, Lovelady.
J. M. Hallmark, Creek.
Joe L. Arledge, Crockett.
Eugene Fowler, Grapeland.
C. W. Legory, Crockett.
D. R. Baker, Crockett.
J. R. Kilgore, Ratcliff.
W. J. Sexton, Crockett.
Chas. Daniels, Percilla.
D. L. Owens, Grapeland.
O. E. Hairston, Lovelady.
H. H. Griffin, Crockett.
B. B. Warfield, Crockett.
A. E. Buffington, Pennington.
Lewis Herod, Grapeland.
J. M. Sheridan, Augusta.
Buck Thomas, Grapeland.
C. H. Dominy, Pennington.
Jno. W. Skipper, Lovelady.
H. L. Burton, Porter Springs.
T. J. Waller, Crockett.
Charlie Arnold, Pennington.
R. V. Harrelson, Lovelady.
Jno. Scarborough, Augusta.
C. M. Baughtman, Crockett.
M. B. Ellis, Grapeland.
P. E. Tunstall, Crockett.
J. P. Rains, Crockett.
Jno. W. Baker, Crockett.
J. D. Beavers, Crockett.
J. R. Smith, Grapeland.

Fifth week to appear Monday, April the 21st, at 10 o'clock:

B. L. Satterwhite, Crockett.
C. D. Towery, Crockett.
J. C. Wootters, Crockett.
B. L. West, Lovelady.
J. T. McCelvey, Crockett.
Richards Satterwhite, Lovelady.

J. H. Collins, Lovelady.
W. T. Dauphin, Lovelady.
J. V. Anderson, Grapeland.
H. H. Robinson, Weldon.
C. E. Robbins, Crockett.
E. E. Lively, Grapeland.
Charlie Lancaster, Crockett.
Claude Lundy, Creek.
G. W. Langham, Grapeland.
W. K. Conner, Ratcliff.
Price Brown, Grapeland.
S. H. Platt, Crockett.
G. A. Walton, Grapeland.
S. T. Allee, Crockett.
J. L. Jordon, Crockett.
J. W. Furr, Percilla.
D. G. Moore, Crockett.
J. S. Hammonds, Augusta.
W. C. Tullis, Weldon.
Cleveland Raines, Crockett.
W. A. Sowers, Lovelady.
J. R. Thornton, Pennington.
W. L. Fox, Grapeland.
Geo. McLean, Crockett.
Willie Brown, Crockett.
J. E. Keen, Grapeland.
A. N. Edens, Grapeland.
Dave Thompson, Crockett.
W. H. Holcomb Jr., Augusta.
W. D. McMillian, Weldon.
F. L. Hiram, Augusta.
W. M. Beeson, Lovelady.
W. E. Kerr, Grapeland.
A. Thomason, Weldon.

Sixth week to appear Monday, April the 28th, at 10 o'clock:

C. F. Cook, Grapeland.
Tom Kent, Jr. Grapeland.
W. H. Henry, Creek.
Lee Rich, Crockett.
W. V. Meeks, Porter Springs.
A. L. Maples, Creek.
J. A. Stanley, Weldon.
B. A. Speer, Lovelady.
O. W. Turner, Crockett.
G. B. Connaway, Crockett.
Walton West, Lovelady.
T. J. Sorter, Crockett.
Roy Brewton, Grapeland.
E. B. Goodrum, Lovelady.
J. Ballew, Lovelady.
A. J. Griner, Lovelady.
N. L. Asher, Crockett.
G. M. Walton, Grapeland.
H. H. Powers, Crockett.
J. E. Smith, Crockett.
H. L. Speer, Weldon.
B. Dailey, Grapeland.
P. O. Green, Crockett.
E. D. Meriwether, Creath.
T. B. Monk, Crockett.
C. A. Mills, Grapeland.
Dick Morrow, Weldon.
Dan Hart, Lovelady.
J. B. Troutman, Crockett.
W. P. Traylor, Grapeland.
Dick Smith, Crockett.
W. H. Eardley, Crockett.
Jim Butler, Lovelady.
J. D. Rhone, Crockett.
J. L. Beard, Grapeland.
W. H. Long, Grapeland.
C. L. Monk, Crockett.
L. R. Little, Creek.
Will Freeman, Pennington.
Walter Pennington, Grapeland.

Miss Nell McCann has returned to her home in Crockett after being here several days as operator at Cпокs telephone exchange, relieving Miss Neva Haltom, who has been sick.

THIS TELLS HOW TO FIGURE INCOME TAX

Squarely Up to Every Individual to Get Busy by March 15 or Suffer Penalty.

"Don't wait until the final due date, March 15th, for paying your Income Tax and making your return. Avoid the last minute rush. Any person can figure out his liability today as well as he can next week, and if there is any point on which he needs advice he can now get in touch with a Revenue man."

This word of advice is from Alexander S. Walker, Collector of Internal Revenue, Austin, who is collecting the Income Tax in Texas. Collector Walker is giving without charge every aid of his office and his enlarged field force to help the people get their payments and their returns in by March 15th.

But the Income Tax men will not pull your door-bell or your coat-tails, according to the Collector's announcement. It is squarely up to every individual to figure out his own case and to get busy if he comes within the scope of the new Revenue law.

Did You Earn This Much?

Every unmarried person who received income averaging \$19.25 a week during 1918 and every married couple who jointly received income averaging \$38.50 a week should secure at once from the nearest Deputy Collector or the nearest bank a blank Form 1040 A. That form contains the information he will need to enable him to figure his correct net income and any tax that he owes the Government.

The law requires that every unmarried person who had a net income of \$1,000 or over and every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or over (including the income of husband or wife, and the earnings of minor children, if any) must make a return on or before March 15th. And this requirement does not hinge on whether the person owes a tax.

Taxable Income.

An individual must include under gross income all gains, profits and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, business, sales or dealings in property of all kinds, interest, rent, dividends, or profits derived from any source whatever. Very few items of income are exempt.

Deductions include ordinary and necessary business expenses, interest paid or accrued on indebtedness, taxes of all kinds except Federal income and excess profits taxes and assessments for local benefits, losses actually sustained, debts ascertained to be worthless, and depreciation on buildings, machinery, fixtures, etc., used in business. A further deduction is allowed for contributions to corporations operated for religious, charitable, scientific or educational purposes or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals to an amount not exceeding 15 per cent of the taxpayer's net income as computed without the benefit of the contribution deduction.

The taxpayer is not allowed to deduct any personal, living or family expense, any amount spent for improving property, or any expense of restoring property or making good its exhaustion for which an allowance is claimed under depreciation.

Figuring the Tax.

Before figuring the normal tax the dividends are deducted as credits from net income, together with the personal exemption. As in previous years, dividends of domestic corporations are exempt from normal tax when received by the stockholder.

The normal tax rates for citizens and residents are as follows: On the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the credits the rate is 6 per cent; on any further taxable income the rate is 12 per cent.

The surtax rates apply to net income of each individual in excess of \$5,000. The personal exemption and the dividends are not deductible before computing surtax. In the case of returns by husband and wife, the net income of each is considered separately in computing any surtax that may be due. Form 1040 should be used for making returns of net income exceeding \$5,000, and the instructions on that form will show how to figure the surtax.

Business House Returns.

Employers and others who paid wages, salaries, rents, interest or similar determinable gains in an amount of \$1,000 or over during 1918 to any person must file an information return with the Government. Blanks may be secured from the Collector.

Every partnership must file a return showing its income and deductions and the name and address of each partner, with his share of the profits or losses during the past year. Personal service corporations will file similar information for 1918.

RENEW TODAY! Tomorrow you may forget it.

Make HIS Welcome ROYAL

When he comes home from the training camps and from France, you want to make him feel glad to be back home. Let's all put on Smiling clothes and have that "I'm happy to see you" look. For almost two years, every patriotic American citizen has made one suit do the duty of two, and now with the war over, let's make this the most joyous spring time we have ever had. Neat, attractive clothes (not necessarily expensive ones) will do more to help dispel the gloom of the past two years than any other little thing you can do.



About the first question our salesman will ask you when you try on one of our new—

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The difference is that we will first select a hat that will become you, and we know that a "Mallory" hat will look right, so what we want to know is whether the hat feels right on the head.

If the size is right and it sets snug and feels comfortable you'll be satisfied because the style is sure to be correct. Spring is here and so are the new styles.

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Our showing of Suits, Coats and Skirts is growing more popular daily. We are featuring the very latest styles in all the leading colors and in a complete size range.

THE NEWEST OXFORDS

We have just received all of the popular styles in lace oxfords in black and brown—all heels. We have all leading styles in pumps and oxfords for children and misses.

New Slipper Buckles just in.

Perhaps You'd Like Your Clothes Special Made-to-Order

This store is the authorized resident dealer for
THE ROYAL TAILORS Chicago New York.
Royal Special Tailored-to-Measure Suits and Overcoats
 at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45 and \$50.

THE ROYAL TAILORS
 CHICAGO — NEW YORK

WE HAVE SECURED THE AGENCY FOR SIMON QUALITY DRESSES

Within the next week, this famous line of dresses will be featured in our ready-to-wear department. You will find among other numbers the 12 beautiful dresses featured in colors in your April Ladies' Home Journal.

NEW MILLINERY

We received this week several new shapes and straws in our millinery department. You really have to visit this department daily to keep up with what's going on.

GEORGE E. DARSEY & COMPANY

THE SERVICE FIRST STORE

LOCAL ITEMS

Get your old fashioned Guice Harrows at A. B. Guice's.

Bring us your batteries and let us charge them. Brooks Bros.

Mrs. W. L. Mangum visited relatives in Lovelady last week.

Save by making your entire bill with McLean & Riall.

We repair autos and gas engines. Brooks Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett visited here Monday.

Just received a big car of Meridan Fertilizer. Kennedy Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryon Maxwell of Malvern visited relatives here from Friday until Sunday.

We still have some of Armour's fertilizer. See us at once if you need any. Murray & Mangum.

Mrs. Goodson is adding another room to the hotel on the south side.

Let Brooks Bros. burn the carbon out of your car and see how much better it runs.

Two good second hand five passenger automobiles for sale at Darsey's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Murray of Trinity visited relatives here Sunday.

Lebbetter one seed cotton and corn planters at Kennedy Bros. None better.

Miss Fannie Scarborough of Elkhart visited her mother east of town Sunday and Monday.

A few more auto tires left. Buy a tire from us and get a tube free. McLean & Riall.

Buy your fertilizer from Murray & Mangum if you want the best.

Mr. and Mrs. Gresham Lansford of Crockett spent Sunday here, the guests of Dr. McCarty and family.

A plow that is well tempered will outlast two that are not tempered. Remember this, and buy your plows from A. B. Guice.

There are wagons—and wagons, but Leudinghaus wagons give better service and more of it than any other line sold in Grapeland. There are a few left at Darsey & Co's.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.
 Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY.
 Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.
 Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free.
 F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
 Sold by all druggists, 75c.
 Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

H. A. LEAVERTON
 ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
 Will Practice in all Courts
 Office up Stairs Over
 Kennedy Bros. store
 Grapeland : : : Texas

SHOE AND HARNESS REPAIR SHOP
 ALL WORK FIRST-CLASS AND SATISFACTION GUARANTEED
 Bring me your work and get it done right
J. H. BOWMAN

Carry your car to Brooks Bros. to have it repaired.

See A. B. Guice for plows that are tempered to stand.

A. E. Owens of Crockett spent Sunday here.

Our stock of FORD PARTS grows daily. Brooks Bros.

C. M. Ellis of Crockett was here on business Monday.

Pure Mebane cotton seed in three bushel sacks at Kennedy Bros. 3t

Plenty of Armour's fertilizer at Murray & Mangum's. See them for prices before you buy.

Murdock S. Murchison of Crockett spent Monday here with his parents.

We have a large stock of up-to-date farming implements at Kennedy Bros. 2t

We pay top prices for produce and sell for less. McLean & Riall.

Plenty of Soda Water at 75 cents per case, 8 ounce bottles, for sale by Murchison Bros., Bottlers.

FOR SALE
 A good cow fresh in milk. S. W. Duitch, Route 1, Grapeland, Texas. 2t

NOTICE
 I will pay the highest cash price for your chickens. J. H. Bowman.

Mrs. L. C. Smith of the Livelyville community was a pleasant caller at the Messenger office last Saturday.

FOUND—At Darsey's store, the cheapest priced line of ladies' and children's oxfords in Grapeland. Call and see them.

Miss Mae Fitchett of Percilla left Monday for Oklahoma, where she has a position as stenographer.

Carl Hobson, a logger at Luce's saw mill, broke his leg Monday morning while loading logs on his wagon.

Plenty of Soda Water at 75 cents per case, 8 ounce bottles, for sale by Murchison Bros., Bottlers. 2t

NOTICE
 For sale or exchange 4 full Blood Tamworth Male Pigs. J. E. Hollingsworth.

Don't forget that A. B. Guice is the only one in Grapeland that handles the old fashioned Guice Harrow—the best of all.

Luther Dodson and wife and Henry Dodson of Summerfield were here last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sullivan.

Fertilize your land for best results. We have Armour's—the best made. See us before you buy. Murray & Mangum.

Miss Lois Powell has finished her school near Palestine and has returned to her home near Percilla.

Miss Ida Dell Lively of Elkhart came down Saturday morning and went out to Percilla to visit relatives.

Everybody says raise big crops. You can do it on less land and with less work if you fertilize. We have plenty. See us about it. Murray & Mangum.



PLANTS FOR SALE
 For Cabbage and Tomato Plants. See— Mrs. J. F. Haltom, Grapeland, Texas.

Mrs. E. E. Bramlette of New Waverly visited the family of her brother, W. E. Keeland, Sunday returning home Monday morning.

FARM FOR RENT
 Good farm land, and pasture; 55 acres in cultivation. Want good family. J. W. Shaver, Route 2. 3t

Rev. J. E. Buttrill went to Conroe last Friday to attend a district meeting in connection with the Centenary movement of the M. E. Church.

LOOK OUT
 For 3 shoates, 2 barrows and 1 gilt; marked crop and two splits in left ear and swallow fork and underbit in right ear. If found notify J. B. Lively.

Miss Fannie Goodson and little Mary Ruth Holmes visited relatives and friends in Crockett the latter part of last week.

FOUND
 A purse with some money in it; also contained a list with some articles written on it. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Apply to Connor Denson at the barber shop.

Miss Rena Ross Richards has returned home from Tyler, where she completed a business course, and has accepted a position with Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

NEGRO DRIVER WANTED
 1 mile from town. \$3.00 per day. Apply at my tie camp or Jim Lively's store. 1tJ J. J. Masters.

Murchison Bros., Bottlers, will appreciate the return of all bottles and cases belonging to Grapeland Bottling Works and will pay 10c per case for all delivered. 2t

EGGS FOR SETTING
 Full blood white Plymouth Rock eggs, per setting of 15 for \$1.00. Ring me on Farmers Union phone. Mrs. Bob Kennedy.

MULE LOST
 1 black mare mule, 13 hands high, clip in right ear and scar on right hind leg. Ernest Denman, Salmon, Texas.

Don't pass up the exceptional bargain you can get in a good second hand Ford or Maxwell 5 passenger touring car on sale this week at Darsey's.

NOTICE HOG BREEDERS
 Big boned Poland China service male. Service fee \$1.50. Ben L. Keen, Route 1. 2t

Keep Your Livestock Healthy!

Every package of Dr. Hess' Stock Tonic is a conditioner and worm expeller.

Put up in 30c, 60c, \$1.25 and \$2.50 packages

No purchase will bring greater returns than a package of Dr. Hess' Stock Tonic, or his Poultry Panacea.

Your next watch should be one with a **PURPLE RIBBON**. See them at our store.

THE PEOPLES DRUG STORE
 HONESTY AND QUALITY WADE L. SMITH

PAY AND FILE INCOME TAX BEFORE MAR. 15

U. S. Internal Revenue Bureau Gives Warning That Severe Penalties Will Be Enforced.

WOMEN WITHIN LAW'S SCOPE; HOW THEY REPORT INCOME

The Income Tax drive comes to a close on Saturday night, March 15. All payments and returns due on that date under the provisions of the new Revenue Law must be in the hands of local Internal Revenue Collectors before their offices close that night.

The Income Tax is being collected to meet the war expenses. Every person who shouted and tooted his horn on Armistice Day is now called upon to contribute his share of the cost of winning the war.

The laggards and the dodgers will face severe fines and jail sentences. The Internal Revenue Bureau announces that its officers will check us all up to see that every person who comes within the scope of the Income Tax law did his share.

Where to Pay and File.
 Residents of Texas are required to make their returns and pay their taxes to Alexander S. Walker, Collector of Internal Revenue, Austin, Tex., or to deputy collectors who are now doing free advisory work on Income Tax.

Payments sent by mail should be attached to the returns and should be in the form of check, money order or draft. Cash payments by mail are sent at the taxpayer's risk of loss.

If you are unable to make your return personally because of illness, absence or incapacity, an agent or legal representative may make your return.

If there are any doubtful points as to your items of income or allowable deductions, you should get in touch at once with a Revenue officer or a banker for advice.

Women Pay Tax.
 Women are subject to all the requirements of the Income Tax. Whether single or married, a woman's income from all sources must be considered.

If unmarried, or if living apart from her husband, she must make her return for 1918 if her net income was \$1,000 or over.

If married and living with her husband, her income must be considered with the husband's in determining the liability for a return. Their joint income, less the credits allowed by law, is subject to normal tax. The wife's net income is considered separately in computing any surtax that may be due.

Husband and wife file jointly, as a rule. If the husband does not include his wife's income in his return, the wife must file a separate return.

Severe Penalties.
 The new Revenue Law places severe penalties on a person who fails to make return on time, refuses to make return or renders a fraudulent return. For failure to make return and pay tax on time a fine of not more than \$1,000

is named, and 25 per cent of the tax due is added to the assessment. For refusing wilfully to make return, or for making a false or fraudulent return there is a fine of not exceeding \$10,000 and imprisonment of not exceeding one year, or both.

Farmers' Income Taxable.
 Every farmer and ranchman who had a fair or a good year in 1918 must heed the Income Tax this year. He must consider all his income as taxable. He is entitled to deduct from his gross income all amounts expended in carrying on his farm. The cost of farm machinery, farm buildings and improvements cannot be deducted. The cost of live stock, either for resale or for breeding purposes, is also regarded as investment.

Overtime and Bonuses Taxed.
 Salary and wage earners must consider as taxable every item received from employers and from other sources. Bonuses and overtime pay are to be reported, as well as the regular payments.

Allowances for Losses.
 Losses sustained in 1918 and not covered by insurance are deductible items if incurred in the taxpayer's business or trade, in any transaction undertaken for profit, or arising from fire, storm, shipwreck or other casualty, or from theft.

★ **SQUARE DEAL FOR EVERY** ★
 ★ **INCOME TAX PAYER** ★

★ Washington, D. C. — "The ★
 ★ rights of all persons now filing ★
 ★ Income Tax returns are amply ★
 ★ protected by provisions for ★
 ★ abatement, refunds and ap- ★
 ★ peals," says Commissioner Dan- ★
 ★ iel C. Roper. ★
 ★ "Every person can be sure of ★
 ★ a square deal. No person is ex- ★
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 ★ share of tax. His share is de- ★
 ★ termined solely by the amount ★
 ★ and nature of his net income for ★
 ★ 1918, as defined in the law. ★
 ★ "Abatement petitions are dealt ★
 ★ with open-mindedly. Refunds ★
 ★ will be made in every case where ★
 ★ too much tax is erroneously col- ★
 ★ lected. ★
 ★ "The Income Tax is 'on the ★
 ★ level' all the way through." ★
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NOTICE
 I will be in Grapeland Saturday, March 8. All who want frost proof cabbage plants and early tomatoes will meet me there. Produce early gardens—stop the high cost of living.
 J. E. Moore, Elkhart, Texas.

Abstract Your Land Titles
 And let us do the work for you. We have a complete abstract of the land titles of this county down to NOW.
 Madden & Denny, Crockett, Texas.

RENEW TODAY! Tomorrow you may forget it.

COUNTY CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT

Crockett, Texas, February 14, 1919

To the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Houston County, Texas:

In compliance with law, I herewith hand you my annual report, showing amounts received and disbursed out of the various funds of the County by the County Treasurer, also the amount of outstanding indebtedness of the County as it existed on the 1st day of February, 1919.

COUNTY FUND—3RD CLASS

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 1,826.42	\$
To amount received since last report.....	3,180.65	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "A".....	3,835.59	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	76.71	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	63.61	
Amount to balance.....	1,031.16	
	\$ 5,007.07	\$ 5,007.07

JURY FUND—1ST CLASS

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 2,359.48	\$
To amount received since last report.....	540.01	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "B".....	80.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	10.81	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	1.60	
Amount to balance.....	2,807.08	
	\$ 2,899.49	\$ 2,899.49

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL COUNTY FUND—3RD CLASS

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 845.85	\$
To amount received since last report.....	1,144.73	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "C".....	1,110.25	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	22.89	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	22.20	
Amount to balance.....	835.24	
	\$ 1,990.58	\$ 1,990.58

JAIL BUILDING FUND

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 359.40	\$
To amount received since last report.....	208.13	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.16	
Amount to balance.....	563.37	
	\$ 567.53	\$ 567.53

ROAD AND BRIDGE CURRENT FUND

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 28.05	\$
To amount received since last report.....	22.95	
By amount overdrawn last report.....	2.95	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "E".....	15.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	1.01	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.30	
Amount to balance.....	31.74	
	\$ 51.00	\$ 51.00

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 1 FUND

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 154.98	\$
To amount received since last report.....	72.87	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "F".....	234.76	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	1.46	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	4.69	
Amount to balance.....	13.06	
	\$ 240.91	\$ 240.91

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 2 FUND

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 78.17	\$
To amount received since last report.....	21.76	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "G".....	138.40	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	.45	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	2.75	
Amount to balance.....	41.67	
	\$ 141.60	\$ 141.60

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 3 FUND

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 38.13	\$
To amount received since last report.....	152.59	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "H".....	77.90	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	3.05	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	1.56	
Amount to balance.....	108.21	
	\$ 190.72	\$ 190.72

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 4 FUND

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 66.87	\$
To amount received since last report.....	83.17	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "I".....	22.21	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	1.66	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.44	
Amount to balance.....	125.73	
	\$ 150.04	\$ 150.04

ROAD AND BRIDGE SINKING FUND

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 94.07	\$
To amount received since last report.....	208.13	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.16	
Amount to balance.....	298.04	
	\$ 302.20	\$ 302.20

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 1—ROAD TAX

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 104.40	\$
To amount received since last report.....	230.00	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "J".....	9.60	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.00	

Amount to balance.....		\$ 320.80
	\$ 334.40	\$ 334.40
Balance.....	\$ 320.80	
ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 2—ROAD TAX		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 15.68	\$
To amount received since last report.....	225.00	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "K".....	24.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.50	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.48	
Amount to balance.....	211.70	
	\$ 240.68	\$ 240.68
Balance.....	\$ 211.70	
ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 3—ROAD TAX		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 67.63	\$
To amount received since last report.....	275.00	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "L".....	28.81	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	5.50	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.57	
Amount to balance.....	307.75	
	\$ 342.63	\$ 342.63
Balance.....	\$ 307.75	
ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 4—ROAD TAX		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 38.00	\$
To amount received since last report.....	80.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	1.60	
Amount to balance.....	116.40	
	\$ 118.00	\$ 118.00
Balance.....	\$ 116.40	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3—CURRENT FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 232.14	\$
To amount received since last report.....	664.83	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "M".....	1,006.92	
By amount transferred to other funds since last report.....	973.65	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	13.25	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	20.13	
Amount to balance.....	828.22	
	\$ 1,868.52	\$ 1,868.52
Balance.....	\$ 828.22	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3—SINKING FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 883.09	\$
To amount received since last report.....	1,453.43	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	29.07	
Amount to balance.....	2,307.45	
	\$ 2,336.52	\$ 2,336.52
Balance.....	\$ 2,307.45	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3—ROAD TAX		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	\$
To amount received since last report.....	320.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	6.40	
Amount to balance.....	313.60	
	\$ 320.00	\$ 320.00
Balance.....	\$ 313.60	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1—CURRENT FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 296.07	\$
To amount received since last report.....	207.17	
To amount transferred from other funds since last report.....	313.76	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "N".....	8.09	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.14	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.16	
Amount to balance.....	804.61	
	\$ 817.00	\$ 817.00
Balance.....	\$ 804.61	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1—SINKING FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 479.98	\$
To amount received since last report.....	262.34	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "O".....	9.84	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	5.25	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.18	
Amount to balance.....	727.05	
	\$ 742.32	\$ 742.32
Balance.....	\$ 727.05	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 4—CURRENT FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$35,250.48	\$
To amount received since last report.....	3,852.53	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "P".....	9,097.54	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	77.05	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	181.95	
Amount to balance.....	29,746.47	
	\$39,103.01	\$39,103.01
Balance.....	\$29,746.47	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 4—SINKING FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 385.79	\$
To amount received since last report.....	341.54	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	6.83	
Amount to balance.....	720.50	
	\$ 727.33	\$ 727.33
Balance.....	\$ 720.50	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 7—CURRENT FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$41,381.14	\$
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "Q".....	1,959.34	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	39.18	
Amount to balance.....	39,382.62	
	\$41,381.14	\$41,381.14
Balance.....	\$39,382.62	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 7—SINKING FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 268.02	\$
To amount received since last report.....	407.63	

REYNARD

By Zack

Reynard, March 4.—Some good licks were put in last week along the agricultural line and believe we would be safe in saying that no one is really going to be late.

We are enjoying the little taste of spring and it has a tendency to "raise" us as well as vegetation.

Rev. Ray filled his appointment with us Sunday evening. Quite a number of the town folks accompanied him.

J. L. Chiles attended the missionary lecture at Grape Land Sunday and reports it up to the top.

Miss Myrtle Gossett of Latexo spent Saturday night and Sunday in our midst, the guest of Mrs. Herman Beazley.

Bob Huff is spending a few days with Douglass Beazley.

David Caskey and family spent some time with his son, Thomas, and while here visited the great lake across the river.

The young folks have musicals and "42" games at Mrs. Greyson's every once in awhile, and have a nice time.

Health is very good, and all who live to see the first of March stand a good chance to live the balance of the year, provided they were not born on the 13th.

We will have preaching next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. J. E. Buttrill.

HORSE STOLEN

When Henry Shaw, who lives south of town, arose Monday morning and went to the lot to feed his stock, he discovered that one of his horses was missing. He suspected that it had been stolen, so he drove to Crockett and found that two negroes had been trying to dispose of a horse. One of the negroes was found immediately and arrested. The other negro was found later, but escaped by running from the officers. He was captured later in the day at Latexo, and both of them are now in jail. One of the negroes said he lived at Fodice, the other at Hempstead. They stole a bridle from John Lively and a saddle whose owner is unknown. Mr. Shaw has the saddle at his home.

SNAP SHOTS

Our guess is that the woman with a skeleton in her closet is just about as well off as one married to a bonehead.

After all, probably the safest way for a farmer's wife to protect her sewing machine from fire is to leave it out in the rain like her husband does his cultivator.

It has just about gotten so in this country that a man can't keep a buffalo nickel long enough to tell where the animal is going to head in.—Galveston News.

OUR QUAKING GLOBE

This old world of ours still shakes us with an ague. At Georgetown University it was found that in the year 1918 there were no less than 98 earthquakes.

DEATH AT WANETA

Mrs. Marion Peterson died at her home in the Waneta community Wednesday of last week, and her baby died Friday following. Both were interred in the Evergreen cemetery. She was a sister of Mrs. Henry Peterson, who died ten days prior. Influenza and pneumonia was the cause of death of all of them. The Messenger joins friends in sincere sympathy to the bereaved ones.

CAN YOU TELL US?

Why is it some men will be satisfied with case worn clothes that have been shown year in and year out when they can get the bright, snappy new spring styles at Darsey's?

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By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	8.15	
Amount to balance.....	667.50	
	\$ 675.65	\$ 675.65
Balance	\$ 667.50	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 6—CURRENT FUND		
Balance overdrawn last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 13.92	\$ 13.92
Amount to balance.....	13.92	
	\$ 13.92	\$ 13.92
Balance	\$ 13.92	
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 6—SINKING FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 233.41	\$
To amount received since last report.....	237.31	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.72	
Amount to balance.....	466.00	
	\$ 470.72	\$ 470.72
Balance	\$ 466.00	
LOVELADY ROAD DISTRICT FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 466.75	\$
To amount received since last report.....	293.83	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	5.87	
Amount to balance.....	754.71	
	\$ 760.58	\$ 760.58
Balance	\$ 754.71	
ROAD CONSTRUCTION WARRANT FUND		
Balance overdrawn last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 1,855.09	\$
To amount received since last report.....	1,028.76	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	20.57	
Amount to balance.....	846.90	
	\$ 1,875.66	\$ 1,875.66
Balance, overdrawn.....	\$ 846.90	
DELINQUENT FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 16.67	\$
To amount received since last report.....	483.33	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "R".....	450.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	9.66	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	9.00	
Amount to balance.....	31.34	
	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Balance	\$ 31.34	
LOVELADY HIGHWAY FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	\$
To amount received since last report.....	431.19	
Amount to balance.....	431.19	
	\$ 431.19	\$ 431.19
Balance	\$ 431.19	
KENNARD HIGHWAY FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	\$
To amount received since last report.....	894.90	
Amount to balance.....	894.90	
	\$ 894.90	\$ 894.90
Balance	\$ 894.90	
WEST SAN ANTONIO ROAD HIGHWAY FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	\$
To amount received since last report.....	553.23	
Amount to balance.....	553.23	
	\$ 553.23	\$ 553.23
Balance	\$ 553.23	
EAST SAN ANTONIO ROAD HIGHWAY FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	\$
To amount received since last report.....	1,080.02	
Amount to balance.....	1,080.02	
	\$ 1,080.02	\$ 1,080.02
Balance	\$ 1,080.02	
ALABAMA FERRY FUND		
Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 16.72	\$
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "S".....	16.06	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.32	
Amount to balance.....	.34	
	\$ 16.72	\$ 16.72
Balance	\$.34	

For the further information of the Court and of the public, I will state that the January collections of the Tax Collector, amounting to \$52,147.68 for the benefit of the various funds listed above, have not yet been passed to the credit of said funds, but will show on the next report of the Treasurer and myself.

Respectfully submitted,
A. E. OWENS, County Clerk,
Houston County, Texas.

RECAPITULATION

Cash on Hand in—	
County Fund	\$ 1,031.16
Jury Fund	2,807.08
Court House and Jail Fund	835.24
Jail Building Fund	563.37
Road and Bridge Current Fund	31.74
Road and Bridge No. 3 Fund	108.21
Road and Bridge No. 4 Fund	125.73
Road and Bridge Sinking Fund	298.04
Road and Bridge No. 1, Road Tax Fund	320.80
Road and Bridge No. 2, Road Tax Fund	211.70
Road and Bridge No. 3, Road Tax Fund	307.75
Road and Bridge No. 4, Road Tax Fund	116.40
Road District No. 3 Current Fund (Crockett)	828.22
Road District No. 3, Sinking Fund	2,307.45
Road District No. 3, Road Tax	313.60
Road District No. 1, Current Fund (Grapeland, west)	804.61
Road District No. 1, Sinking Fund	727.05
Road District No. 4, Current Fund (Belott)	29,746.47
Road District No. 4, Sinking Fund	720.50
Road District No. 7, Current Fund (Ratcliff)	39,382.62
Road District No. 7, Sinking Fund	667.50

Road District No. 6, Sinking Fund (Grapeland, east)	466.00
Lovelady Road District Fund	754.71
Delinquent Fund	31.34
Lovelady Highway Fund	431.19
Kennard Highway Fund	894.90
West San Antonio Road Fund	553.23
East San Antonio Road Fund	1,080.02
Alabama Ferry Fund34

Total Cash on Hand to Credit of Various Funds	\$ 86,466.97
Less Overdrafts to Debit of Various Funds:	
Road and Bridge No. 1 Fund	\$ 13.06
Road and Bridge No. 2 Fund	41.67
Road and Bridge No. 6 Current Fund	13.92
Construction Warrants	846.90
TOTAL CASH ON HAND	\$ 85,551.42

BONDED AND REGISTERED INDEBTEDNESS OF HOUSTON COUNTY	
Road District No. 4, Bonds	\$ 50,000.00
Road District No. 7, Bonds	50,000.00
Road and Bridge (old) Bonds	4,000.00
Road District No. 3, Bonds	125,000.00
Road District No. 1, Bonds	21,000.00
Jail Building Warrants	11,000.00
Road Construction Warrants	110,000.00
Warrants Registered in County Fund	27,862.28
Warrants Registered in Road and Bridge No. 1 Fund	3,086.60
Warrants Registered in Road and Bridge No. 3 Fund	4,912.14
Warrants Registered in Road and Bridge No. 4 Fund	6,579.67
Warrants Registered in Road and Bridge No. 2 Fund	41.64

TOTAL REGISTERED AND BONDED INDEBTEDNESS \$413,482.33

The State of Texas, County of Houston:
I, A. E. OWENS, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the above and foregoing ANNUAL REPORT, showing the amounts received and paid out in the different funds of the county and the amount of outstanding indebtedness of the 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. 1919.

(SEAL) A. E. OWENS,
County Clerk, Houston County, Texas.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of February, A. D. 1919.
(SEAL) NAT PATTON,
County Judge, Houston County, Texas.

LIVELYVILLE

By Regular Correspondent

Livelyville, March 3.—The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howard fell into the fire and burned both hands and arms severely. They all have our sympathy.

Rev. J. F. Lively delivered a fine sermon Sunday to a large congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Herod announce the birth of a son. We congratulate them.

Mrs. G. W. Garner is very sick with an attack of malaria. Alna Tillman and Leonard Howard spent Saturday evening in Denson Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Haltom visited their son, Zack Wilson, Sunday.

Farmers around here are very busy breaking land and planting corn. Hope it will stay clear for awhile.

Little Ruth McDonald has fully recovered from an attack of tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner Pate entertained their many friends Friday night. Mr. Pate is a fine musician and delighted everyone with his skill in playing the violin. Everybody present spent a pleasant evening.

PERCILLA

By James R.

Percilla, March 2.—It looks as if spring has come at last. Some corn planted last week.

Jim Span, Trawl Fitchett and Henry Teems have returned from training camps. We are glad to see the boys get back home.

Mr. Fitchett had a letter from his son, Seth, stating he would sail for home in about six weeks. The letter was written in January.

Mrs. Thomas Sullivan of Palestine is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Sullivan.

Robert Bobbitt and family of Graelpand visited relatives here this week.

Mat Coleman and family of Cherokee county visited relatives here this week.

Misses Lila and Lorena Dennis spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks. They say they are getting along nicely with their schools.

Mrs. Sherman Lively and daughter of Elkhart are visiting relatives here this week.

Mrs. A. S. Moore has resigned as principal of our school. Robert Sadler has taken charge in her

EPHESUS

By Regular Correspondent

Ephesus, March 3.—We had two very sudden deaths in our neighborhood last week. Mrs. S. H. Graham had a paralytic stroke at 8 o'clock and died at 11 Wednesday. She was buried at Milligan cemetery Thursday.

Mr. Mora Green was mending up logheaps Saturday evening when a tree fell on him, killing him instantly. He was buried at Milligan cemetery Sunday.

Dave Turner's family and little Bessie Kelley have been keeping close with the mumps.

Miss Jewel Turner spent Saturday and Sunday at Palestine with her sister, Linda, who is learning to be a nurse, and she says that Linda is doing fine.

Melton Jones is home from Camp Bowie on a 9 days' furlough.

Jessie Graham and family and Merideth Graham and family spent the week end with their brother, Frank Graham.

Mrs. Willie Wall and Mrs. Dora Boykin spent Sunday with Mrs. Lee Etta Graham.

Mrs. Willie Hobson and Mrs. Florence Mathis spent Sunday with Mrs. J. M. Anderson.

Will Allen and family were visiting at Jim Turner's Sunday evening.

Carl Hobson, who has been hauling saw logs for Tom Luce's saw mill, had his leg broken this morning. A log fell on it.

Our school is doing fine and we think every child will make its grade this term.

The women are all planting gardens, and getting their incubators started, and the men are getting ready to plant corn.

ROCK HILL

By Norman

Rock Hill, March 3.—We had our Society last Friday night. A nice crowd was present, and a very good program rendered. We shall have another Friday night March 14. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

An extra nice crowd was present at Sunday school and prayer meeting Sunday and Sunday night. In our Sunday school, the Blue's stood one or two ahead in the contest, but they better look out or they will have the Reds to treat to ice cream and cake in about two months.

N. V. Streetman and family visited the home of E. E. Tucker Sunday.

Miss Annie Tyer visited friends in the Oak Grove community Sunday.

W. E. Page and family were called to Latexo last Thursday and Friday on account of the death of Mr. Page's aunt. We express to them our sympathy.

stead, and is carrying on the work on the same high plane.

Our Sunday school elected new officers for the ensuing year: G. R. Sewell, Supt.; Mrs. Jewel Jones, assistant Supt.; Ormie Lively Secretary, and choir leader. There is a contest in our Sunday school for next Sunday.

The one that brings the most new pupils next Sunday receives a prize. The idea is to get more people to attend Sunday school. This applies to old people as well as young. If you get the old people to Sunday school the young ones are pretty apt to be there also, and if the old ones don't go they will not know whether the young ones are there or not.

The Bible teaches if you bring a child up in the way he should go when he gets old he will not depart from it. Well, what are you going to do about it? When you turn one loose and let him just bring himself up, some one is responsible for that boy or girl. Who is it? I say it's their parents. What do you say?

Miss Audra Jones has returned home, as her school has closed.

Miss Rosa Branch spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

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SERVICE DAY AND NIGHT

We are well equipped for work and understand our business. So when your car gives you trouble, call us and we will fix you up at a nominal cost.

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DAY AND NIGHT GARAGE

HOMER HUGHES and A. E. SHAVER, Props.

The KITCHEN CABINET

I have never known persons who exposed themselves for years to constant interruption who did not muddle away their intellects by it, at last.—Florence Nightingale.

PICKLING TIME.

For those who like a few dill pickles the following recipe will be useful:



Put the pickles cut for the table, or not, into a two-quart jar; more will be packed if cut for the table. Add a tablespoonful of salt, a tablespoonful of sugar and a quarter of a cupful of vinegar, fill the jar with cold water, with a small bunch of dill; seal and put away for the winter use.

Sweet Red Pepper Pickle.—Grind together five dozen sweet red peppers, one dozen sweet onions; put on to cook in a quart of vinegar for 15 minutes, then add two cupfuls of brown sugar, one tablespoonful of salt and a little celery seed. Boil slowly one hour. This is especially good for a sandwich filling.

Tomato Marmalade.—Peel and slice four quarts of ripe tomatoes, add four pounds of granulated sugar, six large lemons and a cupful of raisins. Put in a kettle in layers and cook one hour, or until quite thick. Cover jars or glasses with paraffin.

Apple Chutney.—Cook two cupfuls of mild vinegar with one cupful of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of mixed spices in a bag, a teaspoonful of salt, a small piece of ginger root and the same amount of sweet red pepper. Boil this five minutes, then strain it over six large apples cut in slivers and one cupful of raisins. Onion and coriander seed are often added. Cook until the apples are soft, then pack in jars and keep well covered.

Pepper Hash.—Chop fine one large head of cabbage and eight sweet red peppers, having removed the seeds from four of the peppers. Mix with a cupful of salt and let stand over night. Next morning drain well, add a quarter of a cupful of white mustard seed, two cupfuls of sugar and a tablespoonful of celery seed. Cover with vinegar and add one extra quart. Put in jars and seal.

Dill Pickles.—Wash and place in a two-quart jar whole or quartered cucumbers, add a tablespoonful of salt, a tablespoonful of sugar a half cupful of vinegar, a bunch of dill, and fill the jar with cold water. Seal and put away for use later.

Nellie Maxwell

A Good Creed.

You can't make a real success without making real enemies.

You can't hold a strong position without strong opposition.

You can't seem right to any if you don't seem wrong to many.

A useful life can't be entirely peaceful and carefree.

Every earnest man in every generation has paid the price of individuality.

You can't dodge.

The greater you are, the greater the penalty of your progress. The further you go, the wider your range of contact with which you must reckon, and therefore, you multiply your battles against misconception and slander and envy and malice.

You can't avoid or evade your allotted destiny—you can only hold down your share of troubles by holding back.

In every sphere men gibe and sneer—even the peace of the ditch-digger is threatened by the unemployed laborer who covets his job.

So long as you aspire, others will conspire—so long as you try others will vie.

You'll have hostility to face in every place and at every pace.

Go straight ahead to your goal.

So long as your conscience isn't ashamed to acknowledge you as a friend, don't give a rap for your enemies.

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Good Clothes!

General Pershing once said that the American uniform must be the smartest uniform that can be designed because the better a man is dressed the better fighter he makes.

The men coming back from France and from the camps in this country are going to demand stylish civilian clothes; the uniform has given them a smart, erect carriage; their civilian clothes must do the same thing. These men at home in business want style to celebrate victory; everybody feels like dressing up.

quality; all-wool fabrics and tailoring that lasts.

Men will get the stylish clothes they're looking for at this store; Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes and they'll get quality too; staying

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We mention these two prices because they are the average prices for most men.

Smart styles, fine quality spring fabrics, handsome patterns in conservative and business models; new features in waist steam, pockets and lapels for young men.

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Ladies' Waists

We will be glad to show you the new styles of waists that are to be worn this season, as we have on display the best values for the money. Call and look them over, as they are very pretty and the styles are absolutely correct.

KENNEDY BROTHERS

THE STORE FOR EVERYBODY

MEDICINE VS. FOOD

Do not buy something which you already have. You have food which you feed your horses, cattle and sheep, but when you want medicine, buy only medicine. That is what you get in B. A. Thomas' Stock Remedy. We sell it and guarantee it to be medicine. We tell you that it will tone up the entire system of your stock and aids digestion, thereby causing them to get all the food value out of the grain that you feed them.

McLean & Riell.

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. It is the right thing for such disorders. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Simht, special agent.

FOR SALE

My place north of town. For particulars see or write—
L. N. Lasiter,
Grapeland, Route 1.

FOR SALE CHEAP

We have a five passenger Maxwell and a five passenger Ford (second hand) that we will sell cheap. If interested, call on Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

LIBERTY BONDS

We will buy them if you want to sell.

Farmers & Merchants
State Bank
Grapeland, Texas.

NOTICE

I will stand the Jim Lively's Jack this season, one-half mile east of the Grapeland and Slocum road on the Saddler farm. \$10.00 to insure.
3t Hub Starkey.

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.

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National out 220 miles.
Willis-Knight out 180 miles.
Crow-Elkhart out 170 miles.
Oldsmobile out 240 miles.
Haynes out 195 miles.
Overland out 290 miles.
Kissle-Kar out 255 miles.
Ford out 320 miles.
Reo out 205 miles.

DENTAL NOTICE

Dr. Moore, the dentist, is at the Grapeland Hotel ready to execute all manner of dental work. Teeth extracted without pain.
C. L. Moore, D. D. S.

The people of the New Prospect neighborhood were startled the other evening by what they first thought to be a fire at the home of Walter Caskey. However, on making an investigation it was learned that the brilliant light shining from the window was from their new mantle lamp—the Aladdin—which had been purchased from E. L. Frisby, the agent.

For the serious diseases that attack the kidneys, Prickly Ash Bitters is a remedy of merit. It relieves backache, dizziness, persistent headache, loss of strength and nervous weakness; symptoms which indicate kidney trouble. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

FOR SALE

A scholarship in Tyler Commercial College. If you are thinking of taking a business course, it will pay to communicate with us.

The Messenger,
Grapeland, Texas.

NOTICE HOG RAISERS

All those who have hogs to sell please bring them in Monday, March 24, and we will guarantee you a good price for them that day.

2t Dailey Bros.

LOST

Two Poland China gilts, weigh about 30 and 40 pounds; crop and split in right ear. Not likely to be together. Phone or write.

Hill Huff, Route 4.

Use Fertilizer and raise bigger crops on less land. We have Armour's. Get our prices before you buy.

Murray & Mangum.

FOR SALE

2 horses and 1 mule, 3 milch cows, 3 yearlings, and 1 log wagon. See me at Latexo.

2t George Dunn.

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