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LIVELYVILLE

By Regular Correspondent

Livelyville, April 7.—The old saying that it is "an ill wind that don't blow nobody any good," has again proved true. Terrible as the war has been it has proved a blessing in disguise to many of our boys. It has not only straightened out their bodies, but braodened their minds as well, and we are optomistic enough to believe it has been a benefit to us all, because it has made it clear that united we stand.

Bro. J. F. Lively preached a beautiful sermon to a large congregation. Many came from quite a distance.

Doc Dunnam and family and Ray and Edgar Dunnam and families were visitors among us Sunday.

Andrew Kirkwood and family were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isom Garner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilkins, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Dickey, Misses Bertha and Modell Garner, Ethel Wilkins, May Bell and Alma Howard and little Alma Lee Mills and Ruth McDonald were guests at Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Haltom's home Sunday.

We had a good singing Sunday afternoon. Our choir is considered one of the best and is still improving.

We will have our memorial service early in May. The date hasn't been definitely decided upon. We are anxiously looking forward to having it as early as possible so we will have plenty of flowers and lots of dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Starkey and little Mayo and Coy of Denson Springs visited Mrs. E. Howard Sunday.

C. A. Mills and sons and Mr. Heard visited at Latexo Sunday.

Turner Pate is confined to his home with a bilious attack.

John Brumley and father returned from Henderson county, where they spent a week with relatives.

Frank Chaffin and family, H. Jackson and family and Paul Dotson and family spent a very pleasant Sunday at the home of Mr. Pate.

There still remains enough maddogs in our neighborhood to supply the whole state. People look at every dog with suspicion, and most of them are kept tied to keep them from being killed.

Spring is in the air and it seems to stay there, as it don't come down far enough to make itself felt—as we still need our coats.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garner and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. John Adams Sunday.

Rev. J. F. Lively spent a few hours with his daughter, Mrs. John Masters, Sunday.

As we have crops planted and some corn ready to plow, it seems time for hogs to be penned. Several crops have been severely damaged by hogs in this community and some acres had to be planted over entirely.

Notice to the Public

On and April 12 I am offering my entire stock of cabbage and tomato plants at 25c per 100, 20c per 100 by the thousand. Upon receipt of the above price I will post pay them to your door, or will make personal deliveries each Saturday. I am taking orders for sweet potato plants for the following varieties: Porto Rico yams, Pumpkin yams, Nancy Hall, Tennessee Triumph and Red potatoes, at \$4.50 per 1000, and will make personal deliveries at Grapeland or post pay them to you.
J. E. Moore,
Elkhart, Texas.

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When you start to town do you think about the various stores in town and the various ways in which these stores do business?

Did you ever stop to think that every merchant is like you—trying to make a living for himself and family and lay by some for the "rainy day?"

Did you ever stop to think why one merchant wants more for the same merchandise than another? Did you? Now, honest, did you?

Have you taken the trouble to compare our prices with the prices others are asking for their merchandise? If you compared prices you know that we are selling the same merchandise from 10 per cent to 35 per cent cheaper than the other fellow.

The reason is simple: We are straining every nerve to work out of the "tight" that we got into an account of cotton the past season. We are more than dividing the profits with our customers, and if you are not one of our customers you are standing in your own light.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1919

A warm friend is one who is willing to divide his cold cash.

"Swat the fly" movement will soon be in full force.

Our twon means a lot to the child that is born here; it ought to mean a lot more to the father.

Many a merchant has died of internal troubles because he tried to swallow his competitor.

One of the main reasons put forth by the bears as to why we should not receive 35 cents for our cotton, is that there is not ship space to carry it. But there appears to be plenty of ship-space for other things. For instance, oil imports are increasing enormously in the face of the shortage of ship-space we hear so much about. For instance, coconut oil imports for 1917-17 increased 160,610,433 pounds, over 1916-17. Peanut oil imports in 1917-18 increased 37,499,363 pounds over 1916-17, and correspondingly, all the leading commercial oils show increase.

Business in general is good in Grapeland, and the future outlook is indeed promising. Let's all get together, work together, pull together and make Grapeland one of the best towns in the world. We can do it if we will. But we must do some things that need to be done. First, we must not indulge in petty quarrels, back-biting and slanderous talk. Those things cause hard feelings, dissension, and distrust. Anything that will cause disruption among the citizenship of the community stops progress, stagnates business and retrogression starts in. Sensible men ought to see it and discourage it. Then,

we ought to incorporate the town. It would be worth much to us in the way of civic improvement and from a sanitary standpoint. Naturally would follow all the conveniences, such as lights, ice, waterworks, etc. Let us give these things serious consideration and come to some definite action.

People Along Border Depend Upon Rangers for Protection

Austin, Texas, April 5.—Senator George B. Dayton, of Cooke county was here en route home after having been in the Western part of the State since the adjournment of the legislature. He was present at the field inspections and conferences on pink boll worm in Brewster and other counties.

Senator Dayton says he made a special trip through the Big Bend country, along the Rio Grande, which he describes as wild and inaccessible, for the purpose of investigating the work of the rangers.

"Every resident of that section told me that without rangers it would be impossible to live there and conduct their ranches, as Mexican and border bandits would kill the ranchmen and steal their stock," said the senator.

"I also saw some of the rangers and heard of their work in specific instances," said Senator Dayton, "and I believe the residents who told me that without rangers the Mexican marauders would take the country. The federal soldiers are serviceable, but the rangers are mobile and they are adepts at following the trails of bandits, which the inexperienced soldiers can not do."

Rainbow Division Begins Movement From Rhine

Coblenz, April 5.—The Rainbow division Saturday began saying goodbye to the Rhine. Soon after 10 o'clock a. m. the first train pulled out for Brest, carrying the division headquarters and the units attached to it.

The departure of the 42nd division, composed of National Guardsmen of 27 States and the third division to land in France, is the first divisional movement of troops for home from the American area of occupation.

Three trains will leave the station near Ramagen daily until April 11, when the tail end of the Rainbows will see the last of the Rhine. It is estimated that the entire division will be on the Atlantic a few days later.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all those who were so kind and sympathetic and helpful to us in the loss of our dear baby.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Dailey and children.

Wynne Before the Legislature

To the Legislature of Texas in session—greeting:

I, G. G. Wynne, of Trinity, Texas, the author of the following proposed bill, have taught school and preached to my race (colored) for thirty years. I have taught them by precept and example to be honest, true, sober and industrious people. When the world's conflict came upon us and all nations were called to serve, I was commissioned by the department at Washington, D. C., to represent the Red Cross of America. I willingly went to work among my people and raised \$175.00 for the Red Cross and turned the same over to the nearest Red Cross chapter (white) as instructed. Later I was instructed to speak on food conservation, which I did. I said and did all in my power to help our country in time of her struggles.

Now, since the colored race stood by the government as no other race did, in loyalty and patriotism, I firmly believe if the following bill is passed the act in itself will cause my people to feel and realize their citizenship as never before and cause them to reform and strive to make better citizens, which will be good for all other races as well, and cause the colored people to have more confidence in the white man as a friend. The better class of colored people sees the better class of white people as our friends. So, therefore, I come before this honorable lawmaking body of Texas and most humbly pray for the future good of my race and the entire government to enact a law of the State of Texas that will give the colored people of Texas representation on the grand and petit juries of Texas in proportion of the number of votes they cast in the county. And, further, I appeal to your honor and majesty to give back to the colored people of Texas full control and management of their respective schools as trustees, with the exception of city schools under a superintendent. After canvassing in favor of my above stated proposed bills, I find same to be the wishes and desires of my race. Now I hope you honorable Representatives of Texas will give my proposed bill a fair and impartial consideration, and if not contrary to the Constitution of the United States of America, please pass the bill and most greatly oblige the colored people of Texas.

Respectfully,
 G. G. Wynne.

(Published by request)

Notice to Hog Raisers

We will make our last shipment of hogs for this season, Monday, April 14. If you will bring us your hogs on that date we will pay you a good price for all well finished hogs.

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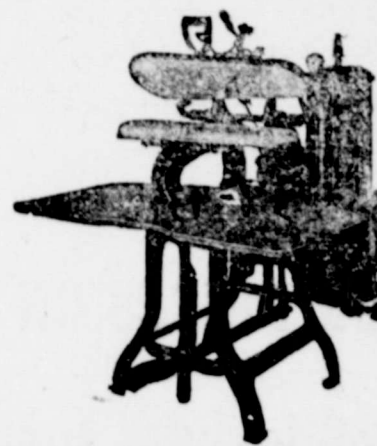
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**Market Only Sterile Eggs
Egg Circle to Re-organize**

I have been requested by some who are still interested in producing better eggs to take some action toward getting poultrymen together on the matter.

Last year Prof. Sims volunteered his services and made some headway along this line, but we are anxious this year to enlarge our "circle" and if possible induce more people to see the good of producing and marketing better eggs.

We are all well aware of the fact that a fertile egg will not remain fit for human food but a few days in hot weather. We (those who want to know) also know that about fifty per cent of the eggs that are produced during June, July and August are candled out and thrown away.

When the farmer gets 20c per dozen for his eggs in the summer he feels like he is beat and he has a right to feel that way, but how do you suppose the city man feels that pays 40c per dozen for the half of the farmer's eggs that passes the inspector? We know something about this from experience. We use to live in the city and know how hard it was to buy good eggs in the summer.

There is only one remedy and the man that produces the eggs is the only one that can apply it.

We should not wait until we get ready to sell sterile eggs to separate the male birds from the hens, but they should be taken off the yard at least two weeks prior to the time we intend to begin selling.

I am going to take the responsibility of calling a "better egg" meeting some time soon, and we will get our circle re-organized and start to work. In the mean time, we would advise that you get through setting by the middle of this month. We expect to be ready to market sterile eggs May 1.

We will try to let you hear from us again in about two weeks. In the mean time, I would be glad to have all who wish to co-operate with us in this enterprise to drop me a postcard and let me know who you are. It will mean better prices for you and a better egg market in Grapeland.

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**Allies Outnumbered Huns
More Than Two to One**

Washington, April 5.—The central powers faced odds of greater than two to one in mobilized troops when Germany gave up the fight last November. The estimated aggregate strength of the enemy powers at that time, according to official estimates made public Saturday by General March, chief of staff, was 7,630,000. The indicated aggregate allied strength on that date was more than 16,700,000.

The situation is disclosed in the figures received by the war department from France giving the present status of the belligerent armies. They show that the central powers on March 1 had under arms 1,125,000 men while the allied forces aggregated 13,366,000.

General March said that the second anniversary of the entrance of the United States into the world war found the restoration of American manhood to civil life more than forty per cent complete. On returns up to April 1, the army had been reduced to an aggregate strength of 2,055,718. For that force General March has set a mark of 310,000 discharges per month, toward which progress is being made. Actual discharges up to and including April 5, aggregated 1,624,171 officers and men.

New Motor Law

Austin, Texas, April 4.—The governor has signed the bill passed during the recent session of the Thirty-Sixth Legislature amending the act regulating the operation of motor vehicles on public highways. The bill requires the state highway department to keep only a numerical index of the licenses issued under the act and eliminates the requirement as to an alphabetical index.

Another important feature of the bill is that it requires all motor vehicles and motorcycles to come to a full stop before attempting to pass any railroad train, interurban car or street car, stopped for the purpose of receiving or discharging passengers. In many cities in the state there are city ordinances requiring such stops to be made by motor vehicles, but this requirement now become a state law. The bill does not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the regular session of the legislature.

Lovelady Incorporates

At an election held in Lovelady Tuesday, the city voted to incorporate by a vote of 55 for incorporation and 7 against. Lovelady has thus displayed its progressiveness in a way that leaves no argument for the doubting.—Crockett Courier.

PERCILLA

By James R.

Percilla, Texas, April 6.—Several of the people from this place attended the Woodmen supper at Waneta last night. All reported a nice time.

Some of the girls are returning home from their schools. Among those that returned yesterday were Misses Rosa Branch and Lorena Dennis and Mrs. Buddie Fitchett.

Yesterday was election day at this place. H. C. Jones was elected and C. E. Jones was re-elected. These two men, with O. Dennis, comprise our school board for another year.

Arthur Branch returned today from the army. Arthur has been stationed at the Panama Canal for some time, and of course can tell some very interesting things.

Mr. Buddie Fitchett and Miss Oma Sullivan were quietly married at the bride's home Thursday night of last week. These people were some of Percilla's most popular young folks. We join their many friends in wishing them a long and happy life.

Quite a bunch of the teachers from this place attended the teachers' meeting at Crockett Saturday.

We are going to have an Easter service on Easter Sunday at 11 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. Hodges.

A. K. Lively and C. E. Jones have purchased a grist mill, which will be installed in the near future.

Z. T. Brumley and son, John, returned yesterday from Henderson county, where they had been to visit relatives.

Newman Tyer, who has been teaching school at Enon for the past term, has moved to Percilla, where he has a crop started.

Will Brumley and Kennie Dickey have bought Thomas Dotson's peanut thrasher and will run it another season.

ANTRIM

By Hiawatha

Antrim, April 7.—Little Alma Lorine Martin was right sick last week but is better now.

Farming is progressing nicely in this community. Some cotton has been planted and a good many people have plowed their corn, which is growing fast this warm weather. Gardens are all looking very nice and several people in the community will soon have white-headed cabbage.

Miss Esther Durnell entertained her friends with a party Friday night. All report a nice time.

Allie Little spent Saturday night with Lee Martin.

Our school closed Friday after a very successful term taught by Misses Jordon, Miller and Dauphin.

There was an election held Saturday for trustees of the school, but so far we haven't earned who was elected.

Mr. and Mrs. John Willis and children, also Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brinson and children, visited in the Rock Hill community Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Blackwell and son, Walter, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wright Sunday.

Quite a number of young people attended Sunday school and prayer meeting at Rock Hill Sunday.

We are wondering why Antrim is going dead in the way of church, Sunday school and prayer meeting. It's not because there isn't enough people to have these things—it's just because we do not get together and try hard enough. Let's hope that the community will revive and get busy and show other communities what we can do.

ROCK HILL

By Norman

Rock Hill, April 7.—Lenard Morgan visited friends in this community Saturday night and Sunday.

Quite a crowd of young people met at the home of C. M. Streetman Sunday and went k-daking.

An extra nice crowd was at Sunday school and prayer meeting Sunday morning and night.

Miss Ola Kiser went to Crockett Thursday to take the examination.

C. M. and G. L. Streetman, accompanied by Misses Ola Willis and Annie Tyer, made a business trip to Crockett Saturday.

Quite a crowd of young people went to the concert at New Prospect Friday night and report a splendid time.

School is drawing to a close. Next Friday night is the date of our concert. We invite everybody.

REYNARD

By Zack

Reynard, April 7.—Everything looks good along agricultural lines. Whipperwills have come, the last tree in the forest to show signs of life is putting forth leaves, and the indications are good that there will be no more ice. Gardens are fine.

G. B. Kent will top anything on potatoes; feel pretty sure he can carry Mrs. Kent a mess by next Saturday.

Everyone has a fine stand of corn, plenty of plums and peaches in evidence. Cotton planting will be in full blast this week. Some planted last week.

The "measley" children have gotten along well so far, and will soon be able to resume their school duties.

Bro. Ray did not show up yesterday, but was mindful of us and tried to get Dr. Black to fill his place. Failing to get him, he got C. L. Haltom and W. D. Granberry, two mighty good laymen, to come, but just about the time to start to church a rather bad looking cloud made its appearance and bluffed us out. Feel sure we would have had a fine service with such men. Will say to Dr. Black that whenever he can see his way clear to come and preach for us and spend awhile, to take this as a special invitation in behalf of Reynard.

Overseer Beazley did three days' work on the road last week. Our community has an invitation to attend the closing exercises of the Rock Hill school Friday night, so let's as many go as can and show our appreciation. By the way, Mr. Editor, in these days of "less" things, Herman Beazley has made him a "gateless" entrance to his place, so you can drive right in with your car without burning up gas while you stop to open the gate.

J. L. Chiles enrolled 95 scholastics for this district.

The other Sunday night we were going to nearby neighbor's house, and our little grandson, Jack, saw the first lightning bug. He said, "Look grandpa; the stars are falling."

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Dr. Clewis' Hospital.

EPHESUS

By Regular Correspondent

Ephesus, April 7.—The health of this community is not very good at present, several families having a case of the mumps.

There was an election held at our school house Saturday, for the purpose of electing trustees. Our trustees for another year are: J. M. Anderson, Jessie Graham and Joe Turner.

Mrs. A. J. Kelly is very ill this morning.

Mrs. Minnie McQueen was visiting Mrs. J. M. Anderson Saturday evening.

Little Woodrow, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Graham, has been very sick, but he is some better this morning. Mumps is his complaint.

Agnes Anderson was visiting Mrs. Minnie McQueen Saturday night.

Bro. Kelly will preach here next Friday night, everyone is invited to attend.

Eva Lou Graham is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Hugh Goolsby was visiting at Mr. Lawrence Goolsby's Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Deckert Anderson were visiting at Mr. Kelly's Saturday night.

Most everybody here have their corn planted and all ready to begin planting cotton.

We had a good rain Thursday evening, which washed up some young corn, but nevertheless it was appreciated by all.

Some say we will have some very cold weather next week. We hope they are mistaken, for some of us have our watermelons planted, and we fear that the cold weather will harm them. However, we are not "grumblers," so we will not complain.

Mrs. Edna Morehead was visiting Mrs. Emma Graham Sunday.

Mrs. Dora Kelly was visiting Mrs. Jennie Kelly Saturday night and Sunday.

There was a musical entertainment at Mr. Walter Patton's Sunday night. All who were present reported a nice time.

We have Sunday school every Sunday evening at 2 o'clock. Would be glad to have visitors from anywhere; in fact, would like to have visitors from every community. Everyone has a standing invitation to come.

Della Mae Graham is entertaining a case of mumps this week. She says they are good company.

Mrs. Florence Matthews was visiting Mrs. Lee Etta Graham Friday night.

It looks as if we would have some rain this evening. We need another shower, and then the ground will be in good shape to plant cotton.

**Housing is Discussed at
Palestine Mass Meeting**

Palestine, Texas, April 4.—One of the most important mass-meetings ever held in Palestine took place last night at the city hall and was called for the purpose of discussing the housing problem that now confronts this city, owing to the International & Great Northern general offices coming back here. A comprehensive plan was submitted by a committee and it will be worked out and every family that comes here with the offices will be provided with comfortable and up-to-date living quarters, in keeping with their desires.

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LOCAL ITEMS

Exceptional values in Easter dresses at McLean & Riall's.

J. R. Phillips visited at New Waverly Sunday.

Plenty of screen wire at McLean & Riall's.

J. W. Caskey of Palestine was here Wednesday.

Easter Dresses in solid white for girls of all ages. Sizes up to 16 1/2 years at Darsey's.

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Lenard Morgan of Lovelady spent a few days here this week visiting friends.

Another shipment of Easter Millinery due this week at Darsey's.

M. L. Clewis spent the first part of the week in Lake Charles, La., visiting relatives.

F. L. Hiroms and I. A. Daniel of Crockett were in the city Monday.

We can still supply your needs with Fertilizer.

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Strong Plants

Cabbage, Tomato and pepper at Mrs. J. F. Haltom's. 35c per 100.

Olney McLean, in the aviation section, Kelly Field, is home on a 5-day furlough, and is visiting his parents at Augusta.

Mrs. J. R. Phillips returned home Monday, after a three weeks visit with relatives and friends in New Waverly.

Fit your car with a set of Kopper King Spark Plugs, the plug without an equal.

W. H. Long & Co.

Ladies expecting to have a new pair of oxfords for Easter should buy them at Darsey's now.

Arthur Branch of Percilla arrived home Sunday, having been discharged from the army. He has been stationed in the Canal Zone.

Farm Harnd Wanted

I want a good farm hand at once. Will pay \$30.00 per month. W. H. Burden, Route 2.

Miss Orvilla Ferguson left Tuesday for her home at Alvin, her school at Enon having closed several days ago.



Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists, 75c. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

More dresses received this week at McLean & Riall's.

Miss Fannie Lou Scarborough left Sunday for Cleveland to visit her sister, Mrs. Traylor.

We pay more for produce. McLean & Riall.

Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Stafford visited relatives at Ponta the latter part of last week.

S. T. Parker of near Palestine visited here Sunday and Monday. He went to Crockett Monday morning on business matters.

Hood tires are guaranteed for 7500 miles. Sold by W. H. Long & Co.

Misses Georgia Cooper and Rieta Hatchell spent the week end at New Waverly visiting friends.

Meal and Chops

You can always find plenty of home ground meal and chops at Herod & Sullivan's mill. Priced right. 2t

Don't forget that you are saving money by getting a Hood Tire from W. H. Long & Co's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. McGee and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Ellis of Crockett visited relatives in and near Grapeland Sunday.

Notice—Posted

Parties are hereby warned to stay out of my enclosures. No hunting, fishing or bathing will be allowed. 2t

M. P. Herod.

George Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Howard, who has been in France about eighteen months with the American army, is expected to arrive home in the next thirty days.

Your tire troubles are ended when you buy a Hood Tire from W. H. Long & Co's.

Local people became interested in oil prospects east of town and employed a geologist to come in and look over the ground. His report was unfavorable, so we presume the "oil fever" will now cool off.

Dental Notice

My customers and the public will please take notice that I will be absent from my office next week, filling an engagement at Elkhart.

C. L. Cromwell, D. D. S.

Turner Skidmore of Route 2 was a pleasant caller Saturday and renewed his subscription. Mr. Skidmore said he had been taking the Messenger ever since it had been "hatched" and didn't feel disposed to do without it. Thanks.

Dipping Vat Notice

Patrons of the Union dipping vat are requested to meet at the vat Friday, April 11, to assist Mr. Walling in taking the form out and plaster the vat and put up lot fences. Monday, April 14, will be the first dipping day.

Lost—Reward

\$2.50 reward each for two Poland China gilts, marked crop and split in right ear. Not likely to be together. Weigh about 75 pounds.

Hill Huff, Route 4.

Gaylon Skidmore and Miss Lorraine Rose were united in the bonds of matrimony Saturday night. The Messenger joins friends of these young people in best wishes.

Cotton Seed Wanted

I am in the market for your surplus cotton seed. If you have any to sell bring them in not later than next Tuesday, April 15. Out of the market after that date. It J. W. Howard.

For Sale

A 4-burner oil stove; has been used but very little and in good condition. Can be seen at the Messenger office.

Newt Mayo, who was a citizen of Grapeland many years ago, was here Sunday and Monday. He said the town had undergone such changes for the better since his last visit that he hardly knew the place when he stepped off of the train.

Eggs for Setting

Rhode Island Red eggs for setting purposes for sale by—Mrs. R. B. Edens, Farmers Union Phone.

Dipping Notice

Next Wednesday, April 16, is dipping day for Grapeland. In the meantime, the vat must be put in shape and fences fixed. Who will help me do it? J. W. Howard.

Homer Hughes, proprietor of the Day and Night Garage, and Miss Lurlene Foreman were mardence of Esq. John A. Davis, who ried Saturday night at the resiofficiated. The Messenger extends congratulations.

LUNGARDIA is the most wonderful remedy offered the public for weak lungs, pneumonia, coughs and colds. It successfully combats influenza and the after effects. The worse the cough the more we recommend Lungardia. 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. For sale by Wade L. Smith's Drug Store, Grapeland, Texas. 3t

Big Cattle Shipment

Messrs. J. H. Ross and J. E. Hays of League City, and H. H. Barrett of Madisonville spent several days here last week, and purchased ten cars of cattle from Messrs. Calhoun and Dailey Bros. The cattle were shipped Saturday to League City.

Memorial Program

The annual memorial service will be held at Evergreen cemetery on Friday, May 9.

Program—Opening address by Rev. W. A. Foster, 10:30 a. m.

Address by Rev. P. W. Norwood, 11:15 a. m.

Address by Hon. W. F. Murchison at 2 p. m.

Address by Rev. J. F. Lively at 2:45 p. m.

Graves will be decorated after the last address. All singers please bring song books. Committee.

Rev. Abe Mulkey Dead

Waco, Texas, April 5.—Rev. Abe Mulkey, one of the best known Methodist evangelists in Texas, and engaged in this work for 35 years, died this afternoon at his home in Corsicana. He was born in Arkansas, reared in Nashville, Tenn., and had lived in Corsicana 40 years.

Rev. Mulkey was a lifelong member of the Methodist church and he would have been 69 years old April 14. Prior to taking up his ministerial work, he was in the grocery business in Corsicana Besides his wife and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Sam Sparks of Austin, he is survived by two brothers and two sisters.

At the Methodist Church

A revival meeting is in progress at the Methodist church this week, having begun last Sunday and will continue through the week. The pastor, Rev. J. E. Buttrill, is being assisted by Rev. A. T. Walker of Conroe. The meeting is making good headway. Large crowds are attending the services, and Bro. Walker is doing some very able praching. H is an earnest, enthusiastic preacher and delivers his message in a very forceful manner. Two services are held daily, at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m.

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Elections Officers 1919 and 1920

The first named is the presiding officer, the other assistant presiding officer.

1. Augusta—Jake Sheridan, Jack Gale.
2. Antioch—Clarence Davis, Walter Calvert.
3. Ash—George Lansford, Lyman Knox.
4. Arbor—R. K. Smith, Sid Smith.
5. Belott—Jim Alexander, Bob Hall.
6. Crockett, No. 1—George Denny, Johnson Phillips.
7. Crockett, No. 2—Mike McCarty, Roy Deupree.
8. Crockett, No. 3—John Miller, Ed Leediker.
9. Crockett, No. 4—J. E. Bynum, Mattie Satterwhite.
10. Creek—George Erwin, W. L. Bridges.
11. Dodson—W. H. Threadgill, Sam Best.
12. Daly's—Hamp Huff, J. L. Chiles.
13. Daniel—John Sims, T. L. Glenn.
14. Freeman—W. F. Rhoden, Levi Starling.
15. Grapeland, No. 1—J. E. Hollingsworth, E. W. Davis.
16. Grapeland, No. 2—W. H. Richards, B. R. Eaves.
17. Holly—J. E. Driskell, John Skipper.
18. Kennard—Will Brown, J. J. Cooper.
19. Lovelady—Aleck Hutchings, Chas. Stevenson.
20. Percilla—Elmer Sullivan, Chas. Dickey.
21. Porter's Springs—A. B. Mulligan, Walter Patrick.
22. Ratcliff—J. W. McHenry, Bob McKinney.
23. Shiloh—Tom Knox, Henry Bitner.
24. Tadmor—W. K. Conner, Bill Saxon.
25. Tyer's Store—Jim Tyer, J. E. Allen.
26. Volga—E. C. Thompson, Ed Little.
27. Weches—John Lovelady, Ed Smith.
28. Weldon—J. R. Hinson, J. R. Morrow.
29. Creath—Moffit Creath, Will Meriwether.

The Light and Ice Plant

The question of a light and ice plant for Grapeland has been agitated here for some time. Several citizens became interested enough in the proposition to make some investigations as to the cost of the plant, etc.

A meeting of representative citizens was held Monday afternoon and the matter gone into thoroughly. Mr. W. M. Maire, a consulting engineer of Dallas, was present and went into detail as to the cost of erecting the plant. All those present expressed themselves favorable to erecting the plant, provided the funds could be raised.

It will cost at the most \$20,000 to put in a light and ice plant of the first class. The question now is, do the citizens of this community want the plant bad enough to put their money into it? It is proposed to organize a stock company capitalized at \$20,000, shares to be sold at \$100 each. A comittee composed of T. H. Leaverton, Dr. Sam Kennedy and A. H. Luker was appointed to canvass the town and solicit subscriptions and report their success at a meeting to be held next Thursday afternoon, April 17, at Leaverton's drug store.

Now, then, the proposition is squarely up to you. If you want the plant put your money into it and make it go. Make up your mind thoroughly what you will do so you will be prepared to give the committee a definite answer when they call on you.

SLOCUM

Slocum, April 7.—Bro. Durnell filled his regular appointment here yesterday.

The death angel visited our midst the past week and called away Grandma Sutherland.

Miss Eva Bowman and little sister and Mr. Beard of Latexo visited at Slocum Sunday.

N. C. Tims has been on the sick list, but seems some better now.

C. C. Tims of Waneta visited his brother at Slocum Friday.

Levy Lasiter and family visited at Slocum last Saturday.

Bro. Campbell was a pleasant visitor at Slocum Saturday.

Mrs. Blair and Mrs. John Kilgo and daughter motored to Palestine Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball attended church at Slocum Sunday.

Health of our community is much better than it has been, but I think it is because the war is over and we all feel better.

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.

It's all bosh when you think you can find a more beautiful line of silk dresses at less money than those shown at Darsey's. Have you seen the exquisite styles at \$16.50?

Early Cattle Tick Clean-Up Depends on Work in Texas

After declaring that what Texas does will decide when the United States will be free of the cattle-fever tick, Dr. R. A. Ramsay, chief of the tick eradication division of the Bureau of Animal Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, told the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, in convention at Dallas, March 18, that the farmers and small cattle owners of Texas should not be blamed for the comparatively slow progress of tick eradication in that State. "I am convinced," said Dr. Ramsay, "that the real opposition to tick eradication—the opposition that is delaying the day when Texas will be Tick-free comes from a few men who make it a profitable business to deal here and at the stock yards in what are classed by the trade as "southern or ticky cattle," and from a few large owners of cattle."

Texas has done "a pretty fair job, already in cleaning out the tick," said Dr. Ramsay, having driven the cattle parasite from 36 per cent of the State—more than the total area of any other tick-infested State—but still has nearly three times as much infested and quarantined territory as any other state and nearly as much infested territory as in all the other States put together. That is why, he said, "the eyes of the whole United States, so far as tick eradication is concerned, are on Texas."

Dr. Ramsay also told the cattlemen that Texas, in State and county funds, is spending only \$2 for every dollar expended by the Federal Government for tick eradication, in contrast to \$3 in Arkansas, \$3.50 in Oklahoma, and \$4 in Louisiana. He drew attention to the help given by these neighboring States during the time of droughts in Texas, when they allowed Texas cattle from the drought-stricken regions to enter their territory after only one dipping for ticks, taking on themselves the expense of dipping cattle a second time. He expressed the opinion that "the difficulties encountered in securing these concessions in the time of a great emergency indicate very plainly that these States will not accept such cattle in the future unless they comply with all requirements."

"What has already been accomplished in Texas," said Dr. Ramsay, "proves that the men who are retarding tick eradication do not speak for the great body. I am sure of my ground when I say that the great majority of cattlemen and farmers want the tick eliminated, but unfortunately they have not always made their desires sufficiently clear to their local governments. It is to their interest to do so."

"Louisiana is likely to become tick-free this year, Oklahoma and Arkansas should go "into the white" in two years, and in three years there may be no tick infested area even in Florida. The Bureau of Animal Industry believes the whole South is going to drive out the tick not later than 1923. We confidently hope that Texas is going to be "on the band wagon," and we look to you members of this association to see that Texas gets abroad."

School Trustees Election

The election for three trustees for this independent school district was held Saturday. Following is the result:
George Shaver 108.
Wade L. Smith 78.
J. W. Howard 70.
W. A. Riall 69.
W. P. Traylor 63.
Shaver, Smith and Howard were elected.

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District Court and Other News From County Capital

Crockett, Texas, April 7, 1919. District court was in session the past week, time being taken up nearly altogether with the Criminal docket. The following criminal cases were disposed of: Langston Gordon, horse theft, four years; Tom Jones, assault to murder, two years; Bud Jones, bootlegging, one year; Travis Dawson, theft of automobile, plea of guilty, two years, sentence suspended; Houston McGill, assault to murder, guilty of aggravated assault and fined fifty dollars.

Divorce Docket

Bonds of matrimony were sundered in the following cases: Minnie Price vs N. Price; Vinie Randle vs H. Randle; Lurlene Keene vs Rob't Keene; Firm Davis vs Ora Davis; G. A. Ross vs Della M. Ross; Mrs. C. Morris vs J. S. Morris; Ollie E. Parker vs C. M. Parker; P. L. Ward vs Bessie Ward; T. Williams vs Lacey Williams; Tucker Jordan vs Doney Jordan; J. H. Leaverton vs Nannie Leaverton; Mary Robinson vs B. Robinson; Della Perry vs Jim Perry; Geo. W. Turner vs Odessa Turner; Pearl Gibson vs J. Gibson; Annis Ellis vs C. L. Ellis; Bertha Henderson vs A. H. Henderson; Ewel Jackson vs Eula Jackson; Costella Ellis vs Mitchel Ellis; Reuben Odum vs Bama Odum; Rachael Thompson vs A. Thompson; Mary Brazzle vs E. Brazzle; Henry Wilson vs Azeline Wilson; Mary Campbell vs G. Campbell; S. Elam vs Sarah Elam; Mrs. Ida Harper vs Jim Harper; Mrs. Blanche Hardwick vs L. J. Hardwick, plff's maiden name of Crenshaw restored; Daisy Parhams vs G. Parhams jr.; Rhoda Johnson vs J. Johnson; Henry Hall vs M. Hall; Zeke Williams vs M. Williams; Scrap Gainus vs Ada Gainus; Willie Jackson vs Viola Jackson; Lewis Antoon vs Johnnie Antoon; Jennie Stewart vs P. Stewart; Dick Tate vs E. Tate; Lula Belle Jones vs T. J. Jones, maiden name of Keys restored to Plff; E. W. Ramseger vs L. Ramseger; Georgia Brooks vs C. Brooks; Florence Thomas vs Jno Thomas.

These are all the divorce cases tried up to Saturday, April 5th. There will be no court for the week commencing April 7th: Judge Prince will go to Huntsville and hold court for Judge B. H. Powell.

There was an examination for teachers' certificates held at the Court House Friday and Saturday of last week. There were twenty two applicants, twenty one white and one colored. All the applicants were female except one. Certificates were applied for as follows: County, 2nd Grade, 5; State 1st Grade, 3; State, 2nd Grade, 14. The Examining Board was composed of Mrs. C. W. Butler and Harry Brewton, both of this city. County Sup't. J. H. Rosser had charge of the examination.

Walter Jones, negro, was shot and instantly killed in this city Friday night. Mary Watson, a negro woman was arrested and locked up by Sheriff Spence. A Hurry and Run pistol, 32 caliber was weapon used, the bullet entering face, just below left eye.

Arthur Rannels, a negro man living near Pennington, South East portion of the county, was waylaid and shot Friday night, a shot gun being used. Braker Alexander, colored was arrested Saturday morning, charged with the shooting, and locked up by Sheriff Spence and Deputy Hooper. Rannels' chances of recovery are said to be slight.

The Britannia Oil and Gas Company, an Oklahoma and Texas corporation, with Texas headquarters at Crockett, is preparing to sink a test well on some of their holdings 12 miles east of this city. A derrick is in course of erection, and will be completed Tuesday of this week. As soon as this work is completed, machinery will be placed on the ground, and drilling will be commenced. This company holds leases on several thousand acres east of this city, and apparently, are very jubilant over

The Thrift Car

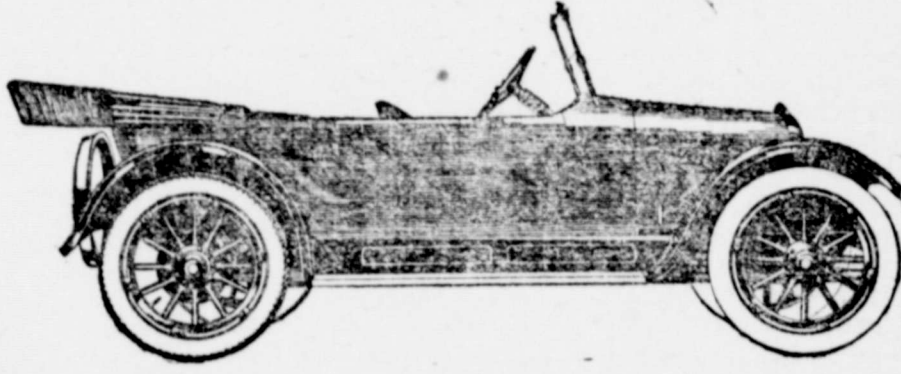
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CROCKETT, TEXAS

Statement

of the ownership and management, required by the Act of Congress of August 24, 1912, of the Grapeland Messenger, published weekly at Grapeland, Texas, for April, 1919. Name of publisher, editor, managing editor and business manager: A. H. Luker, Grapeland, Texas. The owners are: (Give names and addresses of individual owners, or if a corporation, give its name and the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of the total amount of stock.) A. H. Luker sole owner. (Not a corporation.) Known bondholders, mortgagees and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgagees or other securities are: (If there are none so state) Mergenthaler Linotype Co., New York, N. Y. Barnhart Bros. & Spindler, Dallas, Texas. (Signed) A. H. Luker. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4 day of April, 1919. (Seal) J. R. Richards, Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.

Campaign Expenses Limited By Law

One of the important acts of the regular session of the Legislature, recently adjourned, was the passage of an act limiting the amount of money that might be spent in campaigns by candidates for office or on their behalf. The maximum amount that may be spent ranges from \$10,000 for a candidate for Governor, down to much smaller amounts for the lesser offices. This law has been approved by Governor Hobby and will be in effect during the next campaign.—Texas Mesquiter.

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To Holders of Cotton

The government estimates that the South produced 11,700,000 bales of cotton in 1918. Secretary Hester of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, says the spinners have taken 7,187,000 bales from Sept. 1st to March 14th, or 1,105,700 bales per month. This leaves 4,513,000 bales to be taken the remainder of the year, or 820,000 bales per month.

Thus, if the mills should take as much per month as they have taken since September 1st, there will be a deficiency of 1,568,350 bales. Where will they get the cotton? When the embargo is raised, so that Germany, Austria and the Allied and Neutral Nations are released to buy cotton, where will they get it? If you have cotton on hand, what is it worth? The Census Bureau reports that the U. S. mills had 137,000 bales less on hand March 1st, than on the same date last year.—W. B. Yearly, Cotton Specialist, Agricultural Department.

Graveyard Working

Everybody interested in the Daly's cemetery are requested to meet there Monday, May 5. Come prepared to clean and fence the yard. Those who do not live in the Daly's community will be fed by the Daly's people in their homes. Committee.

Japan May Bear Watching

The activities of Japan in eastern Siberia are causing a good deal of anxiety. The Allies some time ago agreed that 7000 Japanese troops might be sent there to keep order, but now the Japanese Minister of War reveals that 150,000 have been sent, and a new division in on the way.

About a Colored Soldier

The following letter is concerning one of Grapeland's colored troops—Mood Herod—with the American expeditionary forces. The letter was written by his commanding officer:

Nantes, France, March 3, 1919.
Mr. Andrew Herod,
Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Your boy has asked me to write you a few lines to let you know that he is well or nearly well after an attack of the flu, which has confined him to the hospital for the past couple of weeks. He is still at one of the hospitals here and from what he said yesterday that he expected to leave soon for the embarkation camp at Brest and then he would be placed on the list of those going to the states and that he would write a letter from the camp as soon as he arrived and tell you people about when to expect him home or when he would arrive in the states. He had a hard fight with the flu but came out victor and is steadily regaining his health. He says that he is anxious to get back and for you not to worry about him as he will soon be back among you. He has been a hard worker while he was under me in the yards here and I sure hate to see him go, still I do not want to stand in the way of anyone on the list to go home. No matter what you asked him to do or what time of the day or night it was he was always ready to do anything he could to help us out. All the boys here in the yard will sure miss him and we only hope and trust that he arrives in the states safely and is soon home again. Trusting that this will reach you safely and will be a bit of news to you and all of his friends, I will close for this time remaining as ever.

Yours truly,
J. H. Clifton.

Irrefutable Logic

A Northern attorney, after acquiring a large South Carolina estate, formed the Eureka Debating society to encourage free speech among the negroes of the neighborhood. On his next trip South he was confronted by the proud winner of the society's prize.

"Now, what was the subject of the debate, Sam?" asked the attorney.

"De subject were," "What is de mos' benefit to mankind, sah, de sun or de moon?" answered the negro.

"And which side did you uphold?"

"De moon, sah. I jes' argued dat de sun shines by day, when we doan' need de light, but de moon it shines by night, when dat light certainly am needed. An' dey couldn't answer dat, sah!"—Grit.

Be a Chin Upper

We know that men are worth only about three dollars a day from the chin down, selling muscle, but as high as a hundred thousand a year from the chin up, selling brains. There is no room for chin downers in the high salaried class; be a chin upper. The business world wants thinkers and doers. There is a scarcity of high priced men today; many men are worth a thousand dollars a year, but only a few are worth ten thousand or a hundred thousand. The late Prof. James of Harvard, declared that the average man uses only ten per cent of his brain power. Suppose you are twice as capable as the average man; you are using only twenty per cent of your maximum power, only one fifth of your greatest possibilities. Eighty five per cent of the men in this country are earning only fifteen dollars or less per week. Ninety two per cent of those in business fail between the ages of forty and fifty. Ninety five per cent have no money at the age of sixty. The measure of your success or failure is the extent to which you obey or violate the laws of business. Our business is to take you out of the eighty five, the ninety two and the ninety five per cent class. We have been very successful in raising salaries, as shown by our former students' letters in our catalogue. Take our thorough practical course of bookkeeping, Business Administration and Finance, Shorthand, Cotton Classing, Permanship or Telegraphy. Learn to think and act better. Fill in and mail for free catalogue.

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Palestine, Texas, April 4.—A fair-sized fruit crop for East Texas is the prediction of experienced fruit men for the coming season. The crop will be as large as that of last year, but no larger. They say that some of the buds have been killed by frost, but enough are left to produce a fair-sized crop, which will bring extra good prices.

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will soon go to the bad if not properly cared for. A part of properly caring for a car is having repairs made promptly when needed—delays may do irreparable damage. The economical way is to have your car gone over before something gives way and tears things up to the tune of a big expense bill.

But no matter whether you merely want your car given the once-over and the little things adjusted before they do the damage, or want it fixed up after the damage has been done, bring it to us and we will attend to it.

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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.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
G. H. Farmer, Pastor.
Preaching first, second and fourth Sundays in each month, morning and evening.
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.
J.E.Hollingsworth, Chm.
Miss Blanche Kennedy, Secretary.

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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.
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DRESSES FOR SMALL GIRLS



Every mother will like the sturdy and pretty dresses which the spring has brought in for small girls. They are made of strong wash fabrics, with knickerbockers to match, and their decoration is of simple needlework.

Education for Yanks

The American army university has been opened at Beaune, southeast of Paris. It is said to be the largest institution in the world for university instruction in English. Its faculty numbers 500 men, drawn mainly from the America expeditionary forces, and it had an initial enrollment 20,000 soldier-students for three-month courses. The university is housed in buildings formerly used as an American hospital. Provisions are made for practical instruction in scientific agriculture, engineering, art and architecture. In addition to the university, schools have been organized for instructing soldiers in various common-school branches and for teaching them in a practical manner all kinds of useful trades.

Summer-Time Time

Most everything has advanced. It's 9 o'clock now when it used to be only 8.—Clarksville Times.
Yes, and notwithstanding the high price of everything we buy, our bills become due an hour earlier than they did a month or two ago. An old-line whig who was arguing against the so-called Woodrow Wilson time said he didn't believe in monkeying with the clocks by law, as they were set right in Bible times and had been going on the same schedule ever since, with practically every body satisfied. He was told that he must be mistaken, that there were no clocks in Bible times. "What do you take me for?" demanded the first speaker. "I am a Bible student, and can show you the chapter and verse where the prophet Habakkuk said, 'I will stand upon my watch.' It seemed a conclusive argument. If there were watches there surely were clocks, as they are except for size, practically the same thing. But it is worth wondering why the prophet offered to stand on his watch. The crystal must have been pretty thick. Also it must have been a pretty big timepiece, probably some what resembling our modern alarm clocks, which are little and loud and which we sometimes wish we could not only stand on, but stomp the giblets out of.—State Press.

"Young Teddy" Coming On

Lieutenant-Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, back from France, made an able and eloquent speech in New York. It was quite in his father's manner, beginning with "It's bully to be home!" This speech led certain Republicans to a resolve to "groom" the young man for high party honors, with a view to putting him eventually in his father's place as a party leader. As a first step to this end it is proposed to elect him president of the New York Board of Aldermen at the next election. Col. Roosevelt later was reported as saying that he had decided to leave the bond business in which he was employed and take up a political career.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new residence of Wade L. Smith. It is a two story structure, modern and up-to-date in every respect. When completed, it will be one of GrapeLand's pretty homes.

U. S. the Great Maritime Nation

Mr. Hurley, chairman of the Shipping Board, is back from Europe, and says that what he learned there "compels optimism" as to the future of American shipping. America now has an opportunity to become easily the world's greatest power in ocean commerce, he says. During the war period we have gained nearly 3,500,000 tons of ships, but Mr. Hurley says "the real fleet is yet to be built." There is a world-shortage of shipping, and this, more than anything else, makes the feeding of the world difficult. World-hunger is the sequel of German U-boat warfare.

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Little Papers

People generally refer to the local paper as "our little paper." Why they do so is not clear. Suppose the local paper should refer to "our little dry goods store, little grocery store, little drug store, little furniture store, little bank or little doctor." How would it sound? Most local papers are as large as the towns in which they are published, and as good as the patronage will justify.—Chillicothe News.

Pointedly put. The local paper is usually as big as the local school, local church, local movie, local drug store, local bank or local garage, yet the folks who run the other community enterprise have a way—they do have a way—of referring to their newspaper as "little." But most people do not call their local newspaper little in a tone of derision. Sometimes it is in a tone of affection, as they refer to their little girls or little boys or little liver pills. It depends mostly upon what esteem the editor is held in as to whether his paper is regarded with respect or disrespect. There are some popular editors in Texas who issue poor newspapers, and some unpopular editors who issue good papers. The editor's personality counts for more in a little town than in a big one, for in the big town only a few people may know him and half of those do not give a ding if they do or don't. The local editor stands to his public somewhat in the same relation as the preacher and the doctor. The editor chronicles the birth of the children, the marriage of same, the death ditto. He is a historian, and the files of his paper are the community's archives. He is a friend, and his printed sympathy is a balm. He is a physician, and his chronicles is medicament to stricken souls. The editor ought to respect his office. It is an important office, and receives regard in proportion to its desires.—State Press.

BLOUSE IN SLIP-ON STYLE



For blouses, georgette, more than any other fabric, has endeared itself to women. A blouse in flesh color, made of georgette, having a small vestee is shown here. It is a slip-on style, fastening in the back and is trimmed with beads.

U. S. a Financial Giant

Secretary Glass says: "In the panic of 1907 New York could not let a country bank have \$50,000 of currency to meet the ordinary requirements of trade. In 1915 New York lent two European Nations 500 million dollars for the prosecution of war! Before the advent of the Federal Reserve Banks the financial system of the country, in times of exigency, could not minister to ordinary domestic needs. Today, besides taking care of these, the United States has bought back from foreign nations in excess of 3 billion dollars of American securities, has lent to foreign nations 11 billion dollars for purposes of war, has floated on Government account 18 billion dollars of Liberty Bonds and War Savings Certificates, not to mention the billions of dollars of treasury certificates of indebtedness issued in anticipation of the Liberty loans.

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SALMON

Salmon, April 7.—It has been some time since the news has been handed out from this place through the good old Messenger, of which the writer enjoys reading above all other papers.

Corn in this section is looking fine at present, and everybody is getting ready to plant cotton. The writer is not thinking of planting any until the 20th or 25th of the month. According to the old signs there will be frost two or three times this month.

Sunday school was well attended Sunday morning and prayer meeting Sunday night.

L. N. Lasiter and Dan Shipper went to Union Chappel Sunday where Mr. Lasiter conducted the song service. They report having a nice time. Mr. Lasiter will probably teach a singing school for them this summer, and before all his time is taken we want him to teach a school at Salmon, so let's get busy and work it up now.

Reagan Lasiter and family visited Mrs. Lasiter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burro, Saturday and Sunday.

Hub Starkey and family visited at Mr. Gaines' Sunday.

Three dogs supposed to be mad were killed at this place last week.

Bruce Morehead is driving a new Ford car.

We are glad to announce that O. C. Lasiter has returned from overseas. He will be at home soon.

Our Honor Roll

- The following have our thanks for their renewal and subscription since last issue:
GrapeLand—Will Selkirk, J. J. Masters, Henry Richards.
Route 2—Turner Skidmore.
Crockett, Route 1—Mrs. Eliza Goolsby.
Crockett—E. C. Arledge.
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Crockett, Route 6—B. S. Hearne. (By C. S. Hearne.)
Salmon—W. L. Craig.
Percilla—Elmer Sullivan.
Oakwood—C. A. Baber. (By R. L. Pridgen.)

Pa's Time is Coming

Pa's time will eventually come; of course ma and the kids must have their spring things first. But after awhile the ne whats and seasonable gowns and latest in shoes will be bought and paid for, and then ma will say: "Now the leaving of next week's check will go for your clothes." But next week ma's kinfolks come and bring all the children and their appetites. Pa winds up by having to stand off the transfer man to take them to the depot and to go to bed while ma presses the wrinkles out of his old suit.—Temple Mirror.

The Kaiser Crushed

And Uncle Sam in making it possible assumed a debt that is great beyond the average comprehension. A debt that runs into many thousands of millions of dollars. A debt that was unavoidable, yet the taking over of which put a quick end to the war. Uncle Sam prepared beyond all precedent for this year's fighting. A tank for every seventy-five feet of the firing line. Gas shells at the rate of ten thousand for every one Germany had produced. Airplanes in droves. Guns, by thousands. Munitions of all kinds upon a scale heretofore unheard of. He has obligated himself in advance of the collection of the debt. And once the Germans knew what he had in store they quit money to pay for all this. It's to pay these debts that the Victory Liberty Loan is to be offered. To pay the price of the unshed blood of 500,000 American boys.

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