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MYSTERY OF BOY'S HEAD NOW SOLVED

TOOK OFFICERS TO MOUNTAIN WHERE TORSO WAS BURIED.

Stephenville, Texas, Dec. 13.—F. M. Snow early Sunday morning admitted killing his wife and her mother, Mrs. S. A. Old, mother and grandmother of 19-year-old Bernie Connally, whom he admitted late Saturday he had slain and decapitated some days ago.

Snow's admission was made on the top of Cedar Mountain, a desolate eminence in the wildest part of Erath County, to which he led officers to show them the decapitated body of his stepson, the finding of whose head Wednesday started the man-hunt which led to Snow's arrest Friday.

After shooting his stepson, Snow said he fired one shot with a rifle at his wife, the bullet passing through her body and killing her mother, Mrs. S. A. Old. He then buried the women's bodies in the fireplace.

The admission clears up a mystery on which hundreds of officers were working and in which thousands of citizens personally interested themselves to the extent of coming here to view the head, offering suggestions to the authorities or scouring the countryside for bodies.

Mrs. Snow is known to have possessed a considerable sum of money last June, but no connection between this fact and her death had been established early Sunday.

Snow even after admitting the killing and decapitation of the son, stoutly denied having done away with the boy's mother and grandmother, but piles of bones in the fireplace and yard led the authorities to press the prisoner until he admitted slaying them and cremating their bodies.

Young Connally was slain when he took his mother's side in an argument brought on when Mrs. Snow turned the cows into the cotton patch on the Snow farm. Snow's statement said. The boy fired three times at the stepfather and knocked him down with an ax handle, Snow claims. He then wrested the pistol from the boy and shot him to death.

There were bullet holes in the back of some clothing found wrapped around the head when it was discovered by Ben Aye-cock, a trapper, who went to the cellar of an abandoned farm house to set a trap there and was attracted to the sack in which the head hung from the ceiling when his dogs fled howling from the spot.

35,000 BALES FOR HOUSTON COUNTY

Houston county had ginned 34,809 bales of cotton of the 1925 crop prior to December 1, the government report shows. The 1924 crop to the same date showed 30,034 bales, 4,775 bales less than the present season. That the 1925 crop will exceed 35,000 bales is assured by this report. Around 60 per cent of the Houston county cotton crop is shipped through the Crockett railroad station. The ginning in Houston county is reported to the government bureau by R. C. Stokes, cotton census enumerator.

Conner Creek News.

Editor Courier:

Pleasant weather is still being enjoyed. Harvest is over; Thanksgiving is gone, and we are now working for Christmas pleasures. The school is planning a short Christmas program. Mr. Porter Payne made a busi-

ness trip to Alto Tuesday, and accompanied by his sister, Miss Annie, to Lufkin Wednesday.

Mr. John Smith, accompanied by his brother, Mr. Oscar Dowdy, went to Alto Tuesday.

Miss Leta Ash returned to her home at Alto Tuesday, after a several days' visit with her sister, Mrs. H. Z. Collier.

Mr. R. S. Tatom is at Arbor this week, doing some improvement on his farm.

Mr. D. H. Blackmon was in Crockett Saturday.

Mr. H. Z. Collier, who spent the ginning season in Lubbock county, working for Allan Gin Company, has returned home. He reports plenty cold weather, snow and ice. Sol.

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

The Courier's list of renewals and subscriptions this week is two names larger than last week's list. We wish to thank our friends for this good list, and we hope that the lists will continue to grow in the future.

The year of 1925 is nearing the end, and a new one will soon be started, with new plans and new results—we certainly hope they will be good results.

The Courier is a good Christmas present for yourself, as well as for your friends. If you are not a subscriber, you should begin a subscription right away.

Among those calling to renew or subscribe, or sending in their renewals and subscriptions, since last issue are the following:

I. B. Lansford, Crockett Rt. 3.
Mrs. E. T. Ozier, Crockett.
J. B. Kelley, Latexo.
Mrs. J. N. Tyer, Crockett Rt. One.

Mrs. W. A. Collins, Groveton.
E. H. Frizzell, Crockett Rt. 3.
R. P. West, Lovelady.
G. E. Lansford, Crockett Rt. 2.
E. A. Snell, Lovelady.
A. J. Morrow, Lovelady Rt. 3.
J. H. Green, Crockett.
T. H. Leaverton, Grapeland.
J. G. Ellis, Crockett.
J. E. Cook, Palestine.
Mrs. W. L. Dean, Huntsville.
J. W. McHenry, Port Neches.
T. G. W. Tarver (col.), Fodice.

Come to the Carnival.

The Crockett Shrine Club carnival opened Monday evening. Both rain and cold weather during the first half of the week served to hinder the carrying out of the program of events of the carnival. The Shrine Club felt assured, however, that the entire shows would be in operation the latter part of the week. Those attending were well pleased with the early exhibitions. Interest is exhibited in the success of the enterprise by the entire citizenship of the town, and by many people from the surrounding territory. The Shrine Club gave a dance in the club rooms Tuesday night that was well attended and greatly enjoyed.

BILL FOR CROCKETT FEDERAL BUILDING

Washington, D. C., December 10, 1925. The Crockett Courier, Crockett, Texas. Gentlemen:

I have taken occasion to introduce another bill in congress for the erection of a federal building in Crockett, and I shall do everything that I can to obtain favorable consideration of the same.

Copy of the bill introduced is herewith enclosed.

The president indicated yesterday, in his budget message to congress, that he, however, will not favor a building program providing for the erection of buildings at specific places, but is disposed to approve a measure similar to that which passed the house of representatives last session, but failed in the senate, providing a lump sum appropriation to be expended under the direction of the treasury.

If the views of the president should be followed in any legislation which may be passed by the congress in making provision for a public building program, it would be further necessary to secure the approval of and designation by the treasury department, with the cooperation of the postoffice department, or any other department whose favorable recommendation might be required, before the necessary authorization for a desired building could be obtained.

I personally prefer the designation by congress rather than by any executive department, and I shall do all that I can to that end. But whatever the form of any legislation which may be adopted for a building program, I shall strive in every legitimate way to obtain favorable results.

With best wishes, I beg to remain, sincerely yours,

Clay Stone Briggs.

In the house of representatives December 7, 1925, Mr. Briggs introduced the following bill, which was referred to the committee on public buildings and grounds and ordered to be printed:

A bill for the erection of a federal building at Crockett, Texas, with an appropriation of \$100,000 for such purpose.

Be it enacted, by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the secretary of the treasury be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to contract for the erection and completion of a suitable building at Crockett, Texas, for the use and accommodation of the United States postoffice and other governmental offices upon ground now owned by the United States or authorized to be acquired in said town of Crockett, Texas; and for such purpose the sum of \$100,000 is hereby authorized to be appropriated

COOK & ARRINGTON, MAKE LOW ROAD BID

Five bids were made for the construction of concrete culverts and dirt work on the highway south from Crockett 6.7 miles toward Lovelady. The bid of J. S. Moore & Sons was incomplete, no bid being made on sodding, and could not be considered. The amount bid was \$26,870.08.

The lowest complete bid was made by Cook & Arrington, whose bid was \$26,889.25. Their bid was more than \$700 less than the next lowest complete bid. Other bidders and the amounts were: H. N. Ellis, \$27,611.85; Chas. Epps, \$27,880.15; T. M. Smith, \$30,128.04.

The advisory board of road district No. 3 recommended to the commissioners' court that the bid of Cook & Arrington be accepted, and the commissioners' court in turn recommended to the state highway commission that this firm be awarded the contract. The highway commission must approve this action, or recommend back to the commissioners' court that the contract be thus awarded, upon which action the contract will be let by the court, and work will begin on the road.

Lone Pine News.

Editor Courier:

Friday, December 11, the parents and teachers of Lone Pine met with Mrs. Hunter Smith of Crockett at Lone Pine school and organized a Parent-Teacher Association. The following officers were elected:

Mrs. Wilson Bitner, president; Mrs. J. Higginbotham, first vice president; Mrs. O. E. Hairston, second vice president; Mrs. A. M. Beeson, third vice president; Miss W. Bradley, secretary; Mr. O. E. Hairston, treasurer.

Twenty-one members were enrolled and we hope to have more by our next meeting, which will be the third Friday in January. The first and third Friday nights of each month will be the regular meeting nights.

The senior boys of Post Oaks came to Lone Pine Friday and played a lively basket ball game. The scores were 22 to 2 in favor of Lone Pine. Both teams have good players, but Post Oaks was unlucky. They played a clean game. Most of the senior girls of Post Oaks came and cheered for them. This encouraged them and put some "pep" into the game. We enjoyed having them with us and hope they will come back again soon. Their type of sportsmanship will do much toward removing the odium into which our interscholastic sports have fallen in some quarters.

The senior class of the Lone Pine high school will present "My Irish Rose," a three-act comedy drama, at the Lone Pine

out of any money in the treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated.

School auditorium Wednesday night, Dec. 23, at 7:30 o'clock, for the benefit of the Lone Pine Parent-Teachers' Association. A small admission fee of 10 cents for children and 15 cents for grown-ups will be charged.

"My Irish Rose" is a beautiful love story, with plenty of Irish "wit and humor." You will split your side laughing at Shawn McGilley, the "laziest man in all Kildare." There will be plenty of good music. Don't miss it. Reporter.

TIE HOLDS UP HIGH SCHOOL TITLE RACE

By Brewer Bennett.

Five teams remained in the high school football race at the end of last week. Beaumont was idle. On Wednesday Marshall was beaten 7 to 0 by Forest Avenue of Dallas, and Itasca was beaten by Waco 40 to 3. Cisco and Cleburne played a scoreless tie Friday, but Cisco refused to take the game on first downs, a league technical rule. Thus Cisco, Cleburne, Waco, Forest of Dallas and Beaumont remain.

College and other results last week included the following:

U. of Hawaii 41, Colorado Aggies (Rocky Mountain champs) 0.

Dallas U. 21, Fort Sam Houston 7.

Southern California 12, St. Mary's 0.

Sherman High 30, Terrill of Dallas, (state academy champs) nine.

The Fair Association.

Editor Courier:

In the minds of some it may be a question for debate, but it's my opinion that the greatest incentive that the colored farmers of Houston county may have to foster intensive farming and diversification is the offering of prizes for the grade and pure bred farm products and farm animals. This situation, however, may not obtain among other or with other people, but if I were to reproduce here the outstanding successful educational adventures among my people in this county it could easily be pointed out that some luring prize was the goal. Take the county interscholastic league for example. Twenty wagons have been known to swim through overflowing creek bottoms from one community just to push their boys and girls to victory, for what? A medal, a ribbon, a trip to the district or state meet or their names recorded as a school. Our boys and girls have met the boys and girls from other counties on the gridiron, debating halls and in oratorical contests and won. In most cases these boys and girls were from the farms and their parents are farmers. The same stamina that pushed them then will push them now. Inasmuch as they struggled to accomplish their desires in an educational way, they too will struggle the harder to reach the desired end in an economical way. So why not then a fair association be organized to take care of this latent energy that is suffering to express itself in greater acre yields? An early announced prize list will mean so much to stimulate interest in diversified farming, rotation and pure bred livestock, etc.

H. C. Langrum, Colored Farm Agent.

Train Derailed.

The northbound Sunshine Special was more than three hours late Sunday afternoon on account of a derailment in the railroad yards at Houston. Rounding the first curve after leaving the Union station, the engine left the rails and ploughed into the soft ground alongside the track, blocking the track for more than three hours. After the track was cleared, another engine was secured and the train proceeded.

PUBLIC SENTIMENT SUPPORTS SLAYER

Man Who Killed Seducer of Young Daughter May Not Go to Trial.

Fairfield, Iowa, Dec. 10.—Belief that his act was justified is becoming general in this community that old Louis Bruy may never be brought to trial for killing the 18-year-old neighbor boy who seduced his little daughter.

The case has thrown such a glaring light on moral conditions in the rural school, where Sam McNeer and Edna Bruy were pupils, that numerous civic organizations are making loud demands for an investigation of the school. Some of them are going so far as to pass resolutions urging the charge against Bruy be dismissed.

The prosecuting attorney has yielded to this sentiment, to the extent that he has charged Bruy with only second degree murder, despite the fact that the old Frenchman called McNeer to his home last Saturday and shot him down as he walked in the door.

Bruy is scheduled to be arraigned Thursday. It is expected that further arguments in his behalf will be advanced by citizens at the arraignment.

The farming district for miles around was aroused in Bruy's behalf with first reports of the shooting.

"We would have done the same thing to protect our daughters," many of the farmers said.

But now that the relations of Edna, who was only 14, and Sam McNeer seemed to have been duplicated by many other members of their generation who attended the rural school, the demands for an investigation are overshadowing Bruy's fate.

Authorities reveal they have come into possession of a large pack of letters that passed between Edna and Sam. In these, the children discussed their intimacies with startling frankness. Edna calls Sam "my hubby." Much that she writes is unprintable. Several of the letters are illustrated. They seem to have been written during school hours and are full of the names and initials of other pupils.

Reference to these others indicates that the practices in which Edna and Sam indulged were not uncommon among the pupils, who range in age from 11 to 19 years. In one of the most vivid letters, Edna tells Sam she is afraid she will have to reveal her condition to her father, but she will still love "my hubby," even if they put him in jail.

NEGRO KILLS NEGRO SATURDAY NIGHT

Matthew Hall, negro, was shot and killed by Brooks Lacy, another negro, Saturday night in the negro business section near the county jail, on West Second (Camp)-street. It is claimed that Hall became angered at a mischievous prank and pulled out a knife, the shooting following.

Lacy was placed under arrest and lodged in jail Saturday night. He was released Monday morning on bond of \$1000, signed by three prominent Crockett business men.

Durst-Moore Wedding.

Judge L. L. Moore and Miss Pauline Durst were married in Houston Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Judge Moore was accompanied to Houston by Prof. B. F. Thomas, who was best man at the wedding. A more extended mention will appear in next week's Courier.

"Let's Bake a Cake for Sunday"

WHITE CARAMEL CAKE AND FILLING

One and one-half cups sugar, one-half cup Crisco or butter, one cup milk, three cups AMERICAN MAID FLOUR, one teaspoon salt, three teaspoons baking powder, whites of three eggs, vanilla extract to taste. Cream sugar and shortening till puffy, add milk, sift flour, salt and baking powder four times. Add to first mixture, little at a time until all flour is used. Last add the stiffly beaten whites. Bake in three layers.



**ANSWERS CLIPPING
FOUND IN COURIER**

Editor Courier:

In your issue of December 3 you carried an article under a Dallas date line quoting Albert Edward Wigham, biologist and associate editor of the American Magazine, as having said in an address before the State Teachers' Association:

"American intelligence is declining; civilization makes the world safe for stupidity; nothing deteriorates the race like a good environment; vice and disease purify the race by weeding out the vicious and weak."

It occurs to me that statements like this ought not to pass unchallenged on account of the effect they are likely to have upon immature and uninformed minds.

I dare say that each of the above quoted statements is subject to the condemnation of being either absolutely false or a deceptive "half-truth."

If American intelligence is declining, then the intelligence of the world is declining and has been since the dawn of modern civilization, for America at present time is the leading exponent of modern civilized life.

It is a contradiction in terms to say that nothing deteriorates the race like a good environment. An environment that deteriorates a race would not be for that race a good environment; it would be a bad one. The learned biologist ought to know that an environment which is unfavorable to the development of any living organism is for that organism bad, not good.

Again this writer says as quoted above: "Vice and disease purify the race by weeding out the vicious and the weak."

Now the weak are those who from heredity or unfavorable environment have subnormal vitality and strength; the vicious are those addicted to vice by simplest definition of terms and most imperative logical deduction. The statement therefore implies that vice is a cure as well as a cause of viciousness and that the removal from the earth of all those who are subnormal in vitality and strength is a desirable end.

The first proposition is reduced to an absurdity by mere statement, and the second is immoral and indefensible because in contravention of the greatest of the negative laws: "Thou shalt not kill." Both propositions ignore the fundamental biological truth illustrated by the old Greek story of the one rotten apple in the basket spoiling the whole. Disease and vice not only destroy fools and weaklings, but also on occasion strong men and wise.

The same writer further along in his discussion says that tuberculosis will spread if we do not take measures to prevent the tubercular from marrying. If his arguments are sound, the

spread of tuberculosis should be facilitated to kill off the stupid and vicious and raise the general plane of American intelligence. Tuberculosis at present is not regarded as an heredity disease, but as the result of a specific germ infection, and therefore isolation and a favorable environment are the chief means which men of real scientific knowledge and attainment recommend for the control of this great scourge.

The same writer bewails the fact that an educated man today cannot marry and begin to rear a family before he is thirty or thirty-two years old; but an unskilled laborer can marry and begin to rear a family of unskilled laborers when he is twenty-one or twenty-two and he thinks the result of this will be to turn civilization upside down.

He speaks as if educated men and women would give birth to educated children or children who would become educated, and the unskilled laborers would have born to them children incapable of aspiring to higher walks of life. Neither proposition is supported by sound scientific authority, and both are contrary to the common knowledge and experience of the world.

It is a fundamental teaching of modern science that acquired characteristics are non-transmissible; that, biologically, educated and uneducated men and women are practically the same; that common laborers may and often do become the parents of successful business men, scholars, philosophers, statesmen, scientists and even biologists; and on the other hand that the descendants of professional people and of the most highly educated classes of society often lack the advantages natural or acquired of their parents and earn their living by manual labor.

It is well known that those who from necessity or choice leave school early and enter the gainful occupations also marry early, whereas those who continue their studies in school and college and prepare for service in professional capacities defer marriage until later, and that the former in early life make the better showing while the latter make the better showing as the result of their education and training in later life; but it is also generally recognized that men reach their full growth at about the age of 28 years, women at about 25; also that the children of parents who have attained full maturity and have had some experience in life and have attained comparative independence of worldly want are born with a better hereditary endowment and into a more favorable environment and are more intelligently cared for, reared and educated than would otherwise be possible; and it cannot be said therefore that this is a serious handicap to the educated classes, awaiting full maturity before marriage.

Again it should be considered that if all men and women should endeavor to carry out the same plan and scheme of life; the social and economic life of a people would be thrown out of balance and great suffering would result to all.

No man and no set of men should become so scientific as to be unwilling to concede something to the innate love of freedom and liberty which is characteristic of all men and also to make some concessions to the mutual love which undoubtedly is the underlying cause of most marriages at any age in life; nor should they become so scientific as to forget the dignity of labor or the brotherhood of man.

For myself I heartily despise snobbishness, no matter whether based upon birth, social position, beauty, wealth or learning; and to remove the spirit of snobbishness from the article under consideration would leave little for discussion.

Very respectfully,
N. H. Phillips.
December 7, 1925.

Science gives us artificial rain and synthetic lightning when what we want is some means of making winter merely hypothetical.

A woman's declining years come before the age of 30. After that she is glad to accept.

**McConnell's
The Store for Christmas Shoppers**

As the days pass, and Christmas seems racing to meet us, much time and effort may be spared the Christmas Shopper if she will but come to this store where everything has been done to make her shopping problems easy. Note the following suggestions—and this store is well crowded with others.

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Men's Blue Work Shirts, sale price	49c
Men's Velour Hats, \$5 values	\$3.50
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Men's Plain Toe Boots (Army Officers Special) sale price	\$7.95
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THE NEW HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS.

The new highway commissioners, Hal Moseley by Dallas and John Cage of Stephenville, enter upon their duties and responsibilities under a most serious handicap, and a handicap that will greatly distress them unless they prove themselves to be men of courage and independence.

The highway commission to which they have been appointed is at as low a point in the public confidence as it is possible for a governmental agency to sink.

So outrageously have the people been betrayed by this department of the government, so damnably has their trust been violated, and so recklessly has their hard-earned money been squandered, it is not strange that they will watch keenly every act of the new commission, and take nothing for granted.

In all probability, the governor has encountered not a little difficulty in inducing men to accept these positions, because of the suspicion and distrust which now center about the department.

The commission as constituted at this time will find an exceptional opportunity to serve the state, however. The new commissioners can in time win the approval and confidence of the people, if they deserve it.

If they consent to become mannikins, controlled and directed by Jim Ferguson, they are not only certain to fail, but they are apt to leave office utterly discredited.

The first step they must take, if they are to convince the people that they are upstanding, independent Texans, acting upon their own responsibility, is to let the people know that they are not puppets of Jim Ferguson.

In order to do this, they ought to abolish the star chamber sessions of their predecessors, in which Jim Ferguson sat, and discharge their duties in the open.

They ought to announce that there will be no more secretly negotiated contracts, but that all public work will be submitted to competitive bidding, and that the lowest responsible bidders shall have the contracts.

They ought to let all contractors understand that their advertising in the Ferguson Forum will mean nothing in their favor and that their failure to advertise in that sheet will not disqualify them.

They ought to inform all contractors who are awarded bids that they must give ample bonds to guarantee the faithful compliance with the terms of their contracts, but that they will be free to select any responsible surety concern doing business in this state to make their bonds, without regard to the relationship existing between surety agents and the mistress of the mansion.

If they proceed along this line in good faith, and without deviation and without permitting pressure of any character whatsoever at the hands of the unofficial boss of the state government, they can gain a place in public respect and confidence that will reflect credit upon them.

If they have accepted the Latham and Burkett vacancies upon any other terms, or upon any secret understanding with anybody in or out of office, or with any idea other than their right to use their discretion and discharge their duties according to the best of their ability and ac-

ording to their convictions of the right, they have already failed.

For they may be sure that the people of this state have become disgusted with the arrogance and insolence of the unofficial boss-rule to which they are now subjected, and that they are going to dispose of it in good time. —Houston Post-Dispatch.

MORE THAN ONE WAY TO SERVE.

The newspaper of today that is not performing some community service, that has not some more valid excuse for existence than that its publisher needs the money, is headed for the newspaper graveyard, and it should be. There are such newspapers but their number is not nearly so great as might be generally imagined, nor do they represent any considerable proportion of the total number of newspapers being published.

Community service is by no means confined to such definite things as campaigns for paved streets, new schoolhouses, lighted streets, etc. They are the things that stand out in scare headlines, in leading editorials. They are the things the public sees because they are direct and visible. But there are things that are more or less indirect, that are not distinguishable from week to week, that are accepted as a matter of course, and yet they have a greater influence on community prosperity, on community growth, on community welfare, than do those things that are shouted for a time in scare headlines and stir up a momentary enthusiasm.

The newspaper that covers its field thoroughly, that prints the news from week to week of both the town and country, that by the news items it prints as a regular week-to-week menu creates a spirit of community relationship between the people of the town and the people of the farms, is doing the greatest of community service. The newspaper that encourages practical advertising methods, that encourages the merchants to set new copy for each issue, that provides the necessary equipment with which to make its advertising attractive to the eye, and so productive of results, is doing a community service. The newspaper that inspires respect for itself on the part of its readers, that is a worthy representative of the community it serves, that is well written and well printed, that carries that quality of reading matter that begets and holds reader interest, that creates prestige not alone by what it writes but also by telling its public of its value, is doing a community service.

IT INCLUDES YOUR HOME NEWSPAPER.

W. T. Eldridge, who might aptly be termed the manufacturing wizard of South Texas, says that it is not only necessary for initiative to be used in order that a town may gain new industries, but it is necessary also that the "people realize what it means to patronize a home industry."

In a letter to the Houston Post-Dispatch he says:

"I have read with much interest the clipping attached, taken from the column 'Houston' of your paper, dated December 8.

"Houston, nor any other big, growing industrial town, isn't going to get the additional smokestacks or additional industries they are entitled to until the people realize what it means to patronize a home industry."

"I am speaking from actual knowledge and experience, acquired in the past 17 years at Sugar Land, which you might say is a suburb of Houston, and I venture the ascertion that if you would ask your wife, your neighbor's wife or any of your friends what brand of sugar they are using in their homes, seven out of ten will tell you they do not know. A great many of them are using not only sugar but other merchandise that is made outside of the state, when they have in their own surroundings industries that produce just as good products as any foreign corporations.

"I believe the greatest results can be accomplished for securing new industries if the people of Texas will only patronize home manufacturers, when quality

and service are equal to any other.

"I believe you will agree with me that manufacturers in the state help toward defraying the expenses of the state a great deal by the payment of taxes, and are also of great benefit to the people of their localities in an educational way."

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

The question is asked every day: "Where do all these people get so much money to spend on autos, fine houses, luxurious clothes, high priced hotels and restaurants, theatres, etc.?"

Everybody has kept predicting that this costly high living would have to come to an end—but it doesn't, it keeps right on.

Where does the money come from? The answer of course is not simple. In the first place, money is actually more plentiful than in the old days; the per capita circulation in this country now is over \$42 whereas at the beginning of the World War it was only \$34 and in 1870 it was only \$20. So there is more money in use.

But the main reason why people can have so many wonderful things in these wonderful days in which we live is that "everybody works," including father. In the old days, in most families "father" was the only bread winner and the rest of the family stayed at home.

Gradually the whole family have got into the work game, and now it is not uncommon to find four or five workers sheltered under the same family roof. They are all producing, they are all well paid, they enjoy spending their money for the things they like, and also they keep the manufacturers and all the grand army of middle men and purveyors busy.

This "home market" in the United States is worth more than all the world markets together. Our people buy liberally and pay well. They are not "cheap" customers, and still they spend freely because they earn big money—far more than the people of any other country.—The Pathfinder.

THE HOME MAN FIRST.

Consider the home man, who ought to come first when the question of buying merchandise arises.

He lives in your community. He knows you and you know him. He is a part of the community.

He buys from other dealers at home for the needs of himself and his family. The money he thus spends remains here.

He pays taxes, supports the churches, gives to funds for improvement of the community, helps finance agricultural shows, gives to the needy and is continually paying out money for some local cause.

His employees live here and the same fraternal organization, He belongs to the same church, money he pays them is kept in circulation here.

The merchandise is as he represents it else he could not remain in business long. He holds trade only by selling quality merchandise at the right price. Selling an inferior grade of goods would prove disastrous in a few years. He can not afford to overcharge because his customers would soon learn by comparison that he was defrauding them.

In every way he is an asset to the community, a convenience and an actual benefit to every one, and he should be supported. Without him, the community would soon be in sore straits.

Let's give the home man first consideration. Only by this method can a strong and healthful community be built up. Every dollar spent away from home is tearing down home; every dollar spent here is building up home. Don't send your money to Dallas.

Some Paragraphs.

Learning to skate causes many a man's downfall.

Loafing doesn't pay—nor even the overdue bills.

Elections don't produce the headaches that they once did.

The value of a kiss depends upon the law of supply and demand.

Dickman's CHRISTMAS SALE!

Now In Full Swing and Will Continue Until December 24th

An event that affords most unusual opportunities to buy good merchandise at prices much under regular. Sharp price cutting is featured on every article in our store. Just how much you can save depends on the amount you buy. We are certain you will be able to save many dollars if you plan to buy here.

FREE! With every purchase amounting to \$5.00 we will give a nice box of Chocolate Covered Cherry Candy. **FREE!**

Give Useful Presents This Christmas. Buy Them Here and Save Money.

Dickman's

Where You Get Your Money's Worth

WHY SHE IS POPULAR.

Determination did more toward making her a success than anything else. She had beauty, dignity, poise and background, but it was actually her determination and her sincere desire to make good and reach a certain goal.

She thinks deeply, and success means little to her other than being a step toward some even more distant goal. She would never be swayed by her own importance, but instead would use that energy toward setting a new mark.

She would be a distinct personage in any walk of life. One could see her gracing a court circle and doing it nobly.

One could visualize her as a great writer, delving into remote subjects of sparkling interest. Or she might focus her attention as successfully in the art world as a musician or a painter.

She was destined to accomplish something from the very beginning.

Hers is a strange beauty. Not of the superficial, not of the vivid, not of the simple type, but a beauty of genuineness.

Her conversation is backed with an understanding of life that gives you warmth, but which makes you feel that back in the archives of her mind she is holding something which is far beyond your understanding. She has scintillating wit.

She is a lady in every gesture, though she is practical, not sentimental.

Everything about her is the essence of good taste, and there is an air of elegance that one senses rather than sees.

BRAINS, NOT JOB HOLDERS, NEEDED.

Advocates of public ownership

AN IVORY BASE COMB, MIRROR AND BRUSH SET WILL SURELY PLEASE HER. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

SHE WILL APPRECIATE A BEAUTIFULLY DESIGNED DINNER SET. CAPRIELIAN BROS.

greater accomplishments is the reward which follows personal achievement.

There is more parking space around a library than around a movie.

A SUIT OF CLOTHES IS PRACTICAL AND APPRECIABLE. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

Groceries for the Holidays

If you are preparing to entertain "company" during the holidays, you will want the best groceries that the market affords. Your desire will be to get the kind of food that you can prepare the tastiest meals it is possible to have.

CANDIES AND NUTS DELICIOUS FRUITS

We have anticipated the holiday needs of our customers and are prepared to meet them in every particular.

ARNOLD BROTHERS
The Store With a Conscience

ONE-HALF TON OF SUN-MAID SEEDLESS RAISINS IN 4-POUND PACKAGES—50c PER PACKAGE. CAPRIELIAN BROS.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

You are wanted at the carnival.
 Foy Lewis has returned from Denton.
 Need few good rustling peddlers at apple car.
 E. M. Burk of Beaumont was in Crockett Saturday.
 Fresh candies at Pat's Place at Auditorium Building.
 It's always hot at Pat's place in Auditorium Building.
 J. H. Smith returned Friday from a business trip to Florida.
 See those beautiful living-room, bed room and dining-room suites at Waller & Green's before deciding on your gift.

A DRESS SHIRT FOR HIM CAN'T POSSIBLY BE WRONG. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

Bring your truck for whole load of good Colorado apples. 1t.*

Mrs. R. K. Willis will return Friday from Baylor College, Belton.

Bargains in cut glass and Walla Walla pottery at Bishop's Drug Store. 4t.

Light house-keeping apartment for rent by Mrs. Joe Adams. 1t.

Watch the horses. They are high-bucking, zigzagging at the carnival.

Ladies' and gentlemen's wrist watches are priced right at Bishop's. 4t.

Mrs. C. L. Edmiston returned Thursday from a visit to friends in Houston.

Get that good Butter Kist Popcorn at Pat's Place in Auditorium Building. 1t.

Have you seen those pretty bar pins in white gold and platinum at Bishop's? 4t.

Don't disappoint the family. Order your Christmas dinner from Sims-English. 1t.

Hey, Mister Traffic Officer! Arrest that monkey driving the automobile at the carnival.

Mrs. T. W. Slaughter of Palestine visited her daughter, Mrs. B. T. Jordan, in Crockett Saturday.

We have all the Christmas fixings; you can do your own mixings. Sims-English. 1t

Harry Albright left Wednesday for Houston, having employment in the postoffice there.

Those problems you are wrestling with are easy compared with those of the wrestling man at the carnival.

For Sale.

Post Oak posts, any size or length. See Page Hale. 1t.*

Parker Duofold and Schaffer's Life-Time pens are the kind that will give satisfaction. You will find them at Bishop's. 4t.

Wood for Sale.

Any length. Phone 23. J. L. Hail.

Place your orders for fruit cake—1, 2, 3 and 5 pounds at 75c per pound. 1t. Crockett Gro. & Bakg. Co.

B. T. Jordan and family left Sunday for Houston, to make their home in that city. The best wishes of our people go with them.

The funny face at the carnival says that Crockett is the center of the surrounding country. Everything and everybody gravitate toward the center.

For Sale.

My mules, wagon, cultivators and other farm implements. M. N. Schmidt. 1t.

Home for Sale.

My home place north of public square, 1 1/2 acres, for sale. See R. C. Stokes. T. B. Collins. 1t.

Buy the daughter a piano for Christmas. I have in stock some of the very best makes, and can give you a bargain in a real piano. V. B. Tunstall. 1t.*

Hunting Prohibited.

Hunting is prohibited on Matlock farm six miles east of Crockett. Jas. Crawford, Administrator. 2t.

For Sale.

Two houses and lots in Bruner Addition—also one building lot and, also, a building lot near my residence. Also for rent a house near my residence. S. F. Tenney. 1t.

Notice to Teachers.

A meeting of the Houston County School Club has been called for Saturday, Dec. 19th, at 2 o'clock. Important business. Come. Mrs. J. A. Bynum, Secretary. 1t.

Preaching Service.

Services on Sunday, December 20, 1925, at Kennard Presbyterian church at 11 a. m.; subject, "Resistless Power." At Oakland Presbyterian church at 3 p. m.; subject, "God's Dwelling Place." Edgar C. Oakley, Minister. 1t.

Letter to Santa Claus.

Dear Santa Claus: I know that there are many little children in this world that want something for Christmas. I do not want much. All I want is a bath robe and a 98c doll at Goolsby and Julian's, some candy and nuts and fruit and fireworks for Brother. Rhoda Nell Adair. 1t.

Attention Mr. Farmer.

If you will be needing assistance in paying your land notes or expecting to purchase more land this fall, make your application now so as to avoid delays, as the rush will soon be on. Money loaned at 5 1/2 per cent—\$65.00 pays the interest and principle on every \$1,000.00 borrowed. More than one million dollars loaned to Houston county farmers in the past 8 years without any foreclosures to date. If interested, call on or write Jno. H. Ellis, secretary, Crockett, Texas. e.o.w.



For the convenience of our customers we have spent months in planning and buying items that will make useful as well as beautiful gifts. Now we have them ready for your approval. We hope that you will take advantage of this showing, since we feel that you will be well pleased with your selections—and save money on your purchases.

Big Gifts at Little Prices

You may wonder how we can give so much for so little. Foresight in buying has made these extraordinary values possible for your economy in gift buying.

- Toilet Articles
- Ladies' Purses
- Carving Sets
- Decorated China
- Manicure Sets
- And Many Others



Packed in beautifully colored Christmas Boxes of varied designs, these delicious Bonbons, Chocolates with cream and nut centers, as well as candied Fruits, comprise a collection of Candies especially fitting for gift giving.

Save Money on These Gifts

You will be greatly surprised at how much you can save by selecting gifts from this list. The quality is equal to those you have paid more for.

- Smoking Stands
- Men's Purses
- Belt Buckles
- Shaving Sets
- Military Brushes
- And Many Others

B. F. CHAMBERLAIN
The Rexall Store



You Go Home Happy When You Do Your Christmas Shopping Here

Prices are Right
 Quality is Right
 Service is Right

Come here and load your arms full of Christmas delicacies. You will have food for the Holidays that the entire family will enjoy to the utmost.

- APPLES—Delicious, Winesap and Arkansas Blacks, all extra fancy quality, prices ranging from, per doz. 30c to \$1.00
- ORANGES—New crop Navals, juicy and sweet, per dozen from 40 to \$1.00
- ENGLISH WALNUTS—per pound 35c
- ALMONDS—Soft shell, per pound 40c
- BRAZIL NUTS—per pound 30c

SPECIAL

We have 1000 pounds of Seedless Raisins, packed in 4-pound packages, per package 50c

CARRIELIAN BROTHERS

COLLEGE PUTS BAN ON DANCES AFTER DRINKING REPORT

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 10.—All dances at the University of North Carolina will be suspended until after the Easter holidays and permission to hold the regular commencement finale will depend on the conduct at such dances as may be given after Easter. Dr. H. W. Chase, president of the university, announced today that a thoroughgoing investigation had begun of reports of drinking at the last dance of the Thanksgiving series. The president also announced that as a result of the inquiry the university council had placed 10 students on probation as to conduct and classroom work for the remainder of the collegiate year.

SHOP AND MAIL EARLY.

If Postmaster General New has his way about it, Christmas day this year is going to be the biggest and the best for all the employees of the postal service, and especially for the ever-faithful letter carriers. He has issued orders to postmasters throughout the country that their offices will be closed all day Christmas except for the dispatch of special delivery letters and parcels and special handling of letters and parcels. In order that the vast army of carriers and clerks may enjoy Christmas day to the fullest extent with their families and friends, the cooperation of every man, woman and child in the United States will be necessary. Under the leadership of the

Postmaster General, a campaign is now under way throughout the country to instill into the minds of everybody the necessity for shopping and mailing early in order that there will be as little congestion at the post offices as possible during Christmas week and in order that both the sender and receiver of gifts and remembrances may reap the happiness that is contemplated by such an exchange of presents.

LOCATED.

The Texas Road Maintenance association's indorsement of former Highway Commissioner Joe Burkett might have been expected. Burkett was one of the men who organized this association, which is composed mainly of highway department employees. Burkett made a speech before the highway men, in which he

LUGGAGE IS A REQUIREMENT WHETHER YOU ARE TAKING OR GIVING. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

defended the maintenance law—he wrote it—and also defended his record as commissioner. Then the association voted to present him with a gold watch, in token of esteem, and also voted to put him in as president of the august body.

About nine-tenths of the people of Texas will be enabled to place the Texas Road Maintenance association in exactly the right niche where it belongs.—Houston Post-Dispatch.

There are no statues of men who felt sorry for themselves.



To Each and Every One Is the Wish of The Gift Shop

- INCENSE BURNERS
- CANDLE STICKS
- PICTURES
- WOOD BASKETS
- GIFT HANDKERCHIEFS
- BOUDOIR DOLLS
- POTTERY
- TEA-SETS
- BOOKS
- FRAMED MOTTOES
- POWDER JARS
- BABY GIFTS

Greeting Cards and Everything in Gift Dressings
 We Invite Your Patronage

SHOES ARE ALWAYS USEFUL GIFTS FOR MEN AND WOMEN. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

RED CROSS NURSE PRIZE ESSAYS

Crockett, Texas,
December 7, 1925.
To the People of Houston County:

The publication of the following compositions on "Why We Need a Full Time Nurse" will close the contests for this year.

There were many splendid articles written and we wish it were possible to publish all of them, but that would be imposing upon the generosity of the various publications of the county that have contributed so liberally in the advancement of Red Cross work.

Please understand that the Red Cross organization cannot give prizes to individuals, but the individuals winning first prizes in this contest are winning them for the schools they represent and the checks will be made payable to the schools. If the schools care to donate the prize to the successful individuals, the Red Cross cannot object.

The judges of the contest were Mrs. Will McLean, Mrs. Lena Phillips and Miss Beth Lundy, all teachers in the Crockett school.

The Red Cross will request next week the publication of the compositions winning second place. No awards were to be given for second place. The school winning first prize in high school will be awarded \$8.00 in cash. The school winning first place in grammar school will be awarded \$4.00 in cash. The school winning first prize in primary school will be awarded \$3.00 in cash.

The compositions awarded first places follow:

Leroy L. Moore,
Chairman Red Cross Executive Committee, Houston County.

First Prize, High Schools.
John B. Hyde, 9th Grade, Weldon.

In this modern day of progress and speed the parent is so busy looking after the spiritual, social and business life, and the teacher is so rushed teaching the literary and educational side of life that the physical and healthful well being of the child is being sorely and sadly neglected. Something must be done. Out of all the students examined in our school, one normal child was found. This prevails almost on an average the country over. There is one remedy, and only one. A full time Red Cross nurse. A disease fighter, one who will spend her whole time in correcting our unhealthy habits, customs and environments.

Somebody said, "The Red Cross Nurse is the foundation of health." Health is the foundation of efficiency. Without the vigor and vital power that go with a sound body the most brilliant and highly cultivated mind cannot function properly and render high grade service. The business or professional man who would have the powers of clear thinking and of sustained effort which are so essential to success in this age of keen competition, must give thoughtful consideration to his physical welfare. Only by carefully following the rules of health is he able to combat the evils growing out of the artificial conditions under which civilized man must live in the present day.

Unless we have the nurse to lead and direct us, we will naturally continue in the same old routine of life. Fellow citizens, let's put it over—A Full Time Red Cross Nurse!

First Prize, Grammar Schools.
Romus Streetman, 7th Grade, Rock Hill.

It would be much better to have a full time Red Cross nurse in every town, city and community to examine the children. By the examination she could tell if any of the children had contagious diseases. His parents could keep him at home to keep the other children from being exposed to any communicable disease. The doctor usually takes care of diseases which cause one to be in bed, but who takes care of the ones with affected eyes, lungs and bodies? There are many children who

do not have pure and proper food at home, because their mothers do not know how to prepare it. The "Red Cross Nurse" could give them valuable instructions. She is doing much good where she goes to our parents and warns them about our health, so that something can be done for it.

The Red Cross nurses have done much for our soldiers in the World's War in caring for the sick and wounded and comforting the well. If they can do that, they can surely do much for the children of our community today.

First Prize, Primary Schools.
Garland Owens, 3rd Grade, Enon.

We need a full time Red Cross nurse to come to the schools and examine the pupils to see if they are in good health. If the children have any kind of diseases, as adenoids, or eye and ear trouble, the nurse will soon find the trouble and the teacher will be able to help right the defect.

Licensed to Marry.

Marriage licenses were issued during last week at the office of County Clerk W. D. Collins to the following couples:

A. G. Gossett and Helen Fuller.
Tucker Cotton and Sarah Motter.

Jno. H. Watley and Paralee Evans.

Stephen Campbell and Annie May Batts.

Perry Handy and Ruby Simpson.

Alex Davis and Odessa Walker.

Tommie Murphy and Geraldine Lakey.

Mose Tubbs and Mary Ellen Overshawn.

Who ever dreamed th' time would come when we'd all be livin' in luxury?

SECOND PRIZES RED CROSS NURSE

Second Prize, High Schools.

Ruby Gates, 8th Grade, Weldon.
Health! such a simple little word; how little we realize its importance to our good citizenship, for we know that it takes healthy boys and girls to make strong men and women, and to make healthy boys and girls we need a teacher.

First of all, the physical examination of every child must be made by a competent specialist and a record kept. This means a school nurse. In every child there must be found the remediable defects, if any, in teeth, posture, weight, eyes, lungs, nose, throat or elsewhere. This done, the parents must be informed and asked to cooperate in the correct measure.

A nurse prevents diseases. Some people say "It is too great an expense." The biggest boost for a health program is economy and not an expense. This means that because of preventable illness or remediable physical defects the schools are now spending more money teaching some children two years in the same grade than it would cost to finance a health program for the entire system. If we take into account the further fact that we are at the same expense regardless of absences and that absences naturally lower the efficiency of instruction, the balance is still more favorable on the side of a health program.

Disease prevention is the best form of life insurance, the only health policy widely written.

In the small towns and rural schools are to meet their responsibilities of the future they must take an interest in this health

drive and give to us—A Full Time Red Cross Nurse!

Second Prize, Grammar Schools.
Diamond Reed, 6th Grade, Wesley's Chapel.

Why should the rural children of Houston county be deprived of health because they are not aware of the many, many good things that a full time Red Cross nurse could give? If we practice health while we are young, we will be healthier when men and women. "Train a child in the way he should go and he will not depart."

When the child begins to develop a healthy body, the father and mother wonder what has brought about the change. The child's habits bring about similar habits among the parents.

The Red Cross is the greatest organization in the world because it takes interest in the children who will be the men and women in later days. A full time nurse will create interest in the school. It will keep us more healthy and practice in health rules, therefore it will make the next generation stronger and healthier boys, girls, men and women.

Second Prize, Primary Schools.
Lillian Lively, 4th Grade, Enon.

The Red Cross nurse would be useful in many ways in our schools, help to keep the school sanitary. The children may be affected with some disease. The nurse would see that the child is treated. It may be prevented. A healthy child can handle its work better.

All of us are familiar with the tested rules of successful living. We know that the man who is thrifty, orderly, courteous, temperate and industrious is almost certain to get ahead, provided he possesses a little intelligence. But we dislike to admit that we must be bound by these common virtues.



Every member of the family and friends as well may be remembered with gifts selected from this store, for the variety of choice afforded by the ample displays of items suited to giving enables every need to be supplied economically and well. Before starting your list you should plan to come here and see the many suggestions offered. It will aid you in making your list and save you time and money.

LADIES' SILK HOSE
In both service and Chiffon weights in all the wanted and popular colors, PARIS SPECIAL priced **\$1.95**
Others at \$1.00 and \$1.50

BEADED BAGS ARE VERY GOOD
A special value in Beaded Bags at **\$4.95**
Beautiful Leather Bags attractively priced \$1 to **\$6.95**

FETCHING SCARFS
Beautifully Knitted Scarfs in a variety of pleasing colorings, priced \$2.45 to **\$4.95**

TOILET REQUISITES
Powders, Extracts, Toilet Waters, COTY'S, LOURNEY'S, MAVIS and Others.
50c 75c \$1.00
And Up To \$7.50

MEN'S BLANKET ROBES
Warm, serviceable Blanket Robes make a very acceptable gift for him, priced **\$5.45**
Others Up To \$9.85

BOYS' BLANKET ROBES
Just the thing that the boy has been wanting, sizes 10 to 16, priced **\$3.95**

MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS
In Christmas Boxes priced **\$1.00**
50c to

MEN'S AND BOYS' SHIRTS
Are here in all fabrics and colors. Just the kind he likes. Boys', age 6 to 14, and Men's, 14 to 19, special priced, \$1.00 to **\$2.00**

GIVE THEM LUGGAGE FOR CHRISTMAS
Hat Boxes, round and square, \$3.95 to **\$20.00**
Traveling Bags, priced \$9.85 to **\$17.50**

BEAUTIFUL SILK TIES
We will pack every one in a Christmas Box. See the big line we have special at **\$1.00**

MEN'S DRESS GLOVES
Of beaver Suede, all sizes, priced **\$1.50**
Silk lined Kid, brown only, priced **\$2.50**
Unlined Cape, brown only, priced **\$2.50**
Boys' Jersey gauntlets, priced **50c**

MEN'S AND BOYS' HOSE
Men's fancy Wool Hose priced **\$1.00**
Men's fancy Silk Hose priced **50c**

BOYS' SILK HOSE
All colors, sizes 7½ to 9½, priced **50c**

BEAUTIFUL SILK UNDIES
Rayon Teddies in all pastel shades, priced **\$1.95**
Rayon Bloomers, in all shades, priced **\$1.95**
Rayon Stepins, pastel shades, priced **\$1.95**
Rayon Vest, pink only, priced **\$1.00**
Rayon and Silk Gowns, specially priced.

GLOVES ARE VERY ACCEPTABLE
Fancy Kid Gauntlets, priced **\$2.95**
and **\$3.50**

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS
In fancy boxes priced 25c to **\$1.50**
Or priced each in many beautiful and attractive patterns 10c and up to **\$1.00**



JAS. S. SHIVERS

CROCKETT TEXAS



LETTERS AWARDED 17 FOOT BALL MEN

The members of the Crockett high school football squad, parents of players, school officials and close followers of the team were guests of business men of the city Wednesday evening, December 9, at an oyster dinner in the Mecca Cafe's upstairs dining room.

After the oysters had suffered several losses, Mr. John LeGory, who served as master of ceremonies, told of the lesson that the game taught its participants, and complimented the boys on their spirit.

Coach Jordan, after a splendid address, awarded 17 letter men silver footballs, a surprise gift to the players. The following received footballs: Captain Lonnie Nelson, Roth Parker, Jack Turner, Tom Adams, Frank Sharp, Jack Sharp, Lawrence Murphy, Bernard Bryant, Calvin Branzen, Raymond Callaway, Ray Hester, Gerald Driskell, Dan Foster, Oran Dawson, Randolph Cook, Arthur Daves and Charles Tovey.

As a token of appreciation for his valuable services, Assistant Coach Ben Cannon was awarded a gold watch. He said that although he had been on a number of high school squads, he had never seen a finer bunch of high school boys. The awards were furnished by business men of Crockett.

Superintendent B. F. Thomas; J. R. Herrin, president of the school board, and a number of others made interesting addresses. More than forty persons were present, and only a very few failed to make some expression. The expressions throughout bore optimistic opinions of the prospects for athletics at Crockett High. Only a

few of the 1925 squad will be lost by graduation.

Roth Parker was unanimously elected captain of the 1926 squad. He stated that he expected to lead the 1926 team through a successful season.

This affair stood out above all others in the advancement of high school athletics in Crockett. For the first time letters were awarded to athletes, although football, baseball and other branches of sports have been engaged in for many years. It was the first instance of a meeting where players, parents, school officials and business men of the town met for an open discussion of athletics. Advancement of athletic standing will doubtless result.

GET YOUR AUTO LICENSE.

That annual, easily forgettable need, next year's auto license, is upon the motorists of Houston county. For weeks officials have been calling public attention to this important matter. While there has been some response, thousands of motorists are apparently going to delay until the last day and when their licenses cannot be issued "while you wait" will start to cuss.

Obviously the thing to do is for the motorists of the state to make their application now. There is no indication that any respite will be granted delinquent motorists after January 1. None should be. Ample notice has been given. The auto division has been ready for a long time to issue the licenses. If part of the public chooses to ignore the opportunity, they will get no sympathy if after the first of the year they are arrested for carrying antiquated license plates.

He that passeth by, and meddlieth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by his ears.—Proverbs 26:17.

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"WHAT HAS WENT WITH THE MONEY"

Mr. Duitch:

I have just read your article in the Crockett Courier and noticed that you say that it is not information that I want, but to make charges against the commissioners' court. You are correct in saying that I am making charges against the court. I am also asking for an explanation. I am charging that the commissioners' court promised to keep the people informed as to the proceedings of the court, and instead of keeping them informed they seem to be using every effort possible to keep them misinformed. The part of the proceedings that they think would be pleasing to the people they have published on the first page of the papers. The balance of it they keep a secret. Also some of them make statements that later on they contradict, and when you are asked for information it seems to make you nervous and you make a lot of statements that answer nothing. Now, Mr. Duitch, you have made it perfectly plain that there is something about those two questions that your court does not want to explain. The first question I asked was, has the commissioners' court taken the taxpayers' money and created a special fund that the county judge may use at his own will, and for his own purpose? You avoid answering this question by stating that the county judge always itemized his claims against the county. The second question was: I noticed that the court had transferred \$500 from the road and bridge fund to the court house and jail fund on account of its depletion, and being familiar with the different funds this seemed unreasonable, and I asked the question, "What has went with the money that should be in the court house and jail fund," not thinking it would excite or insult anybody.

Now, Mr. Duitch, you evaded this question by saying we transferred money from the court house and jail fund to the gen-

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

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eral fund, and did not say that we transferred all the money that should be in the court house and jail fund and had to borrow or transfer money from the road and bridge fund to the court house and jail fund. Now the charges you made against me that I had neglected or refused to collect my pay for services performed for the county and that I always allowed my own claims without even letting the rest of the court consider them did not answer either question, and if you believe either of those statements you are to be pitied to attempt to tell the people that the rest of the court would allow me to draw my claim without their considering it and the county clerk to issue a warrant on such claim would be ridiculous and hard to make anybody believe. Now, Mr. Duitch, I want to ask you this question: Isn't it true that you and other members of your court have put in good time since I asked those two questions in searching the records for something that would cast a reflection upon me, and at last had to get those charges from some one that did not get ex officio salary raised while I was commissioner, and you had never thought how foolish it would sound until you saw it in the paper?

Now, Mr. Duitch, to make myself a little plainer on this last question, your court sent out a statement that you had transferred \$2000 from the court house and jail fund to the general fund. This must be the money you refer to. Now you stated also that you had left over \$6000 in the court house and jail fund. You know that there are some taxes collected all through the year; also that the books were opened for a new year October 1, and this transfer was made after that. Now the question that I asked was "What has went with the money" that ought to be in the court house and jail fund? I notice you say that when we get through paying debts created while Beathard was commissioner, there will be no need to transfer funds. You are now referring to debts for the plat book. If you were not you would say "Debts that I helped to make." You know that the record shows that I opposed this plat book and saved the taxpayers \$3000 by doing so.

Now, Mr. Duitch, when you refer to those back debts being unpaid you seem to lose sight of the fact that you are contradicting your financial statement published June 25 that the county was on a cash basis and had \$3,188.45 in cash. Now this seems like contradiction, and those wild statements is one thing that I am charging your court with. Mr. Duitch, I believe if the people are entitled to know anything at all about their county affairs, they are entitled to know both sides of the question and to know the facts.

Now, Mr. Duitch, isn't it true that the county general fund was out of debt when the tax collec-

COMMISSIONERS PAY VISIT TO DAN MOODY

CO-OPERATION IS AGREED ON; CONFERENCE IS REPORTED PLEASANT.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 4.—Tender of the olive branch to Attorney General Dan Moody by Hal Moseley and John Cage, new highway commissioners, and its acceptance by him was today's contribution to Texas' highway "war." For more than two months this "war" has raged, causing a highway construction company to confess judgment to the state for \$600,000 excess profits, the resignation of two highway commissioners at request of Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, and an insistent demand for an extraordinary session of the legislature.

Chairman Moseley and Mr. Cage termed the visit they paid to the office of the attorney general "just a friendly little call." Asked if the commission would utilize the legal talent of Moody's office, Mr. Cage said "we expect in the main to be guided by the legal advice the attorney general may give us from time to time. His department is certainly one of the most important of the state government."

Mr. Moody expressed gratification at the call of the commissioners and at the cordiality of their attitude. "The gentlemen told me they were going to feel free at any time to call on me for counsel," he told the Associated Press. "I told them how glad I was to receive them, and all of us expressed the hope their term as commissioners would be unmarred by any unpleasant incidents."

Call of the commissioners on Mr. Moody created a sensation among the political prognosticators. No secret was made of the wide breach between the attorney general and the preceding commission, which was disrupted with the resignation under pressure Nov. 23 of Chairman Frank Lanham and Joe Burkett.

tor turned over the January collections, and isn't it also true that on June 25, the date you published your financial statement, that there were claims presented to your court that you could not pay and had held up in order that you could report the county on a cash basis? Isn't it also true that your court got busy immediately and made a contract with H. C. Burk & Co. of Houston to sell them county warrants at 94 cents on the \$1.00 in order that you could promise the people that you intended to keep the county on a cash basis? Now, when you get more warrants than you can handle you can send them to H. C. Burk & Co. and keep money in the Crockett office. J. A. Beathard.

WHY?

Why, we ask, is it that this great state of Texas must forever have a stink reaching to high heaven?

Why must the fair name of the state be dragged into the dirt and paraded before the rest of the country in an unfavorable light?

We had the Ferguson impeachment trial—that was a black eye for the state.

Then we had the Mayfield-Peddy fight in the senatorial race—that did not give the state any favorable publicity.

Following this was the shameful campaign two years ago when there was so much mud slung that it almost darkened the sun.

The Klan effort to control the state and with it the many things that went with it.

Probably it would be a good thing to take every professional politician in the state and tell him that from now on he must stay on the side-lines—would that help?

We know not, but we believe that it would at least clear the atmosphere for some time.—Brenham Banner.

When the man tells her that he loves her wonderful mind, he means that she isn't much for looks.



Christmas Suggests This Judicious Purchase

The Fordor Sedan is an ideal Christmas gift for the whole family—an attractive and practical all-year car. It is finished in deep Windsor Maroon, with interior upholstery to harmonize. Nickered radiator, low, deep seats, wide doors, hooded sun visor and large fenders. See this good-looking car at the salesroom of the nearest Authorized Ford Dealer. Easy terms gladly arranged.

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MOODY MAKES REPLY TO SPEAKER'S QUERY

Deficiency Warrants to Pay Members May Be Issued, Attorney General Holds.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 5.—Financing or underwriting of the expenses of a session of the house of representatives for impeachment purposes from private or individual sources is unauthorized and unwarranted as against public policy, Attorney General Dan Moody ruled tonight in answer to a query of Lee Satterwhite of Amarillo, Tex., speaker of the house of representatives. This opinion held there would be authority to issue warrants against exhausted appropriation made for the contingent expenses of the thirty-ninth legislature, to cover compensation of

members of the house while attending an impeachment session, should it be called by the speaker.

It states that the attorney general assumed that the speaker, in his letter, made no reference to deficiency warrants issued against a deficiency granted by the governor.

It left the possibility of members attending a special session at their own expense. Satterwhite's letter did not ask for an opinion on this issue, as the speaker evidently assumed that the members of the legislature could meet at any time at their own expense.

Crockett Train Schedule.

South Bound.
No. 25, Thru Passenger 1:37am
No. 23, Local Passenger 9:40am
No. 21, Sunshine Special 2:03pm
North Bound.
No. 28, Thru Passenger 4:00am
No. 24, Local Passenger 1:30pm
No. 22, Sunshine Special 4:06pm
Effective June 7, 1925

STOP THAT ITCHING

Sufferers from skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter, Poison Oak, Ringworm, Old Sores or Sores on Children may find relief from the use of a jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY or their money will be refunded. The first application relieves that terrible itching. Will not stain clothing and has a pleasant odor.

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BLACK-DRAUGHT

Liver Medicine

when I felt that way, and it would relieve me, and I would feel better for days. "My husband takes it for biliousness. He says he has never found its equal. When he has the tired, heavy feeling, he takes Black-Draught night and morning for a few days and he doesn't complain any more. "I sure do recommend Theford's Black-Draught." Your liver is the largest organ in your body. When out of order, it causes many complaints. Put your liver in shape by taking Black-Draught. Purely vegetable. Sold Everywhere

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Come to the carnival.
Ewen Hail is at home from Dallas.
Visit Pat's Place for your hot roasted peanuts. 1t.
Your friends are looking for you at the carnival.
Bishop's drug store still delivers quick—phone 9-5. 4t.
Car nice Colorado apples, back of Mike Younas' Store. 1t.*
A nice line of bridge and floor lamps at Waller & Green's. 1t.
Come to the car for a bushel good Xmas apples—dandies. 1t.*
Your favorite Cigar in holiday packages at Bishop's Drug Store. 4t.
Miss Jessie Rice was a passenger to Houston Sunday afternoon.
Take home a sack of that good Butter Kist Popcorn from Pat's Place. 1t.
D. A. Nunn returned Saturday from a professional trip to Kansas City.
Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Craddock returned Sunday afternoon from Houston.
Come in and watch us make it at Pat's Place in Auditorium Building. 1t.
Christmas cards and stationery, make your selections now at Bishop's. 4t.
Football score, Tuesday: Cisco High 14, Cleburne 3. Cisco enters semi-finals.
Hundreds of useful articles suitable for Christmas gifts at Waller & Green's. 1t.
Splendid selection of Christmas candies at popular prices at Bishop's Drug Store. 4t.
There's no better gift for the home than furniture. See Waller & Green before you buy. 1t.
We still have the makings for fruit cake and date loafs. 1t. Crockett Gro. & Bakg. Co.
A Portable Phonograph or a Banjo-Uke makes a nice Xmas gift. See them at Barker Tunstall's. 1t.*

A GIFT OF HUMMING BIRD HOSE IS CERTAIN TO PLEASE HER. NO ONE EVER HAS TOO MANY STOCKINGS. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

Why not give father or mother an easy chair for Christmas? You'll find it at Waller & Green's. 1t.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Berry and little daughter are visiting at Greenwood, Miss., during the Christmas holidays.

Crockett reaches from its center to the county line in every direction. If you do not believe it, come to the carnival.

Hundreds of thrifty buyers are taking advantage of our Christmas specialties. How about you? Sims-English. 1t

We have no special sale, but our prices on furniture are guaranteed to be as low as any. 1t. Waller & Green.

For Sale.

Two young Jersey cows, with young calves. See H. N. Ellis. 1t.*

L. S. (Bill) Minnick left Saturday night for his home at Waxahachie. He has signed a contract to play base ball at Tyler next summer.

Town Lots for Sale.

Four nice residence lots, well situated. Terms reasonable. 2t. J. W. Madden.

Mrs. T. R. DeuPree, Mrs. E. B. Stokes, Mrs. Paul B. Stokes, Miss Lucy Roye DeuPree and Miss Alta Stokes were visitors at Houston the first of this week.

Special notice to Christmas shoppers. Delicious apples by the box, a wonderful assortment of the best candies, raisins by the pound and by the box. 1t. Sims-English.

For Sale.

Resident lots from one hundred and fifty dollars up, small cash payment, balance monthly or annually, C. W. Jones, the Real Estate Man. 1t

Stolen Horse Found.

Mr. John Rice, who reported his horse stolen last week, stated Tuesday morning that he had found the horse, which had been abandoned by the party taking it from his pasture.

Christian Church.

Rev. B. F. Greenhaw will preach at the Christian church Sunday at 11 o'clock and at 7:15. Attendance of all members will be appreciated, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Look This Over.

Iron beds, 2-inch posts, \$5.00 and up.
Phonographs, \$12.50 and up.
Cotton mattresses, \$4.00 and up.
Bed springs, \$2.00 and up.
Phonograph records, 25c and up.
Dressers, \$10.00 and up.
Good sewing machines, \$18.00 and up.
Bargains in various other things. Come in and see me. 1t.* V. B. Tunstall.

Improved in Health.

The Courier stated in the December 3 issue that Mrs. John Rice was called to Alabama by the death of her mother. We are pleased to report that she was only seriously ill. Mrs. Rice, who returned Saturday, reports that her mother is much improved in health.

Excursion Rates.

Holiday excursion fares will be authorized via INTERNATIONAL-GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY to all points in Texas and Louisiana, sale dates December 17-25th inclusive, final return limit January 5th, 1926. For further information inquire of ticket agent. 2t.

Gin Days.

After Saturday, Dec. 12th, we will run our gins only on Friday and Saturday of each week. However, we will not run on Christmas day or Saturday following.

Daniel & LeMay, Crockett (Electric) Gin, Houston County Gin Co., Arnold Bros. & King. 3t

Mrs. Lee Johnson.

Rev. C. A. Lehmborg, pastor of the First Methodist church of Crockett, conducted funeral services Sunday afternoon in the Wesley Chapel community for Mrs. Lee Johnson, who died Saturday. The deceased was born in Polk county 52 years ago, and was Miss Emma Reed before marriage to Mr. Johnson. She leaves, besides the husband, four sons and a daughter to mourn her passing. The Courier extends sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Coming Wedding.

Mrs. J. W. Young was hostess at an announcement party Thursday afternoon at her home, honoring Miss Lucy Roye DeuPree. The purpose of the party was to announce the approaching marriage of Miss DeuPree to Robert Guinn, who is now at Cincinnati, Ohio. The marriage will take place on Sunday, January 3.

Refreshments were served, and a very pleasant afternoon was spent by those attending the hospitality. The announcement has created much social interest, both young people being popular and of prominent Crockett families.

Pre-Season Basket Ball.

Preliminary basket ball training is general in colleges and high schools. A few teams are playing pre-season games. Sam Houston, who was recently awarded the T. I. A. A. championship of 1925, broke even with Baylor, who won, 20 to 18, Friday night. Sam Houston won Saturday night, 25 to 21, however. Dewitt Holleman plays center for Sam Houston. Rice beat the Levin team at Galveston 47 to 12 Saturday night.

Crockett High and other Houston county schools are getting ready for action after the Christmas holidays. Bad weather has hindered practice greatly.

First Methodist Church.

Sunday at 11 a. m. the subject will be "A Christmas Meditation" and at 7:15 p. m. "The Joy of Salvation." We extend a cordial invitation to all who would not attend any church service elsewhere to be with us next Sunday. The Sunday school meets promptly at 10:30, at which hour a little Christmas program will be rendered. The men's Bible class, taught by Judge J. W. Young, is growing in interest; let our men join this class unless they are now members elsewhere. Under the auspices of the Sunday school a Christmas tree, with program, will be given on Tuesday, the 22d inst., beginning at 7 p. m. The public is invited.
C. A. Lehmborg, Pastor.

Character is made by the things you stand for; reputation is made by the things you fall for.

Some men are like dogs—pat 'em on the head and they'll put their feet in your lap.



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A 27-piece Breakfast Set for \$21.50. A Beautiful Set.

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SPLIT IN RANKS OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY FORECAST

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 10.—A split in the ranks of the democratic party in Texas during the coming campaign was predicted by R. B. Creager of Brownsville, republican national committeeman from Texas, here Thursday. Creager spent Thursday in Dallas en route to Washington.

"Recent developments are certain to cause dissension in the democratic party," he said. Republican preparation for the first statewide primary ever to be held by the party are proceeding. "We expect to hold a primary in every county in Texas," he said.

Creager said he expected to confer with President Coolidge and republican leaders in Washington. He indicated a possibility that Dr. George C. Butte, republican candidate for governor of Texas in 1924, and now attorney general of Porto Rico, might be transferred to a Washington post.

The Power of Advertising.

Shenandoah, Iowa, Dec. 11.—A check up Friday on attendance of a moving picture theater here after its owner, S. C. Latta, advertised a warning to patrons that the feature was "one of the weakest" he had seen, revealed that at least 400 customers stayed away.

Ordinarily 500 attend each night, but despite Mr. Latta's warning that he did not want to obtain money under false pretense, as the picture was not so

good as the advance notices had indicated, 100 persons were present.

He did this as a policy of honest advertising, he said, expressing the belief that his plan would pay in the long run.

It is impossible to blink the fact that a great many people believe that there is enough money in this country to double wages without increasing prices.

Every man longs for an opportunity to display himself—that's the reason it is easy to get men to march in a parade.

If you are worried, just think of the money you save this season by strawberries being out of season.

WE CAN SOLVE YOUR GIFT PROBLEMS. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

Lost Mule.

Brown horse mule, weight about 850 pounds, branded N. K. with arrow above on left hip; scars under both fore legs from neck chains. Reward for information leading to recovery. Notify M. B. Etheredge, Weldon, Texas. 2t.*

A PAIR OF GLOVES FOR HER AND FOR HIM. CAPRIELIAN BROS. & CO.

Stop Paving This Road

'Tis said the road to hell is paved with good intention. That being the case, there are a lot of folks around here that won't need mud chains.

Some have intended to trade with us, you haven't. Some have intended to pay your last month's account, but you haven't; now you have a few days left to do both. It will make a glorious Christmas for us all if you do this.

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"Say It With Flowers" At Christmas Time

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The Gift Shop
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