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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. B. Burg has been spending the week in Houston.

Mr. J. A. Clements of Lane city was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Haynie Matthews spent Monday in the city with friends.

Mrs. August Luedeker returned last week from a visit to Elgin and Austin.

Mrs. W. E. Lenhart returned Monday from a visit to friends in Glen Flora.

Mrs. W. A. Laye of Beaumont is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Shortt.

Mr. Jesse Bentley visited Galveston and Houston last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Bentley has been spending the week visiting relatives in Hallettsville.

Manager Ed. Ragland of the local telephone exchange, spent Sunday in Houston.

Mrs. Selma Woods of Columbus visited Mrs. L. H. Shinn here the first of the week.

Mr. Frank Auerbach, Sr. of Altair was a business visitor in the city last Saturday.

Mrs. O. A. Strickland has had a very ornamental wire fence placed around her residence.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mersfelder and Miss Libbie Duke were Sunday visitors to Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Putney, Sr. returned Monday afternoon from a couple of weeks' visit to Houston.

Messrs. John Guynn and W. A. Dallas were attending court in Columbus the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ernst left Monday afternoon for a visit to their old home in Cold Springs.

Mrs. E. W. Turner of Lane City spent the time between trains in the city last Saturday.

Miss Irene and Paul Brown left last Saturday afternoon for a visit to relatives in Sugarland.

Mrs. Annie Strane of Cordile, Jackson county, came in Thursday night to visit relatives at this place.

Mr. J. H. Courtney, one of Alveyton's popular citizens, was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

Miss Flora Foote of Rock Island visited the family of her brother, Dr. G. A. Foote, here last Saturday.

Miss Sarah Lander left Wednesday for her home in Yorkum after a pleasant visit to Miss Nell Green.

Mr. J. H. Altenburg of Bay City who had been spending a few days here, returned home last Monday.

Mr. J. A. Chew, the popular sewing machine man of Columbus, was in the city on business last Saturday.

Miss Sonbie Braden has just had a neat little cottage completed on her lots in the Galleria addition which she purchased some time since. The house will be for sale or for rent.

The HEADLIGHT congratulates Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stoerner on the arrival of a fine girl at their home, born last Saturday.

Misses Sarah and Ara Lander of Hallettsville are spending the week in the city with the family of their uncle, Mr. J. L. Landa.

Mrs. E. H. Ramsey of San Antonio came in Sunday afternoon from Winchester for a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. E. Roberts.

Mrs. Hettie Pennington and children of San Antonio came in last Saturday afternoon for a visit to Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Roberts.

We are pleased to add the name of Mr. J. H. Owen, the new proprietor of the Drummers' Home, to our subscription list this week.

Messrs. M. E. and John Guynn, George Vick, Abe Beakes, John Beard, and G. M. Jackson attended the barbecue in Rock Island Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Ferrell spent Saturday, Sunday and Monday in Rock Island, where Bro. Ferrell filled his regular appointments on Sunday.

Mr. Ned Callison left last Saturday night for a trip to the Jamestown exposition after which he will spend a few weeks with friends in Hot Springs, N. C.

Mrs. Sadie Davis left on the Cane Belt Friday night for her home at Waller after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Stapleton, at Lakeside.

Mrs. J. W. McCarty had as her dinner guests last Sunday at the Drummers' Home, Miss Madeline Oldham of Houston, Miss Jaquelin Bruce, Mr. W. H. De la Houssaye of New Orleans and Mr. Walter Brown.

Mr. L. Goldsmith, a well-known young rice mill man of Houston, has recently gone to Eagle Lake, Texas, where he assumes the management of the Eagle Lake rice mill. This is one of the finest mills in the State. Mr. Paul F. Pritchard, formerly manager of the Eagle Lake rice mill, has moved to Houston, to assume control of the mammoth new Pritchard rice mill, now in course of construction. Rice Industry.

Mr. Adam Braden of the Mentz settlement was a pleasant caller at our office last Saturday and presented us with a couple of fine apples which were grown in the orchard at his home. The apples were large and firm and were of good color and fine flavor.

Mr. Braden says he has about twenty-five of the trees and that they were well filled with apples. He says the trees are about ten years old.

Those who attended the dance in the opera house last Friday night were: Misses Ida Macand, Kate Ernst, Christine Davis, Ninette Walker, Lizzie York, Valda and Esther Westmoreland, Madeline Oldham of Houston, Cleo Clark of Schulenburg, Lizzie Burford of Columbus, Carrie Cordray of Luling, Myra Walker, Mrs. P. H. Burger and Mrs. W. T. Beard; Messrs. Sidney Davis of Wharton, Tom Parks of Taylor, Frank York, Max Conner, R. H. Hester, Joe Traylor, Jim McCarty, Everett McRee, John Wright Westmoreland and Brahan Frazier.

Sunday Services.

The intense heat makes small the church audiences. Only the "faithful few" will brave the sun's burning rays. Many of the church folk are away looking for cool places, so only a small gathering heard the Episcopal rector's sermon last Sunday morning. The subject of Mr. Hart's discourse was "the Communion." He stated that the view held on this question by the Episcopal church was the "via media," the middle way between the extreme view of the Roman Catholics, "transubstantiation" and the opposite held by the rationalists (the other churches of protestantism) that the Lord's Supper was merely a memento of the Savior. While the Episcopal church protests against the doctrine that the bread and wine are changed into the real flesh and blood, still it teaches that in some mysterious, inexplicable way in the act of communion the partaker participates in the blood of Christ. "He who eats and drinks unworthily, eats and drinks condemnation to himself" does not refer to the sanctity of the communicant's character, but to the purity of motive. No one is good enough to be worthy of the broken body and shed blood, all that is necessary is repentance of sin and faith whereby is discerned the Lord's body.

The beautiful and comfortable new pews were in place for the first time. Mr. Walter Brown with sweet, heart-touching voice, sang "One Sweetly Solenn Thought," Mrs. Milby Guynn rendering the beautiful organ accompaniment.

At the Methodist church Bro. Morgan preached morning and night scholarly and sweet-spirited sermons. Mrs. Morgan is recovering from her recent illness.

Services at Baptist Church.

There will be services at the Baptist church both morning and evening Sunday, July 14. Subject of the morning sermon: "Supreme Love to Christ." Subject of the evening sermon: "The Place and the State of the Dead Between Death and the Resurrection." A welcome awaits all. Let none stay away on account of the hot weather. Everyone invited.

OSCAR FERRELL, Pastor.

Death of Will C. Womble.

Mr. W. C. Womble was drowned while in bathing Sunday afternoon about 6 o'clock at Port Arthur. He was bathing in company with two ladies in about four feet of water, when a stroke of heart failure came and when he went down the ladies were unable to save him. Mr. Womble was well known in Eagle Lake. He was a photographer and conducted a studio here a few years ago.

A New Sunday Train.

Beginning tomorrow the Santa Fe will put on a new Sunday train between Eagle Lake and Bay City. This train, which will be the "Whangdoodle," will leave Bay City at 7:05 a. m., going via Garwood, and will arrive in Eagle Lake at 10:45 a. m. Will leave Eagle Lake at 5:30 p. m., arriving in Bay City at 9:10 p. m.

Rice Man Buying Lumber.

J. J. Whatley, manager of the Lakeside Milling company of Eagle Lake, Texas, was a recent visitor to Beaumont. Mr. Whatley's visit was for the purpose of taking a look at the plans of the elevator being erected by the Beaumont Rice Mill company, it being the intention of the Lakeside Milling company to erect an elevator along the same lines, but not of the same material.

Mr. Whatley purchased a big bill of lumber for the erection of a modern elevator building, one that will have a capacity of 20,000 barrels. The elevator will replace the warehouse now used by the mill as a storage place for rice, and its construction is attracting the attention of the rice men in that section of the rice belt.

Mr. Whatley states that the crop in his section will be a good average, and that he expects the good prices that have prevailed the past couple of years to be maintained. He is well pleased with the rice situation in general.

Rice Industry.

Married in Houston.

Quite a surprise wedding took place in Houston last Monday evening, the contracting parties being Mr. Chas. H. LeGendre of Bonus and Miss Libbie Duke of this city. The wedding occurred at the home of Rev. Mr. Buchanan of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, between 7 and 8 o'clock. The bride and groom met in Houston and lost no time in securing the necessary papers and having the marriage ceremony performed. So well had the secret been kept that Mr. and Mrs. Mersfelder, who had accompanied Miss Duke to Houston, did not know of their plans until after the ceremony had been performed.

Miss Duke is a popular young lady of this city. Having spent most all her life in Eagle Lake she is known and loved by every person in the town. Mr. LeGendre is the popular young timekeeper for the Bonus Mercantile company and he and his bride will make their future home at Bonus.

The HEADLIGHT wishes this estimable young couple a long life of happiness and prosperity.

Bay City Was Defeated.

The Eagle Lake ball team will arrive on Sunday morning's train and at 1:30 in the afternoon, on the diamond back of the local team, the Bay City team will take a fall out of this pampered bunch of athletes that will make a noise like the crack o' doom. The local team is a strong one, the best ever assembled to defend Bay City on the ball field, and though lacking in practice, it will spin out a fine article of ball.

The above was clipped from the Bay City Tribune prior to the ball game there last Sunday. Yes, the Eagle Lake boys went to Bay City, and that noise like unto the "crack o' doom" was heard, but in the "fall" defeat struck on the wrong side and that "pampered bunch of athletes" returned home with another scalp dangling from their belt of victories, having defeated Bay City in a score of 7 to 4. It doesn't pay to "crow" too much in advance of a ball game; people accustomed to good ball playing don't do it.

Garden Hose, complete, or by the foot or yard, for sale by the Water, Light & Gin Co.

Whiskey Did It All.

At Butler, Mo., they led Dr. J. L. Gartrell out on the scaffold. Around him were stern-faced men, ready to perform an awful duty. On the trap stood an old man. His hair was snowy; his beard was long and white. He had lived two years beyond the span of life allotted to man. Think of passing seventy-two years in this good world, and then within sight of the graveyard, to feel the clutch of the law at one's neck and be hanged.

Once he was a famous lawyer, he had held crowds spellbound by his great eloquence. People used to say: "Great man, that Gartrell; he can be anything, do anything."

He was elected county judge. Then he was sent to the Texas Senate for two terms. He was a man of affairs, highly educated, keen, intelligent. He loved just as other men do—did this hangman's victim. Eight children were born to him, and there was not a happier family in the West. It doesn't seem possible that a human being would deliberately tip over the magnificent structure that had taken the best years of his life to rear.

Dr. Gartrell did that very thing. He trailed his good name in the gutter; he disgraced his sons and daughters; he dissipated his fortune; he became little better than a tramp; and the explanation of his awful fall is found in four words: He became a drunkard. The old man stood on the trap. The rays of the morning sun crept into the jail yard and touched his wrinkled face and massive forehead. He did not look like a murderer or a bad man. You would almost as soon suspect your father of a crime as that old patriarch of murdering a friend for a few paltry dollars. Yet he did it.

Listen! He is speaking! He is telling the white-face crowd of his fall, and the last words that pass his lips are whiskey: "Whiskey did it all." The trap is sprung, and J. L. Gartrell, patriarch, is shot into eternity. National Advocate.

The HEADLIGHT has just received a complete shipment of stationery—anything you need to be printed we have it in stock. We have a full line of linen papers and envelopes to match in all the latest shades of blue, pink, cream and white. By buying our stationery in large lots and getting a cash discount we are enabled to give our customers up-to-date work printed with brand new job type of the latest faces at 25 per cent under the customary price. We appreciate the business our home merchants and the business men of the vicinity have extended us in the past and solicit a continuance of same on the merit and the high quality of our work and the extreme low prices we are offering on all kinds of job printing.

Mrs. T. H. Sledge and daughter, Miss Bessie, returned Wednesday night from Matagorda where they have been for the past six months. Mrs. Sledge went to Matagorda thinking the salt breeze would benefit her health, but we are sorry to learn that her health is not much improved.