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## LAST WEEK ONE OF ENTHUSIASM IN MIDLAND

### CAPTAIN NUSBAUM, COMMUNITY WORKER IS HIGHLY ENDORSED

#### Daily Programs in Methodist Church Were Attended by Crowds Who Were Much Interested

Captain C. S. Nusbaum has come, delivered his lectures, and gone, and the time has come for Midland men to show whether we intend to do something worth while for our town and the entire community. The lectures were splendid and the enthusiasm ran high through the entire week and the great interest on the part of the town was manifested in the hundreds who gladly heard him in all his services. The Captain was without fear in telling us of our faults and our needs and we responded nobly to all the blows by realizing that they were true; but what are we going to do about it now? We have organized a community commercial club with over 300 members and the future will only tell what we will do; but there is hardly any limit to what we can do if every man gets busy and helps row the boat and does not stand up and kick. It is being talked by some that nothing will be done. Of course not by you or your type, as the world is not run by men who knock, but by men who build and boost. Midland has need of this organization and never before in the history of our section of the State have we been given such an opportunity to boost the products of our fine soil and get people here to live. You cannot make a town without people and you cannot get them here by knocking. All we have to do, however, is pull together and let the State know what we have and the people will come just as you and I have done. Let us throw away our hammers and get behind these plans and this club and boost to the limit. When we hear someone always knocking the town and the people and the merchants, we wonder why you have not moved away, and wish you would, as the town would be just that much better off.

Capt. Nusbaum offered many potential suggestions as to Midland's needs and the way to go about securing them. We were interested, too, in his ideas as to "Things Midland Has of Which to be Proud." Some of them are as follows:

- 1st. A good water system.
- 2nd. An excellent Light and Power plant.
- 3rd. A fine fire truck.
- 4th. Up-to-date street grading equipment.
- 5th. Two cotton gins. Raise more cotton and support them.
- 6th. Good court house and very fine jail.
- 7th. Splendid churches.
- 8th. Two troops Boy Scouts, with fine leadership.
- 9th. A good newspaper, with an equipment far in advance of the town.
- 10th. Splendid orchestra and wonderful musical talent.
- 11th. A fine library and building.
- 12th. Some really magnificent homes.
- 13th. No finer school for boys and girls anywhere, but small and inadequate buildings.
- 14th. Splendid mercantile establishments.
- 15th. Two banks and band buildings, unequalled between Ft. Worth and El Paso.
- 16th. Finest hotels in the west, in towns twice the size of Midland.
- 17th. Fine agricultural lands and abundance to support ten times the county's population.

Capt. Nusbaum also points out—

- 1st. Free tourists' camp.
- 2nd. A modern and well equipped high school building.
- 3rd. Better lighting system for the town.
- 4th. Sanitary sewerage system.
- 5th. The utilization of our splendid college building.
- 6th. The united co-operation of the community, citizenship, under a big,

generous, and wise leadership.

7th. A well graded and maintained road to the cemetery.

8th. Midland highway to Lamesa and other points, with signs by the business men of Midland.

9th. To put on a publicity campaign for Midland, a good one, with a big band and a community chorus.

The Reporter quite agrees with all of the above, but, from time to time, has suggested still other things. However these will do for the present. As a starter, even, The Reporter would be satisfied for the present if Midland would only put on a suitable publicity campaign, and we believe she will.

Capt. Nusbaum has a set of general suggestions for community commercial organization, and he offers them for Midland's guidance as follows:

1. Appoint a business men's survey committee to make a careful survey of the methods and prices of the different kinds of business engaged into by the merchants of the town. To secure and arrange for bigger assortment of goods. To put on a campaign for home trade. To make the town the best place in the State in which to do business and trade.
2. Appoint a big social committee to look after the social life of the young people. To organize them into clubs, Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls, and look after the underprivileged boys and girls. To arrange for a better social life of the community.
3. Appoint a big home entertainment committee to organize the local talent and arrange for home entertainments. To have charge of all entertainments and shows coming into the town. To work with the picture show house and see that he has the right kind of shows.
4. Appoint a big music committee to work with the social and entertainment committees and to organize all kinds of musical organizations, such as orchestra, band, and a big community chorus.
5. Appoint a civic pride committee to see that there is a united movement for the beautifying of the city. To arrange for a week of cleaning up, planting trees, making lawns and painting buildings. A week of general cleaning and beautifying the premises.
6. A big play ground and recreational committee to arrange for and secure playground equipment for the children. To arrange for organized play and a play ground supervisor.
7. To arrange for a big community day when all the people shall come together once a month to hear report of committees and to plan and arrange for all kinds of community improvement.
8. To appoint a community building committee who shall take up the matter of community club building. To secure plans and estimates and secure the funds for such a building.
9. To appoint a consolidated school committee to work with the country districts and assist in arranging for better and larger privileges of the country children and give them rural high school privileges.
10. To divide up the C. C. of C. into groups and sections in order to get better acquainted with each other. Put on a week of getting together and getting acquainted.

Three of Capt. Nusbaum's lectures, namely: "The Individual Life in The Community," "The Investment of Life's Forces in the Community the Biggest Investment in the World, With the Biggest Returns," and "The Building of a Real Community," were left in The Reporter office for publication in pamphlet or booklet form. These lectures were all delivered in Midland and so highly were they esteemed that a voluntary statement, "An Appreciation," was offered as one of the introductory pages of the

booklet, which the Captain gratefully accepted and it will be incorporated in the publication. This statement is signed by the board of directors of the Midland Community Commercial Club, as follows:

#### An Appreciation

"As members of the Midland Community Commercial Club and composing its board of directors, the undersigned are gratified that Capt. C. S. Nusbaum has consented for three of his messages to be given to the public in permanent form—the publication of this pamphlet. A charge will of necessity be made for the little booklet, but whatsoever it is the reader who peruses these pages thoughtfully will have stored his mind and heart with treasures beyond price. How his messages grip and hold and thrill, and lift souls to nobler, broader thoughts of life and living!

"To have heard Capt. Nusbaum lecture is a rare treat, but to preserve his messages will prove of lasting pleasure; and we, his Midland friends, look forward with pleasurable anticipation to such time as all his work may be available to us. His week with us has been a priceless one, and this statement is volunteered, echoing from immeasurable depths of our gratitude.

"Signed,  
"Midland, Texas, Jan. 15, 1923."

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Cowden left last week for Temple where Mrs. Cowden is receiving medical treatment. We are glad to report that she successfully passed through an operation and is getting along splendidly. They expect to return to Midland in the very near future.

### GOL. J. C. RHEA OFF FOR WASHINGTON

#### EXPRESSES APPRECIATION OF COURTESIES SHOWN BY FRIENDS

(Delayed from last week)

After spending three or four weeks with his parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. B. Rhea, Colonel J. C. Rhea, left on Tuesday afternoon for his duties with the government at Washington. When seen by a representative of The Reporter before he left, Col. Rhea said: "Since it will be impossible for me to see them personally, I wish to say to my friends in Midland that I deeply and sincerely appreciate the many courtesies and hospitalities shown me during my visit with my parents in Midland. I have had a wonderful visit, and enjoyed every minute of it. While I came primarily to see my father and mother, and while the major portion of the time was spent with them, still I appreciate the efforts which were made by our many friends for my entertainment and pleasure. I regret that the time has been so long since my last visit to Midland, and I trust that it will not be so long until I can come again. I enjoyed seeing my old friends, meeting new ones, and enjoyed the good times we had together."

Col. Rhea, as all of Midland knows, has an enviable record as a military man, having had charge of the second division in France during the world war and having been decorated and cited for bravery several times. He

is now in charge of one of the greatest activities in the army, being stationed at Washington. We enjoyed his extended visit to Midland, and will accord him a hearty welcome any time he can find an opportunity to return. We know that Capt. and Mrs. Rhea must have enjoyed having their distinguished son with them during the Christmas holidays, and we congratulate them on this rare privilege.

### EDUCATIONAL AND INSPIRING SHOW

#### PEOPLE OF THIS COMMUNITY IN FOR A REAL TREAT ON FEBRUARY 1st

As stated by The Reporter last week, Midland is to have the benefit of a special visitation by the team of experts in the joint poultry-dairy-livestock campaign for thirteen West Texas counties, including Midland County. The meeting is scheduled for Midland on February 1st, at 3 o'clock p. m. at the Rialto Theatre.

Col. C. C. French, livestock expert of Ft. Worth, representing the Ft. Worth Livestock Company; B. M. Whiteker, agricultural exhibit manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce; and also special representatives of the A. & M. College will be present.

Henry M. Half has been appointed local leader for the meeting, and all who may be interested should immediately get in touch with him.

Special motion pictures will be shown in connection with the campaign meeting. These will include films on "America's Golden Harvest," "Cherryland," and "Diversification," and also a special film on "Mexico." The children and ladies are especially invited to attend and see the wonderful motion pictures. Everything is free in connection with the campaign meeting here.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our people to attend a really educational and inspiring meeting.

### EXHIBIT WILL PROVE DELIGHTFUL PROGRAM

Combining a program of extraordinary motion pictures of a nature peculiarly unique, and a lecture course practical and teaching a lesson of direct advantage to Midland and Midland County, the people of Midland and vicinity on February 1st will have the opportunity to enjoy a program upon a scale seldom available to small or large towns alike.

On that day, at the Rialto Theatre, at 3 o'clock p. m., the joint Poultry-Dairy-Livestock Motion Picture-Lecture Campaign will open here. It was secured for Midland by Henry M. Half, of Midland, county leader for Midland County.

"America's Golden Harvest," the mightiest agricultural motion picture ever made, also "Cherryland," a delightful fruit picture will be shown. Also "Three Minutes in Mexico," the same being a film covering the recent trip of West Texas business men to the Southern Republic.

Lectures by Col. C. C. French, of the Ft. Worth Livestock Company, and B. M. Whiteker, agricultural exhibit manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, will deliver especially prepared addresses for the occasion. And efforts are now being made to secure representatives from the A. & M. College to address our people on practical farming lines.

Congratulations are in order to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fleenor upon the arrival of a 7-pound baby girl in their home Tuesday night. The Reporter joins in an expression of all good wishes.

Mrs. J. M. DeArmond received a message Monday night that her mother had passed away and would be buried in Tennessee. She left Tuesday morning for her old home. We deeply sympathize with her in this loss.

E. N. Snodgrass is visiting relatives in Coleman this week.

### MOST HEINOUS IN AMERICAN HISTORY

#### SO DR. J. G. HALL EXPRESSES HIMSELF OF MOREHOUSE TRAGEDY

Dr. J. G. Hall and wife returned this week from Shreveport, La., where they had been sojourning for nearly a year, the Doctor being interested in the oil fields in that section, which is not distant from Morehouse Parish, where the awful ku klux tragedy took place last August and which is now being investigated.

The Reporter man approached the Doctor on the subject soon after his arrival, and was gratified that he was free in expressing himself. Frankly The Reporter was especially anxious to know how one who had been an immediate observer would place the crime as related to the ku klux clan. His denunciation of the clan was emphatic and in no uncertain terms he placed the blame where The Reporter has always been fully convinced that it truly belonged.

Said he: "The newspaper reports you have read serve to give you but a faint idea of conditions that have existed in Mer Rouge and Morehouse Parish. No American Indian, in his wildest orgies, ever inflicted such torture upon human beings as were meted to the Daniels and Richards and no page of American history records its equal. Pathological deductions were conclusive and Christ himself could not have suffered such crucifixion. It was heinous beyond expression."

"As for conditions at Mer Rouge and vicinity, it was no less than a reign of terror. The law was wholly inoperative. When Daniels and Richards disappeared no investigation was made. The law was laid aside, and the people were subjected to the whim of Shipwith and his clansmen. When man, woman or girl were ordered to leave they left of their own volition or were so persecuted that no other course was left to them, and men are absent from there today by reason of the clan's orders, regardless of home-ties or any other condition of life."

"What sort of men, Doctor, were old man Daniels and his son, Wat?" "The old man is just that type of Southron that may be found all over the South, open-hearted, generous, a good friend, a good hater, and fearless. A drinking man, yes, and intolerant of the Volstead or other restraint. As for Wat, he did not drink, but was as fearless as his old father. He was the first in Morehouse Parish to volunteer in the world-war, went in as a private and came home a sergeant-major."

"I wish you could have seen a letter written by a wealthy New Yorker, who was Wat's 'buddy' while they were overseas together. It was one of the most beautiful I ever read. It was written to Wat's father, in an expression of sympathy and grief, and it closed with: 'However Wat may have died, it is a wonderful memory to have been the father of such a son, and should the time ever come when I can be of assistance to you, for his sake I pray that I may be called upon.' Wat Daniels was a fearless enemy of the clan, and even at the time of his intense torture and death the clan failed to weaken him. He and Richards died, martyrs to a principle, if ever men so did."

"What do I think of the ku klux clan? I think as should, in my opinion, any other self-respecting man. I don't see how one can belong. It is open violation of constitutional law. It is incompatible to the minds of men who respect their citizenship, and does violence to every sentiment of American manhood. As I honor and revere the memory of the founders of our great nation and clothe their advocacy of freedom with the best sentiment of my heart, so I despise, wholeheartedly, any and all institutions that do them violence—the clan above them all."

So has expressed himself a man whom a year ago The Reporter would have guessed at least in sympathy with the object of the clan. Dr. Hall

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## Tomorrow Our

# RED TAG SALE

## Will Close

### One More Day of Sacrificial Prices

### Don't miss this opportunity to buy

## Dry Goods---Groceries

We want to make the Last Day the Best Day

## Midland Mercantile Co.

Grocery Phone No. 6 Dry Goods Phone 284



### OIL DEVELOPMENT IN PECOS FIELD

"DAY BY DAY, IN EVERY WAY" NEARER AND NEARER IS THE REPORT

In its headlines last week the Pecos Enterprise says "The Oil News Stands as Heretofore and 'Day by Day, in Every Way, it Gets Nearer and Nearer'" to production. Let us hope the Enterprise is a good guesser. The Enterprise reports for last week as follows:

Reports from the various sites of development in the Pecos oil field are meagre this week. It has been impossible to get reports from all of the operators and this week will show a dearth of news so far as the oil business is concerned. This is no indication, however, that the work is slackening in the least, but is an indication, that they are busier than ever trying to be able to give some news of the oil field which will be different from that reported in these columns for some months past and of a more encouraging nature. The fact is they are all busy and making satisfactory progress but the news would all in all be a rehash of that for the past several months so far as the drilling wells are concerned. "Almost, but not yet," would be the tenor of the situation as heretofore.

The Bell well resumed drilling Friday, and are now working two shifts night and day in an endeavor to reach the Delaware sand at the earliest possible date, and from indications and formation it would seem that they are getting very close to it.

This well has been drilling in the hardest formation encountered in the well the past two days, making but a few feet in 24 hours, and with the hardness of the formation battering the bits continually, if this isn't the long looked for cap rock above the Delaware sand then both crew and management will be much mistaken—there isn't any question in the minds of those connected with this well as to production, it is merely a question of time in reaching the sand, and to quote Coue with variations, "Day by day, in every way, it gets nearer and nearer."

The Wheat well is beginning to assume shape for operations, however, and it is reported that they have secured the derrick from the lower well of the Arthur Pitts Company and are now busy tearing that down preparatory to removing it to the site of the Wheat well and it is understood that they will also use what machinery from the River well of the same company which is of service. Wheat and Monce are not making much fuss about their work but are "sawing wood" and moving things and getting in shape to proceed with the drilling just the same and in a short while the Enterprise will be able to give some real authentic news of the location, intention and actual starting of the drill which it is believed will penetrate the oil sand as quickly as the well can be put down.

It was hoped that there would be something sensational to report as regards the Burchard well this week but it did not materialize although Mr. Willoughby stated to the Enterprise late in the week that the outlook could not be more encouraging and that it was possible that it would come in before this issue went to press. It is pretty sure that we will have some startling news to give our readers as regards this development in our next issue.

#### Carfare

For hours they had been together on her front porch. The moon cast its tender gleam down on the young and handsome couple who sat strangely far apart. He sighed. Finally:

"I wish I had money, dear," he said. "I'd travel."

Impulsively, she slipped her hand into his; then, rising swiftly, she sped in the house.

Aghast, he looked at his hand. In his palm lay a nickel.

### NO K. K. K. OUTLAWS WANTED IN PECOS

Governor Parker, of Louisiana, is to be congratulated for his efforts in running down the slayers of Watt Daniel and Thos. F. Richards. It is evidently the work of the K. K. K. and was one of the most cruel murders in the history of the world. Just how 15 or 20 men could get together who were capable of such cruelty is beyond the ken of this writer, and just how any sane man can be a K. K. K. after reading the evidence adduced at the trial is more to be wondered at. The government of the United States should and probably will take a hand in this matter and bring the guilty to the bar of justice, if that be possible. One thing which is beyond the comprehension of the ordinary mind is the fact that those who have remained with the Klan to this time and claim to have ordinary intelligence cannot remember anything at all. One hardly knows whether he is living or not and if this writer had the full power of the "Cyclops" of the Klan he would not be living many more days if the laws of the country could be enforced. Let's all hope and pray that Reeves County may never be infested with such an organization of outlaws.—Pecos Enterprise.

#### Notice

The Commissioners' Court of Midland County, Texas, will, at the regular February term of said court, to be held at the court house in the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, on the second Monday in February, A. D. 1923, receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Midland County, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county for the ensuing two years as prescribed by law.

Any such banking corporation, association or individual banker in said county, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the county judge of said county on or before the first day of said term, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that the said banking corporation, association or individual banker offers to pay on the funds of the county for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid shall be accepted by the court, he will enter into the bond as required by law.

At the said term of the court, such bids as may be presented will be opened and acted upon by the court as prescribed by law. Given under my hand and official seal of office at Midland, Texas, this 15th day of January, A. D. 1923. Chas. L. Klapproth, County Judge, Midland County, Tex. adv 16-3t.

### MADE HIS CLIENT PRESENT OF BALANCE

Count Armand du Bucamp, the Belgian publicist, said the other day in an interview:

"When I hear of any good thing coming out of Germany I wink my eye and think of the story about the lawyer.

"Gents,' a fat man said in a hotel smoking room, 'I hate to hear you lambasting lawyers the way you've been doing. A lawyer last year made me a present of \$150.'

"Yes, he did!"

"Come off!"

"What are you giving us?"

"But these gibes and jeers didn't move the fat man.

"It's the solemn truth, gents,' he said. 'You see, I was injured in a railroad accident last year, and this lawyer sued the railroad company and got \$5,000 damages. His bill was \$5,150, but he didn't say a word about the \$150 balance. He made me a present of it.'

#### Evening the Account

Mrs. Jones was reproving her new cook, Mrs. Green's cook sat on the neighboring back porch, listening.

Mrs. Jones (to Mrs. Green's cook)

"Now, you go right in and quit eavesdropping. I'm not very favorably impressed with you anyway."

Mrs. Green's Cook—"Yas, 'um, an' I'ze some uv dat wid you, too."

# ONE MORE WEEK OF BARGAINS

## WADLEY-WILSON CO.

# CLEARANCE SALE

### Continues to Saturday Jan. 27



### Consolation Sale of Aluminum Friday Morning

So many customers was disappointed in not getting a part of the Wonderful Aluminum that we had on sale last Friday morning that we wired for another HUNDRED PIECES of this.

This assortment consists of Tea Kettles, Stew Pans, Double Boilers, Double Roasters, Dish Pans, Etc. Not a piece worth less than \$1.50 each and up to as much as \$3.50.

This 100 pieces will go on sale for the especial benefit of the many customers who were disappointed last Friday.

Next Friday Morning, at the piece - - - - - 95c

### Extra Special Silk Hose

Just arrived, 30 dozen extra values in Ladies Brown and Black, Pure Thread Silk Hose. Full fashioned, with lisle top, in the famous Wayne Knit guaranteed stocking. A hose that is worth every cent of the regular price of \$1.75 the pair.

These go into this sale, special, the pair . . . . . \$1.25

### Extra Value Bath Towels

20 dozen, extra heavy, double thread, bleached Turkish Bath Towels, size 20 x 40, very good dollar value and you will pay more than a dollar the pair for these before you see them less. Priced special for this January Clearance Sale, at the pair . . . . . 69c

### New Spring Gingham 16c

Just in, a case of New Spring Gingham, 32 inches wide and bought to sell at 20c the yard. To make this the greatest of all Clearance Sales we are offering this for the balance of the time this sale is to run, at a very special price. Remember this is New Spring Patterns and the colors are absolutely fast. Full 32 inches wide. Priced special the yard . . . . . 16c

### 36-Inch Mercerized Dimity

36 Inch Mercerized Dimity Checks, yard wide, splendid quality, in White, Flesh, Helio, Gold and Light Blue, one of the biggest values offered at this January Clearance Sale. Just the thing for Spring sewing; priced special for this sale, the yard . . . . . 29c

## ---REMEMBER---

# Every Item in This Stock is Reduced for This Sale

### Men's Overalls

In both Stripes and Blue, worth \$1.75 on present market; buy what you will need for the next six months, you will not see them this price again soon. All sizes, the pair . . . . . \$1.25

### Mens' Work Shirts

These will have to bring not less than \$1.25 when present supply is gone, and we have to buy again. Full cut, good material, well made, sizes 14 to 18, in Blue, Grey and Khaki, priced special for this Clearance Sale, each . . . . . 90c

### Clearance of Sweaters

Every Sweater in the house, men's womens' boys', misses' and children's is priced to move at less than wholesale cost, for we do not want to carry a one of these to next fall. You will save on these at this Clearance Sale.

### Cotton Checks 10c

At the time this advertisement is written, there are a few pieces left. Every yard worth 15c today and will not be cheaper. Priced special for this sale the yd. 10c

### Narrow Outing 10c

In medium dark checks and plaids, 25 inches wide and the quality is very good or the price, the yard . . . . . 10c

### Cotton Blankets, Pair \$1.85

Full size 66 x 80, worth not less than \$2.75 the pair on today's market and you will pay at least that price for the next fall. We have about 25 pairs of these left, priced special for this sale, the pair . . . . . \$1.85

### Stetson Seconds

Men, here are the biggest hat values in America. We have these in Santrix shapes in white, priced at \$3.75 in black and white Mountain shapes at . . . . . \$4.65 Big Four shapes in black and white at . . . . . \$5.35

### Wonderful Values in Shoes

We have gone through our shoe stock and taken out every pair of odds and ends, small sizes, etc., and grouped these into two lots. Table No. 1 are shoes worth up to \$10.00 that we offer choice . . . . . \$3.95 Table No. 2 in odds and ends that we offer choice . \$1.95

### 50 and 65c Zephyrs Gingham 39 cents

If you realized the way cotton goods is advancing, you would buy every yard of your spring Gingham now. The patterns are good, the quality is the very best, all 32 inches wide and not a yard of it worth less than 50c the yard. Priced for this sale, the yard . . . . . 30c

REMEMBER PLEASE that every item in this stock is reduced for this sale. To the date this advertisement is written, it has been the greatest sale we have ever known and we propose to keep adding bargains to this sale every day to make this the greatest Clearance Sale Wadley-Wilson Co. has ever conducted.

### Miss Lydie G. Watson

Student of

Gallowag College, Searcy, Ark.

Landon's Conservatory, Dallas, Texas.

American Conservatory, Chicago, Ill.

now has her Studio open for the term 1922-1923 and will be pleased to greet her former pupils and enroll any new students who seriously desire to study music. She will maintain a south side studio as well as one at her residence. Call upon her personally or phone her at 88.



---It Is---

## Interesting, Instructive, Highly Entertaining

It is the best thing yet to keep your boy at home nights and will afford high class entertainment for the whole family.

Ask Persons who have Radiophones in their Homes.

Several have been installed in Midland homes and no one has yet expressed anything but pleasure and not one ordered taken out. Prices range from

**\$34.00 to \$150.00**

Installation FREE with Batteries, Etc, included, ready for service. Try a "HARK SENIOR,"

Only \$34.00 and ready to go.

**Midland Light Company**

W. H. Williams, Manager

## OIL DEVELOPMENT BIG SPRING FIELD

MAKING OF LOCATION BY GULF COMPANY CONSIDERED FAVORABLE

The Reporter has not mentioned lately wildcatting for oil by our neighbor, Big Spring east and Pecos west, but both are "hammering along" and the newspapers published in the respective places keep up their courage tirelessly. Following is reported for the week by the Big Spring Herald:

The Gulf Production Co. have made location for their Crawford well No. 1 on Lot 14, O'Keefe subdivision in Mitchell County about 2 miles north of the Badgett gasser. The tools and rig have been shipped, and drilling will be started within a few days.

The Underwriters' Earl Morrison No. 3 encountered a big fresh water flow at 325 feet, and they are now making a water well which will eliminate the water shortage. This means much towards continuous development.

The California Company have made location in Southwest corner of section 27.

S. A. Sloan at Smart No. 1 have rebuilt rig which was burned about two weeks ago, and are now drilling at 1400 feet.

This well is just north of the Underwriters Morrison production and south of the Badgett gasser which has been burning for some time and it looked upon as being one of the best prospects in Mitchell County.

The Coleman well is standing 2200 feet in oil and will be shot from 2730 to 2780 as soon as Mr. Fletcher arrives from Pennsylvania, he being the principal stockholder in this company.

Marcus Snyder is rigged up in section 39 and will start drilling in a few days.

California Inc., Richardson No. 1 are drilling at 2300 feet.

Frank Kelsey, et al, Badgett No. 1 are drilling at 800 feet.

In the Westbrook-Iatan Section

The fact that oil has been encountered in the test well on the Coleman ranch is further evidence that there is an oil field somewhere in the Mitchell County field. The gas showing in the Bowser and Reed, Badgett No. 1 is further evidence of this fact according to oil men, and hence the reason for increased development in that field. One rig builder reports that he has the contract to erect four new derricks immediately in the territory adjacent to Badgett No. 1.

We are informed that the Gulf Production Company is one of the companies to make location for a test north of the gas well.

The Underwriters Company are progressing with their new test well, Morrison No. 3 and are making good time. They expect to start their T. & P. No. 3 in the near future.

S. A. Sloan and associates are getting ready to resume drilling on their Smart No. 1. A new derrick has been completed to replace the one destroyed by fire. Oil men consider this location of this well especially favorable.

Frank Kelsey and others are making progress on their Badgett No. 1, northeast of the gasser, also known as Badgett No. 1.

At the Nat Smith No. 1 they are drilling below 2500 feet.

The crew at the Foster No. 1 of the Colorado-Texas Consolidated Company, is still on the job trying to recover tools.

The Fensland Company is said to be ready to make a test in the vicinity of the big gasser, Badgett No. 1.

At Enders-Cushing Test

The work of withdrawing the casing from Enders-Cushing well No. 1 has been completed, with the exception of one joint. Fishing tools to secure this piece of casing have been sent for and it is believed it will be no trouble to clear the well. When this is accomplished the casing will be reset at 3200 feet to shut off the water so this well can be drilled in. It has been found that the water had been soaking through the shaly formation at about 3130 feet and breaking in below where they had the casing set at 3150.

Considerable gas continues to show and those interested in this well firmly believe they will have a well when they get the water cut off.

At the Sparkman well No. 1 they are running pipe to the 1100-foot depth.

H. H. Enders, of Boston, president of the Cushing Ranch Drilling Association is here to watch development.

At McDowell Well No. 4

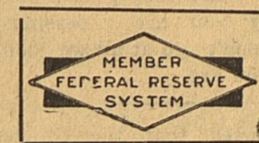
Work on McDowell No. 4 of the general Petroleum Company, on the McDowell ranch, 20 miles south of Big Spring was resumed today. Concrete was poured in this well ten days ago in an effort to afford a base on which to set casing so the water could be cut off and this well brought in. An attempt was made December 24th to

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do this but at the end of ten days the concrete had not set. A mixture of sand was added and it is hoped that this effort to shut off the water will be successful. Most all of our folks are very optimistic over the outlook for this well to be brought in a producer and everyone is watching progress on this test. If the concrete holds this time it will only be a few days until it can be determined just what this well is going to do.

**Sterling County Oil Tests**

Work on the Chicago-Texas Oil Association's Durham No. 1, just southwest of Sterling City, is delayed temporarily, awaiting the arrival of ten inch casing.

Work on the Brennan well No. 1 northwest of Sterling City, has not been resumed as yet but it is believed the owners will eventually drill this test deeper.

Office space for the Fidelity Oil Company has been provided at Sterling City and it is said this company will soon be on the job.

HIS RECORD IN THE STATE UNIVERSITY

Speaker R. E. Seagler, of the House of Representatives, of the 38th legislature, is a former student of the University of Texas, and a former resident of Brackenridge Hall, the men's dormitory on the campus. He earned some of his expenses while attending school by serving as "washerwoman" of B. Hall, collecting and distributing the weekly laundry of the boys there. He also earned money by acting as bill collector for one of the tailor shops. Entering the University in the fall of 1909, Mr. Seagler took part in the famous Engineer-Law fight, which took place in the spring of 1910. He was a member of the Rusk Literary Society and held an assistantship in public speaking. In the spring of 1911 he received the highest honor conferred by the students, being elected president of the Students' Association.

**Skin Games**

"Isn't there some fable about the ass disguising himself with a lion skin?"

"Yes, but now the colleges do the trick with a sheepskin." Demonstrations by extension workers in the methods and importance of spraying fruit trees have resulted in farm orchards being sprayed on over 37,000 farms in 1921.

**LARGE ENROLLMENT FOR WINTER TERM**

Enrollment in the University of Texas for the winter term is now 4,358, showing an increase of 190 new students over the enrollment for the fall term. The winter term examinations will begin on March 20th.

The principal trouble with Europe is the eternal prevalence of trouble.

### PASSING STUDENTS

IN STATE UNIVERSITY

Of the 525 freshman girls in the University of Texas last term, only 32 failed to pass enough courses to continue in school for the winter term. The number of "bustees" is considerably less than in former years, and is thought to be due to the careful supervision of the girls by the dean of women and her staff, in co-operation with the house mothers. In the Scottish Rite Dormitory for girls, which was opened this year for the first time, there were only four girls who failed to pass enough courses to stay in school. There are 306 girls in the dormitory, and 149 are freshmen.

**Reversed the Clutch**

"Smith had a peculiar experience the other night," Brown told a friend. "He dreamed that he was an Indian, and getting out of bed, he wrapped himself in a blanket and started to walk through the woods. He woke up three hours later and found himself ten miles from home, with no car fare in sight."

"You don't mean it?" replied the astonished listener. "How in the world did he get back?"

"Oh," cheerfully rejoined Brown, "that was easy. He lay down under a tree, dreamed again that he was an Indian, and walked back."

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### THE TIME WHEN COAL

GOES TO THE MUSEUMS

Bituminous coal production in 1922 was at low-water mark, according to figures for the past six years supplied by the Geological Survey. These figures show that whenever the production has fallen off in any year that the reason has been due to strikes and lockouts. Every man who is now a purchaser of coal is making his own figures concerning the folly of industrial conditions within the coal mining industry. When he finds one, two, or three dollars a ton added to former prices he is ready to concede that "something ought to be done about it." "Something" always is done. Usually it is an investigation by the Senate or House, but this year it is different because a commission is "fact-finding," and it is safe to predict that when the facts are all collected they will be quite the same as the preceding "facts" in the Senate files, or in the House pigeon-holes, brought out in many former exhaustive investigations.

About the only original observation that your Washington newspaper correspondent can recall concerning coal—past, present and future—was made by a progressive thinker the other day, who mused philosophically: "A hundred years from now people will wonder how their forefathers could have been so stupid as to dig and crawl down into the depths of the earth to find something to make heat of. And their wonder will not decrease when they read how from a quarter to a half of all the energies of the railroads were used up in hauling this underground heat-producing substance to millions of particular spots where it could be burned in order that the smoke and the blaze of the fire might be used on the premises."

**Logical**

May (watching ball game)—"Where do they keep the extra bases?"

Ray—"What for?"

May—"Well, that man just stole third base."

**Too Warm for Words**

Mr. Eventemper received a hot letter that made him furious. In reply he wrote: "Sir, my stenographer, being a lady, cannot transcribe what I think of you. I, being a gentleman, cannot express it. You, being neither, will understand what I mean."

### A False Note

A British tar, home on leave and celebrating the occasion, had got himself into a dilemma. He had hired a taxi, only to discover when approaching his destination that he was penniless. He had dined and wine, not wisely, but too well. But the British navy is a training school of resourcefulness. He caught up the speaking tube, shouted "Stop" and jumped out.

"I just want to pop into this tobacconist's and get some matches," he explained to the driver. "I've dropped a pound note somewhere in the cab and can't find it in the dark." He entered the tobacconist's, and as he did so the cab and its driver vanished into the night, as he had anticipated.

Oat stalks, six feet one inch in height, were grown by a rancher near Port Arthur, Canada.

## Inactive Liver

"I have had trouble with an inactive liver," wrote Mrs. S. Nichols, of 4412 Spencer St., Houston, Texas. "When I would get constipated, I would feel a light, dizzy feeling in my head. To get up in the morning with a lightness in the head and a tremble feeling is often a sign that the stomach is out of order. For this I took *Theford's Black-Draught*, and without a doubt can say I have never found its equal in any liver medicine. It not only cleans the liver, but leaves you in such a good condition. I have used it a long time, when food does not seem to set well, or the stomach is a little sour."

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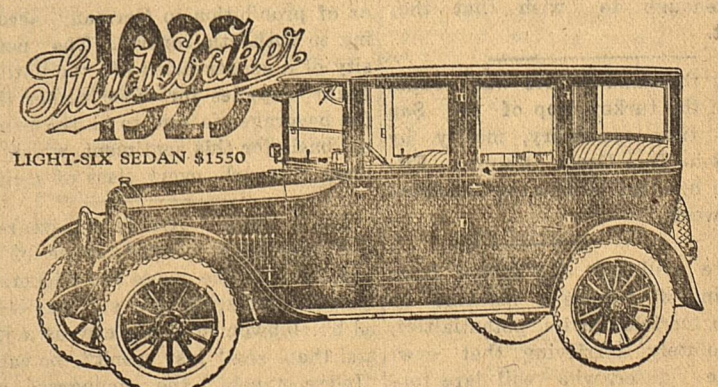
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**CURRENT BUSINESS  
CONDITIONS**

By GEORGE E. ROBERTS  
From the Monthly Bulletin For  
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The most important feature of the business recovery during the past year has been the improvement in the prices of agricultural products, tending to restore the normal relationship between these and the products of other industries. The final estimate by the Department of Agriculture upon the value of 1922 crops gives them as \$1,800,000,000 over the value for the year 1921. This means so much additional purchasing power to be expended among the industries, and they are all benefited.

The year ended with the best holiday trade on record and with practically full employment for the available labor supply. The tendency to higher wages and prices shows that the slack has been taken up and this means that the situation is nearly as good as it can be. Some re-adjustments may be desirable, but when the industries are operating at capacity or to the limit of their labor supply they can do no more, except as methods may be improved. Moreover, when they have reached that stage, there is danger that additional pressure will start a cycle of rising wages and prices, always unhealthy and temporary. After every period of either depression or activity business is likely to swing past the point of balance in the other direction. This should be avoided as far as possible. What is wanted is stability, permanent employment, regular wages, and steady prices.

Aside from the threat of inflation, and with a reservation as to European conditions, the outlook for 1923 is excellent. The principal industries have all the business in sight they need to have to make a prosperous year; the only question is whether it will remain in sight if industrial costs move higher. The margin of profit upon which employers are working, however, is very small. In most of the industries goods cannot be sold today on a replacement basis. Such profits as there are result from making up materials bought at lower prices than are now prevailing. This is so because certain industrial costs have been maintained at a high level after the buying power of a portion of the consuming public has been reduced. Under such conditions every increase in costs must be passed on to consumers, who for the most part are the wage-earners themselves and the farmers.

**Wages, Prices and Employment**  
This attitude on the part of the wage-workers is due to the common habit of thinking of wages as wholly a matter between employer and employee, and that the higher wages are fixed the better for the employee. Neither assumption is correct, viewing the interests of labor as a whole. When it is known that wages, prices, consumption and employment are all closely related, the fallacy of this idea will be seen. If the compensation of all groups could be raised together, nobody would be benefited, and on the other hand if compensation is raised in a few industries alone, the effect will be to curtail employment in those industries.

The upward tendency of wages and the prospect of another coal strike are features of the 1923 situation prompting the business man to operate with caution.

**The Industrial Balance**  
The workers in the textile industries outside of the Southern States have taken only one general reduction from the top wages of the boom period, of 22 1-2 per cent, in December, 1920. They are now moving for its recovery. The average hourly wages of all labor in 23 leading industries covered by the investigations of the National Industrial Conference Board were 108 per cent higher in September, 1922, than in July, 1914.

On the other hand, the farmers took an almost perpendicular reduction averaging about 50 per cent from the top level of 1920, from which they have recovered about 17 per cent and the average purchasing power of the principal farm products in October, 1922, was only 65 per cent of what it was in 1913.

For organized labor to demand the re-establishment of the highest wages of the boom period while buying farm products upon the present level will be an effort to perpetuate an unfair advantage and deprive the farmer of the moderate gain he has made in the past year.

**Report of Secretary of the Treasury**  
In his annual report to the speaker of the house of representatives, Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon reviews the debt-paying and funding operations by which the short-dated debt of about \$7,000,000,000 existing when he came into office

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**Two Sections Already Sold**

The two north sections (secs. 23 and 24) have been sold to a Fannin county man, who is the president of a bank, is a merchant, lumberman, and also a farmer. This purchaser states that he will immediately open a farm of 100 acres on each quarter section; also that he contemplates improvements totaling \$10,000, and that his purchase is intended as an investment and not as a speculation. It is not his intention to resell it.

The remaining four sections will be offered for sale (subject to prior sale and changes in prices without notice) as follows:

In tracts of	Price per acre---	Cash payment---
640 acres	\$15.00	\$ 6.00 per acre
320 "	16.00	7.00 " "
160 "	17.00	8.00 " "
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The bigger the cheat the louder he yells when he return gets skinned.

When an old man falls in love it is unnecessary to tell his friends.

Cheer up! We may have another European war after all.

Misery loves company, even if it increases the misery.

Keep a stiff upper lip, of course, but don't let it freeze that way.

No man is ever really witty until other people think he is.

Truth may be stronger than fiction without being a stranger to it.

Some people would do almost anything to get money, except the things that they don't want to do.

It is comforting to know that somewhere in every person there is something good.

Never mind what the world owes you. It is your ability to collect that counts.

The fellow who covets the earth should be content to even live upon it.

Never compare your intelligence with that of another person. Self humiliation is not required.

Before airing the escapades of your neighbor it is well to remember that he may know of a few of your own.

The husband who knows how to manage his wife should be too good a husband to do it.

Never marry a man with the expectation of inducing him to reform. He might disappoint you by doing it.

We know of a fellow in this town who never varies the regularity of church attendance. He never goes.

When some people's intellect fail to function they fall back upon being natural.

This high-brow stuff is all right for people whose brows are low enough to be reached.

It takes a wise person to know when to begin, when to stop, and what to say in between.

If all of their wishes could be granted some people would be perverse enough to wish that they couldn't.

Forty thousand dollars was realized from the turkey crop of the San Angelo trade territory, mostly by farmers in Tom Green County. Fifty-three hundred birds were marketed in one week.

"There will one day spring from the brain of science a machine or force so terrible in its potentialities, so absolutely terrifying, that even man, the fighter, who will dare torture and death in order to inflict it, will be appalled, and so will abandon war forever," said Thomas A. Edison in a recent interview.

When things go your way you are an optimist. When they go the other fellow's way you are a pessimist. When they don't go at all we don't know what you are.

It is reported that the Stinnes group of Germany has received a concession to repair the wharves and houses of Petrograd—a task requiring several years' work. A shipbuilding firm of Germany is rebuilding the Volga merchant-fleet for Russia.

The \$15,000 bonds of William D. Haywood, convicted I. W. W. leader, has been ordered forfeited and deputies ordered to collect the bonds. Haywood fled to Russia and has never returned.

Short skirts, short sleeves, low necks and high heels in feminine apparel have caused several Swiss insurance companies, which insure against illness, to raise their premiums 15 per cent for women.

The Savana river is carrying 135 carloads of Georgia farm land into the ocean daily, because the wanton destruction of forests has given the heavy rainfall a better chance to do its work.

"If the bankers will pin their faith to the business men of this country and stand by the great industrial interests," says Charles M. Shewab, "the United States will do the business of the world."

Dividends ranging from 200 to more than 365 per cent are being made by candy manufacturers in Germany. The Teutons are reported to have become great candy-eaters. The candy is taking the place of other foodstuffs that are too high in price.

A high-grade oil is to be manufactured from dogfish which swarm in Pacific waters. A newly formed company in the Queen Charlotte Islands, off the mainland of British Columbia, will catch the fish in traps and extract the oil by a new and patented process. The traps will not interfere with the salmon and other food fish.

The finger printing of every person in the United States is recommended by the New York State chamber of commerce as a protective measure to make difficult "the evasion of clever and dangerous aliens sent here for the purpose of spreading discontent among the unassimilated portions of our population."

Mrs. J. M. has decided not to announce any more programs by the choir of the Congregational church until the duck season is over. However, there will always be good music by some members of the choir Sunday evening.

The old-time cowboy used the handkerchief which encircled his neck, but not as an ornament. As the cowboy rode behind a bunch of moving cattle, the still knotted handkerchief's broadest part was drawn up over the wearer's mouth and nose, excluding dust and making breathing possible.

There is a strong sentiment in favor of prohibition in Germany, according to authentic reports. The necessity of a conservation of the nation's grain supplies for food rather than for beverages is said to be the principal basis for this sentiment, which extends to nearly every class of society.

Miss Clara Arnold, 18-year-old girl, has been elected justice of the peace and police judge in Nickerson, Kansas. Declaring that she was elected by clubwomen of the city as a joke and that she "just won't" be called "Judge Arnold," the youngest, and perhaps only, feminine judge of Kansas, at first refused to qualify for her office. Later, she acceded, under threat of prosecution.

has been placed in a more easily handled form.

**Prospective Revenues**  
The secretary reports current gains in the revenues promising to aggregate about \$350,000,000, and on the other hand decreased expenditures of about \$200,000,000. While the probabilities are that the deficit anticipated at the beginning of the fiscal year will not be entirely overcome, the secretary does not think it necessary at this time to ask for additional taxes. The secretary estimates that the total revenue from all the surtaxes with respect to the business of the taxable year 1922 will not exceed \$350,000,000, which is only about 10 per cent of the total ordinary revenues. He believes that it would be sound policy, and at the same time most helpful to the general situation, to reduce the surtaxes to a minimum of not over 25 per cent, which would mean a combined maximum, including normal tax and surtax, of not over 33 per cent. It is not likely that Congress will adopt the secretary's recommendations as there are too many members who would rather go through the form of levying high taxes on large incomes, notwithstanding convincing evidence that the taxes are not paid.

**Tax-Exempt Securities**  
Tax-exempt securities issued by the Federal and State governments and the political sub-divisions and agencies of the latter are the most outstanding avenues of escape from the surtax, according to the secretary. The debate in Congress upon his recommendation that a constitutional amendment to stop further issue of these tax-exempt securities be adopted and submitted to the states, has indicated that substantial opposition exists and that it may not be practicable to secure ratification by the required number of States.

Another development of an interesting character is the denunciation of investors who buy the tax exempt securities. Congressman Frear in his philippic against tax-dodgers quotes Secretary Mellon as estimating that \$10,000,000,000 has gone into tax-exempt securities to dodge taxes. What the secretary actually said was that there were estimated to be \$10,000,000,000 of tax-exempt securities outstanding; of course, they are all exempt from taxation, whoever owns them, because the laws of the land make them so.

Whatever one's opinion may be of the policy of maintaining the present

exemptions, it certainly is a strange situation when citizens cannot respond to the solicitations of their own State and Federal governments for funds without being subjected to scorn and denunciation. Some 18 States have offered bonds for the purpose of paying soldiers' bonuses, but according to this line of comment nobody should have bought them.

There is nothing clandestine or irregular about the action of the investors, nor are they responsible for the fact that the securities are tax-exempt. The responsibility is with the legislators who not only permit the situation to exist in the case of the government issues, but who go out of their way to create other tax-exempt issues, like the Federal Farm Loan bonds, for the very purpose of attracting this class of investors. They must know that a five per cent bond exempt from taxation is much more attractive to an investor who is subject to the high surtaxes than to an investor who is not subject to the surtaxes. It is scarcely consistent for congressmen who helped to create the Land Bank System to denounce the purchasers of the bonds as public enemies.

**SPECIAL TO READERS  
OF THE REPORTER**

There is a promise of more development in the Midland Country in 1923 than perhaps in any year of this section's history; and along many different lines. Stockmen are strongly organized for the production of more and better livestock, agricultural interests are greater and more universal than at any time past, and the whole business atmosphere of the West has changed to an extent that all hearts are cheered with a brighter hope than has almost ever been known. We want every reader of this paper to continue upon our list. If you are interested in Midland and The Midland Country it will be worth while to pay up. It is both troublesome and an unnecessary expense to send you a statement. Your name and the date to which you have paid is plainly printed either upon the margin of your paper or the wrapper in which it comes. Pay up, then, and let's get on in the New Year with an even break.

The Reporter is \$2.00 per year, in advance. Some of our reads are far behind instead of as it should be.

**RESOLUTIONS—  
MRS. FRANK WILLIAMS**

The ties of friendship and sisterhood that bind us together as a class have been broken in the passing of Mrs. Frank Williams.

She was a woman of intelligence, industry, candor, and courage. None who knew her could fail to appreciate the strength of her character, the genuineness of her religious experience. As acting president of the Wesley Bible class, she was every ready to advance its interests.

To the bereaved companion and children of our sister, the words of Holy Writ have perhaps a clearer meaning when they read "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day."

To the class, may we, knowing that the river of life runs swiftly into the sea of eternity, profit in the passing of our co-worker to the extent at least, that we may draw closer together in the bonds of friendship, and express to the living some evidence of our friendship and appreciation, ere they too pass out into eternity.

To the family of our beloved friend, may each of you by God's help let your life stand, as did your loved one, for those things that make life and that vast forever one sweet song. "They never quite leave us, our beloved who have passed Through the shadow of death to the sunlight above. A thousand sweet memories are holding them fast

To the places they blessed with their presence and love."

Resolved, that a copy be forwarded to the bereaved family, also a copy to The Midland Reporter for publication, and a copy be spread upon the records of the Wesley Adult Bible Class.

Mrs. Phil Scharbauer, Mrs. C. E. Smith, Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass.

As the colored attendant at the dinner handed the professor his hat, the professor, wishing to question the negro about his memory, said:

"How do you know this one is mine?"

"I don't know dat suh," the attendant answered.

"Well, then, why do you give it to me?" queried the professor.

"Cause you gib it to me suh," said the darkey.



OBSERVATIONS OF MIKE THE METER MAN

The article following herewith Manager W. H. Williams of the Midland Light Company asks us to publish, just as a suggestion. He, Mr. Williams, declares he has not thought of such tactics as necessary in Midland, not quite yet, but that a "poison member" would surely not be amiss in some instances of lack of appreciation.

But read this funny story: "The advantage of meetin' mean people," remarked Mike, the meter man, to Abe Postler, proprietor of the Liberty Pocket Billiard Parlor, "the advantage of meetin' mean people is that they make you appreciate the other kind. A feller that never had a toothache don't know his blessings except theoretically or by reading the pyorrhea ads. And anybody who don't sometimes frequently have to save a grouch pretty soon gets to be one himself."

"Th' other day I was sittin' alongside Billy Baxter's desk down to the office. Y' see, in my job, I get around quite a bit lookin' into this an' that. Billy's desk has a nice brass sign on it that says, 'Adjustments,' but that's wrong; it should be, 'Shock Absorber and Oil Gusher'—at least, that's what it should be when Billy's on the job. But this day Billy was out and th' guy they put in his place had ought to of brung his own sign, which if he'd done so would of read, 'Poison.'"

"I know 'at feller, you bet," was Abe's comment. "Next time I talk to him I blow yer damn power house in smoke up, I get so mad."

"That's him," agreed Mike, the meter man. "Nice, cors-grained little helrazor he is. I watched him do his stuff for 20 minutes, and he cost the company about sixteen dollars a minute. He certainly wags a mean tongue."

"Well, o' course it wasn't none o' my business—or so I thought at first. If th' company wants to adjust complaint, by gettin' th' customers so mad they die o' apoplexy, why, so long's I work for th' company I gotta make out t' stand for it."

"But pretty soon this human rasp file got t' talkin' with one o' my people—nice little lady named White out in th' East End whose meter I bin readin' for six years, an' always as pleasant an' cool an' sweet as a strawberry sundae. Got a kid 'at I seen grow up from th' size o' yer foot to where th' little sonofagun can read meters as good as me."

"Well, this here poison-voive gets a call from Mrs. White, an' before she c'n much more'n tell what's wrong, he goes to work on her like a cooper around a barrel. 'No—we can't—your kid shouldn't have done that—you're wrong—it's against the rules—read your contract—I can't do a thing for you—you'll have to pay for all damage—make your complaint in writing—I can't help that—baby ought to have known better—now, don't talk that way to me, I ain't paid to stand for no back slack—all right, go ahead and make a complaint to the general manager, and see how far you get.' Them was his conciliatin' words, spoke with the intertion o' buildin' up public relations an' sellin' stock to customers."

"Well, I decided not to kill the bozo just then. Knockin' him for a row o' post holes wouldn't o' got me no place except off'n the payroll an' into jail. So I gets hold o' my temper with one hand an' my fliv with th' other, an' I beats it out t' Mrs. White's place, it bein' after hours an' my route being covered."

"An' whadaya s'pose was loose? Nothin' at all, that's what. Simply nothin' a-tall. This here kid had gone and started to suck the insulation off'n a toaster cord, an' the lil' dickens had got his tongue in agin a contact and got hisself jolted. An' then he lets out a yell and falls back an' pulls th' fixture off'n th' wall and shorts things up so's a fuse blew."

"When I got there Mrs. White was scarce th' color o' her name an' there wa'n't no lights an' th' supper had burned. An' th' kid was still yellin' red murder becuz him an' her was both scarce. Well, all I done was to straighten out them fixture wires an' stick in a fuse plug, an' then everything was jake."

"Y'oughta have heard th' slobberin' blessings an' complaints around when I done it. Say, she grabs me hat an' sits me down to th' kitchen talbe an' forces four pieces o' th' swellest chocolate cake onto me, an' a dipper o' home-made wine that would o' pickled horsemeat. Like t'spoiled my appetite for supper, besides tellin' me I was a better electrician than Edison. Made me take her order for a washin' machine th' company's advertising, an' said she'd write the manager an' tell him I'd oughta be superintendent or sumpin. Say, it was great."

"Wha's all that gotta do with this here barbed wire baboon what bawled her out on th' telephone?" asked Abe. "Why, doncha see? Th' Company sticks that combination o' cayenne an' cyanide on th' job so's people'll appreciate th' rest of us. Some little long-headed scheme, if y' ast me. Folks calls up an' gets a heluva razz off'n this here human porcupine, an' then when th' rest of us goes out to apply th' old salve we get chocolate cake an' orders for washin' machines. Doncha see? If everybody in th' Company was as sweet as karo syrup, th' public'd treat us all like so mucn union labor, but when we got ourselves a hyena like this here to show 'em what real meanness is, why then they appreciate th' rest of us."

"So that's the reason for keepin' him on the payroll, eh?"

"It's th' only reason I kin see—an' I looked pretty hard to find that one."

**Too Absent Minded**  
A lady reader wrote confidently to the editor in charge of a personal inquiry column:

"I have lost three husbands, and now have the offer of a fourth. Shall I accept him?"

"If you have already lost three husbands," wrote the long-suffering editor, "I should say you are much too careless to be trusted with a fourth."

**Entirely Satisfactory**  
Grace was taking her first look at the new baby, and gaily mimicking its wrinkled little features.

"I'm afraid you don't like your new sister very well," remarked the nurse. "Oh, yes, I do; why, it's just my favorite shade of red!"

**Translated for Flappers**  
When they film a story it always gets a new name and more heart interest.

"Yes, I know. I suppose 'Ben Hur' will now be featured as 'Her Ben.'"

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy**  
This is a pleasant, safe and reliable medicine for coughs and colds. It has been in use for many years and is held in high esteem in those households where its good qualities are best known. It is a favorite with mothers of young children, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. Try it when you have need of such a remedy.

**LEGION HAS CEMETERY PLOT**  
Racine (Wis.) Organization Will See That No Ex-Service Man Sleeps in Potter's Field.

The American Legion at Racine, Wis., has taken over a part of one of the city's cemeteries and will hold it in order that no one of the ex-service men who did his share in the army or navy during the World war need sleep in a potter's field. When the Legion's work on its acquired plot is complete, Racine will have a miniature Arlington. The plot is circular and will be fittingly arranged in order that it may look as much as possible like the national cemetery in Virginia.

The Legion men have authorized the expenditure of \$5,893.50 for the land. A steel mast, from which will fly the Stars and Stripes is one of the first things the organization will buy. Already Racine's 55 ex-service men are buried in two of its cemeteries. An effort is to be made to have as many of these as possible transferred to the new plot. Room for the burial of more than 300 veterans is being allowed for.

The next session of the Wisconsin legislature will be asked to raise the amount which the state allows for the burial of a war veteran. At present this amount is but \$50, but it is hoped that this will be increased to \$75 or \$100.

**Carrying On With the American Legion**  
It rained \$500 for the Legion in Toronto recently. Insurance was taken out against more than 10-100 of an inch on a celebration day. The precipitation was 14-100.

Bronze doors will lead into the \$250,000 memorial hall to be erected at Centralia, Wash., in honor of the four American Legion men who were killed by I. W. W. members in that city.

If Constantine does not quickly win the war with the Turks, Greece may decide that it wants to be a republic after all.

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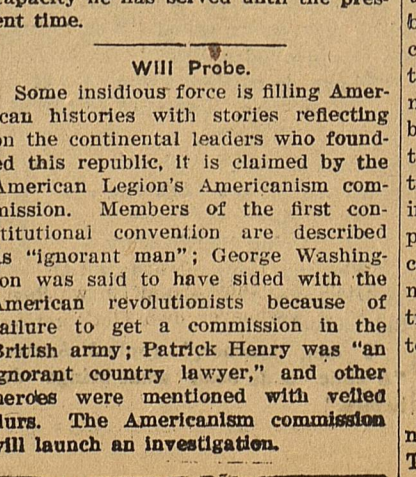
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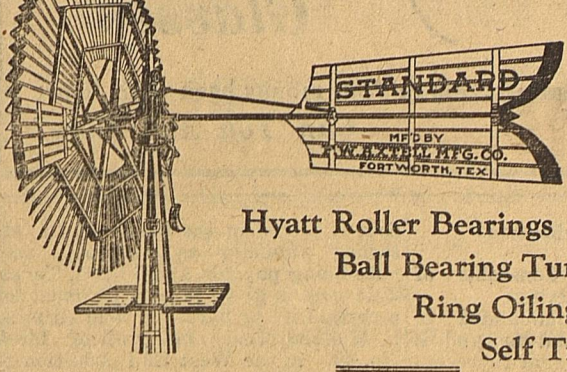
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Gov. Pat M. Neff broke into the popular conception that he had never shot a gun, recently, when he engaged in several hunting trips with various officials of Texas and Oklahoma who are well known sportsmen.

Two motor truck loads of human bones, the remains of several hundred early settlers of New York, were unceremoniously dumped into the ocean recently in New York City from a rubbish scow, according to a news dispatch from that city. Workmen dug up an ancient churchyard with old brown tombstones containing names and dates, the latest of which was 1820. Records indicate the old graveyard was undoubtedly connected with two prominent Massachusetts churches of the early 19th century, and no doubt contained the bodies of heroes of the American Revolution and the War of 1812.

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We have placed a great many of these Mills in this territory and every user is more than satisfied with its service.

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FOR SALE—Good five room modern house, large lot, windmill and tank-also connected with city water. Will sell this place cheap and give good terms. R. M. Barron. 8tf

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WANTED—Man with car to sell complete line low priced Tires and Tubes. \$100 per week and expenses. Sterlingworth Tire Co., 4426 Sterling, E. Liverpool, Ohio.

FOR SALE—About 200 bushels of big boll Rowden cotton seed. Made ten bales on 35 acres. Second year been grown here. C. M. J. Stringer, Box 204, Midland, Texas. 16tf

ESTRAYED—A registered Hereford bull, 6 years old. Has S on left hip and triangle on right thigh. Strayed from pasture near Warfield. Drop me card if you know where he is, and I will pay for trouble. Ike Stovall, Midland, Texas.

LOST—Package of dry goods with John M. King's name written on same. Return to Wadley-Wilson Co., and receive suitable reward.

**Notice**  
The commissioners' court of Andrews County, Texas, will, at the regular February term of said court, to be held at the court house in the town of Andrews, Andrews County, Texas, on the second Monday in February, A. D., 1923, same being the 12th day of February, A. D., 1923, receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Andrews County, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county for the ensuing two years as prescribed by law.

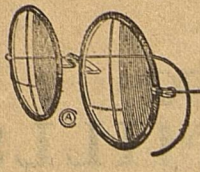
Any such banking corporation, association or individual banker in said county, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the county judge of said county on or before the first day of the said term, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that the said banking corporation, association or individual banker offers to pay on the funds of the county for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid shall be accepted by the court, he will enter into the bond as required by law.

At said term of the court, such bids as may be presented will be opened and acted upon by the court as prescribed by law.

Given under my hand and official seal of office at Andrews, Texas, this 15th day of January, A. D., 1923. J. M. SPEED, County Judge, Andrews Co., Texas. adv 16-3t

When an American offered the Passion Players of Oberammergau a million dollars for the privilege of filming the Passion Play without change in cast, the players sacrificed their locks and saved their self-respect and honor. Owing to the depreciation of the mark, the temptation to violate a sacred tradition was great. Anton Lang's philosophy is that riches do not bring contentment and happiness, two assets the players now possess.





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Fits  
**Glasses**

And guarantees satisfaction or your money back with 16 per cent interest.  
—Can You Ask More?

**Citation by Publication**

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Mary E. Roy and husband, H. C. Roy, their heirs, or legal representatives; and the heirs of D. A. McBride, deceased, and their heirs and legal representatives, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 70th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Midland County, to be held at the court house thereof, in Midland, Texas, on the first Monday in February, A. D., 1923, the same being the 5th day of February A. D., 1923, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 5th day of January, A. D., 1923, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 1663, wherein Jno. E. Thomas is plaintiff, and Mary E. Roy, and husband, H. C. Roy, their heirs or legal representatives; and the heirs of D. A. McBride, deceased, and their heirs and legal representatives, are defendants, and said petition alleging being a suit to remove cloud on the following described property, to-wit: Lots 9 and 10, in block 64, in the town of Midland, Texas, as per map and plat of said town on record on pages 232-233, book 3, Record Deeds for Midland County, Texas. Said cause of action being based upon the five, ten, and twenty-five year statute of limitation, the said Jno. E. Thomas having been in actual and peaceable possession of said property and adverse possession of same for more than 25 years from the date hereof. Said land is situated in Midland County, Texas.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Midland, Texas, on this the 5th day of January, A. D., 1923.

C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk, District Court, Midland Co., Texas. (SEAL) adv 14-4t

**Citation by Publication**

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Mrs. Cordelia Byrd, a feme sole, by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 70th Judicial District, to appear at next regular term of district court of Midland County, to be held at the court house thereof, in Midland, Texas, on the first Monday in February, A. D., 1923, the same being the 5th day of February, A. D., 1923, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 28th day of June, A. D., 1922, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 1645, wherein J. M. Jemison, is plaintiff, and W. T. Beauchamp, E. N. Snodgrass, J. O. Reynolds and Mrs. Cordelia Byrd, are defendants, and said petition alleging a suit upon a vendor's lien note, dated February 2, 1918, in the amount of \$400.00, executed by W. T. Beauchamp, payable February 2, 1919, bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum, interest payable stipulating 10 per cent attorney

fees if placed in the hands of an attorney annually as it accrues, said note being payable at Midland, Texas. This note is given in part payment for a certain lot or parcel of land situated in Midland, Texas, being all of block No. 43, in the West End Addition to Midland, Midland County, Texas, conveyed to W. T. Beauchamp by T. J. Farrow on February 2, 1918. Said note being made payable to T. J. Farrow.

That subsequent to the execution of said note T. J. Farrow sold and transferred the same to the defendant, E. N. Snodgrass, for valuable consideration, who in turn sold and transferred said vendor's lien note and note on the 25th day of February, A. D., 1918, to J. M. Jemison, plaintiff, for a good and valuable consideration.

Prior to the filing of this suit, the above described land was sold by W. T. Beauchamp to J. O. Reynolds for a valuable consideration, who in turn sold and conveyed said property to Mrs. Cordelia Byrd, a feme sole, who assumed and agreed to pay said vendor's lien note and therefore became bound to the plaintiff, J. M. Jemison.

Plaintiff prays for his debt, interest, attorney fees and costs of suit and for the foreclosure of his lien on the above described land.

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Mrs. C. E. Rogers, Midland, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are an old remedy with me and there is nothing that can take its place. I used Doan's off and on when my kidneys felt sluggish or when there was soreness through them in the morning. A short use of Doan's always gave me relief so I highly recommend this medicine."

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Send your name and address plainly written together with 5 cents (and this slip) to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and receive in return a trial package containing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, "flu" and whooping cough, and itching throat; Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for stomach troubles, indigestion, gassy pains that crowd the heart, biliousness and constipation; Chamberlain's Balm, needed in every family for burns, scalds, wounds, piles and skin affections; these valued family medicines for only 5 cents. Don't miss it. adv Jan. Feb. Mch 3mts

**Notice to Creditors of the Estate of Dick Arthur, Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of Dick Arthur, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 9th day of January, A. D., 1923, by the County Court of Midland County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address is Midland, Texas.

C. D. INGLE, Administrator of the Estate of Dick Arthur, Deceased. adv 15-4t

**STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF MIDLAND.**

To those indebted to or holding claims against the estate of E. J. Mumford, deceased, the undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of E. J. Mumford, deceased, late of Midland County, Texas, by Charles Klapproth, judge of the County Court of said county, on the 9th day of January, 1923, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law, at his residence in Midland County, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 9th day of January, A. D., 1923.

E. R. BRYAN, Executor of the Estate of E. J. Mumford, Deceased. adv. 15-4t

**Bilious Headache**

When you have a severe headache, a disordered stomach and constipation, take three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They will correct the disorders of the liver and bowels, effectually curing the headache. Jan 1m

**LAW-MAKERS FROM STATE UNIVERSITY**

Each session of the legislature shows an increasing number of students and ex-students of the University of Texas on its rolls. This year there are five students and 31 ex-students enrolled in the House of Representatives, and there are 13 members of the Senate who are ex-students of the University. The legislators who are at the present time registered for courses in the University are the following: Claude E. Carter, of Robert Lee; Roy C. Coffee, of Paradise; V. D. Fulger, of Marshall; George C. Kemble, of Fort Worth, and Roger F. Robinson, of Jewett.

**Nailed to the Mast**

"And now, boys," concluded the eminent visitor, "never be in too great a hurry. More haste, less speed. Remember the hare and the tortoise. Jog on the weary way and you will arrive just as soon. Let 'slow but sure' be your motto, and you can never go wrong. Be slow and you will be right always."

"Not always, sir," piped a youngster.

"How do you make that out?" asked the man.

"Everything that's slow ain't sure," defended the urchin.

"Name just one," said the man, a trifle nettled.

"A watch," replied the boy.

John Wanamaker, famous business man and former postmaster general, recently died in Philadelphia, aged 84.

**W. D. COWAN DIED IN PECOS LAST WEEK**

WAS WIDELY KNOWN AND HAD MANY FRIENDS IN THIS SECTION

In Midland W. D. Cowan, of Pecos had perhaps more friends than any other non-resident of general acquaintance. He was universally esteemed, and his passing is deeply regretted. Following is in part an account as given by the last issue of the Pecos Enterprise:

Earth has received back again the body of William David Cowan, which now rests in Fairview Cemetery in the city that he loved and helped to build. An illness of only a few hours resulted in the death at 6:30 Tuesday evening, January 9, 1923, of W. D. Cowan at his home in Pecos.

Mr. Cowan was born July 25, 1851, in Gonzales County, Texas. The following year he moved with his parents to Fayette County, where he remained until after his marriage in 1870 to Miss Josephine Darling. Having started business for himself as a rancher he transferred his herds to Gonzales County where he resided until 1882 when he moved to Alpine. Two years later he moved to Reeves County and settled at Saragosa, then moved to Toyah and later to Pecos.

For nearly thirty years he has been an active citizen of this place. In March of 1889 his first wife died; there was born to this union eight children, six of whom are living, as follows: Mrs. Lou Duncan, Mrs. J. B. Prewitt, Mrs. W. T. Lyle, John Cowan and Will and Sid Cowan. In 1891 he was married to Mrs. Letha Ann Porter Phillips, and one son, Marvin Cowan, was born to this union. Besides his widow and seven children there are 22 grandchildren, two great grandchildren, two brothers and myriads of friends, all of whom readily say "He was without doubt one of the best men who ever lived," and he leaves the heritage of a great life rightly lived which will be an incentive to all to live cleaner and better lives, looking unto the day when all shall join him in the great beyond.

Mr. Cowan was a good and successful business man, being president of the Pecos Mercantile Company; president of the Pecos Land Company; president of the Pecos Valley Southwestern Railway Company; president of the Fruit Lumber Company; and banking interests at Toyah, Barstow and Balmorhea. He was a clean citizen and an advocate of good morals. In his family life he was all that could be desired of a husband and father, but perhaps the most outstanding feature of his life was his church relations. He was converted early in life and joined the Baptist church. He was a deacon, a Sunday School teacher and a helpful counselor to the pastor. He was always a helping friend to the needy and discouraged.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist church Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Garner. The pastors of the other churches of the town, Revs. L. L. Thurston, C. A. Johnson, J. L. Spears and Rev. C. A. Dickson, of Saragosa, and Rev. Wm. Ross, of Barstow, were present. The pastor paid beautiful and glowing tribute to Mr. Cowan's life in all its phases. The choir sang his favorite hymns and beautiful flower emblems of the purity of his character and tokens of the high regard in which he was held were placed by loving hands about the handsome casket and upon the grave in Fairview Cemetery where the body was tenderly laid to rest.

Many of the business houses in Pecos were closed Thursday and the family have received many telegrams from prominent people all over the State expressing sympathy and regret.

The Enterprise extends sympathy to the bereaved as will the friends all over West Texas.

**Indestructible Opera**

"The opera was just darling," declared Mrs. James Orplington Rex, as she felt of her diamond ear-rings to make sure they were at the proper angle.

"I know I should have enjoyed it," answered Mrs. Smith.

"You would have had fits over it, Calf was so cute and they all sung in Latin."

A squeeze saved a snicker, after which Mrs. Smith asked, "What opera did you hear, Mrs. Rex?"

"I have it written down on a card here in my bag. I wanted to get it just right. You see, the name was on the curtain and I copied it carefully from that. It was 'Asbestos.'"

**Doing Double Duty**

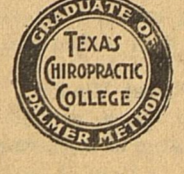
"Who can give me a definition of 'stoic'?" asked the teacher of an East Side school.

"I can, teacher," replied Aaron.

"A stoic is de boad what brings de babies."

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**FACTORS INFLUENCING DECREASE IN COTTON**

It is often stated that less cotton per acre is being grown with each succeeding five-year period. As applied to Texas this is true but for the South as a whole it has only been the case since 1907.

In 1875, the average per acre yield of cotton was 178 pounds. From that time until 1890, yields had a gradual trend downward, although they varied up and down from year to year. Then for a period of 16 years, there was an upward trend, the per acre yield increasing from 170 pounds in 1890 to 190 pounds in 1907. Since 1907, yields have decreased, and in 1920 the average was the lowest of which there is record.

The three factors responsible for the rise and fall of yields over these periods were shifts in area, the increased use of fertilizers, and wide spread damage by the boll weevil.

As the country was settled, the best lands were planted in cotton. However as the demand for the product grew the area planted to the crop was extended and by 1875 practically all of the high class cotton growing sections had been settled. Attempts were then made to grow cotton on land less well adapted to the crop, and this resulted in decreased yields which were reflected in the average yield for the Cotton Belt as a whole.

However, about 1890 the southeastern states, on finding that the land was losing its productiveness, began to make applications of commercial fertilizer, and with the inauguration of this practice the yields began to climb. This upward climb continued until about 1907 when another factor made itself felt. This factor was the boll weevil which by 1907 had infested enough of the cotton growing territory and destroyed enough cotton to offset the increase in yield due to fertilizers. Since 1907, there has been a decline in yield due principally to boll weevil damage. Climate, of course has had an effect on individual crops, but taking the yield over a period of years, the good cotton years will about even up the bad ones.—Eugene Butler in the Progressive Farmer.

**Culinary Innovation**

Grocer—"What will you have today, lady?"

Bride—"What have you, specially good?"

Grocer—"We have some nice, fresh string beans."

Bride—"Oh, how fortunate! And how do you sell them per string?"

**Not Provided For**

"Well, Sam, are you married?" asked a business man, interviewing a negro applicant for the job of janitor.

"No, suh, cap'n," replied the negro.

"Ah makes mah own livin'."

**Plain as Fog**

The Louisiana State University has each year a great number of Spanish students, many of whom come in the summer almost wholly ignorant of the English language, and expect to learn enough to be able to enter the university courses in the fall. One of these, laboring with the difficulties of our tongue, brought to his tutor an unfamiliar word for explanation—"cackie."

After explaining it to the best of her ability, the tutor asked the Spaniard if he understood.

"Ah, yes," he beamed. "Now I understand. The hen cack-les when she has her lit-tle lit-tens by her side!"

**Technical Confusion**

Weldon's father had planned to vaccinate the big calf. This promised to be an interesting process, but the day was full and Weldon forgot.

Late in the afternoon he rushed in, exclaiming: "Mother, has daddy vulcanized the calf yet?"

**Verb-ing Right Along**

A friend of Carl's living in the city wrote him: "Saturday we autoed to the country club, where we golfed until dark. Then we motored to the lake and Sunday there."

Carl replied: "Yesterday we bugied to town and baseballed all afternoon. Then we footed to Joe's and pokered until morning. Today we muled out to the cornfield and geahawed until sundown. Then we suppered and piped a while. After that, we staircased up to our room and bedsteaded until the clock fived."

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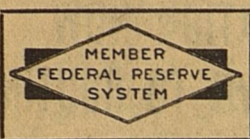


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**Midland National Bank**  
Midland, Texas

**Notice by Publication to Non-Resident and Unknown Owners**  
The State of Texas,  
County of Andrews.

Whereas The State of Texas, through its District Attorney, did, on the 18th day of October, A. D., 1922, file in the District Court of Andrews County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 310 on the Civil Docket of said Court, being suit brought by the said State of Texas, as plaintiff, against Alphonse Kloh, C. F. Cowden, Ed Cowden, Rube M. Evans, W. H. Abrams, agt., et al., as defendant, and the nature of the plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the lands returned delinquent for the taxes due thereon for the year 1919; and, whereas, the said owners are non-residents of the State (or the names of said owners are unknown), and upon the affidavit of B. W. Baker, Dist. Atty., having been made, setting forth that said owners are non-residents of the State of Texas (or the owners are unknown to the affiant, and after inquiry, cannot be ascertained.)

The following notice is, therefore, to cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of The State of Texas, and the County of Andrews, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands therein described delinquent to the State and County for taxes, and to be published in The Midland Reporter at Midland, County, Texas, a newspaper in said district, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following, there being no newspaper published in Andrews County, Texas.

The State of Texas and the County of Andrews:  
To Alphonse Kloh, et al., and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Andrews, for taxes, to-wit: Abst. 72, Pt. Sec. 3, blk. 45, Tsp. 2 North, T. & P. Ry. Co., 422 acres in Andrews Co., Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$18.99 for State and for county taxes, and

you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the March term of the District Court of Andrews County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the court house thereof, at Andrews, Texas, on the 21st day of March, A. D., 1923, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Andrews, Texas, this 18th day of October, A. D., 1922.  
(L.S.) R. M. MEANS,  
District Clerk, Andrews Co., Texas

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The State of Texas,  
County of Andrews.

Whereas The State of Texas, through its District Attorney, did, on the 18th day of October, A. D., 1922, file in the District Court of Andrews County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 311 on the Civil Docket of said Court, being suit brought by the said State of Texas, as plaintiff, against David Ramsey, W. Forbes Morgan, Alphonse Kloh, Robt. H. White, Jno. M. Cowden, R. M. Evans, agt., et al., as defendant, and the nature of the plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the lands returned delinquent for the taxes due thereon for the year 1919; and, whereas, the said owners are non-residents of the State (or the names of said owner is unknown,) and upon the affidavit of B. W. Baker, Dist. Atty., having been made, setting forth that said owners are non-residents of the State of Texas (or the owners are unknown to the affiant, and after inquiry, cannot be ascertained.)

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County for taxes, and to be published in The Midland Reporter at Midland, County, Texas, a newspaper in said district, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following, there being no newspaper published in Andrews County, Texas.

The State of Texas and the County of Andrews:  
To David Ramsey, et al., and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Andrews, for taxes, to-wit: Abs. 75, Sur. No. 9, in Blk. 45, Tsp. 2 North, T. & P. Ry. Co. lands, 640 acres, in Andrews County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$28.97 for State and county taxes, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the March term of the District Court of Andrews County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the court house thereof, at Andrews, Texas, on the 21st day of March, A. D., 1923, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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The State of Texas,  
County of Andrews.

Whereas The State of Texas, through its District Attorney, did, on the 18th day of October, A. D., 1922, file in the District Court of Andrews County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 312 on the Civil Docket of said court, being suit brought by the said State of Texas, as plaintiff, against Otis Malcomb, C. S. Bailey, E. R. Crews, Mrs. Jessie Crews, G. M. Shelton, J. McAllister Stephenson, Jr., Hardin Lbr. Co., J. F. Bustin, Eugenia Bustin, T. H. Rowan, Joe Foster, Myra C. Malcomb, Hunter & Essex, C. N. Harrison, L. W. Smith, B. P. Williams, Owners Service Co., et al., as defendants, and the nature of the plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the lands returned delinquent for the taxes due thereon for the years 1919, 1920 and 1921; and, whereas, the said owners are non-residents of the State (or the names of said owner is unknown,) and upon the affidavit of B. W. Baker, Dist. Atty., having been made, setting forth that said owners are non-residents of the State of Texas (or the owner is unknown to the affiant, as the attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, cannot be ascertained.)

The following notice is, therefore, to cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of The State of Texas, and the County of Andrews, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands therein described delinquent to the State and County for taxes, and to be published in The Midland Reporter at Midland, County, Texas, a newspaper in said district, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following, there being no newspaper published in Andrews County, Texas.

The State of Texas and the County of Andrews:  
To Otis Malcomb, et al., and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Andrews, for taxes, to-wit: Abs. 1674, S. 1-2 of N. W. 1-4 & N. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4 Sec. 11, Blk. A 36, J. F. Bustin, O. G., 160 acres; Abs. 702, S. 1-2 of NW 1-4 Sec. 12, Blk. A 36, J. F. Bustin, O. G., 80 acres; Abs. 908, SE 1-4 Sec. 11, Blk. A 36, Jno. F. Lewis, O. G., 160 acres; Abs. 1388, W. 1-4 and NE 1-4 of NE 1-4, SE 1-4 of SE 1-4 Sec. 10, Blk. A 36, C. S. Bailey, O. G., 560 acres; Abs. 1359, SE 1-4 Sec. 13, Blk. A 36, I. J. Pierce, O. G., 160 acres; Abs. 1360, Pt. NE 1-4 Sec. 12, Blk. A 36, I. J. Pierce, O. G., 80 acres, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$69.42 for State and county taxes, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the March term of the district court of Andrews County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the court house thereof, at Andrews, Texas, on the 21st day of March, A. D., 1923, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Andrews, Texas, this 18th day of October, A. D., 1922.  
(L.S.) R. M. MEANS,  
District Clerk, Andrews Co., Texas

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The State of Texas,  
County of Andrews.

Whereas The State of Texas, through its District Attorney, did, on the 18th day of October, A. D., 1922, file in the District Court of Andrews County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 313 on the Civil Docket of said court, being suit brought by the said State of Texas, as plaintiff, against R. H. Love, W. H. Badgett, J. W. Ray, Mrs. R. H. Love, W. P. Love, et al., as defendant, and the nature of the plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the lands returned delinquent for the taxes due thereon for the years 1919 and 1920; and, whereas, the said owners are non-residents of the State (or the name of said owner is unknown,) and upon the affidavit of B. W. Baker, Dist. Atty., having been made, setting forth that said owners are non-residents of the State of Texas (or the owners are unknown to the affiant, as the attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, cannot be ascertained.)

The following notice is, therefore, to cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of The State of Texas, and the County of Andrews, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands therein described delinquent to the State and County for taxes, and to be published

inquiry, cannot be ascertained.)

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The State of Texas and the County of Andrews:  
To R. H. Love, et al., and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Andrews, for taxes, to-wit: Abs. 623, Pt. Sec. 27, in Blk. A 19, O. G., R. H. Love, 53 acres in Andrews Co., Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$8.98 for State and county taxes, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the March term of the district court of Andrews, Texas, on the 21st day of March, 1923, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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(L.S.) R. M. MEANS,  
District Clerk, Andrews Co., Texas

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The State of Texas,  
County of Andrews.

Whereas The State of Texas, through its District Attorney, did, on the 18th day of October, A. D., 1922, file in the District Court of Andrews County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 314 on the Civil Docket of said court, being suit brought by the said State of Texas, as plaintiff, against G. W. Ward, S. M. Bynum, G. N. Shirey, E. G. Hutchings, H. C. Walker, A. C. Walker, J. C. Hibun, et al., as defendant, and the nature of the plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the lands returned delinquent for the taxes due thereon for the year 1920; and, whereas, the said owners are non-residents of the State (or the name of said owner is unknown,) and upon the affidavit of B. W. Baker, Dist. Atty., having been made, setting forth that said owners are non-residents of the State of Texas (or the owners are unknown to the affiant, as the attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, cannot be ascertained.)

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The State of Texas and the County of Andrews:  
To G. W. Ward, et al., and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Andrews, for taxes, to-wit: Abs. 976, Pt. Sec. 13, Blk. A 50, H. S. Vann, O. G., 60 acres, in Andrews County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$3.71 for State and county taxes, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the March term of the district court of Andrews County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the court house thereof, at Andrews, Texas, on the 21st day of March, 1923, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Andrews, Texas, this 18th day of October, A. D., 1922.  
(L.S.) R. M. MEANS,  
District Clerk, Andrews Co., Texas

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The State of Texas,  
County of Andrews.

Whereas The State of Texas, through its District Attorney, did, on the 18th day of October, A. D., 1922, file in the District Court of Andrews County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 315 on the Civil Docket of said court, being suit brought by the said State of Texas, as plaintiff, against Dr. A. J. Beville, Mamie Schaffer, W. V. Blasingame, A. V. Sharpe, W. J. Waller, I. W. Huff, et al., as defendant, and the nature of the plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the lands returned delinquent for the taxes due thereon for the year 1919; and, whereas, the said owners are non-residents of the State (or the name of said owner is unknown,) and upon the affidavit of B. W. Baker, Dist. Atty., having been made, setting forth that said owners are non-residents of the State of Texas (or the owner is unknown to the affiant, as the attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, cannot be ascertained.)

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in The Midland Reporter at Midland, County, Texas, a newspaper in said district, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following, there being no newspaper published in Andrews County, Texas.

The State of Texas and the County of Andrews:  
To Dr. A. J. Beville, et al., and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Andrews, for taxes, to-wit: Abs. 1667, E 1-3 Sec. 6, in Blk. A 46, O. G., M. V. Sharp, 320 acres, in Andrews County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for state and county taxes, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the March term of the district court of Andrews County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the court house thereof, at Andrews, Texas, on the 21st day of March, 1923, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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(L.S.) R. M. MEANS,  
District Clerk, Andrews Co., Texas

**Notice of Application for Letters of Administration**

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting:  
You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the county of

Midland, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for a period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice of Application for Probate of Will:  
The State of Texas.  
To all persons interested in the estate of Dick Arthur, deceased, V. D. Ingle has filed in the county court of Midland County, an application for letters of administration on the estate of said Dick Arthur, deceased, which will be heard at the next term of court, commencing on the second Monday in January, A. D., 1923, the same being the eighth day of January A. D., 1923, at the court house thereof, in Midland, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so. Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Midland, Texas, this 20th day of December, A. D., 1922.

C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk,  
County Court, Midland County, Tex.  
adv 12-3t.  
Good specks for bad eyes, at Inman's.  
adv 27t

**Constipation**

Constipation of the bowels is a stoppage of the sewerage system that removes waste matter from the body. It is as necessary that your bowels move regularly once each day, to carry off this waste, as it is that the waste pipes of your home be kept open and carry off the waste from the house. If you would enjoy good health, keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed.

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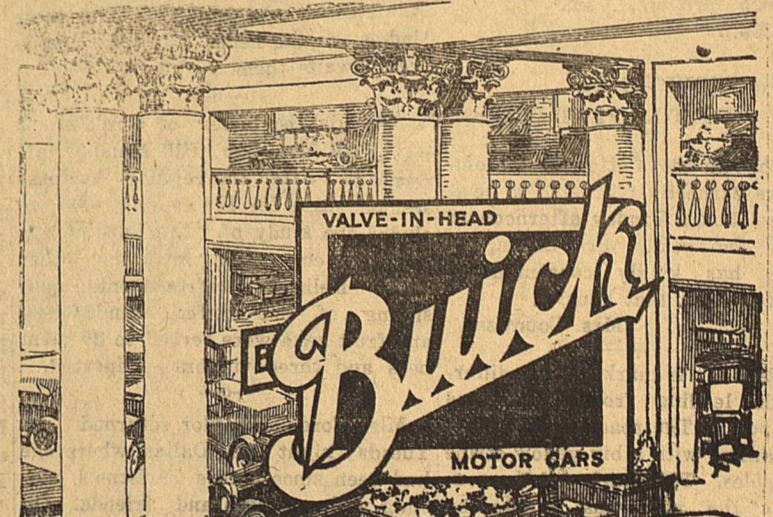
After Holidays two trips per week to Eunice, N. M., via Andrews and Shafter Lake, and will take care of your hauling anywhere or any time.

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### CHURCH NOTICES

#### Catholic Church

Mass will be on every third Sunday of the month and on the fifth Sunday when there is a fifth Sunday in the month. Beginning of mass at 10 a. m.

#### Methodist Church

Though there have been interruptions in the regular services in the church, it is the desire of the pastor that all be present for the services on Sunday in order to get back to our regular work. The pastor will preach at both hours Sunday and you are cordially invited to worship with us.

W. ANGIE SMITH, Pastor.

#### Junior Endeavor

Topic, "Our Bible—but the Word of the Lord Endureth Forever." Song, "I Have a Friend." Leader—Archie Estes. Scripture—Prov. 3:1-10. Talk, "How Our Bible Came to Us." Jennie Elkin. Bible drill. Prayer, business, benediction.

#### Intermediate Endeavor

Subject, "Evangelistic Missions at Home and Abroad." Leader—Homer Ingham. Song.

Scripture reading, Luke 24:45-53. Talk, "Why is it sometimes more difficult to win the one next to you than to win the heathen?"—Van Lee. Questions—T. T. Garrard. Quizzes—"What could our society do?"—Velma Winborne. For Missions—"Need anyone be a failure if he uses the word of God?"—Mrs. Ratliff. Thoughts on the topic—Enderberry. Sentence prayers, business and benediction.

### CHURCH SERVICES AT COTTON FLAT SCHOOL

Everyone in the Cotton Flat community is earnestly requested to be at the school house Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Jan. 21st. Bro. Smith, of Midland, has kindly consented to preach for us at that hour. Mrs. Countiss.

Bill Russell is marking the different roads leading from Midland to nearby points. The road is now marked to Lamesa with a big yellow stripe on the poles. This paint and the expense of the work was donated by Heatly & Yarbrough, Ford dealers. The road to Garden City will be marked this week.

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#### Piano Recital

The piano recital given by Misses Bessie Johnson and Bernice Norwood pupils of Miss Lydie G. Watson, has been postponed from next Friday evening to Feb. 2nd.

The Baptist ladies auxiliary met at the church Monday Jan. 1st, in business session followed by an interesting program on "Japan." Also on Tuesday in prayer meeting and study of Africa. Then again on Monday, Jan. 8th, we met and made plans for the year's work, also packed a large box of boys' clothing to help supply the urgent need caused by the fire in the boys' dormitory of Buckner Orphan Home.

Midland we feel was greatly benefited last week by the series of lectures delivered by Capt. Nussbaum. Midland needs community spirit, cooperation, that charity which suffereth much and is kind, that disposition which inclines us to walk with the men in the road and seek out the burdens that crush. To speak a kind word of good cheer to the weak who are falling behind in the rush. There are wounds to be healed, there are breaks we must mend; there's a cup of cold water to give, and the man in the road by the side of his friend, is the man who has learned to live.

The following little poem also suggests a good thought, a generous, kindly spirit at least:

"If I knew you and you knew me,  
'Tis seldom we would disagree;  
But, never having yet clasped hands,  
Both often fail to understand  
That each intends to do what's right,  
And treat each other 'honor bright';  
How little to complain there's bred  
If I knew you and you knew me!

When'er we ship you by mistake,  
Or, in your bill some error make,  
From irritation you'd be free  
If I knew you and you knew me.  
Or, when your check don't come on time,  
And you omit to drop a line,  
We'd wait without anxiety  
If I knew you and you knew me.

Or, when some products you 'fire back,'  
Or, make a 'kick' on this or that,  
We'd take it in good part, you see,  
If I knew you and you knew me.  
With customers ten thousand strong,  
Occasionally things will turn out wrong—  
Sometimes our fault, sometimes theirs—  
But forbearance would decrease all cares.  
Kind friend, how pleasant things would be  
If I knew you and you knew me.

Then let no doubting thoughts abide,  
Of firm good faith on either side;  
Confidence to each other give  
Living ourselves, let others live;  
But any time you come this way,  
That you will call we hope and pray,  
Then face to face we each shall see,  
And I'll know you and you'll know me."

Miss Maggie Snodgrass, Hostess  
The Polly Anna Club is composed of a group of congenial school girls who are classmates and chums. Right gleefully they have learned to play the "glad" game in the truest Polly Anna style, and many good times they have enjoyed together this winter. Yesterday was Miss Maggie Snodgrass' birthday and in the evening she entertained the Club with a most beautiful 6 o'clock dinner and with a theatre party at the Rialto later. The girls who enjoyed this lovely hospitality were besides the little hostess, Misses Ernestine Half, Gladys Inman, Georgie Kirk Davis, Minnie Rita Hutchison, Helen Thomas, Junie Tucker and Minnie Warren Pemberton.

The Baptist ladies of Circle No. 2 met with Mrs. Bob Hill Monday afternoon. After the regular business session plans for the coming year included the study of "The Lure of Africa" in connection with the other work. Delicious refreshments consisting of hot coffee, sandwiches, and fruit cake were served to 20 members and three visitors.—Reported.

Miss Cordelia Taylor returned on Tuesday night from Dallas, where she had been since before Christmas, visiting with relatives and friends. On her return she came by Kernes and spent a week, the guest of Mrs. Calvin Noble.

The Missionary Society of the Methodist church will have a market on Saturday January 27th in The Reporter office. Good and appetizing things for your Sunday dinner will be sold, at reasonable prices. Remember the day, Saturday Jan 27th.

Mrs. J. J. Hamlett returned last Tuesday from a very pleasant visit to her daughter, Mrs. Harry Landers, of Colorado. Mrs. Landers and baby daughter accompanied Mrs. Hamlett home and will spend a few days in Midland, visiting her parents and renewing acquaintances among her girlhood friends.

Miss Thelma Estes left Wednesday afternoon for California to visit her sister, Mrs. Rex Jefferies, who is ill. She will then spend the remainder of the winter in the University of California where she will study voice under Charles Wakefield Cadman, whose beautiful songs have thrilled the hearts of so many music lovers.

Mrs. C. S. Karkalits has been ill this week, a victim of flu.

Scene: Reporter office. Time: Saturday, Jan. 27, 1928. Characters: Ladies of Methodist Missionary Society, shedding smiles of joy as they provide you with good things and delicious things for your Sunday dinner.

Roy Johnson left Tuesday for Lubbock, to take a company of lyceum entertainers.

Dr. J. G. Hall and wife have returned to their home in Midland after an absence of almost a year. The Doctor has been in the oil fields near Shreveport, La. We are glad to have them return to us.

Horace Newton, of the Rialto Theatre, took a special film, "Fools' Paradise," to Stanton last Monday night, and played to a fairly good audience.

Capt. C. S. Nussbaum left the first of the week for Lamesa where he is giving his series of lectures this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Currie returned Monday from a brief visit to their son Henry, and family, at Rankin.

Mrs. Cal Fuller and family, of Santa Anna, Texas, are visiting in the home of Frank Williams this week.

Claud Alvey, of Denver, Col., arrived in Midland Monday night. He was trying to get here for the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Frank Williams, but every train was delayed.

C. M. Akvey, of Bowie, left this week after spending a few days in the home of Frank Williams.

Attorney B. Frank Haag was a business visitor to Dallas this week.

Stacy Allen, of the firm of Howe & Allen, is in Odessa this week equipping a new home with modern plumbing fixtures.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hutt were in the first of the week from their ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Jones returned this week from Amarillo where they are now living. They came through in their car and expect to return the first of the week.

Leonard Proctor and wife were visitors in New Mexico this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Stokes were in for the week end from their ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibb Cowden and son are in this week from their ranch in the Pecos country.

M. C. Ulmer is aving his farm house worked over and remodelled for his tenant this year. We are glad to hear of such improvements.

### OUR BOY SCOUTS ARE ADVANCING NICELY

The Boy Scouts are getting well organized and are being given the first lessons to become a tenderfoot scout from which they will continue to advance until they become first class scouts. This is not a church club, nor is it limited to one denomination, and during the work there will be nothing said to prejudice for or against any church, but the boys will be taught the great principles of scouts, that to be prepared to serve at any time. The younger boys who could not get in the Scouts have also organized and at present have 20 who are taking the work so that as soon as they become 12 they can be a Scout. It is necessary that the town get back of this organization and help every way we can. It is a fine training for the boys and we are ready to help them with it.

### THE INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Monday, the 15th, at 3:30 p. m., the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met in the Sunday School room in regular business session for the installation of the new officers.

After he had installed the new officers, Rev. W. Angie Smith made a most instructive and interesting address on "Spiritualism."

The new officers are: Mrs. E. R. Thomas, president; Mrs. B. Frank Haag, vice president; Mrs. Chas. Ulmer, recording secretary; Mrs. C. E. Smith, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. P. Collins, connectional treasurer; Mrs. O. N. Ligon, local treasurer; Mrs. M. J. Allen, study and publicity; Mrs. C. A. Goldsmith, superintendent of supplies; Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass, social service; Mrs. C. W. Crowley, voice agent.

Several committees were appointed by the new president, after she had made an interesting talk on the plans for the work for the new year. The society then adjourned to meet next Monday afternoon at 3:30 for Bible study at the home of Mrs. M. J. Allen.—Reported.

### FORMER MIDLAND BOY DIED IN OKLAHOMA

The Reporter joins many other friends in an expression of sympathy to "Uncle Irb" Bell and wife in the recent loss of their grandson, Joe Oden. The following account is taken from a recent issue of a Wichita Falls paper:

Mrs. A. F. Bloomingdale of 811 Fifteenth street received word Tuesday night of the death of her son Joe Oden, of Hominy, Okla. Death came as a result of injuries received when he fell from a derrick in the fields near Hominy.

The body will be shipped here for interment. Funeral services will be held at the Hines chapel Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. O. L. Powers will have charge of the service. The Masons will officiate.

Mr. Oden until a short time ago was a resident of this city; he was connected with the Wichita Ice Company. He is survived by his bride of Hominy, Okla.; his mother of this city, and three brothers, Harvey, of Denver; Floyd, of El Paso, and Irvin, of this city. All of the out of town relatives have been notified and will attend the funeral Thursday afternoon.

### FATHER OF MRS. T. D. JONES DIED AT JOE LEE

Friends of Mrs. T. D. Jones will deeply sympathize with her in the loss of her father, which sad event occurred on Friday, Jan. 5th. The following account thereof is taken from a paper published at Rogers:

Rogers, Texas, Jan. 7.—Friday night about 12 o'clock, at his home near Joe Lee, occurred the death of W. R. (Uncle Tobe) Sypert, aged 81 years.

He was perhaps the last of that noble band of pioneers who came to this community in the long ago, and whose labors, under untold hardships and difficulties, has changed this country from the home of the savage and the buffalo, to a land of schools and churches, fertile farms and happy homes.

Uncle Tobe came to Bell County with his parents in 1857, when a small boy, and has continued to reside in the same community since. Born in Shelby County, Texas, Oct. 5, 1841, he enlisted in the Second Texas Infantry of the army of the Confederacy, and was wounded at the siege of Vicksburg, Miss., losing three fingers.

In 1867 he was married to Etna Reed, daughter of Jefferson Reed, to which union was born the following children, who survive him: Mrs. M. T. Sheppard, of Salado; Mrs. R. J. Reed, of Rogers; Mrs. Etna Thompson, of Holland; Mrs. T. D. Jones, of Midland; Dr. J. R. Sypert, of Dallas, and C. P. Sypert, of Austin. His first wife died in 1890. Some years later, he was married to a Miss Smith, who, with four boys and two girls also survive.

### THE PASSING OF MRS. FRANK WILLIAMS

Last Friday evening the community was grieved to hear that Mrs. Frank Williams had passed out into the Great Beyond, after a lingering illness of several months during which time she was confined to her home. The funeral service was conducted at the home Saturday afternoon, with Rev. W. Angie Smith officiating. The home was unable to hold all the many friends who gathered to pay their last tribute to this beloved woman and the floral offering was one of beauty. Mrs. Williams moved with her husband and family to Midland 16 years ago and was well known to all who have lived here since that early day. She was recognized for her Christian character and zeal as a mother. Her willingness to serve those in need was always pronounced, and especially was she interested in doing those things which would make life easier and happier for the sick and afflicted.

Mrs. Williams was born in Morganfield, Ky., March 22, 1863, and moved to Texas in 1880, settling with her family in Bell County. She was married to Frank Williams Nov. 3, 1885. She united with the Methodist church in 1896 at Wright, Texas, and ever remained a faithful and devoted member to the time of her death. Besides the large number of intimate friends she leaves a husband, four daughters, three brothers and one sister to mourn her departure into the land of eternal day. Her going was a happy, peaceful end to a well spent life and her only thoughts were for others and their comforts. Her faith never wavered and her trust was in Him who alone is able to save.

Miss Fannie Bess Taylor has accepted a position as bookkeeper for the Midland Hardware Company, in which she and her sister, Miss Cordelia, hold considerable stock.

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is in no way quasi in his championship of law and order. By precept and example he is consistent in upstanding citizenship, and always as now he recognizes that the law needs the assistance of all good men. He perhaps as does The Reporter, grants that good men may have been beguiled into an advocacy of klanism, but when they go counter to the law, with an intent to supersede it, to nullify it, and to destroy its power, its potential application in the correction and punishment of crime and criminals, he, as a good, as a well-balanced citizen must, recognize the supreme egotism of the klan and klan membership.

The Reporter is glad that its first judgment of the ku klux klan prompted our arraignment of that which we foresaw as inevitable, ultimate as a result of its mode of procedure, and, starting from the "imperial wizard," Simmons of Atlanta, the klan everywhere bears a potential responsibility for the martyred blood that was shed in the Morehouse Parish tragedy.

## ASSOCIATION NOW DOWN TO ROUTINE

### SECRETARY D'ARMOND REPORTS ASSEMBLING OF DETAILS PROGRESSING

The Retail Merchants Association of Midland is now fully organized. The board of directors at a recent meeting elected J. M. DeArmond secretary and treasurer of the association and he is now working out the details incident to getting it into full swing. An office has been opened in the First National Bank building and it is fitted up preparatory to giving equal service to any in the State.

The local organization is affiliated with the State and Federal Associations of Retail Merchants, which brings the merchants close together in an effort to elevate the retail business to better retail trade conditions and to eliminate trade abuses and trade evils. It is also the object of the association to create a better understanding between consumer and merchant and develop a higher degree of efficiency. To maintain credit reporting bureaus for the benefit of its members and to establish a system of credit reporting exchange between cities and towns.

The association is an educational institution for the public as well as for the merchants. It educates the public to better realize the value of good credit and the importance of prompt payment of accounts. It educates the public to buy at home and to patronize home industry, and it is an important factor in the development of the business life of the community. Although this association was organized before the coming of Capt. Nussbaum, it was one of the organizations highly recommended by him as being of great benefit to any community.

L. C. Proctor returned this week from a business trip to New Mexico.

Foy Proctor and wife were in town this week from their ranch southeast.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dublin have returned to their ranch near Odessa.

Friends will be pleased to know I. H. ("Uncle Irb") Bell is now improving. He has had a long spell of flu.

Mrs. W. F. Anderson and children are leaving this week for Lubbock, where they will make their future home. The Reporter and other friends wish them all good luck and greatly regret they are to be with us no longer.

Mrs. S. H. Gwyn this week sustained a surgical operation of major import. Friends will indeed be glad to know she is doing nicely.

### A Case of Gratitude

A tailor's sign in a certain town was simply an apple. The people were amazed at it. They flocked to the tailor to ask the meaning of so unusual a sign.

With a com-licent smile the tailor said, "If it hadn't been for the apple, where would the clothing business be today?"

### On Their Way

"We may as well give up trying to get into society," said Newrich in dis-appointment. "The barrier is insurmountable."

"Nonsense!" returned Mrs. Newrich. "We'll get over it in time."

"What! have we wings?" he expostulated.

"No, but our money has," said his wife.