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## CITY OF MIDLAND READY TO DO BIG STUNTS

### PROTECTS DEPOSITS IN NATIONAL BANKS

#### PLANS FORMULATED BY OUR TOWNSMAN MAY FILL LONG FELT WANT

In last Sunday's issue of the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, page 7, columns 2 and 3 at the top, a large likeness of the pleasing countenance of our townsman, W. R. Chancellor, cashier of the First National Bank, appeared. Just above the picture this caption appeared: "Author of Plan to Guarantee All National Bank Deposits," and an article, from the facilities of the erstwhile manager of Midland's Locating Committee for the Texas Technological College, Edward J. Wall. Other than a reproduction of the article, which had streamer headings across three columns, a comment by The Reporter is unnecessary. It is but ours to hope the distinction may come to our townsman of having Congress adopt his plan, and that it may prove all that is claimed for it now. Mr. Wall writes:

Midland, June 30.—A depositors' guaranty plan for national banks which does not necessitate any endowment, which does not levy any tax, and which will protect every depositor at no added expense to the Reserve Banking system, has been evolved and brought to the attention of bankers all over the country by W. R. Chancellor, cashier of the First National Bank of this city.

Without doubt the "guaranty system" of protecting bank depositors in Texas state banks, while it has proved very expensive to conservative, careful and honest bankers in the last three years, has saved many banks from financial reefs and thousands of depositors from the loss of their money in the 30-odd bank failures in Texas in recent months.

Conservative bankers used to flaunt the need for a depositors' guaranty system. They held it to be a high tax on the efficient banker for the protection of the man who patronized the inefficient and careless institution. But most bankers now admit the merits of an equitable guaranty for depositors' funds.

Chancellor is Conservative  
W. R. Chancellor has the reputation in banking circles of being a conservative banker—and a successful one. In the eight years that he has been directing the affairs at the First National Bank at Midland his list of depositors has increased over 150 per cent.

This occurred during a period in which the population of the city increased less than 10 per cent, and when there was a depression in the cattle business—the backbone of the Midland Country—that has seldom been equaled in the history of the West. His reputation for the success achieved in Midland has spread rapidly. His judgment is always to be reckoned with in transactions of importance in the western part of Texas. Cattlemen like to know "what has Chancellor to say about it."

Chancellor has always been opposed to a guaranty system in national banks, because no plan had been worked out that would, in his opinion, meet the requirements of good business.

Banker Converted to Need  
Naturally many of the bank failures of these three years have come directly to the attention of Chancellor. He has had to deal with some of the paper owned by these banks. He has had to know the hardships which would have been suffered by depositors in State banks had there been no guaranty fund in Texas. And he has come to the definite conclusion that every dollar of a depositor's money in any bank should be guaranteed in full to that depositor under the law.

Out of the study which Chancellor gave the problem grew a guaranty plan for national banks—the Chancellor plan, as it is now known—differing from any other guaranty plan now in existence.

It was not until long after Chancellor had evolved a plan and satisfied himself that it was practical, just and equitable that he discovered that the essence of his idea had filtered through the minds of some of the

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### ENTERTAINMENT BY MASONS THIS MONTH

#### BARBECUE JULY 25th AND MANY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS EXPECTED

In arranging a Statewide campaign of lectures, motion pictures and short talks on Masonic subjects, Midland was chosen as one of 35 cities in Texas by the Grand Lodge committee on education and Masonic service. From headquarters of this committee in Dallas it has been announced that some 35 or 40 different speakers will participate in this Statewide campaign. The program at each place will consist of an afternoon meeting for the wives, families and friends of Masons. The Eastern Star, Scottish Rite Clubs, Commanderies, De Molay and similar organizations have been invited to co-operate in making the meetings the greatest events of the year from a Masonic standpoint. There will be talks for the visitors during the afternoon, music and refreshments. Masons from the counties adjoining the district centers where these reunions will be held are not only invited, but will be welcome and urged to attend.

Midland has made and is making elaborate plans for the occasion on the 25th, including a barbecue for all Masons, local and visiting, and their wives. Further details of these plans will be given in later issues of this paper and as they mature.

The complete itinerary for the campaign follows:

Ft. Worth, July 4; Wichita Falls, July 4; Chillicothe, July 9; Childress, July 10-11; Amarillo, July 12; Dalhart, July 13; Slaton, July 16; Clovis, N. M., July 17; Roswell, N. M., July 18; El Paso, July 20-21; Midland, July 25; San Angelo, July 26-27; Ballinger, July 28; Brownwood, July 30; Abilene, July 31.

Sweetwater, August 1; Cisco, August 2; Ranger, August 3; Gainesville, August 6; Paris, August 8; Mt. Pleasant, August 9; Longview, August 10; Tyler, August 14; Austin, August 16; Beaumont, August 18; Alvin, August 20; Houston, August 21; Beeville, August 24; Corpus Christi, August 28.

The Masonic Service and Education Committee representing the Grand Lodge of Texas, is composed of Andrew L. Randell, P. G. M., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, chairman; James W. McClendon, judge supreme court commission of appeals, vice chairman, Austin; John W. Howerth, Dallas, secretary-treasurer; Walter T. Smith, Galveston; D. Frank Johnson, P. G. M., Brownwood.

### NEW TRIAL FOR ANDY MEADOR

Andy Meador, found guilty June 12 on a charge of killing Asa Rawls, Andrews County ranch employe, May 17th, last year, was Monday granted a new trial, which was set for October 1st.

Judge Charles E. Dubois, in district court, said the reversal and remanding by the court of criminal appeals June 13th of the ninety-nine-year sentence given William Meador, a son of Andy Meador, at Barstow, in connection with Rawls' death, formed the basis for his action in granting the father a new trial.

In each case an error in the trial court's charge to the jury was claimed and upheld. Father and son were jointly indicted but severances for trial were granted. Andy Meador furnished \$10,000 bond, J. H. Edwards and G. W. Small signing as sureties. He was under bail in similar amount pending trial.

Andy Meador and family were in Midland last Tuesday morning, on their way to Lamesa, where they will reside until the trial is called in October.

### SUL ROSS STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE

Second term of summer school for credit work opens July 16th. July 28th: Last day students may enter for summer normal work.

### PICNIC AND FISH FRY WERE MUCH ENJOYED

About fifty people went out to Anglin Lake on the afternoon of July 4th at the invitation of S. H. Basham and J. H. McKinney to enjoy a fish fry. Shortly after the arrival of most of the guests the lake suddenly rose up and swallowed both of the hosts temporarily, but this did not prevent them from continuing their fishing efforts until enough fish were caught for fifty people, and some to throw back into the lake. Several of the men distinguished themselves in skinning cats, and after they had been properly cooked by S. H. Basham there was "hot cat" to spare.

The ladies of the party apparently in doubt as to the ability of their hosts to provide a sufficient amount of fish for the meal, prepared and carried a most sumptuous repast of all of the various good things to eat which they, bless their hearts, know best how to get together, and such a spread has rarely ever been made at picnic or banquet in the Midland Country.

Many of the ladies had their bathing suits and enjoyed a refreshing swim before dinner, and those who were not thus equipped regretted very much that they had not brought their suits along.

Here's hoping that Anglin Lake gets full again and that the fish in its waters continue to multiply, and that our good hosts, Basham and McKinney will continue their piscatorial adventures indefinitely for the benefit of their friends.

### SUPT. LACKEY HEARD FROM THIS MORNING

The Midland high school now has 27 units of affiliation, the result of the best school man West Texas ever had. A broad statement, but we could prove it, all right.

This morning we have the following telegram from Supt. W. W. Lackey:

"Just received notice from Department of Education that Midland high school has been granted one-half unit in Economics, one-half additional unit in American History—the latter being so good that it is being held for exhibition purposes—one-half additional unit granted in Domestic Arts, and one-half in Domestic Science, which give 27 units of affiliation."

Just as we finish copying the above telegram Mr. Lackey walked in, having come from Roscoe on the morning train, No. 15. He is enthused over the success of the school election tomorrow, and we urge our readers to consider the matter carefully. Its failure to carry would be a tragedy to our school. It must carry, and we hope our voters may see the matter in the right light.

Misses Willie, Joannie and Tommie Preston left Sunday to spend the week in Big Spring.

McKinney will continue their piscatorial adventures indefinitely for the benefit of their friends.

### BUT WANT FIRST SOME EXPRESSION FROM CITIZENSHIP OF THE TOWN

#### CONDITIONALLY WILL BUY TOURIST CAMP GROUNDS, DO SOME STREET PAVING, AND INSTALL SEWERAGE SYSTEM

### SCHOOL ELECTION TO BE HELD TOMORROW

#### WILL DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT TAX LEVY MAY BE INCREASED

At the close of the 1922-23 school year it was found that the funds available were insufficient to meet all the expenses accruing during the school year.

The board of school trustees are now carrying a deficiency of approximately \$2,000.00. It is improbable that the expenses for the next school year can be reduced, since the strictest economy was adhered to during the last term. An emergency exists and in solving the problem the board must take one of these three alternatives: (a) Eliminate the department of Domestic Economy; (b) Shorten the school term; (c) increase the tax levy about ten cents on the one hundred dollars of all taxable property.

The board desires to maintain the department of Domestic Economy, and would like to make it stronger and better. The question of shortening the term is not debatable and must not happen. And the last solution is impossible under the present limitation on the taxes that can be levied.

The present taxation limitation is 75 cents on the hundred dollars of all taxable property in the Midland Independent School District, and this tax rate cannot be raised except by a vote of the tax paying voters of the district.

At the close of the last school year the board of school trustees unanimously voted to order a school tax election to be held next Saturday, tomorrow, for the purpose of determining whether the tax paying voters will authorize the board to levy and collect a tax of not exceeding one dollar on the hundred dollar valuation instead of 75 cents, the present limit.

By this action the board is passing the responsibility of retrenchment back to the people. Thus they say it is your school, your children and your property. What is your pleasure?

A favorable result of the election does not necessarily mean that the limit of one dollar will be levied but simply, that any rate not to exceed one dollar may be levied. The board is of the opinion that an increase of ten cents will be sufficient for the school year 1923-24.

As long as the board is presided over by such a conservative financier as O. B. Holt, the present chairman of the board, there is but little danger of extravagance, besides the other members of the board are successful business men.

Further than as above indicated The Reporter will not take a stand. The issue is squarely and fairly raised by the board and the responsibility rests with the people.

Remember the date, Saturday, July 7th, at the court house.

### BENEFIT PICTURE WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY

Next Wednesday and Thursday nights the ladies of the Missionary Society of the Methodist church are having a benefit picture show. Wesley Barry in "School Days," a Warner Bros. special, will be the picture, and it is guaranteed a good one. Thursday night there will be the added attraction of "The Captain Maiden," a farce in one act, presented by ten of our Midland girls. Same price of admission as Wednesday night. Come and enjoy memories of your own school days lived over on the screen.

All of which listens mighty good. We do most certainly need all these things: A place to comfortably accommodate the hundreds of tourists who pass through daily. Other towns have spent thousands of dollars on accommodations of this sort, and in addition furnish the tourists with fuel and water. The City Council had a meeting the other day and they want to do something, want to do something worth while, but before they proceed with the matter they want an expression from our citizenship; as a matter of fact, want some help from our citizenship. The city only proposes to buy the grounds, expecting our business men and citizens generally to build a camp house and furnish such equipment as may be required.

Again, although we haven't as yet been encouraged any, The Reporter takes it upon itself to refer this matter to the ladies of the Civic League of Midland. We haven't a doubt but what they can induce to city's citizenship to finance the project.

The City, too, contemplates the matter of paving some of our principal streets. Goodness knows this is needed too. It is something that ought to have been done years and years ago, and the longer it is put off the more money there will have been wasted. Midland has wasted enough money—wasted, it pure and simple—to have paved nearly all the streets in the city and if one of them is now better than it was when we came here 24 years ago this month, we can't see it. Every time it rains a bunch of men are hired and the streets are dragged. Look fine for three or four days, and they are—for that length of time. And then it's the same old things—chugs and bumps and—profanity.

Let's pave, one block a year if we can't do any better, but don't let's waste any more money like we have in the past.

It is said, too, that Bankhead Highway is now about to be finished through the city, and that 16 feet of gravel—or gyp—is to be laid in the middle of our 60-foot streets. Wont that be fine? We know it will make an impression on the Tech Locating Board who are to be here on the 22nd, a fine impression, indeed. As one of our friends would put it, it will be damn fine stuff.

Another thing: Mayor Barron says the city is lined up, has connections for the installation of a system of sewerage. Well, what is there to do but encourage him and his associates. Midland ought to have mass meetings and confer with the City Council, and discuss ways and means. Of course, we know all about the precarious situation of everybody financially, know it just as forceably as anybody, but when conditions like these are thrust upon us it is time to buck up and force something where there didn't seem to be anything at all. If the City Council sees where Midland can secure a sewer system, by hook or crook, let's help 'em do it, help 'em by encouragement at least.

The Midland Telephone Company is putting in a toll line from here to Rankin, occasioned by the oil discovery down there. This is fine. It has been needed and will be needed more. However, as suggested a week or two ago by The Reporter, there ought to be a first-class post road, a star mail route down there, and the auto line that has already been started by our young townsman, Forrest King, should be liberally patronized and encouraged.

These are just a few suggestions and if we have been a bit cross in presenting them, lay to it that it is provoking to note the laxity of Midland's present-day way of untroubled business procedure.

We didn't use to be that way. Haven't any call to be that way now.

**SALE STARTS**

**TOMORROW**

**JULY 7th**

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**Big Reduction**

on all

**Dry Goods Stock**

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**LASTS FOR ONE WEEK**

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**Midland Mercantile Co.**

**"THE APPRECIATIVE STORE"**

Grocery Phone No. 6      Dry Goods Phone No. 284

**AN ISSUE YOU CAN NOT VERY WELL DODGE**

The new income tax figures tell a plain story with a plain lesson. In one year, the number of Americans paying taxes on incomes above \$100,000 decreased from 3,600 to 2,300. That is a loss of 1,300.

The governments of the United States are practically inviting people to evade their taxes by seeking relief through investment in tax-free securities.

The governments, local and national, lay before the man of large income a great mass of their securities, every few days, and say to him:

If you will hand over some of your money in exchange for these securities, we will see that you pay no taxes on the income that you draw from the loan.

Many taxpayers accept this invitation and thus evade, or dodge taxes, thereby unloading a fierce tax burden on the rest of us.

So long as the governments impose enormous taxes, and at the same time offer a ready way out, the present abuse will go on.

Politicians who rage against rich tax dodgers, and then vote for tax-free securities, are merely beating the air, and they know it.

**NEWS NOTES OF FIGHTING HOLLOW**

Burton Boone, brother of Mrs. Will Brunson, had an engine to run over his leg last week, smashing it below the knee.

All farmers in "Fighting Hollow" are suffering for need of rain. If they don't get some soon they fear the crops will be lost.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. McClintic, of Midland, C. A. McClintic and daughter, of Sweetwater, and M. Beasley, of Abilene, arrived Sunday for a two months' visit on the McClintic ranch. They hope the change will benefit "Uncle George" who has recently been ill.

Thomas Schrock returned last Saturday night to his work in Dallas, after a vacation spent in Midland.

Last Friday Mrs. Claude Denton left for the Crews ranch north, which has been leased by the Scharbauer Cattle Company, and where she and Mr. Denton will now live. Mrs. Denton was accompanied as far as the "5WLS" ranch by Miss Bernice Norwood, who will visit Miss Thad Kelson there.

**JUDGE PALMER DIED LAST WEEK**

The Reporter spoke briefly last week of the death of Judge Ben Palmer, of Pecos, who was well known and had many friends in Midland. He was also the father-in-law of Mrs. Addison Wadley's sister, Mrs. Ben Palmer, Jr. We stated further mention of the death would be made this week, anticipating the following from last Friday's issue of the Pecos Enterprise:

Mayor Ben Palmer Died Wednesday Pecos is again in mourning, this time over the death of Mayor Ben Palmer, which occurred at his home Wednesday, at 11 o'clock a. m., after a serious illness of a few weeks, which became more violent last Sunday.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 4 o'clock in the First Christian church, of which he was a member, by Rev. C. A. Johnson, his pastor, and the Rev. L. L. Thurston, pastor of the First Methodist church, assisted by the Rev. J. M. Garner, pastor of the Baptist church, after which interment was made in the Fairview cemetery by the Masonic fraternity, he being a member of that order.

This most impressive ceremony was beautiful and consoling and the mound was literally covered with hot house plants and flowers from the local gardens. The funeral procession was long and was led by the fire engine and firemen. He was also a member of the W. O. W. order.

Mayor Ben Palmer was born August 11, 1863, in Russell County, Ala., and at the age of 18 moved with a brother to Navarro County, Texas, where they settled on a farm. From Navarro County, he went to Austin where he graduated in the law department of the University of Texas. He first hung out his shingle at Blooming Grove and later moved to Glenrose, Dublin, Stephenville, and from there to Pecos. He was district attorney of the 29th district for two terms, but before this was elected to serve in the legislature of the State for two terms—serving in the 26th and 27th legislatures—where he made an enviable record.

Moving from Stephenville to Pecos in 1911 he began the practice of his chosen profession here and has been recognized as one among the ablest attorneys in this part of the State, and had built up a splendid practice, having been in some of the most important cases to be tried here since he came to this country. In 1920 he was elected mayor of Pecos and so well did he perform the duties of that office that he was re-elected in the spring of 1922 and this term will not expire until next spring.

In 1888 Judge Palmer was wedded to Miss Elizabeth Hughes, at Norcross, Ga. To this union were born four sons and two daughters. Surviving him are L. Kenneth Palmer, of El Paso, Ben H. Palmer, of Pecos, and F. S. Palmer, also of Pecos, his devoted wife and his brother, John, besides four grandchildren. All of these with the exception of Kenneth and his family were at his bedside when the end came, and they were on their way here. Judge Palmer is a direct lineal descendent of some of America's most illustrious statesmen and patriots, but the modesty and refinement of the man prevented him from making public these facts. There coursed through his veins the blood of the Washingtons, a direct descendent of George Washington's only sister. He was a descendent of Meriwether Lewis, of the famous Lewis and Clark expedition, and was also a descendent of General Abercomby, of Revolutionary fame.

**LARGE ENROLLMENT FOR THE FALL SESSION**

The fall session of the University of Texas will open on September 21st, according to an announcement which has just been made by E. J. Mathews, registrar. A large enrollment is expected for the 1923-24 session, and it is requested that all prospective students send in their entrance credits by mail, in order that matriculation may be better systematized. The credits will be returned to the student, if he decides to go to some other school after sending them. A new plan for registration will go into effect this fall and it is thought that only two days will be necessary for that purpose, although it has been customary heretofore to spend four or five days registering students at the beginning of the session.

**Biliousness and Constipation**  
"For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, helping the system to do its work naturally," writes Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala.  
adv July 1m

**THE PUBLIC UTILITY STORY**

The Public Utility Story appeals to the imagination. It has romance and common sense. It is of importance to the people as no other picture of business and industry can be—for the Public Utilities affect their daily lives.

Public Utility men know this story. But they do not all realize that their customers and fellow citizens are not all informed about the Public Utility industry. They do not all see the necessity of telling the people about the industry in order to bring about good understanding and pleasant relations with their customers.

Local newspaper advertising is the greatest agency for awakening interest in the Public Utilities. It is through the local newspapers that the Public Utilities should tell their story. Public Utility men should advertise regularly as other good business men do. They have service to sell and their customers are entitled to know about their problems. If they know them they will appreciate the service and be allies of the industry.

No utility management can afford not to inform the people of its community as to the utility business—in particular as to the local utility situation.

Every Public Utility in Texas has at its disposal the services of the Texas committee on Public Utility Information. This bureau is anxious to aid in delivering the public utility message to the people. The combined knowledge of the public utility operators who make up this committee and who meet every week to consider the problems of the public utility industry, is at the command of the industry to assist in the public relations of any utility company in Texas.

The first four of a series of good will advertisements prepared under the direction of the committee that are sent with this go to the utility companies for their consideration and use if they see fit as a part of the service of this committee to the industry. Others are to be sent regularly. These advertisements may be used by any public utility company as they are, or with such changes as may seem desirable.

In addition to this service of advertising copy this bureau is prepared to advise public utility companies of Texas generally as to advertising. The committee invites correspondence of Public Utility managers who have problems in this line.—George McQuaid, director Texas Public Service Information Bureau.

**THE WORST OF THE TWO BOLL WEEVILS**

The Mexican boll weevil is an insignificant little cuss, writes G. Y. Clement in the Texas Commercial News.

He is about one-quarter of an inch long, but he has an appetite like a hippopotamus.

Ever since he came across the Rio Grande, he has been costing us good United States money. Last year he cost us two hundred million dollars. One hundred and fifty million of this was damage to cotton crop and fifty million we laid out trying to kill him off.

This year, Mr. Mexican boll weevil will again tax us about two dollars a head of two hundred million dollars.

There is another kind of boll weevil which also infests our country. Sometimes it comes across the Mexican border. Sometimes it comes across the Atlantic.

It looks like a man, talks like a man and walks like a man—but isn't. It carries a red flag in one hand and a torch in the other. Its pockets are full of bombs, its brains are full of dynamite, and its very breath is poison.

Beside this human boll weevil, the Mexican boll weevil is nothing!

Where the Mexican boll weevil costs us two hundred million dollars a year, the human boll weevil, most conservatively estimated, costs American industry a billion dollars a year.

The Mexican boll weevil bores into the tender cotton plant and lays an egg that hatches a grub that will kill the plant.

The human boll weevil bores into men's minds and inserts grubs that destroy honesty, faith, loyalty, patriotism and industry.

It gnaws at the vitals of those institutions that have helped you and me and every other worker in America to our place in the sun.

Some men think they are so big and powerful and strongly entrenched that they can afford to ignore the boring in of the human boll weevil. Such men are merely emulating the ostrich.

History has recorded that a supcity of the first magnitude was reportedly great Roman fiddled while a duced to ashes.

What will history record of true Americans during the present period?

**THE MARVELOUS GROWTH OF THE RADIO**

In the press dispatches we read that the governor of the State of New York addresses the people of the entire commonwealth by radio. He sat in the governor's chair in the executive suite where radio experts from the General Electric Company had prepared the proper transmitting devices. Then out in California, W. E. Creed, president of the various communities in the central portion of the State, served by the company, could hear him speak. The American Telephone & Telegraph Company announces an invention which its engineers have perfected to solve the problem of maintaining privacy in radio communication. Dr. Albert Abrams, of San Francisco, announces the invention of a super-radio set to test disease. And so it goes.

Radio today annihilating distance. Its greatest usefulness will be felt when through unified organization the service of experts can be broadcasted to the people of the country on a definite schedule.

Mrs. H. S. Currie, of Rankin, has been spending the past two weeks in Midland with relatives.

**They Don't Do It**  
"Yes, ma'am," said the dealer, "I guarantee this coat to be made of genuine skunk fur that will wear for years."  
"But suppose I get it wet in the rain?"  
"Madam," answered the furrier, "did you ever hear of a skunk carrying an umbrella?"

**GOOD POSITIONS SECURED**

Or money refunded if you take the world-famous Draughon Training—indorsed by bankers and business men and nearly 400,000 graduates. Superior systems save students 50 per cent of time and expense. Write today for guarantee-position contract and special offer, M. Draughon's Practical Business College, Wichita Falls, or Abilene, Texas. adv

Scientific attention to correct chassis and engine lubrication. We drain and wash your crank-case without charge; this should be done every thousand miles at the extreme, refilling with proper grade of oil. Let us attend to this end of your car maintenance. Its a good investment. The best in oils. Ever-Ready Filling Station. adv 38-1f

**THEN AND NOW**

(By A. Rover, Midland, Texas)  
(The following "spasm" was published in The Reporter of December 1, 1922, and is published again by the request of three people, not living today. The author of this brilliant (?) brain-leak is well known in Midland. For further information on the subject inquire of Ned Watson, linotype operator, Midland Reporter.)

When we wuz a kid and went to skule, The teachers always made a rule, To make us all appear peart and brite We had to study our books at nite.

An' arter doin' the chores an' sich, We pulled out our old arithmetic, An cussed and ground till half past ten,

An' then proceeded to turn in. When in spellin' we missed a word, We wuz considered an ignorant bird, An' if we missed two in succession We had to review the whole darn'd lesson.

When vacation came it was a cinch we knew, Every bloomin' lesson we'd gone thru. But now days the kids don't seem to keer

Whether they ever git anywhere; The gals they paint, an' bob an' powder,

Until their faces look louder an' louder. They know that the use of powder an' paint

Will make their freckles look as tho' they ain't. The boys ain't no better, we're observin',

Their jelly-bean ways makes 'em undeservin'. They love crap-shootin' instead of skule,


An' what they know you could git from a mule. Some o' the teachers are would-be flappers,

Bobbed-haired, bobbed-skirted, an' oh, be-jappers, When we take one look at these drug store beauties

We always think of doll-rack Cupies. We some times wonder if they really know

Whether America wuz discovered, or jes' happened so. Now we don't want to appear to be a grouch,

But darn'd if it don't make us sick throughout, To see young America in th' makin' A-kiddin' themselves an' always a-fakin'.



**It's Cool**  
ON THE GREAT LAKES AND IN THE MOUNTAINS OF VIRGINIA AND CAROLINA AND THE Sunshine Special  
Is the Quickest and Best Way There  
For Summer Tourist Rates See Your Local Agent or Write  
GEO. D. HUNTER, G. P. A.  
Dallas

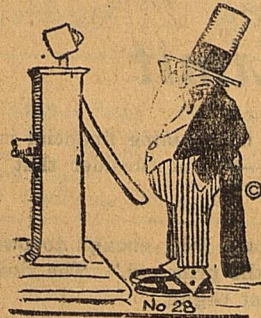
**MANY BUDDING JOURNALISTS**  
The tenth year of the department of journalism at the University of Texas will open September 21, 1923. Since the opening of the department in 1914 there has been a steady growth. During the last session there were 239 students in the department. Each year more and more students are taking the regular journalism courses in order that they may obtain the bachelor of journalism degree, and many candidates for purely academic degrees are correlating journalistic instruction with their other courses. Hundreds of former students are now engaged in some phase of journalism.  
Miss Margaret Currie left Tuesday afternoon to spend a week in Big Spring with relatives.



**Are You entirely satisfied with your cooking?**  
**?**  
We are now showing the latest improved models of the beautiful  
**RED STAR**  
Detroit Vapor  
**OIL STOVE**  
The modern oil stove. Fast as gas. NO WICKS. Patented Red Star Burner produces two rings of hot gas fire. Fast, clean, gas heat for cooking. Hot gas oven for baking. Equals a gas range. Saves one quarter of fuel. See a demonstration.  
**Basham-Shepherd Co.**

**The Portable REMINGTON TYPEWRITER**  
A machine that will give the user the utmost pleasure:  
**Perfectly Simple Absolutely Efficient Small and Compact**  
And combines all of the excellent features of the larger machine. It is especially convenient for the business man who would like to have his machine at home occasionally.  
A delight to the School Girl or Boy who would learn Typewriting at home. Folds and fits snugly in Dust Proof Case. Weighs 11 pounds, case and all.  
A convenience in a thousand ways, the Portable Remington is a marvel of efficiency and satisfaction.  
See one at  
**The Reporter Office**  
Phone No. 7

**OLD DOC BIRD**



We used to paint the town red--now the reformers paint it blue.

Take away that dark blue feeling by stepping into our

**SODA FOUNTAIN**

and trying out one of your favorite flavors.

Better yet, bring your best girl or wife along to help enjoy the treat of our

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**WHEN DEAD IT'S DEAD YOU STAY**

Compacts with the dead remain unkept, claims Harry Houdini, the acrobatic magician, famous for his uncanny ability to worm out of strait-jackets, handcuffs, and man-tight devices without limit. Mr. Houdini, with his familiarity with hypnotism and legerdemain, has often impersonated spiritistic medium, and claims there is not one trick of the mediums, no matter how unearthly it may appear, that he is not able to reproduce. When he complains, therefore, that not one of the seven friends who pledged to communicate with him after their deaths has kept his pledge and come back, he surely knows. A hard-headed wizzard, who has delved into the vitals of clairvoyancy and the mystic, should recognize a message from the Beyond, if it were possible for it to come through.

In the July number of The Watchman Magazine of Nashville, Tenn., Walter Hart Hall tells the story of Houdini's attempts to hear from his friends who had preceded him in death, and tells why he failed. It certainly was not Houdini's fault, for he himself says, "No one could accuse me of being unwilling to receive such a sign, because it would have been the greatest enlightenment I could possibly have had in this world."

"Mr. Houdini's experience bears the stamp of truth because it agrees with the greatest authority the world has ever known—the Bible. There has been no one statement from the great volume disproved, and new evidence corroborating its history, astronomy, and theology is being discovered continually. Great thinkers

are constantly bearing witness to its inspiration and reliability."

It may be surprising to those familiar with the usual hackneyed cant about the "souls in glory looking this way" to hear that the Bible says nothing like that. Mr. Hall quotes extensively to show that the Bible teaches that "the dead know not anything, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion forever in anything that is done under the sun."

"The dead cannot communicate with the living," he continues, "for the Bible plainly says, 'He that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more. He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.' This is definite indeed; this departed one does not return to his place. His haunts, his home, his business know him no more. That is settled. He does not come back. Wherever he goes, there he stays. This is what crafty Mr. Houdini has proved. The seven pacts made with friends ended with their death. They would have returned if they could, but they could not. If you ever feared to pass a cemetery at night, fear no more; the inmates are sleeping."

Mr. Hall claims further that the terms "spirit" and "breath" are interchangeable and at death it is the "breath of life" that leaves the body and returns to God, to be kept by Him until He returns it to the body at the awakening, or the resurrection. In answer to the question, "Do we then have no souls?" Mr. Hall says, "Oh, yes; but the body is not the soul, nor is the breath the soul, but the combination of breath and body make possible the soul—the entity."

**PROTECTING BOTH THE CONSUMER AND INVESTOR**

The United States supreme court has recently rendered a decision of great importance as effecting the future development of public utility properties. The opinion establishes the principle that "cost of reproduction at prevailing prices must be considered in fixing rates." This decision more than anything else does away with the bugaboo of watered stock which politicians parade before the people in a vote-getting campaign. When rates are based on the cost of the property, so-called watered stock is automatically eliminated.

To maintain its own financial standing and credit, a utility cannot afford to be loaded with watered stock, for with rates apportioned to the reproduction cost of its plant it cannot pay dividends on money not actually invested. Hence its return to stockholders would be unsatisfactory and it would immediately find itself in difficulties. The supreme court expresses the opinion that it is impossible to determine a fair return on the investment without considering the reproduction cost at the time, on the ground that if present reproduction cost is disregarded, an intelligent forecast of probable future values becomes impossible, for estimates for tomorrow cannot overlook the prices of today.

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**WHAT THE HIGHWAY AMENDMENT MEANS**

**PRESIDENT EXPLAINS MEASURE TO BE VOTED ON JULY 28**

**NO BONDS ARE AUTHORIZED**

Places State Roads Under State Supervision—Rural Roads Under Counties

Waco, Texas.—W. V. Crawford, president of the Texas Highway Association, issued today a statement outlining the provisions of the proposed highway amendment to the State Constitution to be voted on by the people on July 28.

"In spite of all the discussion in the press," he said, "there seems to be a widespread misunderstanding of the proposed amendment. The many inquiries we have received indicate that a great many people do not know what it provides. It occurs to me, therefore, that a simple statement of its provisions is very necessary."

"The amendment proposes to add the following provisions to the State Constitution:

"The Legislature is authorized and directed to provide for the creation, establishment, construction, maintenance and repair of a system of improved highways throughout the State, to be under the control of the State, and in order that the State may provide the means, revenues and instrumentalities for the establishment and maintenance of such system of highways, the Legislature is empowered to levy and cause to be collected specific excise and ad valorem taxes, in addition to those permitted for other purposes in the Constitution, but such ad valorem taxes shall be imposed only for the purpose of retiring the bonds authorized by vote of the people of this State as provided for hereinafter in this section.

"When said system shall have been designated and taken over for the State as provided in Section A hereof the Legislature is authorized to make provision for the equitable compensation to such counties for the value of such improvements as have been theretofore constructed by the counties in the State.

"Provided, also that, save for the State highway system, in all other respects, counties shall have the right to build, construct and maintain roads, turnpikes and bridges within their respective boundaries, and the constitutional provisions relating thereto are not qualified or repealed by reason hereof."

"Then there is a section authorizing and directing the Legislature to enact legislation to put these provisions into effect.

"First of all it should be said that the provision which refers to ad valorem taxes can be ignored, for the section which would have authorized the issuance of bonds was stricken out by the Senate. It was intended to strike out also the reference to ad valorem taxes, but in the rush of the closing hours of the regular session this was overlooked. But it is inoperative and the same as though it had been stricken out. For it applies only to the section which was stricken out, and no ad valorem taxes could be levied if the amendment is adopted.

"If that point is kept in mind there should be no difficulty in understanding the amendment. It provides for the creation of a state highway system and for the levying of 'specific excise taxes' for the establishment and maintenance of such a system.

"If the amendment is adopted the designated state highways will be taken over by the state and the counties will be relieved of the duty and expense of constructing and maintaining such highways in the future.

"The excise taxes it authorizes does not increase the power of the state to raise revenue. The state can levy excise taxes now, only they are called occupation taxes. But one-fourth of all occupation taxes must go to the school fund, and this amendment would make possible the levying of such a tax for road purposes only. The gasoline tax is an instance of this. Gasoline can not be taxed for roads without also taxing it for schools under the present constitution. Under the amendment it could be taxed for roads alone.

"And finally the amendment provides that counties shall retain all their present powers and revenues with respect to roads. This will relieve the counties from constructing and maintaining state highways and leave them all their present revenue for purely county roads. The provision for compensating counties for roads taken over is a matter for the future and will require further action of the Legislature.

"The system which this amendment would inaugurate in Texas is the same as that in operation in all the other states in the Union with the exception of two or three. A Federal law requires that every state must have such a system within the next three years or forfeit any Federal aid in building high-

**Election Order**

Be it ordered by the board of trustees of Midland Independent School District that an election be held at the court house in the town of Midland in said Midland Independent School District on the 7th day of July, 1923, to determine whether the board of trustees of said district shall have power to annually levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said district for the support and maintenance of public free schools in said Midland Independent School District of and at the rate of not exceeding one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of all taxable property within the district, such tax, if voted, to be levied and collected for the year 1923 and annually thereafter unless it be discontinued as provided by law.

Homer W. Rowe is hereby appointed manager of said election, and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same.

None but property taxpayers who are qualified voters in said Midland Independent School District shall vote at said election.

A copy of this order, signed by the president and attached by the secretary of this board, shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the president shall cause notice to be given in accordance with law.

(Signed) O. B. HOLT, President of the Board of Trustees of Midland Independent School District. (Signed) W. W. LACKEY, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Midland Independent School District.

The motion for the above order which was made by George Ratliff and seconded by Judge Charles Gibbs, was carried unanimously. The following members were present: O. B. Holt, president; Chas. Gibbs, George Ratliff, Jax M. Cowden, Charles Edwards, J. E. Hill and E. P. Cowden, which includes the entire membership of the board. adv-387f

**Unbiased Judgment**

Mr. Buldge (to usher)—Say, is this a good play?

Usher—Why yes, I think its very good.

Mr. Buldge (to wife)—There mother, I told you it was a good play.

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**THE DEPRECIATION OF THE FARMER'S DOLLAR**

Included in a sheaf of publicity material broadcast by the Republican national committee appears an item that confirms what Democrats have been saying about the depreciation of the farmer's dollar as a consequence of high prices and profiteering. The republican tariff has given the profiteers and extortioners their best opportunity.

"Increased cost of agricultural production, on account of higher wages and higher cost of material, now confronts the American farmers, according to report received by the U. S. Department of Agriculture," says this Republican publicity. "The effect of this will be either higher prices for farm products or curtailment of quantity of farm production or both.

"The purchasing power of the farmer's dollar is about stationary, compared with previous months. At present the index of the purchasing power of farm products is about 70.

There is an appreciable increase in farm wages but the chief cause of the growing cost of producing crops is the tariff, which has added \$301,000,000 to the cost of the American farmer's living over and above any benefit he derives from Republican protection."

The J. O. B. Degree  
A young man arrived home after having received the degree of M. A. for graduate work at college.

"I suppose Robert will be looking for a Ph. D. next," said a friend of the family to the father.

"No; he will be looking for a J. O. B."

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- The assembly and stock plants which cost \$5,000,000, as well as closed and open body plants, spring shops, etc.

Studebaker plants, in cost and size, are the second largest of the world's automobile plants.

Studebaker is the second strongest financially of the automobile manufacturers of the world.

These facts show why it is possible for Studebaker to produce the Light-Six—a truly remarkable car—and sell it for less than a thousand dollars.

In actual car value per dollar of price the Light-Six is in a class by itself. No prospective buyer of an automobile should decide on anything until he has seen and driven this car.

It is backed by a corporation with \$85,000,000 of actual net assets and a 71-year reputation for honest product and fair dealing.

### Vast Resources Make Possible High Value at Low Price in Studebaker Light-Six

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By complete manufacture, Studebaker not only guards the quality of each part, but saves the middlemen's profits, with the result that no other make of car ever built, by anyone, at any price, represents so great a dollar-for-dollar value as the Light-Six.

Evidence of its mechanical superiority is found in its practical freedom from vibration. This is accomplished by the perfect balance of the motor. Perfect balance is obtained largely through the complete machining of all surfaces of the crankshaft and connecting rods. This requires 61 precision operations.

This method is followed exclusively by Studebaker on cars at this price. In fact, very few other cars have this feature, and their prices are from three to ten times as great as that of the Light-Six.

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### AMENDMENT SUPPORT BY WOMEN URGED

Members of the women's clubs affiliated with the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, are urged to vote for the highway amendment to the constitution at the election on July 28th, and "to work for it and get others to vote for it," in an official appeal issued Monday by Miss Decca Lamar West, of Waco, chairman of the good roads division of the department of conservation of the federation.

Miss West's appeal follows: "To the women of Texas: The policy of both the general and State Federations of Women's Clubs is for conservation and constructive work at all times.

"The department of conservation feels that at the present time there is no issue of as vital import as that of the highway amendment to be voted on July 28th. Every club woman is obligated to vote for this amendment, as it was indorsed unanimously in resolutions before the State and seven district conventions of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

"A State system of connected permanent highways permanently maintained has been the slogan of the Texas Highway Association and the good roads division of the Texas Federation for the past year. Now is the opportunity to do constructive work. The provisions of the amendment are practical from every standpoint, providing that the State and national highways be constructed and maintained by the State highway commission, from State funds and feder-

al aid. This leaves the counties free to build and maintain a good system of county roads which will connect the through line State and national highways so vital to the growth of the State. It lessens the county's burdens, and at the same time gives them a better opportunity to have good roads at less cost.

"Such a system, which will be impossible without the passing of this amendment, will be an inestimable boon to the farmer in marketing his crops, and of untold value to the rural school. It will insure educational opportunity to the boys and girls of the rural community equal to that of those who live in the cities.

"Not only vote for this amendment, but work for it and get others to vote for it. It is a rare opportunity for service of the highest order."

#### TOLD HIM HE MUST GET G. O. P. ENDORSEMENT

How Republican Congressmen are attempting to make political pawns of sick and wounded veterans of the World War is revealed by A. J. Cobb, a former soldier, who applied to Senator Pepper for help in obtaining employment and was told to furnish public endorsements. Cobb served in a Pennsylvania regiment during the war.

"Unable to obtain employment and my money exhausted, I walked the streets of Washington, hungry," Cobb relates. "Accordingly I wrote to Senator Pepper apprising him of my condition and expressed the hope that he would aid me to procure some kind of employment."

Here is a copy of a letter Cobb says he received, bearing the name of Senator Pepper's secretary, Charles P. Swope:

"Before effective consideration can be given to this matter (of Cobb's request for help in getting work) it will be necessary for you to file with Senator Pepper the endorsement of the political leaders in your community."

Cobb subsequently made application for admission to a veterans' hospital in Washington to undergo treatment.

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### Protects Depositors In National Banks

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men who gave the country the Federal Reserve act. They merely "suggested" a guaranty plan—and it was rejected by Congress.

#### No Additional Tax

The Chancellor plan provides a perfect guarantee for every dollar deposited in a national bank. It does this without imposing a single penny of tax on any bank in the country. To prevent the careless and incompetent banker from receiving the emoluments of the plan, with no additional penalty for his incompetence, Chancellor has increased the hazard of failure by doubling the penalty on the responsible parties—the bank directors.

The penalty is on poor banking. The depositors are protected.

Chancellor's plan is remarkably simple. He would set aside a sufficient portion of that part of the net earnings of the Federal Reserve system, which is now being paid as a United States government franchise tax, to be the guarantee fund for national banks.

In explanation of the franchise tax, it must be remembered that the Federal Reserve act provided for the accumulation of a surplus fund from the earnings of the system after the payment of the 6 per cent dividend, to which stockholding member banks were entitled. After the surplus fund had amounted to 100 per cent of the paid-in capital, all earnings were to go to the government as a franchise tax. Commencing on this feature Chancellor says:

#### Banks Forced to Invest

"It must be remembered that this act compelled national banks existing and operating under charters granted by our government, under the national bank act, either to surrender their unexpired charters or invest their funds in the Federal Reserve Bank from which no greater annual return than 6 per cent could ever be received, with no guarantee of any return whatever.

"It is not in keeping with the principles of American democracy to require individuals or corporations to make an investment without their consent, much less limit in any way the profits which shall be made on this investment. Coercion in business has no place in the American order of things, least of all, coming from the United States government.

#### Fairness of Measure

"The adoption of an idea granting complete and unequivocal protection to every depositor in a national bank, will in a measure mitigate the effect of this feature of the Federal Reserve act.

"Why, then, are the stockholding member banks not entitled to have a sufficient portion of the government tax diverted into a fund for the protection of depositors in their banks?"

On Jan. 1, 1922, each of the Federal Reserve Banks, with one exception, had accumulated the required 100 per cent surplus, and hereafter 90 per cent of the net earnings of the Federal Reserve System, after dividend requirements to member banks have been provided for, will be payable to the government as a franchise tax.

Chancellor gives the following figures with reference to losses in national bank failures:

#### National Bank Losses

The first national bank failure took place in 1865.

To the close of business Oct. 31, 1922, a total of 659 national banks were placed in the hands of receivers.

Of that number 47 were returned to solvency and allowed to resume business.

The total number of closed receiverships is 576.

Total net loss sustained by creditors of these 576 banks is \$43,301,620—the loss of depositors in national banks for a 58-year period.

This is an annual average of approximately \$750,000 lost to depositors.

In the eight-year period since the banks began accumulating the surplus provided under the Federal Reserve act, that surplus amounts to \$218,000,000.

From these figures it is plain that in eight years the surplus profits of the Federal Reserve system would be sufficient to pay the national bank losses in 58 years three times over.

Now under no stretch of the imagination can the retention of this fund by the government be justified. It is made possible by the investment of the banks from which they can, under the law, receive but 6 per cent interest—an interest rate manifestly too small for profit.

Chancellor claims that the application of this law would contribute more to the unification and solidity of the entire banking system in this nation than anything else that could be done at this time. It should prove a magnet for attracting into the Federal Reserve system, all eligible non-member State banks which now control about 22 per cent of all banking resources of this country, the desirable

effects of which are well known and understood.

Additional Provisions Needed Provisions of a guaranty fund law should be left to men of known practical experience, training and study.

It might be well to follow the Kansas law by issuing interest-bearing certificates to proven creditors when a bank failure occurs, and as the bank is liquidated and funds are available for payment of dividends, credits could be entered upon the certificate so issued until the receivership was finally closed.

It would perhaps be practical and advisable to pay all depositors immediately upon proof of their claims to no greater extent than \$5,000 using the certificate method for settlement for the remainder of the claims.

It would seem necessary to follow the Texas law by guaranteeing only bona fide, unsecured and non-interest bearing deposits.

It would seem to be well to require all banks, when issuing certificates of deposits or any receipt or other evidence issued for any deposit which was not guaranteed by law, to print in bold and readily noticeable type, across the face of the same, due notice to the depositor that his deposit was not protected by the guaranty fund law.

It would seem advisable to continue the double liability on all stockholders in member banks other than directors, and that the liability of the directors should be increased to double that of the non-director bank.

It would seem advisable to provide for the assessment of a penalty against any member bank whose extended condition necessitated it borrowing in any form, a sum greater than its Basic Discount Line, such penalty to be on a graduated scale and increasing proportionally, as the amount borrowed, increased. This penalty should be paid into the guaranty fund.

#### OIL AND GAS CHIEF BACK FROM NEW FIELD

That the Santa Rita oil well on University of Texas land in Reagan County has better prospects for a large production than the first well drilled in the famous Mexia field, is the opinion of Laten Stanberry, assistant chief supervisor of the oil and gas division of the Railroad Commission, who returned to Austin last Tuesday afternoon from an inspection of the field.

Stanberry said that the Santa Rita well will produce between 250 and 300 barrels of oil daily as now drilled. Two other locations have been made by the Texas Company within a short distance of the Santa Rita well and will be drilled immediately.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wytche passed through Midland Thursday on their way home from Big Spring, where Mr. Wytch won first money in the bronc contest.

Tuesday night Bob Russell stopped in Midland with 14 prisoners from El Paso, which he was taking to the State penitentiary at Huntsville. Our county jail was well populated on this occasion. Two of the prisoners, we understand, were women.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mims and daughter, of Ft. Worth, arrived Monday for a ten days' visit in Midland with Mr. Mims' mother, Mrs. Ida B. Mims.

Mrs. Nannie Davey and Mrs. Raleigh Martin and son, Edwin, arrived Wednesday for a visit with "Uncle Henry" Wolcott.

Mrs. G. W. Wolcott and daughters, Misses Elsie and Kittie Belle, left on Wednesday to spend a few days on the ranch.

#### APPROVE THE PLAN OF 7 O'CLOCK CLASSES

University of Texas students have to rise early during the summer session in order to be on time at the early morning classes which are meeting at 7 o'clock. The plan of early classes was put into effect because of the advantage of working in the cooler part of the day, and the majority of the students approve of the plan.

Rev. W. Angie Smith made a business trip to Sweetwater and Colorado Thursday and Friday of this week.

Mrs. J. M. King and daughters, Misses Annie Lee and Jessie, and Mr. Joe Veazey left the latter part of last week for a three weeks' visit in San Antonio, Galveston, and other points.

Herman Spaulding, of Lubbock, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Spaulding.

H. M. Bentonville, of Florey, was in Thursday on business.

C. E. Rollins and A. J. Dow, of Seminole are in Midland today on business.

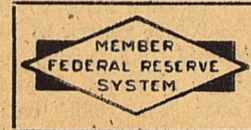
## The Time Limit

Too many people overlook the time element in attaining financial independence. They want things in a hurry—do not consider that a little effort will in time realize their desires.

Frequently we hear, "I have lived in my house long enough to own it," or "I've paid enough interest to double the principal." The time element was forgotten when rent and interest began.

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- R. M. BARRON, Cashier.
- ROY PARKS.
- H. E. CUMMINS.
- ANDREW FASKEN.

### CATTLE PRICES ARE STILL LOWER

Persons who have been in Fort Worth lately speak very discouragingly of the cattle market, and with good reason. Bearing out this discouraging condition, we have the following from Chas. M. Pipkin, Kansas City market correspondent, who writes under date, Monday, July 2nd:

Cattle receipts were above expectations and the increase coming at the beginning of a week that will be interrupted by a general holiday on Wednesday caused a weak to lower tendency in prices. The increase was almost entirely in the plainer classes of fat cattle and stockers and feeders. Hog prices were lower. Heavy receipts in Chicago caused the decline. Lambs and fat sheep were 10 to 25 cents higher.

#### Today's Receipts

Receipts today were 14,000 cattle, 14,000 hogs and 10,000 sheep, compared with 13,000 cattle, 11,000 hogs and 8,000 sheep a week ago, and 7,000 cattle, 8,000 hogs and 6,000 sheep a year ago.

#### Beef Cattle

Good to choice fed steers were in fairly active demand at steady prices and the other classes of killing steers were down 10 to 15 cents. More short fed and sappy cattle were offered than killers were willing to absorb without price concessions, and trade in that class was slow at the decline. However, indications are that there will be only light supplies available the rest of the week and today's decline will prove only temporary. The best steers here sold at \$10.25 to \$10.85, and good to choice steers brought \$9.50 to \$10.20. Warm-up and common quality fed steers sold at \$7.75 to \$9.40, and grass fat steers brought \$3.75 to \$7.40. Cows and heifers were 10 to 15 cents lower and best veal calves steady.

#### Stockers and Feeders

Thin cattle, suitable for stock and feeding purposes were in liberal supply, and prices ruled 15 to 25 cents lower. After this week demand will increase as the corn is making rapid growth and rough feed is plentiful.

#### Hogs

Hog prices were steady to 5 cents lower, more 5 cents off than steady. The top price \$6.85 was the same as last week's close, and the bulk of sales \$6.60 to \$6.75 was 5 cents lower. Packing sows sold at \$5.75 to \$5.85, Chicago receipts today, 71,000, were five times larger than those at any other market, and 60 per cent of the combined total reported at the five principle western markets. The holiday Wednesday will interrupt the movement of hogs and receipts late this week will be light.

#### Sheep and Lambs

Trade in sheep was active at 15 to 25 cents higher prices. Most of the native lambs sold at \$14.50 to \$15.00 and Colorado lambs up to \$15.25. Texas wethers brought \$8.00 to \$8.15, the highest prices for some time past. Some fat ewes brought \$7.00.

#### Horses and Mules

Very few horses and mules are being marketed and trade is quiet. Volume of trade will continue light for the next six weeks.

#### The Same Everywhere

The editor of Paisa Akbar, a native newspaper of Lahore, India, says, "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy many times among my children and servants, for colic and diarrhoea and always found it effective." adv July 1m

### INTERESTING MEETING OF OUR CIVIC CLUB

Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the Civic League of Midland County met in regular session at the City Library. Mrs. J. H. McKinney, as a former member of the Van Alstyne civic league, gave an interesting report of the work done there, with many helpful suggestions to our own club. A plea was made for a clean-up campaign before the arrival of the Locating Board. An endorsement was given to the school tax election on the coming Saturday.

Much work, which appeals to the civic pride of every woman is being undertaken, among them a well equipped play ground for the children.

Be present at the next meeting the first Tuesday in August, and assist in the work that will help your child, your home and your town.

Following is the League's endorsement of the school tax election, to be held tomorrow:

We, the Civic League of Midland, do hereby give our hearty endorsement to the election giving the school board power to raise the school tax to the limit of \$1.00, and pledge our support at the election to be held on July 7, 1923. —Club Reporter.

Tuesday morning Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kelton became the happy parents of a baby girl. The Reporter offers congratulations.

H. L. Christian is shipping 6 loads of cattle to Los Angeles, Cal., Saturday afternoon. He purchased these calves from C. A. Goldsmith and Henry Cummings.

Mrs. R. H. Wiley returned Sunday to her home in Roswell, N. M., taking her mother, Mrs. J. S. Hyatt with her for a visit.

#### Petition for Election for Maintenance Tax

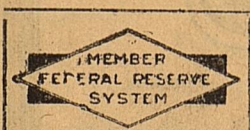
To the Board of Trustees of this Midland Independent School District: We, the undersigned taxpaying voters of said Midland Independent School District, hereby petition your honorable body to order an election, as provided in House Bill No. 118, Acts of the 37th legislature, putting into effect the amendment to Section Three, Article Seven of the Constitution to determine whether the board of trustees of said district shall have power to annually levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said district, for the support and maintenance of public free schools in said Midland Independent School District and at the rate of not exceeding one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of all taxable property within the district.

- Dated the 26th day of May, 1923.
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| J. M. Caldwell    | M. C. Ulmer          |
| T. A. Fannin      | W. R. Chancellor     |
| Jack Biard        | Ben F. Whitefield    |
| J. P. Inman       | W. B. White          |
| Addison Wadley    | W. J. Sparks         |
| T. R. Wilson      | T. Paul Barron       |
| C. C. Watson      | Jas. H. Shepherd     |
| M. D. Johnson     | S. H. Basham         |
| R. V. Hyatt       | H. J. Neblett        |
| Mrs. J. H. Barron | D. H. Roetger        |
| J. Bludworth      | W. F. Scarborough    |
| Joe C. Burnam     | J. Wiley Taylor      |
| Lee Bradshaw      | Mrs. C. A. Goldsmith |
| Harry Tolbert     | Mrs. C. C. Watson    |
| N. W. Bigham      | L. B. Pemberton      |
| M. R. Hill        | C. D. Adams          |
| R. M. Barron      | P. J. Mims           |
| C. S. Karkalitis  | B. Frank Haag        |
| W. Bryant         | Clarence Scharbauer  |
| T. R. Shelburne   | P. Scharbauer        |

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**FOR RENT**—Furnished rooms. Apply to Mrs. J. H. Wilhite, Phone 261. 34-tf

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Thirty acres out of Midland Fruit Growers' Association. Make us offer, part cash, balance terms, or what have you to offer that we can use? Box 88, Sherman, Texas. 35-10tpd

**WORK WANTED**—Any sort wind-milling or gasoline engine work. Address Will Wesson, Midland, Texas. 36tf

**LOST**—Two medium sized black mare mules. If found please notify Lane Dupree.

**FOR SALE**—Residence of six rooms, bath, hall, and two sleeping porches. Convenient to be used as two departments, if desired. Good well, wind-mill, and tank. Also city water and underground cistern. Adequate out-buildings and garage. Phone 261, J. H. Wilhite. 38tf

**TO TRADE**—For West Texas land, 17 blocks and 30 acres joining the city limits of Colorado, Texas. Located in the best residence section and in direct line with the future development of the city. Will give or take difference. R. T. Manuel, Colorado, Texas.

**FOR SALE**—'21 model Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Seabron Gwyn.

**SEWING**—Anyone wanting sewing of any kind done, call at Mrs. Will Wesson's.

**FURNISHED ROOMS**—Mrs. Clara Terry has three for rent. For information call on Luther Tidwell at the hardware store. 39-tf

**LOST**—A lady's silver chain purse, between Smith & Stevens' store and the Eugene Long place. Please return to Smith's grocery.

**WANTED**—Man with car to sell complete line high quality tires and tubes. A money making proposition for either full or part time. Exclusive territory. Sterlingworth Tire & Rubber Co., East Liverpool, Ohio.

**LOST**—A crank for a Maxwell car. Lost last Sunday night somewhere in town. Return to City Garage or E. B. Patterson.

**FOR SALE**—9 room residence. Ideal location 1-2 block land, good well and water. Two blocks from the high school. For bargain price, see Rorie E. Cowden.

Baron and Marian Wadley arrived Wednesday afternoon from a visit in Pecos. They were accompanied by their grandmother, Mrs. C. E. Buchholz, who will visit in Midland for a few weeks.

See the hand-made dresses arriving weekly, also hats from 75 cents to \$5.00, at Hobbs & Moore's. adv 39th

Mrs. Looser and daughter, Zennie, of Killen, are now in Midland, the guests of Mrs. Looser's sister, Mrs. J. E. Feeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Shields, of Wichita Falls, arrived Monday for a visit with Mrs. Shields' parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Francis.

Ed—"Aw! You're afraid to fight!" Milton—"No, I'm afraid my mother will find it out." Ed—"How?" Milton—"She'll see the doctor going to your house."

**JOHN BEAL SNEED SHOT AND WOUNDED**

**MAN WHOM HE SHOT ABOUT TWO MONTHS AGO SURRENDERS TO SHERIFF**

John Beal Sneed was shot and very seriously wounded in Paducah, Texas, last Monday shortly after noon. C. E. Berry, who was shot by Sneed some two months ago, surrendered to the sheriff.

According to the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram it is said that Berry was located in the alley behind the First National Bank at the time he shot Sneed. Sneed was in or getting into his car, which was in the middle of the street when he was shot. It was not known in Paducah that Berry was in town. He had not been seen there but once since he was shot by Sneed. Sneed was taken to the sanitarium at Quanah. He may live.

John Davis, who was driving his car one block away, barely escaped. One shot broke the windshield on his car and just missed him.

Sneed killed A. G. Boyce, Sr., in Ft. Worth in January, 1911, following the elopement of young Al Boyce with Sneed's wife. Later, Sneed killed young Boyce in Amarillo. He was acquitted on both charges.

Following, further according to the Star-Telegram, are some of the high lights in the life of John Beal Sneed:

Oct. 13, 1911—Entrance of little daughter prevented his killing his wife when she told him of her infatuation for Al Boyce, Jr.

Oct. 17, 1911—Sneed placed Mrs. Sneed in sanitarium in Ft. Worth.

Nov. 8, 1911—Mrs. Sneed left the sanitarium with Al Boyce. The two went to Canada.

Jan. 13, 1912—Mrs. Sneed was returned to Ft. Worth sanitarium by her husband.

Jan. 13, 1912—Capt. Al G. Boyce, Sr., secured the dismissal of the indictments against his son.

Jan. 13, 1912—Beal Sneed kills aged Captain Boyce in the lobby of a Ft. Worth hotel, alleging his complicity in son's affair with Mrs. Sneed.

Jan. 29, 1912—Trial of Sneed for killing Captain Boyce starts.

Feb. 29, 1912—Dismissal of jury. Mistrial entered.

March 5, 1912—Capt. J. T. Sneed, aged father of Beal Sneed, killed by a tenant in Georgetown. The tenant turned the pistol on himself and died instantly.

Sept. 14, 1912—Al Boyce, Jr., is killed in Amarillo by Beal Sneed, disguised as a farm laborer and wearing blue overalls and an old jumper. Sneed used a double-barrel shot gun. He fired two shots, then reloaded and fired a third time. Beal Sneed acquitted of killing Al Boyce, Jr., in a trial at Vernon.

Oct. 6, 1922—John Beal Sneed was convicted and given two year sentence in the Federal court at Abilene on a charge of bribing a juror. This case is now on appeal.

October, 1922—Wood Barton, son-in-law of Sneed, shot and killed by C. B. Berry.

March 7, 1923—Beal Sneed shoots C. B. Berry on public square of Paducah.

July 2, 1923—J. B. Sneed is shot by C. B. Berry in Paducah.

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**REGISTERED HEREFORD MEN HAVE A MEETING**

The executive board of The South Plains Registered Hereford Breeders Association held a meeting in the directors' room of the First National Bank on Saturday afternoon, June 30th.

The following members were present:

Judge Chas. Gibbs, Midland, president; John H. Edwards, Odessa, vice president; Henry M. Half, Midland, secretary-treasurer; B. N. Aycock, Midland, director; I. B. Cauble, Big Spring, director.

The secretary was instructed to have printed 100 copies of the revised by-laws and constitution and to carry an advertisement in the Cattleman, of Ft. Worth.

A committee was appointed to meet with the members of the Midland Hereford Breeders Association, July 14th, to arrange with them for a joint show this fall. The following new members were accepted: George G. Gray, Midland; G. O. Brunson, Midland; J. P. Rankin, Rankin.

**HENRY M. HALFF,** Secretary-Treasurer.

Geo. Ratliff and family returned Saturday from their ranch and from Lubbock where they attended the first few days of the trial.

John Locklar and family spent Sunday in Stanton, the guests of W. T. Locklar and family.

Otis Locklar spent last week-end with Clay Floyd on the Floyd ranch southwest.

"Uncle Hiliary" Bedford returned Saturday from Lubbock where he attended the trial held there last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jones left Sunday for Amity, and other points in Arkansas, where they will spend the summer with relatives.

Misses Vieve and Aline Rhodes, of Pecos, spent Sunday night in Midland with Miss Gladys Manning. They were on their way to Abilene, where they will visit relatives.

We were sorry to learn that the home of Mr and Mrs. Jess Shelburne, who recently moved from Midland to a farm near Odessa, was destroyed by fire the latter part of last week. Friends deeply sympathize with them in their loss.

Anson Coughran and family left Saturday for Tahoka, where Mrs. Coughran and children visited relatives while Mr. Coughran made a business trip to Dallas.

Allan Cowden left Sunday for a visit with his sister, Mrs. M. O. Means, of Valentine.

Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Garnett, accompanied by Miss Dora Wall, left on Monday morning for a three-weeks' visit in Ulvalde, San Antonio, Austin, Houston and Waco, this being Bro. Garnett's summer vacation.

Mrs. John Winborne returned the latter part of last week from a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Eastland and Snyder.

Mrs. W. A. Hutchison and daughter, Miss Lois, left Monday to spend the week on the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Pegues, Mrs. Philip Werla, Ray Moran and Clifford Hill left Sunday for El Paso to spend a few days.

Mrs. Frank Ethridge left Sunday morning for Miami, Ariz., where she will join her husband, who is now at that place.

Mrs. E. H. Price and daughter, Ruth, accompanied by Mrs. Price's niece, Miss Alma Brunson, left Sunday for their home in Lovington, N. M.

Misses Maurine and Fenet Griffis were in Midland Sunday on their way to Lamesa and Lubbock, working in the interest of Baylor College, Belton. Miss Maurine spoke Sunday night to the congregation at the Baptist church and gave them an account of their work.

Miss Josephine Skeen left Sunday afternoon for the McClintic ranch where she will remain until school opens.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Nicodemus returned Sunday night from Roswell, N. M., and left again Monday afternoon for Ft. Worth, where Mrs. Nicodemus will visit relatives and friends while Mr. Nicodemus goes to Kansas City on business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Barnes returned the latter part of last week from a business trip to Sanderson.

**SHIPMENTS OF CATTLE DURING THE PAST WEEK**

Our reporter, Miss Bettie V. Trammell, notes the following shipments of cattle during the past few days:

Elliott Barron 1 car of cows Saturday to Ft. Worth.

Kirby Nutt 1 car cows and yearlings to Ft. Worth Saturday.

H. W. Montgomery 1 car of mixed cattle to Ft. Worth Saturday.

O. P. Buchanan 1 car to Ft. Worth Saturday.

H. L. Christian 1 car to Los Angeles Saturday.

H. H. Hamm 1 car of cattle to Ft. Worth Saturday.

W. H. Skagg 1 car Saturday to Ft. Worth.

Kenton Boone 2 cars from Stanton to Ft. Worth Saturday.

D. W. Brunson 3 cars from Stanton to Ft. Worth Saturday.

Lane Dupree 2 cars of calves Sunday to Ft. Worth, purchased from Joe Youngblood.

Love Bros. 1 car of cows and 1 of calves Sunday to Ft. Worth.

Elkin Bros. 7 cars steers, bought from O. B. Holt, to Iowa point on Tuesday.

John Degman, of El Paso, 2 cars of stocker cattle to El Paso Sunday, bought from Love Bros.

Wm. Farr Co., shipped 7 cars of cattle purchased from Love Bros., to Albuquerque, N. M., Sunday.

J. P. Collins 7 cars of the C. R. Smith steers to Hereford Monday.

Chilton & Billingsley, of Lamesa, 9 cars of cows and calves last Thursday to Kansas City.

J. I. Rasdale shipped 3 cars of cattle to Amarillo last Sunday, 3 Monday, and 3 cars today. These were bought from various men, some from O. B. Holt, George G. Gray, Love Bros., and others.

Mrs. T. P. Holfield, who has been ill for the past two weeks is reported improving.

Mrs. J. M. Caldwell and son, Robert, returned Sunday from a three months' visit in Little Rock, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Driver and son, and Miss Cecile Peyton left Tuesday to spend a few days in Big Spring, and from there they will go to San Angelo for a two weeks' visit with relatives.

W. H. Cullen and brother, Dr. Cullen, of Ft. Worth, were in Midland the first of the week on their way to California. They were the guests of Mrs. Elliot Cowden, sister of Mrs. W. H. Cullen.

Miss Josephine Tooley, trained nurse of the Midland Sanitarium, returned Sunday from San Antonio, where she attended the funeral of a nephew of Mrs. H. L. Roberson, who was accidentally shot.

If it should be in an up-to-date service station, we have it. Our service will please you. Ever-Ready. adv 38tf

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cowden and children were in Tuesday from their ranch.

Mrs. E. L. Sparks, of Dinera, and Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Powers, of San Antonio, are now the guests of Mrs. W. A. Hutchison and family on their ranch.

Miss Euphie Pemberton returned the latter part of last week from a week's visit in Big Spring. She was accompanied home by Miss Dorothy Brown, who spent a few days in Midland.

Mrs. S. L. Jacobs, of El Paso, formerly Miss Mary Jane Carr, arrived in Midland the first of the week and is a guest of her father, S. B. Carr, and family, on their ranch 10 miles southeast.

Miss Lela Mary Heard left Monday for a visit in Carlsbad, N. M. She stopped in Pecos for a few days' visit with friends before going to Carlsbad.

Mrs. J. P. Collins and daughter, Elma, left Sunday to spend the summer at Long Beach, Cal.

Our sister, Miss Lydia G. Watson, left Monday afternoon for various points in Arkansas, where she will enjoy a much needed rest, preparatory to teaching in the fall. She will resume her music class here on her return, the latter part of August.

Mrs. Van E. Curtis returned Sunday morning from a ten days' visit with relatives in Rising Star. Mr. Curtis, who visited with her, did not return to Midland but went to San Antonio, where he will enter the school of chiropractics.

B. F. Stanley left Sunday for El Paso to visit his daughters, Mesdames Tom Nance and Carroll Holloway.

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**FRANK HOBBS AND WIFE CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY**

One of the most enjoyable events of the week was a swimming party given Thursday evening at Leggett's Lake by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hobbs in celebration of their fourth anniversary.

After a delightful swim, Mrs. Hobbs served a lunch composed of fried chicken, sandwiches, potato chips, deviled eggs, potato salad, iced tomatoes, ice cream and cake.

Those enjoying this affair were Messrs. and Mesdames H. C. Snodgrass, Dott Smith, C. E. Gambill, Morris Oliver, Hugh Hanks, Julian Carter, Misses Elsie and Grace Miller, Mittie Meadows of Winters, and Fred Harkrider.

Little Dott Smith, Jr., presented a number of packages consisting of beautiful cut glass and silver to Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs.

The merry party motored back to town to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hanks on Cypress Street, where the dining room was beautifully decorated, the table being centered with a cake topped with four lighted candles, which Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs extinguished as they made wishes for the year confronting them.

Each guest thanked Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs for their pleasant hospitality and returned home.—Abilene Reporter.

The above young people are well and popularly known in Midland, this being their old home. Friends of theirs will enjoy reading of this enjoyable event in their lives.

Miss Freddie Bradford returned on Thursday morning from a month's visit with relatives in Shreveport, La.

**WITNESSES BACK FROM GOOD TRIAL**

The witnesses in the Good trial who went to Lubbock this week from Midland are nearly all back, all the witnesses in the case having been discharged late yesterday evening. The judge's charge and the pleadings in the case are expected to be completed today, and the matter turned over to the jury sometime this afternoon.

The trial of Milt Good, charged with killing Dave Allison, as was Tom Ross who received a 35-year sentence, has proceeded along lines very similar to the trial of Ross. There were the same witnesses, the testimony about the same, the same attorneys, the same judge, and all things else about the same except the jury. Even the sentiment in Midland is very similar, and quite conspicuously divided. It is expected that we will hear from the jury some time tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. McElroy were in Midland Thursday from their ranch south of Odessa.

While enjoying the Fourth in Big Spring Wednesday, Mr. George Broome received a message that his uncle had been accidentally shot and killed in San Angelo. He and Mrs. Broome left immediately for an indefinite stay.

Misses Leonora and Myrtle Whitmire left Wednesday afternoon to spend a few days on the ranch with Mrs. Sam Preston.

Mrs. J. S. Cordill returned the latter part of last week from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Phoenix, Ariz.

**Straw Hats and Ice :: ::**

People always begin buying straw hats and ice about this time of the year—but we ice men envy the straw hat manufacturer. He has the buying season all figured out. The thermometer helps demand, but supply is no problem at all.

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### CONDITION OF COTTON IS THE LOWEST IN YEARS

The correspondents of the Georgia co-operative crop reporting service indicate the condition of the cotton crop to be lower than in many years. The figures of 65 very well reflects the numerous unfavorable factors entering into making the cotton crop this season. Most important among these is the boll weevil, which is already present in practically all counties. On account of the lateness of the season in the upper two-thirds of the State, this is of extreme importance.

On crop report date (May 25), from 15 per cent to 25 per cent of the cotton acreage remained unplanted in the upper third of the State, and the crop was late in all of the Piedmont section and part of the coastal plain. The lateness is due to several causes, principal among which is excessive rainfall and the several cold spells, particularly the last one on May 10th.

Labor shortage, due to exodus of negroes, has forced the farmers to attempt to cultivate two acres more per plow than usual. The shortage of labor is bound to result in considerable abandonment and poorer cultivation, and is accentuated by extremely wet season. In addition work stock is in bad shape and shortage of feed stuffs is very marked. Certain localities have been visited by hail and cotton so damaged cannot make a crop in advance of the weevil.

To partially offset this extremely unfavorable situation, more of the farmers are using fertilizer and there is an increase of 16 per cent in the amount used per acre. It is also likely that there will be more calcium arsenate used than last season. Probably one of the most important points is that the farmers now understand the weevil and are adopting intelligent and vigorous methods of combating him.

As to the physical condition of the plant itself, the situation is extremely streaked and spotted. In South Georgia the stands are good and the cotton is in very fair shape. As one progresses north after leaving the seaboard from Montgomery to Savannah the condition becomes lower. In the northeast section there is a block of about fifteen counties where the situation approaches disaster, and all of north Georgia is so badly behind that the outrun of the crop in this area is problematical. It may also be said that the western part of the State generally has a much better outlook than the eastern. These indications are borne out by the condition figure of our sister states on the west and east respectively, Alabama with condition figures of 70 and South Carolina with 64.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jay and daughter, Miss Stella, returned Sunday from a few days' visit with friends in Seagraves. Mr. Jay reports the farmers and their crops doing fine.

#### Lesson in Business

"Pop!"  
"Yes, my son."  
"What is a gardner?"  
"A gardner is a man who raises a few things, my boy."  
"And what is a farmer?"  
"A man who raises a lot of things."  
"Well, what is a middleman, pop?"  
"Why, he's a fellow who raises everything, my son."

Unhitching the Wagon from the Star  
Tramp: "When I was young I made up my mind to be rich."  
Lady: "But you never became rich?"  
Tramp: "No, mum. I found it easier to change my mind."

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### COUNTY FUNDS FOR RURAL ROADS ONLY

JUDGE SIMPSON SAYS FARMER WILL BENEFIT FROM HIGHWAY AMENDMENT

#### CHANGE PRESENT CONDITION

State Road Maintenance a Burden On The County Tax-payers

Tyler, Texas.—More direct benefit will accrue to the farmers of the State through the adoption of the highway amendment to be voted on July 28 than to any other class of citizens, in the opinion of Judge R. W. Simpson of Tyler.

"In too many counties under the present system," said Judge Simpson, "the funds available for road building and road maintenance are devoted almost entirely to the cardinal roads. The traffic over such roads comes quite as much from outside the county as from inside, but the county taxpayers pay for the building and maintaining these roads. In consequence the other roads of the county are neglected and frequently the farmer finds himself taxed to maintain a fine road from the county seat to the county line and which he uses only occasionally, while the road passing his farm, and the roads passing the farms of his neighbors are neglected to such an extent as to become impassable with the least bad weather. The adoption of the highway amendment will change this, because it will place these cardinal highways under State control where they belong, and leave the counties free to devote all their revenue to the county and rural roads which are of greatest use to the farmers. As long as the present system continues the rural roads are going to be neglected. That's why the farmers should help to get a full vote out for the amendment on July 28."

Fort Worth, Texas.—It is to the interest of the county, of the State and of the Nation that the proposed highway amendment to the Constitution should be adopted at the election on July 28, according to Louis J. Wortham of this city, vice president of the Texas Highway Association.

#### AMENDMENT INVOLVES A THREEFOLD DUTY

Wortham Says Highway Measure In Interest of County, State and Nation

"It is to the interest of the county, of every county," he said, "because the maintenance of cardinal highways through the county for the benefit of State traffic absorbs too much of county money and county attention. The adoption of the amendment would place these highways under the State Government and thus relieve county funds to be applied to purely county roads. It would mean the serving of all the people in every county in the State."

"It is to the interest of the State because it will insure the construction of a State system of connected highways and the permanent maintenance of such highways. Moreover, it will insure the co-operation of the Federal Government in the building of this system, for if the amendment is lost we shall lose Federal aid for highway construction. It is to the interest of the Nation because it will insure that the money the Federal Government spends in Texas will contribute toward the creating of a national highway system. That is the only justification for the expenditure of Federal money for highways. The Federal Government has no right to spend the people's money in the construction of disconnected county roads. It will also insure that roads built with Federal assistance will be maintained, and thus protect the investment of the Federal Government in Texas."

"A citizen of a county in Texas is not merely a citizen of that county. He is a citizen of the county, a citizen of the State and a citizen of the United States. In all of these capacities he should vote for this amendment, for the interests of his county, the interests of his State and the interests of his country demand it."

Amendment Insures Federal Aid  
Austin, Texas.—It will be necessary for Texas to adopt the highway amendment to the Constitution on July 28 to insure the continuance of Federal aid, according to R. M. Hubbard, chairman of the State Highway Commission.

"An amendment to the Federal aid act," he says, "requires the State to provide a State fund to match the Federal money and to take over the construction and maintenance of the State system. The authority now in the counties will have to be given to the State, as far as the State roads are concerned. This can only be done by amending the Constitution. The amount allotted to Texas to date is approximately \$31,000,000 and the allotments in the future will be many millions more. The adoption of the amendment means that we will be assured a connected State system of roads."

### RECENT ITEMS OF INDUSTRY AND PROGRESS

Corpus Christi—Work completed on causeway.

Denison—Total of 100 cars of poultry, eggs, butter and hides shipped in past three months.

Extension of Frisco railroad from Quannah to El Paso under consideration.

San Angelo—Santa Rita oil well pronounced first real well in State west of Ranger.

Pecos—Machinery being installed in new electric cotton gin.

Panhandle oil field reports second extension in two weeks.

Pecos—New cotton and seed warehouse to be erected.

Corsicana—Humphreys Oil Company stands to duplicate its success at Mexia if the new oil pool just discovered east of here meets preliminary expectations. This field came into prominence when the J. K. Hughes Development Company's well caught fire and cost 16 lives. Another 10,000 barrel completion has just been reported, indicating that the pool is of major magnitude.

Beeville—\$75,000 school to be built for Mexican girls.

Bertram—77,222 lbs. wool sold.

Winter wheat expected to yield 18,240,000 bushels.

Garrett—\$50,000 to be spent on school buildings.

Pecan Growers Association urges establishment of two experimental stations.

Corsicana—Contract awarded for "White Way" lighting system.

Galveston—\$670,000 to be expended for extension of east sea wall.

Wichita Falls—First wheat of season marketed.

Corsicana—Railroad yards improved at cost of \$25,000.

Port Arthur—Ice plant to double capacity.

El Paso—\$300,000 bond issue to be voted for construction of dike along Rio Grande river.

Ranges have become dry in most of the State outside of a strip extending from the center of the Oklahoma line to the Rio Grande, the dry section extending along the coastal plain and into the western counties. However, the grass matted fairly well during May and helped improve the condition of cattle slightly. About two-thirds of the fat cattle to be marketed from southern Texas have moved by the end of May and the rest are expected to go by the end of June. Sheep continue to do well but seem to have been fattening slowly. The shipment of lambs promises to be well under way in September and October.

Breckenridge—\$18,000 contract let for brick building.

Amarillo—Contract awarded for pavement of 200 blocks of city streets.

Eastland—Continental Gasoline Company organized to build 20-mile railroad through Zavalla and Uvalde counties.

Ablene—\$200,000 to be spent on paving project.

Breckenridge—Approximately \$335,000 subscribed for proposed textile mills.

Dallas—\$811,000 9-story hotel to be built by Dallas contracting firm.

Ft. Worth—Grain elevator with 36 reinforced concrete tanks to be built at cost of \$350,000.

Waco—M. K. & T. railroad putting up locomotive erecting and repair shop at cost of \$2,000,000; to employ 700 workers.

Ft. Worth—Texas Steel Company organized with capital of \$2,500,000 will establish large plant for making steel bars and casings.

Dallas—Heavy general rains over State to be of tremendous value to wheat crops.

Houston—New \$1,100,000 warehouse of Houston Cotton Company to have capacity of 200,000 bales.

Detailed plans for the complete electrification of the United States, worked out in the form of an atlas by Frank G. Baum, an engineer of San Francisco, were recently exhibited at the convention of the National Electric Light Association in New York. The most striking feature of the plans which are the result of 20 years' work, was a map showing a system of 220,000-volt transmission lines covering the entire country and placed with reference to existing transmission lines, waterpower, industrial centers and railroad lines.

Insurance is the basis of all credit. When a man has a fire and his property is insured he wants his money at once. Insurance reserves must be kept in assets that can be turned into cash immediately.

If the politicians would keep hands off the railroads long enough to let them get fairly on their feet they would all be building extensions as in the good old days before super-regulation strangled them.

Thomas Inman and Garvice Dockray spent Sunday at the Big Lake oil field.

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### OIL OUTLOOK GOOD SAYS STATE EXPERT

REPORT ON SANTA RITA IS OF STRONG PROSPECTS OF GOOD FIELD

There is an excellent prospect at Rankin for a paying oil well that will be the starter for an important new Texas field, in the opinion of Laten Stanberry, of Austin, chief deputy supervisor of the oil and gas division, Texas railroad commission.

Mr. Stanberry was in San Angelo the latter part of last week from Rankin and Big Lake with John Hoffer, of San Angelo, deputy supervisor of the oil and gas division. The two officials made a water test Tuesday of the Santa Rita well of the Texon Oil and Land Company, continued to Fort Stockton, near which they inspected the W. B. Troy well, and stopped again at the Santa Rita returning to San Angelo Wednesday. Swabbing out was underway there Wednesday afternoon, as reported in The Standard.

This operation may continue for another week or ten days to condition the well and will determine whether or not it will be drilled in.

"The Santa Rita looks good, first because of the high grade of the oil; second, because it has a fair gas pressure and, third, the hole is standing up well," said Mr. Stanberry. Oil from the Santa Rita has a specific gravity of 36 to 37, which is higher than that at Mexia or in Shackelford County, it was pointed out. The gravity of Texas oil ranges from around 34 to 42, Mr. Stanberry stated. The opinion was expressed that with pipe line connection, the Santa Rita oil should bring not less than 30¢ a barrel under the best oil in the Wichita County field.

The State officials reported that a pit for a derrick has been dug 800 feet west of the Santa Rita and that a location for another well has been made 800 feet north of it, or something over 1,000 feet northwest of the discovery well. It is thought that both locations are on the same tract as the Santa Rita, Section 2, Block 2, University land, but this was not known definitely. It was learned on Wednesday that one and probably both of these offsets will be spudded in within two weeks.

Mr. Stanberry and Mr. Hoffer, visiting the W. B. Troy well in Pecos County, which created a flurry early in the year, found four-inch casing on the rack, ready to be run with a packer attached to 3,097 feet, the bottom, as soon as some minor tools arrive. Six and one-quarter inch pipe extends to 2,725 feet. The four-inch casing should be run by next week, after which it will be drilled deeper and swabbed to test out the sand. J. W. Grant is completing a derrick near his Miracle well on Section 13, block 140, Texas & St. Louis Ry. Co. survey, for a test to be started soon.

Mr. Stanberry has been chief deputy supervisor of the oil and gas division of the State railroad commission since early in 1923. From 1919 until that time he was chief clerk of the division. R. B. Walthall is now chief supervisor. Mr. Stanberry will continue to DeLeon on his way back to Austin and Mr. Hoffer will return to San Angelo by train.

It was learned Thursday of last week that one of the five steel tanks at the Santa Rita well is filled with oil and that another probably one-third full. Each tank has a capacity of 500 barrels. What oil, if any, was in the other three tanks was not learned but it is presumed they are empty. There was an estimated 150 barrels in the slush pit, making a total of perhaps in excess of 800 barrels in storage. It is merely conjecture how much oil soaked into the ground, how much evaporated and how much showered over the greasewood prairie before steel storage was provided. Thus no accurate check can be made upon the amount of oil the Santa Rita has made. It is believed certain, however, to be in excess of 1,000 barrels, perhaps 1,500.

A report Thursday afternoon was that the control head was on the well and that oil was going into the tanks.

Midland people visit there every week and the town itself keeps up a desultory sort of an interest down there, but not the interest it should. Every Midland citizen should be

hereof. The Legislature, at any regular or special session, is authorized and directed to pass and enact all appropriate legislation necessary to carry out and effectuate the purpose and intent of these Articles.

Sec. 2. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to cause to be issued his necessary proclamation for an election to be held on the fourth Saturday in July, 1923, at which election this amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this State for adoption or rejection and shall make the publication required by the constitution and laws of the State. Said election shall be held under and in accordance with the General Election Laws of the State, and the ballots for said election shall have printed or written thereon in plain letters the following words:

"OFFICIAL BALLOT:" "For the amendment to Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for a State system of highways." "Against the amendment to Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for a State system of highways."

Those voters who favor such amendment shall erase by marking a line through the words "Against the Amendment to Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for a State system of highways." Those who oppose such amendment shall erase by marking a line through them, the words, "For the amendment to Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for a State system of highways." And the result of the election shall be published and declared according to the majority of the votes cast in such election.

Sec. 3. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses of the proclamation and publication of this amendment and the election to be held hereunder.

S. L. STAPLES,  
Secretary of State.

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**RETURNING TO NORMALCY ROT**

Some months ago Secretary of War John W. Weeks remarked that if anyone asked him to make a speech, he would say what he thought and without reservation, says the Fort Worth Press.

Speaking to the alumni of Brown University, Secretary Weeks fulfilled that promise. And here is what he thinks:

No limitation should be put upon the powers of the supreme court as now exercised.

Talk about stabilizing the dollar is not worthy of serious thought.

The primary system is fine in theory but not in practice. No presidential primary should be permitted. Under no circumstances should the State department be compelled to make public its "delicate and confidential relations" with foreign powers.

The "initiative and referendum" as practiced in the states is all wrong and even extremely dangerous.

Weeks is always frank. He admits he is a conservative and there is only one alternative to that of conservatism—and that "radicalism."

Had he lived in Europe prior to the eighteenth century, we can imagine how he would have hooted the idea of establishing a republican form of government in the Americas.

Had he been interested in mechanics, we appreciate how he would have laughed at the idea of the steamboat, the steam engine, the automobile. His one warning cry would have been, "Beware! Dangerous."

Secretary Weeks is accredited with being the most influential political adviser to President Harding. With this picture of Weeks' mind and with the understanding that he is influencing Harding, we get a pretty clear impression of what all that talk about "returning to normalcy" meant.

**A New Idea**

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**COMMISSIONERS COURT ADOPTS RESOLUTIONS**

Whereas the Thirty-Eighth Legislature has passed an amendment to the constitution of the State of Texas which reads: "For the amendment of article 8 of the constitution of the State of Texas, providing for a State system of highways," and

Whereas, said amendment relieves various counties of the responsibility of building and maintaining the designated State highways, thereby leaving more money for the county commissioners to build lateral roads, and

Whereas, unless the said amendment be approved by the voters of the State at the special called election for Saturday, July 28th, Texas will lose her federal aid as provided by the federal road act, and

Whereas, in taking over and building and maintaining a system of highways by the State it will give Texas a connected system of highways, and

Whereas, the Thirty-Eighth Legislature has already provided funds for the proposed system of highways by the increase of automobile fees and one cent a gallon tax on gasoline, now, therefore be it

Resolved, by the Commissioners court of Midland County, that we endorse the said constitutional amendment to the highway laws of our State as the only sound and sensible means of giving Texas a connected system of highways and that we pledge our support and urge all voters of Midland County to support this amendment. Be it further

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the court and a copy be given to the press of the Midland Reporter.

Chas. L. Klapproth, County Judge, Millard Eidson, Com. Prec. No. 1, J. M. King, Com. Prec. No. 2, T. O. Midkiff, Com. Prec. No. 3, D. P. Haley, Com. Prec. No. 4.

**PREDICTION OF FIVE YEARS AGO COMING TRUE**

That the oil field on University of Texas lands was forecasted by Dr. J. A. Udden, director of the bureau of economic geology, is shown by a bulletin issued by him and published in October, 1918. The following statements were made at that time:

"A testing of the University lands in Crockett, Schleicher, Irion, Reagan, Upton and Terrell counties should be first begun in the northwestern half of block 29 of the Sheffield tract of University land, as this is the most promising area. Next in order of value are the Barnhart tract in Crockett County, extending into Schleicher, Irion and Reagan counties, and the two tracts in Terrell county. The Big Lake tract in Crockett county extends into Reagan and Upton counties on the north. The reconnaissance of the area within Crockett county afforded little information because of the lack of outcrops. From what is known it would appear that the southeastern part of the tract is the most favorable, as it lies nearest the Marathon fold."

**One Dollar Saved Represents Ten Dollars Earned**

The average man does not save to exceed ten per cent of his earnings. He must spend nine dollars in living expenses for every dollar saved. That being the case he cannot be too careful about unnecessary expenses. Very often a few cents properly invested, like buying seeds for his garden, will save several dollars outlay later on. It is the same in buying Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. It costs but a few cents, and a bottle of it in the house often saves a doctor's bill of several dollars. adv July 1m

**THE EVASION IS REDUCED TO A FINER ART**

"One great mistake of the Germans is that they are counting on some of the other nations to come to their rescue. One day they believe England is going to solve the problem; another day they hope America is going to help them, and then again they see a combination through Russia, and so on. The sooner they find out that they have to help themselves the better it will be."

So writes Erikard Molitor, cashier of the Federal International Banking Company, who is observing conditions in Europe in further development of the Federal International's activities in financing and promoting Southern exports and imports. Concerning the French and Belgian financial situation, as related to the occupation of the Ruhr, he says:

"A French industrial told me that France is like a beautiful lady. She wishes to be courted, but she does not want to make any advances. With regard to French finances, they are as you know in a very embarrassed shape, but the Frenchman is backing his government, and all believe in final re-adjustment. In Belgium it is quite the same; the people there are more pessimistic; most of the business men consider the Ruhr venture as a dangerous enterprise. The people are not as thrifty as they were before the war and gradually they seek foreign investments."

The same tendency to invest in foreign securities or credits was observed in both Austria and Germany where thrifty bankers were employing their surplus funds outside their own countries. The evasion of taxes, Mr. Molitor says, is reduced to a fine art. He reports conditions much improved in Austria under the presidency of Dr. Seidel and the fiscal re-organization effected by the League of Nations.

"Although I am firmly of the opinion," Mr. Molitor concludes in his comment upon the economic situation, "that America will have to fall in line some day and help in a settlement, I can better appreciate today America's hesitation in getting too much involved in this trouble."

Mr. Molitor's reports upon the conditions of most banks and importing concerns are favorable and in a general way they indicate gradually increasing consumption of American products, though he reckons that complete recovery will not be attained for several years.

**SIMMONS COLLEGE TO HAVE NEW DORMITORY**

Construction of a dormitory to cost \$110,000, exclusive of furnishings, was ordered at a meeting in Abilene Monday of the trustees of Simmons College. Plans and specifications are now being prepared and as soon as completed contract for the building will be let.

The dormitory, which will be for young men, will take the place of one destroyed by fire last year. It will be fire-proof throughout. Judge C. M. Caldwell, president of the board of trustees, was empowered to appoint a building committee to see that the construction is not allowed to lag.

President J. D. Sandifer told the board that prospects are that the enrollment at Simmons this fall will be far greater than ever, and the new building is imperative.

**Frequent Headaches**

"I suffered with chronic constipation that would bring on very severe headaches," says Mrs. Stephen H. Kincer, of R. F. D. 1, Cripple Creek, Va. "I tried different medicines and did not get relief. The headaches became very frequent. I heard of

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**MAN'S HIGHEST LOYALTY**

Ranking under the rule of Caesar, certain natives of Palestine said, "Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man: for thou regardest not the person of men, but teach the way of God in truth: Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar, or not?"

And Jesus answering said unto them: "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

"And they marveled at him!"

Here the Master placed loyalty to constituted human authority on an equal footing with loyalty to the constituted divine authority, creating a dual conception of man's responsibility, writes the editor of the Texas Commercial News. Continuing:

Human responsibility and human liberty depends upon his careful and studious obedience to his responsibility to all regularly and legally constituted authority.

In America, we are under numerous associations of people, which exercise authority, group authority, over each member of the group. These groups, beginning with the family, ever increase in numbers and area, until we find ourselves members of that complete group, the government of the United States of America.

To each you owe a specific allegiance and obedience and loyalty, and your allegiance and obedience and loyalty to any one does not interfere with your allegiance and obedience to any other.

Some of us have the mistaken notion that to be loyal to a lower and closer group we must be disloyal to a higher group, but such is not the case.

A right citizen will not let any family matter interfere with his loyalty to the municipal government; nor any municipal matter interfere with his loyalty to the county government; nor any county matter interfere with his loyalty to the State government; nor any State matter interfere with his loyalty to the United States government.

Many of us get our loyalty mixed, and mistake our loyalty to a lower group to be supreme to our loyalty to a higher group.

That should not be, but in all matters of government, we should recognize the right of each higher group to demand of us that loyalty that will conserve it, for it is only through the conservation of each higher group is the first and dearest, the family, perpetuated.

Judge C. W. Robinson used, a few days ago, the prettiest language in defining loyalty, I have ever seen. Here it is:

"Loyalty is a great thing, but loyalty to your country is greater than loyalty to a man, loyalty to the State is greater than loyalty to a citizen. In being loyal to those violating the law, you are disloyal to your country, to your family, and to yourself."

Loyalty works from the larger circle inward—the man who is not loyal to his community is never loyal to his family, and the man who was not loyal to the government of the United States was not loyal to his State.

**TREATING SHEEP FOR STOMACH WORMS**

Almost every sheep has stomach worms, says the Progressive Farmer, and should be treated before being turned out to pasture. Following is the copper sulphate treatment, described by Paul Garlaugh, animal husbandry extension at the Ohio Station.

"In an earthen crock, never a metal bucket or pan, dissolve 2 ounces of freshly pulverized copper sulphate in a gallon of water.

"Dosage is according to age and size. Two-months-old lambs get three-quarters of a fluid ounce; mature ewes, 2 fluid ounces; very heavy ewes or lambs, 2 1-2 or 3 ounces."

"In drenching, do not tug the animal's mouth up out of the horizontal, natural position. A rubber tube and a syringe may be used.

"It is well to feed light in the evening, not to feed the next morning, to drench in the early forenoon, and to withhold feed for at least two hours after drenching."

No Harmony  
Poetic Husband—I'm afraid we'll have to move my dear.  
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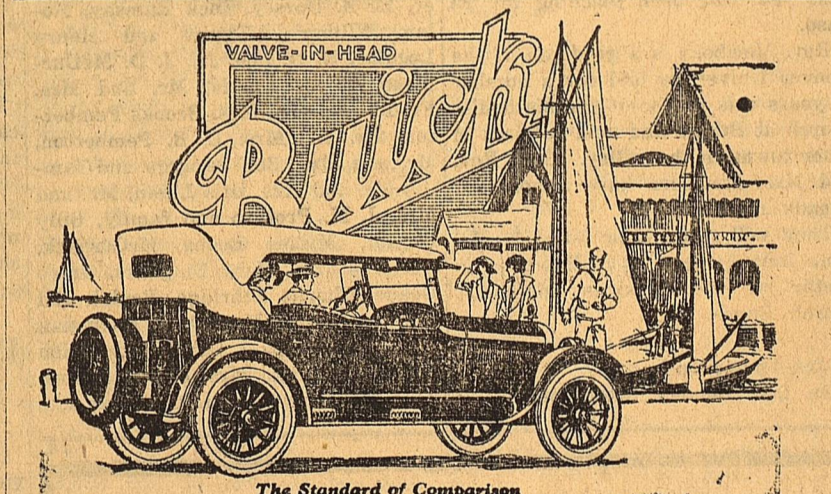
The State of Texas  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting:  
You are hereby commanded to summons Harry V. Struble, Marie Struble, Ida May Struble, Frank McCord and Beatrice McCord by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in your county to appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Midland County, to be held in the court house thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the second Monday in July, 1923, then and there to answer a petition filed May 14th, 1923, by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Midland, Texas, in the cause of the estate of Marie J. Riggs numbered 184-189 on the docket of said court, praying for a partition and distribution of the real estate of said estate. And show cause, if any, why said partition should not be made.  
Herein, fail not, but have you before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.  
Witness C. B. Dunagan, clerk of the County Court of Midland County, Texas.  
Given under my hand and seal of said court this the 9th day of June, 1923.  
(SEAL) C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk, County Court, Midland County, Texas. adv 37-4t

The State of Texas  
To all Persons Interested in the Estate of J. R. Dublin, Deceased:  
Know ye, that John Dublin, administrator of the estate of J. R. Dublin, having on the 31st day of March, A. D. 1923, filed in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, an application to sell the following described land, belonging to said estate:  
Sec. 15, blk. A-21, abst. 472, public school grantee, Gaines County, 640 acres.  
W. 3-4 sec 7, blk. A-21, abst. 473, public school grantee, Gaines County, 480 acres.  
W. 1-4 sec. 14, blk. A-21, abst. 474, public school grantee, Gaines County, 160 acres.  
Sec. 6, blk. A-21, abst. 596, public school grantee, Gaines County, 640 acres.  
E. 1-4 sec. 7, blk. A-21, abst. 1592, public school grantee, Gaines County, 160 acres.  
E. 3-4 sec. 14, blk. A-21, abst. 1593, public school grantee, Gaines County, 480 acres.  
Sec. 24, blk. A-21, abst. 1206, public school grantee, Gaines County, 640 acres.  
W. 3-4 sec 3, blk. A-22, abst. 1207, public school grantee, Gaines County, 480 acres.  
Sec. 4, blk. A-22, abst. 1208, public school grantee, Gaines County, 640 acres.  
E. 1-2 sec. 5, blk. A-22, abst. 1209, public school grantee, Gaines County, 320 acres.  
W. 1-2 sec. 23, blk. A-21, abst. 1210, public school grantee, Gaines County, 320 acres.  
E. 3-4 sec. 6, blk. A-22, abst. 1376, public school grantee, Gaines County, 480 acres.  
Sec. 7, blk. A-22, abst. 1375, public school grantee, Gaines County, 640 acres.  
All of the above property located in Gaines County, Texas.  
Now, therefore, these are to notify all persons interested in said estate to be and personally appear at the next regular term of the Honorable County Court to be held at the court house in the city of Midland on the second Monday in July, A. D. 1923, same being the 9th day of said month, and then and there to show cause why such sale should not be made should they choose to do so.  
Given under my hand and seal of office this the 11th day of June, A. D. 1923.  
(SEAL) C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk of the County Court, Midland County, Texas. adv 37-3t

**Old-Fashioned Flapper.**  
He asked for a kiss but the girl demurred on the grounds that somebody might see them. Whereupon he suggested that they go into the conservatory.  
"Not among all those rubber plants," she objected.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

They were honeymooning at a quiet little seashore resort.  
"I hear, dear," she said, "that there was a wreck last night a few miles down the coast. Wouldn't you like to go out and see it?"  
"Dear," replied the earnest young man, "the biggest wreck in the world could not tempt me from you!"

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**Connell-Cowden**

A June-time wedding, lovely in its sweet simplicity was solemnized Saturday morning at 8 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Connell, when their daughter, Miss Corinne, was united in marriage to Mr. C. C. Cowden, of Abilene. Rev. W. S. Garnett impressively read the sacred words in the presence of only the immediate relatives and a few friends. The ever popular song, "I Love You Truly," was sweetly sung by Miss Jerra Edwards, as a pre-nuptial solo. She was accompanied by Miss Fay Halley, of Monahans. The bridal couple entered to the jubilant strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, played by her two sisters, Misses Elinor Connell at the piano, and Miss Lady Connell, violin. The bride's girlish charm was shown to an advantage in a modish suit of blue poret twill with grey hat and shoes. After cutting the bride's cake, Mr. and Mrs. Cowden left amidst a plentiful shower of rice and old shoes, on a month's honeymoon, motoring through to California. They will then be at home in Abilene, where the groom has prepared a lovely home for the dear girl whom he has chosen to grace his heart and life.

The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Manley, Mr. Thomas Broomlee, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Spaulding, of Abilene, and C. W. and Helen Cowden, little son and daughter of the groom, and Miss Fay Halley, of Monahans.

Mrs. Cowden is a graduate of our city schools, later continuing her education at Baylor College, Belton, and for two or three years past has been teaching. She possesses many graces of mind and character which have endeared her to a host of friends. The groom is a son of Mr. Buck Cowden, of Abilene, and is well known in Midland and all this western country. The Reporter with others wish them the richest fulfillment of all their fondest dreams.

**Mewborn-Willis**

The following is the account given in the El Paso Herald of June 30th, of the marriage of Miss Mary Lou Willis, daughter of Rev. A. P. Willis, formerly of this city, to Rev. Dorsey Mewborn, of Miami, Ariz. The article follows:

Chamberino, N. M., June 30. (SP.)—News has been received of the marriage of Miss Mary Lou Willis to Rev. Dorsey Mewborn, of Miami, Ariz. The wedding took place in El Paso at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Watson M. Fairley.

Mr. Mewborn was attended by Aubrey Schreck as best man and Miss Willis was attended by her sister, Mrs. Jack Ansley, of Chamberino. Only a few intimate friends and relatives were present.

Mrs. Mewborn is a graduate of Milford College and came here three years ago from her home in Midland, Texas. She taught in the Chamberino schools for two years and this past year has been teaching in El Paso.

Rev. Mewborn is a graduate of the Denver University and for a number of years was pastor of the Methodist church at Berino and held services in other towns in the valley. Both Rev. and Mrs. Mewborn have a host of friends in the valley.

They will make their home in Miami, Ariz., where Rev. Mewborn is pastor of the Mexican Methodist church, South.

**Wytch-Thompson**

On last Sunday afternoon at 3

o'clock in the home of Mrs. Will Brunson, the marriage of Miss Helen Thompson to Mr. Bill Wytch, was solemnized by Rev. W. S. Garnett of the Baptist church.

The family and only a few friends were present, and the young couple left immediately for the Ellis Cowden ranch, where they will now live. Many friends join The Reporter in extending congratulations and wishing for Mr. and Mrs. Wytch a long life of happiness.

**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.

**VALLEY VIEW CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR**

For July 8th, 1923.  
Subject: Christian Brotherhood. Song: Prayer.  
Leader: Mrs. S. F. Castellan.  
I. What Does Christian Brotherhood Mean—1st John 3:10-24, by Mr. Castellan.

II. The Brotherhood of Man—Prov. 22:2; Matt. 2:10; Mark 3:34; Act 17:26; Rom. 14:13; 1st Cor. 8:13, by Mr. Russell Jones.

III. Brotherhood and Service—Matt. 25:35; 1st Cor. 16:16; Isa. 41:16, by Miss Vopal Mutt.

IV. Brotherhood and Co-operation—Nev. 4:16; Exod 17: 12; Mark 2:3-6-7—Holtzen Heidelberg.

Brotherhood and Poverty—Exod. 23:11; Lev. 25:2; Ps. 41:1; Prov. 14:21; Matt. 19:21; Gal. 2:10—Mrs. Russell Jones.

Business and mizpah. We are doing good work now, and will be glad for visitors to visit us. —Reporter.

**ENJOYED FOURTH IN BIG SPRING**

The following Midland people were among those who attended the Fourth of July celebration in Big Spring:

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Parks, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bradford and children, Mrs. Molly Ramsay, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson, Mrs. Vesta Harris, Mrs. J. W. Hobbs and daughter, Mrs. J. P. Inman and family, Miss Minta Aycock, J. M. Flanigan and daughter, Rev. W. Angie Smith, Tim Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cowden, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Youngblood, Misses Clifford Heath, Annie Merle Moran, Alice Haley, Georgia Bryant, and Jessie Hill; Guy Elland, Emmett Cowden, Clyde Cowden, Henry Wolcott, Jim Flanigan, Ben Wall, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stanley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Voliva, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tolbert, Allen Tolbert, Byron Bryant, Miss Mamie Moran, Mrs. W. H. Williams, Misses Mary Voliva, Marian and Minnie Warren Pemberton; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Stokes; Cecil Clinger, H. B. Dorsey, Dick Ramsay, Nolan Williams, Ernest and Henry Locklar, R. D. Lee, Jr., J. D. McDurmond, Wiclif Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Middleton, Mrs. Brooks Pemberton, Dr. and Mrs. L. B. Pemberton, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scruggs and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ligon, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Prothro and family, Billy Bryant, Misses Leona McCormick, Doris Dupree, Mary Bingham, Grace Deane, Charlie Ethridge, Beulah and Bernice Henry; Mrs. O. P. Buchanan and daughter, R. J. Currie, Mrs. Gibb Cowden, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Stokes, Ellis Cowden and H. L. Christian.

**MIKE H. THOMAS MAY BE VISITOR**

The Annual State-wide Campaign by the Committee on Education and Masonic Service began at Fort Worth and Wichita Falls on Wednesday, July 4th.

The cities and towns for the summer tour, in addition to the two above named include: Chillicothe, Childress, Amarillo, Dalhart, Slaton, El Paso, Midland, San Angelo, Ballinger, Brownwood, Sweetwater, Abilene, Cisco, Ranger, Gainesville, Paris, Mt. Pleasant, Longview, Austin, Beaumont, Houston, Beeville and Corpus Christi.

On July 17th and 18th the Committee will be in Clovis and Roswell, N. M., on its way to El Paso by invitation of the Grand Master of New Mexico. Meetings will be held in these two cities.

In a letter to the Committee, Mike H. Thomas, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, who has been invited with other Grand Lodge officers, to be present at the meetings gives his assurance of his interest and support in the work. His letter follows:

"I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your kind invitation of the 20 to be present at any or all of the meetings to be conducted by your committee, beginning July 4th and extending to August 28th, and I wish to assure you that it is with much regret that I find it impossible to do so because of pressure of business.

"It is possible that before the expiration of the dates mentioned in your itinerary that I may be able to be present at some of the meetings, but if I am not, kindly accept my assurance of wholehearted support in your work.

**ONLY TWO WEEKS LEFT TO APPLY FOR C. M. T. C.**

Applications for the 1923 Citizens' Military Training Camps are coming in to the C. M. T. C. officer at eighth corps area headquarters, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in large numbers. The recruiting campaign will close July 15th and as in previous years the rush of those who decide to come the last minute, has begun. There are only about 750 vacancies left in the four camps which are to be held at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Fort Sill, Okla.; Fort Logan, Col., and Ft. Huachuca, Ariz. These will be filled during the next two weeks so it is urged that young men desiring to attend one of these camps apply at once.

The camps start July 23 and end August 26th. They offer a month of recreation and training carefully scheduled to appeal to the candidates. The government pays all expenses to and from camp, furnishes quarters, clothing, arms and equipment, wholesome food and medical attention.

Much of the time at the camps is devoted to athletics and other forms of recreation. All candidates are urged to bring swimming suits, baseball uniforms, track suits and musical instruments. There will be many competitive games and the field day which is held near the close of the camps will be a big event.

Application can be made to the local C. M. T. C. committee or by writing direct to the C. M. T. C. officer, Headquarters Eight Corps Area, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. It must be remembered however, that the time is short and immediate action is necessary.

**DISTRIBUTION OF FARM LOANS**

According to the federal census of 1920 there are 6,448,366 farms in the United States, having a total value of land and building of \$66,334,309,556.

The federal census shows 18.6 per cent of farms mortgaged but it is estimated 40 to 50 per cent are mortgaged.

Many farms are operated by managers and 2,454,746 by tenants who do not report debt on record against farms.

January 1, 1922, total farm mortgage debt is estimated at \$8,000,000,000, eight thousand million dollars. Of this debt State and federal land banks hold 6 per cent, insurance companies and farm loan companies hold 30 per cent, farm mortgage banks 25 per cent, private loans, 39 per cent.

The \$8,000,000,000 of farm mortgage indebtedness on a farm land valuation of \$66,334,309,556 equals about 12 per cent of the 1920 valuation of all farms and farm buildings.

Curtis Nance returned Thursday morning from his vacation spent with his parents in Clyde.

Mrs. Philip Werra passed through Midland Tuesday on her way home to Ft. Worth, after a few days spent in El Paso.

# Season End Sale

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All remaining dresses of Linen, Voile and Ratine offered at a fraction of their worth for quick selling. There is still a very good selection, and the stock contains all sizes and colors. Priced from \$3.95 to \$12.95

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Extra special all Tissue Gingham and Normandy Voile worth from sixty cents to seventy-five cents, special 50c Men's Clothing Specials for Saturday and next week, both from Curlee and Fashion Park are greatly reduced. Only a few of each kind, but all sizes in some style. Now is a good time to buy that extra suit you will need this fall, priced \$15.00 up to \$22.50

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**PROBLEM OF THE STEEL INDUSTRY**

The recent report of the iron and steel institute committee which favored retaining the twelve-hour day as a necessity to successful steel production gave the American public a mental shock because few people aside from those associated with steel production realized that any industry is now operating on a twelve-hour basis. The steel industry is so vital to prosperity in the United States that no sane person would advocate revolutionary changes without due deliberation of problems involved.

America's foremost industrial leaders, however, have expressed themselves very emphatically to the effect that greatest production has been secured by the adoption of a more reasonable length of working day. It would seem, therefore, that the iron and steel industry must heed the modern trend of sentiment on this question.

**ENCAMPMENT OF PRESBYTERIANS**

Constant arrivals of new campers, mostly entire families, continued on Monday to swell the attendance at the West Texas Presbyterian encampment at Buffalo Gap, near Abilene. The families pitch their tents under the large oak trees and prepare to remain throughout the encampment.

Dr. R. L. Irving, of Fort Davis, Texas, preached twice on Sunday and is arranging to make special addresses to the young people on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Dr. Overstreet, of St. Louis, arrived Monday, prepared to take up the work of giving instruction in stewardship.

Next Sunday has been set aside as Christian Endeavor day, when societies from all parts of this section will take part in various exercises. The Presbyterian church at Buffalo Gap, having been found to provide less than half enough room for the crowd which gathered Sunday night, future evening services will be held under the tabernacle. Pastors, laymen and leaders in women's activities are attending from a score or more West Texas counties.

M. B. Webb and family, of Ballinger, and Miss Artie Cobb, of Tuscola, are now in Midland visiting Mesdames R. E. and J. W. Webb and families.

**MORE MONEY FOR FARM FINANCING**

A new issue of \$45,000,000 Federal Land Bank Bonds in denominations as low as \$40 and \$100 and in higher denominations of \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000 offers to the small investor, as well as to the large investor, high grade, tax-exempt bonds. In fact, the Federal Land Bank bonds have an advantage in this respect over all the liberties, except the first 3 1/2 per cent liberties.

The bonds are exempt from all federal, State, municipal and local taxation, except inheritance taxes. They are issued for 30 years, but may be redeemed in ten years. They yield 4.45 per cent interest to the redemption date, 1933 thereafter, 4.50 per cent.

The Federal Land Banks and the joint stock land banks have sold close to a billion dollars worth of bonds. There are now 71 joint stock land banks. Forty were organized last year and so far this year eight have been chartered. Almost every state is now served by one or more joint stock land banks.

The Federal Land Banks and the joint stock land banks issued \$278,650,000 in bonds last year. They have more than \$100,000,000 in bonds this year. Both Federal Land Bank and joint stock land bank bonds have the same tax exemptions and are secured by farm mortgages.

See the new flat crepe Cantons, tub silk and sport dresses on sale from \$12.50 up, at Hobbs & Moore's. adv

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Hunter, of Orange, N. M., spent the first of the week with friends in Midland on their way to Cisco.

J. V. Hobbs left Tuesday afternoon for Abilene, where he will spend the Fourth with his son, Frank, who leaves the night of the Fourth for San Antonio for special training in the National Guards, in which he is a first lieutenant.

Joe Fraser, of Colorado, spent last week-end in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Purcell and T. O. Midkiff returned Monday to Lubbock, where Mr. Purcell and Mr. Midkiff are State witnesses in the Goode trial this week.

**HAVE TROUBLE GETTING AHEAD?**

Worry over financial matters shortens the lives of more people than do most of the more prevalent diseases. Wildcat stocks and speculating won't cure it; only make it worse. Four remedies that will cure it are: First a saving account, be it only a few dollars a month. Second, life insurance, to protect dependents. Third, home ownership. Fourth, good bonds or mortgages that will surely pile up a competence or a small fortune within twenty years or less. There is no need for even the smallest investor to accept an inferior security. High-yielding bonds of the best class are now issued in small denominations, within reach of any man who has a desire to get ahead.

Mrs. Will Elick and niece returned the latter part of last week from a month's visit in Lubbock.

Leon Goodman, president of the Live Stock Exchange of Des Moines, Iowa, is spending the week in Midland on business.

H. Skinner was in Monday from his ranch in Gaines County, on his way to his home in Vinita, Okla.

Mrs. Fred Wemple returned Saturday from Blossom, where she was called on account of the illness of her sister. We are glad to report that she left her improved.

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**Election Notice**  
Pursuant to the election proclamation issued by the governor of Texas, notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of July, 1923, in election precinct No. 1, at the court house in Midland, in the county of Midland; in election precinct No. 2 at Stokes school house, in Midland county; in election precinct No. 3, at Hutt's ranch house, in Midland county; in election precinct No. 4, at Warfield school house, in Midland county, State of Texas, for the purpose of voting for or against the Amendment to Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for a State System of Highways.

CHAS. L. KLAPPROTH, County Judge, Midland Co., Texas. adv. 39-34