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## THE SITE FOR MIDLAND COLLEGE SELECTED YESTERDAY

The site for Midland College was finally determined yesterday afternoon by the committee representing Texas Christian University. This committee was composed of Chalmers McPherson, of Ft. Worth, Charles W. Gibson of Waxahachie, and Colby D. Hall of Waco. The other members of the committee, T. E. Shirley of Hereford and T. E. Tomlinson of Hillsboro, were unable to be present.

Of the several sites offered the one determined upon was chosen for several reasons which appeared to the committee as best adapted for the location of a college. One of these was the particularly high elevation of the land.

The accepted site comprises two hundred and twenty-five acres, all in one body, lying west of town, mostly in the H. N. Garrett section, and was donated by the following persons:

H. N. Garrett.....	160 acres
J. A. Haley, Frank F. Elkin and Will B. Elkin.....	25 acres
T. A. Fannin.....	15 acres
H. N. Garrett, A. C. Parker, C. A. Goldsmith, F. F. Elkin, J. A. Haley and W. B. Elkin.....	25 acres
Total.....	225 acres

The latter twenty-five acres is the donation of the new company which recently purchased the 408 1-2-acre Youngblood tract.

Seventy acres of the two hundred and twenty-five is south of the Texas & Pacific railway, but the college buildings and campus will be located on the highest portion of the tract and on the north side of the railroad.

The exact location of the main building of the college will be in the center of Missouri Avenue and the center of the tract from the east to the west sides. It is the

## University Committee Accepted 225 Acres on the West Side of Town--Construction to Begin at Once and be Ready for Students Next September--Trustees Named.

### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

To serve three years: Volney Johnson, J. A. Haley, John M. Cowden.  
To serve two years: S. J. Isaacks, E. F. Elkin.  
To serve one year: Dr. W. K. Curtis, Burl Holloway.

purpose of the owners of the Youngblood tract to plat their addition so that the streets will run parallel with the railroad, which will give a deflection of Missouri Avenue to the southwest at its intersection with the Youngblood tract at Carrizo street. The building then will be located about a mile west of Carrizo street on the east line of the Youngblood tract. Missouri Avenue intersects Abilene street at the corner south of The Examiner office.

The committee thoroughly canvassed the details of every proposition submitted and in making their decision each individual concerned in rejected propositions cheerfully and gracefully accepted the action of the committee and were pleased with it.

Other propositions made were those of Mrs. Ed Townsend of one hundred and sixty acres in scattered blocks located south of town, and others by Johnson & Moran, and others of two hundred acres near the East Front Addition northwest of town.

The history of the college proposition is more or less well known to the whole people of Midland, but it may be again stated

that the people of the city were required to furnish \$25,000 in cash and a site in order to secure the college for the town, and all this now having been done, the only thing remaining is for plans and specifications to be drawn and bids on its construction be received. This will be done at once.

The committee yesterday, after conferences with business men and others interested, selected a permanent board of trustees to take up

### TEST WELLS BEING DRILLED

Another test well was brought in by the drillers for the O'Neil Engineering Co., waterworks builders, in the southwestern part of town this week, and at a depth of about 75 feet a good flow of pure water was struck and it raised to within 30 feet of the surface. The bucket test was made and it could not be perceptibly lowered at 16 gallons to the minute.

The engine test has not been made because of the non-arrival of the necessary machinery.

at once the details of construction and equipment of the college. It is the present purpose to have the building completed, and everything in readiness for opening the college to students by September 1, 1909.

The board of trustees selected yesterday is composed of the following Midland citizens:

To serve three years: Volney Johnson, J. A. Haley, and John M. Cowden.

To serve two years: S. J. Isaacks, and E. F. Elkin.

To serve one year: Dr. W. K. Curtis and Burl Holloway.

The members of the board were selected by the committee, and their terms of office were determined by lot. Their terms of office will begin at once, but will officially date from June 1, 1909, when the report of the committee is officially ratified by the Texas Christian Missionary convention which will meet in Corsicana in that month.

In an interview with an Examiner reporter yesterday afternoon, Mr. Hall of the committee, said:

"The name of the school is to be the Midland College and is to be a school for all the people of

West Texas of all creeds and classes.

"Its ideal is that of a Christian school in the broadest sense. The Trustees and Faculty must always be believers in the divinity of Christ, but no specification is made as to the church membership of the Faculty except that the President must be a member of the church organization known as the Christian church.

Midland College is to be co-related with Texas Christian University thereby giving a great strength to the young institution at its very start. The influence and prestige of the University will be with our colleges, and the benefit of its experience in handling such difficult problems as come up will be at hand.

"The course of study to be offered by the college is to be made out by the Trustees and Faculty and approved by the Texas Christian University. This will make a course in harmony with the standard of grading of the best colleges in the land, and will enable pupils on finishing this school to enter at a definite point in any of the standard State or Church schools. This gives Midland College a recognized standard in the educational world and enables any graduate to enter, without examination, the University of his choice."

The other affiliated colleges at present co-related to Texas Christian University are Add-Ran-Jarvis College at Thorp Springs, Hereford College at Hereford, and Carlton College at Bonham.

Chairman McPherson stated when asked as to his opinion of the decision of the committee and the town of Midland as a college town:

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## CAMPBELL'S SCIENTIFIC FARMING METHODS MAKE GOOD

That scientific soil culture as prosecuted on the Campbell Experimental farm is a success beyond the most sanguine expectations is now a fact.

Be it understood from the beginning the lack of rainfall in the Midland country does not now and has never before prevented successful farming operations under the old methods. The exhibits which have been from year to year shown at the Dallas Fair, have proven positively that many agricultural crops can be produced here at a perhaps better profit than in sections where the rainfall is much greater.

The Campbell Experimental farm is introducing scientific soil culture by the adoption of which farming may become less of a matter of dependence on abundance of rain, thereby placing the farmer upon an independent basis for the production of such crops as are adapted to this climate.

But scientific farming, by the Campbell method, just now asserts its superiority over the old method.

Three weeks ago thirty-six acres

### Wheat Sown on Thirty-Six Acres Three Months After Rain Produces a Good Stand---Considered Remarkable by Men Who Follow Old Farming Methods---Scientific Soil Culture will Make the Midland Country the Banner Farming Section

of the one hundred acres of summer tilled land on the Campbell Experimental farm, were sowed to wheat. The sowing of this thirty-six acres was done about three months after the last good rain. On August 4 a rain of about 1.5 inches fell, and this was followed by a light rainfall on August 17. Not until November 28 was there any more rain. On November 20 Foreman Lewis of the farm put in thirty-six acres to wheat. Two weeks later a good stand of wheat was the result.

That there should have been even a poor stand would be considered remarkable evidence of the success of the method, but that the field should show a good stand is one of the most remarkable things ever imagined by those who have

been watching the experiments on the Campbell section and who have followed the demonstrations elsewhere.

Last Monday Vice-President T. J. Martin of the First National Bank, accompanied by Judge J. W. Davidson visited the farm, investigated the conditions, and after returning, in an interview with an Examiner reporter, Mr. Martin said:

"Yes, it is true that the thirty-six acres planted to wheat on the farm is showing a fine stand. In a very few little spots I noticed that the wheat had not come up, and I investigated the soil in these spots, and found that the seed had sprouted and will grow. I am satisfied that every foot of surface on which the seed was sown will make wheat.

"I consider this as the most remarkable achievement of agriculture ever demonstrated anywhere. The idea that seed be sown three months after the last rain and then germinate and produce a good stand is marvelous. Yet it is done. The growing wheat field is out there to be seen by every man who doubts.

"There is no further use of discussing the merits of the system as to theory. It's a fact, and only needs to be educated into the minds of the farmers.

"I consider now that our farm lands are just beginning to prove their value and the time is not long until we'll have the banner farming section of the West."

When Judge Davidson was ask-

ed as to his thoughts on the wheat stand he said:

"Why, man, it reminds me of the bible story of the time when the Children of Israel were famishing in the wilderness for water. They appealed in their famished condition to Moses for water, and he struck the rock and their thirst was appeased. For a long time--all previous time in the Western country--the people have declared there was not water enough for farming, and irrigation was impracticable. Now a scientific method of storing all the moisture needed for producing crops is introduced and behold the growing grain. Nature, always provident, supplies a sufficiency of water and man has been slow finding a way to take care of it until he needed it, until now.

"I consider the wheat-growing experiment as nothing short of marvelous. To some it is a modern miracle. In the East this thing would be unthinkable.

"We'll see bigger and better things before we have heard the last of the Campbell Experimental farm."

## WANTS LOWER RATES FROM GULF PORTS

### SEC'TY HARDWARE JOBBERS ADDRESSES COMMISSIONERS.

#### Contends That Higher All Rail Rates Could Be Counteracted in Texas.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 30.—R. F. Bell of Fort Worth, secretary of the Texas Hardware Jobbers' Association, appeared before the Railroad Commission today, accompanied by local jobbers, to discuss the matter of a petition for lower rates from Galveston and Texas City to Texas interior points, the idea being to take advantage of the low water rates into Galveston, and thus offset the recent advance in the all-rail rates from Mississippi River crossings and territory adjacent to Texas points. While they were interested in all articles of hardware, paints, etc., they advocated the general principle of lower rates via Texas Gulf points.

It was pointed out to the commission that the only place in Texas where water competition is met is to Houston, although Galveston has the Gulf on regular steamship lines. Mr. Bell insisted that the old basis of the rail rates fixing the total charges between Atlantic seaboard and Texas points was wrong, and that the Gulf might as well not be in existence.

He pointed out that even if the rates from Texas ports to inland towns were reduced the Texas roads would be by far the gainers, because the tonnage would be moved via water and Texas ports, and the locals from Galveston out were two, three and four times the amount of the present divisions where the tonnage moves all rail. While the "systems" would not get as much out of it as they do now, yet the Texas lines would get far more revenue and far greater tonnage, he argued.

Commissioners Mayfield and Storey may favor the proposition later, but are opposed to it at this

time, because of the proceedings pending before the Interstate Commerce Commission, feeling that to reduce any part of the through rate at this time would give the appearance of retaliating on the railroads for having advanced interstate rates. This the majority of commissioners will avoid, though in the future they will probably take some action looking to according benefit to the people of Texas because of their proximity to the Gulf and its steamship lines. COLQUITT FAVORS APPLICATION.

Mr. Colquitt favors granting the application straight out, and would join any Commissioner in giving notice to hearing previous to enacting an order reducing the rates from Texas Gulf ports to inland towns. The other Commissioners would not favor a wholesale reduction in all rates inland, but it would be necessary to take up each item or article and show that the rate is too high or that discrimination exists.

Mr. Bell also consulted with the commission as to whether it would consent to an amendment to the Texas classification conforming certain ratings therein to the same class in the Western classification, the effect of which would be to make classification uniform and slight reductions in a few instances. The commission appeared favorably disposed to it, and upon written application the necessary action will probably be taken toward making the changes desired.

Nothing in writing was presented at today's conference, but Mr. Bell expects to be heard from later on, when the commission will formally dispose of matters presented in writing.

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MIDLAND, TEXAS

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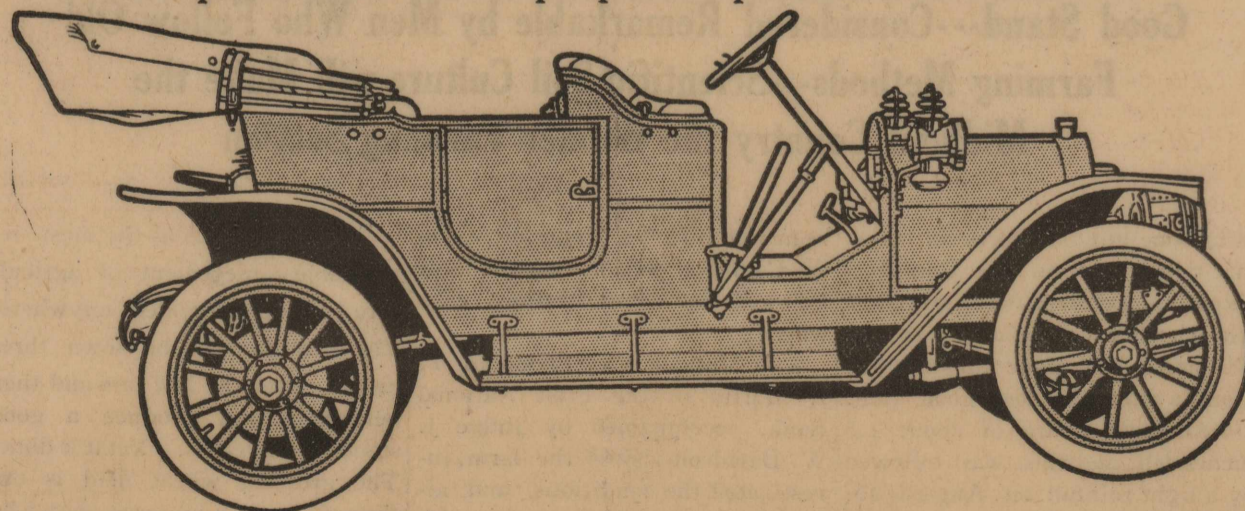
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### A SAD DEATH.

#### Joe J. Holt Accidentally Shot Himself Monday.

Last Monday, Joe J. Holt, a prominent business man of West, Texas, and a brother of O. B. Holt of this city, accidentally killed himself at his home. He was cleaning his shotgun when one barrel was discharged, the shot taking effect in his left breast. His wife heard the report of the gun and ran out to the back porch, finding Mr. Holt weltering in his blood. Without speaking he expired. Justice J. M. Moore held an inquest, finding death to have been accidental. Mr. Holt was about 47 years old. He left West about seven years ago and lived in Amarillo, until last year, when he returned to West. He leaves a wid-

ow and two children.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Holt left Tuesday morning on the early train, to be present at the funeral. Mrs. Holt, his aged mother, who also resides here, was so shocked by the news of the tragedy that she was unable to go to West for the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Holt returned home yesterday morning from the funeral, which was held yesterday.

### LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Chas. McGonagill made a short business trip to Big Springs Wednesday evening.

Baxter Golightly of Odessa was in town this week visiting with friends.

W. C. Gregg spent a few days this week on business at Dallas.

Geo. Hulps of Upland was in town Thursday.

### A BUMPER SHIPMENT.

#### Gilmore, the Artist, Will Receive 100,000 Rolls of Wall Paper.

Within a short time the largest single shipment of wall paper ever delivered to a West Texas merchant, consisting of two carloads, or 100,000 rolls of paper, will be received by Gilmore, the Artist. Mr. Gilmore stated to an Examiner reporter that his reason for getting in so large a stock was because of the rapid development of the Midland country, and the almost universal demand for wall paper for new homes. He added that he was sufficiently convinced of the future growth of this section to undertake the shipment. Some of the stock will be distributed to dealers in nearby towns, but it all is a purely local shipment.

### Has Won High Praise.

Wherever seen so far this season Fred G. Conrad's new production of the "HIDDEN HAND," a new dramatization by Eugene Moore, the actor, has won high praise from press and public. It seems to be an usually sincere and successful effort to place upon the stage a really good melodrama, in contrast with the vile stuff that has been threatening the theatrical business with ruin through the disgust of the great body and the best classes of theater patrons. The new play is in four acts and makes "Capitola," of course, the heroine. Many other famous characters of the story are introduced including "Black Donald," "Mrs. Conditment," and the famous pair of laugh provoking darkies, "Wool and Pitapat." The picturesque scenery of the Blue Ridge Moun-

tains furnishes a rich background. Midland Opera House, Dec. 15.

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#### PLANT TREES.

SOMETIMES a selfish motive will inspire when none other will interest, says the Fort Worth Telegram. If such is the kind of motive you prefer, why not plant trees? Nothing is more profitable from a money standpoint.

Twenty-five dollars spent in putting shade trees around your home means a hundred dollars added to the value of the property when you come to sell it a year from now. A little increase of 400 per cent in one year is not to be overlooked.

And in planting trees, plant the best you can. The best are the cheapest. Get a reliable nurseryman to do the work and don't stint him on quality. The general appearance of the city would be greatly improved and every salable property would share in the increase of values.

The next few weeks furnishes the proper time for tree planting. If nothing else is done, a single tree costing only a dollar will be a start. And sometimes a start is everything.

"We are ready," writes Thomas Benton Murdock, in the Wichita, (Kan.) Eagle, "to join most any political party that can beat death, work and taxation, while causing hot buttered cakes to grow on bushes. What's the use of working, dying and paying taxes, anyhow? The world seems to have gotten out of bed cross-legged and has been going that way ever since Adam was divorced from his first wife."

But, Bro. Murdock, why take so serious a view of it. You don't have to divorce your wife just because you think Adam put away his spouse. Cheer up, the worst is yet to come.

NOW YOUR Uncle Adlai E. Stevenson is to contest the gubernatorial election in Illinois. When it comes to being a scrapper and never knowing when he is licked, your Uncle Adlai always finishes strong. Any man who can survive four years as presiding officer of the senate and still have strenuousness left is a man cast in a no-ordinary mold.--Ft. Worth Telegram.

Poor Fairbanks! He survives the presiding officer job, but great was his fall when he attempted to swallow a cocktail with a very red cherry on top.

Now let the epicureans announce their latest discovery. By addressing a crowd of negroes on Thanksgiving day President Roosevelt shows plainly that he prefers the dark meat!--Fort Worth Telegram.

Which also proves his preference for Africa as a haunt for sport. But the niggers may show their preference for the white meat before he goes far into their haunts. The missionaries up to the last report had not civilized all the cannibals.

AGENT Tisdale of the Texas & Pacific at Midland declares that the new freight warehouse is entirely inadequate to accommodate the freight received here. Yet one or two of the State Railroad Commissioners, with a knowledge of the vast tonnage which enters

Midland, oppose granting an extension of the common point territory to this place. The excuse is that they are afraid of retaliation by the railroads in suits now pending.

WITH a new college secured, the city council considering a water-works proposition, new homes going up by the dozen, farmers coming every day, hundreds of prospectors arriving every week, a Campbell experimental farm "making good," several new business blocks under construction, and Christmas only three weeks off, it's kinder calculated to make a Midlander ginger up a bit.

There are times when one doesn't care what happens. There are other times when it does make a difference. That time is when an editor has his stuff used in an exchange and credit given to somebody else. Editor Frame of the Ector County Democrat probably didn't mean it but last week he used a column story from The Examiner and credited it to our friend, the Livestock Reporter. Tote fair, Brother Frame.

WHEAT sown on the Campbell farm three months after the last rain and in less than two weeks after planting shows a good stand argues against all opposition to "dry" farming. No "Missouri Degree" could be more emphatic. The wheat is there to prove that the moisture was also there.

THE holiday displays of Midland merchants are equal to those shown in cities four or five times the size of this. Which also goes to prove what this good town will soon be---a thriving business and trading center for several thousand more buyers than we now have.

THE Book of Facts has met a popular demand for good literature which the people of Midland have long wanted to send to friends back east and they are going out at a right lively rate. Come to The Examiner and get your supply free if you'll promise to send them out.

MIDLAND came again into the limelight last Tuesday when the Masons of the State recognized in one of our leading citizens qualifications fitting him for the highest office in their gift. Judge Bryan will carry his honors with dignity to himself and credit to the fraternity.

The Campbell Demonstration Farm is assuredly demonstrating when it produces a good stand of thirty-six acres of wheat three months after a rain. "Positively unthinkable if cultivated under the old method," says Judge Davidson.

If The Examiner could successfully promote no other enterprise than the planting of shade and ornamental trees it would consider it's time and energies well spent ten years hence. It's the same with property owners.

"THERE'S no use in the physicians warning us against microbes in connection with kissing babies," says the Kingman (Kan.) Journal. "We absolutely refuse to boil our baby before kissing her, and that's all there is to it."

THE Examiner knows of three or four new enterprises which would interest a Commercial Club. And they are going to come anyhow. We could more than double our enterprises with a gingery club.

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A SOLID carload of soda water straws is being hauled into Houston. Can it be that Buffalo Bayou has run dry, and a water famine is imminent, or the people of the Magnolia City are being coddled by the pop squirters?

ELM, oak, maple, poplar, hackberry, and a number of other varieties of shade trees are adaptable to the Midland Country. Which variety have you decided to put around your home?

The Democratic party has always done better when it eschewed fads and adhered to its old-time principles.--Dallas News.

Which implies that Mr. Bryan has been somewhat of a fad during these twelve years.

No TOWN in the west, and perhaps no town in the United States the size of Midland has as many automobiles. If there is one we'd like to know about it.

THE rains of last week assure an abundance of moisture for a bumper crop next year. It is being stored by the farmer who wants to get the top of the market.

WITH the site of the Christian College settled it now only remains for the building committee to ask for bids for its construction.

WITH more than one hundred automobile users in Midland county the auto helps offered by The Examiner ought to be useful.

WITH Abilene educating strap-hangers positive proof is adduced that "Westward the course of Empire takes its Way."

WOULD that Midland had a well organized Commercial Club to be represented at Colorado next Tuesday.

BIG, juicy, sweet watermelons will be served on some of Midland's Christmas dinner tables. Eastern press please copy.

HAVE you bought your Christmas presents yet? A little bit of time now will save a lot of trouble a little later.

It's a painful job for Little Johnnie to write the Santa Claus letter, and his requests ought to be granted

If you are satisfied with what you have done this year, just plant a tree and we'll call it square.

If you are a Midland county booster send out a few copies of the Book of Facts.

Oh My,---the splendid mail service we have---not.

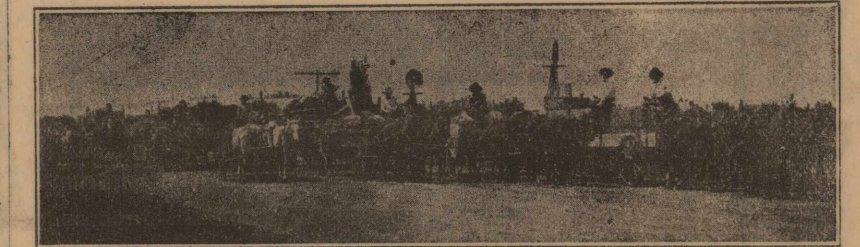
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# STILL WE GROW

The month just closed shows the biggest grocery and dry goods business ever done by us or any other house in Midland, for which we are truly thankful, and will strive even harder to serve our customers better. Our motto is not cheap goods, but good goods cheap. The well known brands of goods we control is sufficient proof that we have the best to be bought.



## Men's Clothing The Alco System

Made for Men and Young Men. Stands without a rival for Style and Fit.

**\$10 to \$35**



The largest and most complete line of Shoes shown in the west.

## Our Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Department

Has proved a great success this season.

We secure new goods every few days in this department.

## If You are Not Buying Your Staple and Fancy Groceries

From us why not. Our stock is the best that can be had and the volume of business we do enables us to

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Trade With People That Appreciate Your Business

# MIDLAND GROCERY & DRY GOODS CO.

### A FINE CONVENTION.

#### Texas & Pacific Teachers Association Largely Attended.

The Texas & Pacific Teachers Association held its annual convention at Merkel last Friday and Saturday. The attendance was the largest in the history of the organization, there being more than 100 teachers present. The Midland contingent consisted of all but one of the twelve teachers of the city. They were Prof. Lackey, Prof. Hill, Miss Hicks, Miss Lockett, Miss Key, Miss Richardson, Miss McQuinn, Miss Clark, Miss Collier, Miss Shaw and Miss Boyd.

Prof. Lackey, in speaking of the convention said:

"It was by far the best meeting ever held by the Association. The papers read by the teachers were fine, and would have been creditable in a meeting of the State Teachers Association. State Superintendent R. B. Cousins and General Agent C. E. Evans of the Conference of Education of Austin, were both present and addressed the convention.

"The entertainment committee was especially diligent and left nothing undone to make the visitor's stay pleasant. The large attendance of the Midland delegation excited much comment because its percentage was almost

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MIDLAND, TEXAS.

100, and the largest of any town represented."

The local school board granted the teachers two days leave of absence with full pay.

### REVERE RIDE A FAKE?

#### Eastern Publisher Tries to Prove It Was.

New York,--Walter Benjamin, a publisher has a document which he believes proves that Paul Revere never made the midnight ride attributed to him by Longfellow and tradition.

The possession of Mr. Benjamin is a letter from John Hancock to Elbridge Gerry, dated Lexington, April 18, 1775, at 9 o'clock. This was the night before the battle and three hours before Revere, according to Longfellow "crossed the bridge into Medford town."

The letter reads:

Dear Sir: I am much obliged for your notice. It is said the officers are gone along the Concord road and I will send word thither. I am fully agreed with you that we ought to be serious and I hope your decision will be effectual. I intend doing myself the pleasure of being with you tomorrow. My respects to the committee. I am your real friend, JOHN HANCOCK.

Mr. Benjamin says if Hancock of the committee of safety knew at 9 o'clock troops had gone along the Concord road, Lexington and Concord were fully aroused to the danger of the coming British troops and there would have been no need for Paul Revere to send "thru the night his cry of alarm to every Middlesex village and farm."

The guarded expressions in the note, Benjamin says, were due to the troublous times when Han-

cock might expect to have mail seized and did not want to have his correspondence betray more information than was absolutely necessary.

The evidence of the Hancock letter to Gerry has been made known before, for it was published in 1820 in the Hale "Life of Gerry," but the date with the hour of 9 o'clock was omitted so that printed without these it caused no comment. In the original copy the date is there in Hancock's writing.

### Delay at Gin.

The cotton gin did not run last Saturday or the first two days this week. The grates had burned out and suspension was necessary until the arrival of new ones. When it started up again Wednesday twenty-five bales were waiting in the yard.

### LOST PHOTOGRAPHS.

#### Valued Pictures Have Not Been Restored to Owner

During the latter part of October H. S. McNeese was the unfortunate loser of a number of photographs somewhere in town. Each week since the loss was discovered Mr. McNeese has advertised for them, but they have not yet been returned to him. The pictures can be of no possible value to any one but Mr. McNeese. Among those lost are the portraits of his father and mother and deceased wife, and for this reason Mr. McNeese is exceedingly anxious to find them. He is ready to pay a reasonable reward if they are returned.

I. A. Lowe returned from Big Springs the first of the week.

SEE J. H. BAVERLY AND  
HAVE HIM BUILD YOU A  
CONCRETE BUNGALOW.

T. S. CAUSEY R. M. BALLENTINE J. C. LOWE

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It will interest you. It will pay you to give us your work in this line as well as your other laundry business. We will handle it in a way to please you. Remember--"THE BEST IN THE WEST" is

**THE MIDLAND STEAM LAUNDRY, DORSEY BROS., PROPS.**  
PHONE NO. 275

## COLLEGE SITE

### SELECTED FRIDAY

(Continued from page one.)

"You may say all the nice things you want to for me about the town and her good people. They are hustlers. There has never been the slightest doubt in my mind about the college coming here since the citizens of the town got busy. Frank Elkin deserves a great deal of credit in the whole proceeding because he is the originator of the proposition to establish the college here. He brought the proposition to the attention of the University and has been untiring in his efforts to get it ever since. He has also had the able assistance right along of A. C. Parker and Will Elkin. And the committee desires to express its appreciation particularly to these gentlemen for the help given all the while.

"As to the choice of Midland over other towns which offered inducements we can safely say that at no other town have the people shown the same enterprise or interest in it as have the people of Midland. Big Springs, Colorado and Abilene submitted propositions but Midland easily kept the lead.

"Midland, too, has superior advantages for our college. The territory to support it is wide. The nearest college on the north is at Hereford, on the east at Abilene, on the south at San Angelo, on the west at the setting of the sun.

"We feel that the college will be a great institution for your town, and will invite into your community a class of people who will be very desirable as citizens and home owners.

"We believe that when Midland College opens its doors for the matriculation of students next fall that it will be under the most auspicious and favorable conditions.

"We are, as a committee, exceedingly grateful to the people of Midland for their reception and the manner in which they have interested themselves. We shall return to our work believing that everything possible will be done here that will be conducive to the very best interests of the college."

It was also stated that when the survey for the campus and building site have been completed the remainder of the property will be platted and placed on the market. The money derived from the sale of the lots will be used for buildings and dormitories, and also for the endowment of the college.

Chairman McPherson, who is Endowment secretary of Texas Christian University of Waco, will remain over tomorrow and will preach morning and evening at the Christian church. Mr. Hall is Educational secretary of the same university, while Mr. Gibson is a prominent business man of Waxahachie. They have both returned to their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Elkin entertained the committee while they were here.

## WOODMEN MADE CHIPS FLY

### Local Camp Elected Officers, Initiated Candidates and Banquetted

Friday night Greasewood Camp Woodmen of the World held its annual election of officers. About fifty local and visiting choppers attended.

Mr. Warren Pemberton, who has been clerk of the camp for six years, submitted his annual report, showing a healthy increase in membership. They now number 88 and carry in the local camp nearly two hundred thousand dollars of insurance.

Sovereign Pemberton was unanimously elected clerk, over his earnest protests, the grateful choppers voting him a handsome present in token of their appreciation of his faithful service.

Consul Commander Collins has not missed a single meeting during the past year. He also tried to persuade the members to give the office to a younger man, but they were too well satisfied with their present leader and again gave him the honor. He also was voted a present for his devoted service. Space will not permit us to mention all proceedings of the election, but suitable woodmen were elected to the various offices.

During the evening two new choppers were brought into the forest and were initiated into the mysteries and blessings of Woodcraft.

After the election of officers and the initiation of candidates, the camp enjoyed a social hour, then repairing to the Elite Cafe sat down to a splendid feast.

Each woodman was profuse in his praise of the faithful work of the officers of the Camp, and many were the praises of greater faithfulness to the order and its beneficent work. With many good wishes each chopper silently stole home, and as silently crept to his couch, to avoid having to explain to the real head of the house, just why he was out so late.

The clock struck the hour of twelve, before the banqueters realized that morning had overtaken them.

### An Excellent Showing

The call for statements of the condition of National banks was made for the close of business Nov. 27, by the Comptroller of Currency, and the First National bank statement appears in this issue of The Examiner. It shows deposits on that date of \$342,504.42, and cash and exchange \$197,869.32. Two business days later, Nov. 30, the deposits amounted to over \$398,000.00 and cash and exchange was over \$250,000.00.

### Masonic Meeting Closed.

The annual grand lodge convention of Texas Masons closed at Waco Thursday night. Joe H. Knowles of Midland was returned as district deputy grand master of this district, as well as being given a place on the standing committee

on credentials in the grand lodge. Judge E. R. Bryan was given a place on the standing committee on visiting companions.

### ANOTHER BIG DISPLAY.

#### Taylor's Drug Store is Showing Christmas Goods.

C. A. Taylor, the pioneer druggist, this week opened his holiday stock and has a fine line of gift goods on view. G. N. Rand is assisting Mr. Taylor in handling the stock.

### Still Another Change

A little more than a week ago Evans Dunagan purchased an interest in the Elite Cafe from J. Woodie Hill. Last week Mr. Dunagan purchased the remaining interests from Mr. Hill and now controls the popular cafe. Mr. Hill traded in the Midland Tailoring Co. shop and will conduct it.

### Pretty Souvenirs.

M. C. Bazer & Co., this week distributed several hundred little wall match pockets shaped like slippers. They are of celluloid and are among the most unique advertising novelties in use. A picture of a beautiful woman, with the line "A match for any man" completes the novelty.

### Scotch Singers Pleased.

Last Saturday night, despite the rain and mud, a good sized audience greeted the Scotch Singers at the Opera House. The company was especially good and their program was thoroughly enjoyed.

### Midland's Cotton Report.

Bales ginned this season	910
Bales ginned this week	35
Bales waiting in yard	6
Bales received this season	916
Bales received last season	235
Prevailing price	8.25

Carefully, skillfully and substantially tailored in the smartest style, with just the proper fit and hang, is what your new suit will be if ordered from the Midland Tailoring Co., Evans Dunagan, prop. 4tf

How can you consistently wish your family a Merry Christmas and deprive it of an Edison Phonograph? Basham, Shepherd & Co.

## ANNUAL BAZAAR.

### Cemetery Association Will Conduct Fete Dec. 16.

The annual bazaar and sale by the ladies of the Cemetery Association will be held on December 16th. The ladies who are this year promoting the event are sanguine of a successful fete. Already a large number of ladies have finished needlework and other articles which will be offered for sale at the bazaar. Mrs. W. B. Elkin of the association, asks that all those who promised fancy work and other articles for the bazaar to please have them ready by Monday morning, Dec. 14, when the committee will call for them.

There will be a called meeting of the ladies of the association held at home of Mrs. Joe Knowles on Wednesday, Dec. 9, at 3 p. m. All chairmen of committees are especially urged to be present at this meeting.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Contractor A. J. Olson was up from Stanton yesterday.

Call at Mrs. Cahill's residence and get a corset, 25c each.

Mrs. T. F. Fitts left Thursday for a holiday visit at Abilene.

Dr. Williamson of Shafter Lake has been in town several days this week.

See the cheap goods at Mrs. Cahill's residence. Goods marked way down below cost.

Rev. A. M. Martin and family moved this week into the Rev. Nat B. Read residence.

N. V. Saddler of Stanton has land south of town and will soon make it his home.

Walter Glenn has accepted a position as foreman on Mr. Greenway's ranch on the Pecos river.

Mrs. L. A. Nutt of Odessa visited with her son, Mr. K. E. Nutt, for a few days the first of the week.

J. C. Kirk went to Belton today to see his mother who is quite sick. He will return as soon as soon as his mother gets well.

Phone Evans Dunagan at the Midland Tailoring Co. about that suit you want cleaned and pressed. He'll send for it and make it look like new. Phone 250.

Mrs. Chancy and daughter, Miss Nell, of Lufkin, passed through

Midland today enroute to Pecos to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Slaughter left Wednesday for Dallas, where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Harvey Moore went to Ft. Worth the first of the week to be with her mother who underwent an operation. She reports her mother as doing nicely.

Dr. J. J. Williamson has just completed a six room residence in Upland and started to his old home in Cleburne last night. He will bring his family back with him.

### George Stuart Coming.

Rev. Geo. Stuart, co-worker with the lamented Sam Jones, and probably one of the greatest temperance orators in America, is to be in Midland Jan. 18th.

Chairman Sterling P. Strong of the Anti Saloon League has just sent notice to this effect. Further notice of time and place will be given later.

## TO THE PUBLIC.

Because of the closing of the Midland Steam Laundry for a few months, I desire to announce to the public that I shall act as agent for the Colorado Steam Laundry, and will call for and deliver your bundles anywhere in the city. I guarantee satisfaction and solicit a share of your business. Phone 93. S. A. Puckett, Prop., Midland Barber Shop.

## Job Printing

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# SECURE THE CHOICE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

BY MAKING SELECTIONS NOW



HERE is no question but that you will want to make two or three special gifts, and we advise you to come in here where you'll find an extraordinary assortment of Christmas Presents, before the stock is picked over. By anticipating your wants you can make a much more intelligent and satisfactory purchase and thereby secure bigger and better values. At any rate, come in and see our holiday display. It is ready and you'll find it second to none.

## This Is Our Twenty-Third Year in Midland

And during all this time we have studied the wants of the people and we think our experience means a saving of dollars to you.

Gifts for Every Member of The Family and Friend.

Lowney's Christmas Candies	<b>C. A. TAYLOR,</b> THE OLD RELIABLE DRUGGIST	Waterman's Fountain Pens
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## IN MIDLAND SOCIETY

### Scharbauer-Cowden Wedding.

Last Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock Mr. Clarence V. Scharbauer and Miss Ruth Mae Cowden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cowden, were united in marriage at the First Baptist church. Rev. J. C. Burkett, pastor of the church, read the beautiful service in the presence of several hundred of the friends of the popular young couple. The interior of the church was beautifully decorated. A profusion of smilax, white wedding bells, white roses, chrysanthemums, palms and ferns were lavishly used here. The surroundings about the altar were exceedingly pretty. Long streamers reaching from the ceiling to two small and one large central evergreen arches at the altar. Both large and small wedding bells alternated on the streamers with a large white bell in the center arch, giving a most interesting effect. Miss Margaret Collier presided at the piano, and promptly at the appointed time she rendered the beautiful Lohengrin wedding march, and the bridal party entered the church. The bride was dressed in a tailored traveling empire dress of bottle green, trimmed in buttons to match. The coat was made with vest effect, the latter being in a lighter shade of green silk. A white and green silk waist with all-over lace yoke, and a green traveling hat trimmed with five large brown plumes, completed the wedding costume. She carried a bible with long white silk ribbon streamers which caught up a little shower bouquet of lillies of the valley and asparagus ferns. She was accompanied by the maid of honor, Miss Mamie Cowden, who

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wore a gray director coat suit trimmed in black satin with a gray silk waist trimmed with all-over lace and yoke. The other attendants were four young gentlemen friends, Mr. T. F. Smalling, Mr. Harry H. Taylor, Mr. Millard Eidson and Mr. Ellis Cowden, who completed the bride's party. The minister, the groom and the best man, Mr. J. B. Aiken, awaited the party at the altar. As they marched to the altar Miss Ghent sang a solo and while the ceremony was being said Miss Louise Moseley rendered a beautiful violin selection. The ushers were Mr. Crutcher Woolridge, Mr. Elliott Cowden, Mr. T. Blair, and Mr. Charles Bell. Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Scharbauer entered an automobile and were driven to the station, followed by other members of the wedding party in automobiles and hundreds of other friends in automobiles, carriages and afoot went to the station where the bride and groom were given an ovation prior to the arrival of the 5:17 eastbound train. Showers of congratulations and rice were poured upon them during the few minutes wait. They went to Hot Springs, Ark., Washington, D.C., and New York City, and after spending about a month will return to live in Midland. At the home of the bride's parents, the wedding presents were displayed. Among these were many testimonials of their popularity. Notable among the gifts were one hundred dollars in gold from the bride's father and two hundred dollars in gold from the groom's father. The groom's gift to the bride was a magnificent diamond cluster ring. From Mr. and Mrs. A. Monroe of Lawrence, Kansas, was a pure bronze statue of the famous violinist Lulli; a magnificent china clock imported from Germany was the gift of Mr. Phil Scharbauer, uncle of the groom; a handsome dinner set of Haviland china from Mr. John

Scharbauer, cousin of the groom, of Fort Worth; a cut glass punch bowl and set of cut glass punch cups and ladle from Mr. and Mrs. Stonestreet of Fort Worth; a cut glass punch bowl, cups and ladle from Mr. Bert Belcher, a friend at Big Springs; a gilt vase from Mr. and Mrs. Albert Linz of Dallas, and a great many of other beautiful gifts in silver, cut glass, china, art, bric-a-brac, etc.

The out-of-town guests for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. John Scharbauer of Fort Worth, Mrs. W. C. Stonestreet of Fort Worth, Mrs. Tom Quebedeaux of El Paso and Mrs. Albert Linz of Dallas.

When Mr. and Mrs. Scharbauer return they will live in a new home the contract for which will be let within a few days.

### Warren-Utzman.

Last Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock Mr. J. C. Warren and Miss Ola Utzman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Utzman, were married at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. A. M. Martin officiating. Mr. Warren is a popular young barber, employed at the Dorsey Bros. shop, and when he came to the shop to work on Wednesday he found his chair adorned with crepe. The bride is a charming young woman and has a host of friends who have been showering congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Warren are keeping house in their own cottage in the northeast part of town.

### A Club Dance.

The Commercial Social Club entertained a few friends with a club dance Thursday evening in honor of Miss Hurt and Miss Rix of Big Springs and Mr. Bob Blair of Pyote.

### In Honor of Miss Baird.

Misses Mary and Thursa Hicks entertained a few friends Thursday evening in honor of Miss Louise Baird of Big Springs.

### Personals

Miss Maud Burks of Kerrville who has been visiting Miss Johnnie Glenn for the past week is now visiting with her uncle, Frank

Norwood, on his ranch twenty-five miles north.

Mrs. C. A. Karkalits and children are visiting relatives at Cisco. They will remain there about a month. Mr. Karkalits will join them for the holiday vacation.

Miss Mollie Draper returned to her home in Carlsbad, New Mexico, Friday. She has been visiting her sister, Mrs. S. W. Estes, for

the last six weeks.

Master O. B. Holt, Jr., and his sister little Miss Gladys Holt, have gone to Stanton, and from there will go to the E. B. Dickerson ranch for a visit.

Mrs. C. E. Bowers of Farmersville arrived Wednesday. Mr. Bowers had preceded a few days. They will make Midland their home.

## A Christmas Matinee.



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Seven Models, \$12.50 to \$60.00.

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For the entire family--  
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Men's Dr. Wrights' health  
fleece-lined, shirts and draw-  
ers, the exact garment others  
ask \$2.50 per suit, for all sizes  
per garment \$1.00  
Same in boys' sizes .50

Men's Sanitary fleece-lined  
heavy winter weight, the best  
made of its kind, our price .50  
Same as above in boys' sizes .35

Sanitary ribbed shirts and  
drawers in men's sizes .50

Ladies' ribbed fleece-lined,  
full-bleached, vest and pants.  
.50

Union suits 35c to \$1.25  
Wool, two piece suits, full-  
bleached, \$1.50

Men's wool shirts and draw-  
ers--three weights--all sizes,  
\$1.25 to \$1.50

Children's union and two-  
piece suits, 35c to .75

Don't Pay More Than Our  
Price.

## Fleece Lined Shoes and Slippers

In a variety of style and colors  
**\$1.50 to \$2.50**

## Shawls and Fascinators

In squares and long--all wool  
**25c to \$2.00**

## The Boys' Suits

we are offering at half the  
regular price are the biggest  
values ever offered in Mid-  
land at any time, at \$2.50  
are suits that cost us \$3.75.  
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for the bad weather that's  
sure to come.

## Boy's and Girl's Leggings

Over Shoes, Rubber Boots,  
Gaiters, Mufflers, Gloves,  
Mittens, Caps, Sweaters,  
for the least to the largest.

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Our Price.

## BLANKETS

Winter weather calls in-  
to use the full supply of  
blankets and quilts. It's  
better to have an extra one  
on hand than to be short  
when they are needed.  
Our prices are absolutely  
right and the goods new.  
All wool 11-4 blankets, in  
grays and tans, worth every  
cent asked--

**\$6.50 to the best  
in the town  
at \$10.00**

Others at \$2.50 to \$4.50.

## COTTON BLANKETS

90c to \$2.50 per pair.

A good stock  
of Quilts

cotton filled, \$1.25 to \$3.50.

Children's crib  
Blankets

and heavy colored buggy  
blankets.

3 pound Comforts, cotton  
batts, 40c.

Don't Pay More Than  
Our Price.

### IT'S CERTAINLY TIME.

#### Reported Improvement in Train Service Can't Come Too Soon.

Points west on the Texas & Pa-  
cific as far as Big Springs will get  
additional train service within the  
next few weeks if records prove  
correct. Only one train a day now  
goes clear through to El Paso and  
the number of passengers for points  
in West Texas is such that an ad-  
ditional daily train is needed at

least as far as Big Springs."

The above item, clipped from  
the Fort Worth Record's railway  
news, indicates that the T. & P.  
railroad officials are beginning to  
see the necessity for improving the  
train service. Through passenger  
service is at present inadequate and  
any improvement will be welcome,  
and it can't come any too soon.

Theo. Ray returned Wednesday  
from a two weeks business trip to  
Dallas and other points.

### AN INCREASED FORCE.

#### City Drug Store adds Another Pre- scription Clerk.

Lloyd Douglass has accepted a  
position with the City Drug Store.  
Mr. Douglass is a graduate of the  
Pharmaceutical department of the  
Dallas Medical college and comes  
to his new position with an experi-  
ence of eight years as a prescrip-  
tion clerk, and will add materially

to the force of the City Drug  
Store. Mr. Douglass is well  
known here, having been prescrip-  
tion clerk with the Midland Drug  
Co. when W. J. Sparks was mana-  
ger.

G. M. Butts of Upland was in  
town Wednesday.

A coated tongue, foul breath and  
clogged condition in the bowels  
suggests the use of PRICKLY ASH  
BITTERS. It is just suited for  
such ailments. T. A. Fannin,  
special agent.

### FINE CALENDARS.

#### The New Ones Are Being Passed Out by Business Men.

The annual calendar distributing  
time has arrived and the first to  
be hung on the walls of The Ex-  
aminer office is that of the H. H.  
Hardin Lumber Co. Manager  
Wilbanks personally superintended  
the distribution of a highly artistic  
and most useful one. It is along  
the same style of art as the one  
put out last year by the same firm,  
and measures about 36x50 inches  
when on the wall.

# SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS

The City Drug Store is to be the headquarters for the annual visit of Santa Claus this Christmas, for no other reason than that he finds the largest and best assortment of gift goods ever brought to the Midland country. Mothers, Fathers, Brothers, Sisters, Wives, Husbands and Sweethearts, as well as the children, will find all the best and most appreciative gifts here. Look over the list:

#### For Wife or Mother

Work baskets and other  
wicker novelties, cut glass,  
perfumery, hand-painted  
china, silverware, manicure  
sets, dressing cases, toilet  
cases, comb and brush sets,  
medallions, beautiful vases,  
handbags, Christmas station-  
ary, photo albums, statuary,  
jewelry, fine clocks, framed  
pictures, bibles and mirrors.

#### For Sister or Sweetheart

Cut glass, hand painted  
china hand bags, toilet sets,  
manicure sets, jewel-mounted  
combs, vases, stationary and  
medallions, jewelry, Christ-  
mas stationary, post card and  
photo albums, Christmas  
cards, work baskets, per-  
fumery, fine Christmas  
candies in fancy cases, books,  
bibles, fancy hat pins,  
brooches, tiaras, belt buckles,  
etc., etc.; etc.

#### Letter Box

Write to Santa Claus  
and put your letter in  
in our mail box. We'll  
see that he gets your  
letter. Mail all your let-  
ters to Santa Claus, care  
City Drug Store, Mid-  
land, Texas.

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Our Toy Department  
is located in the rear of  
the store and in the  
assortment will be found  
every kind of toy from  
5c to as high as you  
want to pay. Visit this  
department and you'll  
be pleased with what  
you see.

#### For the Children

Dolls, doll buggies, pic-  
tures, toy wagons, toy pistols,  
pistol caps, fireworks, toy  
steam and electrical engines  
and other mechanical toys,  
teddy bears, teddy dolls,  
toy garden tools, toy pianos,  
horns, bugles, whistles,  
drums, motto cups, story  
books, doll trunks, baby  
toilet sets, Christmas candies,  
games, tea sets, etc., etc.

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Tie cases, collar and cuff  
boxes, comb and brush sets,  
holiday stationary, pipes,  
cigars, sporting goods, framed  
pictures, fountain pens, per-  
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leather novelties, smoking  
sets, pocket cigar cases,  
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travelers' sets and hundreds  
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men.

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Clarence Scharbauer.

### LOCAL HAPPENINGS

J. H. Beverly was down to Odessa, Monday.

W. T. Beasley was in Big Springs a few days this week.

W. L. Graves was in Odessa, Tuesday on business.

If you want your old stove polished and put up, phone No. 60.

Tom Volivar was at Odessa on business last Saturday.

J. M. Bennett of Pecos was in town the first of the week.

J. E. Hackett is in Pecos and El Paso on business this week.

A. J. Herrington of Colorado City is here this week prospecting.

We have just opened hot drinks. Try one. Taylor's Drug Store. 8tf

R. E. McKinzie of Dardanelle, Arkansas, has come to Midland to live.

Henry Williamson of Hollebeke was in town this week with a load of cotton.

G. N. Cooley of Monument, New Mexico, was in town first of the week.

Glenn Driver of Glasscock county is spending a few days in town this week.

Sausage, sausage! Pork sausage, Bologna, Frankfort, Weinerwurst, etc. City Meat Market. 5tf

M. A. Lovelady of Southwest Oklahoma was prospecting around town this week.

John Friar brought in a load of cotton from his ranch near Hollebeke the first of the week.

Just received a fresh shipment of Lowney's and Jacob's candies. Taylor's Drug Store. 7tf

W. J. Dodson and brother are in town prospecting this week. They are from Blum, Texas.

G. H. Parnell was prospecting around Midland this week. He is from Southwest Oklahoma.

An Edison Phonograph assures a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Basham, Shepherd & Co.

W. E. Griffith of Venus returned home last Saturday after spending a few days here prospecting.

M. R. Hill left for Odessa and Pecos, Tuesday. He will be gone about ten days on a business trip.

One Edison Phonograph and every member of the family is remembered. Basham, Shepherd & Co.

Mrs. J. N. Cobb returned from Wichita Falls, Tuesday. She has been visiting there the last ten days.

F. H. Mosely of Dallas is back here again. He used to live here and worked with W. H. Grace in the blacksmith shop.

A. J. Walcott returned to his home in Waxahachie Monday. He had been here two weeks visiting and transacting some business.

Fresh oysters at the City Meat Market, headquarters for fresh meats, etc. B. Ethridge, prop. tf

Try some of that fine lard at the City Meat Market. Three of the best kinds to choose from—pure home-made, Armour's Simon Pure and White Cloud. 5tf

R. O. Brooks, formerly of Hillsboro, took charge of the Model meat market December 1st. He bought it of H. C. Neal some weeks ago. Mr. Neal managed it up to Monday.

Most Christmas presents are all over on the 26th. An Edison Phonograph is just beginning. Basham, Shepherd & Co.

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T. M. Moore received a telegram that his brother-in-law, John Tate, of Weatherford was dying. He took Sunday evening's train for the east. He will be gone for a few days.

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Chas. Lewis returned from Ft. Worth Tuesday. His wife has been in the sanitarium three weeks. He reports her as getting better but not well enough to come home.

See J. C. Kirk if you wish to buy land in Midland and adjacent counties and he will strive to make it to your interest. He is an old land man in Texas. 12tf

S. M. Stanley is building a four room house on his farm which is near the Campbell farm. Mr. Stanley is from near Dardanelle, Arkansas, and now will try farming in the Midland country.

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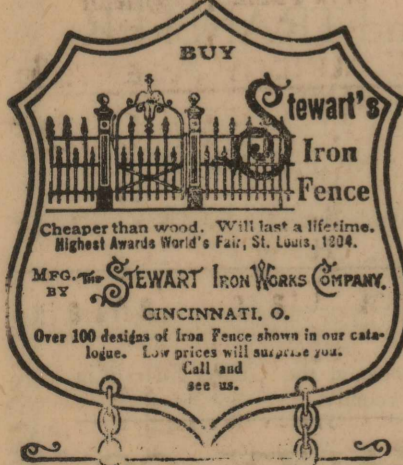
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Anyone who is down.  
She is destined to be a city,  
This, none will deny.  
In Midland I like to live;  
In Midland I hope to die.  
On the corner is Geo. D. Elliott & Co.,  
They have a fine stand,  
The finest of groceries  
Of the very best brand.  
Latest of styles, make and kind  
In clothing and shoes so fine.  
Their clerks are so clever,  
And will please you every time.  
Hello Mr. Dorsey!  
Said my friend to a man  
With a big cup of lather  
And brush in hand.  
Nice day; said the barber  
With voice gentle and true;  
I'll whet my best razor  
And wait upon you.  
I dropped in the chair,  
My feet on the rest,  
I unbuttoned my collar  
And he did his best.  
Then in a few seconds  
A nice job was done.  
And this is the reason  
His praises I have sung.

O, that is fine music,  
The Llano's dinner bell.  
My friend jumped through the door  
With a big Indian yell.  
I grabbed my old hat  
With a good drummer's grace  
And caught up most handsomely  
With a forty-mile pace.  
In a hurry, said my friend,  
As we entered the door;  
We are belated travelers  
And hungry you know.  
All right, said Pancost,  
Now rush to the table  
Laden with vegetables and roasts  
And load from collar to gable.

We saw M. C. Bazer,  
He's honest and kind,  
He does a big business;  
His stock is all fine  
Of queensware, stoves and furniture,  
And his prices are right.  
You may be sure  
There are Martin & Camp,  
Watches of silver and gold  
As pure are their wares  
Like pure are their souls.  
Hold on a little while;  
One of Eden's fairest bowers,  
Pray look at that pile,  
Pretty hats, ribbons and flowers.  
Mrs. Nations; said my friend,  
The queen that here reigns  
With a partner equally as pretty  
But quite different in name.

The next place we entered  
Was the Midland Hardware store,  
Nowhere in the South  
Was the like seen before.  
We found tons upon tons  
Iron, silver, copper and brass,  
And the shelves are crowded  
With fine china and glass.  
Just on the next corner  
Are Gary & Burns,  
Who are full-fledged New-Yorkers  
In silks, linens and yarns.  
We saw thousands of yards  
Fresh from the looms;  
They are artistically packed  
From the floor to the dome.  
And their clerks are astir  
With metropolitan haste,  
And all of them there  
Are people of fine taste.

Almost in their front,  
At Everybody's stand,  
We found Jim Barron--  
He's a good, honest man.  
In all of his dealings

He's open and fair,  
Does all of his business  
By the plummet and square.  
There are thirty-six inches  
On Jim's measuring rod  
And he measures to you  
As if measuring for God.  
There is the Midland grocery,  
Money they have made  
By giving to the people  
A clean, honest trade.  
There are the City, Midland,  
And Taylor's drug store.  
That are worthy to stay,  
As well as the Western Wind-mill,  
New Century and Ramsay & Day.

But I have scribbled out  
And now it is night,  
I'll blow out my candle--  
It is not very bright.  
So good luck to you,  
Be kind, honest and true.  
But one thing more  
As I travel from shore to shore;  
Midland's praise I'll tell,  
And when a city of all others  
swell  
Remember one of her boosters  
was J. O. L.

**SANTA CLAUS LETTERS.**

**First One in Midland Postoffice is Delivered.**

Letter-writing is now the pastime for children throughout the land, and each and every letter is addressed the same way: "To Santa Claus." The government's post-office employes will have to work overtime and extra help must be had to handle the vast number of letters which the little folks will write to the old Saint.

Every little writer trustfully and confidently expects to receive as the reply to his letter the Christmas toys, and good things for which he asks, and it is the desire of parents also that the little hearts may have their wishes fulfilled.

The first of the children's letters to be mailed in the Midland post-office was addressed "Old Santa Claus, City, care, Fannin Drug Store," and the little writer printed each word of his request in big bold capital letters. It is as follows:

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good boy and I want you to send me and my little brother some nice toys. We want a drum, ring, train, horns, story book, fire works, 2 ties, pistol, caps, tool box, doll and buggy, hook and ladder.

Your little good boys,  
W. J. and Harry Smith,  
Midland, Texas.

Mr. Fannin, proprietor of the City Drug Store has prepared a letter box for the reception of all the letters the little folks of Midland and vicinity will write and each one is invited to place their letters therein and he promises to deliver them to Santa Claus, when he comes. Letters mailed at the postoffice will also be placed in this box, if they are addressed in care of the City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris J. Lynch have leased the Methodist parsonage and are now housekeeping there.

Mrs. Homer Jackson, who has been quite sick, is improving very fast. Mrs. Jackson, a trained nurse from Midland, is still with her.--Barstow Journal.

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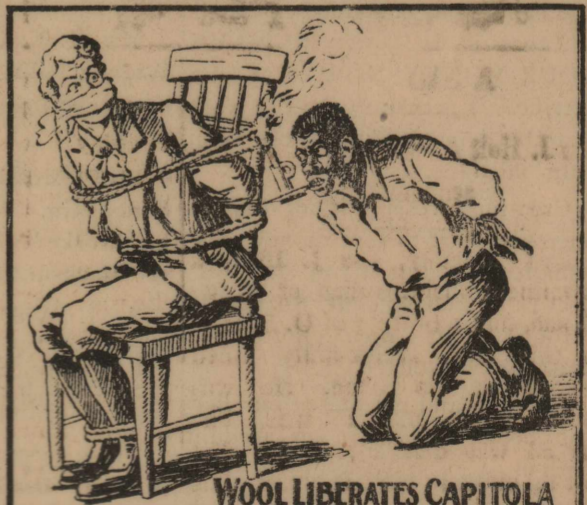
It is doubtful if in all the range and realism of fiction a more popular story was ever written than "The Hidden Hand." MRS. E. D. E. N. SOUTHWORTH was one of the most popular novelists of her time, and it was this famous story that infused new blood into the

**THE WAY TO GET CHEERFUL**

New York Ledger, one of a number of family story papers that were in great vogue in the early 70's. It is doubtful if there has ever been a literary heroine, a child of an author's fertile brain,

who could vie with the captivating madcap CAPITOLA in exciting the admiration of readers, or winning and keeping their hearts. She is bright, spirited, sagacious, so dauntless and yet so innocent and child-like that she takes all readers captive and holds them by her fascinating way clear to the last page of the narrative.

EUGENE MOORE, who has dramatized this wonderful book, has built a comedy drama of sterling worth, retaining the familiar characters of Capitola, Old Hurricane, Black Donald, Mrs. Coadiment, and the two excruciatingly funny darkey characters, Wool and Pitapat. The play will be presented here in the near future.



Seldom if ever, has a play of this calibre achieved the remarkable success that has been accorded this play. As a dramatic offering it is said to be a gem of the first water, possessing as it does a story of thrilling interest, while its characters are picturesque and human throughout. It is a play for the healthy minded, intelligently inclined audiences and appeals strongly to lovers of stories with a heart interest.

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### STANTON NEWS

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Farmers here are getting through gathering their cotton and most all have made a large crop.

We have had some real cold weather lately. A little snow, of course, not enough for sleighing or to make a snow man, but just enough to let us know it was cold enough to snow.

Mr. Tom Ahlhousan and daughter, Miss Ada, of Venus, have been visiting Mr. Ahlhousan's brother, Charlie, of Paradise, the past week. Mrs. Sam Woodie is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jasper Morrow, this week.

The young people enjoyed a singing at the Price home Saturday night.

The Messrs. Hardy of Mississippi, who have been prospecting in this part of the western country, have decided to stay and make this their home. Well, this is a fine country, all who don't think so will have to come and see for themselves to be convinced.

A few of the young people enjoyed an entertainment at the Price home one night last week in honor of Miss Bertha Woodie's and Miss Cora Price's birthday. They enjoyed a few games of "42," then refreshments were served. Mr. Crocket Kelly and Mr. Irvin Terry helped the girls cut the cakes. All present report a very pleasant time and hope to be entertained in a like manner again real soon. Those present were: Misses Beulah Atchison, Bertha Woodie, Clara Price, Cora Price, and Messrs. Crocket Kelly, Irvin Terry, Claude Duke, George Shelbourne, Willie Woodie and Virge Hammit.

Arthur Woodie has returned from a short visit to his uncle, J. A. Morrow and family, in Upton county.

Miss Clara Price visited Miss Eula Atchison, Sunday.

Messrs. Claude and George Duke of Mineola are in the Paradise community this week.

Our literary society people have come to the conclusion that 'tis not wise to try and meet more than once a month until cotton picking season is over, which is every fourth Saturday night.

We learn Mr. Johnie Greenwood has sold his farm and is going to make New Mexico his future home. We regret to see Mr. Greenwood leave this community but hope he may like and be liked in his future home.

Rover.

### MASONS AT WACO.

#### Annual Grand Lodge Meeting in Session.

J. H. Knowles, L. H. Murphy, Dr. W. K. Curtis, Judge E. R. Bryan and Harry H. Taylor are at Waco in attendance upon the annual Grand Lodge session of Texas Masons. Judge Bryan is illustrious deputy grand high Priest of the Royal Arch chapter.

#### Editors.

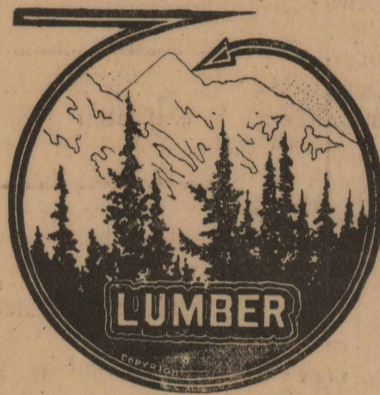
"I don't know how newspapers come to be in the world, and I don't think God does, for he haint got nothing to say about them in the bible. I think the editor is one of the missing links we read of, and stayed in the bushes until after the flood; has been there ever since. I don't think he ever died. I never saw a dead one and never heard of one getting licked. Our paper is a mighty good one; but the editor don't wear underclothes all wintur and don't wear any socks and pa ain't paid his subscription since the paper started. I asked pa if that was why the editor had to suck the juse out of snowballs in the winter and go to bed when he had a shirt washed. About then pa took me out in the woodshed and he licked me awful hard. If the editor makes mistakes folks say he ought to be hung; but if the doctor makes mistakes he buries them and people dassant say nothing because the doctors can read and write Latin. When the editor makes mistakes there is lawsuits, and swearing, and a big fuss; but if the doctor makes one there is a funeral, cut flowers and a perfect silence. A doctor can use a word a yard long without him or anybody knowing what it means; but if the editor uses one he has to spell it. If the doctor goes to see another man's wife he charges for the visit; but if the editor goes he gets a charge of buckshot. When the doctor gets drunk it's a case of being over-come by heat, and if he dies it's a case of heart trouble; when an editor gets drunk it's a case of too much booze and if he dies it's the jimjams. Any college man can make a doctor, but an editor has to be born. --- "Little Willie" in Barnhart Book.

#### Notice.

Since we are not connected with the Midland Steam Laundry we wish to call your attention to same. All bundles left with us will be laundered at the Midland Steam Laundry and returned to us as an agent for the laundry.

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## MIDLAND MAN IS HONORED.

### JUDGE BRYAN ELECTED TO HIGH MASONIC OFFICE.

### A DESERVED TRIBUTE

Grand Royal Arch Session at Waco Selected the Midland Man Because of Qualifications and Merit.

At the annual grand lodge session of Texas Masons, held at Waco this week, Judge E. R. Bryan



JUDGE E. R. BRYAN Who Was Last Tuesday Elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas Masons.

of Midland, cashier of the First National Bank, was elected to the highest office in the gift of Royal Arch Chapter Masons in the State,

Grand High Priest. During the past year Judge Bryan has held the office of illustrious deputy grand high priest, and his proficiency and eminent qualifications easily led to the higher office.

Midland's citizens are particularly Masons, congratulate Judge Bryan and appreciate the honors bestowed upon him and upon Midland.

The roster of officers for the next year in the Grand Royal Arch Chapter are:

Grand High Priest, E. R. Bryan of Midland.

Deputy Grand High Priest, J. J. Gallaher of Whitewright.

Grand King, Joe Adams of Crockett.

Grand Scribe, C. S. Alderman of Big Springs.

Grand Treasurer, F. B. Frymier of Waco.

Grand Secretary, John A. Bryan of Cleburne.

Committee on work (one to be elected for five years,) T. M. Bartley of Tahoka, Lynn County, and W. A. Scott of Floresville.

Sam P. Cochran was elected to succeed himself as director of the Home for the Aged Masons. O. E. Schow of Clifton was elected to succeed Mason Cleveland.

A resolution to prepare a monitor for use in subordinate chapters, to be ready for use as early as possible in 1909, was carried.

Report on the Home for Aged Masons, located near Arlington, Tarrant County, shows that plans will soon be submitted from architects.

Thursday evening E. S. Wright started for his old home at Alpine, Alabama. He came here for his health and now thinks he is wholly cured.

Job Printing---the best---Examiner

## CLASSIFIED ADS

All advertising in this column one cent a word for each insertion.

FOUND:---In road about a mile from town, a package containing a bottle of medicine. Owner can have same by identifying and pay for this notice. Examiner office.

FOR RENT:---Two furnished rooms for roomers or light house-keeping. Plenty of good well and cistern water. D. A. Parkhurst, third house north of Baptist church.

FOR SALE:---5, 10, or 15 acres of land adjoining city limits on the north. J. O. LANGFORD.

LOST:---Coral cameo belt buckle. Finder will please return to this office and receive reward.

WANTED:---At once, a girl to iron, at the Midland Steam Laundry.

WANTED:---Heaters and cook stoves, of all kinds, highest prices paid, or will trade you one that will suit you better. Phone 192. Frank H. Snell.

WANTED:---All persons who have horses or mules to sell, or who want to buy, to call on J. O. Reynolds, residence north of Gin, Midland, Tex. Phone No. 155.

FURNISHED rooms and board for six can be had for \$20 per month each. Good meals, neat rooms, clean beds.

B. L. THOMPSON, Two blocks west of High School. 2t13

FOR RENT:---Boarding house with ten rooms and hall, one block west of depot. Apply to W. J. Moran. 11tf

WANTED:---Stenographer to work tomorrow, the 29th. See Martin & Clark.

## CITY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

### Last Session for Year Will Take Up Spencer's Education.

The last session of the city teachers' Institute for the year 1908 will be held at the High School Building, Saturday, December 12. The teachers will study "Spencer's Education" on that day. Following is the program based on the outline of that book:

I. Biographical sketch of Spencer with critical estimate of his educational doctrines, Miss Rommie R. Boyd.

II. What Knowledge is of Most Worth, Chapter 1, Miss Theilka Clark, Miss Margaret Collier, Mr. Nim Hill.

III. Intellectual Education, Chapter 2, Miss Mary Hicks, Miss McQuinn, W. W. Lackey.

IV. Moral Education, Chapter 3, Supt. J. S. Long of Stanton, Miss Hattie Kee, Miss Theresa Hicks.

V. Physical Education, Chapter 4, Miss M. Lockett, Miss Lu-

cile Shaw, Miss Ova Richardson. "Spencer's Education" is one of the text-books in the Department of Education in the University of Texas, and the study of Spencer as an educator and of this work of his on education promises to be very helpful and interesting to teachers. The session of the Institute begins at 8:30 in the morning and ends at 3:30 in the afternoon. The friends of education are cordially invited to attend this meeting of the teachers and take part in the discussions. The teachers have just finished a very comprehensive outline in psychology.

### Notice.

On account of the temporary closing of the Midland Steam Laundry, we will resume the agency for out-of-town laundries, as we did prior to the establishment of the Midland laundry, and ship bundles for our customers. We will ship to Big Springs and Sherman as before, and solicit the public's patronage. Dorsey Bros.

## Appendicitis

Cured without Operation. Here is Positive Sworn Proof

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss.  
COUNTY OF STEELE, }  
I, Richard Jahreis, of Owatonna, Minn., being first duly sworn, do say that I am the person named in and who subscribed the following statement and the same is true of my own knowledge in every particular:  
"I had severe pains in my right side, just above the appendix. I went to the doctor and he pronounced my case appendicitis and advised an operation. Instead I went to Zamboni Bros. drug store and bought a bottle of Adler-i-ka Treatment. After taking it the result was indeed wonderful. The pains stopped and I felt like a new man. I heartily recommend Adler-i-ka Treatment to anyone troubled with appendicitis as I know it has cured me."  
(Signed) RICHARD H. JAHREISS.  
State Seal Subscribed and sworn to before me June 28, 1905.  
J. NEWSALT, Notary Public, Steele County.

Adler-i-ka not only cures Appendicitis, but ONE DOSE A WEEK WILL POSITIVELY PREVENT THIS TREACHEROUS DISEASE. We are giving away a very valuable, fully illustrated book, showing pictures of the appendix, and describing how appendicitis is caused, how it can be treated medically and how to guard against it. Everyone should read this book and be prepared in time.

EXCLUSIVE AGENCY AT

## C. A. TAYLOR'S DRUG STORE

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## THE SITE FOR MIDLAND COLLEGE SELECTED YESTERDAY

The site for Midland College was finally determined yesterday afternoon by the committee representing Texas Christian University. This committee was composed of Chalmers McPherson, of Ft. Worth, Charles W. Gibson of Waxahachie, and Colby D. Hall of Waco. The other members of the committee, T. E. Shirley of Hereford and T. E. Tomlinson of Hillsboro, were unable to be present.

Of the several sites offered the one determined upon was chosen for several reasons which appeared to the committee as best adapted for the location of a college. One of these was the particularly high elevation of the land.

The accepted site comprises two hundred and twenty-five acres, all in one body, lying west of town, mostly in the H. N. Garrett section, and was donated by the following persons:

H. N. Garrett.....	160 acres
J. A. Haley, Frank F. Elkin and Will B. Elkin.....	25 acres
T. A. Fannin.....	15 acres
H. N. Garrett, A. C. Parker, C. A. Goldsmith, F. F. Elkin, J. A. Haley and W. B. Elkin.....	25 acres
Total.....	225 acres

The latter twenty-five acres is the donation of the new company which recently purchased the 408 1/2-acre Youngblood tract.

Seventy acres of the two hundred and twenty-five is south of the Texas & Pacific railway, but the college buildings and campus will be located on the highest portion of the tract and on the north side of the railroad.

The exact location of the main building of the college will be in the center of Missouri Avenue and the center of the tract from the east to the west sides. It is the

### University Committee Accepted 225 Acres on the West Side of Town--Construction to Begin at Once and be Ready for Students Next September--Trustees Named.

#### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

To serve three years: Volney Johnson, J. A. Haley, John M. Cowden.  
To serve two years: S. J. Isaacks, E. F. Elkin.  
To serve one year: Dr. W. K. Curtis, Burl Holloway.

purpose of the owners of the Youngblood tract to plat their addition so that the streets will run parallel with the railroad, which will give a deflection of Missouri Avenue to the southwest at its intersection with the Youngblood tract at Carrizo street. The building then will be located about a mile west of Carrizo street on the east line of the Youngblood tract. Missouri Avenue intersects Abilene street at the corner south of The Examiner office.

The committee thoroughly canvassed the details of every proposition submitted and in making their decision each individual concerned in the propositions cheerfully and gracefully accepted the action of the committee and were pleased with it.

Other propositions made were those of Mrs. Ed Townsend of one hundred and sixty acres in scattered blocks located south of town, and others by Johnson & Moran, and others of two hundred acres near the East Front Addition northwest of town.

The history of the college proposition is more or less well known to the whole people of Midland, but it may be again stated

that the people of the city were required to furnish \$25,000 in cash and a site in order to secure the college for the town, and all this now having been done, the only thing remaining is for plans and specifications to be drawn and bids on its construction be received. This will be done at once.

The committee yesterday, after conferences with business men and others interested, selected a permanent board of trustees to take up

#### TEST WELLS BEING DRILLED

Another test well was brought in by the drillers for the O'Neil Engineering Co., waterworks built in the southwestern part of town this week, and at a depth of about 75 feet a good flow of pure water was struck and it raised to within 30 feet of the surface. The bucket test was made and it could not be perceptibly lowered at 16 gallons to the minute.

The engine test has not been made because of the non-arrival of the necessary machinery.

at once the details of construction and equipment of the college. It is the present purpose to have the building completed, and everything in readiness for opening the college to students by September 1, 1909.

The board of trustees selected yesterday is composed of the following Midland citizens:

To serve three years: Volney Johnson, J. A. Haley, and John M. Cowden.

To serve two years: S. J. Isaacks, and E. F. Elkin.

To serve one year: Dr. W. K. Curtis and Burl Holloway.

The members of the board were selected by the committee, and their terms of office were determined by lot. Their terms of office will begin at once, but will officially date from June 1, 1909, when the report of the committee is officially ratified by the Texas Christian Missionary convention which will meet in Corsicana in that month.

In an interview with an Examiner reporter yesterday afternoon, Mr. Hall of the committee, said:

"The name of the school is to be the Midland College and is to be a school for all the people of

West Texas of all creeds and classes.

"Its ideal is that of a Christian school in the broadest sense. The Trustees and Faculty must always be believers in the divinity of Christ, but no specification is made as to the church membership of the Faculty except that the President must be a member of the church organization known as the Christian church.

Midland College is to be co-related with Texas Christian University thereby giving a great strength to the young institution at its very start. The influence and prestige of the University will be with our colleges, and the benefit of its experience in handling such difficult problems as come up will be at hand.

"The course of study to be offered by the college is to be made out by the Trustees and Faculty and approved by the Texas Christian University. This will make a course in harmony with the standard of grading of the best colleges in the land, and will enable pupils on finishing this school to enter at a definite point in any of the standard State or Church schools. This gives Midland College a recognized standard in the educational world and enables the graduate to enter, without examination, the University of his choice."

The other affiliated colleges at present co-related to Texas Christian University are Add-Ran-Jarvis College at Thorp Springs, Hereford College at Hereford, and Carlton College at Bonham.

Chairman McPherson stated when asked as to his opinion of the decision of the committee and the town of Midland as a college town:

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## CAMPBELL'S SCIENTIFIC FARMING METHODS MAKE GOOD

That scientific soil culture as prosecuted on the Campbell Experimental farm is a success beyond the most sanguine expectations is now a fact.

Be it understood from the beginning the lack of rainfall in the Midland country does not now and has never before prevented successful farming operations under the old methods. The exhibits which have been from year to year shown at the Dallas Fair, have proven positively that many agricultural crops can be produced here at a perhaps better profit than in sections where the rainfall is much greater.

The Campbell Experimental farm is introducing scientific soil culture by the adoption of which farming may become less of a matter of dependence on abundance of rain, thereby placing the farmer upon an independent basis for the production of such crops as are adapted to this climate.

But scientific farming, by the Campbell method, just now asserts its superiority over the old method.

Three weeks ago thirty-six acres

### Wheat Sown on Thirty-Six Acres Three Months After Rain Produces a Good Stand---Considered Remarkable by Men Who Follow Old Farming Methods---Scientific Soil Culture will Make the Midland Country the Banner Farming Section

of the one hundred acres of summer tilled land on the Campbell Experimental farm, were sowed to wheat. The sowing of this thirty-six acres was done about three months after the last good rain. On August 4 a rain of about 1.5 inches fell, and this was followed by a light rainfall on August 17. Not until November 28 was there any more rain. On November 20 Foreman Lewis of the farm put in thirty-six acres to wheat. Two weeks later a good stand of wheat was the result.

That there should have been even a poor stand would be considered remarkable evidence of the success of the method, but that the field should show a good stand is one of the most remarkable things ever imagined by those who have

been watching the experiments on the Campbell section and who have followed the demonstrations elsewhere.

Last Monday Vice-President T. J. Martin of the First National Bank, accompanied by Judge J. W. Davidson visited the farm, investigated the conditions, and after returning, in an interview with an Examiner reporter, Mr. Martin said:

"Yes, it is true that the thirty-six acres planted to wheat on the farm is showing a fine stand. In a very few little spots I noticed that the wheat had not come up, and I investigated the soil in these spots, and found that the seed had sprouted and will grow. I am satisfied that every foot of surface on which the seed was sown will make wheat.

"I consider this as the most remarkable achievement of agriculture ever demonstrated anywhere. The idea that seed be sown three months after the last rain and then germinate and produce a good stand is marvelous. Yet it is done. The growing wheat field is out there to be seen by every man who doubts.

"There is no further use of discussing the merits of the system as to theory. It's a fact, and only needs to be educated into the minds of the farmers.

"I consider now that our farm lands are just beginning to prove their value and the time is not long until we'll have the banner farming section of the West."

When Judge Davidson was ask-

ed as to his thoughts on the wheat stand he said:

"Why, man, it reminds me of the bible story of the time when the Children of Israel were famishing in the wilderness for water. They appealed in their famished condition to Moses for water, and he struck the rock and their thirst was appeased. For a long time--all previous time in the Western country--the people have declared there was not water enough for farming, and irrigation was impracticable. Now a scientific method of storing all the moisture needed for producing crops is introduced and behold the growing grain. Nature, always provident, supplies a sufficiency of water and man has been slow finding a way to take care of it until he needed it, until now.

"I consider the wheat-growing experiment as nothing short of marvelous. To some it is a modern miracle. In the East this thing would be unthinkable.

"We'll see bigger and better things before we have heard the last of the Campbell Experimental farm."

## WANTS LOWER RATES FROM GULF PORTS

### SEC'TY HARDWARE JOBBERS ADDRESSES COMMISSIONERS.

#### Contends That Higher All Rail Rates Could Be Counteracted in Texas.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 30.--R. F. Bell of Fort Worth, secretary of the Texas Hardware Jobbers' Association, appeared before the Railroad Commission today, accompanied by local jobbers, to discuss the matter of a petition for rates from Galveston and Houston to Texas interior points, the idea being to take advantage of the low water rates into Galveston, and thus offset the recent advance in the all-rail rates from Mississippi River crossings and territory adjacent to Texas points. While they were interested in all articles of hardware, paints, etc., they advocated the general principle of lower rates via Texas Gulf ports.

It was pointed out to the commission that the only place in Texas where water competition is met is to Houston, although Galveston has the Gulf on regular steamship lines. Mr. Bell insisted that the old basis of the rail rates fixing the total charges between Atlantic seaboard and Texas points was wrong, and that the Gulf might as well not be in existence.

It was pointed out that even if the 15 ports to inland towns reduced the Texas roads would be by far the gainers, because the tonnage would be moved via water and Texas ports, and the locals from Galveston out were two, three and four times the amount of the present divisions where the tonnage moves all rail. While the "systems" would not get as much out of it as they do now, yet the Texas lines would get far more revenue and far greater tonnage, he argued.

Commissioners Mayfield and Storey may favor the proposition later, but are opposed to it at this

time, because of the proceedings pending before the Interstate Commerce Commission, feeling that to reduce any part of the through rate at this time would give the appearance of retaliating on the railroads for having advanced interstate rates. This the majority of commissioners will avoid, though in the future they will probably take some action looking to according benefit to the people of Texas because of their proximity to the Gulf and its steamship lines. COLQUITT FAVORS APPLICATION.

Mr. Colquitt favors granting the application straight out, and would join any Commissioner in giving notice to hearing previous to enacting an order reducing the rates from Texas Gulf ports to inland towns. The other Commissioners would not favor a wholesale reduction in all rates inland, but it would be necessary to take up each item or article and show that the rate is too high or that discrimination exists.

Mr. Bell also consulted with the commission as to whether it would consent to an amendment to the Texas classification conforming certain ratings therein to the same class in the Western classification, the effect of which would be to make classification uniform and slight reductions in a few instances. The commission appeared favorably disposed to it, and upon written application the necessary action will probably be taken toward making the changes desired.

Nothing in writing was presented at today's conference, but Mr. Bell expects to be heard from later on, when the commission will formally dispose of matters presented in writing.

Don't forget to use a little PRICKLY ASH BITTERS whenever the stomach or bowels are disordered. It quickly corrects such troubles and makes you feel bright and cheerful. T. A. Fannin, special agent.

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Every day is Christmas where an Edison Phonograph is the gift. Basham, Shephard & Co.

## SMALL DEPOSITORS

There are several reasons why the management of the Midland National Bank welcomes small depositors and considers it a matter of good business policy to give equal attention to small and large accounts.

In the first place, most of our large depositors started as small depositors. We have had the pleasure of seeing many accounts grow steadily over a period of years and are glad to say that we have helped our customers to increase their business and deposits.

So far as the bank is concerned, it is just as satisfactory to have several small accounts aggregating the same as one large one, because, although there is three times the bookkeeping involved, that is more than offset by the possibilities of development of three different accounts, besides the advertising value to the bank of three satisfied customers. This bank's capital, surplus and profits of over \$100,000.00, its very complete equipment and strong personnel make it the ideal depository for small depositors who expect to be bigger ones.

The officers will be glad to talk over banking relations with you at any time and pledge themselves to serve your interests faithfully when you intrust your business to this bank.

## THE MIDLAND NATIONAL BANK

MIDLAND, TEXAS

### AUTOMOBILE INFORMATION.

#### Examiner Will Conduct Department Free to Readers.

Because of the almost universal use of the automobile and gasoline engines in Midland and surrounding country--there being more than one hundred of the former in the county, The Examiner has arranged to conduct a department for the exclusive use of users of automobiles and gasoline engines. It is intended that all questions of a mechanical nature be sent in and these with their answers will be published in the department. Every phase and perplexing problem concerning gasoline engines and motors and other matters pertaining to autos will be given expert attention and each case passed upon.

Luther L. Lane, whose reputation as an automobile expert is well established in this community, will edit the department, and anything concerning mechanics will receive his attention.

It will also be a non-partisan and unbiased department, no make, style or character of automobile given a preference. Every dealer and his car as well as an individual owners, will receive the same consideration.

We trust auto users and all others interested in machines, whether novice or professional, will use this department.

All questions for the department may be mailed or handed in to the office addressed: Auto Dept., Examiner, Midland, Texas.

If you wish to get on good terms with your wife or sweetheart, just take her a box of Lowney's or Jacob's fine candies. Taylor's Drug Store.

173 is the Examiner's phone number. Ring us up and tell us the news.

People will talk, you know; that is why we do not have to advertise as much as some people. If you don't know about the bargains in iron beds, stoves, and furniture at Frank H. Snell's, ask your neighbor. If you do know, tell him about them.

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## Gasoline Motor Vehicle

You Should Let Us Demonstrate to You the Superiority of the

### Reliable Dayton Motor Cars



Built on the buggy or carriage style, with high wheels and solid rubber tires. They are standard tread and will track the ruts.

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No annoying punctures or enormous tire expense. A car you can afford to keep. It is a practical car for year around service. Not an effort to build cheap but to build good. Gives maximum of service at minimum of cost. Succeeds the horse, not the locomotive. We have in stock three styles--runabout, touring car and delivery wagon. Let us prove their superiority.

## GREGG & HALFF,

Sole Agents.

The car that ran 203 miles on 10 1-2 gallons of gasoline and 1 quart of lubricating oil in nine hours and forty minutes; made 367 right angle turns through sand and over turf on our streets and country roads without stopping the motor. The car for endurance and economy--a marvel of mechanical perfection and a perpetual pleasure to its users.

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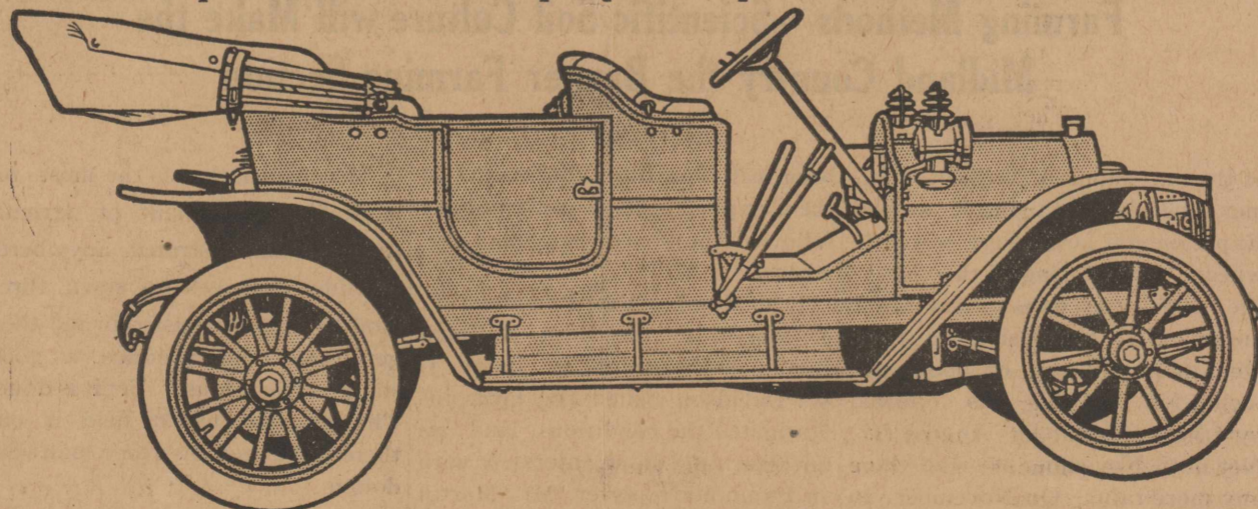
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"It's a real automobile."

"Best car in the world for this western country."



\$1,500--"30" CHALMERS-DETROIT "30"--\$1,500

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A high grade four-cylinder, five passenger, thirty horsepower car, made by the makers of the world's champion Thomas "Forty."

#### A CAR WITH A REPUTATION.

Sold by an automobile man. Guaranteed and kept in adjustment by one who knows.

WE ARE in advance of most competitors in the two-bearing crank shaft and the cylinder cast in one piece. Rivals who stay in the field are bound to come to this high standard. Four cylinders cast together means lightness, compactness, absence of vibration, perfect alignment, perfect water circulation, equal temperature in all cylinders--preventing over-heating, and also permits of a two-bearing crank shaft, which affords extra large connecting rod bearings and lends itself to the use of annular ball bearings. These distinctive features have been adopted by the world's best engineers and are used in cars of the highest class. There is no question as to the strength of the two-bearing crank shaft and the practicability of four cylinders cast en bloc. They have been used for two years in the Thomas four-cylinder cabs--not a single case of crank shaft trouble. Compare competitors' arguments against these features with the demonstrated facts and judge for yourself.

ESTES & LANE, Agents  
MIDLAND, TEXAS

# SECURE THE CHOICE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

BY MAKING SELECTIONS NOW

**T**HERE is no question but that you will want to make two or three special gifts, and we advise you to come in here where you'll find an extraordinary assortment of Christmas Presents, before the stock is picked over. By anticipating your wants you can make a much more intelligent and satisfactory purchase and thereby secure bigger and better values. At any rate, come in and see our holiday display. It is ready and you'll find it second to none.

## This Is Our Twenty-Third Year in Midland

And during all this time we have studied the wants of the people and we think our experience means a saving of dollars to you.

Gifts for Every Member of The Family and Friend.

<b>Lowney's Christmas Candies</b>	<b>C. A. TAYLOR, THE OLD RELIABLE DRUGGIST</b>	<b>Waterman's Fountain Pens</b>
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### IN MIDLAND SOCIETY

#### Scharbauer-Cowden Wedding.

Last Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock Mr. Clarence V. Scharbauer and Miss Ruth Mae Cowden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cowden, were united in marriage at the First Baptist church. Rev. J. C. Burkett, pastor of the church, read the beautiful service in the presence of several hundred of the friends of the popular young couple. The interior of the church was beautifully decorated. A profusion of smilax, white wedding bells, white roses, chrysanthemums, palms and ferns were lavishly used here. The surroundings about the altar were exceedingly pretty. Long streamers reaching from the ceiling to two small and one large central evergreen arches at the altar. Both large and small wedding bells alternated on the streamers with a large white bell in the center arch, giving a most interesting effect. Miss Margaret Collier presided at the piano, and promptly at the appointed time she rendered the beautiful Lohengrin wedding march, and the bridal party entered the church. The bride was dressed in a tailored traveling empire dress of bottle green, trimmed in buttons to match. The coat was made with vest effect, the latter being in a lighter shade of green silk. A white and green silk waist with all-over lace yoke, and a green traveling hat trimmed with five large brown plumes, completed the wedding costume. She carried a bible with long white silk ribbon streamers which caught up a little shower bouquet of lillies of the valley and asparagus ferns. She was accompanied by the maid of honor, Miss Mamie Cowden, who

wore a gray directoire coat suit trimmed in black satin with a gray silk waist trimmed with all-over lace and yoke. The other attendants were four young gentlemen friends, Mr. T. F. Smalling, Mr. Harry H. Taylor, Mr. Millard Eidson and Mr. Ellis Cowden, who completed the bride's party. The minister, the groom and the best man, Mr. J. B. Aiken, awaited the party at the altar. As they marched to the altar Miss Ghent sang a solo and while the ceremony was being said Miss Louise Moseley rendered a beautiful violin selection. The ushers were Mr. Crutcher Woolridge, Mr. Elliott Cowden, Mr. T. Blair, and Mr. Charles Bell. Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Scharbauer entered an automobile and were driven to the station, followed by other members of the wedding party in automobiles and hundreds of other friends in automobiles, carriages and afoot went to the station where the bride and groom were given an ovation prior to the arrival of the 5:17 eastbound train. Showers of congratulations and rice were poured upon them during the few minutes wait. They went to Hot Springs, Ark., Washington, D.C., and New York City, and after spending about a month will return to live in Midland. At the home of the bride's parents, the wedding presents were displayed. Among these were many testimonials of their popularity. Notable among the gifts were one hundred dollars in gold from the bride's father and two hundred dollars in gold from the groom's father. The groom's gift to the bride was a magnificent diamond cluster ring. From Mr. and Mrs. A. Monroe of Lawrence, Kansas, was a pure bronze statue of the famous violinist Lulli; a magnificent china clock imported from Germany was the gift of Mr. Phil. Scharbauer, uncle of the groom; a handsome dinner set of Haviland china from Mr. John

Scharbauer, cousin of the groom, of Fort Worth; a cut glass punch bowl and set of cut glass punch cups and ladle from Mr. and Mrs. Stonestreet of Fort Worth; a cut glass punch bowl, cups and ladle from Mr. Bert Belcher, a friend at Big Springs; a gilt vase from Mr. and Mrs. Albert Linz of Dallas, and a great many of other beautiful gifts in silver, glass, china, art, bric-a-brac, etc.

The out-of-town guests for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. John Scharbauer of Fort Worth, Mrs. W. C. Stonestreet of Fort Worth, Mrs. Tom Quebedeaux of El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Linz of Dallas.

When Mr. and Mrs. Scharbauer return they will live in a new home the contract for which will be let within a few days.

#### Warren-Utzman.

Last Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock Mr. J. C. Warren and Miss Ola Utzman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Utzman, were married at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. A. M. Martin officiating. Mr. Warren is a popular young barber, employed at the Dorsey Bros. shop, and when he came to the shop to work on Wednesday he found his chair adorned with crepe. The bride is a charming young woman and has a host of friends who have been showering congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Warren are keeping house in their own cottage in the northeast part of town.

#### A Club Dance.

The Commercial Social Club entertained a few friends with a club dance Thursday evening in honor of Miss Hurt and Miss Rix of Big Springs and Mr. Bob Blair of Pyote.

#### In Honor of Miss Baird.

Misses Mary and Thursa Hicks entertained a few friends Thursday evening in honor of Miss Louise Baird of Big Springs.

#### Personals

Miss Maud Burks of Kerrville who has been visiting Miss Johnnie Glenn for the past week is now visiting with her uncle, Frank

Norwood, on his ranch twenty-five miles north.

Mrs. C. A. Karkalits and children are visiting relatives at Cisco. They will remain there about a month. Mr. Karkalits will join them for the holiday vacation.

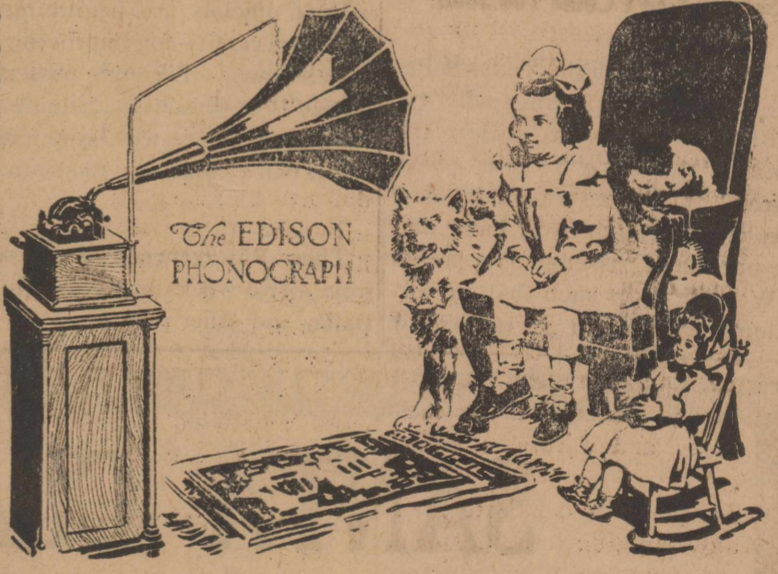
Miss Mollie Draper returned to her home in Carlsbad, New Mexico, Friday. She has been visiting her sister, Mrs. S. W. Estes, for

the last six weeks.

Master O. B. Holt, Jr., and his sister little Miss Gladys Holt, have gone to Stanton, and from there will go to the E. B. Dickerson ranch for a visit.

Mrs. C. E. Bowers of Farmersville arrived Wednesday. Mr. Bowers had preceded a few days. They will make Midland their home.

## A Christmas Matinee.



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For the entire family-- unions and two piece suits.

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Men's Sanitary fleece-lined heavy winter weight, the best made of its kind, our price .50 Same as above in boys' sizes .35

Sanitary ribbed shirts and drawers in men's sizes .50

Ladies' ribbed fleece-lined, full-bleached, vest and pants. .50

Union suits 35c to \$1.25 Wool, two piece suits, full-bleached, \$1.50

Men's wool shirts and drawers--three weights--all sizes, \$1.25 to \$1.50

Children's union and two-piece suits, 35c to .75

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## Fleece Lined Shoes and Slippers

In a variety of style and colors \$1.50 to \$2.50

## Shawls and Fascinators

In squares and long--all wool 25c to \$2.00

## The Boys' Suits

we are offering at half the regular price are the biggest values ever offered in Midland at any time, at \$2.50 are suits that cost us \$3.75. Others in proportion.

Our Business Grows Because Our Prices Are Right

**EVERYBODY'S**  
*Everything to Wear*  
J.H. BARRON & CO. PROPRIETORS

## Winter Weather Necessities

for the bad weather that's sure to come.

## Boy's and Girl's Leggings

Over Shoes, Rubber Boots, Gaiters, Mufflers, Gloves, Mittens, Caps, Sweaters, for the least to the largest.

Let Us Make Your Special Orders for Xmas Presents

Don't Pay More Than Our Price.

## BLANKETS

Winter weather calls in to use the full supply of blankets and quilts. It's better to have an extra one on hand than to be short when they are needed. Our prices are absolutely right and the goods new. All wool 11-4 blankets, in grays and tans, worth every cent asked--

**\$6.50 to the best in the town at \$10.00**  
Others at \$2.50 to \$4.50.

COTTON BLANKETS  
90c to \$2.50 per pair.

A good stock of Quilts

cotton filled, \$1.25 to \$3.50.

Children's crib Blankets and heavy colored buggy blankets.

3 pound Comforts, cotton batts, 40c.

Don't Pay More Than Our Price.

### IT'S CERTAINLY TIME.

#### Reported Improvement in Train Service Can't Come Too Soon.

Points west on the Texas & Pacific as far as Big Springs will get additional train service within the next few weeks if records prove correct. Only one train a day now goes clear through to El Paso and the number of passengers for points in West Texas is such that an additional daily train is needed at

least as far as Big Springs."

The above item, clipped from the Fort Worth Record's railway news, indicates that the T. & P. railroad officials are beginning to see the necessity for improving the train service. Through passenger service is at present inadequate and any improvement will be welcome, and it can't come any too soon.

Theo. Ray returned Wednesday from a two weeks business trip to Dallas and other points.

### AN INCREASED FORCE.

#### City Drug Store adds Another Prescription Clerk.

Lloyd Douglass has accepted a position with the City Drug Store. Mr. Douglass is a graduate of the Pharmaceutical department of the Dallas Medical college and comes to his new position with an experience of eight years as a prescription clerk, and will add materially

to the force of the City Drug Store. Mr. Douglass is well known here, having been prescription clerk with the Midland Drug Co. when W. J. Sparks was manager.

G. M. Butts of Upland was in town Wednesday.

A coated tongue, foul breath and clogged condition in the bowels suggests the use of PRICKLY ASH BITTERS. It is just suited for such ailments. T. A. Fannin, special agent.

### FINE CALENDARS.

#### The New Ones Are Being Passed Out by Business Men.

The annual calendar distributing time has arrived and the first to be hung on the walls of The Examiner office is that of the H. H. Hardin Lumber Co. Manager Wilbanks personally superintended the distribution of a highly artistic and most useful one. It is along the same style of art as the one put out last year by the same firm, and measures about 36x50 inches when on the wall.

# SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS

The City Drug Store is to be the headquarters for the annual visit of Santa Claus this Christmas, for no other reason than that he finds the largest and best assortment of gift goods ever brought to the Midland country. Mothers, Fathers, Brothers, Sisters, Wives, Husbands and Sweethearts, as well as the children, will find all the best and most appreciative gifts here. Look over the list:

#### For Wife or Mother

Work baskets and other wicker novelties, cut glass, perfumery, hand-painted china, silverware, manicure sets, dressing cases, toilet cases, comb and brush sets, medallions, beautiful vases, handbags, Christmas stationary, photo albums, statuary, jewelry, fine clocks, framed pictures, bibles and mirrors.

#### For Sister or Sweetheart

Cut glass, hand painted china hand bags, toilet sets, manicure sets, jewel-mounted combs, vases, stationary and medallions, jewelry Christmas stationary, post card and photo albums, Christmas cards, work baskets, perfumery, fine Christmas candies in fancy cases, books, bibles, fancy hat pins, brooches, tiaras, belt buckles, etc., etc., etc.

#### Letter Box

Write to Santa Claus and put your letter in in our mail box. We'll see that he gets your letter. Mail all your letters to Santa Claus, care City Drug Store, Midland, Texas.

#### Toys Toys

Our Toy Department is located in the rear of the store and in the assortment will be found every kind of toy from 5c to as high as you want to pay. Visit this department and you'll be pleased with what you see.

#### For the Children

Dolls, doll buggies, pictures, toy wagons, toy pistols, pistol caps, fireworks, toy steam and electrical engines and other mechanical toys, teddy bears, teddy dolls, toy garden tools, toy pianos, horns, bugles, whistles, drums, motto cups, story books, doll trunks, baby toilet sets, Christmas candies, games, tea sets, etc., etc.

#### For Father or Brother

Tie cases, collar and cuff boxes, comb and brush sets, holiday stationary, pipes, cigars, sporting goods, framed pictures, fountain pens, perfumery, office supplies, leather novelties, smoking sets, pocket cigar cases, shaving sets, tobacco jars, travelers' sets and hundreds of other things suitable for men.

# CITY DRUG STORE

T. A. FANNIN.



# GIFT TIME IS HERE

And we invite You to come to our place and look over our stock of magnificent goods we have assembled from different parts of the world for your approval and selection. Our stock has a distinction of being almost exclusive in design, as we have no duplicates. Each department below comprises a few of the many things we have:

## Diamonds

Brooches, Bracelets, Rings, Locketts, Tie Clasps, Pins, Ear Screws, Necklaces, La Vallieres, Diamond Set Watch Cases, Cuff Buttons, Stick Pins.

## ....EARLY SHOPPING....

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## China

Tea Sets, Cups and Saucers, Plates, Chocolate Sets, Pitchers, Bowls, Celery, Berry Sets, Cake Plates, Platters, Chop Dishes, Cereals, Milk Pitchers, Vases, Bisque Ornaments, Vegetable Dishes, Fern Dishes, Pudding Dishes.

## Cut Glass

Pitchers, Tumblers, Goblets, Bowls, Salts, Celerys, Salads, Oils, Vinegars, Catsups, Mustards, Sauces, Ice Teas, Cordials, Rose Bowls, Fern Dishes, Peppers, Water and Cologne Bottles.

## Gold Jewelry

Bracelets, Rings, Veil Pins, Tie Pins, Belt Pins, Watches

### FOBS

Leather, Silk Metal

### CHAINS

Vest Lorgnette, Pony Neck Locketts, Beauty Pins, Hat Pins, Combs, Bairretts, Purses.

## Silverware

Knives, Forks, Spoons, Teas, Dessert, Tables, Berries, Sugars, Cold Meat Forks, Tomato Servers, Ice Cream Forks, Ladles, Baking Dishes, Chafing Dishes, Bread Trays, Platters, Sugar and Creams, Napkin Rings, Chocolate Sets, Orange Sets, Water Sets, Chests of Silverware.

## Toys

Moving Picture Machines, Moving Automobiles, Real Sewing Machines, Irish Mail, Flying Dutchman, Folding Doll Buggy, Real Doll Horses, Real Doll Furniture in sets and singles, Trunks, Mechanical Trains, Sewing Tables, Fine Box Paper, Smoking Sets, Umbrella Stands, Jardineres with Stands, Tea Sets.

## Sterling

Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Comb and Brush, Military Brushes, Baby Sets, Orange Sets, Almond Sets, Salt Sets, Napkin Rings, Pin Holders, Knives, Forks and Spoons, Nail Files, Shoe Horns, Match Boxes, Nail Clips, Knives and Scissors, Stand Boxes.

# MARTIN-CAMP JEWELRY CO.

OPEN NIGHTS.

### A SAD DEATH.

#### Joe J. Holt Accidentally Shot Himself Monday.

Last Monday, Joe J. Holt, a prominent business man of West Texas, and a brother of O. B. Holt of this city, accidentally killed himself at his home. He was cleaning his shotgun when one barrel was discharged, the shot taking effect in his left breast. His wife heard the report of the gun and ran out to the back porch, finding Mr. Holt weltering in his blood. Without speaking he expired. Justice J. M. Moore held an inquest, finding death to have been accidental. Mr. Holt was about 45 years old. He left West about ten years ago and lived in Amol, until last year, when he returned to West. He leaves a widow and two children.

ow and two children.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Holt left Tuesday morning on the early train, to be present at the funeral. Mrs. Holt, his aged mother, who also resides here, was so shocked by the news of the tragedy that she was unable to go to West for the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Holt returned home yesterday morning from the funeral, which was held yesterday.

### LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Chas. McGonagill made a short business trip to Big Springs Wednesday evening.

Baxter Golightly of Odessa was in town this week visiting with friends.

W. C. Gregg spent a few days this week on business at Dallas.

Geo. Hulps of Upland was in town Thursday.

### A BUMPER SHIPMENT.

#### Gilmore, the Artist, Will Receive 100,000 Rolls of Wall Paper.

Within a short time the largest single shipment of wall paper ever delivered to a West Texas merchant, consisting of two carloads, or 100,000 rolls of paper, will be received by Gilmore, the Artist. Mr. Gilmore stated to an Examiner reporter that his reason for getting in so large a stock was because of the rapid development of the Midland country, and the almost universal demand for wall paper for new homes. He added that he was sufficiently convinced of the future growth of this section to undertake the shipment. Some of the stock will be distributed to dealers in nearby towns, but it all is a purely local shipment.

### Has Won High Praise.

Wherever seen so far this season Fred G. Conrad's new production of the "HIDDEN HAND," a new dramatization by Eugene Moore, the actor, has won high praise from press and public. It seems to be an usually sincere and successful effort to place upon the stage a really good melodrama, in contrast with the vile stuff that has been threatening the theatrical business with ruin through the disgust of theater patrons. The new play is in four acts and makes "Capitola," of course, the heroine. Many other famous characters of the story are introduced including "Black Donald," "Mrs. Conditment," and the famous pair of laugh provoking darkies, "Wool and Pitapat." The picturesque scenery of the Blue Ridge Moun-

tains furnishes a rich background. Midland Opera House, Dec. 15.

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### PLANT TREES.

SOMETIMES a selfish motive will inspire when none other will interest, says the Fort Worth Telegram. If such is the kind of motive you prefer, why not plant trees? Nothing is more profitable from a money standpoint.

Twenty-five dollars spent in putting shade trees around your home means a hundred dollars added to the value of the property when you come to sell it a year from now. A little increase of 400 per cent in one year is not to be overlooked.

And in planting trees, plant the best you can. The best are the cheapest. Get a reliable nurseryman to do the work and don't stint him on quality. The general appearance of the city would be greatly improved and every salable property would share in the increase of values.

The next few weeks furnishes the proper time for tree planting. If nothing else is done, a single tree costing only a dollar will be a start. And sometimes a start is everything.

"We are ready," writes Thomas Benton Murdock, in the Wichita, (Kan.) Eagle, "to join most any political party that can beat death, work and taxation, while causing hot buttered cakes to grow on bushes. What's the use of working, dying and paying taxes, anyhow? The world seems to have gotten out of bed cross-legged and has been going that way ever since Adam was divorced from his first wife."

But, Bro. Murdock, why take so serious a view of it. You don't have to divorce your wife just because you think Adam put away his spouse. Cheer up, the worst is yet to come.

Now YOUR Uncle Adlai E. Stevenson is to contest the gubernatorial election in Illinois. When it comes to being a scrapper and never knowing when he is licked, your Uncle Adlai always finishes strong. Any man who can survive four years as presiding officer of the senate and still have strenuousness left is a man cast in a no ordinary mold.--Ft. Worth Telegram.

Poor Fairbanks! He survives the presiding officer job, but great was his fall when he attempted to swallow a cocktail with a very red cherry on top.

Now let the epicureans announce their latest discovery. By addressing a crowd of negroes on Thanksgiving day President Roosevelt shows plainly that he prefers the dark meat!--Fort Worth Telegram.

Which also proves his preference for Africa as a haunt for sport. But the niggers may show their preference for the white meat before he goes far into their haunts. The missionaries up to the last report had not civilized all the cannibals.

AGENT Tisdale of the Texas & Pacific at Midland, declares that the new freight warehouse is entirely inadequate to accommodate the freight received here. Yet one or two of the State Railroad Commissioners, with a knowledge of the vast tonnage which enters

Midland, oppose granting an extension of the common point territory to this place. The excuse is that they are afraid of retaliation by the railroads in suits now pending.

With a new college secured, the city council considering a waterworks proposition, new homes going up by the dozen, farmers coming every day, hundreds of prospectors arriving every week, a Campbell experimental farm "making good," several new business blocks under construction, and Christmas only three weeks off, it's kinder calculated to make a Midlander ginger up a bit.

There are times when one doesn't care what happens. There are other times when it does make a difference. That time is when an editor has his stuff used in an exchange and credit given to somebody else. Editor Frame of the Ector County Democrat probably didn't mean it but last week he used a column story from The Examiner and credited it to our friend, the Livestock Reporter. Tote fair, Brother Frame.

WHEAT sown on the Campbell farm three months after the last rain and in less than two weeks after planting shows a good stand argues against all opposition to "dry" farming. No "Missouri Degree" could be more emphatic. The wheat is there to prove that the moisture was also there.

THE holiday displays of Midland merchants are equal to those shown in cities four or five times the size of this. Which also goes to prove what this good town will soon be--a thriving business and trading center for several thousand more buyers than we now have.

THE Book of Facts has met a popular demand for good literature which the people of Midland have long wanted to send to friends back east and they are going out at a right lively rate. Come to The Examiner and get your supply free if you'll promise to send them out.

MIDLAND came again into the limelight last Tuesday when the Masons of the State recognized in one of our leading citizens qualifications fitting him for the highest office in their gift. Judge Bryan will carry his honors with dignity to himself and credit to the fraternity.

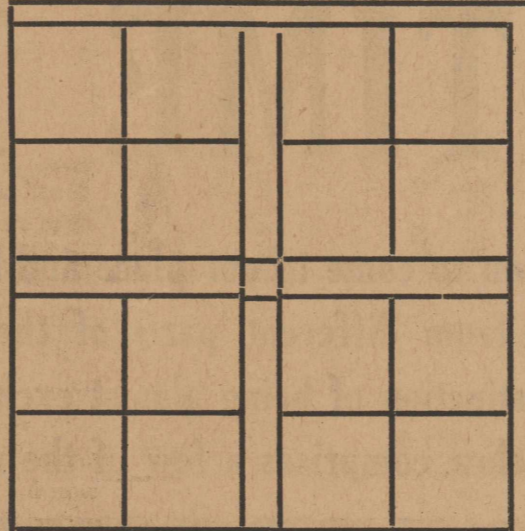
The Campbell Demonstration Farm is assuredly demonstrating when it produces a good stand of thirty-six acres of wheat three months after a rain. "Positively unthinkable if cultivated under the old method," says Judge Davidson.

If The Examiner could successfully promote no other enterprise than the planting of shade and ornamental trees it would consider it's time and energies well spent ten years hence. It's the same with property owners.

"THERE'S no use in the physicians warning us against microbes in connection with kissing babies," says the Kingman (Kan.) Journal. "We absolutely refuse to boil our baby before kissing her, and that's all there is to it."

THE Examiner knows of three or four new enterprises which would interest a Commercial Club. And they are going to come anyhow. We could more than double our enterprises with a gingery club.

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**THE S. M. FRANCIS LAND COMPANY**



Plat of the  
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Blocks of approximately 10 acres each. Most desirable property now on the market. For further particulars see

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Exclusive Agents

A SOLID carload of soda water straws is being hauled into Houston. Can it be that Buffalo Bayou has run dry, and a water famine is imminent, or the people of the Magnolia City are being coddled by the pop squirters?

ELM, oak, maple, poplar, hackberry, and a number of other varieties of shade trees are adaptable to the Midland Country. Which variety have you decided to put around your home?

The Democratic party has always done better when it eschewed fads and adhered to its old-time principles.--Dallas News.

Which implies that Mr. Bryan has been somewhat of a fad during these twelve years.

No TOWN in the west, and perhaps no town in the United States the size of Midland has as many automobiles. If there is one you'd like to know about it.

THE rains of last week assure an abundance of moisture for a bumper crop next year. It is being stored by the farmer who wants to get the top of the market.

WITH the site of the Christian College settled it now only remains for the building committee to ask for bids for its construction.

WITH more than one hundred automobile users in Midland county the auto helps offered by The Examiner ought to be useful.

WITH Abilene educating strap-hangers positive proof is adduced that "Westward the course of Empire takes its Way."

WOULD that Midland had a well organized Commercial Club to be represented at Colorado next Tuesday.

BIG, juicy, sweet watermelons will be served on some of Midland's Christmas dinner tables. Eastern press please copy.

HAVE you bought your Christmas presents yet? A little bit of time now will save a lot of trouble a little later.

IT's a painful job for Little Johnnie to write the Santa Claus letter, and his requests ought to be granted.

If you are satisfied with what you have done this year, just plant a tree and we'll call it square.

IF you are a Midland county booster send out a few copies of the Book of Facts.

OH My,---the splendid mail service we have---not.

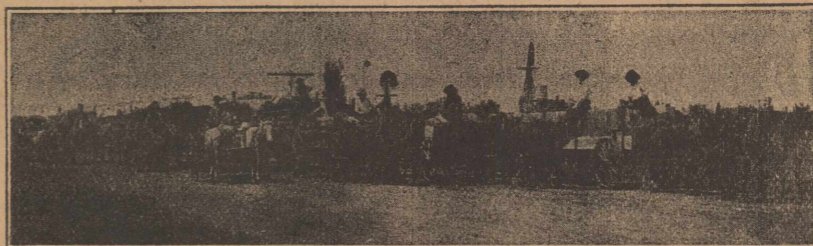
Do your Christmas shopping early.

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**ANOTHER BIG FIRE**

Is likely to occur in Midland at any time. The next one may take your property---you can't tell. Better protect yourself by insuring at once. Mrs. Barnes has the oldest agency in Midland and represents 13 of the strongest companies in the world.

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I GOT IT---

**COME GET IT**

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# HAVE YOU MADE THE COMPARISON?

We invited you to, if not you do not know what we are doing; many have, and found the  
difference between Cheap Prices and Cheap Merchandise.

**W**E are offering seasonable merchandise at low prices--left-over goods can be bought here any time at reduced prices--we get rid of them at any price rather than carry them from year to year. Compare quality, seasonable goods and then price, you will see the difference. Many are our satisfied customers who have taken the time to compare merchandise and then price.

We will continue our special prices on ladies' and misses skirts, cloaks and dress goods also mens' and boys' overcoats.

## GEO. D. ELLIOTT COMPANY

THE STORE THAT SELLS EVERYTHING  
Midland, Texas

*Beginning Monday  
July 10*

*Closing Saturday  
July 22*

# Red Tag Sale

We wish to announce to the public our 1st Semi-Annual Red Tag Sale, commencing Monday morning, July 10th, continuing to Saturday, July 22nd. This Red Tag Sale includes everything we handle

*you know what red  
tags mean--"nuf sed"*

## Midland Mercantile Co

# JOB PRINTING THE GOOD KIND



If you want your printed matter to have a  
up-to-the-minute appear-

	35c	40c	90c	<i>Edwin Clapp Shoes</i> \$3.95	5c	15c	10c	25c
50c Ladies muslin Drawers	Colored Oil Cloth now 17 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> c yd.	Large Mexican Straw Hats now 25c	10c Ink Tablets now only 5c	<i>Arrow Brand Collars Laundered and Soft Finished now 10 Cents Each</i>	Special reductions on Trunks and Bags	25c Suspenders now 15c	\$1.25 Mens Gloves now only 75c	Boys Knee Pants \$1.25 now 75c

## A TIMELY SALE OF CLOTHING AND SHOES

\$22.50 Mens Suits now 14.50	\$18.00 Mens Suits now 11.00	1 Lot Vici Shoes with plain top \$3.50 value 1.75	White Canvas Pumps Black Velvet Pumps Patent Leather Pumps
\$20.00 Mens Suits now 13.00	\$15.00 Mens Suits now 9.50		

WE HAVE ROUNDED UP everything, we have searched shelves and stock rooms, we have gone into nook and corner, gathering up every item that will go to make this sale a success.

**WE WILL REFUND YOUR MONEY ON ANY ARTICLE** bought at this sale, provided goods are returned in reasonable time and in good condition.

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On Groceries, Flour, Meal, Coffee, Sugar,  
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# Security For Depositors

For the contracts, debts and engagements of a national bank, the stockholders are individually responsible to the extent of their holdings of stock at its par value in addition to the amount invested in the stock. In other words, the National Banking laws make every stockholder of the First National Bank of Midland, Texas, liable to its depositors for twice the amount of stock owned.

That is only one way that careful and exacting Government supervision adds to the strength of this institution, which would be very strong without it. This bank makes a full detailed report to the Comptroller of Currency five times a year and is examined by a National Bank Examiner twice a year and once or more by the Board of Directors.

Other factors of its soundness include: a Board of Directors made up of men of integrity, judgment and experience; a sufficient number of active officers whose ability and integrity are unquestioned and who never speculate and feel they have no right to do so. The protection afforded by any bank to its depositors is its capital, surplus and undivided profits, extra liability and the manner in which the affairs of the institution are conducted and supervised, and the funds invested.

In the 18 years of this bank's history no depositor has ever lost a dollar and the aggregate of deposits is now about \$300,000.00 with resources of over half a million. Over \$400,000.00 of these resources is in the form of gilt edge loans to your friends and neighbors—legitimate business in Midland and surrounding country. We loan every dollar of our money at home.

Put some money away now. You will not always be able to earn as much as you are earning today. But by saving a portion of your income now and putting it on deposit in a perfectly safe bank like the First National Bank, of Midland, you will be prepared for the inevitable day when you must cease working. It is only the part of wisdom to save money while you can. Your common sense tells you that it is better to SAVE YOUR MONEY NOW even at a sacrifice, if necessary, than to wait or to be dependent upon others in your old days.

Creating a reserve is not difficult once you start to save money systematically. But if you ever expect to be independent financially through your own efforts you must make a start.

Come in and get one of our new pass books and start an account with us.

## FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

W. H. Cowden, President  
T. J. Martin, Vice-President  
E. R. Bryan, Cashier  
Jas. S. Day, Assistant Cashier

### Directors:

W. H. Cowden, T. J. Martin  
E. R. Bryan, Jas. S. Day  
J. M. Cowden, G. F. Cowden, Jr.  
Clarence Scharbauer.

### LOCAL HAPPENINGS

J. H. Beverly was down to Odessa, Monday.

W. T. Beasley was in Big Springs a few days this week.

W. L. Graves was in Odessa, Tuesday on business.

If you want your old stove polished and put up, phone No. 60.

Tom Volivar was at Odessa on business last Saturday.

J. M. Bennett of Pecos was in town the first of the week.

J. E. Hackett is in Pecos and El Paso on business this week.

A. J. Herrington of Colorado City is here this week prospecting.

We have just opened hot drinks. Try one. Taylor's Drug Store. 8tf

R. E. McKinzie of Dardanelle, Arkansas, has come to Midland to live.

Henry Williamson of Hollebeke was in town this week with a load of cotton.

G. N. Cooley of Monument, New Mexico, was in town first of the week.

Glenn Driver of Glasscock county is spending a few days in town this week.

Sausage, sausage! Pork sausage, Bologna, Frankfort, Weinerwurst, etc. City Meat Market. 5tf

M. A. Lovelady of Southwest Oklahoma was prospecting around town this week.

John Friar brought in a load of cotton from his ranch near Hollebeke the first of the week.

Just received a fresh shipment of Lowney's and Jacob's candies. Taylor's Drug Store. 7tf

W. J. Dodson and brother are in town prospecting this week. They are from Blum, Texas.

G. H. Parnell was prospecting around Midland this week. He is from Southwest Oklahoma.

An Edison Phonograph assures a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Basham, Shepherd & Co.

W. E. Griffith of Venus returned home last Saturday after spending a few days here prospecting.

M. R. Hill left for Odessa and Pecos, Tuesday. He will be gone about ten days on a business trip.

One Edison Phonograph and every member of the family is remembered. Basham, Shepherd & Co.

Mrs. J. N. Cobb returned from Wichita Falls, Tuesday. She has been visiting there the last ten days.

F. H. Mosely of Dallas is back here again. He used to live here and worked with W. H. Grace in the blacksmith shop.

A. J. Walcott returned to his home in Waxahachie Monday. He had been here two weeks visiting and transacting some business.

Fresh oysters at the City Meat Market, headquarters for fresh meats, etc. B. Ethridge, prop. tf

Try some of that fine lard at the City Meat Market. Three of the best kinds to choose from—pure home-made, Armour's Simon Pure and White Cloud. 5tf

R. O. Brooks, formerly of Hillsboro, took charge of the Model meat market December 1st. He bought it of H. C. Neal some weeks ago. Mr. Neal managed it up to Monday.

Most Christmas presents are all over on the 26th. An Edison Phonograph is just beginning. Basham, Shepherd & Co.

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Chas. Lewis returned from Ft. Worth, Tuesday. His wife has been in the sanitarium three weeks. He reports her as getting better but not well enough to come home.

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S. M. Stanley is building a four room house on his farm which is near the Campbell farm. Mr. Stanley is from near Dardanelle, Arkansas, and now will try farming in the Midland country.

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He's open and fair, Does all of his business By the plummet and square. There are thirty-six inches On Jim's measuring rod And he measures to you As if measuring for God. There is the Midland grocery, Money they have made By giving to the people A clean, honest trade. There are the City, Midland, And Taylor's drug store, That are worthy to stay. As well as the Western Wind-mill, New Century and Ramsay & Day. But I have scribbled out And now it is night, I'll blow out my candle-- It is not very bright. So good luck to you, Be kind, honest and true. But one thing more As I travel from shore to shore; Midland's praise I'll tell. And when a city of all others swells Remember one of her boosters was J. O. L.

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Letter-writing is now the pastime for children throughout the land, and each and every letter is addressed the same way: "To Santa Claus." The government's post-office employes will have to work overtime and extra help must be had to handle the vast number of letters which the little folks will write to the old Saint. Every little writer trustfully and confidently expects to receive

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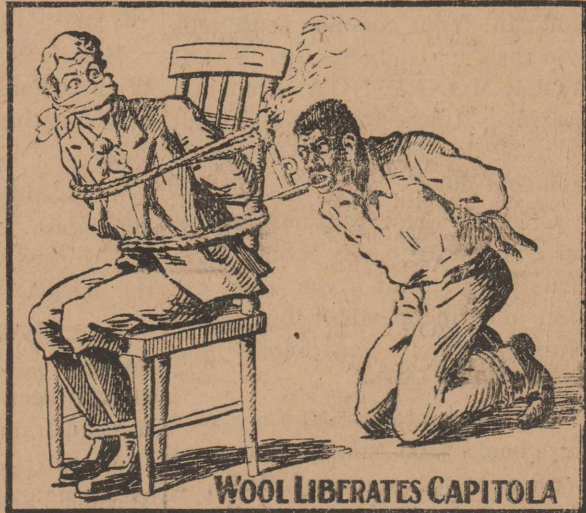
is the reply to his letter the Christmas toys, and good things for which he asks, and it is the desire of parents also that the little hearts may have their wishes fulfilled. The first of the children's letters to be mailed in the Midland post-office was addressed "Old Santa Claus, City, care Fannin Drug Store," and the little writer printed each word of his request in big bold capital letters. It is as follows: Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy and I want you to send me and my little brother some nice toys. We want a drum, ring, train, horns, story book, fire works, 2 ties, pistol, caps, tool box, doll and buggy, hook and ladder. Your little good boys, W. J. and Harry Smith, Midland, Texas. Mr. Fannin, proprietor of the City Drug Store has prepared a letter box for the reception of all the letters the little folks of Midland and vicinity will write and each one is invited to place their letters therein and he promises to deliver them to Santa Claus, when he comes. Letters mailed at the postoffice will also be placed in this box, if they are addressed in care of the City Drug Store. Mr. and Mrs. Morris J. Lynch have leased the Methodist parsonage and are now housekeeping there. Mrs. Homer Jackson, who has been quite sick, is improving very fast. Mrs. Jackson, a trained nurse from Midland, is still with her. ---Barstow Journal.

**THEATRE TALK NO. 3.**

It is doubtful if in all the range and realism of fiction a more popular story was ever written than "The Hidden Hand." MRS. E. D. E. N. SOUTHWORTH was one of the most popular novelists of her time, and it was this famous story that infused new blood into the New York Ledger, (one of a number of family story papers that were in great vogue in the early 70's. It is doubtful if there has ever been a literary heroine, a child of an author's fertile brain, who could vie with the captivating madcap CAPITOLA in exciting the admiration of readers, or winning and keeping their hearts. She is bright, spirited, sagacious, so dauntless and yet so innocent and child-like that she takes all readers captive and holds them by her fascinating way clear to the last page of the narrative. EUGENE MOORE, who has dramatized this wonderful book, has built a comedy drama of sterling worth, retaining the familiar characters of Capitola, Old Hurricane, Black Donald, Mrs. Conditment, and the two excruciatingly funny darkey characters, Wool and Pitapat. The play will be presented here in the near future. Seldom if ever, has a play of this calibre achieved the remarkable success that has been accorded this play. As a dramatic offering it is said to be a gem of the first water, possessing as it does a story of thrilling interest, while its characters are picturesque and human throughout. It is a play for the healthy minded, intelligently inclined audiences and appeals strongly to lovers of stories with a heart interest. THE COMPANY PRESENTING THIS SPLENDID PLAY is a carefully selected one, being especially engaged for a sixteen months trans-continental tour, at the termination of which an Australian trip is contemplated, negotiations for which are now in active progress and it is more than likely that this same production and cast will be sent on tour of the principal Antipodean cities, where "THE HIDDEN HAND" HAS NOT YET BEEN PRODUCED. If you care for a good play, so admirably played that it will give you an evening of thorough enjoyment, you'll not be disappointed. "YOUR MONEY'S WORTH OR YOUR MONEY BACK." USUAL PRICES WILL PREVAIL.

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### A FINE CONVENTION.

#### Texas & Pacific Teachers Association Largely Attended.

The Texas & Pacific Teachers Association held its annual convention at Merkel last Friday and Saturday. The attendance was the largest in the history of the organization, there being more than 100 teachers present. The Midland contingent consisted of all but one of the twelve teachers of the city. They were Prof. Lackey, Prof. Hill, Miss Hicks, Miss Lockett, Miss Key, Miss Richardson, Miss McQuinn, Miss Clark, Miss Collier, Miss Shaw and Miss Boyd.

Prof. Lackey, in speaking of the convention said:

"It was by far the best meeting ever held by the Association. The papers read by the teachers were fine, and would have been creditable in a meeting of the State Teachers Association. State Superintendent R. B. Cousins and General Agent C. E. Evans of the Conference of Education of Austin, were both present and addressed the convention.

The entertainment committee was especially diligent and left nothing undone to make the visitor's stay pleasant. The large attendance of the Midland delegation excited much comment because its percentage was almost

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100, and the largest of any town represented."

The local school board granted the teachers two days leave of absence with full pay.

### REVERE RIDE A FAKE?

#### Eastern Publisher Tries to Prove It Was.

New York.--Walter Benjamin, a publisher has a document which he believes proves that Paul Revere never made the midnight ride attributed to him by Longfellow and tradition.

The possession of Mr. Benjamin is a letter from John Hancock to Elbridge Gerry, dated Lexington, April 18, 1775, at 9 o'clock. This was the night before the battle and three hours before Revere, according to Longfellow "crossed the bridge into Medford town."

The letter reads:

Dear Sir: I am much obliged for your notice. It is said the officers are gone along the Concord road and I will send word thither. I am fully agreed with you that we ought to be serious and I hope your decision will be effectual. I intend doing myself the pleasure of being with you tomorrow. My respects to the committee. I am your real friend, JOHN HANCOCK.

Mr. Benjamin says if Hancock of the committee of safety knew at 9 o'clock troops had gone along the Concord road, Lexington and Concord were fully aroused to the danger of the coming British troops and there would have been no need for Paul Revere to send "thru the night his cry of alarm to every Middlesex village and farm."

The guarded expressions in the note, Benjamin says, were due to the troublous times when Han-

cock might expect to have mail seized and did not want to have his correspondence betray more information than was absolutely necessary.

The evidence of the Hancock letter to Gerry has been made known before, for it was published in 1820 in the Hale 'Life of Gerry,' but the date with the hour of 9 o'clock was omitted so that printed without these it caused no comment. In the original copy the date is there in Hancock's writing.

### Delay at Gin.

The cotton gin did not run last Saturday or the first two days this week. The grates had burned out and suspension was necessary until the arrival of new ones. When it started up again Wednesday twenty-five bales were waiting in the yard.

### LOST PHOTOGRAPHS.

#### Valued Pictures Have Not Been Restored to Owner

During the latter part of October H. S. McNeese was the unfortunate loser of a number of photographs somewhere in town. Each week since the loss was discovered Mr. McNeese has advertised for them, but they have not yet been returned to him. The pictures can be of no possible value to any one but Mr. McNeese. Among those lost are the portraits of his father and mother and deceased wife, and for this reason Mr. McNeese is exceedingly anxious to find them. He is ready to pay a reasonable reward if they are returned.

I. A. Lowe returned from Big Springs the first of the week.

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### COLLEGE SITE

#### SELECTED FRIDAY

(Continued from page one.)

"You may say all the nice things you want to for me about the town and her good people. They are hustlers. There has never been the slightest doubt in my mind about the college coming here since the citizens of the town got busy. Frank Elkin deserves a great deal of credit in the whole proceeding because he is the originator of the proposition to establish the college here. He brought the proposition to the attention of the University and has been untiring in his efforts to get it ever since. He has also had the able assistance right along of A. C. Parker and Will Elkin. And the committee desires to express its appreciation particularly to these gentlemen for the help given all the while.

"As to the choice of Midland over other towns which offered inducements we can safely say that at no other town have the people shown the same enterprise or interest in it as have the people of Midland. Big Springs, Colorado and Abilene submitted propositions but Midland easily kept the lead.

"Midland, too, has superior advantages for our college. The territory to support it is wide. The nearest college on the north is at Hereford, on the east at Abilene, on the south at San Angelo, on the west at the setting of the sun.

"We feel that the college will be a great institution for your town, and will invite into your community a class of people who will be very desirable as citizens and home owners.

"We believe that when Midland College opens its doors for the matriculation of students next fall that it will be under the most auspicious and favorable conditions.

"We are, as a committee, exceedingly grateful to the people of Midland for their reception and the manner in which they have interested themselves. We shall return to our work believing that everything possible will be done here that will be conducive to the very best interests of the college."

It was also stated that when the survey for the campus and building site have been completed the remainder of the property will be platted and placed on the market. The money derived from the sale of the lots will be used for buildings and dormitories, and also for the endowment of the college.

Chairman McPherson, who is Endowment secretary of Texas Christian University of Waco, will remain over tomorrow and will preach morning and evening at the Christian church. Mr. Hall is Educational secretary of the same university, while Mr. Gibson is a prominent business man of Waxahachie. They have both returned to their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Elkin entertained the committee while they were here.

### WOODMEN MADE CHIPS FLY

#### Local Camp Elected Officers, Initiated Candidates and Banquetted

Friday night Greasewood Camp Woodmen of the World held its annual election of officers. About fifty local and visiting choppers attended.

Mr. Warren Pemberton, who has been clerk of the camp for six years, submitted his annual report, showing a healthy increase in membership. They now number 88 and carry in the local camp nearly two hundred thousand dollars of insurance.

Sovereign Pemberton was unanimously elected clerk, over his earnest protests, the grateful choppers voting him a handsome present in token of their appreciation of his faithful service.

Consul Commander Collins has not missed a single meeting during the past year. He also tried to persuade the members to give the office to a younger man, but they were too well satisfied with their present leader and again gave him the honor. He also was voted a present for his devoted service.

Space will not permit us to mention all proceedings of the election, but suitable woodmen were elected to the various offices.

During the evening two new choppers were brought into the forest and were initiated into the mysteries and blessings of Woodcraft.

After the election of officers and the initiation of candidates, the camp enjoyed a social hour, then repairing to the Elite Cafe sat down to a splendid feast.

Each woodman was profuse in his praise of the faithful work of the officers of the Camp, and many were the praises of greater faithfulness to the order and its beneficent work. With many good wishes each chopper silently stole home, and as silently crept to his couch, to avoid having to explain to the real head of the house, just why he was out so late.

The clock struck the hour of twelve, before the banqueters realized that morning had overtaken them.

#### An Excellent Showing

The call for statements of the condition of National banks was made for the close of business Nov. 27, by the Comptroller of Currency, and the First National bank statement appears in this issue of The Examiner. It shows deposits on that date of \$342,504.42, and cash and exchange \$197,869.32. Two business days later, Nov. 30, the deposits amounted to over \$398,000.00 and cash and exchange was over \$250,000.00.

#### Masonic Meeting Closed.

The annual grand lodge convention of Texas Masons closed at Waco Thursday night. Joe H. Knowles of Midland was returned as district deputy grand master of this district, as well as being given a place on the standing committee

on credentials in the grand lodge. Judge E. R. Bryan was given a place on the standing committee on visiting companions.

#### ANOTHER BIG DISPLAY.

#### Taylor's Drug Store is Showing Christmas Goods.

C. A. Taylor, the pioneer druggist, this week opened his holiday stock and has a fine line of gift goods on view. G. N. Rand is assisting Mr. Taylor in handling the stock.

#### Still Another Change

A little more than a week ago Evans Dunagan purchased an interest in the Elite Cafe from J. Woodie Hill. Last week Mr. Dunagan purchased the remaining interests from Mr. Hill and now controls the popular cafe. Mr. Hill traded in the Midland Tailoring Co. shop and will conduct it.

#### Pretty Souvenirs.

M. C. Bazer & Co., this week distributed several hundred little wall match pockets shaped like slippers. They are of celluloid and are among the most unique advertising novelties in use. A picture of a beautiful woman with the line "A match for any man" completes the novelty.

#### Scotch Singers Pleased.

Last Saturday night, despite the rain and mud, a good sized audience greeted the Scotch Singers at the Opera House. The company was especially good and their program was thoroughly enjoyed.

#### Midland's Cotton Report.

Bales ginned this season .....910  
Bales ginned this week .....35  
Bales waiting in yard .....6  
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### ANNUAL BAZAAR.

#### Cemetery Association Will Conduct Fete Dec. 16.

The annual bazaar and sale by the ladies of the Cemetery Association will be held on December 16th. The ladies who are this year promoting the event are sanguine of a successful fete. Already a large number of ladies have finished needlework and other articles which will be offered for sale at the bazaar. Mrs. W. B. Elkin of the association, asks that all those who promised fancy work and other articles for the bazaar to please have them ready by Monday morning, Dec. 14, when the committee will call for them.

There will be a called meeting of the ladies of the association held at home of Mrs. Joe Knowles on Wednesday, Dec. 9, at 3 p. m. All chairmen of committees are especially urged to be present at this meeting.

### LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Contractor A. J. Olson was up from Stanton yesterday.

Call at Mrs. Cahill's residence and get a corset, 25c each.

Mrs. T. F. Fitts left Thursday for a holiday visit at Abilene.

Dr. Williamson of Shafter Lake has been in town several days this week.

See the cheap goods at Mrs. Cahill's residence. Goods marked way down below cost.

Rev. A. M. Martin and family moved this week into the Rev. Nat B. Read residence.

N. V. Saddler of Stanton, has land south of town and will soon make it his home.

Walter Glenn has accepted a position as foreman on Mr. Greenway's ranch on the Pecos river.

Mrs. L. A. Nutt of Odessa visited with her son, Mr. K. E. Nutt, for a few days the first of the week.

J. C. Kirk went to Belton today to see his mother who is quite sick. He will return as soon as his mother gets well.

Phone Evans Dunagan at the Midland Tailoring Co. about that suit you want cleaned and pressed. He'll send for it and make it look like new. Phone 250.

Mrs. Chancy and daughter, Miss Nell, of Lufkin, passed through

Midland today enroute to Pecos to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Slaughter left Wednesday for Dallas where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Harvey Moore went to Ft. Worth the first of the week to be with her mother who underwent an operation. She reports her mother as doing nicely.

Dr. J. J. Williamson has just completed a six room residence in Upland and started to his old home in Cleburne last night. He will bring his family back with him.

#### George Stuart Coming.

Rev. Geo. Stuart, co-worker with the lamented Sam Jones, and probably one of the greatest temperance orators in America, is to be in Midland Jan. 18th.

Chairman Sterling P. Strong of the Anti Saloon League has just sent notice to this effect. Further notice of time and place will be given later.

### TO THE PUBLIC.

Because of the closing of the Midland Steam Laundry for a few months, I desire to announce to the public that I shall act as agent for the Colorado Steam Laundry, and will call for and deliver your bundles anywhere in the city. I guarantee satisfaction and solicit a share of your business. Phone 93. S. A. Puckett, Prop., Midland Barber Shop.

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### STANTON NEWS

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Farmers here are getting through gathering their cotton and most all have made a large crop.

We have had some real cold weather lately. A little snow, of course, not enough for sleighing or to make a snow man, but just enough to let us know it was cold enough to snow.

Mr. Tom Ahlhousan and daughter, Miss Ada, of Venus, have been visiting Mr. Ahlhousan's brother, Charlie, of Paradise, the past week.

Mrs. Sam Woodie is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jasper Morrow, this week.

The young people enjoyed a singing at the Price home Saturday night.

The Messrs. Hardy of Mississippi, who have been prospecting in this part of the western country, have decided to stay and make this their home. Well, this is a fine country, all who don't think so will have to come and see for themselves to be convinced.

A few of the young people enjoyed an entertainment at the Price home one night last week in honor of Miss Bertha Woodie's and Miss Cora Price's birthday. They enjoyed a few games of "42," then refreshments were served. Mr. Crockett Kelly and Mr. Irvin Terry helped the girls cut the cakes. All present report a very pleasant time and hope to be entertained in a like manner again real soon. Those present were: Misses Beulah Atchison, Bertha Woodie, Clara Price, Cora Price, and Messrs. Crockett Kelly, Irvin Terry, Claude Duke, George Shelbourne, Willie Woodie and Virge Hammit.

Arthur Woodie has returned from a short visit to his uncle, J. A. Morrow and family, in Upton county.

Miss Clara Price visited Miss Eula Atchison, Sunday.

Messrs. Claude and George Duke of Mineola are in the Paradise community this week.

Our literary society people have come to the conclusion that 'tis not wise to try and meet more than once a month until cotton picking season is over, which is every fourth Saturday night.

We learn Mr. Johnnie Greenwood has sold his farm and is going to make New Mexico his future home. We regret to see Mr. Greenwood leave this community but hope he may like and be liked in his future home. Rover.

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### MASONS AT WACO.

#### Annual Grand Lodge Meeting in Session.

J. H. Knowles, L. H. Murphy, Dr. W. K. Curtis, Judge E. R. Bryan and Harry H. Taylor are at Waco in attendance upon the annual Grand Lodge session of Texas Masons. Judge Bryan is illustrious deputy grand high Priest of the Royal Arch chapter.

#### Editors.

"I don't know how newspapers come to be in the world, and I don't think God does, for he haint got nothing to say about them in the bible. I think the editor is one of the missing links we read of, and stayed in the bushes until after the flood; has been there ever since. I don't think he ever died. I never saw a dead one and never heard of one getting up. The paper is a mighty good one; but the editor don't wear underclothes all winter and don't wear any socks and pa ain't paid his subscription since the paper started. I asked pa if that was why the editor had to suck the juse out of snowballs in the winter and go to bed when he had a shirt washed. About then pa took me out in the woodshed and he licked me awful hard. If the editor makes mistakes folks say he ought to be hung; but if the doctor makes mistakes he buries them and people dassant say nothing because the doctors can read and write Latin. When the editor makes mistakes there is lawsuits, and swearing, and a big fuss; but if the doctor makes one there is a funeral, cut flowers and a perfect silence. A doctor can use a word a yard long without him or anybody knowing what it means; but if the editor uses one he has to spell it. If the doctor goes to see another man's wife he charges for the visit; but if the editor goes he gets a charge of buckshot. When the doctor gets drunk it's a case of being over-come by heat, and if he dies it's a case of heart trouble; when an editor gets drunk it's a case of too much booze and if he dies it's the jim-jams. Any college-man can make a doctor, but an editor has to be born."---"Little Willie" in Barnhart Book.

#### Notice.

Since we are not connected with the Midland Steam Laundry we wish to call your attention to same. All bundles left with us will be laundered at the Midland Steam Laundry and returned to us as an agent for the laundry.

Thanking one and all for past favors, we are,

Very respectfully,  
DORSEY BROS.



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## MIDLAND MAN IS HONORED.

**JUDGE BRYAN ELECTED TO HIGH MASONIC OFFICE.**

**A DESERVED TRIBUTE**

**Grand Royal Arch Session at Waco Selected the Midland Man Because of Qualifications and Merit.**

At the annual grand lodge session of Texas Masons, held at Waco this week, Judge E. R. Bryan



**JUDGE E. R. BRYAN**  
Who Was Last Tuesday Elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas Masons.

of Midland, cashier of the First National Bank, was elected to the highest office in the gift of Royal Arch Chapter Masons in the State,

Grand High Priest. During the past year Judge Bryan has held the office of illustrious deputy grand high priest, and his proficiency and eminent qualifications easily led to the higher office.

Midland's citizens are particularly Masons, congratulate Judge Bryan and appreciate the honors bestowed upon him and upon Midland.

The roster of officers for the next year in the Grand Royal Arch Chapter are:

Grand High Priest, E. R. Bryan of Midland.

Deputy Grand High Priest, J. J. Gallaher of Whitewright.

Grand King, Joe Adams of Crockett.

Grand Scribe, C. S. Alderman of Big Springs.

Grand Treasurer, F. B. Frymier of Waco.

Grand Secretary, John A. Bryan of Cleburne.

Committee on work (one to be elected for five years,) T. M. Bartley of Tahoka, Lynn County, and W. A. Scott of Floresville.

Sam P. Cochran was elected to succeed himself as director of the Home for the Aged Masons. O. E. Schow of Clifton was elected to succeed Mason Cleveland.

A resolution to prepare a monitor for use in subordinate chapters, to be ready for use as early as possible in 1909, was carried.

Report on the Home for Aged Masons, located near Arlington, Tarrant County, shows that plans will soon be submitted from architects.

Thursday evening E. S. Wright started for his old home at Alpine, Alabama. He came here for his health and now thinks he is wholly cured.

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### CLASSIFIED ADS

All advertising in this column one cent a word for each insertion.

**FOUND**---In road about a mile from town, a package containing a bottle of medicine. Owner can have same by identifying and pay for this notice. Examiner office.

**FOR RENT**---Two furnished rooms for roomers or light house-keeping. Plenty of good well and cistern water. D. A. Parkhurst, third house north of Baptist church.

**FOR SALE**---5, 10, or 15 acres of land adjoining city limits on the north. J. O. LANGFORD.

**LOST**---Coral cameo belt buckle. Finder will please return to this office and receive reward.

**WANTED**---At once, a girl to iron, at the Midland Steam Laundry.

**WANTED**---Heaters and cook stoves, of all kinds, highest prices paid, or will trade you one that will suit you better. Phone 192. Frank H. Snell.

**WANTED**---All persons who have horses or mules to sell, or who want to buy, to call on J. O. Reynolds, residence north of Gin, Midland, Tex. Phone No. 155.

**FURNISHED** rooms and board for six can be had for \$20 per month each. Good meals, neat rooms, clean beds. B. L. THOMPSON, Two blocks west of High School. 2t13

**FOR RENT**--- Boarding house with ten rooms and hall, one block west of depot. Apply to W. J. Moran. 11tf

**WANTED**---Stenographer to work tomorrow, the 29th. See Martin & Clark.

### CITY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Last Session for Year Will Take Up Spencer's Education.

The last session of the city teachers' Institute for the year 1908 will be held at the High School Building, Saturday, December 12. The teachers will study "Spencer's Education" on that day. Following is the program based on the outline of that book:

I. Biographical sketch of Spencer with critical estimate of his educational doctrines, Miss Rommie R. Boyd.

II. What Knowledge is of Most Worth, Chapter 1, Miss Thelka Clark, Miss Margaret Collier, Mr. Nim Hill.

III. Intellectual Education, Chapter 2, Miss Mary Hicks, Miss McQuinn, W. W. Lackey.

IV. Moral Education, Chapter 3, Supt. J. S. Long of Stanton, Miss Hattie Kee, Miss Theresa Hicks.

V. Physical Education, Chapter 4, Miss M. Lockett, Miss Lu-

cile Shaw, Miss Ova Richardson. "Spencer's Education" is one of the text-books in the Department of Education in the University of Texas, and the study of Spencer as an educator and of this work of his on education promises to be very helpful and interesting to teachers. The session of the Institute begins at 8:30 in the morning and ends at 3:30 in the afternoon. The friends of education are cordially invited to attend this meeting of the teachers and take part in the discussions. The teachers have just finished a very comprehensive outline in psychology.

#### Notice.

On account of the temporary closing of the Midland Steam Laundry, we will resume the agency for out-of-town laundries, as we did prior to the establishment of the Midland laundry, and ship bundles for our customers. We will ship to Big Springs and Sherman as before, and solicit the public's patronage. Dorsey Bros.

## Appendicitis

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STATE OF MINNESOTA, ss.  
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I, Richard Jahreis, of Owatonna, Minn., being first duly sworn, do say that I am the person named in and who subscribed the following statement and the same is true of my own knowledge in every particular: "I had severe pains in my right side, just above the appendix. I went to the doctor and he pronounced my case appendicitis and advised an operation. Instead I went to Zamboni Bros. drug store and bought a bottle of Adler-i-ka Treatment. After taking it the result was indeed wonderful. The pains stopped and I felt like a new man. I heartily recommend Adler-i-ka Treatment to anyone troubled with appendicitis as I know it has cured me."

(Signed) RICHARD H. JAHREISS.

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