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FAMOUS HERD HAS CHANGED HANDS

Millard Eidson Has Bought the Interest of C. Scharbauer in The Lone Star Herefords

In all the Southwest there is no more famous herd of Herefords than the Lone Star Herefords, originated and for 20 years or more owned by Scharbauer Bros., of Midland. In starting this herd and building the splendid reputation it has enjoyed for many years, Messrs. John and Chris Scharbauer never spared expense. They have been known to pay almost fabulous prices for a single animal, thousands of dollars, in fact, and for many years it was known to be the largest herd of registered Herefords in the entire world.

Three years ago Mr. Chris Scharbauer got hurt, and has never fully recovered. At that time the herd numbered over 2300 head of breeding stuff. This member of the firm had always managed the outfit, but on account of poor health he sold off a large number, materially reducing the herd in number, though not in quality.

So much for past history. It may be added, though, that the Lone Star herd has furnished herd bulls to prominent ranchmen all over New Mexico, Arizona, California, and West Texas, their sales of bulls numbering sometimes more than 1200 head in a single season.

On last Saturday Chris Scharbauer made final disposition of his interest in the herd, selling to our young townsman, Millard Eidson. For this half interest the considerations will aggregate probably to the rise of \$100,000.00, there being a ten-year lease on the 42-section pasture, Messrs. Scharbauer retaining their ownership of the land. John Scharbauer also retaining his half interest in the herd, the proprietors of the Lone Star

VIEW OF MIDLAND STREETS FLOODED LAST WEEK



Photo by Miller.

We spoke of the great rain that fell over this immediate section on Thursday of last week. The above, photographed by Miller as the rain ceased to fall, shows how Midland streets were flooded. In many places the water rose over the side walks where they were ten inches or more above the streets. The one serious disappointment about this rain was that it covered only a small scope of country. A radius of about five miles from Midland was the extent of it.

Herefords are now Schrbauer & Eidson.

It must not be inferred by the above however, that Chris Schrbauer is out of the cattle business. He retains his large interest in the Scharbauer Cattle Company, a corporation capitalized at \$300,000, and his half interest in the Scharbauer & Norwood ranch, two outfits that will require none of his time or attention. He sells his interest in the Lone Star Herd only for the reason that he wanted to be relieved of business worries and the activity attendant upon managing the Lone Star Herd.

Mr. Eidson proposes to manage the Lone Star Herd just as has been done by Mr. Scharbauer, along identical lines, and we congratulate him upon becoming an owner of such magnificent property, and wish for him the splendid success that has ever attended the efforts of his predecessor.

SEVENTEEN TEAMS NOW ON GRADE LINE

It is Promised That 23 More Will Be Added to M. & N. W. Grading Soon

The promoters of the Midland & Northwestern Railroad project are going right ahead with their work of grading the road bed, though up to date progress has been rather slow by reason that the engineer, G. W. Thaxter, required a bit more time in closing some details of his permanent survey at point of beginning. Then, too, a little right-of-way trouble has also been encountered.

These hindrances have at last been mostly removed and nine more

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ROYAL RECORDS FOR ANGUS BULLS

G. F. Cowden & Son Receive Pleasant News Affecting Their Famous Herd Bull

At three years old Bomano 161618, the famous Angus herd bull of G. F. Cowden & Son, weighs 2200 pounds. Messrs. Cowden & Son bought the animal some months ago of Chas. Escher, of Botna, Iowa, paying for him a fancy price, of course. Even at that, however, they got the animal at a remarkably low price, by reason that they bought him at the time of the foot and mouth outbreak in the north and took chances on him.

But this week they received some very encouraging, rather pleasant

news from Mr. Escher. At four years old Black Poe, Mr. Escher's herd bull and a full brother to Bomano, weighed 2750 pounds, and Mr. Escher sold him to a Mr. Ames, of Tennessee, at the fancy price of \$5,000.00.

The story is continued, however, in a second full brother of Bomano. This calf is but nine months old, yet he tips the beam at 940 pounds.

Can you beat this for three full brothers?

Bomano, Messrs. Cowden say, will again be shown this year at all the fairs, together with several other Angus cattle they are fitting up for show competition. They are especially making plans for the Midland Fair and Inter-State Stock Show to be held here in September, late, and they will make competition go some in every contest.

They are proud of their Angus stuff, and with every right to be.

NEWS NOTES BY SECRETARY STARR

Midland Chamber of Commerce Into The Lime Light Lately As A Center of Activity

We are sure our readers have enjoyed the communications that have been handed in during the past few weeks by Secretary W. B. Starr, of the Midland Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber of Commerce has lately become largely a center of activity for stockmen, as well as for business men, farmers, and others, and Mr. Starr writes, this week:

Editor Reporter:

Midland had a new buyer of range cattle as a visitor this week in the person of Mr. T. J. Leavell, of Winchester, Ind. This was Mr. Leavell's first visit to the Midland Country and he expressed himself as being much pleased, not only with our cattle, but with the treatment accorded him by our citizens. The secretary heard a number of our people, while Mr. Leavell was here and since he left, express their appreciation of having met him. He impressed all who met him as a man knowing his business and as a perfect gentleman in all respects. The following parties sold cattle to Mr. Leavell: W. F. Cowden, W. H. Brunson, H. M. Horton and Wm. E. Wallace. The entire purchase consisted of 525 yearlings and 81 two-year-olds. Prices received were not all made public, but it is understood that the cattle cost Mr. Leavell around \$40 a head, amounting in all to some \$25,000.00.

While in Midland Mr. Leavell visited the Chamber of Commerce and the secretary had a pleasant talk with him. He expressed himself as being very optimistic as to the possibility of Midland developing a considerable amount of trade with the feeders in

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MIDLAND MERCANTILE COMPANY'S

MID-SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE

ONE WEEK ONLY

Beginning Friday morning July, 14th. On All Summer Dress Goods.

ONE WEEK ONLY

Owing to the fact that we had our big Red Tag Sale before we moved into our new building and sold so many goods at that time we will not put on another sale on everything in the house now, as most people will expect, but will have a CLEARANCE SALE on all Summer Goods. The only difference between this and our big Red Tag Sales is that the prices quoted below are on Summer goods only. Look over the prices listed and see if you can beat them anywhere in Midland.

PIECE GOODS.
25c Gingham Tissue, 6 yards for.....\$1.00
17c Voil Tissue, 10 yards for.....1.00
10c Printed Batiste, 12 yard for.....1.00
50c Printed Marquessette, the yard......38
50c White Flaxon, the yard......38
35c White Flaxon, the yard......27½c
25c White Flaxon, the yard......19½c

14 yards of 4-4 Bleached Muslin for.....\$1.00

We must make room for our mammoth stock of Fall merchandise, and all Summer goods are going at a great reduction in price. As for cash, we are always glad to get the cash, but regardless of this we can and do sell for less than some merchants, as we do not sell cash, but we sell good merchandise, such as we can recommend to our customers.

One job lot of 25c, 35c and 50c White Goods, Clearance Sale price, the yard.....15c

All short lengths of most Silk Gloves going for less than cost, in this sale.

All Middy Blouses and Shirt Waists included in this sale.

PALM BEACH SUITS
Men's Palm Beach Suits, Clearance Sale price...\$4.60
Boys' Palm Beach Suits.....2.90

\$8.00 Men's Cool Cloth Suits, each.....\$4.95

STRAW HATS
\$5.00 Straw Hats.....\$2.50
4.00 Straw Hats.....2.00
2.00 Straw Hats.....1.00

MEN'S SILK SHIRTS
\$5.00 Silk Shirts, Clearance Sale price.....\$2.95
4.00 Silk Shirts, Clearance Sale price.....2.25
3.00 Silk Shirts, Clearance Sale price.....1.90
2.50 Silk Shirts, Clearance Sale price.....1.50

MIDLAND MERCANTILE CO.

"WE SAVE YOU MONEY."

WADLEY-PATTERSON CO'S Clearance Sale

of all Summer Merchandise begins
Friday Morning, July 14th

NEVER, in the history of this country, was merchandise of every kind as high as right now, and the outlook is such that we cannot expect them to be any lower for some time to come, at best. We could not buy at wholesale prices, today, the same goods that we are offering you at this sale, within 10% of the prices that you can buy them for—but it is Summer merchandise and we cannot take any chances on having to carry any of this goods through to another season.

We tell you plainly that this sale is not on staple merchandise for we could not replace our present stock within 10 to 25% of what we own it for today so it stands to reason that no merchant is going to sacrifice his stock under these conditions and to pretend to do so would not be honest. It is simply to dispose of all reasonable goods that would have to be carried over to another season that we put on this sale.

We sell for cash only and have eliminated every loss and expense due to the credit system and our every-day-in-the-year cash prices are lower than the usual sale prices and we are glad to say that almost all of our Fall stock was bought months ago, before the tremendous advances and this store will not advance prices one cent until we are forced to pay more. We are doing business on half the usual expense of Dry Goods stores and can and do sell for less money all the time.

This sale is on all Summer Goods, Ladies and Children's Dresses, Summer Waists, Skirts, Summer Weight Clothing, Low Quarter Shoes, Suits, Slippers, Summer Underwear. We cannot mention everything for the lack of space but every item that is offered at this sale is far below real value.

ODD LOTS IN DRESS GOODS WORTH UP TO 50c THE YARD AT 10c

One lot of odds and ends and short length in summer piece goods, worth 15c, 20c, 35c and up to 50c the yard including crepes, voiles, batistes, etc., choice of the lot as long as it lasts, the yard..... **10c**

81x90 UNBLEACHED PEPPERELL SHEETS 65c

One lot of unbleached Pepperell sheets, in full size 81x90 inches, each..... **65c**
(Our regular price)

BOYS' PALM BEACH SUITS \$2.95

Four or five different patterns in boys' Norfolk Palm Beach suits, sizes from 4 to 18, all with the new belted back effects, all extra good, \$5.00 values, clearance sale prices... **\$2.95**
One lot of \$5.75 values, at..... **\$3.50**

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S SUMMER UNDERWEAR AT SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE PRICES

All strictly summer underwear goes into this sale. Ladies vests, unionsuits and children's short sleeve and knee-length unionsuits.

CHILD'S UNIONSUIT 19c

One lot of children's unionsuits with buttons for supporters, knee length and no sleeves, at the sale price, suit..... **19c**

LADIES' UNIONSUITS AT 37½c

One lot ladies' close crotch unionsuits, kantslip shoulder straps and lace knees, extra values, at 50c the suit, clearance sale price..... **37½c**
One lot of the 75c quality, Lisle unionsuits, sale price, each..... **55c**
One lot of the \$1.00 quality, ladies' Lisle unionsuits, sale price..... **85c**

LADIES' SILK TAPED VESTS AT 10c

One lot of the very best values in ladies' silk taped Lisle vests that we have ever offered at 15c, will be sold during this sale at, each..... **10c**
One of the cheaper quality, will be sold during this sale at..... **7½c**
25c quality ladies' vests..... **18c**

50 AND 65c DRESS GOODS 30c

Nine pieces of the choicest numbers in summer dress goods, including the silk lace clothes, embroidered voiles and embroidered seed voiles, will be sold during this sale at, the yard **30c**

40 INCH PRINTED VOILES 12½c

Four pieces of 40 inch printed voiles, one of the choicest 25c numbers this season. Sale price, the yard..... **12½c**

45 INCH FLOUNCING AT 65c

Five pieces of 45 inch flouncing, embroidered on organdie that was priced at \$1.00 the yard, will go into this clearance sale at, the yard..... **65c**
Two pieces of 18 inch flouncing to match the above at, the yard..... **55c**

35c AWNING STRIPES AT 20c

Five pieces of 36 to 40 inch suitings in the very popular awning striped materials that have sold at 35c the yard will be offered as long as they last at, the yard..... **20c**

35c DRAPERIES 18c THE YARD

Nine pieces of light and dark curtain materials, worth 35c the yard, will be offered during this sale to close at, the yard..... **18c**

EVERY SKIRT IN THE HOUSE AT CLEARANCE SALE PRICES

Lack of space prevents us from pricing these but you will save one-fourth to one-half on any skirt.

CLEARANCE SALE ON DRESSES THAT MEANS MUCH TO YOU. EVERY DRESS IN THE HOUSE GOES INTO THIS SALE

We do not mention all, but the prices that we do quote will prove that this is a profitable time for you to buy.

One \$15.00 navy taffeta dress with Georgette sleeves, clearance sale price..... **\$8.75**
A black taffeta dress with white Georgette collar, will be sold for..... **\$7.85**

A beautiful white and Copen crepe de chine dress that was originally priced at \$19.50, will be sold for..... **\$11.75**
One \$15.00 green taffeta dress with gold embroidered trimmings goes at..... **\$7.75**
A \$19.00 brown taffeta dress will be tagged at..... **\$8.95**

And a beautiful accordion pleated navy taffeta dress will be priced at..... **\$9.95**
One \$12.75 navy and white taffeta in an extra size will be priced..... **\$6.75**
A beautiful green taffeta with Georgette yolk and sleeves and accordion pleated white Georgette collar will go for..... **\$12.75**

One 25.00 purple taffeta dress will be sold for..... **\$13.75**
One \$27.50 Madam Flanders dress, made of Georgette and satin, will be tagged to sell for..... **\$14.75**

One \$25.00 navy taffeta dress with silver embroidered trimmings will be tagged at..... **\$14.50**
And several others including whites net dresses that were priced at \$14.50 to \$15.00 and will be tagged to sell at..... **\$7.75**

Two pretty dresses of the silk, one of the pink and one maize, will be sold for..... **\$7.50**
Summer dresses of plain and embroidered voiles, linen and linene, all go into this sale to move.
Two \$6.75 dresses will be sold for..... **\$3.75**
Three \$12.50 wash dresses tagged at..... **\$6.75**
Two \$7.75 dresses will go at..... **\$4.35**

And all the way through, every dress will be offered at prices that you cannot afford to pass.

CHILDRENS DRESSES, LADIES HOUSE DRESSES AND APRONS

With the price of percales and gingham advanced 2½ to 5 cents the yard wholesale, you can certainly appreciate the bargains that are offered in these garments. It is simply that they are short sleeves, is the only reason we offer them at clearance sale prices.
Children's dresses at 37½c, 45c, 65c, and 85c.
House dresses at 85c to \$1.65.
Aprons at 40c, 65c and 85c.

FIFTEEN LADIES' SUITS IN TAFFETA, WOOL POPLIN AN PALM BEACH CLOTH. ALL GO

One blue wool poplin suit, was \$22.75, clearance sale price..... **\$11.75**

One \$25.00 navy poplin suit, clearance sale price..... **\$13.75**

Two \$11.00 Palm Beach suits, clearance sale price..... **\$6.75**

One \$12.75 Palm Beach suit, clearance sale price..... **\$7.50**

Two navy taffeta suits that were priced at \$22.50, you can buy during this sale at..... **\$11.25**

One \$21.00 poplin suit will be sold for..... **\$10**

One \$26.75 black taffeta suit will go at..... **\$14.50**

One \$16.50 blue silk poplin suit will be priced at..... **\$7.85**

One \$27.50 navy taffeta suit is tagged to sell for..... **\$14.95**

One \$16.50 navy poplin suit, clearance sale price..... **\$7.85**

One \$27.50 shepherd check suit will go at..... **\$14.95**

One tan poplin suit that was priced at \$23.75 will go at..... **\$12.95**

One \$15.00 navy poplin suit will be sold for..... **\$8.75**

WILLIAMS' TALCUM POWDER 12½c

This price on Williams' Talcum Powder is our regular every day price. You can buy it at this cash store at any time at 15c the can or two cans for..... **25c**

10c AND 12½c LAWN AND BATISTES 7½c

Entire stock of 10c and 12½c printed lawns and batistes in stripes, flowers, polka dots, etc., clearance sale, the yard..... **7½c**

TAFFETA PETTICOATS AT CLEARANCE PRICES

These garments were bought while taffeta was selling at a dollar the yard and the values are almost double now.
Blacks, plain colors and two-tone taffeta at \$2.65, \$2.85 and \$3.35.
Dresden taffetas at \$4.65 and \$5.35 and at the present price of taffeta, these are worth twice the price they are marked.

CHILDRENS' WASH SUITS, MIDDIES, ROMPERS AT CLEARANCE SALE

A nice assortment of the choicest numbers we have ever offered in fast color, well made, rompers will be offered at this sale for, the garment..... **35c**

Four of the \$1.25 quality wash suits with two pairs of pants and hat to match, to close, each..... **75c**

Two of the \$1.50 quality, wash suits, with two pairs of pants and hat to match, to close, each..... **65c**

One lot of bonnets, to close, each..... **15c**

FANCY RIBBONS 19c THE YARD

About fifty pieces of beautiful fancy ribbons that are worth 25c to 35c the yard. Special values during this sale at the yard..... **19c**

10-4 BLEACHED SHEETING 27½c

Full 90 inches wide, Sterling bleached sheeting, better than pepperell and full bleached, the yard..... **27½c**
(Our regular price)

3-POUND PURE WHITE COTTON BATTS 65c

Big rolls of bleached cotton batting that is cheaper than it will be again, the roll..... **65c**
(Our regular price)

MENS' KNIT UNION SUITS AT CLEARANCE SALE PRICES.

Please note that none other than the garments advertised will be offered at cut prices.

MENS' \$1.50 UNION SUITS AT \$1.10

One lot of famously good Lewis unionsuits for men, in quarter sleeves and three-quarter length, \$1.50 quality at..... **\$1.10**
\$.25 quality on sale at..... **\$1.65**

BOYS' UNION SUIT 37½c

One lot of boys' "Lastlong" unionsuits, one of the best garments we have ever offered at 50c the garment, sizes 6 to 16, will be offered at 37½c each or two for..... **75c**
Where only one garment is bought this will be 40 cents.

CHILDRENS' NAINSOOK UNIONS 37½c

One lot of boys or girls Nainsook unionsuits, made with the elastic in the back and with buttons for supporters, sizes 2 to 12 and suitable for either boys or girls, the garments... **37½c**
One garment only..... **40c**

BOYS' SPORT SHIRTS AND BLOUSES 35c

All boys' sport shirts and blouses with low collars and short sleeves, will be sold during this sale at, each..... **35c**

MENS SILK SHIRTS TO CLOSE

All the remaining stock of mens' silk shirts will go into this sale.
\$5.00 silk shirts at..... **\$2.95**
\$3.50 silk shirts at..... **\$2.35**
\$3.00 silk shirts at..... **\$1.95**
\$2.50 silk shirts at..... **\$1.75**

NIAGARA MAID SILK UNDERWEAR

The entire stock of glove silk and crepe de chine underwear, including vests, bloomers, Teddies, gowns, cammesoles, will go into this sale at less than you could buy the material for making them. The prices will tempt the most conservative and the season for silk underwear is really just ahead.

LADIES' WAISTS INCLUDING EVERY NUMBER IN THE HOUSE WILL GO INTO THIS SALE TO CLEAR THE STOCK UP FOR FALL MERCHANDISE

\$5.75 Georgette crepe and silk waist, clearance sale prices..... **\$3.75**
\$5.00 Crepe de Chine waist will be sold for..... **\$2.95**
\$2.45 silk waists will be sold for..... **\$1.45**
and all others in like manner, will go into this sale at prices that you must appreciate as bargains.

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We know we can save you money.

-To young men-

LISTEN!

When you go to a Gents Furnishing Store and call for a shirt, collar, tie or a suit of B. V. D's you want the best. West Texas affords nothing else but good stuff and you can not afford to put your money out for anything but good merchandise. And we have it.

Henry Stilwell.

The prices that we have on merchandise at our Big Sale are something out of the ordinary.

Be sure and get here early Friday morning July 14.

SHIRTS		DRESS GLOVES	
\$5.00 Silk Shirts	\$3.50	Regular \$2.00 gloves now	\$1.50
4.00 Silk Shirts	3.00	Regular \$1.50 gloves now	1.00
2.50 Silk Shirts	1.85		
1.50 Dress Shirts	1.00	AUTO GLOVES	
1.25 Dress Shirts	.95	Regular \$5.00 gloves now	\$3.50
1.00 Dress Shirts	.80	Regular \$3.50 gloves now	3.00
1.50 Soft Shirts	1.00	Regular \$2.50 gloves now	2.00
1.25 Soft Shirts	.95		
1.00 Soft Shirts	.80		
.75 Work Shirts	.50		
.50 Work Shirts	.40		
We will also sell our Winter stock at a great reduction—FINE WOOL SHIRTS, FINE SWEATER COATS, FINE JERSEYS AND SWEATERS.			
HATS		TIES	
\$7.50 Hats now	\$4.00	Regular 50c Ties now	35c
5.00 Hats now	3.25	Regular 35c Ties now	25c
3.00 Hats now	2.00		
2.50 Hats now	1.75		
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B. V. D. UNDERWEAR		SANTIX GARTERS	
Regular \$1.00 Unionsuits sold now for	.75c	Regular 50c Garters now	35c
		Regular 25c Garters now	17c

Call and see our stock and you will buy.

WILL YOU SUPPORT ROBERTSON LAW?

Our Representative, Judge E. R. Bryan, Reviews Its Importance and Urges Its Support

To the voters of Midland and adjoining counties:

There is to my mind a very important question which the voters will be called upon to decide at the coming primary election to be held July 22nd. I refer to what is commonly known as the Robertson Insurance Law, and the question submitted is whether or not the law shall be repealed or modified. In order to understand the issue we must know what the Robertson law requires of the insurance companies that do business in Texas. Briefly stated that part of the law which is objected to is Art. 4775 R. S. 1911, which requires that 75 per cent of Texas reserves be invested in Texas securities. By reserves is meant that part of the premium which the laws of the state under which a company is chartered, require to be set apart for meeting the future obligations of the company which shall arise from death claims. On an average these reserves amount to less than 50 per cent of the premiums collected, thus, the law requires the company to invest in Texas securities less than three-eighths of the premiums collected by the company. This is done for the benefit and protection of the Texas policy-holder in the first place, and in order to keep some of the money paid for insurance by Texas people in the state, invested in state securities. Is this a reasonable requirement? Let us see. Most of the big insurance companies which withdrew from the state when the Robertson Insurance Law was passed are now doing business in Germany, Austria and the Dominion of Canada, and most all Continental Companies

of Europe. I mention Germany, Austria and Canada because we know what is required of insurance companies doing business in those countries. In Germany and Austria the law requires the companies to invest 100 per cent of their reserve in German or Austrian securities. In other words they require the companies to invest in home securities. Yet we do not hear anything about the harsh laws of Germany or Austria, or that they are building a wall around them which will keep capital out, or that any company has quit doing business in those countries. In Canada the law requires an initial deposit of \$50,000.00 with the minister of finance and additional deposits are required from time to time sufficient to equal the liability to policy holders in Canada, including matured claims, and the full reserve or reinsurance value upon policies in force in Canada—to place these deposits in the hands of trustees in Canada for the benefit of Canadian policy holders, and not for policy holders in general. Yet I have never heard the laws of Canada criticized, nor have any of these same companies left Canada because she required them to make deposits to cover all their reserves. Col. A. A. Green, state agent of the Manhattan Life Insurance Company, the only life insurance company organized on the laws of New York now doing business in the state, in an address before the house committee on insurance on May 8th, 1915, states the facts in regard to the companies that withdrew from the state in the following language: "We are told that those companies that have withdrawn from the state cannot comply with our law and make the investments required, and for that reason have remained out of the state. The Manhattan Life is as conservatively managed as any financial institution in the world. Why is it that we can, and have, complied with the law, and other companies say they cannot? They say our law is compulsory and they can-

not do business under a compulsory law. The laws of New York, the state in which these companies have their home, not only prescribe the investments that life insurance companies may be permitted to make; they even go so far as to say how much business a company may be permitted to write during the year; the kind of policy a company will be permitted to issue, while the only compulsory feature of the Robertson law is that the companies shall invest 75 per cent of their reserve in Texas policies in Texas securities, and, by the way, these companies all profess to be anxious to make investments in our state. This 75 per cent is not all required to be invested at once, 10 years being allowed in which to make the investment at the rate of one-tenth annually. The reserve is less than one-half the premiums collected, and as stated the law only requires that three-fourths of this one-half, or three-eighths of the premiums collected from Texas, be invested in our state, and 10 years in which to make the investments. These companies do not ask Canada or European countries to repeal their laws, because they know it would be useless to do so. They simply comply with the laws and do business in those countries. It is stated by some that a monopoly has been created by the Robertson law, with the consequence that the people of Texas are paying more for life insurance than is paid by the people of other states. I state to you as one with 30 years experience in the life insurance business of this state, that there has never been a time where life insurance was sold at a lower net cost to the people of this state than since the enactment of the Robertson law. Now gentlemen, I want to state in behalf of my company that we resumed business in this state in good faith, and have paid our taxes not only on the premiums collected since we returned, but the back taxes on those premiums col-

lected while we were absent from the state; we have invested our funds and in every way complied with the law. Now, to enact a law virtually waiving the taxes accrued against these companies who have ignored the laws of the state, ignored the interest and convenience of their policy holders by remaining out of the state—to tacitly waive any claim for taxes against these companies as an inducement offered them to return will be most unfair and unjust to the companies who have remained here in compliance with the laws—it would be unjust and discriminating against the law abiding companies in favor of the companies who would not comply with the law, and we ask that, if you do this, that you go further and provide for the refunding to the companies who have remained in the state, of the taxes paid during this time."

At the time the Robertson law went into effect on May 25th, 1907, there were 38 out-of-state and five state companies doing business in Texas; at that time these companies had invested in Texas securities the sum of \$8,234,816. When the Robertson law went into effect 21 out of 38 out-of-state companies left the state. At the time these 21 companies left the state they had invested in Texas securities the sum of \$906,732. At the present time there are 55 companies doing business in the state, 13 of which are chartered under the laws of the state, and their investments in Texas securities now exceed \$54,400,000. The 42 outside companies now doing business in this state invest more money every 90 days in Texas securities than the 21 withdrawing had invested when they left the state, and some of these companies had been doing business in Texas for 27 years. These withdrawing companies at the time they left the state had collected in premiums from the people of Texas something over 68 million dollars and paid back in death claims something over \$22,000,000, and since their withdrawal have collected from the people of Texas something like 40 million dollars without paying to the state one cent in taxes. Why don't these companies come back and do business in Texas?

I will tell you why. There is a provision in the Robertson law (Art. 4783 R. S.) which requires that before a company that has ceased to do business in this state, can obtain a license to do business, they must make a report of premiums collected during absence and pay tax on same. These taxes have accumulated until the amounts are large and the companies do not want to pay them, but I ask you this question, is it fair to those foreign companies that stayed in the state after the Robertson law was passed, and those state companies that have been organized since, and have complied with the laws and paid their taxes, to permit the withdrawing companies to return without paying their taxes—that is simply what it means, nothing less, nothing more. Under the law as it now stands any company that withdrew from the state can come back and do business by paying up back taxes just as the companies have done who remained. But some one says if these companies come back into Texas, they will loan our citizens millions of cheap money—all rot and merest bosh, as I will show you. Take the four largest companies that withdrew from the state, Mutual, Metropolitan, Equitable and New York. According to their sworn report, on December 31, 1913, their total mortgage loans in round numbers was, Mutual \$133,000,000, Metropolitan \$187,000,000, Equitable \$109,000,000, N. Y. Life \$152,000,000. Out of these total amounts the amount loaned by each company in the state of New York was as follows in round numbers: Mutual \$116,000,000, or 87 per cent; Metropolitan \$162,000,000, or 86 per cent; Equitable \$69,000,000, or 63 per cent; N. Y. Life \$109,000,000, or 72 per cent. Askansas has no Robertson law and on December 31, 1913 these four companies had loaned in that state, Mutual \$70,900; Metropolitan \$42,500, Equitable \$206,000, N. Y. Life \$13,000. Take the state of Mississippi, which has no Robertson law and see what these big companies had loaned there: Mutual, none; Metropolitan, none; Equitable, \$37,400; N. Y. Life, \$102,500. If these big companies would loan so much money in Texas if the Robertson law was repealed, why don't they loan it in Arkansas, Mississippi and other southern states, that have no Robertson law? It is simply a bait held out to the people of Texas to get them to let them come back into the state, without paying the back taxes on what you do it. I think not."

The Bankers' Life Company of Des Moines, Iowa, advertises in the Dallas News of issue July 12th, 1916, to loan money direct to farmers at 6 per cent interest. The president of said company in the same issue on page 1 says that said company will loan \$1,000,000.00 per month on improved black land farms of Texas. Why? Because his enterprising state agent has shown him we have the security. And that is the only way any one will

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In conclusion will say that I have no personal interest in this matter. I own no stock in any life insurance company. I have two small policies in two companies that withdrew from the state, and one small policy in out of state company that is doing business in the state. The big companies undertook to interfere with legislation in this state. It did not work. To make their bluff good they left the state. They now realize they made a mistake—they want to come back, but they don't want to pay the taxes, as those companies that stayed in did do, and I for one, say unless they do pay the back taxes, let them stay out. We are doing nicely without them and getting the good sound insurance we want at the same rate we would get it if they returned. So let's all vote for retention of the Robertson law on July 22nd and say to these Lords of Finance, you must not attempt to dictate to us what laws we shall pass, but do business under our laws, or stay out.

Respectfully,
E. R. Bryan.

All of the local news gathered since Wednesday, and that is most of the week, we have been compelled to leave out, on account of some special articles and an unusual run of advertisements. We have only a few local items, scattered here and yonder.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

The Republican electors are hereby called to meet in convention to be held July 29th, 1916, at 3 p. m. at the court house for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention; also the election of a County Chairman and such other business as may properly come before said convention. All voters interested in a change in National and State administrations are urged to keep out of the Democratic primaries. It will not be necessary to go into the primaries on account of the prohibition question as that issue, even if submitted, will be voted on and settled at a special non-partisan election next year (1917) and will not be voted on in the November election of 1916.

J. E. Taylor,
Chairman of Midland County Republican Organization. adv.40-2t.

We deeply sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carr in the loss, yesterday morning, of their little daughter, Wilma Lucile. The little one was but four years old, a visitor who tarried just long enough to make her going away a grief beyond expression. Funeral in the afternoon yesterday.

A picture play for the girl of fifteen and her mother—that is "The Blindness of Virtue," which will be shown at the Unique next Tuesday night. adv.



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If the bank rendered no other service to the community than to protect its valuables it would render a useful one; but it would be a mouse-trap proposition, you could only go one way; but the bank makes it easier to get money out than in, and in the outgoing process assumes risks and renders benefits too often lost sight of in the busy whirl of business.

We take many things for granted and live in a matter-of-fact age. We want our morning paper at the breakfast table with never a delay and with little thought of what it costs to collect, transmit, type, print and deliver the news. We want our train on the dot or we get impatient. We want our milk and our coal, blizzard or no blizzard. We likewise expect the bank to do our business smoothly, efficiently, and without thought of the cost of the risks attended.

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When you mail your check your trouble is over and the bank's has just begun, for the bank warrants you three things, all for your own protection and at its own risk. It is well to know them.

It guarantees (a) That it will pay only the checks you have signed. If your name is forged and the bank pays the check, it cannot charge the amount to your account; (b) That it will pay only in the sum originally drawn. If some one gets your check and raises the amount, making it apparently a genuine check, the bank can only charge the amount in which you originally drew the check, unless in so drawing that you invited fraud. Therefore be careful to draw your checks properly; (c) To pay to the party to whom you ordered the amount paid and none other. If the check gets into the hands of strangers

who forge the indorsement, so that the party to whom you ordered the money paid does not get it, the payment is at its risk, and you are harmless.

All this is ultimately for your good as a depositor. You know that your account cannot be drawn against except on your order. You know that the party you want to receive payment gets it. You get back the most perfect voucher known to the business world. Many a dispute has been settled and loss and law suit avoided by producing bank vouchers that told in no uncertain way that payment had been made according to the intent of the drawer. Therefore for your own good you ought to keep your money in a bank, and draw it out by check.

BLANTON TAC TICS

We quote from the late sixteen-page booklet containing the third platform of Thos. L. Blanton, candidate for Congress from this district: "I have pitched my campaign upon a high plane, and shall keep it there."

A little further in the same document appear what purports to be indorsements of his candidacy signed by certain citizens of the counties of his judicial district of which Stephens County is one.

In view of the affidavit following, the genuineness of these indorsements may rightly be seriously questioned:

"June 26, 1916.

We, the undersigned citizens and voters of Stephens County, Texas, having noticed our names to a statement which purports to be an indorsement of the candidacy of Thomas L. Blanton for Congress of this the 16th Congressional District, desire to state that we did not sign such statement, neither have we signed or authorized anyone to use our names to any kind of an instrument indorsing Judge Thomas L. Blanton for Congress. In order to correct such erroneous statement in emphatic terms, and in order to prevent another such error, we make affidavit to the above statement.

(signed) W. E. (Ed) Carew, (signed) C. J. McDonald, (signed) Homer Lee, (signed) John Riddle, (signed) O. R. Rochell.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of July, A. D. 1916.

(signed) R. M. White, Notary Public, in and for Stephens County, Texas. (NOTARY SEAL)

Pitching one's campaign upon a high plane and in the same document publishing fake indorsements, seem to us to be facts not easily reconciled.

The Lord knows The Reporter never at any time in any way indorsed the candidacy of Judge Blanton. All the same, in this self same campaign booklet our endorsement of him appears, big as life. The ways of Blanton are wonderful, strange.

Mrs. G. E. Logan and little son, of Dallas, are guests of Mrs. Logan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wadley. They arrived last Saturday and will pay an extended visit.

You can't afford to miss Miller's special prices—regular \$6.00 work for \$4.00.

Mrs. H. M. Caudle returned the first of the week from Fort Worth, where, a few weeks ago in St. Joseph's Infirmary, she was operated on for appendicitis. It is a pleasure to many friends to know she is now entirely well.

For Sale—Complete windmill outfit, including windmill, pump, tower and wooden tank. Same may be seen at Price & Ramsay's garage. Phone 190. Mrs. S. O. Richardson. 40-2tp.

J. J. Williams was down again this week from Seminole, looking, we expect, after his prospective foremanship of the first section south of Seminole on the Midland & Northwestern. He needn't worry. We are going to land that job for him.

Miller's Studio offers \$6.00 Cabinet Photos for \$4.00—two weeks only—July 15 to August 1st. 40-2t.

Taking Big Chances It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere. adv 38-1m.

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LIST OF LANDS AND LOTS DELINQUENT ON MARCH 31, 1916, FOR TAXES OF 1915 ONLY, IN MIDLAND COUNTY.

Table with columns: NAME OF OWNER, No. Acre, Cert. No., Survey No., ORIGINAL GRANTEE, Acres, Del., City or Town, Block, Outlot, TOTAL TAXES. Lists various land parcels and owners.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF MIDLAND. I, W. E. Bradford, Tax Collector of said County, do hereby certify that the within lands and town lots assessed on the Tax Rolls of said County for the year 1915 are delinquent for the taxes of 1915 only, and that I am entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon. W. E. BRADFORD, Tax Collector.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT. We certify that we have examined the within report of lands and town lots assessed on the Tax Rolls of Midland County for the year 1915, which are delinquent for the taxes of 1915 only, and find the same correct and that W. E. Bradford, Tax Collector, is entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon. Given in open court this 8th day of May, 1916. EARL ANDERSON, County Judge. W. A. HUTCHESON, H. L. McCLINTIC, T. R. AYCOCK, County Commissioners.

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"LAW AND ORDER" BY MRS. T. M. COTTEN

Sins of Omission and Commission by Those Who Have Power in The Community

A second communication is offered by Mrs. T. M. Cotten this week, and it is one we find well worthy of space. She writes:

Editor-Reporter: Every father who is capable of reasoning from cause to effect desires to have law and order rule his town, county and home, for without the restraint of law and order thrown around his children, the down grade road to the underworld is made easy.

Our cattlemen know that when the fences are bad, or left down, their stock wander into forbidden pastures. Just so with human beings. When our officers fail to keep up the fence of law and order our dear boys will be enticed across the line of true manhood, thereby bringing shame and disgrace to their reputation and pain to the hearts of their parents.

Our young people forget that God has said, "Be sure your sins will find you out," and "There is nothing covered up, that shall not be revealed."

An officer that is not man enough to be loyal to his oath of office, to obey the law and see that others do the same, is a detriment to our town and country. He is receiving pay from the county or state and yet failing to deliver the service for which he was employed. He is only fit for the junk heap, regardless of how many or how few years he has been in office.

We all will have to give an account to Almighty God for our influence, and our silent, do-nothing lives are as driftwood on the stream of time.

Recently I have viewed beautiful rain clouds make the circuit of my horizon, but no water was given out to water our thirsty soil. Many turned away, filled with disappointment. And I thought, in like manner, God

is disappointed in our lives. The clouds had the rain that we needed. Many people are in possession of influence, which if used with energy and backed by love for humanity, would put our country on a joyous, righteous plain. "Righteous exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Our officers, our newspapers and our homes all possess influence. And oh, how dark and sad the hour when this God-given power is bartered for gold.

Mrs. T. M. Cotten.

TWENTY FORDS SOLD IN PAST FEW WEEKS

We haven't been keeping up with the sales of Ford cars during the past few weeks, but since the last time we mentioned them, about five or six weeks ago, Will Manning of the Ford Agency, reports the following sales: One each to Geo. D. Elliott, Walker-Smith Grocery Co., Joe Ragsdale, R. E. H. Morgan, Ragsdale & Jones, N. W. Ellis, Joe Youngblood, Midland Mercantile Company, M. T. Yarbrough, Holmes & Cooley, and H. T. Shumate, all of Midland; one each to Young Lee, Lewis Beyers, and E. C. Houston, of Andrews; one to N. B. Thompson, of Jal. N. M.; one to Fount Armstrong, of Monahans; and one each to R. H. Thain, Judge Buchanan, R. D. Henderson, and R. HiesFvMcH and R. D. Henderson, of Odessa. Twenty in all. Evidence: People may laugh at, but they buy and enjoy the little "Tin Hennerly" just the same.

T. E. Owens, the efficient painter and paper hanger at Odessa, was a visitor to Midland Wednesday. He called at our office very pleasantly, leaving the price of one year's subscription to The Reporter.

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LADY ARRAIGNS GOV. FERGUSON

Declares That His Statements Wont Stick Together and Proceeds To Prove It

One of The Reporter's lady readers subjects Gov. Ferguson to the following criticism, which, severe as it is, we consider just:

Editor Reporter: In Gov. Ferguson's speech at Dallas he says: "I look you in the face and tell you the state of Texas should pay its honest debts. Under my administration we have paid out the honest debts of the state." But in his Waco speech of June 10th, he said: "When I came into office I found the Penitentiary \$900,000 in debt, and that the \$900,000 is yet unpaid. So far as I know the debts are just and should be paid."

It does not seem from his own statement that he has given any thought to the settlement of this debt. He fails to tell us of any special debt that has been paid.

He states in his Waco speech that he has bought \$450,000 worth of land for the Penitentiary and pledged the credit of the state for same. In trying to explain why the state taxes are so high he claims that he has raised the pension rate \$34.00 per capita, and if re-elected would still raise it higher, and that there are 9,000 more veterans receiving pensions now than during Campbell's administration.

His opponent charges that many of the 9,000 pensioners are well to do bankers, and that the taxpayers have been paying for grocery, gasoline, banquet, hotel and traveling expenses for Ferguson and \$150 per month to his private secretary, in excess of his \$4,000 salary.

Governor Ferguson has cost the taxpayer's \$4,135,546 more for one year's services than Campbell's administration cost them for four year's service.

Our state tax is now fifty-five cents, and the Governor declares if re-elected he will make larger appropriations and if the taxpayers object he will turn them over to the foolkillers.

He seems to think he has the state of Texas by the hair of the head with a down hill pull on it.

It would be a good business proposition for the anti's to take invoice and see of their whiskey and beer have cost them any less before they use their influence to keep Ferguson on his job.

The governor seems to manifest a great fondness for the negro, as he liberated 92 from the penitentiary in last month. We have no record of him being so liberal with the white prisoners. He thinks he will need the negroes' vote, see? Let the negroes have him. C. H. Morri, will manifest due consideration for the pale-face race. So let's have a change.

Mrs. T. M. Cotten.

Citation by Publication

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

GREETING:

You are hereby commanded, that you summon, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in Midland County, Texas, if there be one published in said Midland County, Texas, but if not then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, the unknown heirs of Harriett Meyers, deceased, their heirs and legal representatives (the names, place of residence and whereabouts of said heirs being unknown to the plaintiff or his attorneys), to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the county of Midland, at the court house thereof, in the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, on the first Monday in September A. D. 1916, the same being the 4th day of September A. D. 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 28th day of June A. D. 1916, in a suit numbered on the docket of said district court No. 1371, wherein J. Wiley Taylor is Plaintiff and the unknown heirs of Harriett Meyers, deceased, their heirs and legal representatives are defendants, the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows:

Plaintiff alleges that Harriett Meyers is dead and that her unknown heirs have an apparent claim to the hereinafter described lands, and that their names, place of residence and whereabouts are unknown, and that on or about the 1st day of June, 1916, the plaintiff was the owner in fee simple title to the hereinafter described lands, and as such owner was entitled to the possession of the same. That on or about the second day of June A. D. 1916, the defendant unlawfully entered upon the same and dispossessed plaintiff and now unlawfully withholds from plaintiff the possession of said land, to the plaintiff's damage in the sum of one hundred dollars. Said lands being described as follows: All of lots one and two in block thirty-five in the original town of Midland, Midland County, Texas.

Plaintiff claims title to said property by virtue of the three year statute of limitation as provided by article 5672 of the revised statutes of Texas, and alleging that the plaintiff and those under whom he claims, claiming to be the true and lawful

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Midland, Texas

owners of the above described property, have had and held continuous open, notorious, peaceable and adverse possession thereof under color of title by regular chain of transfers from the sovereignty of the soil for more than three years next preceding the filing of this petition. Plaintiff further alleging that he and those under whom he claims, claiming to be the true and lawful owners of said land, have had and held the same under deeds duly registered, and have had and held the same by open notorious, peaceable and adverse possession continuously and have cultivated used and enjoyed the same for more than five years next preceding the filing of this petition, and have during said time paid all taxes thereon. Plaintiff further alleges that he and those under whom he claims, claiming to be the true and lawful owners of the said lands, have had and held the same by open notorious, continuous peaceable and adverse possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for more than ten years next preceding the filing of this petition. Plaintiff says that the defendants claim to said land is as follows: A patent from the state of Texas to the Texas & Pacific Railway Company, a deed from the Texas & Pacific Railway Company to The Midland Town Company, a deed from Midland Town Company to R. C. S. Reed, a deed from R. C. S. Reed to Harriett Meyers, and that said Harriett Meyers is dead and that the defendants are her heirs. Plaintiff says that the claim of the defendant to the above described land, through fraudulent and void and inferior to the plaintiff's claims, it casts a cloud upon the plaintiff's title and disturbs him in the peaceable enjoyment of the same.

Plaintiff prays for judgment against the defendants, cancelling, annulling and holding for naught all the claims in and to the above described lands, and that he recover the title and possession of said land and that all clouds be removed from the plaintiff's title, and that he have his writ of possession and restitution and for relief general and special.

Herein fail not, and have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of office in Midland, Texas, this 28th day of June, 1916.

Issued this June 28th, 1916.
W. J. Sparks, Clerk
District Court Midland County, Tex.
By Hester Stegall, Deputy.
(Seal) adv 38-8t

SALES MADE BY THE MIDLAND AUTO COMPANY

The Midland Auto Company this week reports the sale of a model 75 five-passenger Overland to Wilson & Son, of Stanton, and to Will Gates, of Andrews County, a five-passenger Hupmobile. These are both popular cars in the Midland Country, and the owners are to be congratulated.

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We offer you, not only good quality in building material, but good service as well.

IT PLEASES US TO PLEASE OUR CUSTOMERS.

Midland Lumber Co


Dodge Brothers Motor Car

One of the sincerest compliments paid the car is the eager demand for it at second-hand.

You will rarely see it mentioned in the second-hand advertisements. There is a constant waiting market and the price is always high.

The gasoline consumption is unusually low
The tire mileage is unusually high
The price of the Touring Car or Roadster complete is \$785 (f. o. b. Detroit)

STOKES & WOLCOTT
Midland and Big Spring



T you could once grasp just how and where the Cadillac stands in the car market today we could not keep you from buying one. No other car would interest you.

Remember, the Cadillac market is mostly among experienced car owners—men who have paid their money to learn the short comings of other cars. When men buy 30,000 Cadillacs in twenty months there can be but one reason—extraordinary merit and value.

—You can best understand this extraordinary merit and value by comparing the market for the Cadillac with the market for other cars. The market proves the merit and value better than anything we can say. The facts are astounding.

—30,000 Cadillacs made and sold in twenty months. No other maker whose price is \$2000 or over has ever produced this many cars in twenty years. Think of it. And then consider this: Of all other fine cars combined barely 15,000 have been produced in these twenty months. So the Cadillac market is practically twice the combined market of all other cars at \$2000 or over.

—Even among lower priced cars—in spite of the seeming attractiveness of their prices—not one car at over \$1000 has a market to compare with the Cadillac. Not one has merit enough to sell in equal volume.

—Extraordinary merit and value! Yes, the words seem tame beside the facts which must exist to so dominate the fine car trade. If you are going above \$1000 for your car, could any man keep you from buying a Cadillac? Never—if you know quality and want value.

SPAULDING BROS.

Abilene Midland Lubbock

AN ENDORSEMENT OF HON. B. F. LOONEY

One of Our Townsmen Points Out That We Give Mr. Looney For Many Favors

Some weeks ago when our distinguished young friend and former townsmen, Hon. Graham B. Smedley, visited our city, we promised him that in some issue of The Reporter, before our democratic primaries, we should announce our support of his chief, Hon. B. F. Looney. We did this with pointing out that the citizenship of this section has been favored greatly—and many times by this real friend of West Texas. We intended personally to keep that promise. However our esteemed townsmen, Judge Chas. Gibbs, covers the range of our interests in the following well defined reasons why Midland people all West Texas people for that matter, should vote for Mr. Looney:

Editor Reporter: Hon. B. F. Looney is a candidate for the nomination by the Democratic party to the office of attorney general of Texas. This is a fact that is doubtless well known to every citizen of the state and I feel very confident that he will be re-nominated as a candidate to succeed himself to this position, but I am writing this to the citizenship of Midland County and of the 20th judicial district for the purpose of calling their attention to the fact that this is a man who has rendered a substantial vote for him, which will, to some extent, be made the appreciation we have for the court now extended to this section of the state.

During the four years that I have served us, Mr. Looney has made an excellent Attorney General, and at all times has been found at his post of duty and well versed in the interests of this section in important litigation. Mr. Looney's record as Attorney General is beyond question. He has been a steady and since the press of the state has from time to time published the proceedings had in the important litigation instituted by Mr. Looney on behalf of the state, and for this reason I will not burden you with a "hash" of it.

Special service to this section, which has been very beneficial to a number of our citizens, and, indirectly, has

been of great benefit to this country generally. I refer to what is commonly termed the preference right act of 1913. During the boom that passed over this section a few years ago a great many people bought school lands too high and soon found that they were unable to pay the interest on their lands, much less the principal that would have ultimately fallen due, and they were in eminent danger of losing their lands, together with their improvements, by forfeiture. These people had invested in these lands and had improved them in an honest effort to develop the country and establish homes for themselves and their families, and it was nothing but fair and right that the State should give them a preference right to repurchase their homes where they had been forfeited for non payment of interest. Those who were actively connected with the enactment of this preference right law and who were pressing it upon the legislature know that Mr. Looney took an active part in this legislation and is largely responsible for the law. This law has enabled many of our citizens to repurchase their homes, pay up their debts and re-establish themselves among us as citizens and thus the entire citizenship of West Texas has been benefited by Mr. Looney's efforts in the discharge of his duties as our Attorney General.

And, again, we should feel a sense of loyalty to our former fellow-townsmen, Hon. Graham B. Smedley, who is at present assistant Attorney General under Mr. Looney, and who will probably continue in this department of the state as long as Mr. Looney continues in office. We petitioned Mr. Looney to appoint Mr. Smedley as an assistant in his department and in response to our endorsements Mr. Looney chose Mr. Smedley from many applicants and placed him in charge of the land title division of his department. I understand that he has more than five hundred assistants at the capital at Austin. Mr. Smedley is the only chief who has recognized the rights of this section in selecting his assistants. The most of us are personal friends and acquaintances of Mr. Smedley and in behalf appreciate the fact that Mr. Looney has favored him with this important appointment. But there is a bigger principal than that that I wish to call to your attention and that is of gratitude and appreciation. Mr. Looney's department is the department of our state that has recognized

THE FOX AGGREGATION OF POPULAR PLAYERS

Neither Mr. Fox nor his company need an introduction in Midland, as every man, woman, or child who ever went to a show have seen this one at some time or other. There isn't a year that rolls by that the Fox Players don't play Midland and the show is always well patronized. Roy E. Fox is a wide awake showman who always digs up something new and different, always gives a good, clean, pleasing show and is deserving of all the patronage he gets.

Last Monday night the company started a two weeks engagement here and the big tent was packed to the doors. From the time the band played its first tune until long after the curtain went up, the people flocked in a continuous stream until there wasn't a seat nor standing room. As all of the old favorites made their entrance one by one upon the stage they were greeted with a goodly round of applause. All the old favorites are with the show as well as many new faces. The show is, without a doubt, bigger and better than it ever was before. One noticeable feature this year is the extra vaudeville carried in addition to the regular show.

Mrs. Hazel Fox, in the leading role, made a marked impression. She is an actress of exceptional ability, with the charm and sweetness of a school girl, and Mr. Saddler as the country boy, Mr. Bright, the farmer's son, and Mr. Thardo as the good old farmer, were all good in their parts, while Miss Sheffield, Mrs. Thardo, Mr. Sheffield and Mr. Wilkinson also deserve special mention.

The vaudeville number, introduced by Mr. Saddler, Mrs. Fox and the four Copelands were the best ever seen here, with a company of this character. The company will remain this and all next week, offering a new show each night, with special matinees each Saturday. The company is a good one and deserving of big business.

Western Texas in the most substantial and direct manner, and we will be given an opportunity in the next few days to reciprocate these courtesies.

If for any reason you do not endorse Mr. Looney's administration, I wish to call your attention to the fact that by voting for Mr. Looney you are also voting for Mr. Smedley. A good vote from this section of the state for Mr. Looney will be to some extent complimentary to Mr. Smedley, whom you all know to be a conscientious and deserving young lawyer, while a light vote from this district, and this county especially, would be very humiliating to him. Let us relieve Mr. Smedley from any embarrassment when the returns from this district are counted and at the same time show the people that we are loyal to those high in authority who recognize the fact that we are "on the map."

Respectfully,
Chas. Gibbs.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy

Every family without exception should keep this preparation at hand during the hot weather of the summer months. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is worth many times its cost when needed and is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over. It has no superior for the purposes for which it is intended. Buy it now. Obtainable everywhere.

BAPTIST CHURCH
9:45, Bible school.
11:00 a. m. subject, "Power of Inward Religion."
7:30, B. Y. P. U.
8:30, Air dome. Sam Malone of Abilene will preach. Welcome to all.

"The Blindness of Virtue" is portrayed by two great stars, Edna Mayo and Bryant Washburn, and illustrates the harm which can come to a girl through her ignorance of matters pertaining to her sex. It portrays all of this in an unsuggestive manner, appealing solely to the intellect. At the Unique Tuesday, July 18th. adv.

One of the most pleasing things we have seen lately was Mrs. C. P. Benedict's orchard. Mr. Benedict motored us over one day this week, and it was splendid to see. The trees are young, but loaded with all sorts of luscious fruits, plums, peaches, pears, grapes, etc., enough and to spare for all family use. This is the real thing you hear of in living at home, when combined with their big flock of poultry, milk cow, pigs, etc., and in this season of dry weather the visit was an inspiring one.

A LAXATIVE COLD CLEANSER.
Don't put off taking a treatment of Po-Do-Lax. Your system needs a cleanser and tonic—nothing like Po-Do-Lax to purify the blood, gently move the bowels and stimulate the liver to healthy action. The first dose releases the accumulated poisons. It is a laxative tonic for young, adult and aged. Its mild non-gripping action commends it to delicate women. Guaranteed—a trial will convince you. Get a bottle today.
adv No. 1

IN SOCIETY

Priscilla Club
The ladies of the Priscilla club enjoyed a delightful afternoon on last Wednesday as guests of Mrs. Marie Riggs at her pleasant home.

As is usual with this club, the time was spent in fancy work and friendly merry making, until a late hour when Mrs. Riggs served delicious refreshments which were heartily enjoyed.

Ranch House Party
Last Tuesday morning the young ladies who compose the Philaetha class of the Baptist Sunday school loaded into cars and went out with Mr. and Mrs. John M. Cowden for a few days' stay upon their ranch. Mr. and Mrs. Claud Cowden and Mr. and Mrs. Rube Evans joined them there and assisted in making the stay an enjoyable one.

All kinds of sports, such as riding and swimming, made the time pass rapidly. For those who enjoy a quieter life there was "42" or music or just talking, but all had a good time and are loud in their praises of the generous hospitality of this attractive ranch home.

Those who composed the party were Misses Lorene Edwards, Gracie Carlisle, Lois Patterson, Ruth Epley, Maurine Pollard, Blanche Dunagan, Edith Horne, Edna Barron, Tinnie Florey, Vernon Hill, Essie Cowden, Eddie Taylor, Minnie Jones, Alma Epley and Annie Cowden of Abilene.

Miss Hattie Dew, who has been the guest of relatives for some time, will leave for her home tomorrow. On Monday she will go to Fort Worth to attend a house party to be given by Miss Irene Crowley.

Shelby Dew of Grand Prairie has been visiting his sisters, Mesdames Ray and J. Vane Smith.

D. H. Roettger is visiting relatives in Huntington, Ind., his old home. This is his first visit there for several years and will, no doubt, prove a pleasant one.

Mrs. Chas. Goldsmith, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Goldsmith, Jr., returned Wednesday night from Temple, where they went for an operation sustained by the younger Mrs. Goldsmith. It is pleasant indeed to know the young lady is much improved in health and many friends are hoping she may soon be fully restored.

Mrs. Barbara Wall and children returned last Monday night from a six weeks visit to relatives and friends in Fort Worth and Weatherford.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

It is gratifying to note the splendid attendance upon the services of the church this hot weather. Our congregations last Sunday were larger than usual, and interest in the preaching of the gospel was good. Our Sunday school attendance has been running right around the two hundred mark all summer, and a few times has gone beyond two hundred. There were fifty one young people present at the Epworth League devotional service last Sunday evening. Besides the matter of attendance, there are other evidences of substantial growth and progress in our church life. The vesper services which our young people are holding on the lawn adjoining the church, at 7:45 Sunday evenings, are profitable and delightful, and promise much good, in the developing of the devotional and spiritual life of our young people. Following is the schedule for next Sunday:

11:00 A. M., preaching.
3:00 P. M., Junior League.
7:30 P. M. Senior League, Vesper service.
8:30 P. M., preaching.
Morning subject: "The Old Time Gospel."
Evening subject: "The Foolishness of preaching, versus the wisdom of this world."

The public is cordially invited.
J. M. Perry, Pastor.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

The Christian Citizen in 1916.
Leader, Essie Cowden.
Song, No. 353.
Prayer, Mrs. Quick.
Scripture Lesson, Malachi 3, Brookie Lee.
Some Present Day Needs.
Study Civilization Based on Laws of Peace, Mr. Pemberton.
Human Rights Above Property Rights, Edna Barron.
How to Fulfill These Needs as Citizens, Mr. Kerr.
Benediction.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday school at 10 a. m., Dr. J. F. Clark, Supt., Mrs. L. C. Majors, Supt. of Primary work.
Preaching at 11 a. m. Topic, "A Study of Brazil."
Sermon at night. Theme, "These Sayings of Mine."
I expect to preach at Prairie Lee school house in the afternoon.
Henry O. Moore, Minister.

There are many mothers who will find much to benefit them in "The Blindness of Virtue," the great moral picture which will be shown at the Unique next Tuesday night. adv.

No. 4368
Report of Condition of
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
at Midland, in the state of Texas, at the close of business on June 30, 1916.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$518,046.11
Overdrafts, unsecured	12.06
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation	25,000.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	12,000.00
Less amount unpaid	6,000.00
Value of banking house (if unencumbered)	30,000.00
Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	17,661.26
Net amt. due from app. res. agts. in N.Y., Chi., St. L.	43,295.13
Net amt. due from app. res. agts. in other res. cities	54,419.10
Net amt. due from banks, bankers (other than above)	20,374.67
Outside checks and other cash items	3,671.02
Fractional currency, nickels and cents	143.34
Notes of other national banks	1,867.40
Coin and certificates	22,955.50
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
TOTAL	\$744,695.13

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	100,000.00
Undivided profits	5,253.58
Reserved for taxes	2,050.20
Reserved for interest	36.59
Circulating notes outstanding	7,340.37
Net amount due to banks, bankers (other than above)	16,288.18
Individual deposits subject to check	478,017.34
Cashier's checks outstanding	10,549.30
Total demand deposits	488,566.64
Certificates of deposit	7,500.00
Total of time deposits	7,500.00
TOTAL	\$744,695.13

State of Texas, County of Midland, ss:
I, W. R. Chancellor, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. R. Chancellor, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of July, 1916.
J. W. Hampton, Notary Public, Midland County, Texas.

Correct—Attest: J. H. BARRON,
E. R. BRYAN,
P. SCHARBAUER.

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts	Capital-Stock
\$518,046.11	\$100,000.00
Overdrafts	Surplus
12.06	100,000.00
U. S. Bonds	Undivided profits (net)
25,000.00	5,253.58
Stock in Fed. Res. Bank	Reserver for taxes
6,000.00	2,086.79
Banking House	Circulation
30,000.00	25,000.00
5 Per Ct. Redem. Fund	Borrowed Money
1,250.00	NONE
Cash in vault and with banks	DEPOSITS
164,387.02	512,354.82
\$744,695.19	\$744,695.19

"Cured"

Mrs. Jay McOce, of Stephenville, Texas, writes: "For nine (9) years, I suffered with womanly trouble. I had terrible headaches, and pains in my back, etc. It seemed as if I would die, I suffered so. At last, I decided to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, and it helped me right away. The full treatment not only helped me, but it cured me."

TAKE Cardui The Woman's Tonic

Cardui helps women in time of greatest need, because it contains ingredients which act specifically, yet gently, on the weakened womanly organs. So, if you feel discouraged, blue, out-of-sorts, unable to do your household work, on account of your condition, stop worrying and give Cardui a trial. It has helped thousands of women,—why not you? Try Cardui.

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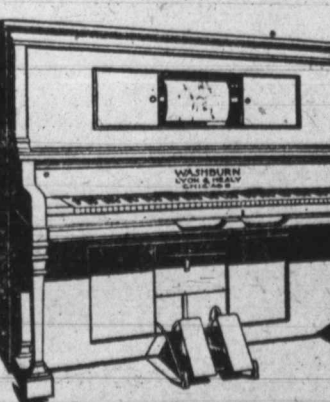
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Prize-winning, registered Duroc Jersey boar for service. S. H. Gwyn, south of Uncle Willis Holloway. 19-ft

Edna Mayo, as the Countess Dagmar, in Graustark, to be shown at the Unique, Tuesday, July 11th, wears \$10,000.00 worth of jewels. Her gowns are said to be gorgeous. adv.

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Unsurpassed in design and appearance. Renowned for the enduring character of their sweet tonal qualities.
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P. W. MOORE
MIDLAND, TEXAS

NEWS

Thought Our Midst

Mrs. R. Texas, with lie Millard, this summer of Mrs. F. Miss Gal Pecos for the back in S. lege. Miss the summer Mrs. Willi school here The coll more and n and thrift. thriving u Mr. Wilhit water from ply by a c the entire pared acco tural metho periment n soil of the ly satisfac The fol themselves ed garden lettuce, ra raised in a supplied fr school. So Black Loc Cypress C all growin Several vai tried, all v seems to care, wher Midland so A numb been secur



See at our Salesroom the Car that DETROIT Likes Better than any other in the World

In Detroit, where people KNOW cars, more Studebakers are in use than any other cars listing at more than \$500.

This is significant.

For the simple reason that Detroit is the Home of Automobiles. More than three-fourths of the cars manufactured in the United States are made in Detroit.

In Detroit a BIG percentage of the residents are either directly engaged in the motor industry—or come into DAILY contact with people who are.

They talk cars. They study cars. They hear gossip from all the great factories established in the city. They know the plants and the efficiency of the manufacturing organizations. They know the men back of the cars.

And as a whole, knowledge of automobiles is far more general and EXACT in Detroit than in any other city on the earth.

So when you know that for the entire year of 1915, registrations in Detroit showed MORE Studebakers in use than any other cars selling at more than \$500, it can mean but one thing: that to the people of Detroit, people who KNOW cars and who KNOW VALUE IN CARS, Studebaker offers the top value of the market!

And this fact is all the more significant when you know that Studebaker has only been selling cars in Detroit for about half as long as its nearest competitors have.

In half the time, Studebaker has outstripped them all, and today you go to Detroit, and you find more Studebakers on the streets than any other make of cars costing over \$500.

Be sure to see the new SERIES 17 Studebakers at the show—The Cars of the GOLDEN Chassis.

PRICE & RAMSAY MIDLAND, TEXAS

Six Cylinder Models	Four Cylinder Models	Half-Ton Commercial Cars
Touring Car, 7 passenger \$1035	Touring Car, 7 passenger \$875	Panel Delivery Car . . . \$875
Roadster, 3-passenger . . 1060	Roadster, 3-passenger . . 850	Express Car 850
Landau-Roadster, 3-pass. 1350	Landau-Roadster, 3-pass. 1150	Station and Baggage Wagon 875
Coupe, 4-passenger . . . 1600		
Sedan 1675		
Limousine, 7-passenger . . 2500		

F. O. E. Detroit

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Fred Robinson returned to her home at Bisbee, Arizona, last Wednesday, after visiting her sister, Mrs. S. R. Preston, for some time.

Parties desiring to have their pianos tuned or repaired will please leave orders for me with Basham, Shepherd & Company. adv 31 tf. F. M. Denton.

All kinds of canning, preserving and pickling done reasonably. Also crochet and embroidery, yokes, centerpieces, laces, etc. Mrs. S. H. Gwyn, south of Uncle Willis Holloway. adv 35tf

I will pay more than any one else in town for rubber, any kind, and brass. W. B. Fullen. 34tf

Tires of various sizes. They are seconds, but the price is the thing, and will interest you. Will Manning, at The Ford Agency adv 29 tf.

For Sale—Our home in West Midland. There are five or six acres of ground connected with it, suitable for building lots or a small truck farm. Priced right. We want to sell for the reason the place is larger than we can properly care for. George Wein 38tf

We are glad, indeed, to know that Mrs. R. E. Ringo, who two weeks ago, was operated on for appendicitis, is now almost well. There were no complications and she got along beautifully from the first.

Mrs. Claud Hearrell and children returned Tuesday from Cleburne, where for several weeks they had been visiting Mrs. Hearrell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. B. Landers. Mr. Hearrell went for them and they motored through.

Constipation and Indigestion
"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere. adv 39-1m.

Mrs. J. S. Lipscomb, a guest of her sister, Mrs. B. N. Aycoer, for some time, left Wednesday for her home in Fort Worth. 12

We regret to report the very serious illness of W. W. Armstrong. He was stricken early this week and it is very much feared he suffers of pneumonia.

Last week we mentioned a sale of 2-year-old steers by Geo. T. McClintic & Son, the steers bringing \$38 around. The mistake was they were yearlings and not twos.

Miss Leona McCormick is now visiting friends and relatives in Roswell, N. M. Her visit will be an extended one and she will visit several points in that section.

When you need any veterinary surgery or dental work done, you will find me located now at the Home Hotel, phone No. 404, Dr. J. A. McBe, veterinary surgeon. adv 1tp

Wanted—To rent a 5- or 6-room cottage, centrally located. Stanbury Alderman, at the Telephone office. adv. 38-tf.

Pure fresh water every day at Cloverdale. Come out and cool off. adv-33tf.

Try the regular dinners at the Warrick Cafe. adv 21-tf

I have thirty-three hundred and 94 acres of State school land in Culberson County, joining New Mexico line north, to trade. \$150 due State. J. H. Hines, Midland, Texas. 39-4t

We have rooms for light house-keeping. Central Rooming House, Phone 434. adv 33tf

For Sale—Two brood sows with young pigs. Phone 251. adv39-2t

For Sale—18 lots near near W. H. Tucker's. Will trade for house that I can move. I sell East India medicine and liniment. Lost, a pocket knife, three big blades, piece broken off the handle. See L. C. Sharp. adv 39-4tp

For Sale—Four room house, 6 lots, well, 30 foot water, pump, in business section of town. Price \$750. Easy terms. Apply to A. R. Toby, Midland, Texas. adv 33tf

ONE WEEK MORE Roy E. Fox POPULAR PLAYERS UNDER CANVAS

Midland, Monday, July 17

Complete change of program nightly with special scenery and lighting effects.

- MONDAY
"St Elmo."
- TUESDAY
"My Boy Jack."
- WEDNESDAY
"The Dope Fiend."
- THURSDAY
"Amy of the Circus."
- FRIDAY
"East Lynne"
- SATURDAY MATINEE—2:30
"The Flower of the Ranch."
- SATURDAY
"The James Boys of Missouri."

Vaudeville Between Every Act

Admission 10c and 20c
If it rains come anyway.
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NEWS ITEMS FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE

Though Out There They Are In The Midst of Vacation There Is Much of Interest

Mrs. R. D. Shults, of McKinney, Texas, with her sons, Richard and Leslie Millard, are visiting at the college this summer. Mrs. Shults is a sister of Mrs. F. G. Jones.

Miss Golda Wilhite has returned to Pecos for the summer. She will come back in September to enter the college. Miss Mary Wilhite is spending the summer with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wilhite. She also will be in school here this fall.

The college campus is taking on more and more the appearance of life and thrift. All the young trees are thriving under the watchful care of Mr. Wilhite and an abundance of water from the two wells which supply by a complete system of piping the entire campus. Flower beds prepared according to the best horticultural methods are luxuriant. The experiment made the past year on the soil of the college campus is eminently satisfactory.

The following facts speak for themselves: Under a canvas covered garden bed, 16x50 feet, mustard, lettuce, radishes, and spinach were raised in abundance; the table being supplied from January on till close of school. Some vegetables were sold. Black Locust, Cottonwood, Catalpa, Cypress Cedar, and poplar trees are all growing nicely on the campus. Several varieties of flowers have been tried, all with perfect success. This seems to indicate that with proper care, where water is supplied, the Midland soil is very productive.

A number of new students have been secured on the late campaign.

The Christian churches of Texas have at last organized for the equipment and endowment of all their schools, viz: Carr-Carlton, the female school at Sherman, Midland College, a first class Junior college, and Texas Christian University at Ft. Worth. When the present campaign closes and the debts of all the schools are wiped out, there awaits \$175,000 in endowments for Texas Christian University and nearly \$50,000 for Midland College. The schools will then have a property value of more than a \$100,000. Their enrollment the past year was more than 700.

Pres. F. G. Jones returned home Monday from Stamford where the Central West Texas Team of the Educational Campaign now on among the Christian churches of Texas, closed its four weeks preliminary canvass on Sunday evening last. He left for Dallas Thursday, where the ten team leaders of which he is a member, will meet and check up on the campaign. More than \$100,000 was secured which will be raised to \$200,000 before January first. Midland College is to receive one eighth of all money raised, or \$25,000. This will pay all obligations of the school and secure a substantial sum already promised towards endowment.

Several thousand dollars will be spent in the laboratory and library equipment of the college the coming fall. This amount is made necessary by the new requirements of the Texas Association of Colleges. It now seems assured that the college will have a Domestic Arts course in September.

The contract has been let for a four-room bungalow to be erected on lots adjoining those of President Jones. It will be occupied by Prof. Ray M. Camp and his mother, and brother Tom. Tom was graduated from the Pecos High school last month and will have charge of the college orchestra during the next

session.

Miss Lena Holland of Brownwood, Texas, has been selected for the Piano department of Midland college next year. Miss Holland is a graduate in Piano from Kidd-Key college, studying the entire time under Harold Von Milkwitz. After teaching several years she entered Christian College at Columbia, Missouri, and has just completed the post graduate course.

Miss Holland is a young lady of excellent qualities and is welcome to Midland.

Mrs. Tom T. Garrard, Jr., this week received a letter from her father, our former townsman, S. H. Holloway, now of Long Beach, Cal. It stated that an operation had been performed on his eyes and he can now see as well as ever, while he suffered little pain or inconvenience from the operation. This is good news to friends.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO LEVYING TAX FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

(H. J. R. No. 36.)
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing a levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the district.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to hereafter read as follows:
Section 3. School Taxes.—One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes, and a poll tax of \$1.00 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 40 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year. The Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem county tax within the counties of this State not to exceed 50 cents

on the \$100.00 valuation of property situated within the county; provided, a majority of the qualified voters at an election voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax for the purpose of maintaining the public free schools of the county, and the Legislature may also provide, for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the necessity of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties, and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all such districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, or hereafter formed, for the maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax not to exceed in any one year one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns, constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby instructed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election to be held in November, 1916, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district." And those opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county, and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district."

Sec. 3. The sum of \$5,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary therefor, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

(NOTE.—H. J. R. No. 36 was adopted by the House March 6, year 104, days 12. Was adopted by the Senate, with amendments, March 19, year 25, days 2. House concurred in Senate amendments March 19, year 78, days 15, present and not voting.)
Approved April 1, 1915.
(A true copy.)
JOHN G. McKAY,
Secretary of State.

**SEVENTEEN TEAMS
NOW ON GRADE LINE**

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teams were added to the work of grading this week, so President O'Donnell informs us, and as soon as the engineer gets sufficiently ahead it is the purpose of the grading contractor to add teams enough to swell the force to 40; and 40 teams will put the grade through to Seminole in a hurry.

In connection with the building of the Midland & Northwestern, out of Midland to Seminole, we note an interesting associated press dispatch which appeared in recent issues of the daily papers: It was dated at Snyder, and conveys information that "announcement comes from Lubbock that the citizens of that town have signed up with the Santa Fe railway to construct a road from Lubbock to Seminole."

This is good news. We, of course, have no authentication of this report, but it is very well known that the Santa Fe is interesting itself in that section of the country lying between Seminole and Lubbock, or between Seminole and Lamesa, and it is not unreasonable to suppose that the great Santa Fe system may co-operate with the movement toward railroad construction through this section rather than fight it.

If the above press dispatch proves true, then Midland people will realize more than ever the immense importance of hurrying the construction of the Midland & Northwestern.

President O'Donnell and his associates now say Seminole has at last raised the last of her bonus, that all right-of-way troubles are ended, and that little, from this time on, will retard the construction of the road. It is expected that the road will actually be in operation by January next.

Miller's Studio—regular \$6.00 Cabinet Photos for only \$4.00—July 15th to August 1st. 40-2t.

NATURE'S WARNING

Midland People Must Recognize and Heed It

Kidney ills come mysteriously. But nature generally warns you. Notice the kidney secretions. See if the color is unhealthy. If there are settlements and sediment. Passages frequent, scanty, painful. It's time to use Doan's Kidney Pills. Doan's have done great work in Midland.

W. T. Holcombe, Big Spring Street, Midland, says: "Last spring I was troubled by my kidneys. They were weak and I had a steady, dull ache through the small of my back. The kidney secretions were highly colored and passed too frequently, obliging me to get up several times at night. I had read a lot about Doan's Kidney Pills and got a box at Taylor & Son's drug store. They cured me and I haven't been bothered since."

Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that cured Mr. Holcombe. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. adv39-2t

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DOES SLOAN'S LINIMENT HELP RHEUMATISM?

Ask the man who uses it, he knows. "To think I suffered all these years when one 25 cent bottle of Sloan's Liniment cured me" writes one grateful user. If you have rheumatism or suffer from neuralgia, backache, soreness and stiffness, don't put off getting a bottle of Sloan's. It will give you such welcome relief. It warms and soothes the sore, stiff painful places and you feel so much better. Buy it at any drug store, only 25 cents. adv No.1

**NEWS NOTES BY
SECRETARY STARR**

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his section of Indiana. He said that many of their feeders fed only for a fancy trade and received fancy prices for their finished cattle. They market most of their cattle at Buffalo, N. Y., to independent packers, who have developed a business for extra quality beef with a number of the large hotels and private clubs in the East. For their finished cattle they have been receiving from 11c to 13c per pound at their own loading station; the cattle being bought before they left the feeding pens. Mr. Leavell said to cater to this class of trade it was necessary for their feeders to buy the best range stock obtainable, and that he thought that the range stock raised in the Midland Country filled their needs in this respect.

Mr. Leavell said that it was his intentions at present to try to get some of his neighbors to accompany him on a visit to Midland this fall while our fair and stock show is in progress. He is well acquainted with Fred Reppert, who lives some twenty-five miles to the north of him. We trust Mr. Leavell will not disappoint us in this promised visit, and that Midland may receive many more visits from him and his friends in the future.

A number of inquiries are now being received each week from outside parties, who are interested in our fair and fat stock show. Among others received in the last day or two was one from the president of a bank at Kenedy, Texas, inquiring as to the exact date, and as to whether reduced railroad rates could be obtained.

Prospects are very bright for a large attendance at the great Midland show this fall. The management is already sending out considerable advertising matter, which will be followed by additional matter from time to time. Don't fail to add your good word whenever the opportunity is presented.

Don't forget that the Midland County Farmers' Institute will hold their regular semi-monthly meeting at 2:30 p. m., in the office of the Chamber of Commerce. An interesting program will be carried out at this meeting.

Quite a number of visitors have dropped in at the office of the Chamber of Commerce during the last week, some just to visit a few minutes, others seeking information. We are glad to have these visitors call.

YOUNG MAN—YOUNG WOMAN

There are several contemplating taking the business or stenographic course in the Midland branch of Hill's Business College, of Waco. Are you one of them? This is an opportunity for you to get a good, sound, practical training that will be very beneficial to you in any walk of life and NOW is the time to get busy if you want this school for Midland. Prof. W. W. Darby, the best commercial teacher of the South, for thirty years is the superintendent and many of your citizens have studied under him in the past and will cheerfully testify to his thorough, painstaking work and deep personal interest in each student. Write Prof. W. W. Darby, Superintendent Extension School Department, or see Prof. N. T. Hensley on your streets all day and every day. adv.

No. 6410
Report of Condition of
THE MIDLAND NATIONAL BANK
at Midland, in the state of Texas, at the close of business on June 30th, 1916.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$422,235.14
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation	50,000.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	9,000.00
Less amount unpaid	4,500.00
Furniture and fixtures	8,363.50
Real estate owned other than banking house	796.59
Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	18,493.46
Net amt. due from app. res. agts. in N.Y., Chi., St. L.	4,995.08
Net amt. due from app. res. agts. in other res. cities	16,944.59
Net amt. due from banks, bankers (other than above)	606.06
Other checks on banks in same city as reporting bank	1,543.94
Outside checks and other cash items	69.70
Fractional currency, nickles, and cents	55.61
Notes of other national banks	125.31
Federal Reserve bank notes	250.00
Coin and certificates	10,142.75
Legal-tender notes	7,694.09
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500.00
TOTAL	\$545,506.42
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$72,000.00
Surplus fund	75,000.00
Undivided profits	27,560.53
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	10,733.74
Circulating notes outstanding	50,000.00
Net amt. due to app. res. agts. in other res. cities	8,776.35
Net amt. due to banks, bankers (other than above)	978.29
Individual deposits subject to check	234,736.34
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days and payable on demand	30,000.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	688.65
Deposits requiring notice but less than 30 days	10,000.00
Total demand deposits	274,736.34
Certificates of deposit	21,000.00
Total of time deposits	21,000.00
Rediscounts with Federal Reserve Bank	15,750.00
Notes and bills rediscounted elsewhere than at Federal Reserve Bank	6,750.00
TOTAL	\$545,506.42

State of Texas, County of Midland, ss:
I, B. C. Girdley, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
B. C. Girdley, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of July, 1916
Ralph M. Barron,
Notary Public, Midland County, Texas.
Correct—Attest: W. H. Brunson,
Chas. L. Sinclair,
J. R. Dublin, Directors.

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Building Time**

ON THE RANCH AND FARM

Mr. Ranchman, Mr. Farmer:

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**G. F. COWDEN & SON
SHIP BULL BY EXPRESS**

One day recently G. F. Cowden & Son sold a yearling bull, a registered Angus, to R. E. Burrus, of New Mexico. Mr. Burrus prizes the young animal very highly and wanted a safe and quick delivery, so he ordered the bull shipped by express. It is the first animal Messrs. Cowden have shipped in this way.

Biliousness and Stomach Trouble

Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach trouble and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbyke, Lima, Ohio. "I could eat very little food that agreed with me and I became so dizzy and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly." Obtainable everywhere. adv 39-1m.

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