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FT. WORTH-EL PASO HIGHWAY MEETING

Great Interest Manifested at Court House Friday Night in the Talks Made

The meeting at the court house on last Friday night in the interest of the Fort Worth-El Paso highway was not attended as largely as it should have been, but those present were repaid for their efforts by listening to the talks given by E. J. Hernan, assistant director general of the National good roads association of Washington, D. C., and T. P. Grant, an old resident of Brady, Texas, and an enthusiastic believer in the value of good roads.

Mr. Hernan explained the wide scope of the National Association's work; what they had been able to do in congress, and in the different states

throughout the Union. Congress two years ago promised to appropriate within three years \$25,000,000 to be expended in connection with local funds on the different highways of the United States; this promise was redeemed by the appropriation within less than two years of \$85,000,000 for this purpose. So that this fund would be wisely expended, the bill carrying this appropriation specified that each state to get its apportionment must have a state highway department with a competent highway engineer at its head. To date only two states have failed to secure their part of this fund. Indiana and Texas, not having complied with the requirements of the law. A bill was presented at our last legislature, providing for a state highway department, but owing to the lack of interest and co-operation on the part of our people, this bill was defeated. Texas, being a large state was allowed \$4,500,000 as her share of the funds provided by the national government, this money is still available if the proper state action is taken at our next legislature.

Mr. Hernan explained that the National Association had spent and was still spending thousands of dollars in the state of Texas in the interest of this work, owing to our state organization being weak in funds, and that they did not expect to be repaid otherwise than by being able to show results in a greater interest being taken throughout the state, bringing about the necessary legislative action, and the building of systems of state highways, linking up with adjoining state highway systems and thereby helping to complete the great national highway systems planned but pointed out that it would be necessary for the state to finance its own work soon, and that this could be only done by giving the State Highway Association, which has its headquarters at San Antonio, D. C. Colp, secretary, the benefit of a greater share in both state and national legislative work. The membership fee of \$5.00, four dollars of which goes to the state organization, would finance that organization so that it would not be handicapped for funds. The remaining dollar would remain in the county where the membership lived to be used for local

JUDGE KNOWLES WILL MOVE TO ARIZONA

It is with deep regret that we received the information this week that Judge J. H. Knowles and wife will in the future be residents of Arizona. Judge Knowles is one of Midland's old timers, having come here when Midland was very young. He has been our county judge for two terms, and is held in the highest esteem by all Midland and the Midland Country. Judge Knowles and his estimable wife some time in the near future will leave for Globe, Ariz., where they will stay probably for an extended visit. They have not fully decided just what city in Arizona they will permanently locate, but wherever they go, they have The Reporter's best wishes.

B. H. Mosley and Boon, horsemen were in town Monday with a car of horses which they shipped to Texarkana. They sold 400 young steers to J. Williams at private terms.

work. It was explained that the National Association would only work with the different communities through the state organization, as any other method would involve too much detail. The influence of each section will depend upon its membership, as each member will have a vote and any delegate could be empowered to cast this entire vote at any state meeting.

In each county traversed by the proposed Fort Worth-El Paso Highway local county good roads association have been recently formed to carry out this work, several hundred members have been secured to not only lend their influence to the work but with the funds secured to help the state association as outlined, so that the good roads movement throughout the state will be promoted. A live organization at Big Spring was formed on Thursday evening, and on Monday morning Stanton fell in line with a membership to their local organization of some twenty-five to thirty members. At a meeting held in Odessa on Saturday morning an organization was effected of the Ector County Good Roads Association with some thirty members, all of whom were enthusiastic in their pledge to this work.

It was decided by those present at the Midland meeting on Friday night to promote a local organization here, and lists for membership have been circulated this week, the work meeting with the hearty approbation of our citizens, showing that the light attendance at the meeting was not due to lack of interest in the work. The exact number of members to our local organization will be made public as soon as the town has been canvassed for members. A meeting has been called for Friday morning of this week to elect the officers of the county organization. This meeting will be too late to get an account of it for this issue, but it will be given in detail in our next. We trust that no efforts or pains will be spared to promote this work, as it is second in importance to none in the State.

MAKES LAST PLEA FOR AMENDMENT

State Supt. Doughty Urges Friends of Education to Support Measure to Increase School Fund

To the Voters of Texas:

The constitutional amendment to be voted upon by the people on the seventh of November is distinctly an educational amendment, and is the only amendment to be considered at that time. One leading feature of the amendment is that it does not impose a tax of itself but if adopted will give various districts and counties of the State an opportunity to secure additional support for their schools if they need it and want it.

The amendment was submitted to the people of Texas in response to a wide-spread demand throughout the State for an opportunity to secure

greater support for the schools than is now permitted by the constitution of the State. Many districts in Texas have already reached the constitutional limit in taxation and are yet short of funds with which to provide an adequate system of public free schools. Inasmuch as the amendment does not levy a tax on any district or county, the voters of such counties and districts as may not need additional support should in good neighborly spirit vote for the amendment, for by so doing they will give the needy districts of Texas an opportunity to establish good schools for their children.

Four hundred and sixty-seven independent school districts, and approximately two thousand common school districts in the State have already voted upon themselves the limitation permitted by the present constitution. Many of these districts need additional support and cannot secure another dollar for their schools unless this amendment is adopted. On account of the compulsory school attendance law, many schools in these districts are now filled to overflowing with pupils for whom there is no provision for housing, seating or teaching. The only relief for such districts is the adoption of the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the State constitution known as House Joint Resolution 30, to be voted on the seventh of November.

Yours for the schools,
W. F. Doughty,
State Superintendent.

NEW CAFE WILL OPEN FOR BUSINESS

This week W. F. Dyer and Dick Demsey purchased the building recently made vacant by the Lone Star Cafe, and have overhauled and improved same until now it is a most attractive place. They will open up this place tomorrow to the public and propose to run a strictly first class eating house in every way. Mr. Demsey is a chef of the old school variety and Mr. Dyer is a hustler in every thing he undertakes and The Reporter predicts a substantial business for these two young men. The new cafe will be known as "Frank and Dick's Cafe."

NOTHING DEFINITE YET DONE IN REGARD TO OUR FIRE BOYS

The Midland Volunteer Fire Department served notice on our city council last week that they would resign within ten days from that date unless something definite was done in securing new fire fighting facilities. Up to this writing, Wednesday, nothing definite has been done, and our boys declare they will keep their word. No one can blame the boys in their stand, for what they have been using to fight fires with is a burlesque, comical, and would do well to use in a movie comedy. They have made heroic stands at times of conflagrations, and they realize that it is simply ridiculous to try and fight the fire fiend with the old, rotten outfit that would be a disgrace to Bingville.

Now what are we going to do? Wait until we have a disastrous fire, and then circulate a petition? Probably thousands of dollars will go up in smoke while we procrastinate.

Again we ask, "What are we going to do?" We spend thousands of dollars upon improvements, automobiles, etc., and let our property stand unprotected. Where is the common old every-day horse sense in acting this way? We believe in preparedness.

NEW PASTOR OF METHODIST CHURCH HAS ARRIVED

Rev. J. W. Cowan, the new Methodist pastor, wife and daughter, Miss Alma, arrived last Tuesday from Lampassas, where Rev. Cowan was presiding elder of the Lampassas district for the past four years. They are now domiciled in the Methodist parsonage, and Bro. Cowan will fill his pulpit next Sunday at the usual hours. We trust that the new pastor and family will be pleased with their new work, and that their labors in our city will not prove in vain. We extend to them a hearty welcome to our city.

BLAZING CAT MAKES BUSINESS GOOD FOR FIREMEN IN CHICAGO

A harmless cat, in Chicago the other day, was transformed into a flaming meteor on East Lake street when a small boy applied a match to its fur.

A fire engine company was called out to squirt water on its erratic wake after it had brushed against some straw packing around several acid carbons on the platforms of the Edwards Lighting Fixture Company and started a hot blaze. Firemen with chemical hand apparatus followed the blazing cat's trail and put out several other small blazes.

A. C. Hayden, of the Big Spring Herald force, visited The Reporter boys last Wednesday and spent quite a pleasant day with us. Come again, Chas., we are always glad to see you.

HALLOWE'EN PRANKS PROVE TO BE MOST DEVILISH KIND

Rattle-te-crash, slam, bang, boom, BING! This doesn't begin to express the noise made by the Halloween imps on last Tuesday night.

Nearly all night the little devils followed out their master's bidding by making the night hideous by their wild impish pranks. And on Wednesday morning our town put on a most festive array of decoration. Wagons and old junk piled all along our public thoroughfares, comical and suggestive signs on the store windows, and every other conceivable prank that only a young, healthy American boy could think of was our early morning greeting on aforesaid morning. Some were inclined to be critical, but as the old saying that "boys will be boys," most of us hid to grin and bear it. No material damage was done by the celebrating youngsters and therefore Mr. Grouch will have to keep his temper down.

GAME LAWS FOR THIS SEASON

Open season for quail, December 1st to February 1st, each year. May not kill over 15 in day. Violation, \$14 to \$100 and jail sentence.

Deer, open season from November 1st to January 1st. Not lawful to kill female deer at any time, and not more than three wild bucks during season. Violation \$10 to \$100.

The five year closed season on antelope expired in June, 1916, and the open season now for killing antelope same as deer, but only two may be killed during open season by any one person. Violation \$10 to \$100 and jail sentence.

NEXT THURSDAY IS CIRCUS DAY, KIDDIES!

Look out, kiddies! Be sure and be up early next Thursday morning and see the great Cole Bros. circus unload their great train of wonders, for they are due to arrive at an early hour. At ten o'clock a. m., the great street-parade will come off, and it is said that this parade will be a mile long. Two performances, afternoon and night will be given and a cash day for Midland is assured, rain or shine. From all accounts the Cole Bros. world-toured shows, is one of the most complete aggregations of wild and trained animals, performing dogs, monkeys, clowns, bareback riders, gymnasts, etc., that has ever favored our city with a visit. Anyhow, let's all go out and see it and enjoy the day.

Remember the date, Thursday, November the 9th.

R. E. Ringo, "cowman" from near Stiles, was here this week with a view of selling 1200 cows and calves that he has on his ranch.

T. M. Grisham, from Falls County, came up Wednesday with a view of locating among us.

LLANO HOTEL HAS CHANGE MANAGERS

On last Wednesday the Llano Hotel changed management, J. B. Gilliland turning over same to Chas. G. Craver who has just recently come to us from El Paso. Mr. Craver is an experienced hotel man and proposes to carry on this business in its usual up to date style, with many material improvements. The Reporter extends to Mr. Craver a hearty welcome to our city and wish him success as the new manager of this popular resort.

OLD TIMER VISITS IN MIDLAND A FEW DAYS

Our old friend, Bill Arp Oden, who ranches in Pecos country, was in the city a few days this week and gives a good report of range and cattle. Mr. Oden is also in the market for yearling heifers, and made our heart glad by renewing his subscription to The Reporter for another year. Incidentally, too, this old friend of ours is a grower of cantaloupes and other melons. This year he shipped to the Adolphus hotel alone over \$600 worth and his produce has the distinction of being even more delightfully flavored than the famous Rockyford. We may later, have the pleasure of mentioning the purchase of a car of heifers by him. He knows where to come for good ones, the only kind he will consider.

TEXAS NEGROES ARE STRANDED IN ILLINOIS

Eighteen members of the M company of the Eighth Illinois, a negro regiment whose homes are in San Antonio, Texas, where they enlisted in the Federal service, are stranded in Springfield, Ill.

Through misunderstanding the San Antonio men were not provided with return transportation. They have appealed to the adjutant general for aid, but the state has no authority to pay them. Assistant Adjutant General Shand has wired the war department to obtain relief.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

All The Reporter has to say is that Illinois is such a nigger-loving State, let them keep the coons; Texas don't want 'em.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY MEN'S UNION MEETING

Inasmuch as our brother, J. M. Perry, has been connected with the Men's Union Meeting of Midland, of Midland, Texas, the past three years,

And inasmuch as he has been a helpful and active member of this organization, and has shown a broad and sympathetic type of Christian brotherhood, and

Whereas, Brother Perry is now on the eve of removing from our midst to a new charge,

Therefore, we, the undersigned committee, in behalf of this Union, do express our sincere appreciation of our brother and our profound regret upon his leaving.

F. G. Jones,
N. Y. Henry,
J. F. Clark,
Committee.

SPECIAL

FOR SATURDAY AND MONDAY

Beginning Saturday morning, lasting thru Monday. Beautiful
Shirt Waist Sale Crepe De Chine Waists going at great reductions. All \$3.50
up to \$5.00, Sale Price \$2.65. One lot of Wash Silk Waists \$2.50 up to \$3.50, Sale Price \$1.15. Our regular
stock of Georgette Crepe Waists we offer them at 25 per cent discount these two days only.
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SATURDAY, MONDAY and all next week.

- One \$49.50 Brown Broad Cloth Suit, with genuine Beaver Trimmings, specially priced at **\$37.75**
- One Grey Broad Cloth Suit with genuine Beaver Trimmings, that was originally priced at \$47.50, will be sold for **\$36.85**
- A \$55.00 Princess Model in Green Broad Cloth with Genuine Mole Trimmings, will be offered at **\$44.75**
- One \$37.50 Green Broadcloth **\$26.75**
- One \$39.50 Navy Broadcloth Model at **\$28.50**
- One \$33.50 Navy Broadcloth Suit at **\$25.00**
- One \$77.50 Brown Cut Velvet Suit, the highest priced suit ever carried in stock in Midland and a garment that city stores would never offer at less than \$100.00, specially priced to sell at **\$55.00**
- One \$37.50 Black Broadcloth Suit at **\$27.50**
- One \$34.50 Green Velour Suit at **\$24.75**
- One \$65.00 Cut Velvet Coat, with big fur collar and cuffs, the companion garment to the \$77.50 suit above and the finest coat offered this season **\$49.75**

We are offering these high class garments at a sacrifice of profit, rather than keep them longer and positively none other than the garments advertised above, will be offered at sacrifice prices.

Many New Numbers in Coats and Suits Have Arrived These Last Few Days.

These consist of the more popular priced garments and range in price from \$11.75 to \$24.50 in coats and from \$16.50 to \$22.50 in suits. New Serge Dresses at \$11.75 and \$12.75 and Misses all-wool Peter Thompson dresses at \$6.50.

New Skirts, New Middies, New Waists,

And don't forget Musing Underwear for the whole family. Ladies Union Suits \$1.00 to \$2.50; Mens Union Suits \$1.00 to \$3.00; Boys Union Suits \$50c each; Misses Union Suits 50c each.

If you pay cash for your Dry Goods, this store will save you money, but you have no right to expect the values this cash store offers, if you buy on credit, for no credit store can sell for our cash prices.

Boys School Sweaters at 50c and \$1.00.
Misses School Sweaters at \$1.00 to \$2.25.

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New crop of pecans and assorted nuts. Midland News Co. adv

J. H. Ramsay has been on the sick list lately, a sufferer of tonsillitis. He is now out again.

For Sale—Two lots next to the square. Very desirable for residence, close in. Phone 132. adv 24-tf

Mrs. Jennie Collom is at home, after two or three months visiting in Tennessee and other states.

Flower pots six inches to ten inches from ten to fifty cents. The Broken Dollar Store. adv

R. L. Sanders, who ranches near Monahans, was here Monday and shipped to the Fort Worth markets 68 cows.

Miller's Studio offers some splendid values to those who have photos made this month. See ad elsewhere. adv. 4-2t.

Zeb Wesson is again able to be out after his auto accident during the Midland fair.

Special prices on photos made in November. See Miller's ad else where. adv 4-2t.

Clarence Nugent has returned from Dallas after quite a lengthy stay in that city.

For Christmas candies, fruits and nuts, phone 51, Midland News Co.

B. W. Floyd shipped 2 cars of calves to the Fort Worth markets last Sunday.

Violet Mersereau is coming Monday night at the Unique in a splendid Red Feather Feature production, "The Narrow Path." adv

Billey Williams, ranchman from the Monahans country, was in the city a few days this week, on business.

Fresh stock of Racine tires at Spaulding Bros. adv

J. Tom White returned the first of the week from a visit to his ranch, the "T-T," out in New Mexico. Says everything is in fine shape.

Phone us. We deliver the goods. Midland News Co. adv.

County Treasurer I. H. Bell came in from ranch in Andrews County the first of the week, and gives glowing reports of the range and cattle.

E. T. Cobb, of Garden City was in Monday on business. He has recently purchased 150 calves at private terms.

When you need any veterinary or dental work done, you will find me located at the livery stable south of the railroad, phone No. 69, Dr. J. A. McBee, Veterinary Surgeon adv 51-tf

J. L. Boebhan, horseman from near Seminole, was in Monday with a car of horses which he shipped to Texarkana.

Midland News Co. sells it for less.

Mrs. G. F. Cowden and daughter, Miss Fay, returned early in the week from Fort Worth, where they attended grand opera.

One south room for rent. Gentleman roomer preferred, apply to Mrs. J. H. Williamson, phone 248. adv 4-2t

E. Z. Wicker, of the Toyah country, was in Midland this week with good reports of the range and cattle. He renewed his subscription to The Reporter.

I have started a coal and wood yard at Midland and will appreciate your trade. Prices right R. E. Nutt, phone 306. adv 2-3t

S. C. Doss, of Seminole, was in town this week with a car of horses which he shipped to Weatherford.

Wanted—Job on ranch or farm by middle aged couple, no children, man understands windmills and farm machinery, also handling stock. Address E. M. Tarver, care C. L. Warnock, Midland, Texas. adv 3-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Elliott returned Wednesday from a visit to points east.

Dr. Buchanan, practice limited to diseases of eye, ear, nose and throat, and fitting of glasses. Office over Basham, Shepherd & Company's music store. Here 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. adv 3-tf

Tomorrow night at the Unique, a strong Bison feature, "The Desert Rat" and two comedies. One of these is an LKO which is "nuff said." First show at 7 p. m., second show at 8 p. m. adv.

J. T. Holcombe was in from his place eighteen miles west this week and says that he got 6 bales of cotton raised off of 20 acres and 25 acres in small feed.

Fall Announcement

We take pleasure in notifying you that our new line of FALL and HOLIDAY STYLES is now ready for your inspection. It comprises special ideas in regular and Holiday Gift Portraits, and with our expert workmanship and the general tonal quality of our Photographs, we feel safe in assuring you that a visit to our Studio will be worth while.

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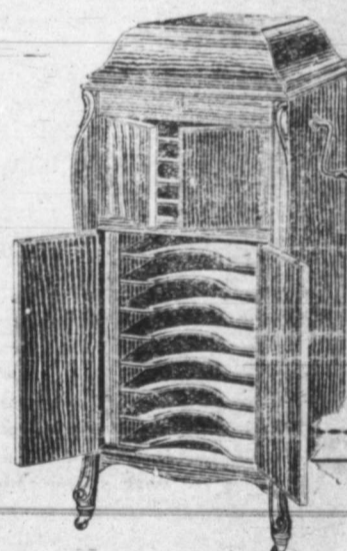
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PHONE 215

Oscar Midkiff bought 50 good calves from J. V. Stokes this week at private terms.

L. D. Tolbert, of Coahoma, is a visitor to his son, our townsman, Jno. Tolbert and family this week.

This space is reserved for the
Merchant's Nat. Bank
of
Lawrence, Kansas
Cattle Loans

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

V. E. Browning, prospector from Bronte, Texas, is here this week.

Wanted—Room and board, close in. Apply to "Roomer" at Reporter. adv

J. L. Hackett, cowman from Florey, Texas, was in the city this week.

Do you need glasses? See Prof. J. D. Shaw, phone 434. adv 49-tf

Judge S. J. Isaacks left Sunday to hold district court at Stanton.

Good sound sawed oak wood for sale for cash. W. W. Wimberly, telephone 264. adv. 46-tf

J. M. Dorris was a business visitor this week from Eunice, N. M.

Our fall bulbs have arrived. The original imported kinds that give satisfaction. The Broken Dollar Store.



IF YOU WOULD
LOOK YOUR BEST
use our toilet waters, cold
cream, talcum powder, etc.,
in your toilet. They pre-
serve the youthful appear-
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We keep absolutely up with the market in furnishing things to eat. Nothing that's good escapes us. Call and see. Warnock Cafe. adv 21-tf

Mrs. Maud Cole returned home a few days ago from Louisiana, where she had been visiting friends and relatives. adv 21-tf

In Society



And Events Most Talked About
(By M. T.)

A Hallowe'en Party

Among the many Hallowe'en festi-
vities of the week, the party given by
Miss Lucile Horton, president of the
club, to the young ladies of the F. S.
M. Club and their friends, was es-
pecially enjoyable. The living room
and dining room were draped in black
and gold with bats, witches, black
cats and owls perching here and there
casting grotesque shadows in the
weird, spooky, candle-lighted rooms.
Upon arrival, the guests were met and
greeted by several spooks who ushered
them in and behind a black curtain
where their nerves were tested by a
real din of unearthly sounds. Mrs.
W. K. Curtis served punch when they
had reached the dining room.

Those who attended were rather
successfully disguised so that some
time was spent in unraveling the mys-
tery surrounding the identity of them.
When the booklets were examined, it
was found that Miss Mozelle Cowden
had guessed more than any one else,
so she was awarded the club pin.

When all had visited the booth of
the fortune teller and heard marvelous
things concerning the future, one of
the witches conducted a spiritual
guessing contest. This was guessing
the member of sjszshrdiumfwyemf
the number of grains on an ear of
corn which was carefully inspected by
each guest.

Peanuts had been hidden in every
conceivable place and what scrambling
to gather them up. Billy Sparks and
Miss Ola Epley carried off the honors.

The young ladies secured partners
for refreshments by means of balloons
tossed in the air. When they were
caught the numbers on them corre-
sponded with numbers which the
young men had drawn.

In a darkened corner across the
hall two witches were brewing some
concoction which was served to the
guests and proved to be chili con car-
ne. Sandwiches, crackers, doughnuts
and candy were served also.

Miss Horton was assisted in carry-
ing out these different forms of en-
tertainment by Mesdames T. A. Sac-
ri, C. M. Goldsmith and W. A. Daw-
son.

Besides the club members and as-
sistant hostesses, the guests included
Misses Elma Graves, Beulah Graves,
Mary Al'ce Pritchett, Lera Brown and
Mary Sue Darter; Messrs. Ben
Smith, Charley Noble, Louis Storey,
Leonard Proctor, Percy Mims, Mel-
vin Hill, Oliver Luther, Billy Sparks,
E. P. Hornaday, Donald Hutt, Allen
Tolbert, Herman Spaulding, Dee Mc-
Cormick, Harry Hurt and W. A.
Dawson.

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Children Entertain

Ben and Annia Wall entertained
quite a large number of their little
friends Tuesday evening. Hallowe'en
decorations and games were used. Af-
ter two hours of "spooks and ghosts"
the disguises were removed and re-
freshments of sandwiches, pickles,
chocolate and cake were enjoyed.

The next afternoon about twenty
of little Dora Wall's friends spent the
afternoon, playing games and having
a splendid time. They entered heart-
ily into the spirit of the Hallowe'en
season and will know just how to be
real "spooks" next year.

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Woodman Circle Entertains

The Woodman Circle entertained the
members of the W. O. W. and their
wives last Friday evening with a Hal-
lowe'en party. The guests were ush-
ered in by spooks and conducted to
different parts of the large hall. Af-
ter fortunes had been told in several
unique ways, by leaving an impression
of the hand in the sand, by fishing
from a pond, and by a real fortune
teller, the spooks were numbered and
the guests were asked to make lists
of their names. Elizabeth Lynch won
the prize and Mr. Hampton the
booby. Two leaders were then ap-
pointed to choose sides for a clothes
pin contest. Each contestant attempt-
ed to reach the end of the line and re-
turn with the greatest number of
clothes pins. Those winning were
then refreshed with ghost stories re-
lated by the defeated ones.

The most interesting feature of the
program was the trip made by each
guest through "Spookdom" into the
dining room where delicious refresh-
ments were served. At a late hour
the guests departed for their several
homes.

The guardian of the circle asks that
all the members be present at the hall
on the second Friday at 3 p. m.

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Hallowe'en at the College

On Monday the faculty and students
of Midland College enjoyed an even-
ing relaxation and rest from lessons
and the serious side of life. The
students donned masks and all sorts
of weird costumes, witches, goblins,
ghosts and even the devil being im-
personated. Fortunes, wishing
wells and all the usual Hallowe'en
frivolities were entered into heartily
and the large parlor resounded with
happy laughter. During the evening
punch was served and enjoyed.

Mrs. Chas. Bell, Honoree

"Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never brought to min'
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And days o' auld lang-syne?"
The lovely home of Mr. and Mrs.
Chas. Bell was the scene of a delight-
ful hospitality Saturday afternoon
when in commemoration of Mrs. Bell's
birthday, at the suggestion of Mrs.
Marvin Ulmer, her girlhood friend
and chum, some of her friends gave
her a surprise party. There is no
word in the languages so
heavily freighted with meaning as
Friend, and how sweet the thought
that these young women, some of
them who spent their mud-pie days
together enjoyed same halcyon days
of youthful bliss, belonged to the same
class of sweet girl graduates, frivo-
led and giggled through the fancy-
free days until they were brought by
the wholesome air and clean sunshine
to a full and lovely maturity, when the
apron strings were cut, the young
wings were spread and out in the
great world flew the girlish flock,
where each soon found for herself a
worthy mate and built for her own
self a home nest. How beautifully
fitting then that this crowd of friends
who have only been endeared by time,
should celebrate the birthday of
"Sis," as she is lovingly called.

After the dining room had been ar-
ranged to their satisfaction, Mrs. Bell
was brought in and was almost over-
whelmed at the surprise. Centering
the table was a birthday cake with the
"required" number of candles on it,
and "then some." But it required
the guests themselves to complete the
picture—a group of young matrons
with shining eyes, enthusiastic, vi-
vacious and exultant all happy that
they were marked "present." Each
brought a lunch and the afternoon

was happily spent with games, fancy
work and in talking of days ago.

Those present were, Mesdames,
Marvin Ulmer, Lee Bell, Elliott Cow-
den, Shumate, Taft, Girdley, Nobles
and I. C. Bell. While the "grown-
ups" were making merry, out in the
yard the tiny tots were also in holi-
day spirit with Master Tolbert Bell
as host. His guests were, Ula Lee
Bell, Helen Margaret Ulmer, Wright
and Jdh Beth Cowden and Estes Shu-
mate.
There is no friend like the old friend,
Who hath shared our morning days,
No greeting like his welcome
No homage like his praise.
Fame is the scentless sunflower,
With gaudy crown of gold,
But friendship is the breathing rose
With sweets in every fold.
L. G. W.

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Epworth League in Social Session

The members of the Epworth Leag-
ue celebrated Hallowe'en at the cosy
home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stui-
vel on Main street. The house had
been profusely decorated with all
things which are appropriate for this
season of the year. The guests were
masked and took part in many kinds
of games and contests.

After partaking of dainty refresh-
ments the guests went in a body to
the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Phil
Scharbauer, where Rev. J. M. Perry
and wife and some of their friends
were being entertained. When sev-
eral songs had been sung, farewells
to the departing pastor, necessarily a
little sad over the breaking off of old
ties, were spoken and the crowd dis-
persed.

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Senior Class Entertains

The Senior class of the high
school entertained the faculty and
junior class last Saturday evening at
the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. J.
M. Caldwell, with a farewell party for
Roland Perry, who was to leave in a
few days for his new home in San An-
gelo. Various games, such as hearts
and peanut-grab, were played until
a late hour when delicious ice cream
and cake were served. The entire
evening was enjoyable, despite the
fact that a feeling of regret over the
departure of one of their number,
made a kind of sadness linger near.

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9:45, Bible school
11 a. m. sermon. Subject, "A Life
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6:45 B. Y. P. U.
7:30 sermon. Subject, "Is a bad
Promise in Democracy better kept or
Broken?"

A special invitation is not only
extended to the ladies to hear this ser-
mon but to every man who would do
right and see the right done. The day
for right action is upon us. A cordial
invitation is extended to all visitors
and strangers to worship with us.
Monthly conference at close of morn-
ing service.
Ernest Quick, Pastor.

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Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Morning and evening services at
11 and 7:30 o'clock, respectively, con-
ducted by Rev. A. P. Willis.
Senior C. E. at 6:30, p. m.
"It is the duty of every church mem-
ber to be present," and all others are
cordially invited to these services.
The Session.

JUNIOR ENDEAVOR

Subject, "Jesus our Savior."
Song.
Lord's prayer.
Bible lesson Acts 4: 8-12—Leader.
Lesson story—Leader.
Discussion—"What Shall I do to be
Saved?"
Verses containing word "Savior."
Mission study, "Immigration"—
Miss Elkin.
Sentence Prayers.
Consecration service.
Mizpah.

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WAISTLINE AGAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Shall it be Low or High or Placed in the Normal Position? Newest Footwear

It is hardly surprising to know that the waistline is again creating a great deal of comment, writes our New York fashion correspondent, under recent date. Somehow, we have come to expect, from the vacillating nature it has always shown, that it could not remain fixed in any one place for any length of time. Just at present it is at its old diversion of keeping us guessing as to what its real intention is. Frocks from Paris have shown that many favor the low line of the Moyaen Age, while others



Dark Green Broadcloth Trimmed with Black Silk Braid

take the raised line of the Empire and Directoire period. But between these two extremes the normal waistline is also to be found, so that it would seem that all these are correct just now. Some dresses have settled the matter by having two, or even three belts, so that they may declare themselves strictly neutral. The belts, when there are two or three together, are of necessity quite narrow.

Belts, by the way, are quite an important adjunct to one's costume this season. This is due partly to the vogue of the loose, wrapper-like dresses, which require some form of belt to hold them into figure. And so there are all kinds of belts, both narrow and wide. A great many are ornamented with gold and silver, or soutache braid, soutache being one of the novelty dress trimmings for fall and winter.

One of the new one-piece frocks showing the low waistline is illustrated in the sketch. The line is defined by two rows of braid, and this trimming is again repeated with the purpose of outlining the plastron effect in front of the dress. To the majority of women this is a becoming mode and a pleasing departure from the plain, straight-hanging lines of the holding away for so long. Black silk braid is an effective trimming and very pleasing on a dark green costume. The rich dark greens and wine shades continue to be highly favored, as well as purple and royal blue.

The Trend of Coats and Suits The first days of November have brought out many smart suits and top coats. For top coats, the full length reaching the bottom of the dress is generally favored. Coats of suits too, are mostly long, the three-quarter length being decidedly the most popular. Collars are high, as high as they have ever been, if not higher, and some are very large, extending almost to the dimensions of a small cape; so Fashion has given thought to the comfort of women, who will not suffer from chills about the neck and shoulders this winter. Fur collars and very deep fur cuffs are the general rule. Hudson seal, beaver, skunk, kolinsky and rabbit are the furs generally employed, and there are also very good imitation fur cloths in use.

shown here, illustrating the high fur collar and deep cuffs in vogue. The loose, chemise dress which has been of the tailored suits, an example is body of the coat is close fitting, but below the waistline comes the fullness

that Fashion demands. Fashions in Footwear The cold weather has also brought out new high shoes, and it is noticeable that the footwear this season is quite conservative, not only in height but in color. The height of shoes averages from seven and one-half to eight and one-half inches, which is considerably shorter than last winter's shoes. This is on account of the difference in the length of the skirts this winter.



The New Coats are Long with High Collars and Deep Cuffs

Lace front and button shoes are both in demand and the colors are tan and black and dark brown and white. There are many combinations of light and dark colors, with the light color introduced in the uppers and the dark in the lower portions of the shoes. Kid and suede are used for the tops in preference to cloth this winter.

In heels there is a combination of the Cuban and French heels called the Cuban Louis, which is excellent for the walking shoe.

For dressy indoor wear, there are very attractive Colonial pumps with rhinestone and cut-steel buckles, which come in all sizes, from the very tiny buckle no larger than a button, to the large ones in round, square and diamond shapes.

COUNTY CLERK'S QUARTERLY REPORT

Quarter Ending July 30th, 1916

To the Honorable Commissioners' Court Midland County, Texas August Term, A. D., 1916

Filed 11th day of August, 1916. W. J. Sparks, Clerk.

W. E. Bradford, County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under several funds, for the year 1916.

Debit June 1, 1916. To total col. for May, 1916 \$42.40

July 1, 1916 To total col. for June, 1916 80.92

Aug. 1, 1916. To total col. for July, 1916 98.33

\$221.65

W. E. Bradford, County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under several funds, for the year 1916.

Credit June 5, 1916. By amt. re. 2nd class treas. receipt. No. 53. \$ 2.30

June 5, 1916. By amt. re. 3rd class treas. receipt. No. 54. 24.74

June 5, 1916. By amt. re. 5th class treas. receipt. No. 55. 9.45

June 5, 1916. By amt. re. 6th class treas. receipt. No. 56. 2.89

June 5, 1916. By amt. re. 7th class treas. receipt. No. 57. 6.90

Com. on col. for May. 2.12

July 2, 1916. By amt. re. 2nd class treas. receipt. No. 58. 4.40

July 2, 1916. By amt. re. 3rd class treas. receipt. No. 59. 47.21

July 2, 1916. By amt. re. 5th class treas. receipt. No. 60. 6.59

July 2, 1916. By amt. re. 6th class treas. receipt. No. 61. 5.49

July 2, 1916. By amt. re. 7th class treas. receipt. No. 62. 13.18

Com. on col. for June. 4.05

Aug. 4, 1916. By amt. re. 2nd class treas. receipt. No. 63. 5.32

Aug. 4, 1916. By amt. re. 3rd class treas. receipt. No. 64. 57.41

Aug. 4, 1916. By amt. re. 5th class treas. receipt. No. 65. 8.00

Aug. 4, 1916. By amt. re. 6th class treas. receipt. No. 66. 6.67

Aug. 4, 1916. By amt. re. 7th class treas. receipt. No. 67. 16.02

Com. on col. for July. 4.92

\$221.65

R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. one, in account with Midland County, Texas.

Credit July 31, 1916 By treas. receipt. No. 65 \$31.20

By com on fines col. 20 per ct. 7.80

\$39.00

R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. one, in account with Midland County, Texas.

Debit April 27, 1916. 1582 fine. \$1.00

April 27, 1916. 1588 fine. 1.00

May 10, 1916. 1590 fine. 1.00

May 11, 1916. 1591 fine. 1.00

May 17, 1916. 1592 fine. 1.00

May 27, 1916. 1593 fine. 1.00

May 28, 1916. 1594 fine. 1.00

May 28, 1916. 1595 fine. 1.00

May 29, 1916. 1596 fine. 1.00

May 31, 1916. 1597 fine. 5.00

June 26, 1916. 1598 fine. 1.00

July 21, 1916. 1600 fine. 10.00

July 21, 1916. 1603 fine. 10.00

\$39.00

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the 1st class fund.

Debit May 1, 1916. To balance. \$66.23

July 3, 1916. To Midland National Bank receipt No. 64. 22.16

Aug. 4, 1916. To Midland National Bank receipt. No. 66. 7.05

95.47

Aug. 1, 1916. To balance. \$46.44

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the first class fund.

Credit By amt. pd out dur. quar. Ex A. \$47.50

By 2 per cent com. on amt rec. .58

By 2 per cent com. on amt. paid out .95

By amt to balance. 46.44

\$96.47

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the second class fund.

Debit May 1, 1916. To balance. \$1709.53

June 5, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, receipt No. 53. 2.30

July 3, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, receipt. No. 58. 4.40

Aug. 4, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, receipt. No. 68. 5.32

July 31, 1916. To R. E. Crowley, receipt. No. 65. 31.20

\$1752.75

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the second class fund.

Credit By amt. paid out during quarter Ex. B. \$1453.82

By 2 per cent com. on amt. rec. .37

By 2 per cent com. on amt. paid out 29.97

By amt to balance. 268.99

\$1752.75

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the third class fund.

Debit May 1, 1916. To balance. \$7081.10

June 5, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, No. 54 receipt. 24.74

July 3, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, receipt. No. 59. 47.21

Aug. 4, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, receipt. No. 69. 57.40

7210.45

Aug. 1, 1916. To balance. \$4275.55

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the third class fund.

Credit By amount paid out during quarter Ex. B. \$2874.71

By 2 per cent com on amt rec. 2.59

By 2 per cent com on amt paid out 57.49

By amt. to balance. 4275.66

\$7210.45

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the fifth class fund.

Debit May 1, 1916. To balance. \$3150.05

June 5, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 55. 3.45

July 3, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 60. 6.59

Aug. 4, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 71. 8.00

Aug. 4, 1916. To Midland National Bank treas. receipt Nos. 62 and 67. 29.21

\$3197.30

Aug. 1, 1916. To balance. \$3196.35

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the fifth class fund.

Credit May 1, 1916. By 2 per cent com on amt received. .95

By amt to balance. 3196.35

\$3197.30

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the sixth class fund.

Debit May 1, 1916. To balance. \$2751.03

June 5, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 56. 2.89

July 3, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 61. 5.49

Aug. 4, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 72. 6.67

Aug. 4, 1916. To Midland National Bank, treas. receipt. No. 62 and 67. 29.21

\$2795.29

Aug. 1, 1916. To balance. \$2692.26

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the sixth class fund.

Credit By amt. paid out during quarter Ex. F. \$ 100.15

By 2 per cent commission on amount received. .88

By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out. 2.00

By amt. to balance. 2692.26

\$2795.29

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the seventh class fund.

Debit May 1, 1916. To balance. \$3777.05

June 5, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 57. 6.90

July 3, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 63. 13.18

Aug. 4, 1916. To W. E. Bradford, treas. receipt. No. 73. 16.02

Aug. 4, 1916. To Midland National Bank treas. receipts. Nos. 62 and 67. 58.43

\$3871.58

Aug. 1, 1916. To balance. \$3563.69

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the seventh class fund.

Credit By amt. paid out during quarter Ex. F. \$ 100.15

By 2 per cent commission on amount received. .88

By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out. 2.00

By amt. to balance. 3563.69

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For County Treasurer I. H. Bell.	For County Treasurer	For County Treasurer	For County Treasurer	For County Treasurer
For County Surveyor R. E. Estes.	For County Surveyor	For County Surveyor	For County Surveyor	For County Surveyor
For Hide and Animal Inspector B. W. Lec.	For Hide and Animal Inspector	For Hide and Animal Inspector	For Hide and Animal Inspector	For Hide and Animal Inspector
For Co. Commissioner Prec. No. 1 W. C. Rayburn.	For Co. Commissioner Prec. No. 1	For Co. Commissioner Prec. No. 1	For Co. Commissioner Prec. No. 1	For Co. Commissioner Prec. No. 1
For Justice of the Peace, Prec. No. 1 R. E. Crowley.	For Justice of the Peace, Prec. No. 1	For Justice of the Peace, Prec. No. 1	For Justice of the Peace, Prec. No. 1	For Justice of the Peace, Prec. No. 1
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COUNTY CLERK'S QUARTERLY REPORT
(Continued from page 4)

count with Midland County, Texas, under the seventh class fund.

Credit
By amt. paid out during quarter Ex. G. \$ 300.00
By 2 per cent commission on amount received 1.89
By 2 per cent on amount paid out 6.00
By amt. to balance \$3563.69

\$3871.58

The State of Texas, County of Midland, I do solemnly swear that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report for the quarter ending 31st day of July, A. D. 1916, as required by Article 824, 824b, 824c and 825, Revised Statutes of 1895.

W. J. Sparks,
County Clerk, Midland County, Texas.
Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 31st day of July, A. D. 1916.

Earl Anderson,
County Judge, Midland County, Tex.

LOYALTY

Oh, a woman may up and leave you;
The children drift away,
But once a little dog loves you,
He sticks till his bones turn clay.

The world may call you a lobster,
And scorn you because you fail,
But the little dog that loves you
Will keep on wagging his tail.

Battered and bruised and broken,
Oh, hard is the trail you roam;
But the little dog waits to welcome
Your steps on the porch at home.

There may be better masters,
Who'd keep him sleek and fat,
And give him a warmer kennel,
But the little dog stands pat.

No matter how grouchy and hateful
You come from sour daily cares—
He snuggles up against you
Like a youngster saying his prayers.

The world may hand you a lemon,
And tell you you won't do;
But there's one little dog that loves
you,
Will share his last bone with you.
—Ex.

BACKACHE IS DISCOURAGING

But Not so Bad if You Know How to Reach the Cause

Nothing is more discouraging than a constant backache. Lame when you awaken, pains pierce you when you bend or lift. It's hard to work or to rest. Backache often indicates bad kidneys. Midland people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Read this case: Frank J. Pliska, blacksmith, Midland, says: "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills off and on for several years. My back always troubles me the most. It ached and was weak and I found it hard to do any bending or lifting. The kidney secretions were too frequent and highly colored. The first time I ever used Doan's Kidney Pills was in Cuba, when I was in the army. They helped me then and whenever I have been troubled that way since, I have always used them with the best of results. Anyone troubled with their kidneys will do well to get a box of this medicine at the City Drug Store."

Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Pliska had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 3-2t

SOME NEWSY ITEMS

BRIEFLY TOLD

Mottled butter is due largely to uneven distribution of salt.

Operating a gin at rapid speeds injures the fiber of cotton by cutting it. The three C's for caring for milk in the home are: Keep it Cool, Covered, Clean.

Oats watered to make them weigh more can not legally be shipped in interstate commerce.

About seven thousand elk were fed last winter at Jackson Hole, Wyo., by the Biological Survey.

Of 16,700 cows tested through 47 Wisconsin cow-testing associations last year, 3,375 were disposed of as unprofitable.

War conditions in Europe have resulted in a very noticeable falling off in the importations of birds, particularly canaries.

Congress has appropriated money for experiments looking to the increase of production of sugar-beets in the United States.

Regions having a semi-arid climate can produce alfalfa successfully in nearly all types of soil and through a wide range of temperatures.

The Department of Agriculture has a staff of more than 16,000 people devoting their whole time to the improvement of agriculture, the investigation of marketing problems, and the enforcement of Federal laws.

Bull associations reduce the cost of the services of a pure-bred bull for the dairy herd. The average annual cost of service in a large number of associations investigated by the United States Department of Agriculture was \$3.48 for each member.

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 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.

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HONESTY FIRST--PARTY POLITICS AFTERWARDS

Hon. R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, Texas, Republican Candidate for Governor

IN FAVOR OF—	AGAINST—
Retention of Robertson Insurance Law.	Dishonesty in and out of office.
Submission where demanded by a majority.	The appointment of incompetents for political reasons.
Amendment of Warehouse Law.	Paying out public funds for private expenses.
Abolition of many useless State Offices.	The collection of excessive back tax penalties.
Abolition of the useless Office of County Treasurer.	A candidate accepting campaign funds from corporations.
Woman's Suffrage—As a matter of Justice.	"Personal representatives," "social secretaries" and other illegal appointments at public expense.
Lower Taxes, and lower governmental expenses.	The Terrell Election Law.
Amendment of delinquent tax law.	The fee system.
Governor obeying constitution as to salary limitation.	
Placing all public officers on strict salary basis.	

Do You Agree With Mr. Creager?

For every dollar property tax-payers paid the state in 1908 they paid \$7.10 in 1915. For every dollar the CORPORATIONS paid the state in 1914 they paid only 52 cents in 1915.

WHY?

Unnecessary political offices. "Junketing" trips, Panama Exposition trips, "Social Secretary," "Personal Representative," chauffeur, gasoline, feed, groceries, etc., etc.
Huge Expense Accounts "Personal representatives," "Social Secretary," "Personal Representative," "chauffeur," gasoline, feed, groceries, etc., etc.
 If you vote for R. B. Creager for Governor of Texas, you will call a "halt" on such bills being paid out of the tax money.
 The constitution of this state provides that, "the salary of the Governor shall be \$4,000.00 and no more."

WE CAN HAVE A SOUNDLY MORAL AND SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY ONLY UNDER AN EFFICIENT AND HONEST GOVERNMENT

VOTE FOR R. B. CREAGER FOR GOVERNOR

and for the balance of the Republican Ticket—State and National. Let us have the "House-Cleaning" Texas so badly needs.
IF YOU VOTE FOR GOVERNOR FERGUSON YOU APPROVE HIS ACTS
 (Political Advertisement.)



Neighborhood Improvement Begins at Home

A good neighborhood is merely a collection of good homes. Stop wishing for a better neighborhood—do your duty by painting your home, and planting grass and flowers. Your example will set your neighbors thinking. Before you realize it the home improvement idea will be sweeping through the whole community. Set the home improvement example in your neighborhood, by painting your house with

Low's Brothers HIGH STANDARD LIQUID PAINT

You can always depend upon "High Standard" paint for best results because it is scientifically made of chemically tested ingredients, blended together by the most efficient machinery. It holds tight to the wood in perfectly protecting coats—keeps its color—withstands sun, wind and wet for years—fades only by gradual wear—and leaves a good surface for repainting. It's economy to use this better paint. Your painter can put it on in less time. It goes so much farther and lasts so much longer.

While the house and its surroundings are being beautified, improve the inside, too. For the walls and ceiling use

Low's Brothers Mellotone

Colors are "soft as the rainbow tints." It delights as well as rests the eyes. It is wonderfully durable as well as artistic. Mellotone is fadeless and washable—not easily scratched or marred.

Ask for color cards and estimates for home improvement

Burton-Lingo Company

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ELECTION COMES OFF NEXT TUESDAY

We call special attention to the ballot on page 5, and next Tuesday being election all true Democrats should be at the polls early and vote. The Republicans will be there strong; they are a busy body and are doing all in their power to win the victory, so all Democrats come out and vote. While Ferguson is a bitter pill to swallow, for some of us, still as true Democrats we must support him. Remember next Tuesday, Nov. 7th.

NEW ARRIVALS HERE FROM COLLIN COUNTY

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Bush and the latter's mother, Mrs. Wilcox, arrived from McKinney a few days ago, to make their home with us, and they occupy the Yates residence. Mr. Bush is the father of Mrs. F. F. Elkin. Also for several months past he has had under lease the Frank Orson ranch northeast, with it well stocked. We cordially welcome them to Midland.

Phone 394 for sweet milk and cream in sterilized bottles. Midland Dairy.

SOME RECENT CATTLE SHIPMENTS MADE

C. A. Goldsmith shipped 2 cars to Kansas City.
 The following shipments were consigned to the Fort Worth markets this week:
 O. B. Holt, 7 cars; Geo. D. Elliott, 8 cars; Burl Holloway, 3 cars; J. C. Bell, 2 cars; B. N. Aycock, 2 cars; Mrs. M. J. Riggs, 5 cars.
 Graham & Price shipped 19 cars from Metz to Fort Worth, on Oct. 31st; Nail Cattle Co. 1 car calves to

Fort Worth; J. S. Means 2 cars cattle to Fort Worth. G. H. Butler, 4 cars to Fort Worth.

MIDLAND COLLEGE WINS A VICTORY

In the foot ball game last Saturday afternoon at the college grounds, Midland College won a victory of 66 to nothing over the Pecos high school. The Pecos boys fought hard, but the college had them outclassed. Midland College will again play Big Spring tomorrow.

SATURDAY MATINEE AT UNIQUE

Beginning Saturday, Nov. 11th, a special children's matinee will be given at 3 p. m. Second show at 4 o'clock. The Unique management has booked a series of such pictures as Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp, Hansel and Gretel, Sleeping Beauty, The Three Bears, Little Lord Fauntleroy, Rip-Van-Winkle and the Wizard of Oz.
 Nov. 11, Aladdin, and His Wonderful Lamp and a Heine and Louie comedy entitled "Tough Luck," will be the attraction. The admission will be 10 cents to everybody, big and little. Doors open at 2:30, show starts promptly at 3 o'clock. Come early and avoid the rush. adv.

For Sale—One "Flying Mercury" bicycle, man's size, in good condition, fine for riding to school. Price with lamp, pump and tool bag \$15. See Henry Moore, at Presbyterian mans. adv 47-ff.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912

Of The Midland Reporter published Friday at Midland, Texas, for October, 1916.

State of Texas, County of Midland, ss.

Before me, a notary public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared C. C. Watson, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the publisher of the Midland Reporter, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are:

Publisher, C. C. Watson, Midland, Texas.

Editor, C. C. Watson, Midland, Texas.

Managing Editor, C. C. Watson, Midland, Texas.

Business Managers, C. C. Watson, Midland, Texas.

2. That the owners are C. C. Watson, Midland, Texas.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are:

The Midland National Bank, Midland, Texas.

Mergenthaler Linotype Company, New York, N. Y.

Barnhart Bros. & Spindler, Dallas, Texas.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by him.

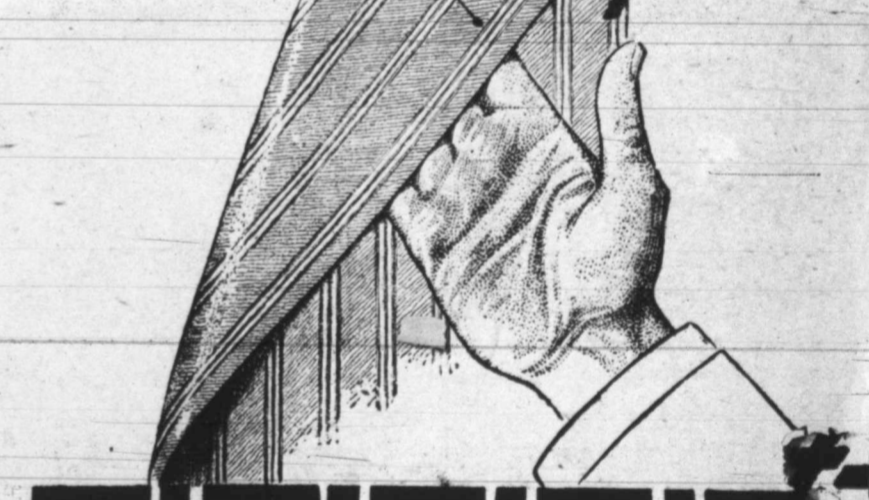
5. That the average number of copies of each of this publication sold or distributed, through the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the six months preceding the date shown above is:—

C. C. Watson, Publisher.
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of November, 1916.
 J. W. Hampton, Notary Public.
 (My commission expires June 1st, 1917.)



MIDLAND, Thursday, Nov. 9th

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NOTICE!

On and after November 6th. the following prices will be charged milk and cream.

Milk	
1 Pint	6 1-4 Cents
1 Quart	12 1-2 Cents
2 Quarts	25 Cents
1 Gallon in two deliveries	50 Cents

Wholesale Milk	
1 Gallon or more	40 Cents

Cream	
1 Pint	30 Cents
1 Quart	60 Cents
1 Gallon or more	\$2.00

**H. R. HOUSTON
W. D. PRICE
M. M. GRIFFIN**

**FUTURE CATTLE
KINGS OF AMERICA**

Some Interesting Information Comes From Washington Relative to Progress in Cattle Raising

Cato Sells, commissioner of Indian Affairs, recently returned to Washington from Chicago where he supervised the sale of 34 car loads out of a shipment of fifty-one cars of Indian cattle from the Crow reservation, in Montana, 17 car loads having been sold at Omaha the day before. The commissioner spent most of a day on horseback riding among the cattle in the pens of the stock yards discussing the cattle and prices with his commission man and the buyers.

Commissioner Sells is not only a lawyer and banker, but is also a real thing farmer and stockman. He knows the business from every angle. In a conversation recently with the newspaper men Commissioner Sells said: Two years ago last June, with funds derived from the sale of part of their lands we purchased for the Crow Indians 7000 two-year-old heifers, 2000 yearling steers and 350 bulls. Since then these cattle have been handled under my direction and the immediate supervision of Reservation Superintendent Estep and Superintendent of Livestock Willcutt, assisted by Indian stockmen and line-riders.

Two hundred and fifty-six head have heretofore been sold, but this sale was the first big shipment, when fifty-one carloads of Crow Indian cattle reached the Omaha and Chicago stockyards and sold for ninety-seven thousand, nine hundred and ninety-three dollars and forty-two cents. All of these steers were range-raised and grass-fed, not a pound of corn or feed other than grass and hay ever having been fed to any of them. Including the increase of the herd, the profit of the Crow Indians on the original purchase in twenty-seven months, after paying all expenses, has been three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The first year after the purchase of these cattle, the Indians cut and stacked nearly seven thousand tons. The winter loss during each of these two years has been about two per cent which is considerably less than the loss usually sustained by white cattlemen during the winters of the northwest.

Heretofore, our conduct of the stock business among the Indians has consisted largely of breeding and the development of herds. Everywhere the Indians have taken great interest in their stock, both as to tribal herds and those individually owned and the increase in number and value has been such as to insure a business man's profit. We have sold wool and mutton and some horses, but we are only now commencing to widely and substantially realize on their cattle.

These sales from the Crow reservation are the beginning of large sales from this and other reservations. It is a demonstration of the wisdom of the policy of utilizing the grazing lands of the reservations for the benefit of the Indians and positive indication of the responsive disposition of the Indians when given opportunity with sympathetic encouragement to do things for themselves.

About three and a half years ago I inaugurated, and have since aggressively pursued, a policy of farm and stock raising betterments among the Indians, the immediate purpose being to make them producers, rather than altogether consumers. Shortly after becoming Commissioner of Indian Affairs I discovered that the agricultural and grazing lands of Indian reservations were not being utilized as they should have been; that the large part of their grazing lands was leased to white men for a minimum rental, and likewise much of the agricultural land; that the Indians were not making proper industrial progress and that their income from the leased lands was much less than should have been derived either when rented or cultivated by themselves; all of which meant lack of progress and large appropriations by congress, neither of which was in any sense satisfactory, and all demanding radical change. To remedy this condition, the Indian office has made a vigorous and untiring campaign with gratifying results. For example, three years ago one reservation in the northwest had 2800 acres under plow; last year there was in cultivation by Indians on this reservation fifteen thousand acres. The advancement is not so great everywhere as there but it is exemplary of the progress being made by the Indians as farmers on practically all the reservations.

It cannot be expected that all Indians shall advance from plainsmen to intensive farmers in one generation, but that they are now making tremendous progress is apparent throughout the entire country, many of them being among the best and most prosperous farmers in the vic-

inity of their residence, frequently comparing favorably with their white neighbors. As stockmen they have been even more successful. The Indian is a natural herdsman. He loves horses and readily adapts himself to raising cattle and sheep. During the last three years the Indian bureau has purchased with funds of the Indians (not a dollar of the amount invested being gratuity) more than two million dollars worth of cattle, horses and sheep for tribal herds and individual Indians, most of the purchases being for breeding stock and young stuff—heifers for breeding purposes; at the same time an industrious effort has been made to dispose of inferior male animals. Accompanying these activities there has been a corresponding reduction in the leased acreage. The carrying capacity for reservation pastures has been re-estimated, rentals increased to a fair price and round-ups and counts carefully made to determine where leases failed to pay for the full number of stock grazed under their permits. For example, on the San Carlos reservation in Arizona, changes in grazing permits were advanced so that the Indians on this reservation now receive twenty-five thousand dollars annually more than at any time heretofore, and on this same reservation cattlemen have been required to pay thirty-four thousand dollars excess grazing fees. The new leases cover the count upon which this excess payment was made. Long-time sheep leases on a reservation in the northwest, which recently expired, have been made to new lessees on a competitive basis for thirty-six thousand dollars annually, which previously paid sixteen thousand dollars; all of which charges and collections are entirely reasonable and fair "as between man and man" and should be equally just as between white men and Indians. While the protection of our wards is a first consideration, we have not been unmindful of the interests of the stockmen in matters of fencing, water supply, and leases sufficiently long to realize on their improvements and investment.

The result is that on several of the big Indian reservations there is now for the first time an income sufficient to relieve the government of every dollar of administrative expense. Pony stallions are no longer used, and the horse stock is being so rapidly improved that on many reservations the Indian-owned horses are marketed for prices almost, if not quite, equal to those raised by white ranchmen. The southwestern Indians, notably the Navajos of New Mexico and Arizona are among the best sheep raisers in the United States. The Navajos own more than two million sheep and they are now being upbred so rapidly that buyers are eager to purchase their wool at the same price paid to white sheep men. Two years ago we purchased, with reimbursable funds, a band of sheep for the Jicarilla Indians, and last year their net profit from wool alone was thirty-six hundred dollars. Recently Frank Reed, a Crow Indian, sold a range-raised and grass-fed steer for ten and one-half dollars per hundred. This is said to be the highest price ever paid for a grass-fed steer on the Chicago market.

These conditions and achievements now exist in varying degree on all Indian reservations and among numerous individual Indians. There is every probability that the Indian will soon become the cattle king of America, a great factor in the world's wool market and a large producer of horses. If the Indians continue to progress as rapidly for the next ten years as they have for the past three years, they will practically be self-supporting, with corresponding reduction in appropriations.

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**HUSBAND RESCUED
DESPAIRING WIFE**

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side. The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good; I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair. At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing my work."

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SHOULD SLOAN'S LINIMENT GO ALONG

Of course it should! For after a strenuous day when your muscles have been exercised to the limit an application of Sloan's Liniment will take the soreness and stiffness away and get you in fine shape for the morrow. You should also use it for a sudden attack of toothache, stiff neck, backache, stings, bites and the many accidents that are incidental to a vacation. "We would as soon leave our baggage as go on a vacation or camp out without Sloan's Liniment," writes one vacationist. "We use it for everything from cramps to toothache." Put a bottle in your bag, be prepared and have no regrets. adv No. 2

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Editor Graham, of the Andrews County Times, was in the city yesterday, on business.

Mary Pickford will be at the Unique next Friday night in "The Eternal Grind." Mary got lost when she was due here before, but this time promises not to disappoint us. adv

The editor, C. C. Watson, has been able to be at the office part of the week, but is still unable to do any work, editorially, therefore The Reporter has again failed to come up to its usual high standard.

H. Bowls, of Travis County, was in Midland this week on his way to Glasscock County to look over his ranch interests.

A. L. Scott was a visitor this week from Colorado City.

Bud Ratliff and wife were in from his ranch southwest of Odessa this week, and reports the range and cattle fine.

Will Martin was down from Odessa Wednesday on business.

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Editor Graham, of the Andrews County Times, was in the city yesterday, on business.

Mary Pickford will be at the Unique next Friday night in "The Eternal Grind." Mary got lost when she was due here before, but this time promises not to disappoint us. adv

The editor, C. C. Watson, has been able to be at the office part of the week, but is still unable to do any work, editorially, therefore The Reporter has again failed to come up to its usual high standard.

H. Bowls, of Travis County, was in Midland this week on his way to Glasscock County to look over his ranch interests.

A. L. Scott was a visitor this week from Colorado City.

Bud Ratliff and wife were in from his ranch southwest of Odessa this week, and reports the range and cattle fine.

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**THE NECESSITY OF
BIRTH REGISTRATION**

Some interesting facts are shown by the August report of the Bureau of Vital Statistics. During August, 1916, 4470 births were recorded and more than 4578 were not registered, provided the birth rate of Texas is only 25 per 100 per year.

If the labor unions, whose purpose is the protection of the laborer, both child and adult, were aware of the facts that the child's labor law is absolutely dependent upon birth registration for enforcement, the labor unions in Texas would swing all their influence for complete birth registration.

If the tax payers realized how many cases are appealed to higher courts on a question of age and the cost of such cases to the State when such questions could be settled in the lower courts by a certified birth certificate, they would demand a complete birth registration.

Compulsory education without birth registration will lead to endless litigation, depriving the child of such education as the State intends to force upon it. Teachers who are progressive must stand for birth registration.

If the mothers realized that the orphan girl, who needs protection under those laws which have an age limit, is deprived of such protection by failure to have her birth registered, the mothers of Texas would see that every baby's birth in their community was registered.

Birth registration keeps the underage orphan boy out of the penitentiary or off of the gallows when his age would send him to the reformatory.

Birth registration will furnish the State unimpeachable evidence to convict the criminal who assaults an orphan girl under age of consent, and will exclude the purchasable testimony of some negro woman, or an old Bible with its birth record that has been erased and rewritten.

The minister of the gospel, if he would be consistent, must stand for birth registration as a protection for those who will be orphans in coming generations.

Accuracy in birth registration is necessary. More than one out of a hundred do not show the sex, date of birth, or whether the child is legitimate or otherwise. If a child's birth is registered, the parent should not permit a stigma to be thrown on the child by questioning the legitimacy, unless it is otherwise. Such defects do not become apparent until the child's age is questioned, and it is possible that by that time it may be an orphan.

**UNUSUAL AUTO ACCIDENT
NEAR LITTLEFIELD**

A very peculiar auto accident has just happened here. County Judge C. H. Curl and his wife and some friends were returning from Plainview at night. A prairie chicken flew up in front of the car and evidently became blinded by the lights, flew di-

rectly at the car, struck the windshield with great force, broke it all to pieces. Flying glass struck Mrs. Curl in the face, badly cutting and bruising her. Judge Curl was cut on the ear and neck. Both parties barely missed serious injury. The prairie chicken was killed by the impact, landing in the rear seat of the car, and was eaten for dinner the next day.—Plainview News.

NOTICE IN BANKRUPTCY

In the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Texas. In the Matter of John Harman Maulding, bankrupt. No. 19 in bankruptcy.

To the Creditors of John Harman Maulding, Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of October, 1916, the said John Harman Maulding was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Court House in the town of Midland, in Midland County, Texas, within said Western District, on the 16th day of November, A. D., 1916, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before such meeting.

This the 30th day of October, 1916.
Ben Palmer,
adv. Referee in Bankruptcy.

PREACHING AT COURT HOUSE

Sunday at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m., G. A. Merrick, of the Church of Christ, will preach. The members will meet at 10 a. m. for their regular Bible lesson, instead of 10:30 a. m., our usual time. Would be glad for Midland people to come out and hear and learn what we preach, that they may know what we stand for.

**MONTHLY SOCIAL OF
THE JUNIOR ENDEAVOR**

The monthly social of the Junior society of the Christian church was held Saturday afternoon at the beautiful new home of Mrs. Sam Preston. The decorations were appropriate for Halloween, cats, bats, pumpkins and goblins being used profusely. The guests were greeted by "snooks." In the contest of guessing, Eveline Estes received the prize. Games and other contests were kept going so there was not an idle moment. Delicious refreshments of chocolate, doughnuts and fancy cakes were served. All voted Mrs. Preston a charming hostess and look forward to the next social with fondest anticipation.

R. Depue, a farmer from the upper panhandle country, was here this week and gave a good report of conditions.

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