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NOTED LECTURER SOON TO BE HERE

Will Lecture in The Christian Church
December 27th Under Auspices
of the Mothers Club

It is a pleasure to present to the Midland public the lecture of Elliot A. Boyd. Through many seasons of appearances upon leading lyceum courses and chautauquas he has proven himself a master of forensic art. Some of his lectures are filled with scholarly thought some with and humor, some with sentiment and some with dramatic phrases and climaxes; but all are beautified with word paintings and sanctified by good common sense.

The following is only one of many favorite press notices in regard to the work of Dr. Boyd:

"Yesterday proved to be one of the big days of the Carmel Grove Assembly. The speaker of the afternoon, Rev. Dr. Elliott A. Boyd, a former pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church of the city of Scranton, was comparatively unknown, and the audience was wholly unprepared for such flights of oratory, dramatic climaxes and brilliant descriptive powers. It was one of the greatest lectures ever heard on the assembly platform, and it is seldom that one witnesses such a sight as was to be seen at the close of the lecture. Dr. Boyd had spoken for an hour and a half, yet it seemed scarcely thirty minutes, and when he finished the peroration and sat down men and women seemed to be spell-bound. Strong men, as well as intellectual women, were weeping in various parts of the audience. At length Dr. Sweet arose and said: "It is seldom that we have such an address as the one given this afternoon, and I think we owe it to the speaker that we give him a Chautauqua salute," and the white lilies waved. Rev. Dr. Kranz, of New York City, immediately arose and said, "I have listened this afternoon to one of the best lectures I have ever heard, and in my journeying around the country I shall advertise this man." The people then began to arise and scores came to the platform to congratulate the speaker of the afternoon. It is impossible to convey to cold type the magnetic power and marvelous descriptive ability of the orator, and one can give only a faint idea of this masterly effort."—Binghamton, N. Y. Herald.

Dr. Boyd will appear at the Christian church, Wednesday evening, December 27th at 8:30, under the auspices of the Mothers' Club. Those who do not hold season tickets for the lyceum course may secure tickets at the Elite Confectionery. Admission 50 and 35 cents.

Roll Dublin this week received a nice Christmas present from J. H. Stephenson, of Dallas. This was a 6-gallon key of ribbon cane syrup, two gallons each of which he gave to his two married sons, Chas. and John. This was a Christmas gift any of us would be happy to receive, especially in these times of adulterated products and soaring prices.

JUDGE CHAS. GIBBS WAS APPOINTED

Midland is again honored. Upon the announcement, several weeks ago, of the resignation of Judge S. J. Isaacks as judge of the 70th judicial district, to take place January 1st, a good deal of speculation has been rife as to who his successor might be, not only here but in other parts of the district.

Aspirants for the high position were in no wise lacking. At least two candidates in Midland were commented upon, while there were some three or four in other parts of the district, at Pecos especially. In the latter town Hon. Jno. B. Howard, a former citizen of Midland, became a formidable opponent to the winner, and we have it that that he was close in the favor of Gov. Ferguson.

However, so soon as his application became known publicly, it was The Reporter's opinion that Judge Chas. Gibbs, of Midland, would be the appointee—and he was.

And we believe Gov. Ferguson could not have made a wiser selection. Judge Gibbs is one of the most promising young attorneys, not only in the West, but in the State. His clientele is large, extensive, and decidedly of the better class, and in accepting the office of district judge he will, at least temporarily, lay aside a magnificent practice, one of which any attorney might be proud to boast. It is a practice that he has built up by faithfulness and efficiency, and the temporary abandonment of his professional activities, or rather his change of procedure, will cause a good deal of regret among the many who have come to look to him for the management of their judicial affairs.

We frankly congratulate our young townsman. The honor conferred upon him is a high one, but one, too, that he is capable of honoring commensurately, and Midland feels, as well, that in the placing of honors she, too, is reflected upon, highly and flatteringly.

ANOTHER CHANGE IN MIDLAND LAW FIRMS

We learned only late yesterday afternoon that another important law firm change was made, as a result of the acceptance by Judge Gibbs of the judgeship of the 70th judicial district. This involves the dissolution of partnership between Attorneys J. M. Caldwell and H. A. Leaverton, the latter buying the splendid business of Judge Gibbs. No further particulars than the bare statement of fact has been given to The Reporter, but some idea of the importance of the transaction may be had from our statement of Judge Gibbs' action, especially when combined with the dissolution of such a firm as was headed by Judge Caldwell.

Previously we have had occasion to speak of Mr. Leaverton, and the promising future that seems before him. He is a young man worthy of all honor, and the splendid business turned over to him by Judge Gibbs could hardly have been placed more suitably or in hands more efficient.

Judge Caldwell will, of course, continue his practice as formerly.

ALTRUISM OF A MIDLAND CITIZEN

Proposes to Use His New Automobile
to Try Fresh Air on the Hook
Worm Club

The Reporter has never commented upon the doings of the Hook Worm Club, members of which are to be found daily in the vicinity of our banking institutions. In the summer they meander from one side of the street to the other, drifting with the shadow, while in the winter they pick the sunny-side or hibernate in cosy interiors. We have not commented upon their doings, for there aren't any. Sometime, however, we may have occasion to mention the personel of this increasingly popular club.

In the meantime we have an enterprising, progressive, altruistic and philanthropic citizen who proposes do-

RESOLUTIONS BY COUNTY INSTITUTE

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Midland-Martin-Winkler County Teachers' Institute in session in Midland this week:

Whereas, it has been our good pleasure to be honored with a number of special addresses by many of the prominent men of Midland, with a number of good readings, declamations and musical selections. Be it resolved that we express our thanks to those whose contributions to our program in these respects have made our stay in Midland so pleasant; and also to Supt. Lackey whose untiring efforts have added much that has been both helpful and entertaining to the teachers.

Whereas, the board of trustees of the Midland schools have done their part toward making our stay pleasant

TEACHERS HAVE SPLENDID SESSION

Many Special Features Provided for
Educators of Midland-Martin
County Institute

On last Saturday morning the teacher's institute met at the high school for the usual five-day session. Because of the small number of teachers in the two counties, Martin and Midland counties held a joint institute as has been the custom for several years. The work was devised with the intention that it should be as instructive and interesting as possible. Much interest and pleasure was given to the members of the institute by the special numbers given by our local musicians and readers, the exercises in poetry and singing by the different rooms in our elementary schools, and the addresses by prominent and capable men of our town. Deserving individual mention among these attractive numbers were the addresses by Dev. J. W. Cowan, of the Methodist church, President F. G. Jones, of Midland College, H. A. Leaverton, Prof. J. D. Shaw, of Midland College, and Dr. L. B. Pemberton.

In this connection special mention should be made of the vocal selections by Miss Pritchett, the readings by Miss Brown, both of Midland College; the piano solos by Miss Bee Atkinson; the piano duets by Misses Frank Luther and Eddie Taylor, and the violin solos by Mr. Maurice L. Derdeyn. These together with the bass solo by E. P. Hornaday and piano duet by Miss Henkel and Miss Davis, all of the city schools, add much to the pleasure and entertainment of the program.

It is worthy of mention that singing and public school music were made a special feature of the program throughout. Several classical selections as well as a few famous and familiar airs were sung at the opening of each session of the institute by the entire membership, thus adding much to the enjoyment and inspiration of each day's work.

The program was planned to cover all the work that is done by the teachers in attendance and was arranged in the following divisions: Primary Education, Professional and High School. This work was done so thoroughly and with such careful attention to the problems of the teacher and the details of discipline and class work, that each teacher was able to find much of great practical value to him in his professional capacity. The texts forming the basis for the institute work were: Primary Educational Period, "Bagley's Classroom Management" and Hamilton's "The Recitation;" high school period, Johnston and Others' "The Modern High School."

Supt. Willingham, of Stanton, was elected chairman, and Miss Randle was elected secretary. The business of the institute was carried on with a dispatch and efficiency that resulted in economy of time, and added to the interest.

Grand Concert by the High School Preliminary to the institute were two highly interesting programs given.

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NICE COMPLIMENT TO JUDGE S. J. ISAACKS

We appreciate the following compliment to our esteemed townsman, Judge S. J. Isaacks, which appeared in the last issue of the Pecos Times:

Good-byes are always hard to say, especially when associations have been mutually dear. But a time comes in the lives of all when the parting words must be spoken.

In this issue there is a communication from our district judge, S. J. Isaacks, the contents of which ring true, and we are sure the sentiments expressed by him voice those of us who have become acquainted with him during his incumbency as judge of the 70th Judicial District Court. We regret to see him go. For eight years he has judiciously administered law in this district, and by his fairness and strict attention to the duties of this court has won the highest esteem of our people as a whole, and the approbation of those who, in the practice of law, plead cases under his jurisdiction. Of his judgeship nothing can be added to this. It is true that in the stern duties that confront a judge, he oftentimes, even when complying strictly with the correct procedure of court law, will make an occasional enemy. This, possibly, is true of Judge Isaacks. But off the bench, we feel that not a voice can be raised in protest. A gentleman in every sense of the word. Kind, courteous and considerate; sociable always.

His resignation from the bench is prompted by a desire to engage in his chosen profession of lawyer, and to that end has formed a partnership with Judge Dan M. Jackson, of El Paso, who also resigned a district judgeship in the 41st Judicial District court. Like Mr. Isaacks he is well and favorably known to our people, and the consensus of opinion is that this will be one of the ablest law firms in the Southwest.

We regret Judge Isaacks' resignation, but doubly do we deplore the fact that after the first of January he will take up his residence in El Paso. All that is left for us is to wish him and his partner a glorious success as "mere lawyers before the bar."

ACCIDENT AT MIDLAND COLLEGE LAST SUNDAY

Last Sunday morning while Mr. Wilhite and two daughters, Misses Mary and Golda, were driving from the college to church, the horse became frightened at a passing automobile and ran away, throwing the occupants from the buggy and badly bruising all three. Miss Golda suffered a dislocated shoulder. At this writing, Tuesday, the sufferers are getting along very well.

Evangelist L. E. Finney, a former pastor of the Baptist Church of Midland, arrived Wednesday night from Jowett, Texas, to spend Christmas with his family. It is a pleasure to know he has just closed a very successful year in the evangelistic field.

Ed Rountree and wife this week became the proud parents of a baby girl. We offer congratulations and good wishes.

Greetings By The Reporter

MAY the sentiment born with the
Christ-child pervade the hearts of
our readers---

"PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL
TOWARD MEN"---

and may the New Year dawn in rose hues,
portending 365 days of Prosperity, of Happiness, and in which "We love one another."

ing something for the hookwormers.

He is H. C. (Coley) Harris. Recently he bought one of those dandy new automobiles, the Crow-Elkhart, just introduced in Midland, with the agency in the hands of W. R. Aycock. Mr. Harris proposes to use this new and very elegant machine for the purpose of administering ozone to the Hook Worm Club, or members thereof. J. M. Jemison is our authority for this, and we have no cause to doubt it, for the reason of the real necessity.

"Outwardly there are some as fine specimens of physical manhood to be found in this club membership as one would care to see. But there don't seem to be much to 'em. True their bank accounts are intact, and growing, but Jemison has expressed an actual doubt that they are any real use, as citizens, anyway.

Who knows?—Mr. Harris may work wonders with them.

Incidentally Mr. Jemison is the recognized president of the Hook Worm Club.

J. E. Millhollon and wife were shopping here this week from Stanton.

by seeing to our comfort and convenience during our short visit. Be it resolved that we also extend to them a vote of thanks.

Whereas, there is a movement in the State of Texas for the purpose of taking the public school system, and especially the rural schools, to a great extent out of the hands of politics, the movement being intended to place the power of electing county superintendents into the hands of the county boards of trustees, as is done at the present time by the boards of trustees of independent school districts; therefore, Be it resolved, that we go on record as favoring the said change in the manner of electing county superintendents; and that we also go on record as endorsing the progressive efforts and policies of State Supt. Doughty and his able assistants toward the betterment of the public schools of the State.

L. C. Fowler, Chairman,
J. S. Lyle,
Mrs. L. L. Coleman,
Committee.

M. L. and Allen Moody were in Midland Tuesday from Stanton.

ONE DAY ONLY

Beginning Saturday morning, the 23rd, at 8 o'clock, we will have on Special Sale all of our Silk Crepe de Chine underwear, such as Crepe Gowns, Corset Covers, Silk Teddies, etc. Niagara made Silk Hose and other Silk Hose are included in this special sale. We also have in this special sale Bath Robes for the boys and girls, going at a great reduction.

This One Day Only is the Time to Get Some Beautiful Christmas Presents Cheap.

See Our Display of Beautiful Silk Garments First

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"THE MERCANTILE"

Dry Goods Phone No. 284

Our Store will be Closed all day Monday for Christmas

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The Belated Shopper Will Find an Appropriate Gift at this Store.

All Dresses Have Been Marked Down This Week.

Our One Price Cash Only Way of Doing Business Will Save You Money.

WADLEY-PATTERSON CO.

ONE PRICE—THE LOWEST—FOR CASH ONLY

WITH THE CHURCHES

The Ministers of the City are Cordially Invited to Use this Column as They Care

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

All services day and evening as usual. A Christmas rally of friends and members at the morning and evening services.

BAPTIST CHURCH

9:45 a. m., Bible school and Christmas program.
11 a. m., preaching. Subject, "How Other People in Foreign Countries Observe Christmas."
6:30, B. Y. P. U.
7:30 p. m., "A Religious Christmas Tree."
The Baptist Bible school voted last Sunday to have their Christmas tree on Christmas Eve and to make it an entirely religious festival, one in which the gospel of love will be preached, not by one bringing large elaborate gifts for one personal friend, but where our gifts for each other will be simple and one large gift contri-

buted for needy peoples, that they may have a Christmas of great joy and be one in which we shall feel it's more blessed to give than to receive. Let us all bring white gifts of flour, meal, potatoes and other substantial things.

Ernest Quick, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services for Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 23rd and 24th:
Saturday, 7 p. m., our Christmas service for the Sunday School. This will be a "White Gift" service and we want you to bring a gift for your King of Self; Service, Substance, either or all of these. Come and make others happy because of your coming.
Sunday, 10 a. m., Sunday School.
4 p. m., Junior Endeavor.
6:15 p. m., Senior Endeavor.
The date for our evangelistic services has been changed to January 29th, and will continue through the following Sunday. As has been announced Rev. Watson M. Fairley, of El Paso will conduct the services.

METHODIST CHURCH

Services for Christmas and the week following:
Sunday School 9:45 a. m., P. Schar-

bauer, Supt.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Subject of the morning sermon, "The First Christmas Gift." Subject of the evening sermon, "The Impassable Gulfs."
There will be special music at the morning service by the Derdeyn-Watson Instrumental Trio. There will also be special music at the evening service.

Junior League at 3 p. m.
Senior League at 6:15 p. m.
Mid-week prayermeeting, Wednesday, at 7:15 p. m.
Teachers' Training Class, Wednesday at 8 p. m.
A cordial invitation and a most hearty welcome to all, especially strangers.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Subjects, "Big Jobs Awaiting Us." Leader—Mrs. Foster.
Song and Prayer Service.
Scripture lesson, 1 Ps. XLVI—Ruth Terry.

Isa. VI—Mabel Stillwell.
Luke X, 1-12—Alvin Johnson.
"How it Was With Moses"—Bascomb Terry.

Vocal solo—N. Y. Henry.
"How it is with Us Regarding the Tasks Set before Us?"—Alma Cowan.
Instrumental solo—Ned Watson.
"Deciding About the Matter"—Ruby Clark.

"Calling People Busy and Finally"
Nannie Terry.
Announcements.
Benediction.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Leader—Hattie Mae Trammell.
Subject, "As He Has Given."
Reference word, "Love."
Opening hymn, No. 159.
Prayer by the leader, followed by sentence prayers.

Scripture reading—Bessie Johnson.
Song No. 158.
Roll call and response.
Reading, "The Magi"—Bernice Norwood.

Hymn.
Reading, "A Christmas Carol"—Betty Trammell.
Lesson thoughts.
Announcements and benediction.

M. J. Phillips, ranching in Andrews County, was in the city the first of the week, and while here ordered The Reporter.

A LASS OF THE LUMBERLANDS

by E. ALEXANDER POWELL

NOVELIZED FROM THE MOTION PICTURE SERIAL OF THE SAME NAME. PRODUCED BY THE SIGNAL FILM CORP.

SECOND EPISODE.

Though Rupert Holmes had every reason to believe his wife and child had perished in the Calapooia, for he had himself seen them disappear before that resistless torrent of logs and water, the man knew neither sorrow nor regret.

It was, indeed, with a light heart that barely a week after the tragedy he started for Seattle in response to the telegram from Henry Marston. His interview with the president of the Northern Land & Lumber company was brief. In fact it lasted less than half an hour.

Holmes entered the office an impetuous adventurer, who richly deserved his widely known sobriquet "the lumber pirate," and left it a director of the great corporation with a million dollars potentially held in the hollow of his hand.

When Marston reached his home that evening he sent for his daughter. "I've asked Rupert Holmes to dine with us tonight," he said. "We've just elected him a director of the company, Florrie, and I think it would be wise to show him a little attention. Try to be polite to him. You'll find him as rough as one of his own fir trees, but he's going far unless I'm much mistaken."

Florence Marston was of a type with which Holmes was unfamiliar, and before long he became a frequent and apparently a welcome visitor at the Marston home. Twelve months after he had seen his wife and child dashed away in the angry waters of the Calapooia, Holmes, already become a recognized figure in the commercial life of the town, asked Florence Marston to marry him.

The wedding, six weeks later, was the most brilliant affair of the season. When Rupert Holmes married Miss Marston he believed he had done with his old rough life.

But Holmes' wife and child had not met their deaths in the raging Calapooia, as he had supposed.

The baby held upon a log and the mother clinging to it, were hurled down stream at express train speed.

Hours later, it seemed to the dazed woman, she thought she heard a voice calling her. She tried to answer but was too weak. A moment later a flat-bottomed skiff shot out from the shore, vigorously propelled by a single oarsman. A bronzed and bearded face bent over her and she and the child were lifted tenderly into the boat. Then the exhausted mother lost track of time.

"Where am I?" she whispered faintly.

"You're at Dave Dawson's," answered a woman's voice, soothingly. "I'm Dave's wife. Dave was gauging timber on the Calapooia when he saw you floating down river and he managed to save you. I reckon Dave wasn't none too soon, neither," added the good Samaritan. "That was a week ago yesterday and you ain't spoke a word since, not till now."

After her frightful experience, Mrs. Holmes was nothing loath to rest in friendly surroundings. The days grew into weeks and then into months, finally into years, and still Virginia and her baby stayed on with the Dawsons.

Dawson and his wife, who had come of substantial farmer stock, emigrated to the northwest some years before and were, as the kind-hearted fellow expressed it, "growing up with the country." Now, with the rapid rise of land values and the high prices obtainable for vegetables and fruits, he was on the road to a modest independence.

And so, Virginia Holmes and her daughter Helen, came by degrees to regard the log house on the forest edge as their home. Little Helen, indeed, had known no other. She told visitors who inquired her name, that it was Helen Dawson, which delighted the Dawsons' beyond words.

The young girl's playmate from childhood had been Tom Dawson, a handsome, strapping young giant, a few years older than herself, who after finishing school had become engineer of the long log train that ran daily from the log camps above Dawson to Port Jefferson.

By the time she was twenty, Helen Dawson was admitted the prettiest girl in all that region. It was on a morning in late June that she came dancing into her mother's presence with a letter in her hand. "Mumsy, dear," she cried excitedly, "I've had a letter from Anne Carrington—I met her when I was at school in Port Jefferson. She wants me to make a two weeks' visit. Her father has a large farm ten miles from town."

And Mrs. Holmes, glad to have her daughter get an occasional glimpse of the world beyond, gave her consent. Tom Dawson proposed that Helen, instead of taking the passenger train, jog down to Port Jefferson with him on the logging engine.

So away they went, Helen leaning from the cab window and anon chatting with Tom Dawson, or observing

with a strange feeling she did not understand, Tom's fireman, a taciturn young Indian named Little Bear. Strange are life's coincidences, for Little Bear was none other than the son of that same Klamath Indian chief whom Rupert Holmes had slain a score of years before.

Through all these years Virginia Holmes had remained in ignorance of her husband's marriage to Florence Marston, of the later birth of a son and of Holmes' spectacular rise to great wealth. Nor had she desired to keep in touch with the man who had treated her so brutally. She was as happy as a woman may be whose life romance has gone awry.

It was well into the afternoon when the log train with Helen aboard, rolled into Port Jefferson with a clatter of couplings and a squealing of brakes. Awaiting her near the tracks was a horse and buggy was Anne Carrington. "We've been having horrid weather, dear," said Anne, between giggles of delight at meeting her school chum—"the fog was so thick as I drove in that I could barely see the road."

As the girls drove out of Port Jefferson with its screaming mills and belching chimneys, Helen found that the fog was indeed one of the worst she had ever experienced.

Suddenly the chatter of the two school girls was interrupted by a great hoarse bellow that seemed to come from the depth of the fog close at hand.

"What was that?" Helen cried. "It must be a steamer's fog horn," replied Anne. "I never heard one so close before. This is a fearfully dangerous coast—perhaps they're on the rocks."

Just then the fog lifted and a great steamer was revealed, on her beam ends, bow high in the air, with crowds of excited people upon her decks. The ship was evidently fast on the jagged reef.

"It's the Marathon!" Anne exclaimed. "The big passenger boat that runs from San Francisco to Seattle."

"Look, Anne!" Helen screamed, suddenly clutching her companion's arm in intense excitement. "That man in the bow . . . he's going to jump! Don't you see him—there just in front of the bridge, standing on the rail. Oh, why doesn't he wait for the boats. He'll be drowned if he tries to swim ashore."

An instant later the young man had leaped far out from the steamer's side and was struggling in a smother of tossing water. He appeared to be but a poor swimmer and to be toying in the light for his life.

In an instant Helen had leaped to the ground and was hastily removing her outer garments.

"What on earth are you thinking of doing, Helen?" gasped her companion. "Why, my dear, you couldn't live in that water for five minutes—Helen! you—oh, heaven!"

"I can't see the man drown when I'm sure I can save him," retorted the lumberman's daughter—"it would haunt me all my life."
With a quick run the lithe young creature crossed the cliff and unhesitatingly plunged into the sea.
The young man who had inspired this reckless deed was evidently nearing the end of his strength. He was pawing the water, dog-fashion, a sure sign of the final stages. As Helen approached him, swimming the crawl stroke she had been taught by an Australian workman on the swift running Calapooia, he tried to seize her.

"If you do that again," the girl shouted, "I'll leave you to drown."

Frightened by her tone the drowning man obeyed mechanically and lay still. How Helen swam the last hundred yards she never knew, but just as she felt that she could not hold out her feet, and a huge comber, taking charge of affairs, tossed rescuer and rescued high upon the stinging, Helen submitted to being wrapped in a blanket from the buggy and helped aboard.

"That was the bravest thing I ever saw done," said a man who came to the girls' assistance. "This young fellow would have been food for the fishes if it hadn't been for you, Miss."

"Helen, you're a darling," gasped Anne, between laughter and tears—"you're a perfect heroine."

The rescued youth was assisted to a seat in the rig and invited to the Carrington home until he recovered from his shock. As they were about to drive off he called to one of the men who had been attracted by the daring rescue and urged that a telegram be sent to his father.

"Send it," he called out, "to Rupert Holmes, Pioneer building, Seattle." "You don't say?" the man answered. "Him that's president of the 'Amalgamated'?"

"The same," answered Helen's prize. "I'm his son, Stephen Holmes."

Rupert Holmes took no account of money where his son was concerned. Two telegrams, one informing him of the wreck of the Marathon by which young Holmes was returning from San

Francisco after the close of his college year, and the other informing him that his son had been saved and was at the Carrington farm, inspired him to instant activity.

"White," he called to his secretary, "get the traffic manager of the S. P., on the wire. Tell him I want a special made up and ready to start for Port Jefferson within the hour. Have my own car put on, White."

The man who sat that night in his private car, staring out into the darkness, was a very different Rupert Holmes, at least so far as externals were concerned, from the Rupert Holmes who had come to Seattle from the camp on the Calapooia twenty years before. Only his eyes had remained unchanged. And these were as cold and cruel as ever.

If Holmes' appearance had changed in the twenty years his life had changed still more. His rise in business had been meteoric. Five years after his marriage to Florence Marston, her father had died, leaving his vast fortune to his daughter, and Rupert Holmes had stepped into the presidency of the Northern Land & Lumber company. Six years later he succeeded in forming a merger of the lumber interests of the northwest into a mammoth corporation known as the Amalgamated, with himself as chairman of the board of directors.

Holmes made the fast journey with mixed feelings. He did not know the exact condition of his son. When he entered the Carrington home and found young Stephen as good as ever, having made a rapid recovery, he was overjoyed. When told of Helen's brave rescue, he stared at the girl in astonishment. He experienced a sudden shock of recognition, a vague comprehension that somewhere in the course of his life he had seen those great masses of blue-black hair, those deep brown eyes. But where—where?

"Miss Dawson," the magnate began, albeit somewhat patronizingly, "I can never thank you sufficiently for what



Tom Dawson Was Now an Engineer.

you have done. You have placed me under an obligation which I can never repay. Do you live in Port Jefferson?"

"No, sir," and the sound of her voice filled the old man with a sense of its familiarity. "My home is in Dawsonville."

"With whom?" asked Holmes. "With my mother, sir," replied the girl, "and with my uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Dawson."

"Have you any plans for the future?" was the next question.

"I hardly know, sir," blushed Helen. "I had thought of securing a place as a stenographer but that would take me away from mother. There isn't much work for a girl in Dawsonville, she added.

"I'm—Dawsonville is on the I. O. & P., is it not?"

"Yes, sir," Holmes drew a card from his case and wrote a few lines upon it.

"When you return to Dawsonville," said Holmes, presenting the card, "give this to the I. O. & P. agent. It happens that I am a director of the road. It instructs the agent to see that you have every facility for learning telegraphy. When I reach Seattle I will see that you are put on the company payroll. I do not know just what the pay will be but it will be more than you could earn as a stenographer. And remember, Miss Dawson," added the man of affairs, "that if ever I can be of assistance to you you have only to command me. . . . It is strange, but I have a feeling that I must have met you somewhere before."

"It is hardly likely, sir," answered Helen. "I have spent all my life in Dawsonville with the exception of two years, during which I was at school in Port Jefferson."

"Then I am mistaken," mused Holmes, regarding the young girl's features intently. "Wait! I have it now. You look like—like a woman I used to know many, many years ago."

The man's face was momentarily contracted as memory drew pictures on his brain.

"Come Steve," he called to his son. "we must be starting. Good-by, and thank you again, Miss Dawson. I shall not forget you."

Stephen Holmes held Helen's hand a trifle longer and perhaps somewhat tighter than was necessary. "It is not 'good-by' with me," he whispered. "I'm going to see you again—and soon—my Goddess of the Sea."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

PHIL SCHARBAUER
Midland, Texas

STOCK CATTLE LOANS
On Favorable Terms

Merchant's Nat. Bank

of
Lawrence, Kansas

With Greetings of the Season

We wish our friends and customers a

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

We earnestly thank all for so liberally sharing their patronage with us during the year now closing and promise a service and quality of goods at prices in 1917 of which you will not complain.

City Drug Store

"IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH"

NEWS NOTES FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE

Most Students are Home For Christmas and Many New Ones Expected After the Holidays

The holidays are really present. The past week has marked the going of many students and teachers. They leave to enjoy the season until Jan. 2nd, at home. Miss Brown has returned to Garland, Miss Darter to Ft. Worth, Miss Pritchett to Bonham,

Miss Heavenhill to Winters, Miss Holland to Brownwood, Mr. Camp, with his brother and mother, to Pecos. Most of the students are spending Christmas at their homes, placed practically in every section of the State.

Mr. Shaw, dean of the college, will be in Midland most of the time. Mr. Hunter will remain at the college, also Miss Lay, Miss Elkin will be at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Elkin. Mrs. Holloway, relieved of her numerous charges, will spend Christmas on the ranch with her family. Messrs. Morgan, Haley and Walter Hunter will remain at the boys'

dormitory through the season.

Mr. Hal H. Hunter was called home to Allen, Texas, on Dec. 9th, by a telegram, announcing the critical illness of his mother, Mrs. J. W. Hunter. She passed away at 11 a. m., Dec. 13th, in the midst of her family, about all present.

Mrs. Hunter was mother of a large family. Her life was full of service and good deeds. She was strongly intelligent and consecrated. Her working knowledge of the Bible was unusual for a busy life and her faith was direct and humble vitalizing her every thought even up to the last hour, sad to her friends but joyous and full of radiant hope to her. She was laid by the side of her husband who had preceded her several years, and gentle hands wreathed the winter flowery above her lowly bed, knowing that they should meet her again where partings never come.

Golden days are supplying the threshold of Christmas. Cold, clear bright days like these bring hope and cheer. The families of Pres. Jones and Mr. Wilhite will enjoy the vacation at the college together. Pres. Jones has two engagements for the season. One is for the 28th with the college presidents of Texas at Waco, in the formal organization of the Texas Association of Colleges, and the other is with the Fifth Sunday Meeting convention of West Texas and New Mexico at Pecos, Dec. 30-31.

Midland College has made all arrangements to comply with the new standard for a plus standing with the Classification Committee of the Texas State Teachers Association. The only changes to be made are the refitting and furnishing of the chemical and biological laboratories, the increase of the library and the securing for another year of a faculty meeting the requirements as to experience and degrees. The laboratories have been supplied and progress made to complete the library lists. The faculty for another year is being made up with reference to the degrees required and all arrangements will be ready on April 1st for the annual report to the committee.

For the first time in her history, Midland College is receiving new students almost every week. A number entered December 1st at the beginning of the winter term. Several more are to come Jan. 1st, having received rooms already. The hopeful thing is that these students come several hundred miles, one of them five hundred. The scope of territory from which these students come is 800 by 600 miles in extent. After Christmas reservations for rooms in the boys' dormitory will have exhausted the room. Then we have planned for a new fire-proof and larger boys' dormitory.

HIGHEST HONORS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Sixty Pupils Win Distinction in Report of Third Month in Our City Schools

Following are the names of those pupils in the high school who won distinction in the work of the third month, which closed Nov. 24th, 1916. These are divided into three groups. Those who averaged 90 or more in scholarship for the month won the distinction of "summa cum laude" (with highest honors); those who averaged 85 to 90 minus won the distinction of "magna cum laude," (with high honors); and those who averaged 80 to 85 won the distinction of "cum laude" (with honor). The numbers after the names indicate the number of courses carried:

ELEVENTH GRADE
"Summa cum laude," 90 or more—Lee Terry, 5; Ruth Clark, 5.
"Magna cum laude," 85 to 90 minus—Annie Mae Patterson, 5; Mary Lee Finney, 5; Naomi Mabry, 5; Leona McCormick, 4.
"Cum laude," 80 to 85 minus—Joe Caldwell, 5; Jack Isaacks, 5; Allene Pemberton, 5; Ernest McCall, 5.

TENTH GRADE
"Summa cum laude," 90 or more—Clella Denton, 5.
"Magna cum laude," 85 to 90 minus—Miriam Crossett, 5.
"Cum laude," 80 to 85 minus—Hallie Rhea Jowell, 5; Ellen White, 5; Ethel McKee, 5; Mittie Ingham, 4; Elizabeth Davis, 5; Lena Kate Baker, 5; Sam Hendricks, 5.

NINTH GRADE
"Summa cum laude," 90 or more—Duncan Garner, 5; Thelma Estes, 5; Hazel Hollingsworth, 5; Ruth Terry, 5; Ruby Willis, 5.
"Magna cum laude," 85 to 90 minus—Henry Pleanor, 5; Sidney Quick, 5; Franklin Whitefield, 5; Birdie Brown, 5.
"Cum laude," 80 to 85 minus—Lucille Avent, 5; Lula Bee Bonnerman, 5; Mary Cozzo, 5; Birdye Haws, 5; Poxye Nugent, 5; Melrose Florey, 5; Lois Balch, 5.



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Eighth Grade (Section A)
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"Magna cum laude," 85 to 90 minus—Evetts Haley, 5; Nina Mae Bayes, 4; Ola Lee Dublin, 4; Elizabeth Lynch, 5; Mabel Stilwell, 3.
"Cum laude," 80 to 85 minus—O. B. Holt, 4; Ruth Bedford, 5; Doris Brown, 5; Floy Holloway, 5; Lurline Pollard, 4; Thelma Wulfjin, 4; Mary Yates, 5.
Eighth Grade (Section B)
"Summa cum laude," 90 or more—Richard Cain, 5; Laura Smith, 5; Daisy Duphey, 4.
"Magna cum laude," 85 to 90 minus—none.
"Cum laude," 80 to 85 minus—Oscar Ragsdale, 5; Manilla Reynolds, 4; Nannie Lou Tidwell, 4; Edwin Benedict, 5; Eustice Mitchell, 4; Crystal Shepherd, 4.
We are too crowded for space to give the general report for the third month of our city schools in this issue. It will appear next week.

Sheriff's Sale

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland. In the District Court of Midland County, Texas.

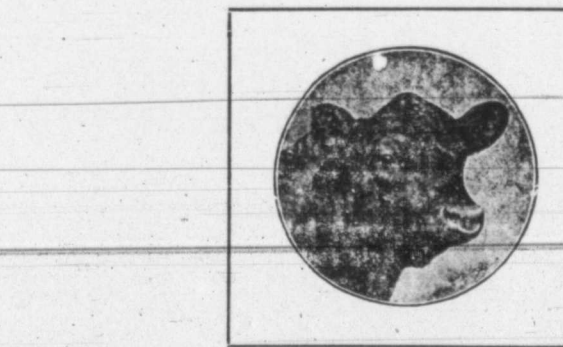
Mrs. Birdie Wilson, Walter Wilson, Mrs. Lucilla Taylor, W. R. Taylor and T. J. Steward for himself and as next friend for Wilson Steward and Van Steward.

vs.
H. L. Collins Mrs. W. B. Benson, Mrs. Bessie Foster, Robert L. Souter, Mrs. Willie Gore, Jim Gore, Bryan Ardis, Les. Ardis, Onie C. Ardis, Mattie E. Ardis, Robert Ardis, Isaac H. Ardis, Mrs. Bob Keith, Brown Keith, Mrs. C. C. Collins, a widow, Willie F. Collins, Mabel Martin, formerly Mabel Collins, Robert L. Collins, and James F. Collins.

Whereas, by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the District Court of Midland County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 5th day of September, A. D., 1916, in favor of the said plaintiffs and against the said defendants, I did on the 7th day of December, A. D., 1916, at 9:20 o'clock, a. m., levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land situate in the county of Midland and State of Texas, belonging to said defendants, to-wit:

The central 100 feet of land fronting west out of west one-half block No. 29 in Homestead Addition to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, being 100 feet fronting on the west of said block and extending 140 feet deep in said block in the alley running north and south through the same; and on the 2nd day of January, A. D., 1917, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said defendants in and to said property.

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NEW HOME FOR THE WATERLAND HEREFORDS

While the editor was sick, suffering of inflammatory rheumatism, several weeks ago, an important ranch deal took place of which The Reporter gave no notice. In fact it was a double deal, in which C. C. Johnston sold his ranch 25 miles south of town, called by him Waterland Stock Farm, to Attorney J. M. Caldwell. The consideration in this deal was \$23,000. Mr. Johnston then bought the J. A. Ward ranch, 10 miles west of Odessa, at a consideration of \$25,000, while some cattle went in on the deal raising this figure considerably. The new ranch, Mr. Johnston says, is to be the home of the Waterland Herefords, than which there is no better grade herd to be found in all the west.

We congratulate our townsman, J. M. Caldwell, upon securing his fine piece of property. Already he has it splendidly stocked, he taking possession December 1st. This ranch has been one of the money-makers of the Midland Country, and we wish Mr. Caldwell the same good luck that has come to the former owner.

We wish Mr. Johnson, also, a continuation of his line of unbroken prosperity.

Lee King was in from the O. B. Holt ranch north this week, and gave an excellent range report.

OVERLAND DEALERS PUT TEXAS ON THE MAP

Our townsman, Will Manning, Overland dealer, was one of the Texas excursionists to Toledo, Ohio, last week at the expense of the Overland factory. Mr. Manning promised us a report of his trip, but has been too busy and we failed to get the interview. Once he put his head in at our door and said: "We sure put Texas

on the map." From other reports we agree that they sure did! And amongst the map-makers we'd wager something upon the activities of Mr. Manning.

GOOD PRICES FOR REGISTERED HEREFORDS

Jowell & Jowell, of Hereford and Midland, made a couple of deals recently that show up wonderfully well for their Hereford registered herd. To C. H. Luyston they sold 20 cows and one bull for \$12,500 and to Jas Sanders seven heifers for \$3,500. Spence Jowell, of Midland, and J. T. Jowell, of Hereford, make up this firm, and their stuff is principally of Gudgett & Simpson breeding.

CATTLE SHIPMENTS THE PAST WEEK

Inspector Bell only gave us a partial list of the shipments of the past week. Two shipments, in fact, are all he reported. One from Monahans on the 15th and one from Odessa on the 17th. The one from Monahans comprised 1000 Mexico cows, sold by J. J. Oliver to J. W. Parker and shipped to Upham, N. M., and the one from Odessa, 7 cars of steer yearlings by W. F. Cowien to the Fort Worth market.

HERE IN INTEREST OF FARMERS INSTITUTE

Hon. H. L. Bentley, of Abilene, representing the State Department of Agriculture, was a distinguished visitor to Midland yesterday. He came to be present at the last day of the teachers institute, but that body adjourned the day before. However he conferred with Supt. Lackey and Judge De Armond, and secured their promise of co-operation in interesting our public schools in junior farmers' institute work.

BUICK ANNOUNCES INCREASE IN PRICES

Makers of the Valve-in-Head Motor Car to Raise Prices: Quotations in January

The Buick Motor Company, Flint, Michigan, makers of the Buick Valve-in-Head Motor Car in both six and four cylinder types, has announced an increase in prices for all models effective December 15th, 1916, as fol-

lows: Models D-434, \$660.00; Models D-435, \$675.00; Models D-6-44, \$1040.00; Models D-6-45, \$1070.00; Models D-6-46, \$1440.00; Models D-6-47, \$1835.00; all prices f.o.b. factory.

The Buick Motor Company officials state that it was their sincere hope to continue the sale of cars at the former prices, and the announcement of increases was delayed as long as possible, trusting there would be some relief in the materials situation. This year's Buicks have been built largely from materials contracted for a year ago, and in some instances previous to that. This, in connection with largely increased production, and the further fact that Buick efficiency engineers made possible a vast saving in the factory through the extension of efficiency methods and the installation of much new and improved machinery, enabled the company to delay the higher price announcement a great deal longer than many of its dealers and friends anticipated.

LOCAL MAN HAS CHARGE OF LLANO

We congratulate our young townsman, W. C. Dorsey, upon having acquired the management of Hotel Llano. For some weeks past, prior to the latter part of last week, this popular place had been without a landlord, but we feel that it has at last fallen into competent hands.

Mr. Dorsey has, in a number of ways, served the public in the past and knows well the various demands thereof. He is capable, a good mixer, and we are confident that he will handle the job creditably.

Among the first of his special efforts to please the public will be a turkey dinner Christmas day, and throughout the holidays now on this place will present a Yuletide air and many social pleasures are sketched for its hospitable lobby and dining hall.

E. T. Coleman, wood and coal dealer from Plainview, was a business visitor to Midland this week.

L. G. Warlick, who ranches in New Mexico, near Eunice, was here this week to lead out with lumber for a new dwelling and other improvements.

In Society



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

Miss Ferrell Lewis, who formerly lived in Midland, and until just recently lived in Lampassas, is here to spend the holidays with her many friends. Miss Lewis is on her way to Kansas City where she will enter the Bible training school of that city, to fit herself for future church work.

Wulfjin—Crowley

Last Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wulfjin, the marriage of their daughter, Alma, to Albert Crowley, was solemnized. Rev. J. W. Cowan, pastor of the Methodist church, making use of the ring ceremony, very impressively took the nuptial vows of these two young people. Only the immediate family of the contracting parties were present.

The bride was attired in a very becoming coat suit in the popular Burgundy shade with a hat of black and gold. She is a young woman of beauty and intelligence, affable and charming in disposition, and will be an ornament to the home over which she is to preside.

"Eck," as his friends call him, is an honest, upright young man, who has the confidence of his employe with whom he has been associated for some time—the Cole Motor Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Crowley are living at the R. E. Crowley place in Southeast Midland. Among the many friends who are showering them with congratulations and good wishes, The Reporter desires to be numbered.

Delightful Dance

Hotel Llano was the scene of a delightful dance Wednesday evening, the first of the Christmas season. The large dining room was thronged with the merry makers until the early morning hours. The presence of a number of the young people from Big Spring added a great deal to the success of the occasion.

Class Party

The senior class of the high school, with a number of others, gathered at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Brunson last Saturday evening to enjoy a few hours together, socially, thus entering into the holidays and vacation from their school duties. This was also given somewhat as a farewell party to Jack Isaacks, who leaves soon for his new home in El Paso. Forty-two hearts and other games were enjoyed until a late hour. Fruit and candies were served during the evening.

Miss Brown Entertains

At Midland College Monday evening, Miss Lera Brown, the popular oratory teacher, entertained her class and a number of prospective pupils in a very unique way. After a few minutes spent in social conversation, the guests were allowed five minutes in which to write the names of actors and actresses on the legitimate stage. Later in the evening the guests were arranged into two football teams, under Captains Perry and Collins. The gridiron was laid out on a large table and the "pigskin" was an egg which was to be blown through the goal. This furnished a lot of merriment. Captain Perry's team was victorious.

A number of readings and vocal selections were heartily enjoyed after which Miss Brown, assisted by Miss Pritchett, served ambrosia and fruit cake.

Social Calendar

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer and Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Halff will give the young people a dance on Tuesday evening at the Scharbauer home.

Mrs. Ella Youngblood has issued invitations for a forty-two party on Wednesday afternoon.

The homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White will be thrown open for a reception by the '99 Club Thursday afternoon.

Thursday evening at Hotel Llano Mr. and Mrs. Crutcher Woodriddle and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Cowden will entertain their friends with dancing and forty-two.

Coming and Going for the Holidays

Miss Lucie Davis was called home Monday by a message which stated that her mother was very ill. We hope to hear good news from her soon.

Mrs. J. Allen Battle is spending the holidays in Cleburne.

Mrs. R. M. Clayton and children are visiting home folks in Sherman.

Miss Mary Barron and Paul Barron are at home for Christmas vacation. They are students at Baylor Univer-

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Later they will visit in several Oklahoma points.
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hill and sons, Clifford and Carroll, are visiting relatives in South Texas.
Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Curtis and son, Wicli, are spending Christmas with Dr. Curtis' family in Kentucky.
Misses Thelma White and Alma Brunson are expected home from S. M. U. today.
The following young ladies are at home from C. I. A. visiting with relatives: Misses Carabel Elkin, Lula Elkin, Tennie Florey and Bulah Trammell.

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Advance Program for the week ending December 30th

Unique Theatre

(Week ending Dec. 30th)
MONDAY, DEC. 25th

Red Feather Feature Night:

Francis Billington in a splendid photoplay,
"THE BLACK SHEEP OF THE FAMILY"
TUESDAY, DEC. 26th

Paramount Night:

Pauline Frederick in Mary Johnston's celebrated novel, **"AUDREY."**

A thoroughly absorbing and thrilling photoplay.

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"SAFETY FIRST"



WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27th

Ben Wilson and Neva Gerber in **"SOCIETY HYPOCRITES"**
A Nestor Comedy, with Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran, entitled,
"IT'S ALL WRONG"

The second episode of the thrilling, sensational serial, **"A LASS OF THE LUMBERLANDS,"** featuring Helen Holmes and a strong supporting cast. (Read the second episode of this play elsewhere in this paper.)

THURSDAY, DEC. 28th

Carter DeHaven in the **"Timothy Dobbs"** comedy series; subject this week, **"BREAKING INTO SOCIETY."**

A Nestor Comedy—always good—**"THE BAR FLY."**
The tenth episode of the wonderful serial **"LIBERTY,"** getting better all the time. You can start this picture any time and enjoy it.

FRIDAY, DEC. 29th

Paramount Night:

Edna Goodrich in a beautiful photoplay, entitled **"THE MAKING OF MADDALENA"**

Miss Goodrich is a new star to Midland people but if she wasn't fine, she would not be on the Paramount program.

A Nestor Comedy that is some comedy—**"PAT'S PASTING WAYS."**

SATURDAY, DEC. 30th

A Nestor Comedy—**"THE CONSPIRACY,"** with Harry Carey.
A Nestor Comedy—**"THE BOY BLUE."**

The Midland Reporter

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MIDLAND'S FUTURE

Ethnicism and money are the most powerful forces in the world today. Midland has both of these, and coupled with them are natural resources of which any community might be glad and proud. For years sections of the great South-west development along this line has given us some of the largest and best bred herds in the United States. Buyers of "feeders" are coming to Midland from all parts of the country. Within forty miles of Midland, there are thirty-two herds of registered Hereford cattle, comprising some of the finest stock in the world. Midland is also headquarters for one of the best breeding and snow herds of Aberdeen-Angus in the United States. Over \$2,000,000.00 worth of cattle now leave Midland annually. Our deep soil, producing splendid crops and grass, means much for the livestock interests of Midland County.

Coming events cast their shadow before them. The last twenty years forecasts much greater things yet to come in the development of the Midland County.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

M. B. Cartt was here the first of the week from East Tennessee, prospecting for land and is well pleased with signs of prosperity here. His son, of Los Angeles, met him here and spent a few days.

E. L. Pemberton, Jr., of Georgia, was a business visitor to Midland for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cooley are again the proud parents of a baby girl. The little one, born this week, weighs 9 pounds.

For Sale—The Texas Colonel, registered Duroc Jersey boar, weight about 650 pounds. See H. M. Ramsay. adv 9-17

I am paying 17 cents for green and 30 cents for dry hides, and you will find me at the same old stand, always paying the highest market price. C. M. J. Stringer, phone 408. adv. 10-15t

Do you need glasses? See Prof J. D. Shaw, phone 434. adv 49-17

For Sale—Two lots next to the square. Very desirable for residence. Phone 132. adv 24-17

Estray—A small black sow pig. Owner may recover by paying for this notice and feed bill. J. P. Collins, phone 322. adv

For Sale or Trade—Two windmills, one steel and the other an Eclipse. A bargain. Phone 177. adv.

J. E. Dozier, we understand, purchased half interest in the cleaning and pressing establishment of Henry Stilwell, this week.

Andy Williams and wife were in from their Andrews County ranch this week, on their way to Stephenville, to spend Christmas.

W. L. Tunnell and son are here this week from Tahoka, to visit friends and relatives.

J. T. Winton was a visitor Wednesday from Odessa.

O. Shafer, farmer from Grandfalls, was here Tuesday on business.

A baby girl was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Jess Elam.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moeglin are happy in the arrival of a baby girl, born to them this week.

Rev. J. S. Moore and daughter, Miss Ethel, returned this week from an extended stay at Corpus Christi. It is a pleasure to know that Miss Ethel is much improved. She was in a sanitarium at Waco for several weeks and under special treatment she has practically regained her health wholly.

Lost—Sixteen size Rockford open face gold watch in or near town on Dec. 20th. Return to Reporter office and receive reward. adv pd.

Lost—A square black leather auto cushion, for single seat. Lost between Midland and Stanton on the public road south of the railroad. Finder return to Stokes & Wolcott and receive reward. adv.

For Sale—One Emerson typewriter, second hand, good as new. Cost with case, \$55. Can be bought for half or less. If interested, call at this office. adv 51f

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Lost—A muff. Return to this office and receive \$2.50 reward. adv.

Notice—Those in debted to the Midland Second Hand Store are urged to pay up by January 1st. Be good enough not to neglect this. Your courteous attention will save me much trouble. Mrs. D. L. Vest. adv.

Again we urge our subscribers to pay up their delinquencies. The cost of paper is too high for us to carry you longer and after next week all subscriptions that are in arrears will be discontinued.

W. T. Whittenburg, who ranches on the county line west, was in town this week. His range report was a good one.

John Richards, who ranches near Stanton, got his leg broken at our stockpens on Wednesday of last week. He was feeding some cows, his team became frightened and ran away. He was thrown from his wagon, and the above was the result.

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Dresses ranging from \$25.00 to		LOT NO. 4 FOR \$16.50	\$24.50
LOT NO. 3 FOR \$22.50	\$35.00		
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LOT NO. 4 FOR \$25.00	\$45.00		
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Dresses ranging from \$32.50 to			
LOT NO. 4 FOR \$25.00	\$45.00		
Dresses, regular price			
Dresses ranging from \$42.50 to			
LOT NO. 4 FOR \$25.00	\$45.00		
Dresses, regular price			

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NEW HOME FOR THE WATERLAND HEREFORDS

While the editor was sick, suffering of inflammatory rheumatism, several weeks ago, an important ranch deal took place of which The Reporter gave no notice. In fact it was a double deal, in which C. C. Johnston sold his ranch 25 miles south of town, called by him Waterland Stock Farm, to Attorney J. M. Caldwell. The consideration in this deal was \$23,000. Mr. Johnston then bought the J. A. Ward ranch, 10 miles west of Odessa, at a consideration of \$25,000, while some cattle went in on the deal raising this figure considerably. The new ranch, Mr. Johnston says, is to be the home of the Waterland Herefords, than which there is no better grade herd to be found in all the west.

We congratulate our townsman, J. M. Caldwell, upon securing his fine piece of property. Already he has it splendidly stocked, he taking possession December 1st. This ranch has been one of the money-makers of the Midland Country, and we wish Mr. Caldwell the same good luck that has come to the former owner.

We wish Mr. Johnston, also, a continuation of his line of unbroken prosperity.

Lee King was in from the O. B. Holt ranch north this week, and gave an excellent range report.

OVERLAND DEALERS PUT TEXAS ON THE MAP

Our townsman, Will Manning, Overland dealer, was one of the Texas excursionists to Toledo, Ohio, last week at the expense of the Overland factory. Mr. Manning promised us a report of his trip, but has been too busy and we failed to get the interview. Once he put his head in at our door and said: "We sure put Texas

on the map." From other reports we agree that they sure did! And amongst the map-makers we'd wager something upon the activities of Mr. Manning.

GOOD PRICES FOR REGISTERED HEREFORDS

Jowell & Jowell, of Hereford and Midland, made a couple of deals recently that show up wonderfully well for their Hereford registered herd. To C. H. Luyston they sold 20 cows and one bull for \$12,500 and to Jas. Sanders seven heifers for \$3,500. Spence Jowell, of Midland, and J. T. Jowell, of Hereford, make up this firm, and their stuff is principally of Gudgeall & Simpson-bred.

CATTLE SHIPMENTS THE PAST WEEK

Inspector Bell only gave us a partial list of the shipments of the past week. Two shipments, in fact, are all he reported. One from Monahans on the 15th and one from Odessa on the 17th. The one from Monahans comprised 1000 Mexico cows, sold by J. J. Oliver to J. W. Parker and shipped to Upham, N. M., and the one from Odessa, 7 cars of steer yearlings by W. F. Cowden to the Fort Worth market.

HERE IN INTEREST OF FARMERS INSTITUTE

Hon. H. L. Bentley, of Abilene, representing the State Department of Agriculture, was a distinguished visitor to Midland yesterday. He came to be present at the last day of the teachers institute, but that body adjourned the day before. However he conferred with Supt. Lackey and Judge De Armond, and secured their promise of co-operation in interesting our public schools in junior farmers' institute work.

BUICK ANNOUNCES INCREASE IN PRICES

Makers of the Valve-in-Head Motor Car to Raise Prices: Quotations in January

The Buick Motor Company, Flint, Michigan, makers of the Buick Valve-in-Head Motor Car in both six and four-cylinder types, has announced an increase in prices for all models effective December 15th, 1916, as fol-

lows: Models D-434, \$660.00; Models D-435, \$675.00; Models D-6-44, \$1040.00; Models D-6-45, \$1070.00; Models D-6-46, \$1440.00; Models D-6-47, \$1835.00; all prices f.o.b. factory.

The Buick Motor Company officials state that it was their sincere hope to continue the sale of cars at the former prices, and the announcement of increases was delayed as long as possible, trusting there would be some relief in the materials situation. This year's Buicks have been built largely from materials contracted for a year ago, and in some instances previous to that. This, in connection with largely increased production, and the further fact that Buick efficiency engineers made possible a vast saving in the factory through the extension of efficiency methods and the installation of much new and improved machinery, enabled the company to delay the higher price announcement a great deal longer than many of its dealers and friends anticipated.

A LOCAL MAN HAS CHARGE OF LLANO

We congratulate our young townsman, W. C. Dorsey, upon having acquired the management of Hotel Llano. For some weeks past, prior to the latter part of last week, this popular place had been without a landlord, but we feel that it has at last fallen into competent hands.

Mr. Dorsey has, in a number of ways, served the public in the past and knows well the various demands thereof. He is capable, a good mixer, and we are confident that he will handle the job creditably.

Among the first of his special efforts to please the public will be a turkey dinner Christmas day, and throughout the holidays now on this place will present a Yuletide air and many social pleasantries are skeduled for its hospitable lobby and dining hall.

E. T. Coleman, wood and coal dealer from Plainview, was a business visitor to Midland this week.

L. G. Warlick, who ranches in New Mexico, near Eunice, was here this week to load out with lumber, for a new dwelling and other improvements.

In Society



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

Miss Ferrell Lewis, who formerly lived in Midland, and until just recently lived in Lampasas, is here to spend the holidays with her many friends. Miss Lewis is on her way to Kansas City where she will enter the Bible training school of that city, to fit herself for future church work.

Wulfjin-Crowley

Last Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wulfjin, the marriage of their daughter, Alma, to Albert Crowley, was solemnized. Rev. J. W. Cowan, pastor of the Methodist church, making use of the ring ceremony, very impressively took the nuptial vows of these two young people. Only the immediate family of the contracting parties were present.

The bride was attired in a very becoming coat suit in the popular Burgundy shade with a hat of black and gold. She is a young woman of beauty and intelligence, affable and charming in disposition, and will be an ornament to the home over which she is to preside.

"Eck," as his friends call him, is an honest, upright young man, who has the confidence of his employer with whom he has been associated for some time—the Cole Motor Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Crowley are living at the R. E. Crowley place in Southeast Midland. Among the many friends who are showering them with congratulations and good wishes, The Reporter desires to be numbered.

Delightful Dance

Hotel Llano was the scene of a delightful dance Wednesday evening, the first of the Christmas season. The large dining room was thronged with the merry makers until the early morning hours. The presence of a number of the young people from Big Spring added a great deal to the success of the occasion.

Class Party

The senior class of the high school, with a number of others, gathered at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Brunson last Saturday evening to enjoy a few hours together, socially, thus entering into the holidays and vacation from their school duties. This was also given somewhat as a farewell party to Jack Isaacks, who leaves soon for his new home in El Paso. Forty-two hearts and other games were enjoyed until a late hour. Fruit and candies were served during the evening.

Miss Brown Entertains

At Midland College Monday evening, Miss Lera Brown, the popular oratory teacher, entertained her class and a number of prospective pupils in a very unique way. After a few minutes spent in social conversation, the guests were allowed five minutes in which to write the names of actors and actresses on the legitimate stage. Later in the evening the guests were arranged into two football teams under Captains Perry and Collins. The gridiron was laid out on a large table and the "pigskin" was an egg which was to be blown through the goal. This furnished a lot of merriment. Captain Perry's team was victorious.

A number of readings and vocal selections were heartily enjoyed after which Miss Brown, assisted by Miss Pritchett, served ambrosia and fruit cake.

Social Calendar

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer and Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half will give the young people a dance on Tuesday evening at the Scharbauer home.

Mrs. Ella Youngblood has issued invitations for a forty-two party on Wednesday afternoon.

The homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White will be thrown open for a reception by the '99 Club Thursday afternoon.

Thursday evening at Hotel Llano Mr. and Mrs. Catcher Woodriddle and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Cowden will entertain their friends with dancing and forty-two.

Coming and Going for the Holidays

Miss Lucile Davis was called home Monday by a message which stated that her mother was very ill. We hope to hear good news from her soon.

Mrs. J. Allen Battle is spending the holidays in Cleburne.

Mrs. R. M. Clayton and children are visiting home folks in Sherman.

Miss Mary Barron and Paul Barron are at home for Christmas vacation. They are students at Baylor Univer-

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 When you build a home you have established your credit, bettered your standing and condition. A further sign of good judgment is to buy your material's here.
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Advance Program for the week ending December 30th
Unique Theatre

(Week ending Dec. 30th)
MONDAY, DEC. 25th

Red Feather Feature Night:
Francis Billington in a splendid photoplay,
"THE BLACK SHEEP OF THE FAMILY"
TUESDAY, DEC. 26th

Paramount Night:
Pauline Frederick in Mary Johnston's celebrated novel, **"AUDREY."**
A thoroughly absorbing and thrilling photoplay.
Another LKO Comedy entitled,
"SAFETY FIRST"



WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27th
Ben Wilson and Neva Gerber in **"SOCIETY HYPOCRITES"**
A Nestor Comedy, with Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran, entitled,
"IT'S ALL WRONG"
The second episode of the thrilling, sensational serial, **"A LASS OF THE LUMBERLANDS,"** featuring Helen Holmes and a strong supporting cast. (Read the second episode of this play elsewhere in this paper.)

THURSDAY, DEC. 28th
Carter DeHaven in the "Timothy Dobbs" comedy series; subject this week, **"BREAKING INTO SOCIETY."**
A Nestor Comedy—always good—**"THE BAR FLY."**
The tenth episode of the wonderful serial **"LIBERTY,"** getting better all the time. You can start this picture any time and enjoy it.
FRIDAY, DEC. 29th

Paramount Night:
Edna Goodrich in a beautiful photoplay, entitled **"THE MAKING OF MADDALENA"**
Miss Goodrich is a new star to Midland people but if she wasn't fine, she would not be on the Paramount program.
A Nestor Comedy that is some comedy—**"PAT'S PASTING WAYS."**
SATURDAY, DEC. 30th
A 101 Bison Feature, **"THE CONSPIRACY,"** with Harry Carey.
A Victor Juvenile Feature, **"LITTLE BOY BLUE."**
A one-reel, title not yet announced.



LOCAL AND PERSONAL

M. B. Cartt was here the first of the week from East Tennessee, prospecting for land and is well pleased with signs of prosperity here. His son, of Los Angeles, met him here and spent a few days.

E. L. Pemberton, Jr., of Georgia, was a business visitor to Midland for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cooley are again the proud parents of a baby girl. The little one, born this week, weighs 9 pounds.

For Sale—The Texas Colonel, registered Duroc Jersey boar, weight about 650 pounds. See H. M. Ramsay. adv 9-1f

I am paying 17 cents for green and 30 cents for dry hides, and you will find me at the same old stand, always paying the highest market price. C. M. J. Stringer, phone 408. adv. 10-15f

Do you need glasses? See Prof. J. D. Shaw, phone 434. adv 49-1f

For Sale—Two lots next to the source. Very desirable for residence. close-in. Phone 132. adv 24-1f

Estray—A small black sow pig. Owner may recover by paying for this notice and feed bill. J. P. Collins, phone 322. adv

For Sale or Trade—Two windmills, one steel and the other an Eclipse. A bargain. Phone 177. adv.

J. E. Dozier, we understand, purchased half interest in the cleaning and pressing establishment of Henry Stilwell, this week.

Andy Williams and wife were in from their Andrews County ranch this week, on their way to Stephenville, to spend Christmas.

W. L. Tunnell and son are here this week from Tahoka, to visit friends and relatives.

J. T. Winton was a visitor Wednesday from Odessa.

O. Shafer, farmer from Grandfalls, was here Tuesday on business.

A baby girl was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Jess Elam.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moeglin are happy in the arrival of a baby girl, born to them this week.

Rev. J. S. Moore and daughter, Miss Ethel, returned this week from an extended stay at Corpus Christi. It is a pleasure to know that Mrs. Ethel is much improved. She was in a sanitarium at Waco for several weeks and under special treatment she has practically regained her health wholly.

Lost—Sixteen size Rockford open face gold watch in or near town on Dec. 20th. Return to Reporter office and receive reward. adv pd.

Lost—A square black leather auto cushion, for single seat. Lost between Midland and Stanton on the public road south of the railroad. Finder return to Stokes & Wolcott and receive reward. adv.

For Sale—One Emerson typewriter, second hand, good as new. Cost with case, \$55. Can be bought for half or less. If interested, call at this office. adv 51f

Lost—A square black leather auto cushion, for single seat. Lost between Midland and Stanton on the public road south of the railroad. Finder return to Stokes & Wolcott and receive reward. adv.

Lost—A muff. Return to this office and receive \$2.50 reward. adv.


Notice—Those in debted to the Midland Second Hand Store are urged to pay up by January 1st. Be good enough not to neglect this. Your courteous attention will save me much trouble. Mrs. D. L. Vest. adv.

Again we urge our subscribers to pay up their delinquencies. The cost of paper is too high for us to carry you longer and after next week all subscriptions that are in arrears will be discontinued.

W. T. Whittenburg, who ranches on the county line west, was in town this week. His range report was a good one.

John Richards, who ranches near Stanton, got his leg broken at our stockpens on Wednesday of last week. He was feeding some cows, his team became frightened and ran away. He was thrown from his wagon, and the above was the result.

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We wish the Greetings of the Season to all our friends and customers.

With only 1 more day to shop.

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LOT NO. 3 FOR \$22.50	Suits ranging from \$32.50 to.....	\$35.00	LOT NO. 3 FOR \$14.50	Dresses, regular price.....	\$22.50
LOT NO. 4 FOR \$25.00	Suits ranging from \$42.50 to.....	\$45.00	LOT NO. 4 FOR \$16.50	Dresses, regular price.....	\$24.50
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To Ford Owners:

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First National Bank
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Condition on Nov. 17, 1916

Casital, Surplus and Undivided Profits

\$219,607.19

Deposits

\$680,594.61

Total Resources

\$925,200.80

CAPITAL ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

SURPLUS ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

Miss Erva Norwood was called to Burnett, one day this week on account of the serious illness of her mother. We trust that she will find the sufferer much improved and will return to us in a short while.

No. 6410
Report of Condition of
THE MIDLAND NATIONAL BANK
at Midland, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Nov. 17th, 1916

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c) \$	450,520.05
Total loans	450,520.05
Notes and bills rediscounted	6,500.00
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	50,000.00
Total U. S. bonds	50,000.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned - unpledged	3,697.30
Total bonds, securities, etc.	3,697.30
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	4,500.00
Furniture and fixtures	8,471.98
Real estate owned other than banking house	387.99
Net amt. due from app. res'v'e agts. in N. Y., Chiago and St. Louis	6,074.32
Net amt. due from app. res. agts. in other res. cities	46,413.24
Net amt. due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 or 18)	7,079.24
Outside checks and other cash items Rev. Stamps 50.11 (less cash over \$1967)	1,664.49
Fractional currency, nickles and cents	98.54
Notes of other national banks	110.00
Lawful reserve in vault and with Federal Reserve Bank	38,387.86
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	2,560.00
Other assets, advances on livestock	7,185.00
TOTAL	\$620,590.01

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	75,000.00
Surplus fund	75,000.00
Undivided profits	17,942.24
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	7,151.94
Circulating notes outstanding	50,000.00
Net amount due to banks and bankers (other than included in 29 or 30)	1,628.23
Individual deposits subject to check	382,713.06
Cashier's checks outstanding	4,458.42
Total demand deposits, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40	387,171.48
Certificates of deposit	21,000.00
Total of time deposits, Items 41, 42, and 43	21,000.00
TOTAL	\$620,590.01

Liabilities for rediscounts, including those with Federal Reserve Bank \$6,500.00
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 29th day of November, 1916.
Ralph M. Barron,
Notary Public, Midland County, Texas.
Correct—Attest: J. R. Dublin,
Chas. L. Sinclair,
W. H. Brunson, Directors.

APPEAL IN BEHALF OF TEXAS BOYS AND GIRLS

To the Citizens of Midland County, Texas:
The University of Texas is the head of our public free school system. Nearly 5,000 Texas boys and girls attend it each year. More than half of these students work their way through school, either wholly or partially. The cost of living has increased so much recently, that a large number of these boys and girls who are struggling for an education will be forced to leave school Christmas and the others suffer for the necessities of life, unless help can be secured from the patriotic and liberal citizens of Texas.
A committee of business men from the State at large is asking for subscriptions to establish a permanent fund to be loaned now and in the future to such poor but deserving students. It is the duty of every patriotic citizen to see to it that all of our girls and boys have an equal opportunity to get a college education, regardless of their poverty. While Texas is prosperous and freely dispensing her charity to the world, will she let it be said that her own boys and girls who are striving for an education in her largest and greatest public school, are forced to leave it for the lack of warm clothing and wholesome food?
Will you not send in a Christmas subscription to this fund for whatever amount you can, today? The need is urgent. The Midland Reporter will forward all subscriptions to the committee.

A special effort is being made throughout the State to secure by Christmas a club of 1,000 subscriptions of \$100 each, in addition to the larger or smaller subscriptions made. All amounts are payable to meet the convenience of the subscriber, and bear no interest.
Remember, this money will be loaned to the students—not given to them. Students Loan Committee.
W. H. Chamberlain, wife and little daughter arrived in Midland last Friday, from Ventura, Cal., surprising Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Taul, parents of Mrs. Chamberlain. Mrs. Chamberlain was Miss Lutie Taul, and is pleasantly remembered by many young friends. Their visit will be extended over a period of two months.
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—GREETING:
You are commanded to summon C. H. Tinner, J. H. Hines, C. A. Buchanan, J. A. Tyler and Clint Roberts by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th judicial district to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Midland County, Texas, on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1917, the same being the 21st day of February, 1917, then and there to answer and defend in and defend on the docket of said court No. 1373 wherein C. C. Slaughter Co., a corporation, is Plaintiff, and C. H. Tinner, J. H. Hines, C. A. Buchanan, J. A. Tyler and Clint Roberts are Defendants and said petition alleging that on or about March 4th, 1907, defendant, C. H. Tinner, purchased from R. L. Slaughter the southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of section 28, block 27, township 1 south, T. & P. R. Co. survey in Midland County, Texas, and as a part of the consideration for said land said Tinner executed and delivered to said Slaughter the certain promissory notes numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 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Emmett Cowden is at home from Tyler, where he is in school, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cowden.

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A. J. Wolcott, of Dallas, is a guest of his brothers, W. H. and G. W., and their families this week, and to visit the family of his daughter, Mrs. B. F. Whitefield.

As usual, Dr. Buchanan, the Eye Specialist, of Big Spring and Midland, will be in his Midland office Saturday, the 23rd. adv

Driff Shepherd arrived this week from Fort Worth, where he is employed, to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shepherd.

Giles Connell, Jr., and wife came down from their ranch west of Odessa last Tuesday, doing some Christmas buying.

TEACHERS HAVE SPLENDID SESSION

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en by the students of the Midland schools. The first of these was a musical concert given in the Christian church by the High School Literary Society. The wonderful ability of our high school students to entertain in their open sessions is so well known in Midland that their concerts are always given a large attendance. The program was comprised of songs by the Boys' Glee Club and the Girls' Choral Club, several individual numbers, and the entire membership of the society in concert. Six numbers were given by the chorus, and each displayed the skill, careful training, and intelligent interpretative ability that are characteristic of our high school students' musical efforts.

Of these choruses those most popular with the audience were "The Bridal Chorus" from "The Rose Maiden" and "Hail to the New Born King," from the "Star Divine." One of the most attractive numbers was the "Melody in F" by twelve girls. N. Y. Henry rendered a baritone solo in a manner that caused hearty applause. Clifford Hill and Lee Terry each gave a declamation, and their unusual stage presence and force received much praise. Two of the most delightful numbers were the readings by Leona McCormick and Alma Cowan. Each was so pleasing to the audience that she received repeated encores. Altogether the concert was most entertaining and reflected great credit upon the individuals on the program and upon the work of the High School Literary Society.

Swedish Gymnastics

The second of the student programs was the first number on the program of the institute. This was given Saturday morning, and was a demonstration of the Swedish Gymnastics as practiced in our schools. The exercises were taken in the heart of the business section of Midland in order that our business men could see the work. The children marched onto the courts and each found his place in almost perfect order. The exercises given showed how accurately the system is adapted to giving play and development to the muscles, to correcting imperfect postures and carriage, to cultivating attention and obedience, and to teaching co-ordination of mind and muscle. There were three hundred children on the courts and the regularity and rhythm of their movements, and the way in which all timed their motions together were astonishing. The costumes of white coats and dark trousers for the boys and white waists and dark skirts for the girls, made the scene very pleasing to the spectator.

Interscholastic League

During the sessions of the institute the Midland County teachers organized the county under the University Interscholastic League by electing J. E. Nelson director general of the county, N. Y. Henry director of debate and declamation, and E. P. Hornaday director of athletics, these being nominated by Supt. Lackey who is director general of the Midland district. Every school of the county was urged to get ready to take some part in the county contests next April, and many of the teachers of the county expressed their determination to have their schools represented in these contests. There will also be in Midland next April a district meet and inter-scholastic meet under the auspices of the University Interscholastic League, and while Midland expects to win out as

she did last year, she invites other schools to enter and help to make things lively.

All in all, the institute was a pronounced success, many expressing themselves as having enjoyed the work and as having been greatly benefitted by the program. After adopting resolutions endorsing the county superintendent's bill and the work of the Department of Education, the institute adjourned.

Judge J. M. DeArmond, though not able to attend all of the time on account of illness, was present the last day and expressed himself as being highly pleased with the work and the spirit which was manifested in the institute.

A DOCTOR'S REMEDY FOR COUGHS

As a cure for coughs and colds Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey combines these remedies in just the right proportion to do the most good for summer coughs or colds. A trial will prove the value of this splendid cough medicine. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey soothes the irritation, stops your cough, kills the cold germs and does you a world of good. A 25c bottle will more than convince you—it will stop your cough. All druggists. adv. No. 3.

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A. H. Haralson, prospector from Fannin County, was here this week.

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

Notice of Estray—A red male hog, about one year old, strayed to my place at the cemetery. Owner may recover same by paying for this notice and feed for the hog. J. T. Bruce. adv. 11-4t

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

Reward Offered—I will pay the market price for the hide of the dirty scamp that came through my pasture and pulled up the only bunch of grass I had left. Yours truly, Timberline.

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E. R. Cruse was in town Tuesday from his ranch 12 miles north of Andrews, and gives good reports of stock and range conditions.

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-tf.

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