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## CAMPAIGN TO SAVE FREIGHT CARS BEGUN

Campaign Begun by Fort Worth Freight Bureau that is Vitially Interesting to All

The Fort Worth Freight Bureau Wednesday began a campaign among its members to promote the effort started by the government to relieve the car shortage situation. This campaign is in response to an appeal just received by the bureau from the state railroad commission, and which is published in this issue of The Reporter.

The commission's letter points out the various matters that cause a reduction in the available car capacity, and calls upon the shippers to load and unload cars the day they are received; to load to full capacity or 10 per cent above market capacity; to ask for cars only when certain of being ready to load; to combine two shipments to the same station in one car where practicable and to store fuel and other stocks ahead so as not to be pinched by temporary car shortages.

The letter from Manager Byars of the Fort Worth Freight Bureau to the various members makes virtually the same request and says, in addition: "Please bear in mind that it is not the railroads merely, but the United States government that is making this demand upon you, and it is for the common good."

of the people of Midland, to experiment and ascertain what is best. For the next few weeks, beginning next Monday, July 16th, you will be asked to park your car, instead of heading in, at an angle of 30 to 45 degrees in the direction in which the car is moving. Our marshal will ask you to do this in order that we may see the effect. This is not an ordinance, but a request. God I am sure that no person will refuse to do what he can in making this a real test. Let us show the spirit that we recently noticed in one of our citizens. There was a fire and this party was at work doing what he could to put out the fire. He received an urgent call, which we understand was due to the sudden illness of his wife. He naturally rushed to his car, but the fire hose was in front of it. He insisted that it be moved. Some six or eight men insisted that he cross the hose—that it was customary—that it was ruined anyway—that he had no time to wait, etc., and for some time the man in the car remonstrated and he would not budge until the hose was moved, though he was in a hurry, and was being urged on all sides. This, the mayor saw in person, and it encouraged him wonderfully. Would you have done as much, not for yourself, but for the city—that is, your fellow-man?"

The above from Mayor Leaverton is apt and timely. The sentiment expressed is most excellent, and a due observance thereof upon the part of our citizenship would work wonders in making Midland healthier, safer, and a happier, brighter spot in which to fellowship, in which to entuse and take pride as home-builders, and in which to know and love each other better.

### BORN, TO MR. AND MRS. ANDREW FASKEN

Congratulations are in order to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fasken, to whom a 9-pound baby girl was born last week. The Reporter joins other friends in an expression of good wishes.

### SPENT A FEW DAYS AT MINERAL WELLS

George Leach was a recent visitor to Mineral Wells. He was there only a few days, and returned home last Tuesday.

## OVER A MILLION IN MIDLAND BANKS

Individual Deposits do not Show Effects of Prolonged Drouth in all West Texas

Last week The Reporter published statements of the condition of the two national banks of Midland, the First National and the Midland National, as called for by the government on June 20th. The statements were sure enough good ones, considering that this whole section of the country suffers of a drouth that is more serious, taken in its several phases, than any we have ever before sustained, at least since 1886-7.

At call this time, in the First National there were individual deposits subject to check \$812,240.78, and in the Midland National \$410,241.80. These vast sums in but a single class of deposits, individual and subject to check. They account for none of the other deposits, such as time deposits, Liberty Bonds, and others, while the total footings of the two institutions climb away up toward the two-million mark.

With reference to these bank conditions in Midland an amusing bit of pleasantry occurred in the home of our townsman, Thos. S. Patterson, the latter part of last week. His wife's niece, Mrs. Ben L. Cox, of Abilene, was their guest. An argument came up with reference to the fitness of Abilene for the location of the West Texas A. & M. College, as compared with Midland. The lady of course maintained that the locating board had acted wisely and just as it should have done. Mr. Patterson's opinion was different. His was that the Midland Country is the better of the two. He cited that despite the fact that Midland had a population of little more than 2500 and that the Midland Country has less than 5000, and that Abilene has 15,000 and Taylor County approximately 50,000, Midland's two banks had more money in them than the four banks of Abilene. The lady, of course, was incredulous, "from Missouri!" and "had to be shown!" She was "shown" through the sworn statements of the several institutions.

It was then Mr. Patterson's argument—and it settled the controversy—that Midland is the best country or it could not possibly show such superior wealth, and that therefore it was the better suited for the location of this or any other such institution. The locating board had merely made a mistake, an incomprehensible one to his or our minds, but no less a mistake. The board, however, was excusable in that Midland made no effort to attract the attention of its members.

Midland, therefore, has strained for itself immense wealth as a result of no special effort on the part of its citizenship. Natural conditions have brought it about. A wide-awake spirit manifested co-operatively among our citizenship would likely have landed the West Texas A. & M. College, and it would land many other institutions, which would be calculated to develop our natural resources and make of the city of Midland and Midland County spots that would hold the attention and admiration of not only the State but the nation.

It is wonderful that in a time of such drouth, in a time of unprecedented adversity there should be such stores of wealth in our banks. Midland manifests no great spirit of progress. Much of the reverse is frequently evident. That such wealth is ours, despite a lack of general co-operation and a dearth of progressive enthusiasm, is simple and indubitable evidence of possibilities greater than the country has ever known or can know, so long as we are lax in our methods and neglectful of opportunities so frequently and so alluringly presented. Midland hasn't even a commercial

## REGISTRANTS TO BE CALLED NEXT WEEK

Each County or City to Furnish Two-Thirds of One Per Cent of Population

As we understand it, if Midland has a population of 2700 we shall be called upon to supply 18 soldiers, under selective conscription; if the county has twice as many, then we will furnish 36, and so on.

Postponement until next week of the drafting of numbers of men who will be called for examination for the national army seemed probable in Washington last Wednesday, when it became evident that States are not completing organization of their district exemption boards as rapidly as War Department officials had hoped. Only twenty-one States had reported their organization complete, although in most others only a few districts were missing. The drawing will not be made until the lists of the country are complete.

A so-called revised census estimate for the entire country compiled on the basis of the registration will be used for determining apportionments. Each city, county or State must furnish two-thirds of 1 per cent of its paper population, according to the new estimates, which were made for the purpose of equalizing the call, rather than to represent accurate population totals.

Thus New York City, with an estimated population of 5,041,187, must give 43,382 of the 687,000 young men to be called on the first call. A city with 25,000 population would be required to give 166 men. These apportionments would be subject to slight allowances for alien enemies, for men who have volunteered and for other causes.

The population estimates, far from attempting to show actual populations, simply are improvised figures reached by considering the number of registrants in each subdivision as 9.32 of the population, since the total number registered, 9,659,382, was 9.32 per cent of the total population, 103,637,800. The process resulted in large dummy population showings for cities with war industries where there has been a recent inflow of workmen without their families. Since the figures are based on the number of men available for military service, however, officials consider the estimates fair as a basis for apportionment.

Pleas for exemption for any man need not be made by him, but may be entered by a wife, other dependent, employer or any other third person. The Provost Marshal General's office explained in a statement. It also claimed that any registered man sent from his home district may return for personal examination to be examined elsewhere.

club, no chamber of commerce, not anything that stands as an authorized representative of its several splendid commercial institutions. And thus the city sleeps; and thus opportunity knocks and passes on!

### TOWNSMAN'S BROTHER DIED LAST TUESDAY

We offer an expression of sympathy to our townsman, B. M. Smart, upon the death of his younger brother, J. T. Smart, which occurred at his home near Pecos last Tuesday. Deceased was 60 years of age and leaves a wife and nine children. The funeral services took place the next afternoon, at which our townsman was present, as he was during most of the last days of the sufferer. An abscess of the brain was the cause of death and deceased was ill about six weeks. Again The Reporter offers condolences to those who are bereaved. Ned Watson returned last Saturday from a short vacation to Galveston.

## GENERAL OFFICES TO BE MOVED

A New Depot to be Located on Pecos Street—Offices to Occupy the Second Story

The Reporter man overlooked a bit last week, when T. J. O'Donnell, J. H. Black, D. Fasken, C. W. Lott and R. Fasken, the high-up officials of the Midland & Northwestern, made a business trip to Dallas last Wednesday. Matters of great interest to the people of Midland were taken up with the Texas & Pacific Railway Company, and adjusted to the satisfaction of the Midland & Northwestern people. Among the things that were of interest to the people of Midland was the return of the right-of-way from the Junction at Thaxter station to the original townsite of Midland by the Texas & Pacific to the Midland & Northwestern.

Steps were at once taken by the Midland & Northwestern people to build their track into Midland, where they can better serve the public and find it a whole lot more convenient for themselves.

Track-laying has been resumed north of Fasken, and here the printer's ink is dry on this page. The Midland & Northwestern tracks will be built into Midland, and the necessary steps will be taken to insure for the people of Midland a handsome new depot, and the general offices of the company will be located on the second floor.

In conversation with Mr. O'Donnell it was learned that the Midland & Northwestern people expect to have their track in the town of Seminole by the middle of August, provided no unforeseen obstacles are placed in the way, like the Texas & Pacific not furnishing the material.

The Texas & Pacific officials promised while these gentlemen were in Dallas that they would bend every effort to give prompt delivery on material, so that the road could be completed to Seminole as above stated. It was hinted by Mr. O'Donnell that some greater things may yet be in store for Midland. Mr. C. W. Lott has been appointed General Manager of the Midland & Northwestern Railway Company. Mr. Lott is from the Canadian Pacific, which is a government owned road, and a leading operating official. Practically all of the Midland & Northwestern people are now owned by the government since the war, and the editor has surmised that Mr. Lott would not have been inveigled down here, if some future more than ordinarily realized were not in store for the Midland & Northwestern.

Mr. Fasken is a very busy man, and a man of large affairs, but he finds time to devote to his large interest here in Texas, and is very much interested in the success of the Midland & Northwestern Railway. Mr. O'Donnell stated that he requested that every effort be made to see that the steel is laid to Seminole by the middle of August, which will be done, if the steel is delivered to O'Donnell.

The Midland & Northwestern was fortunate in getting linked up with Mr. Fasken, and the people of Midland are to be congratulated that a man of Mr. Fasken's large affairs and business judgment has seen fit to put his shoulder to the wheel in the building of the Midland & Northwestern railway, as it is a sure indication that there is a bright future for this road, and, no doubt, some time in the near future, the terminus of the Midland & Northwestern will be pushed from Seminole to some point further north; but whatever is done along this line will add to the value of the line, as well as to the future of building Midland. It is unfortunate at this time the weather is so dry, and the people of Midland have become so indifferent to the future progress of their city, but, no doubt they will wake up some of these days with their old

## BETTER CONDITIONS EXIST IN MEXICO

Zimmerman Plot has Played a Part in Opening Eyes of Great Masses of The People

News coming out of Mexico of late has been quite reassuring. The irreconcilables north of the Rio Grande, indeed, have had but one recent opportunity for the erection of a theory compatible with their rock-rooted belief that Carranza is bound to fall. They found it in the announcement of General Alvaro Obregon's resignation from the war ministry. This, they hastened to say, comments the Christian Science Monitor, was indicative of a split in the Carranza administration, and one that would widen and deepen into a revolutionary movement. A short time ago, in Mexico City, a dinner was tendered by a numerous group of General Obregon's friends, among whom were many senators and deputies, to the retiring cabinet officer; and the president of the republic, who by unanimous invitation presided at the function, paid a warr tribute to the guest of the occasion. The banquet, before adjournment, became an apparent feast of harmony, representative of the government and of the opposition parties alike pledging their loyalty to the constitutional president of the republic.

Previous to this feast Mexico had taken a quite correct position with regard to the United States and the Allies. The nation was in no condition to invite either internal or external trouble; it decided to steer clear of both by maintaining a strictly neutral attitude.

We have it from Washington, on top of this, that there is manifest in administration circles a decided feeling of encouragement over the Mexican situation. The Washington government, it is added, is in possession of information which makes it possible to say that conditions in north and south of Mexico are greatly improved, and that this improvement takes the form of a better understanding, among the people, of the aims and purposes of the United States respecting them. It is known positively that the Carranza forces are rapidly dislodging and dispersing the followers of Villa and other disloyal bands.

The absurd Zimmerman plot has played its part in opening the eyes of the great mass of the Mexicans. They see now how important it is that they shall keep well outside the meshes of all such intrigue. They realize, also, that the United States had no ulterior motives in interfering with Mexico's affairs, and that, had it at any time desired to be other than neighborly and friendly, it could have drawn upon its great resources for means wherewith to accomplish its purposes, as it is drawing upon them today with another and no less worthy object in view.

The fact is that the entrance of the United States into the European war amid conditions so creditable to its people and its government, has impressed Mexico, as it has impressed all of the southern republics, and inspired greater respect for their big sister.

### YOUNGBLOOD BROS. IN FROM GAINES COUNTY

Frank and Joe Youngblood have ranch interest in Gaines County. The latter part of last week both were in town for a few days on business and gave pretty good reports. Awfully dry, of course, but cattle promise to hold out pretty well if a general rain is not delayed too long. Chas. McClintic returned last Saturday from a visit to Sweetwater and Abilene.

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Things Just Arrived White Wash Skirts, \$1.25 up to \$8.50. New Voile and Or-gandy Shirt Waists—all the new ones---\$1.25 up to \$3.50  
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## Specials in Cotton Batting and Dark Outing for Quilts

Eight hundred and seventy-seven yards of Dark Outing Flannel in 10 to 20-yard pieces, offered special to stimulate July business. This comes in lengths of 10 to 20 yards each, is offered by the piece, 10 to 20 yards, special, as long as the stock lasts, the yard **9c**

Three cases pure white three-pound cotton Cotton Batts, priced Special for July business, per roll **80c**

**Quick Action!** If you can't come, phone us how much of this you will want as it will go quickly. 7 1-2 yards Outing to a quilt, one side; 15 yards, both sides; 9c a yard by the piece of 10 to 20 yards; in cut lengths 10c the yard.

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right now you can be convinced of this fact by a comparison of values. Our every-day-in-the-year prices are still lower than "sale prices." No matter what you need, we have it for less.

- Boys' blue striped Overalls, sizes 2 to 12, pair... 50c
- Men's and Boys' Laundered Shirts, pair... 50c
- Novelty Sport Skirts, each... \$1.95
- Gingham Bungalo Aprons, each... 55c
- Summer Dress Goods, yard... 11c
- Nine-quarter Pepper and Garza Bleached Sheeting 2 1-2 yards lengths, 90c, or per yard... 37 1-2c

- All Wool and Silk Skirts marked down
- Ladies' closed Lisle Union Suits, each... 50c
- Yard wide Sport Skirting, the yard... 15c
- Men's Khaki Unionalls, the suit... \$2.50
- Men's Oxfords in sizes 5 to 8, the pair... \$3.50
- All Dresses have been marked down.
- Many of the high grade Silk Waists have been marked down.

## Ladies' Munsing Union Suits are in

A number of customers have been waiting for this wonderfully good Munsing Union Suit and these arrived this week in all sizes at 75c, 85c and \$1.25 the suit. If you have never tried this particular summer union, you are missing something extra good in the way of comfort and value. It is really a true phrase—"Munsing Wear is Beyond Compare," and you will never know what real underwear satisfaction is until you once wear Munsing Wear.

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## R. R. COMMISSIONERS URGE ATTENTION

Car Shortage Account of War Growing—Notice to Shippers and Receivers of Freight

Mayor Leaverton has received a circular from Railroad Commissioners Earl B. Mayfield and C. H. Hurdleson that is addressed directly to shippers and receivers of freight in Texas, and is urged to get it before such persons in the Midland Country. Mr. Leaverton has referred the matter to The Reporter and we publish the circular. It follows:

The war is causing great increase in traffic on railroads, such that they are finding it almost impossible to meet promptly all needs of service. Shippers and consignees of carload freight, and authorities, must therefore do all possible to make more efficient use of the cars. It seems much better that this be done voluntarily by co-operation, than that adoption of more stringent and iron-clad rules should be necessary by the Railroad Commission of Texas, or by National Commissions, Councils of Defense, War Boards, etc. We make the following propositions:

1. About 100,000 cars are needed for normal Texas business—more in rush seasons.
2. These cars average less than 20 miles a day in Texas, while the average for all other States is about 25 miles a day. This low mileage is due very largely to shippers and consignees making use of the liberal freedom for loading and unloading, and in some instances of further deten-

tion, keeping the cars practically as warehouses.

3. If cars were detained only an average of one day at each end of the haul, it would be equivalent to about 30,000 additional cars released for service in Texas.

4. Average capacity of cars in the United States is 39.7 tons; average loading in Texas 17.3 tons; only 43 per cent of the capacity of the cars is utilized. However, since only about one-third of all freight is now loaded to or nearly to capacity, it is clear the remaining cars are loaded much less than 40 per cent, averaging only 8 to 12 tons per car.

5. Shippers should not at this time take advantage of the allowed tariff minimum weight, but should make every effort to load to capacity, or even 10 per cent over capacity, where type of car permits. This applies particularly to coal, lignite, and other minerals in open cars, lumber, grains, compressed cotton, tank cars, iron and steel products, and other heavy bulk commodities. An increase in average loading of only 15 per cent would make about 10,000 more cars available in Texas.

Briefly:

Load your car, unload it, the day you get it.

Load the car to full capacity, or 10 per cent above marked capacity.

Ask for cars only when certain of being ready to load; and give destination when ordering.

Where practicable, combine two shipments to the same station, in the same car.

Store fuel and other stocks ahead, so as not to be pinched by temporary car shortages.

Unless voluntary co-operation is effective in improving the situation, drastic regulations will become inevitable, or the coming autumn and winter will see the most crucial car short-

age in history.

By unloading and loading promptly and by giving destination when ordering, and by using full capacity, shippers will place the railroads in position to respond to this Commission's demands on them for most efficient service and movement. In this connection the railroads, already awake to the impending car shortage, are making every effort to take care of the matter, but from numerous complaints from shippers, the Commission apprehends that the situation is getting out of control.

The Commission, being in a position to fully grasp from all angles the gravity of the situation, is already working with the railroads to take specific measures to improve their performance, and distribution, and is now urging shippers to do their full share toward conservation of the car supply.

## THE TELEPHONE AS USED IN WARFARE

Exchanges in The Trenches and The "Hello Boys" Who Have Charge and Operate Them

The telephone is so commonplace to all Americans, for Americans use more telephones than people of any other nationality, that we are inclined to think of it as only a side issue for communication in times of war, especially when wireless work has occupied such an important place as a means for sending long distance messages. That this view is entirely unwarranted, and the telephone still holds its own on the battle front in modern warfare, and has even been

greatly improved, and its usefulness extended is shown by the uses to which it is put along the lines of first defence in France, and also by the Signal Corps of our own army.

Whenever a camp is established by our army, you will find the Signal Corps to be among the first workers to arrive. They rapidly put up wire connecting commissary, quartermaster, field, division, and other headquarters and have a point to which all wires converge in the central telephone tent. Here you will find instead of a long line of "hello girls," several Signal Corps men sitting in front of telephone field switchboards busily making connections. These field switchboards are compact and comparatively light. They may be disconnected and made ready for shipment in short order and look like ordinary shipping boxes when ready to be moved.

The field telephones used by the U. S. Army are probably as good as those used by any army in the world. They have no hook which must be moved up and down to attract the central station, for the transmitter and receiver are one. When not in use they remain in the telephone box, and when they are used for talking, the connections with the line is made by pushing a button in the handle. The ringing is all done by turning a crank, as in the old type of magneto telephones first used in country and even on city lines. When it is necessary to move the camp, the telephones may be quickly disconnected and shut in their boxes, and when so disconnected they have the appearance of an ordinary polished oak box. The connecting wires for the telephone system are usually strung along on top of fence posts and on slender iron-shod poles which require but a sharp pull to remove them as quickly as they were

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When a line is to be erected quickly, the reel of telephone wire is carried by one man on horseback, preceded by another man similarly mounted and carrying a supply of telephone poles which he thrusts into the ground without pausing as the two advance. If the extension is a long one, additional supplies are brought up by other horsemen riding in the rear. A well trained squad of mounted signal corps men can easily run a new line of wire forty or fifty miles long inside of half a day.

Since the grounded return is usually in modern field telephone construction, each line requires the erection of only a single wire, the return circuit being completed through the earth. In a well established camp every commissioned officer in his tent is instantly available to call by telephone either day or night and even the outposts have telephone stations which permit them to keep in touch with what is going on inside the lines.

In addition to this regular camp telephone system which corresponds to the telephone system of our largest domestic cities, there is a special type of instrument used by scouting parties for purposes of exploration. This instrument is light and easily portable. In army parlance it is called "service buzzer," owing to the fact that noisy telephone bells are replaced by a buzzer emitting a calling signal just loud enough to be heard a short distance away, yet not audible at any considerable distance. Even this signal may be silenced, however, and the telephone used strapped to the body and with the head receiver continually clamped over the ears.

The service buzzer may be used anywhere by driving a metal stake in the ground and connecting the other terminal to a wire fence or even to a barbed wire entanglement. It is most often used in connection with a portable reel of bare wire of small gauge which is unreeled on the ground as the scouting party presses forward. The instruments will work satisfactorily with this bare wire wherever it does not come into physical contact with water or with a metal ground. The dry surface dirt offers sufficient resistance to the passage of the electrical current to prevent an actual short circuit. When it is not possible to secure a wire for connection, signals may be received in wireless telegraph code by making certain connections on the instrument.

There are a few applications of known principles of telephonic transmission applied to more ingenious purpose than those which are involved in a new "listening device" used along the fighting front for intercepting telephone conversation back of the enemy lines. This marvelous instrument is used by the outposts on the sentry line to hear telephone messages going out over wires along the enemy lines several hundred yards away without any wire connection. This is made possible through wireless currents and ground induction, forces which are a complete mystery to the layman but which have been studied by scientists until they may be utilized as surely as the everyday electricity which lights our homes.

## VISITS BROTHER WHO ENLISTS IN AVIATION

Mrs. W. L. Holmesly left Monday evening for her girlhood home in Comanche, where she will visit her brother who will soon go to the front in answer to the call of his country. He has enlisted in the aviation corps.

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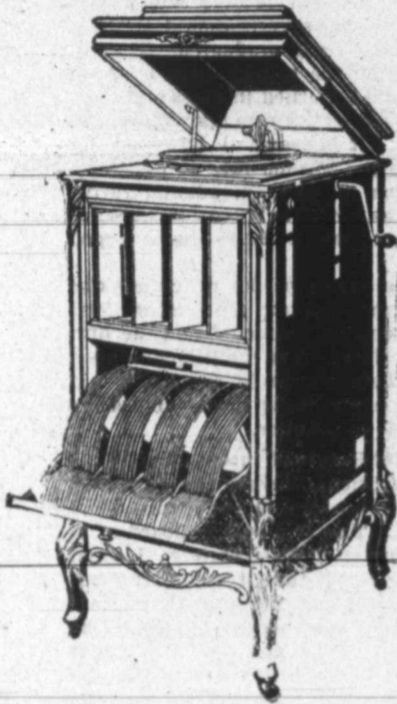
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## COULD HARDLY STAND ALONE

Terrible Suffering From Headache, Sidesache, Packache, and Weakness, Relieved by Cardui, Says This Texas Lady.

Gonzales, Tex.—Mrs. Minnie Philpot, of this place, writes: "Five years ago I was taken with a pain in my left side. It was right under my left rib. It would commence with an aching and extend up into my left shoulder and on down into my back. By that time the pain would be so severe I would have to take to bed, and suffered usually about three days... I suffered this way for three years, and got to be a mere skeleton and was so weak I could hardly stand alone. Was not able to go anywhere and had to let my house work go... I suffered awful with a pain in my back and I had the headache all the time. I just was unable to do a thing. My life was a misery, my stomach got in an awful condition, caused from taking so much medicine. I suffered so much pain. I had just about given up all hopes of our getting anything to help me.

One day a Birthday Almanac was thrown in my yard. After reading its testimonials I decided to try Cardui, and am so thankful that I did, for I began to improve when on the second bottle... I am now a well woman and feeling fine and the cure has been permanent for it has been two years since my awful bad health. I will always praise and recommend Cardui." Try Cardui today. E 78

## A JOLLY PICNIC PARTY LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Petty's tank, a few miles south of town, was the scene of a pleasant picnic party Wednesday night, the occasion being a birthday party tended by Mr. Sydney C. Lackland, of Fasken, by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gilmore, of Midland. Mr. Lackland did not say what number the birthday was but it is understood it lacked about six of being his 50th. The ladies of the party had prepared an elaborate lunch, consisting of everything their art in putting together a lunch for such an occasion could suggest, and it was all any appetite could desire. Plenty of ice cold bevo and soda pop were on hand as chasers after the lunch had been partaken of and all hands joined in having a jolly good time singing songs, playing new games, such as snap, drop the handkerchief, and marching around the levy and shooting the shoots down the grass embankment of the tank, but not into the water, all of which was enjoyed to the fullest extent, until a late hour, when Home Sweet Home was sung and all joined in the chorus.

Those composing the party were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Bigham, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and little daughter, Messrs James and Bowles, of Midland; Mr. Wright, of Fort Worth, and Mr. Lackland, of Fasken; Miss Ellen White, of Midland and Miss Orenbaum, of Hillsboro. All joined in wishing Mr. Lackland many happy returns of July 11th.

### SHERIFF'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued by the Justice of the Peace of the Justice's Court of Precinct No. 1, Midland County, on the 29th day of June, 1917, in a certain cause wherein Basham, Shepherd & Co. are plaintiffs, and A. G. and Mrs. A. G. Moegelin are defendants, in which cause a judgment was rendered on the 31st day of January, 1916, in favor of the said plaintiffs, Basham, Shepherd & Co., against said defendants, A. G. and Mrs. A. G. Moegelin, for the sum of Sixty-eight and 60-100 Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per centum per annum from date of judgment, together with all costs of suit, I have levied upon and will, on the third Tuesday in July, 1917, at being the 17th day of said month, at the court house door of Midland, Texas, within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the

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will tell you a fellow's constitution won't last forever, and in these strenuous times it needs a good overhauling occasionally.

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### ARE GUESTS OF MRS. J. E. SHUMATE

Mrs. Marshall Ferguson and little daughter, Mary, arrived on Tuesday of last week, from their home in Stephenville, and will be the guests for some time of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shumate.

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right, title and interest of A. G. and Mrs. A. G. Moegelin in and to the following described personal property, levied upon as the property of A. G. and Mrs. A. G. Moegelin, to-wit:

One Standard Sewing Machine No. 1136333, now in my possession. This judgment bears a credit of \$30.00 of date March 1st, 1916.

The above sale to be made by me to satisfy above described judgment for Sixty-eight and No. 100—Dollars, less credit thereon, in favor of Basham, Shepherd & Co., with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof.

W. E. BRADFORD, Sheriff Midland County, Texas, Midland, Texas, June 29, 1917. 39-21

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE C. W. B. M.

The regular July meeting of the C. W. B. M. was held at the home of Mrs. T. R. Sacra. Her co-hostesses were, Mesdames Will Graves, S. R. Preston, John Price and V. R. Dockray. An interesting and beneficial program was

conducted by Mrs. Graves and the review of the year's study book was given by Mrs. R. W. Garner. A humorous reading by Miss Nellie Elkin and two Spanish piano solos by Miss Florence Kissick were all very creditably rendered, adding much to the enjoyment of the guests. A dainty and tempting salad course was then served during the delightful social hour. The attendance was very good, despite the extreme heat.

### REPORTS GAINES COUNTY RANCH IN FAIR SHAPE

F. T. Pollard ranches near Seminole. He was in Midland this week, and while the country generally is miserably dry conditions in his neighborhood are not so hard as in many sections, he reports. Cattle, he says, are doing splendidly, considering conditions so adverse.

Miss Aileen Pemberton left last Tuesday for a three weeks' visit to friends and relatives in Fort Worth.

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In Society



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

F. S. M. Club

Wednesday afternoon Miss Frank Luther entertained the F. S. M. Club and a number of guests at her new little bungalow home...

Rhea Cottage Picnic

A number of the members of the Rhea Cottage family with some who were formerly members of the family had a very pleasant outing on the J. M. Caldwell ranch...

Miss Eddie Taylor is in Temple, a member of the large house party at the palatial Woodson home.

Mrs. Walter Dunn, of Mart, is visiting in the home of her brothers, N. W. and Irvin Ellis.

A picnic was given at Cloverdale Tuesday evening, everybody reporting a delightful outing. This is being made a weekly affair by some of our families...

Mrs. Sterling Mims and daughter, Miss Ruby, left Wednesday for their home at Lubbock, after an extended visit to Mrs. Ida B. Mims, of Midland.

Her many friends are much pleased over the return, early in the week, of Mrs. C. L. Sterling, who has been absent since last November. During this time she visited a number of eastern cities...

Miss Thelma Hyatt, of Carlsbad, N. M., arrived in Midland last Saturday morning, and is a guest of relatives.

BRIEF NEWS FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE

At the opening program of the summer session of T. C. U., President F. G. Jones, of Midland College, made the student response to the welcome address given by President E. M. Waits, of T. C. U. Mr. Jones' admirable reply met with a ready applause.

For the first time Midland College presents her new educational feature. Under the new educational law regarding junior colleges, M. C. will now grant first grade state certificates to those students who have completed the first college year and a course in education which will be given in the college.

Several pupils are expected from New Mexico and Arizona as a result of advertising in these western sections.

Resides his nice vegetables, Mr. Wilhite is also raising some young calves this summer to appease the hungry appetites of the students next winter.

Miss Lena Holland, the piano instructor, is attending a conservatory in Chicago this summer.

Miss Josephine Heavenhill, another excellent member of the faculty, is taking post-graduate work at the State University at Boulder, Col.

Miss Perry, of Knox City, and sister of Charles Perry, our well known jitney driver of last year, will be the instructor in domestic arts the coming session.

HERE FROM ODESSA TO ATTEND BIG SALES

There are still in progress in Midland a number of tempting dry goods sales by the several merchants, and many out-of-town visitors have been with us lately, taking advantage of them.

VISITING US AGAIN AFTER FIVE YEARS

J. J. Phillips lives in Hill County. He has many friends in this section and is now visiting us again after an absence of five years.

CRANE COUNTY IS REPORTED VERY DRY

Crane County is southwest of Midland and adjoining. W. M. Maxey was up from there Monday and reports that section of the country uniformly dry.

THE COUNTRY ABOUT STANTON VERY DRY

O. R. Anderson was a business visitor from Stanton last Monday. Dry was his report. It is the report of most every one.

When your storage battery needs recharging or repairing, we can do the work while you are using your car. We carry a complete stock of rent batteries.

HOW SHALL WE PAY FOR THE WAR?

A Constructive Criticism on the House Revenue Bill.

LOANS BETTER THAN TAXES

Five Reasons Why Excessive Taxes at the Outset of War Are Disadvantageous—Great Britain Example Worthy of Emulation—How the Taxes Should Be Apportioned.

By EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, McVickar Professor of Political Economy, Columbia University.

On May 23, 1917, the House of Representatives passed an act "to provide revenue to defray war expenses and for other purposes." In the original bill as presented by the Committee of Ways and Means, the additional revenue to be derived was estimated at \$1,410,420,000.

1. How much should be raised by taxation?

2. In what manner should this sum be raised?

1. How Much Should Be Raised by Taxation?

How was the figure of \$1,900,000,000 arrived at? The answer is simple. When the Secretary of the Treasury came to estimate the additional war expenses for the year 1917-18, he calculated that they would amount to some \$6,000,000,000, of which \$3,000,000,000 was to be allotted to the allies, and \$3,000,000,000 was to be utilized for the domestic purposes.

There are two extreme theories, each of which may be dismissed with scant courtesy. The one is that all war expenditures should be defrayed by loans, and the other is that all war expenditures should be defrayed by taxes.

It is indeed true that the burden of the war should be borne by the present rather than the future generation; but this does not mean that they should be borne by this year's taxation.

Meeting all war expenses by taxation makes the taxpayers in one or two years bear the burden of benefits that ought to be distributed at least over a decade within the same generation.

In the second place, when expenditures approach the gigantic sums of present-day warfare, the tax-only policy would require more than the total surplus of social income. Were this absolutely necessary, the ensuing havoc in the economic life of the community would have to be endured.

Secretary McAdoo had the right instinct and highly commendable courage in deciding that a substantial portion, at least, of the revenues should be derived from taxation. But when he hit upon the plan of 50-50 per cent., that is, of raising one-half of all domestic war expenditures by taxes, the question arises whether he did not go too far.

The relative proportion of loans to taxes is after all a purely business proposition. Not to rely to a large extent on loans at the outset of a war is a mistake.

Disadvantages of Excessive Taxes.

The disadvantages of excessive taxes at the outset of the war are as follows:

- 1. Excessive taxes on consumption will cause popular resentment.
2. Excessive taxes on industry will disarrange business, damp enthusiasm and restrict the spirit of enterprise in the very time when the opposite is needed.
3. Excessive taxes on incomes will deplete the surplus available for investments and interfere with the placing of the enormous loans which will be necessary in any event.
4. Excessive taxes on wealth will cause a serious diminution of the incomes which are at present largely drawn upon for the support of educational and philanthropic enterprises.
5. Excessive taxation at the outset of the war will reduce the elasticity available for the increasing demands that are soon to come.

Great Britain's Policy.

Take Great Britain as an example. During the first year of the war she increased taxes only slightly, in order to keep industries going at top notch. During the second year she raised by new taxes only 9 per cent. of her war expenditures. During the third year she levied by additional taxes (over and above the pre-war level) only slightly more than 17 per cent. of her war expenses.

If we should attempt to do as much in the first year of the war as Great Britain did in the third year it would suffice to raise by taxation \$1,250,000,000. If, in order to be absolutely on the safe side, it seemed advisable to use the sum to \$1,500,000,000, this, in our opinion, be the maxi-

In considering the apportionment of the extraordinary burden of taxes in war times certain scientific principles are definitely established:

How Taxes Should Be Apportioned.

(1) The burden of taxes must be spread as far as possible over the whole community so as to cause each individual to share in the sacrifices according to his ability to pay and according to his share in the Government.

(2) Taxes on consumption, which are necessarily borne by the community at large, should be imposed as far as possible on articles of quasi-luxury rather than on those of necessity.

(3) Excises should be imposed as far as possible upon commodities in the hands of the final consumer rather than upon the articles which serve primarily as raw material for further production.

(4) Taxes upon business should be imposed as far as possible upon net earnings rather than upon gross receipts or capital invested.

(5) Taxes upon income which will necessarily be severe should be both differentiated and graduated. That is, there should be a distinction between earned and unearned incomes and there should be a higher rate upon the larger incomes. It is essential, however, not to make the income rate so excessive as to lead to evasion, administrative difficulties, or to the more fundamental objections which have been urged above.

(6) The excess profits which are due to the war constitute the most obvious and reasonable source of revenue during war times. But the principle upon which these war-profit taxes are laid must be equitable in theory and easily calculable in practice.

The Proposed Income Tax.

The additional income tax as passed by the House runs up to a rate of 60 per cent. This is a sum unheard of in the history of civilized society. It must be remembered that it was only after the first year of the war that Great Britain increased her income tax to the maximum of 34 per cent., and that even now in the fourth year of the war the income tax does not exceed 42 1/2 per cent.

It could easily be shown that a tax with rates on moderate incomes substantially less than in Great Britain, and on the larger incomes about as high, would yield only slightly less than the \$532,000,000 originally estimated in the House bill.

It is to be hoped that the Senate will reduce the total rate on the highest incomes to 34 per cent., or at most to 40 per cent., and that at the same time it will reduce the rate on the smaller incomes derived from personal or professional earnings.

If the war continues we shall have to depend more and more upon the income tax. By imposing excessive rates now we are not only endangering the future, but are inviting all manner of difficulties which even Great Britain has been able to escape.

Conclusion.

The House bill contains other fundamental defects which may be summed up as follows:

- (1) It pursues an erroneous principle in imposing retroactive taxes.
(2) It selects an unjust and unworkable criterion for the excess-profits tax.
(3) It proceeds to an unheard-of height in the income tax.
(4) It imposes unwarranted burdens upon the consumption of the community.
(5) It is calculated to throw business into confusion by levying taxes on gross receipts instead of upon commodities.
(6) It fails to make a proper use of stamp taxes.
(7) It follows an unscientific system in its flat rate on imports.
(8) It includes a multiplicity of petty and un lucrative taxes, the vexatiousness of which is out of all proportion to the revenue they produce.

The fundamental lines on which the House bill should be modified are summed up herewith:

- (1) The amount of new taxation should be limited to \$1,250,000,000—or at the outset to \$1,500,000,000. To do more than this would be as unwise as it is unnecessary.
(2) The excess-profits tax based upon a sound system ought to yield about \$500,000,000.
(3) The income-tax schedule ought to be revised with a lowering of the rates on earned incomes below \$10,000, and with an analogous lowering of the rates on the higher incomes, so as not to exceed 34 per cent.
(4) The tax on whisky and tobacco ought to remain approximately as it is, with a yield of about \$230,000,000.
(5) These three taxes, together with the stamp tax at even the low rate of the House bill, and with an improved automobile tax, will yield over \$1,250,000,000, which is the amount of money thought desirable.

The above program would be in harmony with an approved scientific system. It will do away with almost all of the complaints that are being urged against the present. It will refrain from taxing the consumption of the poor.

It will throw a far heavier burden upon the rich, but will not go to the extremes of confiscation. It will obviate interference with business and will keep unimpaired the social productivity of the community.

It will establish a just balance between loans and taxes and will not succumb to the danger of approaching either the tax-only policy or the loan-only policy. Above all, it will keep an undisturbed elastic margin, which must be more and more heavily drawn upon as the war proceeds.



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HERE FROM AUSTIN A GUEST OF DAUGHTER C. M. Sawyer is a visitor this from Austin. He is a guest daughter, Mrs. T. B. Wilson, will remain some time.

GOOD SHOWERS ARE REPORTED SOUTH OF Pearl Rankin ranches south of land near the county line. He town this week and reports son showers lately. It will take a moisture, though, to put this in fair condition for the winter.

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LOU TELLEGEN and MARY FULLER in a Paramount,

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## "THE DIARY OF A PUPPY"



### HAD A PLEASANT VISIT TO GRAND PRAIRIE

N.R. Smith returned this week from Grand Prairie, where, in company of his wife and baby, he pleasantly spent his summer vacation. He visited several other towns. Mrs. Smith and baby are still at Grand Prairie. J. V. Smith, we understand, will soon start on his vacation.

### COMPLAINTS MADE AGAINST OPEN MUFFLERS

The Reporter, during two weeks past, has carefully and urgently warned autoists against running their cars without mufflers or with open mufflers. These warnings have not been heeded as generally as should have been, and as a result some eight or ten complaints have been filed by City Marshal Warnock. Action in these complaints has been held in obedience, but they are live matters and disposition will be made of them. We may add that the fact that you have no muffler on your car or that it is out of repair will not excuse you. The law requires it, and keep it closed while driving in the city. Shortly the city will take no excuse for open mufflers, and The Reporter, by these warnings, is merely trying to save you the expense of fines.

### Miss Frances Arand, of Waco, is a guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Holmesly.

Lee Irwin has accepted a position with Basham, Shepherd & Company, and will be glad to have his friends and customers call on him, for picture framing or anything in the furniture line. adv 38-3t

Miss Winnifred Brownrig, of Marshall, is the charming guest of Miss Jennie Mae Elliott. Miss Brownrig and Miss Elliott were class mates in Belton the past session.

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE. (Real Estate)

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland. Whereas, by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Midland County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 27th day of February, A. D. 1917, in favor of J. M. Jemison, plaintiff, and against T. J. Powell and J. M. Powell, defendants, No. 1383 on the docket of said court, I did on the 11th day of June, A. D. 1917, at 4:55 p. m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situate in the County of Midland, State of Texas, and belonging to the said J. M. Powell, to-wit:

Same being all of Lots numbers 11 and 12 in Block 100, in the Southern Addition to the Town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, as per map or plat of said addition which is of record in the Deed Records of said Midland county, Texas, to which reference is made for further description. And on the 7th day of August, 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 J. M. Powell in and to said property. Given under my hand this 11th day of June, A. D. 1917. W. E. BRADFORD, Sheriff Midland County, Texas. 39-3t

Rates, five cents per line each insertion. No ad accepted for less than 25 cents. Cash in advance is required of those not having a regular account with this paper.

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FOR EXCHANGE—Lot No. 17, block 67, on Abilene Street, for improved lot with brick building on same, well located: Prefer lot 25-foot front with one-story building on same, in Midland, Texas. Name rent your building is bringing. I will pay difference in cash if you have what I want. Address J. C. Brown, Cambria, Va. 37-8t

FOR SALE—A dairy proposition, close in, 40 acres owned, well improved, fine water, good cows and other stock, 15 acres in feed, 60 acres joining that can be leased, making 85 acres in grass, might consider some trade worth the money. See C. P. Graves, city.

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

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FOR SALE—Registered Berkshire pigs out of prize-winning stock, either sex, at \$10 each. Henry M. Half, Box 306, Midland, Texas. 29-tf

FOR SALE—Registered Poland China pigs. No better in State. Males only at \$10 each. Henry M. Half, Box 306, Midland, Texas. 30-tf

### BUSINESS NOTICES

NOTICE—I am in Odessa for ten days, doing mattress work. Those of Midland who may have such work to be done are requested to hold it until my return, when I will attend to it promptly. Jim Crawford.

NOTICE—Dr. Buchanan, eye and ear specialist, will be in his Midland office tomorrow, Saturday.

NOTICE—We pay the top price for hides, chickens, iron, brass, rubber, and junk of all kinds. See us before selling. Fullen & Ramsay, at Ramsay's Wagon Yard. 38-tf

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DRESSMAKING—Apply to Mrs. C. A. Stark, Phone 80. 38-tf

FOR SALE—A new .32 Winchester. See it at the Midland Hardware Co.

WANTED—To trade for a house that I can move. See L. C. Sharp. 39-2t

### LOST AND FOUND

LOST—A small day book. Daily sales of grain written in it. Lost Monday evening between grain ware house and the residence of L. C. Lucas. Valuable to no one but me. Return and receive suitable reward. W. S. Hill.

### WILL VISIT IN FORT WORTH A FEW WEEKS

Miss Allene Pemberton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Pemberton, left last Tuesday for Fort Worth. There she will spend a few weeks as a guest of relatives and friends.

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## OUT AT FASKEN

Midland & Northwestern Hurling on to Seminole While Business Promotions are Quite General

Last Sunday Fasken had the busiest day this new town had since the day of her birth, May 30th, when the auction sale of lots took place. Clayton Bros. shipped out 22 cars of black cattle and all the labor camps were concentrated at Fasken, consequently it looked like the entire face of the country was covered with black cattle, Mexican men, women and children, the latter putting up tents and getting ready to begin laying track out of Fasken towards Seminole. Two trains were busy switching back and forth and a general air of bustle pervaded the air. Quite a number of automobiles loaded with people from adjoining towns and ranches were present.

Work was resumed Monday, laying steel toward Seminole and a mile a day is being laid, full tied and spiked as it goes. The passenger depot is finished and painted green, with a red roof.

Work will soon begin on the freight depot. Fasken is to have two depots instead of the usual combination freight and passenger depot.

The land and immigration office building will be finished this week and Col. Lackland and brother, Sydney C., will move in at once and hang out their shingle as immigration and land agents for the Midland & Northwestern Railway.

Work has been started on the new school building and it is expected to be finished within the next ten days or two weeks.

John Speed and son, of Andrews, will break dirt for the new concrete block building next Wednesday. They have engaged fifteen wagons and teams to haul the cement blocks from Shafter Lake.

The Fasken telephone system, being put in by "Uncle Joe" Routh, is being put up in the latest and most modern way. All poles will be set on the alley lines with all wires running up and down the alleys, thus doing away with a lot of unsightly poles on the business streets.

Mr. Lott, general manager of the railway, is making his headquarters at Fasken and says he expects to push the work as well as do other things he can for the betterment of the town and it won't be long until Fasken will be able to boast of a nice flower park at the depot, as he expects to have the strip of 100x280 feet of ground just east of the depot cultivated in shrubs and flowers with an auto drive between Stark and Andrews streets.

There are several more buildings contemplated, as well as a number of people want to move to Fasken buildings that are already built. Some good house-movers can take it as a tip to come to Fasken and get plenty of work.

## LETTER FROM BOYS OF CAMP KITCHNER

Thank Mothers and Sisters of Midland For a Pleasant Fourth of July Remembrance

Last week The Reporter told the story of the celebration that took place in Albuquerque, N. M., July 4th, that is so much of it as concerned Midland boys who are members of the New Mexico National Guards. We told, too, how the mothers and sisters of these boys had a recent meeting at which a loving remembrance for them was made up and sent to them at Camp Kitchner, Albuquerque.

The boys received the splendid box promptly, and they were grateful. It made brighter and more cheerful that glorious day of festivity, and they were equally prompt in acknowledging receipt of the thoughtful present. Clyde Y. Barron was appointed by them to indite an expression of appreciation, and the following is it, dated at Camp Kitchner, Albuquerque, N. M., and directed to Mrs. Rorie W. Cowden:

"Dear Friend: "I, in behalf of the boys that are now serving a period in the New Mexico National Guard, and who are the boys of Midland, and the near vicinity, wish that each and every one of the givers of so many thoughtful gifts be thanked, not only for the Midland boys, but for the whole company or which we are members, and are proud of it.

"On such a day of festivities as yesterday was, a person always wants to be at home, but this, in many cases, is prevented, and there is no other way that can make one feel more at home than a nice, large gift from your native people. We also wish to express our appreciation for the spirit of the gifts, and most of us, being originally from the Lone Star State, can realize that it is the same spirit and thoughtfulness that is always made vivid in the western part of Texas.

"Again thanking you, and each other giver, for making our Fourth a pleasant one, we are, "Your Sons, Relatives and Friends, "The Midland Boys, By Clyde Y. Barron."

## BOY SCOUTS TO MAKE HIKE TO DAVIS MOUNTAINS

The Boy Scouts of our city will leave next Monday for a week's hike to the Davis Mountains. They will be in the care of Scout Master W. H. Rohlfing and Mr. Nobles, of Virginia, who is a nephew of Dr. W. K. Curtis, and has been visiting the latter a few weeks. We would also mention here that this noble band of young boys were instrumental in drumming up a crowd for the two meetings on last Friday and Monday nights, for the officers who were here soliciting recruits for the motor truck service and the State Guards.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon W. W. Grider by making publication of this citation once in each week for four weeks successively 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 some newspaper published in the seventieth judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest judicial district to said seventieth judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the justice court in and for Precinct No. 1, Midland County, Texas, to be holden at the office of R. E. Crowley, justice of the peace in Midland, on the last Monday in July, 1917, the same being the thirtieth day of July, 1917, then and there to answer in a suit filed in there she wrote a mid court on the 4th day of April, of that city, which 17, numbered 1330 or the docket of an immigration agend court wherein Basham, Shepherd further pleasure to Mifam, James H. Shepherd, are the the very best of

plaintiffs, and W. W. Grider is defendant, alleging that they sue on two certain promissory mortgage in stallment notes first for the sum of \$90 on which appears credits of \$36 and secured by certain household and kitchen furniture mentioned in said note sold by plaintiffs to defendant on the 7th day of April, 1916, upon instalments, the amount due upon said contract being \$60 and interest. They also sue for balance due on one Marwood sewing machine No. 123399-M sold to the defendant on the 23rd day of February, 1916, secured by mortgage, the balance due on this note being the sum of \$30 and interest.

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

Witness R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. One, Midland County, Texas, this 26th day of June, 1917.

R. E. Crowley,  
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There's serious danger in neglecting any weakness of the kidneys. The warning that nature gives should not be overlooked. If troubled by too frequent passage of the kidney secretions; burning or scalding; if the secretions are highly colored and contain sediment when left standing—if you have backache, too, with frequent headaches and dizziness, make up your mind that your kidneys are affected and begin using some reliable kidney remedy. Deaths from kidney diseases have increased in the United States alone, 72 per cent in the last 20 years. The risk is great—you can't afford to delay. Midland people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Can you ask for better proof of merit than the statement of this Midland resident?

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THE GOVERNMENT'S JULY CROP REPORT

A Shortage Shown, as Compared with Last Year, in Nearly all Texas Crops

A summary of the July crop report for the State of Texas and for the United States, as compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates (and transmitted through the Weather Bureau,) U. S. Department of Agriculture, is as follows:

Corn—State: July 1 forecast, 97,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 131,100,000 bushels.

United States: July 1 forecast, 3,120,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 2,583,241,000 bushels.

All Wheat—State: July 1 forecast, 15,300,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 13,200,000 bushels.

United States: July 1 forecast, 678,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 639,886,000 bushels.

Oats—State: July 1 forecast, 37,200,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 42,750,000 bushels.

United States: July 1 forecast, 1,450,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 1,251,992,000 bushels.

Rice—State: July 1 forecast, 7,500,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 10,575,000 bushels.

United States: July 1 forecast, 34,400,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 40,702,000 bushels.

Potatoes—State: July 1 forecast, 2,940,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 2,000,000 bushels.

United States: July 1 forecast, 652,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 285,437,200 bushels.

Sweet Potatoes—State: July 1 forecast, 6,450,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate),



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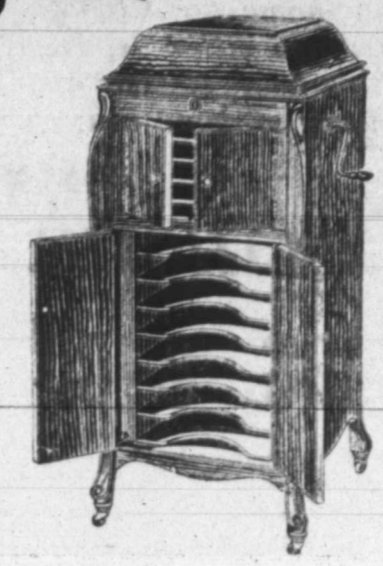
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7,120,000 bushels. United States: July 1 forecast, 82,200,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 70,955,000 bushels. All Hay—State: July 1 forecast, 784,000 tons; production last year (December estimate), 838,000 tons. United States: July 1 forecast, 103,000,000 tons; production last year (December estimate), 109,786,000 tons. Peaches—State: July 1 forecast, 2,250,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 2,860,000 bushels. United States: July 1 forecast, 43,500,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 36,939,000 bushels. Cotton—State: June 25 forecast, 3,560,000 bales; production last year (Census), 3,725,700 bales. United States: July 1 forecast, 11,600,000 bales; production last year (Census), 11,449,930 bales. Kafirs—State: July 1 forecast, 27,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 24,000,000 bushels. United States: July 1 forecast, 94,500,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 50,340,000 bushels. Prices The first price given below is the average on July 1 this year, and the second the average on July 1 last year. State: Wheat, 224 and 85 cents per bushel. Corn, 172 and 83. Oats, 75 and 41. Potatoes, 235 and 116. Hay, \$19.00 and \$28.00 per ton. Cotton, 24.5 and 12.5 cents per pound. Eggs, 24 and 14 cents per dozen. United States: Wheat, 220.1 and 93.0 cents per bushel. Corn, 164.6 and 75.4 cents. Oats, 68.9 and 40.4 cents. Potatoes, 247.9 and 102.3 cents. Hay, \$14.56 and \$12.09 per ton. Cotton, 24.7 and 12.5 cents per pound. Eggs, 28.3 and 19.7 cents per dozen. AT THE UNIQUE AIRDOM

The writer of this column has just returned from a vacation, visiting in Galveston, Fort Worth and other Texas cities, and while away he made numerous visits to the best picture houses in these Texas cities, with the object of comparing them with our own Unique Theatre, and can honestly and truthfully say that as far as picture service is concerned, the Unique can boast of as good a show as any we visited. The Paramount programs are shown in the cities, and the favorite stars of Midland people are the favorites of the city folks. The light and effect that the Unique gets on the screen is as good as any we saw on our trip, and we appreciate our Unique Theatre more than ever. The new serial that is booked here starring Mrs. Vernon Castle in Patria, is one of the favorite serials in the city of Galveston, and great crowds throng the theatre in that city at every performance. Manager Garner is to be congratulated upon securing such a popular serial. The second episode of this serial was shown Wednesday night, and already we have heard enthusiastic comments and praise from the patrons. There are several new stars booked in Midland. Miss Irene Fenwick was seen on Tuesday night in a pathetic drama, entitled A Coney Island Princess. While Miss Fenwick has been seen here before in other service, we call her a new star for the reason that she is now featured in Paramount programs. She indeed displayed wonderful talent and grace in this pretty play and she was absolutely at home in the part of "Tess." The L-Ko, Fox and Bray comedies this week have been exceptionally deserving of praise, and this has not been lacking from any source. We would call special attention to Marie Doro in Oliver Twist, a play taken from the famous Charles Dickens novel of the same name. Miss Doro is ably supported by Jack Pickford who was recently seen here in Seventeen. On next Friday night we have a treat in store. Lou Tellegen and Mary Fuller will be seen in The Victoria Cross. This is an unusual production and will please all who attend. We are glad to report Mrs. B. F. Whitefield improved after a week's illness. Miss Jennie Mae Elliott and guest, Miss Winnifred Brownrig, of Marshall, visited friends of Miss Elliott in Big Spring a few days this week.

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**RECENT RAIN ON PART OF THE HOLT RANCH**

Lee King is an employe of the O. B. Holt ranch, located some 25 miles northeast of Midland. He spent a few days in town this week, and reports pretty fair recent rains on parts of that section of the country. Generally, however, it continues very dry throughout all that section, as well as practically all of West Texas.

**BROUGHT IN FROM RANCH, VERY SICK**

Sam Kelton, who ranches in Martin County, was taken quite ill out there recently, as a result of eating canned tomatoes. He was brought in last week, and given proper medical attention.

**WIVES HOME SUNDAY**

Mr. and Mrs. W. Yaakel and sister, Mrs. Combest, who for six weeks have been traveling in the North Atlantic, landed in Galveston this week, having traveled via steamship from New York. They are expected to arrive home Sunday.

**CATTLE AND RANGE IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE**

H. Steele is a Gaines county ranchman, and made a business trip to Midland one day this week. He reports a pretty fair report. It is dry, but showers have been reported, and cattle and range in better shape than the

**RECEIVED NEW CAR ONE DAY LAST WEEK**

Eugene Cowden and family are enjoying thoroughly their latest luxury, a brand new Cadillac. It was delivered by W. H. Spaulding & Sons last week, and is a thing of beauty and bound to be a joy indefinitely. It is patterned after the Evans car, is a deep yellow, and has attracted much favorable comment.

**VISITING IN MIDLAND FOR A FEW DAYS**

Mrs. Dr. Paul Rountree, of Fort Worth, Mrs. J. A. Hilton, of Austin, Isaiah and Ernest Sharp, of Abilene, are visiting their brothers, Louis and Tom Sharp, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Sharp. They also are planning a visit to their brother and wife at Basin, Wyo.

**RANCH IN ANDREWS COUNTY PRETTY GOOD**

Chas. Witcher is another stockman with a pretty fair range report. He has a ranch in Andrews county, was in Midland on business this week, and gave a report that "listened" pretty good. He says his cattle are in good shape and the range will hold up some weeks yet, probably until visited by good rains.

Miss Valley Meeks, of El Paso, stopped off in Midland last Tuesday night and on Wednesday, she and her brother, Harley Meeks, left for Spring Creek for a visit to friends and relatives.

**BY BAPTIST MINISTER**

Most people of Midland know by this time that our Baptist minister, Rev. Ernest Quick, last Sunday tendered his resignation as pastor of this church. To some the information came as a surprise; to others, not at all. The Reporter is a sincere admirer of this Midland pastor. Undoubtedly he has the courage of his convictions, and stands four-square upon all subjects. He is a clean man, a good man; he is uncompromising as a minister of the gospel, and believes in purging not alone the soul, but material things, of sin, and his presence is wholesome. We regret that he is to leave, sorely regret it. His resignation takes effect October 1st.

**FIGURES REVISED FOR DRAFT QUOTAS**

A complete revision of population estimates upon which quotas for the army draft will be based was made public Wednesday by the census bureau. It is based largely upon the results of the military registration.

Army regulations made public Wednesday reduce the minimum weight limit for recruits from 120 to 110 pounds, the minimum height from 5 feet 4 inches to 5 feet 1 inch. This will add thousands who otherwise would be exempt to the national army to be raised by draft and open the door to many volunteers turned down in the past.

**SPENDING TWO WEEKS ON GAINES COUNTY RANCH**

J. Tom White and Dee Murphy left Tuesday for their Gaines County after spending a few days in the city. On their return they had as guests Mrs. White and daughter, Miss Thelma, and Mrs. C. C. Watson and young son, C. C., Jr. The party expect to spend two weeks out there, anticipating much pleasure in their visit.

**SOLD CAR OF MULES AT SATISFACTORY PRICES**

Bob Preston has recently been in Hamilton and Corvell counties, putting a car of mules on the markets there. He returned home this week and reports that he disposed of them at very satisfactory prices.

**A HAPPY EVENT IN THE COCHRAN HOME**

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Dickey are the happy parents of a baby boy. The little one arrived yesterday, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cochran, parents of the young mother. The Reporter offers congratulations.

Battery charging systems repaired and guaranteed at the Midland Battery Co.

**REGULARLY INSTALLED**

The Reporter overlooked last week the installation of officers recently newly elected. This ceremony took place at the regular meeting night, July 7th, when the following took obligations and were duly installed: J. Homer Epley, Worshipful Master. Melvin R. Hill, Senior Warden. Elliott Barron, Junior Warden. Arthur Johnson, Treasurer. J. M. Gilmore, Secretary. R. V. Hyatt, Senior Deacon. Allen Tolbert, Junior Deacon. W. M. Price, Tiler. Anson Coughran, Senior Steward. W. G. Bailey, Junior Steward. These were all regularly elected and installed to serve the regular fiscal year of Masonry.

**JUST DRIVE YOUR CAR TO OUR FRONT DOOR**

and we will be glad to test and fill your battery with pure distilled water. Free of charge. Midland Battery Co.

**ORDERED REPORTER SENT TO A RELATIVE**

Louis Campbell was here this week from near the east line of New Mexico. Says it is just as dry and hot as can be, with little enough to sustain and keep cattle alive. He ordered the Reporter sent to a relative, J. T. Campbell, at Medicine Mound, Tex.

**CATTLE SHIPPED TO GRASS AND MARKET**

R. L. Nail ranches near Higgins. He was in Midland this week to make some cattle shipments for his brother, Jim, who ranches near Midland. Of these shipments 550 cows went to Higgins to grass and 4 cars of canners and three cars of calves were consigned to the Fort Worth markets.

**MOST OF HIS CATTLE ON KANSAS GRASS**

J. W. Driver was in from his ranch 20 miles south this week. He reports the country dry almost as can be. He shipped his cattle to Kansas grass some time ago.

**CONFINED TO HIS HOME ACCOUNT OF HIS EYES**

"Uncle" J. D. Williams is now in his 79th year. His eyes have almost failed and he is now almost wholly confined to his home.

**A DRY REPORT AND SHORT CALF CROP**

M. M. Baker was in this week from his ranch. He ranches near Eunice, N. M., and reports the country distressingly dry, and that the calf crop is short, considerably below normal.

**Cattlemen**  
 It will be to your interest to consult us before arranging your cattle loan  
**Because—**  
 the officers and directors of this company are experienced handlers of cattle, and are, therefore, able to render the best possible service.  
**Guaranty Cattle Loan Company**  
**B. N. AYCOCK, JAX M. COWDEN,**  
 President Manager

**WITH US MONDAY FROM OUT ODESSA WAY**

R. N. Henderson and daughter were with us last Monday from Odessa. Mr. Henderson says the country is just about as dry as can be, and that it is remarkable that business holds up so well.

**SHIPPED CATTLE TO THE OSAGE NATION**

O. P. Buchanan returned last Tuesday from Oklahoma. He had been up there with 300 cattle which he located on grass in the Osage nation.

**ELECTRIC STARTERS REPAIRED AND GUARANTEED AT THE MIDLAND BATTERY CO.**

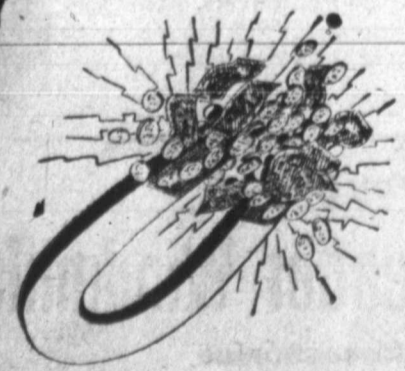
**SIGNS OF DANGER**

That Should be Heeded by Midland People

There's serious danger in neglecting any weakness of the kidneys. The warning that nature gives should not be overlooked. If troubled by too frequent passage of the kidney secretions; burning or scalding; if the se-

cretions are highly colored and contain sediment when left standing—if you have backache, too, with frequent headaches and dizziness, make up your mind that your kidneys are affected and begin using some reliable kidney remedy. Deaths from kidney diseases have increased in the United States alone, 72 per cent in the last 20 years. The risk is great—you can't afford to delay. Midland people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Can you ask for better proof of merit than the statement of this Midland resident?  
 George Wein, Midland, says "Doan's Kidney Pills have been a wonderful help to me for the past several years. My back was at one time in a terrible shape. It ached and was weak. When I bent down, I could hardly straighten up again. The kidney secretions were highly colored and too frequent and burning in passage. I had to get up at night on account of the kidney weakness. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and haven't had near as much trouble since. When I have noticed any symptoms, however, I get a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Taylor & Son's Drug Store. They have never failed to relieve me in a short time."  
 Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Wein had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 40-2t

**EVERYBODY'S CLEARANCE SALE**  
**Closes Monday, July 16th**  
 Have you taken advantage of the opportunities offered? Hundreds of people have bought for present and for future needs. You can't afford to miss this great bargain event if you want to save money on your dry goods necessities.  
**Price is the Magnet that Draws People to this Sale**  
*Our Prices are Below the Market. Our Goods are Above the Ordinary Quality*  
 Come and take advantage of our many specials for these closing days. Short lengths in Staple Goods---Odds and Ends that are worth the money, and you'll be the loser if you fail to get yours.  
**Don't Miss this Opportunity**  
**Everybody's Clearance Sale**



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