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OPENING OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Large Crowd and Splendid Program at High School. Best Opening in History

On last Monday morning at the opening of our public schools, one of the largest crowds that ever attended a public school opening in Midland crowded into the high school building to witness the excellent opening exercises for which our high school has been so long famous. Many came who were not able to find room in the assembly room, and were compelled to remain in the adjoining rooms, in the halls and on the gallery. Conspicuous among the visitors were the loyal and enthusiastic alumni, who came in great numbers and who always come in great numbers, to witness with fond appreciation the steady progress and the ever increasing efficiency of our splendid school, their alma mater. Many were new pupils who were coming to our schools from Grand Falls, Big Spring, Coahoma, Florey, and many of the rural schools in and around Midland County, and some even from the Fort Worth schools, for the first time to enjoy the privileges of our splendid school system.

The opening program of the high school was very interesting and impressive. It consisted of memory selections by the high school, the pupils reading in concert and from memory, some of the best selections from English, American and Hebrew poetry; of anthems, part songs and opera choruses by the high school; of a vocal duet by Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Foster; of a vocal solo by N. Y. Henry, of the English department of the high school; of piano solos and readings, and of brief addresses by Rev. J. W. Cowan, President F. G. Jones, Rev. W. H. Foster, and others. It was remarked how well the high school sang and gave literary selections from memory after an absence from school of over three months, the visitors and especially the new comers being carried away with the skill of the high school in these respects.

Rev. Mr. Cowan conducted the devotional exercises and welcomed the pupils and teachers, both old and new, back to their work and to places of service in the community. His words were words of good cheer and good hope, and were such as would add to the brightness of a very gracious occasion.

President F. G. Jones spoke eloquently on the subject of love and the spirit of Christianity in the hearts of men as the one essential thing for right living, contending that though we had all culture and all knowledge and had not love, we were nothing. He complimented the fine looking audience by telling them that they looked fully as well as, or even better than the audiences which he had addressed at camp meetings over the State this summer.

Rev. W. H. Foster, with the other ministers, welcomed the visitors and invited the students and teachers to feel at home in the services of his congregation. His and Mrs. Foster's vocal duet was received with enthusiastic applause, they declining to respond to a prolonged encore.

Miss Edie Taylor, who has been studying piano in Baylor College at Belton for the last year, was called upon and favored the audience with a well rendered selection from memory. Miss Taylor is a graduate of the high school and was the regular high school pianist for three consecutive years. Other musical artists were present, but declined when called upon.

N. Y. Henry, of the English department of the high school, was called for and gave two baritone solos which were well received. Mr. Henry appeared in splendid voice and his selections delighted all.

Miss Alma Cowan, a junior in the high school, was called for and responded with one of her humorous selections. She is a favorite, not only in the high school but in Midland as well.

HALFF HEREFORDS IN BIG SHOWS

Twenty-Six Head Shipped This Week to The Oklahoma and Kansas Shows

Henry M. Halff will send his show herd of 26 head to Hutchinson, Kansas; Sedalia, Mo.; Kansas City, Mo.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Muskogee, Okla., and Dallas, Texas, leaving Midland Saturday, September 8th.

A Kansas City Mr. Halff will sell Beau Homer, the grand champion bull of the Midland Fair and Inter-State Stock Show in 1916; also Dovey the grand champion cow at the Texas State Fair, 1916. They will sell at auction at the American Royal Show to be held in Kansas City, October 1st to 6th.

These cattle are in prime condition and should make a good showing among the best Herefords in the United States, which they will meet in competition on this trip. In the show herd is Beau Homage, a 2,200 pound two-year-old, that was undefeated in class at the fall and spring shows of 1916-17, as senior yearling, winning first in class at Wichita, Kansas, Oklahoma City, Okla., Fort Worth, Texas, Shreveport, La., and Midland.

Sagamore H., a junior yearling that made a good showing this spring, defeating a class of 21 at Oklahoma City, is looking fine and has grown very rapidly this summer, and should be among the prize winners at the fall shows.

Hero H. 702, is a remarkable calf, and has never been shown before. This is a classy young fellow, having all the qualities necessary for a good show animal.

There are several other calves that will meet the judges for the first time on this trip, and we are sure they will be a credit to their owner and to the Midland Country, proving to the world that Midland is the home of the Hereford.

Among the cows are Dove, grand champion at the Texas State Fair in 1916, and Hero's Dove, a senior calf from this great cow, that bids fair to be equal to, if not greater than the dam. Emma Belle, a three-year-old cow that has always been the money, is looking better than ever, having grown and filled out all the rough places. Silver B-e and Milly Belle will compete for two-year-old honors, while Miss Dover, the yearling recently purchased by Mr. Halff will try for the senior yearling honors.

The senior and junior heifer calves are a classy looking bunch and show plenty of quality. In the baby beef class Mr. Halff has an extra classy steer in Tom Martin, which will show as a junior yearling, and Tom Reddell, a senior steer calf of the highest quality.

and easily sustained her enviable reputation as a reader of funny pieces.

Mrs. J. A. Halley, president of the Mothers' Club, was called for and spoke briefly, welcoming the faculty and students and assuring the school of the loyal support of the Club.

It is interesting to note that the enrollment in the entire schools for this fall has fallen short of last fall's enrollment only about seven per cent, the first day enrollment last year being 601, and the first day enrollment this year being 558. The first week enrollment last year was 616, while the enrollment this week reached 671. The first day enrollment two years ago was 543. The total enrollment this year should reach 675 or 700, judging from past enrollments.

We feel that the prospects were never brighter for our schools than they are today. Our superintendent thinks that this has been perhaps the best opening and the smoothest start our schools have had for the past ten years. Let us hope that in the near future plans may materialize for a new high school building—the only thing wanting to make our school system the just and lasting pride of our matchless little city.

MIDLAND COUNTY COUNCIL OF DEFENSE

Addresses Letter to State Council of Defense That is of Interest To All

The Midland County Council of Defense invites your attention to the following letter, which is altogether self-explanatory: The State Council of Defense, San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sirs: The County Council of Defense for Midland County desire to call your attention to a condition which has existed along the line of the Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. during the spring and summer of 1917, and which has been at times crucial to the live stock industry in the territory contiguous to the said railroad, and which will become crucial again as soon as the fall shipments begin. This condition is, that the road has been unable to furnish cars for shipment of the live stock which have had to be sent out of the country, both on sales in the spring and on cattle which we have been compelled to move on account of drought conditions existing in this territory. What reasons the road has for not supplying cars upon reasonable notice, does not appear to the shippers in this territory, and they can see no reason why they should not have their cars furnished promptly after reasonable notice.

In many instances great damage has been done to the cattle. This is on account of the conditions under which they have been held while awaiting cars for days and days after the day on which they had given notice for shipment, and with reference to the shipment of stocker steers from this territory last spring, many buyers announce their positive intention of not returning to this territory subsequently, for the purchase of cattle, for the reason that they could not get them shipped out, and thereby material damage has been done to the normal market for this territory upon that class of cattle.

Next to wheat, beef cattle stand highest on the food list, and the territory from Abilene west is mainly engaged in supplying that demand, and this Council thinks that the matter is of sufficient importance that some action be taken to obtain relief from the conditions which have steadily existed here for the past eight months.

If the State Council of Defense consider this matter of sufficient importance, this Council will be very glad for such means as are at the command of the State Council be brought to bear upon this particular situation so as to prevent great damage, both to shippers and to the food supply.

Yours very truly,
J. M. Caldwell,
Chairman Midland County Council of Defense

POWER PLANT DISABLED; THE REPORTER IS LATE

The Midland Light Company has been extremely unfortunate this week. A break-down last Saturday night threw all the work on the small engine. Remarkably good service, considering handicaps, has been given; but the several delays has caused The Reporter to be late. New help at the plant has been secured, a new engine is looked for soon. The Reporter is perhaps the greatest sufferer. If we don't complain, there is no reason for others to do so. The company is doing all in its power to give service, and under handicaps that have been hard to overcome. Much news of the week has been held over until next week.

Jno. King moved his family in from the ranch this week to have access to the schools.

LEFT YESTERDAY MOVING TO BONHAM

Baptist Minister Leaves Midland After Nearly Three Years as Pastor of This Church.

The Reporter has, in former issues expressed its profound regret that Rev. Ernest Quick and family are to be with us no more. They left yesterday afternoon for their new home at Bonham, where Bro Quick has accepted a call as pastor. We think Bro. Quick one of the very best men we have known. There are persons in Midland who entertain an unfriendliness toward him, but less than this could not be expected. He is a man who will in no wise compromise with wrong, and he was ever active in an effort to improve the moral and spiritual atmosphere of this entire community.

The Reporter appreciates a last expression from Bro. Quick. It was written just before he boarded his train, and follows herewith:

Midland, Texas, Sept. 6, 1917.

Editor Midland Reporter: My Dear Sir and Brother: During the nearly three years of my stay in Midland many of its good citizens have been my staunch friends and supporters in every good movement, and chief among my friends I have always counted on the editor of The Reporter. I take this opportunity to express my heart's deepest appreciation for all kindnesses shown me, and for the space allotted me any time that I desired to use it.

Especially, Mr. Editor, do I wish for you a life of great usefulness with Midland's worthy newspaper, as all public men know that the power of the press is unlimited in every age for the world's betterment.

Again thanking you and your staff for your support in the past, and praying for Midland's greater salvation, I remain

Fraternally yours,
ERNEST QUICK

ROUND HOUSE AND SHOPS FOR M.&N.W.

Contract Let This Week to C. A. Stark Who Has Already Started The Work

The Midland & Northwestern Railway has let the contract for the building of their round house and shops to C. A. Stark, a local contractor here in Midland. The engineer is staking out the track layout and the contractor will begin work as soon as material can be placed on the ground. The shops and round house will be located just west of the new two-story depot and general office building of the railway company, which is now nearing completion on Pecos street. The M. & N. W. Ry. depot is five blocks west of the T. & P. depot. Train service is now established between Midland and Florey, a distance of 48 miles from Midland. The management expect to push the completion of the line to Seminole, 17 miles from Florey, as soon as steel may be procured, delivery of which has been promised in this month.

MOTHER OF MRS. FLOYD DIED LAST MONDAY

Mrs. D. S. Floyd and family have the profound sympathy of our entire community in the loss of her mother, Mrs. M. H. Manning, who died in her home at Pecos last Monday. The funeral took place Tuesday, and Mr. Floyd, who is auditor of the Midland & Northwestern, was called to attend. Mrs. Floyd and children are still in Pecos.

MIDLAND BOYS IN SERVICE OF U. S.

A Roster of Our Soldier Boys Which The Reporter Will Correct From Time to Time

If we have omitted any names from the roster of Midland boys who are now in the service of the United States, we shall be glad to add them upon information to that effect. Following is the list, obtained through the efforts of our young friend, Lawrence Bowles:

Drug

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The deserving shall be carried upon the country's resources, even billions would be paid and leave still a debt unpaid. There can be no real money indemnity for death or disability. The feeling of duty done and appreciated by countrymen is all that can be offered against such suffering.

The New York World calls army insurance "A square deal for our fighting men," and comments: "What the chief industrial States are doing in insurance and compensation of workers in peace the Federal Government now proposes to do with its fighting men in war. No one could know what the old pension system would cost as applied in this war. Under this plan the cost will be known as we go along. Even-handed justice will be assured. Political and personal favor will go for nothing. The should be no doubt of its adoption." The Richmond Times-Dispatch

LITTLE BOY DIES FROM BITE OF RATTLESNAKE

Clifford, the little five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Clayton, of Miles, died in Midland at 10 o'clock Thursday morning from the effects of a rattlesnake bite received at 9:30 Wednesday morning on the Proctor ranch, 41 miles south of Midland, where the parents had been to look after some cattle. The little fellow was placed in an automobile and rushed to Midland for treatment, the distance having been covered in one hour, but the deadly virus had gained such headway that the best efforts of skilled physicians proved of no avail, and the child died after suffering intense agony in 24 hours after reaching the city. The body was shipped to Miles Thursday night where interment will be made today.

The bereaved parents were among strangers in the hour of their great sorrow, but they did not lack for the sympathy and kindly ministrations for which Midland people are noted.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the kind friends in Midland and vicinity for the many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy tendered us in our great sorrow occasioned by the tragic death of our little son, Clifford Slayton, Jr.

Sincerely,
Clifford Slayton and Wife.

Dr. Buchanan's office is over Basham, Shepherd's. Office days every 2nd and 4th Saturdays. Tomorrow is his office days. Eye, ear, nose and throat, and fitting of glasses exclusively.

FINE OPENING AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

Exercises on Wednesday Greatly Enjoyed by a Large Audience Good Speakers Present

Midland College opened her doors to the youth of our State for the eighth time on Wednesday morning. A large crowd was present and the exercises were greatly enjoyed. After introductory services, President Jones called on Messrs. Cowan, Foster, Curtis, McKissick, Thompson, Elkin, Bentley and others who made short talks; he also called upon some of the former students who were in the audience. One of the especially gratifying things of the beginning of the year is the generous support in the way of sympathetic interest and patronage for the year. Not since its beginning has the school enjoyed such support from its home town.

Many of the old students are back and others are due the first of the week. Collin County perhaps leads in the way of attendance from a distance. A half dozen are here from Collin.

Miss Winnifred Holloway has been selected to take charge of the expression and physical culture work. She teaches the Curry method, which is thought by many to be the best. It is used at Harvard and other of the best schools in the country.

Miss Lena Holland comes to her work after spending a busy summer in Dallas at S. M. U. school of music and at Bush Conservatory, Chicago. Her department of instrumental music is very full this year.

The enrollment, as President Jones thinks, is larger this year at the beginning than of any previous year. We call special attention to the work for the year. It is our desire to do thorough work and as much as possible.

The Spanish is under the direction of Mr. McKissick, who has a number of years on the order and stresses conversational Spanish. This feature will appeal to many.

The educational work, now required at junior colleges, will be under Prof. W. L. Thompson, of Odessa. Mr. Thompson has taught several years and has lectured upon this line of work.

Miss Bess Perry of Knox City will direct the work of domestic science and art. She was at T. C. U. last year. Pres. Jones was called to St. Louis Thursday and is expected back Sunday. He requested that not a lesson be omitted.

All friends are cordially invited to visit the college at any time. Contributed.

NOTICE

This will give notice to the public that W. J. Moran is no longer agent for my lands in Midland County, the twelve sections in block X, known as the Taylor lands; and he is without authority to make any contracts with reference thereto.

JOHN TAYLOR,
By C. H. Earnest, His Attorney,
Colorado, Texas.

ALABAMIAN SUBSCRIBES TO THE REPORTER

We had a business visitor to Midland this week, J. T. Bailey, of Corralton, Ala., who was with us in the interest of his company, the Bell-Bailey Lumber Company. Mr. Bailey is also engaged in farming and livestock raising. He ordered The Reporter sent to his address.

Let us frame your pictures. Brand new stock of picture moulding just received. Lee Irwin, at Basham, Shepherd & Company's. Adv. 4544

Glenn Brunson returned from an extended visit to San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

NEW GOODS ARRIVING DAILY

Our fall stock will soon be complete and we invite your early inspection. We have used every precaution in the selection of our stock, so that we might give our customers the very best the market affords. We have bought our goods from reliable concerns, thus we are assured of protection against shoddy merchandise. Come in and look at our stock.

New Shipment of Ladies Coats Received this Morning-- All at Reasonable Prices.

A Look Will Convince You That

The Mercantile

Is "The Store That Saves You Money"

Grocery Phone No. 6

Dry Goods Phone No. 284

Light Phone 55

You will find it to your interest to buy your wants from us. We believe we are better prepared to take care of you--Ask our many Satisfied Customers No business too small to appreciate--No business too large to handle.

Trade Where Your Credit is Good

We extend any favor consistent with good business principles.

We Want You to See the New Fall Merchandise at this Cash Store and--to Note the Prices

So many customers have said, "Why, that isn't as high as I expected," and "These are no higher than a year ago."

Truly, you **merchandise** surpasses and **on and prices** are much more **than you expect to find.**

Especially is this **to-wear department.** Here is **ful buying in the** greatest market **y garment is di-** direct from New **know personally** and without a do **ne same garments** bought at the sa **maker's, Marshall** Field's, Franklin **number of the** greatest stores in **fact that here in** Midland we do b **half the expense** of these city stor **sell these same** garments for less money.

You do yourself an injustice if you should buy without seeing what we have for you this season

Ladies' and Misses' Suits

In Broadcloths, Velours, Burilla Cloth, Serges and Poplins, are priced at \$16.50, \$18.75, \$21.75, \$24.75, \$29.50 and up to **\$49.50**

Ladies' and Misses' Coats

In the new Pompon **Burilla Cloth, Velours, Broadcloths and Plushes,** are priced as low as \$11.75 and go up in price as the quality dictates, as high as **\$47.50**

While the Dresses this Season

are principally of Serges and Satins (Taffeta being almost a thing of the past, for dresses) combined with Georgette and the nicer numbers beautifully embroidered in Metallic and Silk and Wool threads. Prices begin at \$10.00 and at \$13.75, \$15.00, \$16.75, \$18.75 and up to \$45.00 for the nicer things.

At \$5.85 are Georgette Waists

that are truly wonderful and city stores would and do ask as much as \$7.50 for these same numbers, for we have seen them in the city stores priced that way. Of course there are others in Crepe Dechines and Wash Silks at \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.50 and **\$5.00**

Just a little thing, but we are glad to announce that we are able to **REDUCE** the price of steel crochet hooks and dress snaps back to the old price of 5 cents each. These are the same goods that for the past year we have been forced to sell at 10c, and we are glad to be the first store in West Texas to be able to put the price down.

We believe there is a gradual readjustment of prices and this little Cash Store will be the first always to save you money.

We want your business on a basis of better merchandise for less money. That's the way we do business--for cash--for less.

Wadley-Patterson Company
One Price--the Lowest--for Cash Only

THE WORLD WAR TO BE FINANCED BY SAVING

The United States is now at war. A large part of our country's human energy is taken away from the farms, factories, and industries of peace, and until the war ends all their energies will be devoted to fighting.

A great portion of our productive energy is being turned into the creation of implements of destruction. Many of our products are now being devoted to purposes of war. Destruction instead of construction is the object of a great portion of the country's energy.

As much of the human energy and productive capacity of the nation are now being devoted to the purposes of war, so should the proper amount of the money of the United States be so devoted. He who offers his life for his country is offering the greatest possible sacrifice, but the American men and women who support the government with their money are doing their part.

This war is going to be financed largely out of the savings of the American people during the war. It is not too great a sacrifice to make for one's country in time of war to deny one's self luxuries, to cut down unnecessary expenses, to lead quieter and busier lives. Not only will the money thus saved and used to buy the Liberty Loan Bonds help the United States but the diminished consumption of food and other articles will do much to relieve the country from the strain of war.

The less the people use the less strain there is upon the productive capacity of the nation and the more can be devoted to winning the war; the more the people save the more liberal financial support can they give the government. This is the people's war, and it is to be financed by the American people, not by the rich and not by the poor, but by the rich and the poor, the capitalist and the wage earner, the miner and the farmer and the manufacturer.

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WILL HAVE ALL-DAY SEWING NEXT WEDNESDAY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church, will sew all day Wednesday, September 12th, at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Brunson's for the girl they are clothing in the Methodist orphanage at Waco. All those interested are cordially invited to come and help.

Mrs. Jno. Haley, Pres.
Mrs. O. W. Ligon, Sec'y.

MADE A THREE WEEKS' VISIT TO CORPUS CHRISTI

John Hix returned last week from a three weeks' visit to Corpus Christi, where he enjoyed the fine surf bathing and other amusements at that place.

PLACED CHILDREN IN STANTON

Mrs. T. J. O'Donnell went to Stanton last Sunday where she placed her four little girls in Our Lady of Mercy academy for the school term of 1917-1918.



Your Grocer will deliver

Bevo

A BEVERAGE

You've enjoyed it at restaurants and other places--now you want your family and your guests to join you in the same pleasure. That's one of the joys of serving Bevo--to hear your guests say how good it is--then to listen to their arguments as to just what it is. If they haven't seen the bottle they'll all agree that it is something else--if they have seen the bottle each will have a different explanation for its goodness.

Bevo is nutritive--pure through pasteurization and sterilization--non-intoxicating, wholesome and thoroughly refreshing. Note--Bevo should be served cold.

Bevo--the all-year-round soft drink

Get Bevo at long, restaurants, groceries, department and drug stores, picnic grounds, baseball parks, soda fountains, dining cars, steamships, and other places where refreshing beverages are sold. Guard against substitutes--have the bottle opened in front of you.

Bevo is sold in bottles only--and is bottled exclusively by

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Dealers MIDLAND, TEXAS

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We do; in fact, it is absolutely necessary that we raise some at once. So we have decided to offer for sale **regardless of cost or profits** four Player Pianos, one Grand Piano and four Upright Pianos.

These are all new goods, straight from the factory, and as above stated we must raise the cash, and if you, your church or lodge, are thinking of buying a piano, NOW is your opportunity. We mean to close these out at once at some price.

BASHAM, SHEPHERD & CO.

BUILDING ADVICE



It isn't surprising if you run into difficulties in your building plans at times.

We have had considerable experience in figuring over such plans and our services are freely at your command.

Make this yard your headquarters when you want lumber and building advice.

THE PLACE TO BUY—
Burton-Lingo Company
WHEN YOU WANT TO BUILD

Wolcott Automobile Company

We have an up-to-date line of Good-Year Cord Tires, Buick and Dodge Bros. Motor Cars.

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TO CONSERVE OUR GASOLINE SUPPLY

Government Expert Estimates That One-Half Our Production is Used in Joy-Riding

The attention of the public is invited to the following copy of a bulletin issued by the Council of National Defense at Washington with reference to gasoline conservation. We invite the careful and studious attention of the automobile owners in the Midland territory to this condition and we respectfully request a recompliance with the suggestions in that Bulletin upon the part of the people to the end that we may properly take care of these supplies of gasoline so that the Government may not be handicapped in that respect.

After a careful investigation of the present gasoline situation, Mr. Van H. Manning, director of the Bureau of Mines, of the Department of the Interior, has issued the following statement:

One-half of the gasoline used in the United States (one billion two hundred and fifty million gallons) is used in pleasure riding. It is estimated that the United States Army will need three hundred and fifty million gallons for aeroplanes, trucks, automobile tractors and other machines. There is no way of obtaining this in this country except by saving from the existing supply, and this economy may be effected by voluntary cutting down of pleasure riding. For instance, the man who takes his family out on Sunday for a fifty mile ride can cut this in half. It has been estimated that by economical use enough of gasoline can be saved to supply not only the United States, but also its Allies for war purposes.

The following suggestions should be observed by automobile owners.

1. Do not allow your gasoline engine to run idle.
2. Use kerosene, not gasoline, for cleaning purposes in the garage.
3. See to it that the carburetor does not leak. Form the habit of shutting off the gasoline at the tank.
4. By judicious regulation of the mixture of gasoline and air in the motor, both greater power and economy of fuel may be obtained.

Automobile owners need not lay up cars, but should use them either for trade or pleasure purposes thoughtfully and judiciously. If this advice is followed there will be no undue scarcity, for the United States possesses an abundant supply for ordinary purposes.

We invite further attention to the following bulletin sent out by the Food Supply and Conservation Committee of the State Council, and request observance on the part of the house-wife to Bulletin No. 1, and we respectfully request the cattle owners, particularly those who own feeders, to communicate with J. M. Caldwell, chairman of the County Council of Defense in case they should desire to take up the matter of placing their feeder stock as indicated in the second bulletin.

Inasmuch as the chief work before the State Council of Defense and various county councils of defense of the State of Texas is to aid in the production of food supplies and the conservation of same during the continuation of the war, and that the wheat crop of the United States this year is not of sufficient volume to supply a normal demand for food and seed and leave an exportable surplus of sufficient quantity to take care of our Allies in Europe until another crop is grown, it is of the utmost importance that every patriotic citizen of Texas aid in conserving the wheat supply of Texas until a new and larger crop is produced in 1918.

If the house-wife in Texas and the United States could substitute other bread for wheat bread only one day in the week, it would result in conserving 75 to 76 million bushels of the 1917 wheat, which would be added to our exportable surplus and therefore materially aid our Allies in the great conflict in Europe.

Central and Southern Illinois has produced this year one of its largest crops of hay, oats and Indian corn and will have an enormous surplus of this feed for consumption this fall. That country is bear of live stock. It is suggested that if the chairman of each Texas county council of defense would address a letter to the chairman of each county of defense in Central and Southern Illinois, that it might be possible that the cattle-men of your various counties would find a market for their cattle above the average price, by communicating with these various councils of defense in Illinois.

We suggest that you get in communication with your cattlemen who have cattle for sale, ascertaining the number they desire to sell, the price and the kind, and submit this information to each chairman of the various county councils of defense in Illinois, and by so doing you will most likely be able to favor your stockmen in a material way.

The County Council of Defense will welcome suggestions from citizens, all of which may be addressed to M. F. Burns, secretary of the County Council of Defense, and will receive attention.

SPENT EIGHT WEEKS IN ODESSA TERRITORY

Jim Crawford, the mattress maker, returned to Midland this week from Odessa, where he spent eight weeks. He reports a very successful trip, finding sufficient work to keep him busy all the time. He is back in Midland, now to look after his trade here.

Bart Wilkerson made a business trip to Dallas the first of last week, returning Wednesday of this week.

BUILDING NEW WARE HOUSE NEAR RAILROAD

Carpenters went to work Monday morning on a new warehouse just west of the express office, near the T. & P. tracks for W. S. Hill. Mr. Hill will use this house to store his grain in.

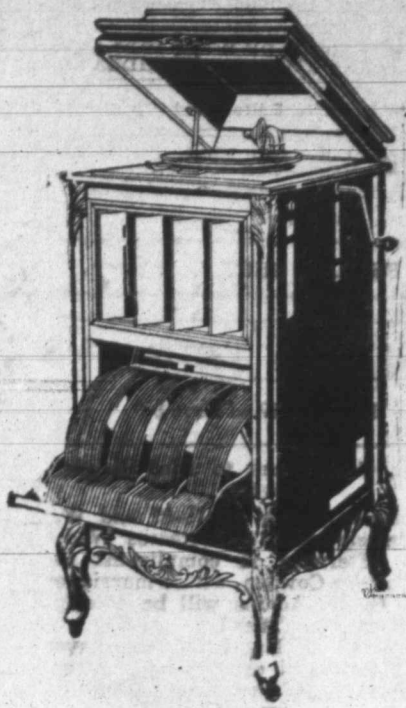
(Our Pleasure to Please—the House of Courtesy)

It is a frequent sight these days to see all the family grouped about the

Columbia Grafanola

listening to the world's greatest artist. Come in and let us demonstrate to you. Also explain our plan of sale.

Every home should have a COLUMBIA GRAFANOLA, then you would always have sunshine. Try it.



City Drug Store

"If Kept in a Drug Store we Have it"

DEMOCRACY'S DUTY TO ITS DEFENDERS

The plan for furnishing our soldiers and sailors life and indemnity insurance and allowances to dependent families, embodied in a bill now pending in Congress, seems to meet with the cordial appreciation of the people and the press of the country. Some extracts from editorials in various papers follow.

The Philadelphia Public Ledger says Secretary McAdoo, "we call not only him but the entire family to the flag." This is the fundamental argument for the war insurance bill now before Congress. It is the absence of any provision for those left behind which leads so many who would gladly give themselves to their country to ask exemption.

"When military service is obligatory other things are obligatory, too. The national conscience," as the Secretary puts it, "will not permit America's soldiers and their dependents to go unprotected with everything that a just, generous, and noble people can do to compensate them for the sufferings and the sacrifices exacted from them. That has never been the American way."

"The aim of the war insurance bill is to do justice to the soldiers without doing injustice to the taxpayers."

Under the title that heads this article the New York Times says:

"Not a dollar of the billions given to the deserving is regretted. If the proposed plan shall secure that only

the deserving shall be carried upon the country's resources, even billions would be paid and leave still a debt unpaid. There can be no real money indemnity for death or disability. The feeling of duty done and appreciated by countrymen is all that can be offered against such suffering."

The New York World calls army insurance "A square deal for our fighting men," and comments:

"What the chief industrial States are doing in insurance and compensation of workers in peace the Federal Government now proposes to do with its fighting men in war. No one could know what the old pension system would cost as applied in this war. Under this plan the cost will be known as we go along. Even-handed justice will be assured. Political and personal favor will go for nothing. There should be no doubt of its adoption."

The Richmond Times-Dispatch indorses the plan:

"Since the Government has benevolently insured ships and cargoes, seamen and pilots engaged in perilous war enterprises, it seems eminently proper that officers and men of the army and navy, who run immeasurably greater risks, should be generously indemnified in case of maiming or death. The proposed legislation is designed as a substitute for postwar pensions, a circumstance which further commends it to us."

The Atlanta Journal's closing paragraph of an editorial commending the plan is as follows:

"The needs anticipated by the bill are so numerous and the mantle of protection which it would throw about the country's defenders and their families is so broad that only an exten-

sive review could do it justice, but its great principles really need no commendation. They speak for themselves, and they will appeal, we feel sure, to the mind and heart of Congress as they do to the mind and heart of the country. This deeply important measure, so typical of the Government's solicitude for the men it calls to the colors should be pressed promptly to enactment."

To these may be added the indorsement of Col. Roosevelt.

"It puts the United States where it ought to be, as standing in the forefront among the nations in doing justice to our defenders."

JOIN THE CROSS

If you cannot tote a gun, join the Cross. You can help to beat the Hun — join the Cross. If you don't believe in force, if you cannot ride a horse, there is still another course—join the Cross. If you want to help a bit, join the Cross. Tote a little mercy kit; join the Cross. You can bring a lot of joys and a thousand pain alloys to the Yankee soldier boys—join the Cross. Till the heaven blessed sod—but join the Cross. Economize and trust in God—and join the Cross. Be you old or be you young, no matter what your birth or tongue, yet you can be one among the Great Red Cross.—Chicago Tribune.

BROKE TWO TOES WHEN BLOCK OF ICE FELL ON FOOT

Harve Mr. field, who drives the ice wagon, met with quite a painful accident this week when a 400 pound cake of ice fell on his right foot, breaking two toes.

RETURNED TO MIDLAND FROM NEW YORK

G. H. Coyle and family returned to Midland this week from New York, where they have spent the summer. They will spend the winter here.

WILL MOVE CATTLE TO GAINES COUNTY

Geo. T. McClintic came in from his ranch Monday and reports only a light rain in the east part of the county. He will move his cattle to Gaines County for grass.

Roll Dublin came in Monday from Gaines County where he has his cattle on grass. He reports range and cattle improving.

W. O. Davis, a cowman from Andrews, was in this week and reports good rains, but not enough to make winter grass.

Jno. J. Peters, Jr., cowman of near Stanton, was here this week and reports range very short. He ordered The Reporter.

C. C. Thornton, of Stanton, came up this week from Buena Vista, where he has been repairing a cotton gin. He reports considerable cotton in that locality.

J. V. Hobbs, who farms northeast of town, reports that he had a good rain one day this week and that he will make enough of feed for the winter.

M. M. Modlin, after a visit to his son, F. E. Modlin, who is an engineer on the M. & N. W., left for his home at Hampton, Iowa, this week.

Sam Brown and family moved into town this week from the ranch on Pecos river, to send his children to school.

Henry Currie, of Garden City, was on the street this week and reports it very dry down there.

D. B. King was in from Eunice, N. M., this week, loading out with supplies. Reports only light showers.

R. L. Hyland was a business visitor from Rushville, Neb., the first of the week.

B. M. Ancell was in from Seminole this week and reports the range short.

C. H. Stoner, of Cleburne, was a visitor here this week on business.



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Social Affairs

By L. G. W., Phone 88

Shower, Compliment to Miss Bernice Cowden

Mesdames Henry M. Hall and W. L. Holmesly were co-hostesses Wednesday afternoon in compliment to Miss Bernice Cowden, whose marriage to Mr. G. W. Adams will be quietly solemnized next Tuesday.

Mesdames Hall and Holmesly have become renowned as graceful, popular hostesses, and their party Wednesday afternoon was one that was charming and delightful in every detail. The hospitable Hall home which lends itself so readily to decoration was made attractively gay with a general color scheme.

Fall flowers in their various rich colorings, combined with the smart gowns of the ladies made a riot of color, that was very artistic in effect. The door greetings were extended by Mesdames Holmesly and Hall and Jim Day, and Misses Mary Francis Cowden and Annie Mae Patterson poured punch. After a time spent in pleasant conversation, the guests were told they were each to find a laundry list concealed somewhere in the rooms and were to make out a real laundry list that the newly weds would likely have after their honey-moon trip.

These lists were found concealed in cute little laundry bags, and made attractive favors. "Auntie" Sterling, as she is lovingly known, then read an original acrostic on the name of Bernice Cowden, which was a charming surprise to the honoree, as well as the other guests. Each guest was presented with one of these acrostics, beautifully done in white and gold.

The next diversion, and one that will doubtless ever be dear to the bride-elect's heart, was when Miss Hallie Rhea Jewell, in a gracefully expressed verse presented her with a large white basket, brimming over with beautiful gifts. While the elaborate nature of the packages are strong evidences of Miss Cowden's popularity, yet we fear they are not very encouraging to the conformity with the main idea of the "life simple" in this time of stress.

After duly admiring all the pretty gifts the guests were next invited to the dining room, where a delicious ice course was temptingly served. Not till a late hour did the guests depart with many expressions of appreciation to their hostesses for a charming party, and wishes for a long life of unalloyed happiness to the honoree.

The out of town guests were Mrs. Fannie Hart, of Oklahoma City; Miss Annie Lee Cowden, of Abilene; Mrs. Tom Holmesly, of Muskogee, and Miss Shortridge, of Bonham.

Boyd-Stewart

Many of our young people particularly, will be interested in the wedding of Miss Madge Bolton Boyd, of Alameda, Cal., to Mr. A. C. Stewart, Jr., who is connected with the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad in Los Angeles, where they will make their future home.

Miss Boyd is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Boyd, former citizens of Midland. While only a little school girl, when living here, yet Madge will always be remembered, for her brightness and natural charm of manner, and many friends join The Reporter in wishing her the most perfect joy and prosperity in this new life upon which she is just entering.

The Alameda (Cal.) Evening Times-Star says: "After a wedding breakfast Mr. and Mrs. Stewart departed amid a shower of rose petals for Yosemite Valley, and, before beginning their new life in the charming bungalow awaiting them, will make an extensive tour of the southern part of the State."

Entertain on Ranch

Mr. and Mrs. West Aycock who now have an ideal ranch home, located just 20 miles from Midland, entertained most delightfully one day this week with a round-up party.

It was a regular "round-up" occasion, so Mr. and Mrs. Aycock invited a party of friends to spend the day and enjoy the charm of their pretty ranch home. "There's a zest on the ranch which most natures treasure. A charm on the prairies that care cannot cloy. So, avault, ye dull follies of small town pleasure Give me the wild pleasures that ranchmen enjoy."

Mrs. Aycock had prepared a most wonderful dinner, and it was served on a long screened in porch, where one could not only enjoy the good things to eat, but also feast the eyes on the broad rolling prairies. A round-up of good stories and jokes was also enjoyed and many other diversions which will make the day one of delightful memory. The party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Stribling, of Temple; Mr. Vain Smith, Mrs. Ray Smith and children, Mesdames Taft and John Haley.

Fire Boys Enjoyed Picnic

The members of the Midland Volunteer Fire Department, their wives and other friends, enjoyed a most delightful moonlight picnic on last Tuesday night. They went out to the Hutt tank south of the city and enjoyed a nice swim in the cooling waters and partook of a most tempting lunch spread upon the ground. At a late hour they wended their way homeward all expressing themselves as having an exceptionally nice time.

Mrs. B. N. Aycock and daughters, Misses Annie Maud and Minta, left Wednesday for Abilene, where they will spend the winter. Miss Annie Maud to be a student in Simmons College and Minta in the high school.

Miss Pearl McCall will leave Tuesday for Abilene to re-enter Simmons College. This will be Miss McCall's finishing year at Simmons and we predict for her a bright, successful future.

Miss Eileen Harrison, young daughter of The Reporter's foreman, returned Saturday night from a visit to friends and relatives in Tahoka and Slayton.

Mrs. Fannie Hart, formerly of Gordon, now of Oklahoma City, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Cowden. Miss Annie Lee Cowden, of Abilene, is also a guest of Mrs. Cowden.

Mrs. Theo. Ray returned Friday, last from Pecos, where she had been to be formally introduced to the young son of Mr. and Mrs. John Howard.

Mrs. Pearl Rankin and son, Billie, who have spent the summer on the ranch, came in Sunday for the school term.

Mr. T. J. Holmesly and bride, of Muskogee, Okla., arrived Monday to be the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holmesly.

Mrs. J. M. Flanigan and children, Jim and Emily, returned Sunday from a visit to relatives in Kaufman.

Miss Ruth Winslow, of Big Spring, was a guest of the Misses McCormick, Sunday.

Mrs. Lydia Cowden, of Abilene, and daughter, Miss Leila, are guests of Mrs. Marvin Spaulding.

Mrs. W. C. Cochran is at home from several weeks' visit to friends at Ft. Worth, Weatherford and Palo Pinto.

Miss Leila Hill returned one day this week from a visit to friends in Colorado City.

Mrs. George Brooks, of Pecos, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Walter Jerden.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Stribling, of Temple, are the guests of Mrs. Stribling's sister, Mrs. H. C. Harris.

HAVE MULTIPLIED MANY TIMES OVER

Big Financial Undertakings of American Banks Indicate Power Almost Without Limit

The gigantic operations of the war and unprecedented financial undertakings involved have been reflected in every phase of business activity, according to data taken from Commercial and Financial Chronicle of New York. Wall Street, long accustomed to big things, is continually seeing old records swept away and far greater ones established. When the Anglo-French loan for \$500,000,000 was proposed in the fall of 1915 bankers were staggered, since they had never before handled anything approaching its magnitude. But they have since shown that they could, even more successfully, place a \$2,000,000,000 bond issue. They will handle larger issues yet.

United States commerce now runs into billions. Whereas before the war its annual balance in international trade stood around \$500,000,000, its proportions were doubled in 1915, and another \$1,000,000,000 added in 1916. For fiscal year 1917 excess exports exceeded \$3,600,000,000. "That general business is in keeping with this record of big financial operations is indicated by increasing volume of check clearings. Following early depression after outbreak of the war, clearings have been constantly increasing. It is not unusual now to witness a day's exchanges at New York clearing house of more than \$1,000,000,000. On Friday of last week local clearings reached \$1,013,804,350, due to sale the day before of \$300,000,000 treasury certificates of indebtedness and \$100,000,000 Canadian loan floated in the New York market. On April 26th, local clearings amounted to \$1,070,394,416; on Feb. 6th, 1917, to \$1,218,588,761 (the record) and on Sept. 2, 1916, to \$1,058,926,600. Many times within the period clearings at this center have reached \$700,000,000 or \$800,000,000, which in former years would have been considered remarkable.

Some indication of bank activity and general business development since July, 1914, is afforded by the figures of clearing house transaction. Business depression caused by outbreak of the war is seen to have continued until October, 1915, when, following general industrial revival, checks handled by the New York clearing house and monthly total for the country as a whole show increase of \$3,100,000,000 and \$4,400,000,000, or about 3 per cent over the month immediately preceding. Clearing operations during the year following apparently continued on about the same level until October, 1916, when another large increase in monthly total—this time of about \$3,000,000,000—is shown. A large share of increases shown is due undoubtedly to continuous rise of prices of commodities and stock exchange securities also to renewed activity of stock exchanges, especially at New York City, which reached unexcelled records during the late part of 1916, and the early part of the present year.

WILL HAVE ALL-DAY SEWING NEXT WEDNESDAY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church, will sew all day Wednesday, September 12th, at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Branson's for the girl they are clothing in the Methodist orphanage at Waco. All that are interested are cordially invited to come and help.

Mrs. Jno. Haley, Pres. Mrs. O. W. Ligon, Sec'y.

BUILDING NEW WARE HOUSE NEAR RAILROAD

Carpenters went to work Monday morning on a new warehouse just west of the express office, near the T. & P. tracks for W. S. Hill. Mr. Hill will use this house to store his grain in.

STOP AND SHOP

YOU ARE INVITED TO VISIT THE LADIES' STORE

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WITH THE CHURCHES

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

Presbyterian Church
The regular hours of worship will be observed the coming Sabbath and during the week.
Sunday School, at 10 o'clock.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock.
Evening worship at 8:15 o'clock.
Sermons at both morning and evening services.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

Christian Church
Sunday School rally at 9:45 a. m. Every member urged to be present.
Preaching at both hours by the regular minister. Convocation service at morning hour. Miss Wilhite will sing at night.
J. T. McKissick.

Epworth League
Topic—"Are You a Yes-But?"
Leader—Alvin Johnson.
Song and prayer service.
Scripture lesson Ex. IV: 1-17.
A talk on excuses by the leader.
Special music—Miss Lydia and New Watson.
Finding Excuses When God Calls Us to do a Special Work—Miss Ruby Cauthen.
Excuses Many of Us Make—Lee Terry and Miss Judith Clark.
Things to Remember About Excuses—Laura Gay Allen.
Roll call announcements, benediction.

AND THERE ARE SEVEN BOYS AND TWELVE GIRLS

One day this week there was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Reiger a baby girl. Mother and child doing nicely. And this makes the 15th grandchild for our esteemed old townspeople, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Estes, all born in Midland. There are seven boys and twelve girls, all living and in good health, and ranging in age from this infant to 13 years. The Reporter offers congratulations all around.

Miss Frank Luther requests announcement that her studio this year will be at her home. Piano students are requested to call. Phone 140. adv

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FOR SALE—Ranch 15 miles from El Paso, Texas, in New Mexico on E. P. & S. W. R. R.; 30 sections good grass and water; has had good recent rains and grass capable of running 600 to 800 a year. Improvements \$5,500. Price \$7,000. If interested better wire me. May sell any day. Jno. R. James, 819 Florence St., El Paso, Texas. 47-2t-p.

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FOR SALE—LIVE STOCK

FOR SALE—Registered Berkshire pigs out of prize-winning stock, either sex, at \$25 each. Henry M. Hall, Box 306, Midland, Texas. 29-tf

FOR SALE—Registered Poland China pigs. No. better in State. Males only at \$25 each. Henry M. Hall, Box 306, Midland, Texas. 30-tf

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—Sweetest toned player-piano we have ever seen; in perfect condition. It will pay you to investigate, whether you want to buy or not. City Drug Store. 47-tf

WOOD—See W. L. Clark or phone 285 for wood. 40-tf

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PIANO TUNING—Now is a good time to have your piano tuned. The best tuner is none too good. Tuning \$5, repairing, tone and action regulation at reasonable prices. Perfect satisfaction. Phone 359. F. M. Denton. 1t

BLACKLEG GERM FREE VACCINE 35c per dose, made by Dr. Haslam, formerly of Kansas Agricultural College but now of Purity Biological Laboratories of Sioux City, Iowa. As to its efficiency, ask any that have used this serum. C. Holzgraf, Agent. 45-4t-pd

NOTICE—I have turned my accounts over to Mr. H. A. Leaverton. Those indebted to me will please settle with him. J. F. Clark.

NOTICE—We are located in the garage, first building north of the Yeakel Hotel. If your car is in need of repair, call on us. Wells & Eason. 48-2t-pd.

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HELP WANTED

WANTED—A good strong girl or woman to help in the kitchen at the college. J. H. Wilhite, phone 35-Y. 45-tf

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS

WANTED—Six hundred head of stock cattle to winter on the share. Flies of good feed and water. If interested, communicate with Phil Breedlove, Abilene, Texas. 47-5t

SHERIFF'S SALE

(Real Estate)
The State of Texas, County of Midland.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Hill County on the 24th day of July, A. D. 1917, by Clay Bedell, clerk of said court, for the sum of Seventeen Hundred Twenty and 20/100 (\$1720.20) Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment in favor of J. W. Harper in a certain cause in said court, No. 10386, and styled J. W. Harper vs. J. D. Honea, et al, placed in my hands for service, I, W. E. Bradford, as sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did on the 2nd day of August, 1917, levy on certain real estate situated in Midland county, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land situated in Midland county, in the State of Texas, about 15 miles south, 41 degrees west from the town of Midland, known as the Texas & Pacific Railway Co. Survey No. three (3), Block forty-one (41), the same con-

taining six hundred and forty acres, more or less. It being the same tract of land conveyed by virtue of Cert. No. 3429 issued to the T. & P. Ry. Co. by the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas May 25th, 1876; and patented to the T. & P. Ry. Co. on the 9th day of December, 1884, by Patent No. 503, Vol. 83, the said patent being of record in the Records of Deeds of Midland County, Texas, on page 6, and levied upon as the property of W. J. Williamson, and that on the first Tuesday in September, 1917, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the court house door of Midland county, in the town of Midland, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said W. J. Williamson and Deling Williamson.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Midland Reporter, a newspaper published in Midland county.
Witness my hand, this 3rd day of August, 1917.
W. E. BRADFORD,
45-3t Sheriff Midland County, Texas.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, The Midland Volunteer Fire Department has sustained a great and irreparable loss in the death of one of its most efficient and beloved members, in the "Crossing of the Bar" by Eugene Balthazr, and
Whereas, Each of us knew him and loved him, because of his real fellowship, and because of his genuine manhood, and still further because he filled the place in our social life that could be filled only by men of such sense of honor as he possessed, and
Whereas, All who knew him, worked with him, and employed him, loved and honored "Blondie" for his sincerity, steadfastness and integrity, as well as his originality, directness and loyalty.

Be it resolved: That the Midland Volunteer Fire Department, and each member thereof, express publicly their love and commendation for "Blondie" during his stay with us, and our appreciation of the example left with us of our guidance and inspiration, and,
Be it further resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the

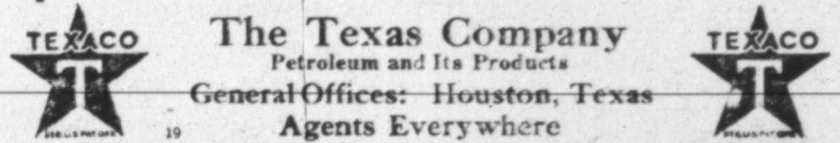
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local paper for publication, a copy spread on the minutes of this department, and a copy mailed to the near relatives of our "Blondie."
The Midland Volunteer Fire Department,
By M. F. Armstrong,
H. A. Leaverton,
Committee.

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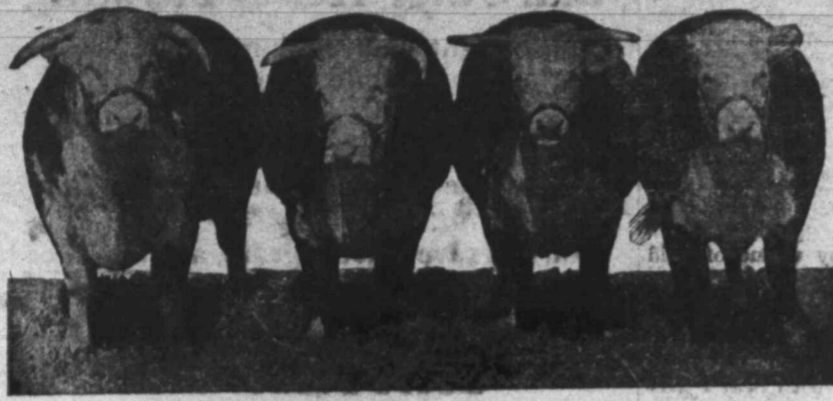
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- Junior Yearling Bulls.....First on HECTOR
- Aged Cows.....Second on DOVE
- 2-year-old Heifers.....First on EMMA BELLE
- Junior Yearlings.....First on MILLY BELLE
- Senior and Grand Champion Bull.....BEAU HOMER
- Junior Champion Bull.....HECTOR
- AGED HERD.....First
- YOUNG HERD.....Second
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150 Head of Breeding Cows
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BEAU DONALD 95th, Dam Sophia, (Jam of Beau Donald 5th.)
BEAU DONALD 104th, closely related to the \$15,100 Woodford 6th.
BEAU HOMER, of Beau Donald-Sagamore-Glaucus breeding.
BEAU HOMAGE, a 2,000 pound Yearling,
SAGAMORE H., First in Class, Oklahoma City, 1917.

URGES ECONOMY IN THIS TIME OF WAR

How Women Especially May do Their "Bit" at a Time When Our Courage is Tested

Editor Reporter.
The student of economics, as regards affairs of State or household, our hard problems to be met and measured in order to face the situation with that courage and capacity needful in the emergency thrust upon our country so unexpectedly. It calls upon every adult to see and figure out their part in it as a means towards preparedness. We must all face work, retrenchment, sacrifice, with eternal willingness. Service on all lines demands sacrifice, and as patriotic loyal American citizens we must greet the supreme need of our country and by co-operation and earnest endeavor do whatever comes to us.

If we take up the woman's side of it and probe it to the bottom we must admit that on her rests largely the stupendous waste of the things that enter into the every day outlay for what we call necessities, but which are often superfluities. We of the West have become a wasteful extravagant people, because of the prodigality of the assets of life and have lived at such high speed, as not to have taken heed of it. No kind of food was ever as high in price and no variety has grown to meet the demands of taste and appetite, resulting from indulgence and catering to fancied wants. It is a pity that retrenchment and self-sacrifice could not have come without war to rescue the victims of over-feeding.

The use of simple foods has already come into vogue and will soon show a gain on several sides of the question, better health, more energy, a larger bank account and less drudgery in the kitchen. The matter of clothing involves an incalculable waste in an economic sense. It is not that which we need, but what we want, that involves the waste, and a sudden and far-reaching retrenchment should occur there would be a gain in resources that would feed and clothe the families of the men fighting for the greatest cause the world has known and give strength to their arms and valor to their hearts. Retrenchment means a gain on all lines of the life economy. It means a lightening of the labor of the man who knows no rest from the toil of making ends meet, since his women folk must dress up to the demands of fashion.

A change on the line of dress reform can be met by the example of those along the highways of history, they are among us and will take up the cue, set the example and preach the gospel of reform, of common sense and of reason.

One fine writer has said lately: "The whole face, the sun and substance, the mainspring motives of social life have forever changed, the old fripperies have gone. I think they have gone forever." Out of the east came these words; are we of the west willing to be so classed? Surely we are not less patriotic. There must be universal sacrifice on the altars of patriotism, it is a deep laid principle of life, forever in the hearts of all races and most strong in those who have enjoyed liberty at its fullest. Let it take practical shape to each one of us.

If we can only knit a pair of socks, either cotton or wool, or knit or crochet wristlets, comforters, caps, we will be doing our "bit." Such work can be done at home, in or out of town, within or without the pale of the Red Cross, although to join this splendid organization of workers one can work to more purpose and in a more methodical way. Preparedness is the watchword on the towers of Liberty, of National Security. Economics is the school where we learn the lessons that need to be learned and which point to the adoption of plain strong garments and shoes that are suitable for walking. It is well to learn to walk ere gasoline soaks out of sight in price. Make ready for service. The issue is upon us, the tocsin call to aid the soldier in the field, or in the hospitals and not forget these who are at our doors—the soldier's wife and children. A high prelate of the church of England wrote the following quotation years ago and it is as applicable now: "Every hand of fort generosity faced, every sacrifice cheerfully submitted to, every word spoken under difficulties raises those who speak or act or suffer to a higher level, endows them with a clearer sight of God; braces them with a will of more strength and freedom; warms them with a generous and large and eager heart." Think of 2,000,000 women having already enlisted as volunteers in the Food Administration Service and are practicing economy with the aid of advices from Washington; a National movement like this ought to promote interest of western women with a desire to join the movement and learn the methods.

Let us forget, let us thank our stars for the most liberal and progressive press in the world—that of our United States of America, and that of Midland, Texas, is likewise liberal, fair and impartial.
C. L. Sterling.

RAILROADS AFTER RAISE IN FREIGHT RATES

The railroads are again preparing for a vigorous campaign to raise freight rates, says the El Paso Live-stock Journal. They are after a raise of about 15 or 20 per cent on live stock and other commodities, and propose to spend a tremendous sum of money to carry on a lobby before congress and a campaign of the country. With the present conditions and the showings made the past two years or more, this is no time to advance rates, and the cattle organizations of the country should make a vigorous protest.

SAYS HIS TRUCK PATCH IS ALL TO THE GOOD

R. A. Henson, our truck man who lives just out of the city a few miles, and who is always optimistic at all times, either in prosperity or drouth, saw us on the street Monday and when asked about his truck patch, he smiled that sunny smile of his and said: "The best ever; I believe that I am going to have the best fall vegetable crop I have ever had. I got a good rain last Sunday and now I am assured of a good stand in every thing." We wish all could, or rather would, be as optimistic as Mr. Henson.

C. C. Pollard returned this week from the Lubbock country to visit his family.

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W. D. Cowan, an old time cowman, was here this week on business. Reports the Pecos country dry, only light showers having fallen.

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HOW THE LIBERTY LOAN MONEY IS SPENT

Subscribers to the recent \$2,000,000 issue of liberty bonds and intending subscribers to the second liberty loan are interested in knowing just how the money obtained is used. A large amount of money is necessary to maintain the navy, which has been called upon to defend our coast and our commerce from attack.

To put the navy on a war basis, every ship in reserve had to be fully manned and commissioned. Many auxiliary vessels also had to be added.

On April 6th there were 64,680 enlisted men; now there are more than 136,966. In addition, we have enlisted more than 35,000 reserves and there are 10,000 National Navy Volunteers in service.

Contracts have been placed for every destroyer and submarine chaser that the shipyards of the country can build, and new records are expected in construction. All this in addition to the 32,000-ton battleships; the five battle cruisers of 35,000 tons each, the largest and swiftest war vessels ever built; the six scout cruisers and many auxiliary craft for which we have made contracts. These will be built as early as possible, but the right of way in construction is being given to destroyers and small craft.

Since war was declared the navy has patrolled our own coasts. For coast defenses scores of vessels have been secured—yachts, fishing vessels, fast motor boats, and other minor craft, and others are being added to this force as rapidly as possible.

The navy has sent to France a corps of aviators, who arrived on June 8th, the first contingent of the regular armed forces of the United States to land on French soil. The Aeronautic Corps has been greatly enlarged, aviation bases established along the coast, and officers and men trained in the operation of seaplanes, dirigible balloons, and other types of aircraft. An additional appropriation of \$45,000,000 has been asked for aviation.

About \$50,000,000 is involved in the entire building program in our navy yards, training stations, submarine and aviation bases, the big storage warehouses we are building for munitions and supplies, the new shops, foundries, shipways, the huge dry-docks, and the various structures under way or provided for.

The marine corps has more than doubled in enlisted strength since the war began. On April 6th there were in corps 426 commissioned officers and 13,376 enlisted men. It now has more than 28,000 enlisted men, only 1,479 recruits being required to bring it up to its full authorized enlisted strength of 30,000. A force of marines has been landed in France for service under Gen. Pershing, and the entire corps is eager for action.

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COUNTY CLERK'S QUARTERLY REPORT

Quarter Ending July 31st, A. D., 1917 To the Honorable Commissioners Court Midland County, Texas, August Term, A. D., 1917

W. E. Bradford, County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for Assessment under the Several Fund, for the year 1917. June 1, 1917. By amt. rem. 2nd class treas. receipt No. 147 \$ 7.08 June 6, 1917. By amt. rem. 3rd class treas. receipt No. 148 75.95 June 6, 1917. By amt. rem. 5th class treas. receipt No. 149 10.60 June 6, 1917. By amt. rem. 6th class treas. receipt No. 160 8.80 June 6, 1917. By amt. rem. 7th class treas. receipt No. 161 21.25 By com. on amt. col. for May 8.46 July 3, 1917. By amt. rem. 2nd class treas. receipt No. 162 56 July 3, 1917. By amt. rem. 3rd class treas. receipt No. 163 6.00 July 3, 1917. By amt. rem. 5th class treas. receipt No. 164 85 July 3, 1917. By amt. rem. 6th class treas. receipt No. 165 71 July 3, 1917. By amt. rem. 7th class treas. receipt No. 166 1.70 By com. on amt. col. for June 52 Aug. 1, 1917. By amt. rem. 2nd class treas. receipt No. 167 60 Aug. 1, 1917. By amt. rem. 3rd class treas. receipt No. 168 6.51 Aug. 1, 1917. By amt. rem. 5th class treas. receipt No. 169 91 Aug. 1, 1917. By amt. rem. 6th class treas. receipt No. 170 75 Aug. 1, 1917. By amt. rem. 7th class treas. receipt No. 171 1.82

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By com. on amt. col. for July... \$151.82 W. E. Bradford, County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under the several Funds for the year 1917. Debit June 1, 1917. To col. for May 1917 \$130.14 July 1, 1917. To col. for June 1917 10.34 Aug. 1, 1917. To col. for July 1917 11.14 \$151.82

R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. One, in account with Midland County, Texas. Debit Apr. 13, 1917. 1668 State of Tex. \$ 5.00 Apr. 13, 1917. 1675 State of Tex. 1.00 Jnu. 1, 1917. 1676 State of Tex. 1.00 Jnu. 9, 1917. 1677 State of Tex. 10.00 Jnu. 9, 1917. 1680 State of Tex. 10.00 Jnu. 11, 1917. 1682 State of Tex. 1.00 Jnu. 20, 1917. 1685 State of Tex. 1.00 Jnu. 20, 1917. 1686 State of Tex. 1.00 Jnu. 22, 1917. 1688 State of Tex. 10.00 Jnu. 22, 1917. 1689 State of Tex. 10.00 July 2, 1917. 1696 State of Tex. 1.00 July 3, 1917. 1697 State of Tex. 1.00 July 5, 1917. 1698 State of Tex. 1.00 July 13, 1917. 1700 State of Tex. 5.00 July 13, 1917. 1701 State of Tex. 1.00 July 16, 1917. 1702 State of Tex. 1.00 \$62.00

R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. One, in account with Midland County, Texas. Credit July 31, 1917. By treas. receipt 168 \$44.60 Less commission 12.40 Less inquest Hazel Wimberly 5.00 \$62.00

W. J. Sparks, County Clerk, in account with Midland County, Texas. Debit May 21, 1917. The State of Texas vs. C. W. Hearrell No. 910 \$100.00 \$100.00

W. J. Sparks, County Clerk, in account with Midland County, Texas. By balance \$ 30 By treas. receipt No. 142 80.00 By less 20 per cent. com. county attorney 10 per cent. Co. Clerk 10 per cent. Sheriff 10 per cent. 20.00 \$100.00

W. E. Bradford, County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for Assessment under the First Class Fund. Debit May 1, 1917. To balance \$168.72 June 4, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 143 16.24 June 14, 1917. To Midland National Bank, treas. receipt No. 152 19.02 July 2, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 157 14.97 Aug. 1, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 169 14.06 \$233.01

Aug. 1, 1917. To balance 224.08 I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the First Class Fund. Credit By amt. pd out during quarter Ex. A. 7.50 By 2 per cent com. on amt. re. 1.28 By 2 per cent com. on amt. paid out .16 By amt. to balance 224.08 \$233.01

I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Second Class Fund. Debit May 1, 1917. To balance \$751.03 May 17, 1917. Pliska & Hundle treas. receipt No. 141 55.00 June 6, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 147 7.08 July 3, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 158 56 July 31, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 163 60 \$943.68

Aug. 1, 1917. To balance 942.47 I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Sixth Class Fund. Credit By 2 per cent com. on amt. re. \$.61 By amt. to balance 942.47 \$943.08

Aug. 1, 1917. To balance 942.47 I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Seventh Class Fund. Debit June 1, 1917. To balance \$377.51 June 4, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 146 1.02 June 6, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 151 21.25 June 14, 1917. To Midland National Bank, treas. receipt No. 155 36.55 July 3, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 162 1.70 July 31, 1917. To W. E. Bradford treas. receipt No. 167 1.82 Aug. 1, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 172 1.31 July 2, 1917. To First National Bank, treas. receipt No. 156 .30 \$442.46

Aug. 1, 1917. To balance 390.16 I. H. Bell, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Seventh Class Fund. By amt. pd dur. quar. Ex. G. \$ 50.00 By 2 per cent com. on amt. re. 1.30 By 2 per cent com. on amt. pd out 1.00 By amt. to balance 390.16 \$442.46

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland. I do solemnly swear that the above and foregoing is a true and correct Report for the Quarter ending 31st day of July, A. D., 1917, as required by Article 824, 824a, 824c, and 825, Revised Statutes of 1895. W. J. Sparks, County Clerk, Midland County, Texas. Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 10th day of August, A. D., 1917. J. M. DeArmond, County Judge, Midland County, Tex.

NICE LITTLE DEAL IN CATTLE THIS WEEK Frank Ingham sold the first of the week 115 2-year-old heifers with 5 calves thrown in, to P. W. Delmont at \$65 around. These cattle were delivered to Mr. Delmont's ranch near Seminole, last Sunday.

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DR. H. Y. BENEDICT DELIVERS ADDRESS

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The coming of a great man, like the reading of a great book, has often turned the course of an empire. It is impossible to estimate the value of such an inspiration in the lives and hearts of men. Midland has been very fortunate this week in having in her midst such an inspiration and such an influence in the person of a distinguished scholar, an eminent educator, a practiced and proficient platform lecturer, and also a writer and author of no small renown, Dr. H. Y. Benedict, dean of the faculty of the University of Texas and professor and head of the department of applied mathematics. He is regarded by many as the brightest mind and the most widely read man in the University. He is also the best practiced and the most generally sought after lecturer in the University. The Doctor on former occasions has been in Midland to visit his brother, our esteemed townsman, C. P. Benedict, and to deliver the literary and other addresses for our high school, and his coming is always regarded as a rare privilege by the Midland people. Returning from a tour of addressing county and district associations of teachers, and stopping here to visit his brother for a few days he was prevailed upon by our school authorities to favor Midland with two splendid addresses.

His first address, which was delivered in the assembly room of the high school building Tuesday morning at the chapel hour, was one of the most thoughtful and helpful addresses ever heard by the high school. Speaking on intelligence as the chief which distinguishes man from the lower animals, he said that the horse could run faster, and farther than man, the eagle could see farther, and many animals were as beautiful as man, but man's power to think placed him above other animals. He said that it took much longer to train the mind than it did the body, and showed how the man with a trained mind had decided advantage over the man whose mind was untrained. He compared the process of culture to the planting of seed, and said that many people, like the crow or the mocking bird, preferred to eat the seed now rather than to wait until it could be planted, mature and bring forth an abundance of fruit. His address was enthusiastically received by the high school and the large number of visitors present.

To a packed house in the auditorium of the Methodist church on Thursday evening, the Doctor delivered one of the most scholarly, thoughtful and interesting addresses ever heard in our city. His subject was the "World-Democracy War," and he treated it in a masterly way, tracing the history of the nations of Europe up to the present contest, comparing the ideals of democracy and autocracy and showing how these had struggled against each other, and how the antiquated autocracy in Germany, together with her ideals of might is right and that the individual exists for the State and not the State for

the individual had caused Germany to enter upon and bring on the war. His argument on the survival of the fit, in which he exploded the idea that might is right, and made the German ideal appear ridiculous, was easily the climax to his great address and at the same time one of the most wonderful pieces of reasoning we have ever listened to. Saying that the State existed for the individual and not the individual for the State, that the progress of the world depended more on the individual than on the nation, that the nation must show itself worthy to exist before it can claim to be fit to exist, and many other axioms of ethics and political science, he discussed with impartiality and much learning the strength and the weakness of the German character and the ideals of the German government, and predicted as a natural consequence the defeat and the downfall of Germany in the present contest.

The high school attended in a body and sang some of the high school and the university songs, singing as a professional "The Eyes of Texas are Upon You" as the guest of honor and his escorts entered the building and marched to the platform. The singing of the two choruses, "Winter Song," by Bullard-Lewis, and "Oh, Italia Beloved," from Lucezia Borgia, and the reading of Kipling's "Recessional" in concert and from memory, completed the high school's contribution to the program of the evening. These were program of the evening. These were

Rev. J. T. McKissick, of the Christian church, offered the invocation and Rev. J. W. Cowan, of the Methodist church, pronounced the benediction, each in his own happy and impressive manner. Mayor H. A. Leaverton, in his own impressive and eloquent style, presided and introduced the speaker. Special mention should be made of the two delightful numbers on the program, a violin and piano selection, "Traum der Sommer" by Aug. Labitzky, Op. 45, by Ned Watson and Miss Lydie G. Watson, and the offertory, Mendelssohn's "Midsummer Night's Dream," by Miss Frank Luther.

The entire audience joined in singing "America," and went away feeling that the program had been a most profitable and delightful one.

Tom Aycock left Wednesday for a visit to his wife at Fort Worth, who is under treatment in that city.

WILL BE IN MIDLAND UNTIL NEXT TUESDAY

Dr. Aronson, who is stopping at Rhea Cottage, will be with us until next Tuesday, Sept. 11th, and possibly longer, according to demand for his services professionally. Dr. Aronson has fitted glasses for Midland people for 15 years past, and any number of our best people will testify as to his skill. Call him at Rhea Cottage.

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REPORT FAVORABLE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

Federal Reserve Board Summary Shows Promising Indications at Dallas and Other Points

General business conditions throughout the country, summarized last Saturday night in the Federal Reserve Board's monthly review at Washington, reflect the seasonable lull in many lines, caution on the part of buyers to await the formulation of the administration revenue and regulatory measures and hesitation on the part of some interests to make commitments until the future course of events can be more definitely analyzed.

The outlook is considered favorable in virtually every district. Reports by districts show:

Boston—Midsummer finds business on the whole good, but decidedly spotted, with no definite trend apparent.

New York—Midsummer has brought a seasonal lull in business.

Philadelphia—A strong tendency toward caution exists on the part of the buyers.

Cleveland—There is a good deal of hesitancy with respect to new undertakings, doubtless due to the question of price-fixing.

Richmond—Business continues unusually active for the time of year, especially in manufacturing lines.

Atlanta—Practically all factors underlying business continue in large volume and high activity.

Chicago—Business is showing some hesitation, as many buyers wish to await the outcome of legislative and regulatory measures.

St. Louis—Business conditions show little change in the last thirty days.

Minneapolis—Bankers and business men are optimistic regarding the outlook.

Kansas City—Considering the season and serious conditions which have surrounded crop development, business in general is of volume.

Dallas—The outlook is decidedly favorable.

San Francisco—Two unfavorable elements are conspicuous; heat and drought in the Northwest, which have curtailed the grain trade, and extraordinary heat in California, which has hurt the range and lemon crops.

IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY KIDNEYS

Midland Readers Should Learn to Keep the Kidneys Well

The kidneys have a big work to do. All the blood in the body is coursing through the kidneys constantly to be freed of poisonous matter. It is a heavy enough task when the kidneys are well, but a cold, chill, fever or some thoughtless exposure is likely to irritate, inflame and congest the kidneys and interrupt the purifying work.

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MARKETABLE STEERS ARE SURE TO ADVANCE

The increase in sheep and hog prices the past 30 days has been decidedly greater than that of cattle, especially beef cattle, says the El Paso Livestock Journal. It would appear to anyone that the demand for meat has been the ruling cause and there is no reason why cattle should not take a big jump. The Livestock Journal confidently expects cattle prices to catch on and move up where they belong very soon. There is no way out of it. Many buyers have been holding off anticipating the fact that owners would have to turn loose on account of drought conditions and that they could be bought for less, but these pickups are going to be very scarce. Better get on the wagon and buy while buying is still in favor of the man who buys.

OUR MARKET LETTER FROM KANSAS CITY

Kansas City Stock Yards, Sept. 3, 1917. Cattle receipts were 2400 head, market steady to strong on recent killing cattle, following a decline of 25 to 50 cents on most of the cattle after Tuesday last week. Hogs today 4000, market strong, top \$18.80. Sheep and lambs 4500 head, market steady six cars of Arizona at the top, \$16.85.

Beef Cattle. The best offered were not strictly top notch steers, though they brought \$15.50. Short fed steers \$14 and upwards, best pasture steers \$12.25 to \$14.25, medium weight steers \$10.50 to \$12.00, a train of Northwest Nebraska steers weighing around 1050 pounds at \$10.25. Some two-year-old penheads normally belonging in the stocker class, 900 pounds, sold to killers at \$8.75, against a bid of \$8.50 from country buyers. Butcher cattle are barely steady, veal calves higher, best veals \$13.50.

Stockers and Feeders. Best demand is for fleshy feeders, and in addition, packers bid on these, sales up to \$13.25 for immediate feeding. Regular feeding weight steers sell at \$9.00 to \$10.50, and stock steers range from \$7 to \$8.50, mostly one lot of common Old Mexican year-

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ings, grazed for a time in New Mexico, selling today at \$6.

Hogs

The market would have been higher except for some uncertainty due to meat control articles published yesterday. Receipts were light everywhere, and prices paid were steady, top \$18.80, medium weights \$18.75, lights \$18.40, bulk of sales \$17.75 to \$18.70. Very few are coming, and prices are high, \$15.50 to \$16.50. Apparently farmers are holding back

young hogs, as average weight of hogs jumped up 10 pounds here last week. With packers holding army contracts for pork products, which carry a penalty clause for non-fulfillment, the markets looks safe, but there are those who say that immune stock hogs at 17 to 18 cents a pound, present prices for them, are poison.

Sheep and Lambs

Arizona sold to feeder buyers at \$16.85, who will resell the heavy end to killers, possibly around \$16.75, mak-

ing the feeders stand at \$17. Native lambs lack quality, and sold today at \$16 to \$16.25. Breeders bring fabulous prices, \$18 recently for ewe lambs and breeding ewes one to three years old at \$15 to \$16.50, older ewes \$11 to \$14. More range stock will be offered this month, and there will be a chance to get some breeders and feeding lambs.

J. A. RICKART,
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