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ANNUAL MEETING OF MIDLAND BAPTISTS

Occasion, Last Friday Night, One Long to be Pleasantly Remembered

The Reporter, its editor, is rarely so edified as upon the occasion of last Friday night, when the Baptists of Midland had their annual "Get-Together-Meeting."

Why not? We have rarely "experienced" such "ests." The old-timer king of the barbecue pit, Capt. J. B. Rhea, had done a fatted calf to a beautiful brown, to a turn that was fitted to the palates of the gods of yore, while the ladies of the Baptist church had supplied such trimmings, ambrosial dainties and nectars, that could not be other than celestially approved.

It was a fine gathering. Near to 300 were present, and they were there framed to enjoy both a physical and spiritual feast.

Dr. J. D. Sandifer, president of Simmons College, Abilene, implied blessings, spiritually and bodily, upon the festivities prospective, and it was in beautiful spirit that his hearers fell-to, upon the concluding grace and benediction.

For a season fun, frolic, challenge and repartee—a riot of fellowship—held sway, which but prepared those present for the real feast that was in store.

Pastor Owen J. Hull was master of ceremonies. In introducing Dr. Sandifer, the speaker of the occasion, his heart was based in an expression of love and esteem for the distinguished man. We shall not attempt to quote him. His expression was just a beautiful tribute to a man of power, to nobility of purpose, to one who walks consciously in paths that are circumspect, and knows that the Redeemer lived and lives. Need more be said?

Dr. Sandifer spoke for an hour and twenty minutes. No one tired. There was not a moment of inattention. A message was delivered by an inspired messenger. A bit of humor interspersed the delivery, but, despite that he had thought deeply and concluded that there "ain't no such animal" as an "Ideal Layman," he presented the possibility, and it was indeed good.

Subdivided into five parts, Prohibition, Woman's Suffrage, The School, The Home and The Church—we do not attempt the order in which they were presented—the speaker's subject presented a field of research that went far into the heart of our natural tendencies. He lifted his hearers to pinnacles from whence they might look down to that which is sordid, and up to that which is rich in grace. It would be a pleasure to quote him, for Dr. Sandifer is not only great among Baptists, but great among men in all walks, and less righteous, and an employer of the chaste sentiments that lift men's souls to the realm of Godliness.

The program of the evening was elaborate and full of fine inspiration. Pastor Hull successively introduced Prof. W. W. Lackey, of our city schools, and Pastor W. H. Foster, of the Presbyterian church, who rendered beautiful solos, and members of the high school, whose choruses have long since become famed in Midland.

A business session concluded the occasion, in which treasurer, C. S. Karkalis rendered an accounting of the year's disbursements, and Judge J. M. Caldwell ably and successfully presented a proposition for the coming year's financial budget. The whole affair was good. The writer, as a guest, lost sight that he was not a Baptist, participated as a good fellow met with good fellows, and urges upon Pastor Hull, fine, Christian gentlemen that he is, and others who had to do with this annual get-together meeting, that their effort will be richly fruited in the future and in the Harvests of Kingdom Come.

INFLUENZA SITUATION DISTRESSING AT ODESSA

The influenza situation at Odessa has grown appalling, and many Midland friends are expressing sympathy and sorrowing with the husbands, children, and other relatives of Mrs. Edwin Martin and Mrs. Smith—the latter having run the hotel at that place—both of whom died this week, victims of the disease.

So serious has become the epidemic at Odessa that the commissioners' court of Ector County wired to Ft. Worth for help, for doctors, nurses and druggists. A prompt response was given, and the help asked has arrived.

Midland people deeply sympathize with these neighbors, and hope relief may come to them ere long. In the meantime the situation is bad enough in Midland. While still there are no deaths among our home people, other than previously reported, there are many rather seriously ill, and no cases are reported daily.

Mrs. Smith will be buried at Odessa tomorrow at 2:30 p. m., Rev. O. J. Hull, of the Midland Baptist church, conducting the funeral service.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY TESTS TO BE MADE

Inside Facts Relative to Advertisement in Last Sunday's Issue of Star-Telegram

A good deal of excitement was rife in Midland last Monday when persons who subscribe to the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram noted the page advertisement of the Texas Producers Oil Company, the same carrying a drawing that pictured 15000 acres in Glasscock County which showed seven oil derricks placed around Dewey Lake (the same denoted in the advertisement as Salt Lake.) Persons acquainted with that section of the country—considered a part of the Midland Country, it being only 25 miles southeast from Midland—were not long in determining that the land mentioned is the property of Midland men, and that the statements of the advertisement were entirely authentic, in so far as they concerned this particular tract in Glasscock County.

The Reporter has tried to go to the bottom of this whole procedure, but with not much success. However, we learn enough to substantiate our prediction of last week that tests in the Midland Country would be started in 60 days. We have substantiated, too, that our predictions of a month ago that the wholesale checkerboarding of our county with leases that approximated 5 cents per acre would hurt the facts contained in a letter we are publishing herewith presents this substantiation, for it is manifestly certain that the party who is responsible for the lease to the Texas Producers Oil Company would have liked to have secured the leases for the authentic drilling contract closed to Midland, and to have given to nearer-in land owners a better lease price—25 cents against 5 cents is how the matter sums up.

However, the inside facts, referred to in the caption above, are offered in the communication we are publishing below, written by "A Reader" of The Reporter. It follows:

"Dear Sir—Having heard various comments on the street in regard to a Texas Producers Oil Company advertisement, which appeared in one of our daily papers, will try to throw a little light on this subject, as I was partly to blame for it. Some months ago it occurred to me that if we could by any means, get even one well started anywhere in this county it might mean a great deal to myself and the country in general. With that end in view I went to Wichita Falls, Burk Burnett and Ft. Worth and finally got in communication with some parties who offered to give me a drilling contract if a suitable lease could be made on some wildcat territory. I told them that if they would pay 25 cents lease I would make an effort to get the land; to which they agreed.

"Through my own misfortune and the efforts of my neighbor land owners, who succeeded in leasing all their land to one company at the extortionate price of 10 cents an acre pending developments, I was unable to get enough land in this county adjoining mine for a drilling contract, which was my object; but, did get a body of land in Glasscock County, submitted the lease and parties sent geologists for inspection, wired me to come to Ft. Worth where we closed the trade and they are now under bond to start work on a 3500-ft. test well between now and April 1st. Whether this is

CHOIR OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH MIDLAND, TEXAS

PRESENTS

Sacred Musical Program Church Auditorium, Sunday Evening, January 26, 1919, 6:30 o'clock

PROGRAM

Processional—"Now the Day is Over".....	Barnby
The Choir	
Unison Chorus—"Able, Willing, Mighty".....	Scholfield
The Choir	
Quartet—"Rock of Ages".....	Cole
Lena Kate Baker, Brookie Lee, J. E. Nelson and W. W. Lackey	
Anthem—"All United in Jesus".....	Leslie
The Choir	
Song—"Now the War is Over".....	J. C. Scharbauer
Four-part Song—"My Shepherd".....	Arr. from Koschat
Mixed Voices	
Bass Solo—"God Shall Wipe Away All Tears".....	Roma
W. W. Lackey	
Unison and Two-part Chorus—"Zeal, Our Watchword".....	Beazley
The Choir	
Quartet—"Father, We Pray to Thee".....	Arr. from Himmel
Miss Lula Mae Brunson, Miss Cammie Sue Green, J. E. Nelson and W. W. Lackey	
Solo—"Nobody Knows But Jesus".....	Leslie
Elizabeth Smith	
Offertory—"Les Sylvians".....	Chaminade
Miss Frank Luther	
Offertory Song—"Teach Me to Pray".....	Jewitt
Miss Lula Mae Brunson	
Four-part Song—"One Sweetly Solemn Thought".....	Harmonized by Parks
Mixed Voices	
Soprano-Alto Chorus—"Thy Will Be Done".....	Tours-Parks
Women's Voices	
Anthem—"Good Tidings".....	Danks
Soprano Solo and Chorus	
Ten-Minute Talk.....	Pastor Owen J. Hull

The ordinance of Baptism will be administered at the close of the service

a success or failure I have honestly tried to do something for myself and the country where my interests have been for a number of years. If the people who criticize this advertisement would spend as much money at home as they have in other places we could have had a well of our own, with just as much chance of success as the first well had in Burk-Burnett. The fact that there are six or seven derricks pictured on the Glasscock County map, which are not there, is a peculiarity which is not confined to our own country, but occurs in other fields more favored by fortune. There have been cases reported in other fields while I do not stand for truthfulness thereof, where a barn, hog pen or hen house has been placed over a dry hole and in the course of two or three months a full grown wild cat with a good geological formation would come to life at or near the same locality.

"The man who drafted the advertisement mentioned above evidently thought that any one with money enough to buy oil stock would know Comanche County is not jammed up against Burk-Burnett in real life, with a solid stream of oil a mile wide running in a straight line from Burk

to Garden City. "I told the officials of this company in Ft. Worth that we had paid 10 per cent for our money, 10 to 40 per cent for everything else, except cake has cost 200 per cent above par value for the last three years, until we had nothing left and if they expected Midland County to put up the money for this well, they had better abandon the enterprise before they commenced. They assured me that that the well would be drilled on outside capital, but insisted that a few broadminded sportsmen might be found here who were willing to bet on a home institution.

"A READER."

MANY GEOLOGISTS COMING TO MIDLAND

There were two or three geologists in Midland most of last week. They are still here, we understand, and have been joined by others this week. So, gradually grows the oil excitement in our little city. Much of interest is expected to happen within a very near future.

PUTTING IT UP TO OUR LEGISLATURE

Letter That Suggests Matters Which Present Session Should Look Into Without Delay

The Reporter is confident that should our legislature look toward certain measures of relief, outlined in the letter below, and do it at once, it would avoid a lot of criticism that is likely to follow in the wake of the usual wrangles that usually characterize the deliberations of our Texas law-makers. There is actual need for the legislation outlined below. The letter is from the Oklahoma Stock Yards National Bank to a customer in this vicinity, and, in part, follows:

"Dear Sir: "Pardon me, but I am going to be plain with you just as I am with others. It occurs to me that many of your cattlemen are really working an injustice on the banks out of our vicinity that carry your paper by continually calling on us for expense money, taxes, etc. I realize that a man must live but at the same time I cannot understand why I have never been able to get you people, your local banks and others, to influence your legislature to pass laws extending the time of taxes in hard hit districts and also a law prohibiting foreclosure of any real estate lien in these districts for at least a year.

"If you or any other cattleman in West Texas, whom we have written has done anything positive in way of mass meeting or urging your legislature to do these things, it has never come to my notice. If your property must sell for taxes I think it is because you and others lack the initiative or that you are neglecting to try and obtain the relief to which you are entitled.

"The people of Oklahoma who are in hard shape have no trouble whatever in getting an extension of taxes. I tried for months to get banks and cattlemen in your vicinity to influence the Farm Land Loan Board to make loans on ranch lands. Personally I got the members of that institution at Washington interested but beyond a little enthusiasm in the vicinity of Lubbock which practically amounted to nothing so far as we know, no effort whatever was made and now that the war is over I think there is no chance for success. But if the matter had been pressed at the time by you people who are directly interested I am sure good results would have been obtained. I cannot understand the conditions. Surely it is no disgrace for people you are really in need of extension of time to ask for the same and I do not think it is too late for you people to get busy now, on the tax and real estate foreclosure matters.

"It would be out of line for us to try and influence the legislature of your state towards any action especially when the citizens of Texas who are really in need of help sit by and apparently do nothing but continually call on their taxes and to help them from losing their land, when the banks are not allowed to lend on cattle than they would bring anywhere in the country today.

"I hope you will take this letter in the spirit it is written, not with the idea to criticize nor to create ill feeling but to spur you and others in your

PERHAPS YOUNGEST CAPT. IN U.S. ARMY

Grandson of Our Townsman, Jno. S. Hyatt, Seven Times "Over the Top"

Our townsman, Jno. S. Hyatt and R. V. Hyatt, are very proud of the record of their grandson and nephew, respectively, J. D. Hyatt, and with good cause. The young man is known in Midland, and the following, taken from last week's issue of the Stephenville Empire, will be read with much interest.

From the Globe, (Ariz.) Record of December 22nd, we clip the following concerning John S. Hyatt's grandson, who at the age of 21 is a captain in the United States Army. He was a student in the Military Institute at Roswell, N. M., when this country entered the war and was quick to volunteer and was made second lieutenant. Later he was promoted to first lieutenant and has since been promoted to a captaincy, and is perhaps the youngest of Uncle Sam's captains. He is a nephew of Mrs. John Wilson and Cress Gaston of this city, and is also a nephew of Mrs. Uipian Hoyt, of Waco, and W. A. Hyatt, of Ranger. He is a native of Stephenville, being the first-born of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hyatt. All that follows is from the Globe paper:

"Seven times 'over the top' and still alive to tell the tale is the proud record of Capt. J. O. Hyatt, brother of Mrs. Clyde Nagle, of this city. Capt. Hyatt was sent to France with a Company, Sixth machine gun battalion, U. S. marine corps, shortly after the declaration of war, and has been in every big offensive since that time.

The following letter to his mother, Mrs. Ed T. Hyatt, of this city, was written from the base hospital at Baume, where Capt. Hyatt has been confined since the Champagne offensive. The seven episodes in Capt. Hyatt's European trip will send a thrill through the heart of every true American and shows the "do-or-die" spirit that makes the Yankee the greatest fighter in the world. When an American soldier goes into seven big offensives and comes back for more, his fighting spirit cannot be broken.

Baume, France, Nov. 20, 1918. "Dear Mother: It has been some time since I have written you, but I have been having such a good time I have been too busy to write. I am still in the hospital; I have been here for some time and it looks as if I will be here for some time yet. I am not sick; there is nothing in the world wrong with me, but they will not let me go. The officers are going to try to send me to the States as a patient, but they will have to catch me to do it. I am not going to the States yet for a while.

"My outfit is over in Germany now and I intend to be with them. You say you have a map of France. Well, this hospital is at Baume, just south of Dijon. I have been going to dances and parties nearly every night and having a wonderful time with the nurses. Some of these nurses are wonderful girls; but the best girl of all is at Baume.

"I will tell you some of the events of my life during this war. I have been in every big offensive except one, and I was in the hospital when the one came off. My baptism of fire was received when I was with the French in the trenches at Verdun. Then I joined the marines for the big fight at Chateau Thierry and Belleau woods. We were under continuous shell fire for 32 days during that fight early in June. In July we entered the big offensive at Soissons. In August I was in the trenches opposite Metz. In September I went over the top in the San Mihiel offensive. From there I went to the hospital with nervous exhaustion, and a piece of steel in my eye. While in the hospital my outfit went over the top in the Champagne offensive. I left the hospital in time to go over the top in the last big fight when we drove for Stenay, Sedan and other places. From Sedan I went back to the hospital again and there I am today. All together I went over the top seven times in the offensives, which is more than most can boast of and still be alive.

"I hope to be able to go to Paris and Tours in the near future and try to find my lost baggage. I have been over France more times than I have any state in the U. S. I have been all over France and in Paris seven times. Give my regards to all.

"Love, Otis."

vicinity to some action of a different and satisfactory nature. We have loaned you and others money in the past to make your land payments, taxes, pay your expenses, etc., and we think that it is time for the other fellow to show some favors. Again we suggest concerted action on the part of your people and of course will be glad to render you all assistance possible at this end of the line.

"Yours very truly," etc.

"When the Little Blue Star in the Window has Turned to Gold," and 149 other big hits just received. Come in and try them over. Basham, Shepherd & Co. 16-2t

Watch This Space

We are now selling OVERALLS only \$1.90 the pair. They will not be more than this in the future.

Just received a case of NEW GINGHAMS which we will sell at only 35c the yard. We were very fortunate in buying this in anticipation of an advance, which came. We bought this case more than a year ago. The wholesalers are asking just what we are offering this to you for.

You will find our GROCERY department full of the best things to eat. Our prices are the lowest, as we buy in large quantities. QUALITY, of course, is considered.

We Want Your Business

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Grocery Phone No. 6 The Store that Saves You Money Dry Goods Phone 284

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SOCIETY By L. G. W., Phone 88

Wedding Bells Adams-Winborne—On Wednesday of last week our city marshal, Mr. John Winborne, was happily married to Mrs. Tom Adams, former popular saleslady of Wadley-Patterson.

'99 Club Held Interesting Meeting The '99 Club met in regular session Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. N. A. Hammack as hostess. In the absence of the president, Mrs. F. E. Rankin presided, and also directed the study course which was upon the Reign of Queen Elizabeth. Interesting papers were read by Mesdames W. H. Brunson, Hammack, and Rankin.

League Party On Saturday night the Epworth League was delightfully entertained in the attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Thomas. A representative crowd of happy hearted girls and boys were in attendance and the hostess was so cordially gracious that each guest reports an evening brimming over with good cheer and wholesome entertainment.

Wednesday Club Mrs. J. M. DeArmond was hostess at a very enjoyable and interesting meeting of the Wednesday Club this week. The study hour was devoted to the Freedom of the Seas, the origin of the phrase, the meaning, etc. Helpful papers were read by Mesdames Holt, Caldwell and Jax Cowden. During a very lovely social hour, Mrs. DeArmond served a dainty salad course.

A Happy Anniversary Last Friday, Jan. 17, was the fourth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Durbin, and in commemoration of the happy event, a sweet little baby boy arrived in their home, whose tiny baby fingers will bind still closer in bonds of even the fond hearts of his young parents. The Reporter extends congratulations.

Sergeant Glen Brunson, another of our gallant soldier boys, and who has registered good in all his army life, arrived last Saturday for a furlough. Glen has been a sharp-shooter in the marine service, and also an instructor in gas proving. Since his enlistment he has been stationed at Paris Island, and Quantico, Va., but Sunday he leaves for the Pacific coast where he will report for duty at San Diego, Cal. Since there is now no hope of his engaging in active war-fare, Glen is getting very anxious to come back to civilian life and to the freedom of his native boundless prairies.

Mrs. T. B. Wadley returned Monday from a visit to San Antonio, Houston and Dallas where she has spent the winter with her children. Mrs. Wadley was accompanied home by her granddaughter, Miss Ethel Johnson, who has just graduated from Draughn's Business College.

The Sunday-school class of Mrs. Ben Anthony was most delightfully entertained last Saturday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. D. S. Floyd.

The class was practically all present and they all had "heaps" of good times.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jay and little daughter, Stella, returned Monday morning from Jayton, where they had been called on account of the illness of Mrs. Jay's mother.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Christian Church Bible school at 9:45 a. m., John Howe, Supt. Preaching at the usual hours by the regular minister. Subject "The Seven Visitors" and "The Ideal Home." You are cordially invited. J. T. McKissick, Minister.

Baptist Church Sunday-school 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject "A Universal Desire." B. Y. P. U. at 5:30 p. m. The evening hour is given over to the rendition of a musical program by the choir. The public is cordially invited to enjoy this sacred concert, beginning promptly at 6:30 p. m. We are seeking to make Sunday a bauer day in our church. Let us be in all the services, if possible. O. J. Hull, Minister.

OFFICIAL NOTICE BY JUDGE J. M. DEARMOND

Whereas, the government has requested that all persons in Midland County, who pledged themselves to the United States Treasury Department to invest in United States Government War Savings Stamps of the 1918 series, be notified that they may and are expected to fulfill their pledges through the purchase of War Savings Stamps of the 1919 series, if for any reason such pledgers were unable to complete their commitments by December 31, 1918.

Be it Further Known, that War Savings Stamps of the 1919 series may be obtained from postoffices, banks and other authorized agents at the price of \$4.12 each during January. War Savings Stamps of the 1919 issue should not be affixed to War Savings Certificates of the 1918 series, nor should War Savings Stamps of the 1918 issue be affixed to War Savings certificates of 1919 series. The same Thrift Stamps and Thrift Cards used during 1918 remain in use and a Thrift Card with sixteen Thrift Stamps thereon, plus 12 cents during January, may be exchanged for a War Savings Stamp of the 1919 issue.

LISTS OF JURORS IN DISTRICT COURT

Sheriff W. E. Bradford has furnished the following lists of jurors, summoned by him to serve in district court next month, the term beginning on Monday, February 3rd: Grand Jury Lee M. Bradshaw, G. H. Butler, W. W. Brunson, E. P. Cowden, R. M. Clayton, Jr., H. M. Caudle, Lige Davison, Millard Edison, Burl Holloway, W. S. Hill, K. E. Nutt, T. S. Patterson, Geo. Ratliff, E. R. Thomas, B. F. Whitefield, W. M. Cox. Petit Jurors J. L. Locklar, Clarence Scharbauer, B. P. Harrison, C. T. Allen, J. H. Potter, E. N. Snodgrass, C. C. Foster, R. A. Henson, A. Mayfield, W. F. Locklar, J. W. Webb, A. C. Francis, J. E. Hill, L. A. Brunson, H. B. Dorsey, J. P. Inman, Clarence Hale, J. M. Prothro, V. C. Ray, W. C. Warren, H. L. McClintic, C. B. Collier, F. A. Smith, W. A. Eason, W. P. Nugent, J. M. Jemison, J. P. Rankin, C. M. Goldsmith, John Edwards, S. H. Basham, J. E. Houston, H. P. Estes, T. J. Powell, Lee Irwin, N. L. Heidleberg, R. Dick Lee.

SPECIAL NOTICE

All those who are indebted to Dr. J. F. Haley are requested to call at the Midland Hardware Company and settle. The Doctor continues quite ill at the sanitarium in Temple and he needs all that is due him. It is imperative, then, that all accounts be settled without delay. JNO. A. HALEY. adv-14-3t

UNIQUE THEATRE NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Henry Stilwell this week leased the Unique Theatre for a year. Henry is a hustling, energetic and enterprising young man and takes this business up under very difficult environments, but he promises to give the amusement loving public all that is good in pictures. Henry has not spared any time patience and work, so far to make his promises good, and the opening show last Monday evening was convincing proof that the young man is making good his promises. A large crowd was in attendance at the initial performance and the young manager received congratulations on all sides for his success. The theatre has been thoroughly overhauled and is being fumigated every day, so that no one will run any risk by attending nightly and can go and enjoy each performance with impunity.

Wednesday night "High Tide," was the bill and was all to the good.

On Thursday night Mask of the Riches, was played to an appreciative audience.

Tonight, Friday, there will be a big special 7-reel feature entitled "Carmen of Klondike," a story of romance and adventure and thrilling from start to finish.

"Hell's End," is the title of the story-play tomorrow night, Saturday, and we predict another success.

NEWS NOTES FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE

A mild form of influenza is passing over the school.

Miss Ellen Hartgrove, formerly a student of Midland College, but now studying law at Texas Christian University, is spending a few days on College Hill at the bed side of her sister, Hattie Rue.

S. A. Roney has just returned home to Sierra Blanca, after a day spent at the college. His son, R. V., accompanied him home.

Misses Heavenhill, Holloway, Golda White and Holland are convalescing after attacks of influenza.

Mrs. Ada Lynch has been an "angel of mercy" at the college the past few days, having several patients under her care.

Notice has been received from the State Department of Education at Austin, that Midland College has been retained upon the list of first class junior colleges for another year. This department sends a visitor each year to examine the work and equipment of the college, upon whose recommendation decision is made. The visitor the past two years was Walter King, of Austin, who spent a day and visited in each department, inspecting the class work as well as equipment.

STOCK SHIPMENTS VERY LIGHT LATELY

Inspector J. F. Conner, for the Panhandle & Southwestern, has not been reporting stock shipments lately, for the reason that the season is practically over, and few shipments have been made. Following is his report, beginning with Dec. 21st, last: Dec. 21st—C. M. J. Stringer, 2 cars horses, Midland to Abilene.

Jan. 13th—R. W. Weathers, 5 cars cows and bulls, Fasken to Ft. Worth.

Same date—Elkin Bros., 1 car cows and calves, South Camp to Ft. Worth.

Same date—B. N. Aycock & Sons, 1 car bulls, South Camp to Ft. Worth.

Same date—W. D. Ellis, 9 cars of stock cattle, Florey to Midland.

Jan. 21st—T. B. Sanders, 2 cars of cows and bulls, Midland to Ft. Worth.

Same date—Medlin Bros., 1 car of cows, Seminole to Ft. Worth.

Same date—Bludworth & Co., 2 cars cows, Florey to Ft. Worth.

Mr. Conner further reports that he has been over the country very extensively during the past few weeks, and finds the cattle situation very promising everywhere. There has been a good deal of severe weather, of course, said he, but losses have not been material, nor have the cattle suffered to any extent. The range is unusually fine, there being lots of weeds in the weed sections, while the season in the ground everywhere is all that could be wished. So far, in the matter of range conditions, there is nothing much that the stockman could ask for.

COWMEN TO BE THERE FROM ALL SECTIONS

Local Inspector J. F. Conner, for the Panhandle & Southwestern Stockmen's Association, was yesterday distributing some literature telling of the big meeting of the association at El Paso March 4, 5, and 6. Said he, "the boys from all sections of the cow country are going to be there, and El Paso is making big preparations to entertain them. You know how El Paso entertains. She just turns the city over to visiting stockmen, and if you don't see what you want all you have to do is to ask for it. It is expected to be one of the greatest meetings in the history of the association."

PAY YOUR TAXES BEFORE THE PENALTY

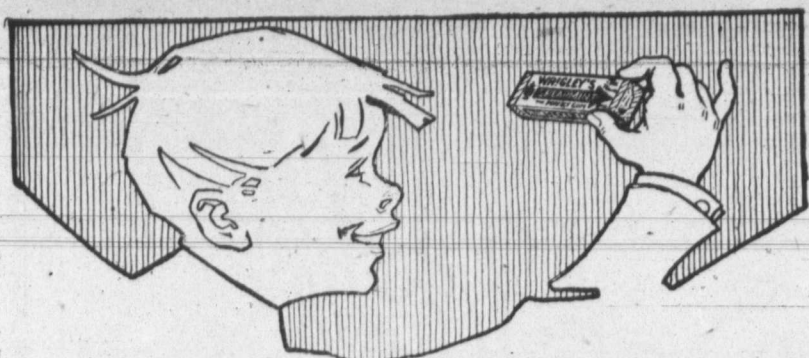
If you don't pay your taxes before next Saturday, February 1st, ten per cent will be added. Both our city and county collectors urge that you heed this warning. January 31st is the last day.

Quick Cure For Croup. Watch for the first symptom, hoarseness, and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at once. It is prompt and effectual. Jan.

Is there any Special Shopping we can do for you? WILL be getting away to market in a few days and will be glad to attend to any special orders, whether in dress goods or any other line. We are always glad to do this for our customers. We plan to make 1919 our biggest year, by having the goods you want at cash prices. Wadley-Patterson Comp'y One Price--the Lowest--For Cash Only

DERRICK IS ERECTED And Soon Drilling Operations will be on with the Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company Also, next week we shall begin to issue Certificates of Stock to those who have already purchased. The copy is in the hands of The Reporter now and will be completed within only a few days. Drilling Soon As stated above, our derrick is already erected on our drilling site, and we are now only awaiting our turn with a reputable driller. Soon thereafter you will see Burkburnett-Midland quoted on 'Change and then Prices Will Soar Better buy now while stock is at par. Ask others what they think of our holdings. Public Opinion is pretty good to go by, and we are not afraid of what "They Say." Burkburnett-Midland Oil Co. SAM PRESTON, Secretary-Treasurer Midland, Texas

Zin Shoe Polishes KEEP YOUR SHOES NEAT LIQUIDS AND PASTES, FOR BLACK, WHITE, TAN, DARK BROWN OR OX-BLOOD SHOES. PRESERVE THE LEATHER.



Be Sure to Get
WRIGLEY'S

THE wax-wrapped sealed package with **WRIGLEY'S** upon it is a guarantee of quality.

The largest chewing-gum factories in the world—the largest selling gum in the world: that is what **WRIGLEY'S** means.

SEALED TIGHT KEPT RIGHT

WRAPPED IN UNITED STATES COUPONS

The Flavor Lasts!

TEXAS PROSPECTS NEVER BRIGHTER

Despite Weather Forecasts to the Contrary Fine Seasons Continue All Over State

Last week The Reporter published a lot of the gloomy stuff predicted for Texas by Weather Forecaster Foster and the bulletin issued monthly by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Also we expressed our disbelief in their infallibility, and presented that Texas, and especially West Texas, was never in better season nor ever confronted by better prospects than now. Rain again Tuesday night still further raises our spirits, and we are more doubtful of the weather sharks than ever. Strengthening our belief in the good things to come, we reproduce the following comment that recently appeared in the Fort Worth Livestock Reporter:

An era of prosperity, such as Texas has not experienced within many years, is in store for the cattleman, the hog producer and the sheep grower. In a word, those who have played the game, season in and year out, admit without reserve, that they are unable to recall a time, at this period of the year, when the outlook was as favorable. The new year entered with every incentive to prompt increased livestock production, the ground has all the moisture that it can possibly hold, the rains have been entirely sufficient to afford excellent roughage for winter pasturage, and to insure early spring grass, the demand is here for all the cattle, hogs, and sheep that the country will be able to produce and prices are almost certain to hover around the present basis.

Thousands upon thousands of cattle are now being afforded the cheapest and best winter grazing that the cattlemen have boasted of in many years—wheat field pasturage. The grazing is so plentiful, in fact, that it has not been a question of pasturage and feed, as in recent years, but a matter of being able to secure a sufficient number of cattle to keep wheat down.

Under present favorable weather conditions, cattle and sheep will go through the winter with comparatively no losses. Regardless of how cold the weather becomes, it is known that it will take far less feed to carry stock through the winter than in seasons for many years back. Of course, the feed that is consumed will come high, but the proportion that will be used is certain to be relatively small. The high costing feed bill, should be more than offset by the value of the livestock on the markets.

There is every reason why livestock production should expand along all lines, and not one against it. Three drouthy years have drawn heavily from the Texas ranges, and it is imperative that the supply of breeding stock be replenished.

Although fight in Europe has stopped, and the world war is a thing of the past, the responsibility of the United States toward feeding the nations that were at war has not been relieved. Their demand for beef and pork, as well as other food stuffs is imperative, and it still remains for the United States practically to "feed the world." Mr. Hoover has already sent out a call for a greater production, and there is no danger of the supply being greater than the demand.

When the government called upon the farmers and stock-raisers for an increased production of beef, pork and other products last year, the country rallied to its support, just as did the men who were called to arms. When men were needed for service in the greatest army the United States has ever seen was gathered, trained and equipped in the briefest length of time, and sent to the battle front. When Mr. Hoover heralded to the stockmen of the country that increased production was imperative, that our soldiers, and those of our allies, could be properly fed, they responded by piling up at the various market centers of the United States the greatest volume of livestock that the world has ever known.

All of this was accomplished despite the fact that it seemed as if everything militated against the interest of the farmer in the early months of the year. The producers kept plugging away, regardless of handicaps and unfavorable circumstances, and in the end scored one of the greatest achievements that the country has ever known. The performance simply demonstrates what the producers can do when the necessity arises. They went over the front line trenches and did it in a very short time. The combined receipts of cattle, calves and hogs on the markets of the United States were the greatest on record. At the seven leading Western markets more than 13,102,000 cattle and 12,064,000 hogs were received.

Just as the livestock men of the United States responded in 1918 to the call of the government for increased meat animals, just so must the producers of Texas reply in 1919 to the present need of rehabilitating the farms and ranches of this State. Circumstances, over which man had no control—that of a three years drouth, and during war time, which carried with it an extremely high price for feed—brought about an enforced marketing of farm animals of every description which literally stripped the state of its breeding and foundation stock. This applies equally as well to hogs as to cattle. Vast numbers of good breeding cows and heifers were purchased on this market and in the country for shipment to Southern states, a work that was very successfully conducted through government agents, and untold numbers failed to catch the eyes of feeder buyers and were sent over the hill in beds at the packing houses. High market values and high costing feed, with an absence of suitable rough-

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Report of Condition of the

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At Midland, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Dec. 31, 1919

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$498,493.44
Overdrafts unsecured	195.11
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	15,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3 1/2, 4, and 4 1/2 per cent, unpledged	50,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3 1/2, 4, and 4 1/2 per cent, pledged to secure U. S. deposits	19,150.00
U. S. deposits	19,200.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	6,000.00
Value of banking house	23,750.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	1.11
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	92,776.00
Items with Federal Reserve Bank in process of collection (not available as reserve)	355.00
Cash in vault and net amount due from National Banks	164,278.00
Net amount due from banks and bankers and trust companies	11,997.00
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	3.81
Total of items 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18	180,421.99
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	2,132.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	750.00
Total	\$770,000.00

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	1.00
Undivided profits	13,850.98
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	10,356.51
Interest and discount collected or credited, in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)	\$3,650.00
Amount reserved for all interest accrued	0.00
Circulating notes outstanding	0.00
Net amount due to National Banks	0.00
Net amount due to banks and bankers and trust companies (other than included in Items 31 or 32)	0.00
Total of items 32 and 33	14,209.26
Individual deposits subject to check	0.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	0.00
Dividends unpaid checks	0.00
Total demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41	405,741.96
Other United States deposits, including deposits of U. S. disbursing officers—Drouth Relief	0.00
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank, including all obligations representing money borrowed, other than rediscounts	0.00
Total	\$770,000.00

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland, ss:
I, W. R. Chancellor, Cashier of the above named bank, do swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of Jan., 1919.
N. A. HAMMACK,
Notary Public, Midland County,
W. H. COWDEN,
P. SCHARBAUM,
E. R. BRYAN,

HOW U. S. FIGHTS ANIMAL DISEASES
How the great spread of live stock diseases in the United States is largely controlled and sources of infection, are stamped out is explained by the Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture. Approximately 190 employees of the bureau, engaged in the work, are stationed at the principal livestock markets of the 50 states. All receipts of cattle, swine unloaded in the 250 inspected early in the 250 fore any trading takes going shipments are inspected in the yards and held until disposed of.

GAINES COUNTY TO HAVE FIRE PROOF COURT HOUSE

At the regular meeting of the commissioners court this week a petition from the tax payers asking that the court issue warrants to the amount of \$75,000 for the purpose of erecting a new, modern, fire-proof court house and jail at Seminole was presented.

The court received the petition at noon and within an hour or so approved the cause represented therein.

It is with pleasure that we announce that all four commissioners voted to build a court house as asked for in the petition, thereby putting the will of the majority into effect. Their order reads: "Feeling that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters want a new court house and jail, we hereby authorize the issuance of same, and order County Judge T. O. Stark to proceed with the issue in the proper form."

The citizens in charge of the petition were anxious and intended that every qualified voter be given the opportunity to sign the same, however, owing to the short time they had in which to work some did not have this opportunity. There being about 700 qualified voters in the county, there were 140 who signed it, refusing.

Judge Stark stated that the court would push all the preliminaries as fast as possible, in order that actual construction could begin at the earliest date possible.

Gaines County has come alive. With two railroads, good schools, a new court house, several new residences now being planned, and good roads, under construction, Gaines County proposes to take the lead among other West Texas counties—Seminole Sentinel.

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Citation by Publication

The State of Texas,
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To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Midland County—Greeting:
You are hereby commanded, to
summon J. G. Davis, by making pub-
lication of this citation once in each
week for four successive weeks pre-
vious to the return day hereof, in
some newspaper published in your
county, if there be a newspaper pub-
lished therein, but if not, then in any
newspaper published in the 70th Ju-
dicial District; but if there be no
newspaper published in said Judicial
District, then in a newspaper pub-
lished in the nearest District to said
70th Judicial District, to appear at
the next regular term of the district
court of Midland County, to be hold-
en at the court house thereof, in
Midland, on the first Monday in
February, A. D., 1919, the same be-
ing the 3rd day of February, A. D.,
1919, then and there to answer a pe-
tition filed in said court on the 30th
day of December, A. D., 1918, in a
suit, numbered on the docket of said
court No. 1509, wherein E. Emmett
Reid, is plaintiff, and J. G. Davis, R.
B. Caldwell and J. L. Lonsford, are
defendants, and said petition alleging
that heretofore on or about the
13th day of January, 1908, one L. C.
Powell, being the owner, sold and by
his deed in writing transferred to the
defendant, J. G. Davis, six hun-
dred and seventy-five acres of land
lying and being situated in Andrews
County, Texas, and described as Sec-
tion No. 18, block A53, surveyed for the
public free schools of the state of Tex-
as. That on the same date the said
Davis, as a part consideration for
said land, made, executed and deliv-
ered to said Powell, eight promissory
notes, in writing in the sum of
\$337.50 each, and each of said notes
called for eight per cent interest
from January 1st, 1910, till paid per
annum. That each of said notes re-
tained the Vendor's Lien in and upon
said land securing the payment
thereof, and said lien was retained in
said deed from said Powell to said
Davis, conveying said land as afore-
said.

That each of said notes provided
that if they were not paid at matur-
ity and placed in the hands of an at-
torney for collection, then an addi-
tional ten per cent on the principal
and interest due should be added
thereto as collection fees, and be-
come due and payable as such, and
it was further provided in said notes
that the interest thereon should be
payable annually and if not so paid
the said unpaid interest should bear
interest at the rate of eight per cent
per annum and it so provided in said
notes that they should be paid at said
Midland, Texas.

That by the execution and deliv-
ery of said notes by the said Davis,
as aforesaid, he promised, agreed
and became liable to pay said notes
in full, together with said interest
and attorney's fees to said Powell,
or to his order. That said notes have
been placed in the hands of B. A.
Cox, an attorney at law to collect,
and suit is here now filed to collect
said notes. That the plaintiff, for a
valuable consideration is the owner
of five of said notes to-wit: Notes
Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 and became the
owner for such valuable consideration
long before the maturity of either of
said notes and is now the owner and
owner of said notes, together with
the Vendor's Lien therein retained
against said land as aforesaid. That
this plaintiff does not know and will
not undertake to say whether or not
the first three of said notes are paid
or not, and if paid to whom paid,
and if not paid, plaintiff says he
does not who holds the same, but
plaintiff says that the five of said
notes held and owned by him as
aforesaid, have not been paid and no
part thereof has been paid not even
the interest or any part thereof, and
that of said four notes they matured
as follows: Note No. 4 matured on
January 1st, 1913; Note No. 5 mat-
ured January 1st, 1914; Note No. 6
matured January 1st, 1915; Note No.
7 matured January 1st, 1916; Note
No. 8, matured January 1st, 1917,
and all of said eight notes are long
since due and neither of the five
notes held by this plaintiff has ever
been paid, or any part thereof, and
that all of said notes were executed
by said Davis and payable to said
Powell, or order at said Midland,
Texas.

That the defendants Caldwell and
Lonsford, are setting up some kind
of a pretended claim to said land,
and claiming to own the same or
some interest therein, but that what
ever right or claim they or either of
them have to said land is inferior to
and subordinate to the claim of this
plaintiff and they are each made
parties hereto, that the court may
adjudicate their interest in said
land, if any they have.

Premises considered plaintiff
prays that citation issue hereon to
each and all of the defendants as
by law provided, and that upon a
final hearing hereon plaintiff have
his judgment against said Davis, as
maker of said notes for the amount
of the principal, interest and attor-
ney's fees called for in said five
notes held by the plaintiff as herein-
before set out a foreclosure of the
Vendor's Lien retained in said notes
and deed in and upon said land, for
order of sale, writ of possession,
costs of suit and for all such relief,
either general or special, in law or
equity, to which he may show him-
self entitled, as in duty bound he
will ever pray.

Herein Fail Not, but have before
said court at its aforesaid next regu-
lar term, this writ with your re-
turn thereon, showing how you have
executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal
of said court, at office in Midland,
Texas, this 1st day of January,
A. D., 1919.

C. B. DUNAGAN,
(Clerk District Court, Midland Co.
adv 14-4t

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CONSIDERING THE
PATRIOTISM OF PEACE

Industrial Record Suggests Much
to Consider That Our Country
May Continue Prosperous

We have heard a great deal about
war-time patriotism. But there is no
less a patriotism of peace. It is to
make your business and mine splen-
dently prosperous—a vital, forward
urge, to all connected with it, says a
writer in the last issue of the Indus-
trial Record.

Have you stopped to realize that
some 20,000,000 men have laid down
their lives during the great struggle,
and about 6,000,000 more have been
sacrificed to the influenza epidemic?
The men who have paid the supreme
sacrifice of war are among the flow-
er of the nations of the earth—
young, virile, keen, alert and in their
prime. The toll of the plague was
taken from old and young, and so has
weakened both our present and our
future.

Then we must not forget that dur-
ing ordinary times a constant stream
of immigrants landed upon our
shores, averaging several million a
year of the sturdiest peoples of for-
eign races and those possessing the
most initiative.

Now the situation is different. We
are facing a tide of emigration. Re-
ports show that something like 1,250,
000 aliens applied for passage back to
their native lands during the four
years of the war, that they might
share in the struggle and especi-
ally aid in the rebuilding. It is
estimated that 15,000,000 more aliens
are likely to desire to return to their
native countries, once peace is es-
tablished, and many of them will
take their savings with them. When
the European countries from which
most of our immigrants came are as-
sured of liberty and a square deal at
home, there will be less incentive for
them to come to us than in the old
days.

All this means an increasingly
great responsibility which is being
laid upon those who are now in busi-
ness and who plan to go into business
in the future. Our government has
tremendous obligations to meet, to
pay the cost of this war, and to fi-
nance the commercial and industrial
expansion which our country must
undertake if we are to continue to be
permanently prosperous and to hold
our place of leadership among the
nations of the world.

If the government is to have the
revenues with which to accomplish
all this and to undertake increased
transportation, it must get its money
from business; and to have the
money to meet these obligations, our
business affairs must be maintained
at flood tide. The business which
lags will be looked upon as a slacker
for it cannot contribute as it should
to the great national obligation.

During the war, the government
saw fit to exercise much firm control
both directly and indirectly. Many
of these restrictions have now been
removed. Men will be removed as it
is possible to do so safely, but the in-
dications are that a certain degree
of governmental control will be re-
tained.

What would you think, my friend,
if in the course of the next ten years
or even sooner, our legislators should
take this attitude and say:
'As approximately 95 per cent of
the men who go into business fail,
and as we have about 15,000 business
failures a year, and about 20,000 new
enterprises started, many of which
are doomed to failure from the be-
ginning, we are not as efficient in
our great department of commercial
and industrial life as we should be.
There must be a change. An im-
mense amount of capital is being tied
up in concerns which are no benef-
it to themselves or others, and a lot
of people are needed in essential, wor-
thy occupations as labor is none too
plenty.

'Now a large number of individ-
uals are tied up working for these
concerns which are just gasping
from month to month. It's high time
we passed laws declaring that any
business which cannot show a reason-
ably prompt or satisfactory explana-
tion to the contrary, must close
out. These concerns are dead ends
and they must get out of the way and
make room for live, progressive busi-
nesses which are patriotic because
they are prosperous.'

Really, when you come to think of
it, this is pretty good logic after all!
And isn't the man a slacker who so
conducts his financial affairs that he
doesn't make good use of his capital,
his opportunity, and the people whom
he employs? The patriotism of
peace implies the practical applica-
tion of the new thrift, which says no
thing shall be wasted and the best
use made of everything which can be
regarded as an asset.

Every line of business has its own
individual characteristics and require-
ments, but the foundations underly-
ing all business are much the same.
Today we must understand and crys-
tallize these into clear-cut, definite
principles. Principles which shall
not be used as mottoes merely to de-
corate the wall, but put into daily
use.

First: The great "Made in the U.
S. A." movement must receive our
serious consideration. The man who
makes this mark, is not patriotic be-
cause he is lowering the commercial
standards of the country. A new ap-
preciation of values must stand back
of that trade mark until it comes to
stand for quality and service and re-
liability the world over.

more promptly, profit by his dis-
counts regularly, and conduct his own
selling business on modern, up-to-
date, systematic lines. This will en-
able him to buy and to sell to better
advantage.

Third: The new spirit of co-opera-
tion among all branches of business
and particularly among businesses in
the same line, will be fostered by the
activities, interest and guidance of
the federal trade commission. This
will protect American business and
open the door to larger opportuni-
ties at home and abroad. The patri-
otism of peace will demand that the
good of all will be considered, rather
than the individual; that prices be
fairly placed, and profits of legiti-
mate sizes only permitted.

Fourth: Opportunities of Ameri-
can youth must be developed and fos-
tered. Many a town or city which
could and should thrive, will find it-
self hard put to it for men equipped
to fill its executive positions. As has
been pointed out, we will have fewer
coming to us from abroad, and many
of our workers will go back to the
land of their fathers. Towns and cit-
ies must get over the idea that the
men who come to them from else-
where are brighter and more pro-
gressive, and better able to develop
business. Let every town and city

have a live, active chamber of com-
merce, who will take an interest in
the schools and give the young men
and women opportunities at home to
get a foothold and to look toward a
career which will satisfy. Then the
young blood will not move out and
go somewhere else as soon as it
gets the chance.

Favor the employment of Ameri-
can citizens in positions of trust.
Have we not had sufficient example
of aliens who have been ready to pro-
fit by our kindness and fair-mind-
edness, only to turn upon us later?
This does not say that all aliens are
necessarily alien enemies, but in any
event it is only fair to favor our
own young people first in the giving
of positions provided they can do
what we require of them equally well.

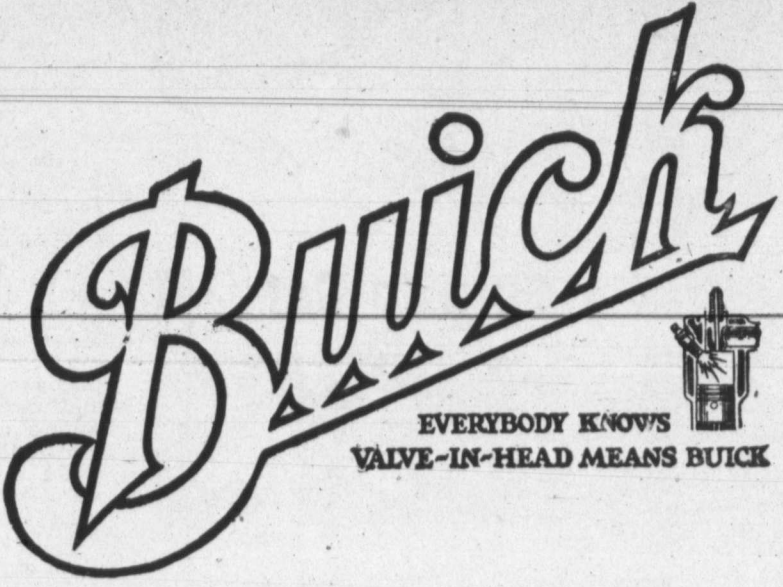
The patriotism of peace, broadly
speaking, must embody three founda-
tion principles—first, the fostering
of American business and commerce;
second, the development of American
initiative, enterprise and skill; third,
the development of American native
resources, the reclamation of waste
land, and the inculcation of sound
thrift among all classes of people.
Then will our country continue to be
the "Land of the free and the home
of the brave," and Liberty will not
perish from the face of the earth!

Woman's Missionary Society

The Woman's Missionary Society
met with Mrs. W. H. Brunson on last
Monday, with a large attendance.
The leader, Mrs. O. B. Holt, gave a
very fine exposition of the lesson.
The society met Monday of last week
with Mrs. E. R. Bryan. Quite an in-
teresting outline of the lesson was
given by Mrs. E. R. Thomas, after
which the class entered into an en-
thusiastic discussion of the general
topics. The society will meet with
Mrs. C. A. Goldsmith on Monday, Jan.
28 at 2:30 p. m. They are anxious for
each lady of the church to enroll. You
do not have to belong to the Missio-
nary Society to be a member of the
study class. The Bible and mission
study is proving very helpful. The
class is 100 per cent for prayer. Each
one having enrolled as a member of
the Fellowship of Intercession. Our
lesson for Monday is Gen. 4 and 11.
Come as a visitor if you do not come
to join. Secretary.

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Seven Passenger Open Model H-Six-49 - 1785
Seven Passenger Closed Model H-Six-50 - 2585

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Buy Coal Now!

This is urged as a patriotic necessity. Be assured of this, prices are regulated by the
Fuel Administrator, and the

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Let me fill your order direct from the car. I shall do my best to supply your needs this
winter and with your co-operation will succeed.

Then Order Now!

My business is wholly governed by the rules of the Fuel Administrator, and this notice
to you is purely for your advantage.

W. P. NUGENT
Phone 216

Oil Men Buying Oil Stock

Strange, Isn't It?

But, as Postum Says---"There's a Reason"

Millions of Dollars are coming to Texas daily with the great influx of Eastern Capitalists who are eager to vest themselves of our fabulous dividend-paying stocks which have been so widely advertised through the medium of the Saturday Evening Post, read January 11 issue. Think of it, Gentlemen, a poor man investing one hundred dollars and in sixty days receiving a dividend of 100 per cent, or an income of \$100 per month. That's Oil! Had it ever occurred to you that you will never accumulate anything working? A man can work a lifetime and still have a job. Only two ways for a man to acquire a fortune: one is by inheritance and the other by investments. He who invests nothing makes nothing.

Our Holdings

2 1-2 acres in Burkburnett Field adjoining Lucky Five holdings, just 700 feet North of Marine and Donahue wells, 1,000 feet Northeast of Helen Elizabeth, 1,100 feet due East of Big Priddy well that just blew in. This tract alone will stand our small capitalization of \$90,000 and we have 15,120 acres yet to be added as follows:

40 acres in Comanche County directly South of the Duke well and lying between the Downing Tippet and Hasse wells and less than one-half mile from the Maxwell & Ertell well, all of which are now drilling and proving up our acreage. As soon as any of the above named are brought in it will make our acreage worth at least three times our entire capitalization.

80 acres of Brown County's best acreage, 6 miles Southeast of Brownwood and about 2 1-2 miles East of the Pippen deep test well, which is now down about 1,200 feet and making a good showing.

15,000 acres in Glasscock County, which is considered wildcat territory, but as soon as our rig is built in the center of this tract we expect to sell 1,200 acres of offset acreage for more than enough to drill our well and have 13,800 acres left for our Company to sell later on.

Fort Worth Record, January 9th, 1919

14 Oil Companies Have Cut Melons in Last 60 Days

The declaration of a 100 per cent dividend by the K. A. P. Oil Company on Monday brings the list of Burkburnett field dividend payers up to 14. The K. A. P. dividend is payable on or before January 15.

Following is a list of the thirteen other Burkburnett Companies that have declared and paid dividends in the past sixty days:

Company	Pct.
Hammond No. 1	226
Vindicator	125
Citizens	100
Big Pool	100
Columbia	100
Couch-Winfrey	100
Hammond No. 2	100
Walker	75
Big Three	50
Floyds	50
Wichita Oil and Gas	25
Wichita Burk	25

Low capitalization, large production and large dividends make Burkburnett Field the rainbow's end.

We are going to drill our first well immediately on our valuable lease in the Burkburnett field.

All stock is common stock, which means that every stockholder participates equally in all the property, leases and dividends in the company now and all the time to come.

Oil is now flowing from Mother Earth on all sides of our lease—such a thing as an element of chance in the buying of stock in this company should not enter your mind. "There ain't no such thing."

Two and a half acres in the Burkburnett Field surrounded by production and wells now being drilled.

The Donahue, 700 feet southeast from us, is producing about 1000 barrels daily; the Marine about 700 feet south of us, is also producing about 1000 barrels daily; Lucky Five, about one location southeast of us, expected in at any time; Burkburnett, east of us and very close, is in the sand, waiting to be brought in; Sun Well, drilling an offset to us, expected in by Monday; Priddy Well, about 1000 feet north of us, is in the sand, waiting to be brought in; stock in Helen Elizabeth, just below us, selling at 4 to 1; Lucky Five oversubscribed \$50,000, and money had to be returned. Think of it!

Forty acres in Comanche County, where the Tulsa Producing and Refining Company are now drilling within 1500 feet of us.

Eighty acres in Brown County, six miles southeast of Brownwood. Pippen deep test close. Good showing.

Fifteen thousand acres in Glasscock County, where location for deep test has been made. The very fact that this acreage contains a salt lake ---and Midland people know about it---is, according to geologists, good evidence of oil formations beneath. Ours is Midland's nearest to a Home Institution, and in all human probability stands without a chance to lose.

Buy While You Can at Par. If this proposition looks good to you, investigate it and the people supporting it, come to the Midland National Bank and see the wonderful photograph of the Burkburnett field. If it don't look good, let it alone. **Our Burkburnett acreage, large enough for 5 wells, is assurance of 100 per cent dividend within 60 days.**

In Regard to Our Officers

J. B. THOMAS, of Alford, Texas, our President, Merchant and Banker, is widely known in business circles in Texas and needs no introduction.

JUDGE W. F. BLAND, of Oklahoma City, Vice President, organizer of the famous Conservative Oil Company of Peru, Kansas, that has drilled sixteen producing wells already and has paid in dividends over \$400,000. He has done it for others—he can do it for us.

ERNEST L. ERB, of Enid, Okla., our Secretary and Treasurer, formerly secretary and treasurer of the Great Western Oil & Refining Company of Mexico, is an expert oil operator of a lifetime experience.

World's Wonder Field

Atwood, in the Saturday Evening Post, says: "BURKBURNETT FIELD BIGGEST WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN." To quote his exact words: "Wealth has been forced upon the poor man. Over 150,000 barrels of oil, worth in round numbers nearly \$400,000, is the weekly production of this, the WONDER FIELD OF THE WORLD. The production is increasing each day—poor men today are being made independently wealthy over night, all because they take advantage of their opportunity."

"The ways of fortune in oil in the great Southwest today are past all human understanding. Sometimes fortune is known only to the favored few, to those already rich and powerful. Then again she breaks loose and showers her golden smiles and favors with lavish and impartial hand upon whole communities. Reputable oil men say that at least TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS worth of oil will be taken out from the village of Burkburnett and immediate vicinity."—Albert W. Atwood, in SATURDAY EVENING POST.

Quotations of Some Burkburnett Shares Selling at Par Three Months Ago

	Par	Now
Helen Elizabeth	100	400
Big Burk	100	180
Wagona	100	1,000
Fowler Farm	100	12,000
Burk Bridge	100	300
Jack's Robie	100	500
Van Cleve	100	500
O'Boy	100	165
Couch Winfrey	100	300
Block 6	100	165
Perry Browning	100	200
Russell Sanderson	100	250
Vindicator	100	325
Bishop Evans	100	225
Burk Wich.	100	175
Thrift	100	300
Wichita S.	100	250
School Block	100	245
Big 3	100	250
Columbia	100	350
Big Pool	100	375
Ginsite	100	250

Liberty Bonds Accepted at Face Value

Only a limited amount of this stock is offered at \$1.00 per share, par value. We reserve the right to return money if stock is oversubscribed.

Texas Producers Oil Company

Capital \$90,000.00

OFFICERS: J. B. Thomas, President; W. F. Bland, Vice President; Ernest L. Erb, Secretary-Treasurer

See E. P. JACKEL, Local Representative, at the Midland National Bank.

If you are unable to call, send your check now, in care of the Bank, and stock will be issued to you at par, if any is left, otherwise check will be returned.

Lumber is a Bargain

Perhaps you have postponed building until after the war in the hope that prices would then be lower.

The world conflict has already brought many changes, but nothing has happened to alter the fundamental law of supply and demand. In fact, most of the changes that have taken place are simply the result of the application of the law. It would be unwise to assume that the law itself will be changed after the war and, with the extraordinary demand for building materials, due to the necessity for reconstruction work in Belgium, northern France and other devastated districts, the chances are strongly in favor of building materials being higher.

Lumber is, indeed, a bargain, and from the standpoint of price, building for necessary purposes now is good judgment.

Talk it over with us.

ROCKWELL BROS. & CO.

Notice

The Commissioners' Court of Andrews county, Texas, will, at the regular term of said court, to be held at the court house in the town of Andrews, Andrews county, Texas, on the second Monday in February, A. D. 1919, same being the 10th day of said month, receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Andrews county, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county for the ensuing two years as provided by law.

Any such banking corporation, association or individual banker in said county, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the county judge of said county, on or before the first day of the said term, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that the said banking corporation, association or individual banker offers to pay on the funds of the county for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that, if his bid should be accepted by the court, he will enter into the bond as required by law.

At said term of the court, such bids as may be presented will be opened and acted upon by the court as prescribed by law.

Given under my hand and official seal of office at Andrews, Texas, on this the 14th day of January, A. D. 1919.

W. A. MEADOR, Presiding Commissioner, Andrews County, Texas.

Notice

The Commissioners' Court of Midland County, Texas, will, at the regular term of said court, to be held at the court house in the town of Midland, Midland county, Texas, on the

second Monday in February, A. D. 1919, same being the 10th day of said month, receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Midland county, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county for the ensuing two years as provided by law.

Any such banking corporation, association or individual banker in said county, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the county judge of said county, on or before the first day of the said term, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that the said banking corporation, association or individual banker offers to pay on the funds of the county for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that, if his bid should be accepted by the court, he will enter into the bond as required by law.

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Given under my hand and official seal of office at Midland, Texas, on this the 14th day of January, A. D. 1919.

J. M. DeARMOND, County Judge, Midland Co., Texas.

"When the Little Blue Star in the Window has Turned to Gold," and 149 other big hits just received. Come in and try them over. Basham, Shepherd & Co.

The Reporter is anxious to increase its subscription list, now, to at least 2000. It is only \$1.50 per year, and it's going to be more than worth the money.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—A 4-room house and 14 acres of ground, adjoining town on the west. Cheap for cash. Might make some terms. Apply to Mrs. C. F. Blackwell, phone 810. 14-4t-pd

FOR SALE—Two good underground gasoline tanks and pumps for filling stations. Western Auto Supply Company. 47-tf

FOR RENT

ROOMS—For light housekeeping. Bath, electric lights, telephone, etc. only 1-2 block east of Llano Hotel on Wall Street. Mrs. Jemison, phone 224. 41-tf

FOR RENT—Four room dwelling, with bath and electric lights, two blocks from Main street. See Mrs. Paul Brown. 9-tf

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS

HELP WANTED—A lady cook, and also a girl help in the kitchen. Write or phone J. H. Wilhite, Midland College. 16-4t

BUSINESS NOTICES

Mary A. Eriksen, Suggesto Therapist. Safe and sane methods used successfully in treatment of all diseases. Consultation and examination free. Phone 256. 13-tf

WOULD CONNECT CHICAGO WITH NEW YORK

The Type Used in One Year to Publish Endorsement of Doan's Kidney Pills

Of the many kidney remedies on the market today, none other is so commended like Doan's Kidney Pills. Fifty thousand benefitted people testify in the newspapers of their own towns. Forty-five hundred American newspapers publish this home proof of Doan's merit. The type used in one year to tell this wonderful story would make a solid column of metal twice as high as the world's highest mountain. Placed end to end the lines of type would reach from New York to Chicago. These miles of good words told by 50,000 tongues sound glad tidings to any Midland sufferer who wants relief from kidney and bladder ills. Here's a Midland case. Don't experiment. Use the remedy endorsed by people you know.

W. T. Holcombe, Big Springs, St. says: "Last spring I was troubled with my kidneys. They were weak and I had a steady, dull ache through the small of my back. The secretions were highly colored, and passed too frequently, bothering me a great deal at night. I had read a lot about Doan's Kidney Pills and got a box at Taylor & Son's drug store. They cured me and I haven't been troubled since."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't get a fake for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Holcombe had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 15-2t

Notice of Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Midland & Northwestern Railway Company will be held in the company's offices in Midland, Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m. March 27, 1919, for the purpose of considering and authorizing the execution of a mortgage of trust deed upon all the company's properties and franchises of whatsoever nature, securing the payment of an issue of \$750,000.00 multiples thereof, bearing 6 per cent interest and maturing in fifteen years, for the purpose of funding the indebtedness of the company, secured or unsecured, and providing funds for the extension, maintenance, operation and up-keep of the company's properties.

By order of the Board of Directors. Dated at Midland, Texas, this 16 day of January, 1919.

B. C. GIRDLEY, Secy.

LAST SUNDAY AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday at the Baptist church was a splendid day. We need everybody next Sunday, so come and bring others. The morning service was well attended and real interesting. The music was good. At the close of the service three joined the church, two by baptism and one by letter. The evening service was also fine. There was some special music and the sermon was good. Come out next Sunday and worship with us. You may judge for yourself about the sermons but you are sure to find them to be good gospel sermons. The prayermeeting on Wednesday night is always helpful, so come and be with us on next Wednesday evening. Everybody is invited to come and worship with us at every service. Church Reporter.

"When the Little Blue Star in the Window has Turned to Gold," and 149 other big hits just received. Come in and try them over. Basham, Shepherd & Co. 16-2t

TEAM WORK WINS IN FIGHT WITH DISEASES

It is easier and more economical to prevent the introduction of disease into a herd or flock than it is to eliminate it, says a recent U. S. Agricultural Department bulletin. Every possible precaution should be taken by the stockman to prevent the introduction of disease on his premises. In recent years animal losses directly or indirectly from disease have amounted to more than \$200,000,000 annually, but with proper team work between Federal, State and local authorities and stockmen these losses can be promptly and greatly reduced.

PREPARING FOR THE BIG SHOW IN MARCH

Approximately \$25,000 in prizes has been hung up for the day classes of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, to be held in Fort Worth March 10-15. This is the largest premium list in the history of the organization.

That returned units of the Thirty-sixth Division, which are expected back at Camp Bowie for demobilization early in March, probably will take a leading part in the military features was announced by M. Sansom, Jr., secretary-manager. It is planned to have several elaborate military features at the spring show and the management believes that the participation of Texas-Oklahoma boys, direct from the fighting front, would make them doubly interesting to the visitors.

For the first time in the history of the Stock Show, women will participate as superintendents of departments. Mrs. Juliette B. Crabb, of Fort Worth, will act as superintendent of the Holstein cattle department and the superintendency of the Jersey department has been offered to Mrs. J. Riley Green, prominent owner of Jersey cattle.

Secretary Sansom announces that he practically has completed his organization for the show. R. H. McKinley has been named assistant secretary-manager and Bob Tadlock will act as chairman of the Rodeo committee. Both these gentlemen were associated with Sansom last spring in the management of the Rodeo, which scored such a big success. The Rodeo is just what Webster's dictionary defines—a round-up. Tadlock is planning to bring riders and ropers of world renown to the Rodeo this year to make it the peer, if not the superior, of the Cheyenne round-up.

Department managers are Ward Farmer, cattle; Tom Frazier, hogs; J. M. Jones, sheep; W. H. Furse, horses, jacks and mules; C. M. Evans, of Texas A. & M. College, registered cattle sales; John I. Burgess, ringmaster and tickets; C. R. Hamilton, office, concessions and exhibits.

Superintendents thus far selected are: Herdways, John P. Lee, San Angelo; Short horns, Garret E. King, Taylor; now head of the Fort Worth office of the Government Bureau of markets; Angus, Will H. Hill, San Angelo; Red Poles, J. W. Mann, Waco; mules, jacks, and jennets, Tom W. Hines, Venus.

J. Kirvin Fisher, of Swift & Co., has been tendered the post of superintendent of the students livestock judging contest which is to be made a big feature once more. E. P. Van Zant, last spring's superintendent and L. Ward, superintendent for the previous show, are both now with the American Expedition forces in France.

Leonard Stroud, of Rocky Ford, Col., champion bucking horse and trick rider of the world, arrived last week to assist Bob Tadlock in staging the Rodeo. Stroud will remain here until the conclusion of the show and will work out the details of the afternoon and evening performance. Associated with these two in the Rodeo entertainment will be Ed R. Henry, Gil Whittington, Wad Ross, W. O. Rominger.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NOTES AND COMMENTS

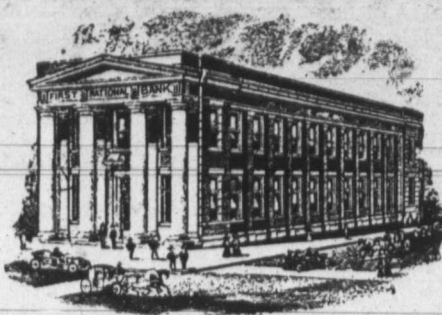
The Sunday-school has been steadily growing since the influenza epidemic. Last Sunday attendance was 140 and we have placed the mark at 175 for next Lord's day. There is a good deal of friendly rivalry between the Bible class, with Mr. Jones as teacher, and the matron's class, under Mrs. Horton's leadership. Mr. Jones, true to his promise, rewarded his class for surpassing Mrs. Horton's class in point of numbers, with a three course lunch on last Wednesday evening at the Rhea Cottage. Covers were laid for eighteen and much enthusiasm was displayed over their victory. The teachers and pupils are urged to be present next Sunday.

Our congregations have been exceedingly good since the holidays. We have had special music at each service and the choir is grateful to Miss Mary Jones for getting up this special music. Miss Lydie and Mr. Ned Watson offered our special numbers last Sunday evening. They rendered two selections which were thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by the audience. The Christian church is always delighted to have these two rare musicians favor it with their presence.

Bro. McKissick has been giving us a series of sermons at services. The first one on "The Ideal Young Man," was largely attended. It was followed by "The Ideal Young Woman." These sermons have provoked much interest among the young and old of the entire town. On next Sunday evening "The Ideal Husband" will be the theme. There has been several additions to the church since the New Year. Two joined the ranks last Lord's day. We are aiming high this year and we expect to attain great results. Church Reporter.

TWO OF OUR BOYS BACK FROM FRANCE

Teddy Brown arrived home the first of the week and Homer Epley yesterday. Both these young men were lately back from France, where they spent about three months. Both are bitterly disappointed that they did not get in any of the big fighting; still, they had some most interesting experiences, and it is the purpose of The Reporter to publish an extensive interview from both of them. In the meantime their many friends are giving them enthusiastic welcomes, and in turn are being intensely entertained by recitals of interesting experience.



This Bank

Stands committed to the vast undertaking of assisting our citizenship to successfully "go over the top" at every patriotic opportunity, with the least possible interference or inconvenience to this community, and with never a forgefulness of the tremendously large task of justly aiding to the uttermost limit its large host of customer-friends.

Buy War Savings and Thrift Stamps

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

MUCH BETTER KEEP AFTER THE PACKERS

Warning to Western live stock producers that they must take full advantage of their opportunities to produce a maximum quantity of live stock so that the needs of the nation can be met at reasonable prices, was voiced by Clay Tallman, commissioner of the General Land Office, in an address last Tuesday at the opening session of the twenty-second annual convention of the American Live Stock Association in Denver.

"It is very well for you stockmen to talk of limiting production to correspond with the demand so as to keep up prices," Mr. Tallman said, "but the laboring man in the East who has to pay a day's wages for a roast does not look at it that way."

Mr. Tallman said that 200,000,000 acres of land in the "rain belt" in the eastern states now are lying idle, and added, "if the Western states fail to rise to their opportunity and develop the live stock industry to its maximum possibility, the East will turn to these lands or to importation for its meat supply, and the West will not only be derelict in its duty, but will suffer from the lack of development of which it is capable."

Prior to Mr. Tallman's address which was a discussion of the relations of the live stock industry to the public domain, I. T. Pryor, of San Antonio, Texas, president of the as-

STOCK CERTIFICATES SOON TO BE DELIVERED

Secretary Sam Preston of the Burk Burnett-Midland Oil Company, has ordered a sufficient number of beautifully lithographed stock certificates to accommodate all purchasers of stock in his company, and the Reporter will make delivery of same sometime next week. In the meantime Mr. Preston has lately been in the Burk Burnett field and reports the derrick up on his company's drilling site and they are awaiting only their turn to commence drilling. This is their only problem now, the securing of a reputable driller, but a solution of it is promised in the near future.

If your subscription to The Reporter is due, pay Miss Cordelia Taylor.

She has authority to collect for The Reporter and to receipt you therefor.

NO. 6410 Report of Condition of the

Midland National Bank

At Midland, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Dec. 31, 1918.

RESOURCES		
Loans and discounts, including rediscounts	.....	\$465,285.86
Notes and bills rediscounted, other than bank acceptances sold	.....	64,873.00
Overdrafts unsecured	.....	6,855.06
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	.....	50,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3 1/4, 4, and 4 1/2 per cent, unpledged	.....	3,500.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3 1/4, 4, and 4 1/2 per cent, pledged to secure State or other deposits or bills payable	.....	22,500.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	.....	4,500.00
Furniture and fixtures	.....	7,500.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	.....	2,928.08
Lawful Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	.....	21,367.53
Cash in vault and net amount due from National Banks	.....	22,925.65
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than item 17)	.....	3,040.40
Total of items 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18	.....	25,966.05
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank, and other cash items	.....	120.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	.....	2,500.00
War Savings Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned	.....	42.20
Merchandise	.....	974.56
4 1-4 Bond payments made for customers	.....	1,080.00
Total	.....	\$550,454.29
LIABILITIES		
Capital stock paid in	.....	\$75,000.00
Surplus fund	.....	60,000.00
Undivided profits	.....	42,548.20
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	.....	28,477.16
Circulating notes outstanding	.....	50,000.00
Net amounts due to National Banks	.....	20,660.48
Total of items 32 and 33	.....	20,660.48
Individual deposits subject to check	.....	201,807.02
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for borrowed money)	.....	15.35
Cashier's checks outstanding	.....	5,169.00
Total demand deposits subject to Reserve	.....	206,991.37
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	.....	31.40
Total of time deposits subject to reserve	.....	31.40
U. S. Bonds borrowed, including Liberty Loan and certificates of indebtedness without furnishing collateral security for same	.....	20,000.00
Bills payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank, including all obligations representing money borrowed, other than rediscounts	.....	77,000.00
Bills payable, with Federal Reserve Bank	.....	22,500.00
Customers Liberty Loan Bonds deposited	.....	4,200.00
Total	.....	\$550,454.29
Liabilities for re-discounts, including those with Federal Reserve Bank	.....	64,873.00
Total contingent liabilities	.....	64,873.00

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland, ss: I, B. C. Girdley, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. B. C. GIRDLEY, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of Jan. 1919. J. HARVEY CLARK, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: D. W. BRUNSON, W. H. BRUNSON, J. R. DUBLIN, Directors.

The Immortal Harp

Six thousand years ago the Egyptians played their curious harps; only a few strings they had, though the elegant form that characterizes this most graceful of all musical instruments was characteristic of it then.

It was used by the early Hebrews; then in all great civilizations, constantly increasing in size, until at last it came to rest in Ireland—the national musical emblem of a romantic people.

The seraphic, entrancingly sweet tones of the modern harp you may RE-CREATE in your own home if you own

The NEW EDISON

"The Phonograph with a Soul"

The stately, dignified part it plays in the modern orchestra, or its unsurpassed beauty as a solo instrument, you will hear through the magic of The New Edison. The harp tones it RE-CREATES cannot be told from those of the instrument itself singing under the dainty fingers of its skillful master, nor can the tones of any other instrument.

Hear an exquisite instrumental RE-CREATION at our store any time you choose

C. A. TAYLOR & SON, Dealers

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Have Gas, Tootific Inves

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