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FINE TESTIMONIAL TO A FINE SOLDIER

A Midland Boy's Mother Receives
Splendid Words From Her Son's
Commanding Officer

Sgt. Willie W. Jackson had been examined and passed as an applicant for the lieutenant training school at Louisville, Ky., but the war closed before he could go further in his military career, and now, very shortly, he will be home again.

His mother, Mrs. Cora Jackson, wife of our esteemed friend, W. G. Jackson, has received the following beautiful tribute to Sgt. Jackson, from his commanding officer, 1st Lieut. Frank T. Wheeler, 44th Field Artillery, Camp Stanley, Texas:

"Dear Madam: Your son will be home with you and his friends in a few days. He has been an honest and faithful soldier in the service of the government and will receive an honorable discharge from the army. You no doubt missed him in the long months of absence but war is a hard master and duty had to be performed. However, with his return I am certain you will be proud of him and the duties he performed and happy in your own sacrifice. He has had experience in two branches of the service, the cavalry and artillery, and was ready to go across when the order came to transfer and if the war had continued another two months we would have been on our way for artillery work.

"He is bringing back many fine qualities of mind and body which he has acquired or developed in the military service. The army has done everything it could do to make him strong, fine self-reliant, yet self-controlled. It returns him to you a better man.

"You have been an important member of that great army of encouragement and enthusiasm which helped to make him and us all better soldiers. You can now be a great help in keeping alive the good qualities he is bringing back from the army, in making him a good citizen as he has been a good soldier.

"His fare and necessary expenses to his home will be paid by the government. He will receive all pay due him. He may, if he wishes, wear his uniform for four months from date of his discharge. The government will also allow him to keep up for the benefit of his family, his insurance at the very low rate he is now paying.

"His return to civil life will bring new problems for you both to solve. The qualities he brings will help you now as your encouragement helped him while he was away, and in your hands and his, rests the future of our country.

"As his commanding officer, I am proud of him. He has done his duty well. I, and his comrades, will bid him good-bye with deep regret, and wish him every success after he returns home—that spot in every man's heart no other place can fill."



V. W. WALLACE
Mr. Wallace is minister of one of the strongest Christian churches in Texas. He is a speaker of magnetism and power. He is expected to arrive Monday and do the evangelistic work in the meeting which begins on Sunday at the Christian church.

WOUNDED SOLDIER BOYS HOME ON FURLOUGH

We had intended an extensive interview with Jim Shelburn and Frank Roberts, two Midland boys who were on the casualty list in the fighting in France, and who returned home recently, on furlough. We must defer these interviews until later, for both go back to army hospitals. Both went "over the top" many times in the fierce fighting in the world war. Shelburn being wounded in eight different places by the armistice and Roberts very severely in the right arm. Their stories are intensely interesting, and The Reporter will, in a later issue, tell of their heroic and thrilling exploits.

T. C. Horn is home this week from Ft. Bliss, on furlough.

Call on The Reporter for oil lease blanks. Producers Form No. 88. If

LETTERS FROM MIDLAND'S SOLDIER BOYS

From Corp. G. B. Wilkinson
Friends in Midland and elsewhere will be glad to hear from Bart Wilkinson, who lived in and enlisted from Midland. The letter is to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, of Stanton, and follows:

Bettendorf, Luxembourg,
Dec. 18, 1918.

Dear Father and Mother:

Will try and write you something of what I have been doing and where the Fifth Division has been operating, as this is somewhat of a job to get these dates together, wish that you would send this letter to Midland so that some of my friends there may know that I have not forgotten them.

The Reporter has been much appreciated, as well as the Stanton paper, which I have been receiving regularly.

It was on the 26th of May that we sailed from Camp Upton to Liverpool, England. We landed there June 7th, after a long, thirteen day trip. We had a very good trip, the steamer was crowded but we all had a pretty good time, some of the boys were awfully sick, still I managed to escape, but I walked many a mile to keep from being.

After landing in Liverpool at 9 o'clock we spent the night and early the next morning we took the train for Winchester, then we rested for two days and then from there we went by rail to South Hampton. We stayed there the rest of the afternoon. On our way to La Harve, we left South Hampton June 10th, at 5 a. m. and there we joined a convoy of small high powered steamers which were very fast. The steamer was crowded so we had hardly room to sit down, so the next morning we were in harbor at La Harve.

On June 11th, we unloaded from the boat and then went to a French camp and spent the night and on the morning of the 12th we took the train for where we knew not, but everybody was glad to be pulled back on land once more, the train pulled out for a place known as Deo Valadone, then we stopped June 14th, this place is down near the Swiss border and it is a very beautiful part of France. It was here that our rail-head has been established, and we began our getting ready to do the dirty work. We moved to a small town about four miles from there, after about a week's stay, while some of the boys went to St. Nazaire to get our trucks. We were busy drawing equipment there we made a few little hikes with our gas masks, trying to get us acclimated, it was very satisfactory but kind of hard climbing those Alps for they are pretty high around there, it was there that I was relieved from office work, and was supposed to do dispatch work, but not being able to ride a motorcycle, could not do any good at that job.

On August 2nd at 7 p. m., we left for the Alsace front. We were looking for trouble, then on August 5th we reached Taintrux, located in the Vosges mountains, there we hauled our first load of ammunition on the 7th of August we moved to St. Die; this is a very pretty place and has a population of about 50,000. It was there that our division made a name for itself by being the first American troops on German territory. They captured two or three German towns on that drive and on the 22nd we were relieved and went to Graincourt,

about 40 miles behind the lines. It was there that I had some experience in the telephone business. I was in charge of a French telephone with all French operators, and you can imagine the service that the telephone was to us. We were at Graincourt until August 29th when we left for Bain-Ville, it was there that I was promoted to mess sergeant, up to that time we had been eating with one of the companies, but we were lost off by going to the wrong town, so it was up to us to eat reserve rations for two or three days, so we started a mess of our own.

On September 5th we left Bain-Ville for Bais-de-la-Rappe on the Lorraine front, known as the Toul sector. We arrived there September 7th and stayed there two nights in the woods, where we had our first gas attack. My gas mask was about 300 yards from the kitchen in my dugout and by the time I reached there I was nearly given out and then we couldn't hardly breathe with it on, but the gas was slight as the woods were thick and that protected us.

We left Bais-de-la-Rappe September 9th for Roge-Ville. It was there that I met the 90th division boys who were coming to our rescue, Saw Sergeant Bowles and several boys from Midland. We also had some excitement. We thought we had a German spy in our midst, but he got away from us.

On September 11th we left Roge-Ville and went to Martin Court. Oh, hard! The Yanks had started to Berlin, it was that night at 1 o'clock that the St. Mihel salient opened and I have witnessed two or three, but that drive was done in first-class shape, there were three G. S. can (naval guns) distinguishers employed, 300 yards from our dug-out, they were discharged every 20 minutes and you can imagine how many more there were around close. There was no sleeping done that night nor the next day.

On September 13th we moved up real close, within three miles of the front line trenches, what we call the Metz tunnel, but it was in the woods. Bais-de-la-Rappe, Vaux B-3, it was where the Germans were the day before, good dug-out, it was there that the Cooties took up with them. (Cooties are society pets over here.) That night the gas alarm rang over two hours, by the time you got to sleep it would ring again, the big shells still flying over us.

On September 16th we left the woods and went to Assin-Ville, about twenty miles behind the lines. The 23rd we left Arain-Ville and went to Boid. We were on our way to the Big Verdun front. On October 6th we left Void and went to Sauesme-la-Bettie on the Verdun front. We stayed there until the 12th and moved to Fromerville, there was a big Red Cross hospital stationed there that didn't seem to be a very safe place, so we moved to Selury-la-Pershe, that was a pretty good little town, hills on three sides and a draw leading to Fromerville, which you could see very plainly, so the next day after we moved from Fromerville the Germans thought they would blow up this hospital, but after their great effort they failed. They sent about 15 baby shells, weighing about half a ton, and about four and one-half feet high, and it was all I could do to reach around one. Of course there

were two that didn't explode and they put them on exhibition there. Another boche also thought he would get smart and flew over, clear out of sight and let three bombs slip, which hit about three of four hundred yards from headquarters. There were a few of the boys exercised some of their double time looking for a dug-out, and if there had been one more they would have had plenty of company. We stayed in this place for quite a while.

On the big day, November 11th, we left Selury-la-Piche and at the moment that the last gun was fired I was on a truck crossing shell holes which the engineers had repaired days before. On the evening of November 11th we reached Milly, near Dun-Sur-Meuse, there we spent our first night of peace. While we were at Milly we were transferred to the 3rd army, the army of occupation.

On November 27th we left Milly and proceeded on our march to the Rhine, as we thought, we landed in a town in Northern France, Lancunon. There we occupied some German barracks and waited for one of the companies to catch up with us, so we stayed there about a week and proceeded on. We crossed a very small corner of Belgium and came into the Province of Luxembourg, where the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg rules, to a town of Bettendorf, where we now are. This is a fine little town and the people think there are none like Americans.

I had a two-day pass and I spent it in Luxembourg City. There I saw some very interesting sights, the French and American flags waved from every window. They seemed to be very proud to see us.

Well dear mother and father I will close, hoping to be home soon. I am your son,

Corp. Gordon B. Wilkinson,
5th Amm. Tr. Hq. Dept., Acting
Mess. Sgt., A. E. F.

From Clarence Crowley
Verdun, France,
Dec. 24, 1918.

Mr. R. E. Crowley, Midland, Texas.
Dear Dad: Just received your letter of November 13th, and was very glad indeed to hear from you. I am still well and enjoying life. There is not but one thing that bothers me and that is coming home. Sure would like to be there for the holidays for I am sure it will be a quiet Christmas over here. We couldn't find the turkey root over here, so we went rabbit hunting and bagged 35. We have them all cleaned and ready to start cooking the first thing in the morning, so you people just remember that while you are eating turkey in the States, there is a little company of U. S. soldiers giving the rabbit

—, over here just the same as they did the huns. We sure do have some times over here. The rest of my pals are in the next rooms making fudge. We have to swipe milk, and sugar and could beat the rest of the dope it takes to make candy we keep in stock so you see that's easy to have candy all the time if you don't get caught. This is certainly a great country. You have to have a watch dog to keep the rats from chewing your ears off at night. T. he rats got in with me and my bed partner the other night and one of them began chewing on his ear. Of course when he woke up, he jumped on me. He thought I was pinching

him. Well after so long a time I came too and he told me his troubles. Well, I denied the charge right there and in the meantime the rat came back to finish his job, so I just took a shot at him with my gun and that finished things for that night, but from now on, until rats get thinned out, we keep the dog on guard. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I will say good-night. With love from your son,

Sergt. Clarence Crowley,
Army, Mobile Vet. Hvy. Hospital
No. 1, American Ex. F.

Hays Johnston in Germany

Hays Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Johnston, is with the army of occupation, in Germany. The following letter from him was written Jan. 19th and is to his sister, Mrs. D. S. Richardson:

Dear Sister and Family: I will drop you a few lines to let you know I am still well and hope you are the same. Well I had a nice New Year's dinner. Had all I could eat and hope you all had a good time. This is a wet country over here, believe me. The sun shine is awful scarce believe me. I think the sun has got lost in the mountains. But I am very well satisfied now. Everybody is happy over here and will be still happier when the 38th Infantry come in. I guess you all read about the 38th Infantry, didn't you? I would like to write a letter to the editor but will wait until I get closer. You can tell

Warn. P. I am having a good time and hope to be with my old Midland friends soon.

There are some awful pest swarms over here. This castle we are in is over ten thousand years old. Sure as some place. I hope I am back to the old elm tree by summer time. Well, I have seen lots of Germany. Sure some pretty cities here. We marched for nearly a month. I sure have been over some country, believe me.

I guess we will be here for some time; don't know. We have got a good warm place to stay. I am in the old 38th Infantry, the company that won the victory. I didn't get to the front but I got in 13 miles of Metz on the 11th of November at 11 o'clock when they stopped fighting. I came through Willing Stearn, Lulenburg. I guess you can find it on the map. Oh we came through and saw many places I can't remember the names of them all. Will try and tell you the names of some of them when I get home. Think I will be with you all by the 4th of July. I guess you all know what the Rhine is. We came to it. I had often heard about it but I had the pleasure of seeing it. It is a pretty nice little river. This is a jolly bunch and we have lots of fun. I never do have the blues. All we have to do is to guard a little and that ain't hard to do. Don't worry about me for I am all O. K., but would sure like to hear from you all. I will tell you the name of the ship I came over on, it was the Eurikedes. I was 14 days coming across. How is Uncle C. C. getting along? Papa, tell O. B. that I never got here in time to get the Kaiser's scalp but I want a job from him when I get back home.

I wish I had some candy. Candy is pretty hard to get here but I am pretty well satisfied as it is as long as I am well. If I could hear from you all once in a while, I think we are going to have review tomorrow. They are

some class to the old 38th, believe me, it is hard to beat. Well I will close for this time, so, by, from a soldier boy.

Hays Johnston.

From Clyde E. Crowley

Dear Dad: I am getting along fine. Do not worry about me now as I am over the danger line. I had 107 degrees of fever. They did not expect me to live until morning. I did not know anything for two or three days. I am doing well now, so don't worry about me. I have been operated on four times but they were small ones. They did not have to chlorform me. I guess I have gotten all the mail. I have received several letters. We have an awfully fine doctor and the best of care. I was taken sick the day I arrived. I have been in bed thirty days today and am feeling fine today. I will get a thirty-day sick leave and I am coming home to see you all. Well I will close. I will be up in a few days. Your son, Clyde, U. S. N., T. S. Balboa Park, San Diego, Cal., care Sick Quarters.

OIL DEVELOPMENT
PROGRESSES SLOWLY

PROMINENT ROAD MEN WILL ATTEND

Seventh Annual Convention of U. S.
Good Roads Association in
Mineral Wells

The seventh annual convention of the United States Good Roads Association will convene in Mineral Wells on April 14th to the 19th inclusive. This convention will assemble the leading, most progressive and best posted road men in the United States. It will be the first great good roads session held since peace has been declared. At this meeting plans will be put on foot to push the propaganda of good roads throughout the nation. This convention will be presided over by United States Senator J. H. Bankhead, president of the association and who is the father of the Federal Aid Bill in the United States senate.

In connection with this great convention will be held the United States Good Roads Exhibit of machinery and road material. This exhibit will contain the latest models of road machinery, also the various materials for building roads and streets. Models of roads from the road department at Washington, also from a number of states, will be on exhibit. This feature of the convention will be worth traveling thousands of miles to attend.

Under the auspices, and by invitation of the United States Good Roads Association, a number of state and all good roads organizations will meet during what is termed as Good Roads Week in Mineral Wells.

The promotion and management of the United States Good Roads Association, also the United States Good Roads Exhibit, is in charge of Mr. J. A. Rountree, who is secretary of the former and general manager of the exhibit. He is also secretary of the Bankhead National Highway Association, which also meets in Mineral Wells on April 18 and 19th. Mr. Rountree has had much experience as an executive secretary and manager. It goes without saying that these conventions will be wonderful successes. The people of Texas are enthusiastic over Good Roads week in Mineral Wells. These conventions will meet in Texas by invitation of Gov. W. P. Hobby, the various chambers of commerce, and good roads organizations of the principal cities of Texas. There is no doubt but what these conventions will attract attention throughout the nation and will be productive of great good for the cause of good roads and good streets in the United States.

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The citizens committee, H. N. Garrett, C. C. Johnston and J. A. Haley, appointed to secure leases on ten thousand acres of land within six miles of Midland, in compliance with the proposition submitted to Midland and outlined in The Reporter last week, report slow progress in their efforts. They gave nothing for publication, but hope to succeed. In the meantime, we give this thought to readers. It is a fact that oil development at Ranger was delayed 20 years, just because of the failure of the citizens and land owners to agree. There were a few who wanted to get the best of it; the result was that all got the worst. Is a like delay to happen to Midland? Will our people remain at cross purposes? Opportunities golden are now presented to us, and the man who hinders it is just plainly benighted, and stands a stumbling block not alone to his community but to himself. Every man owning land within the specified limits should make it a point to huff this committee up and offer his land for the purposes involved.

The Reporter has oil lease blanks for sale, Producer Form No. 88, which is considered the most acceptable. Will sell any number. Phone No. 7.

Geo. Harris, mother, and sister, Miss Edna, returned today on late No. 25 from Ft. Worth, where they have been for several months past.

Now in the Markets

Our buyer, Mr. Dawson, left the early part of this week for the Eastern markets to buy our Spring and Summer stock of dry goods. Very soon, now, quantities of these new goods will begin arriving by freight and express, fresh from the most exclusive fashion centers, and this, added to our already complete lines of staple merchandise, will afford a range of styles and variety to be found in few stores outside the larger cities. We invite an early inspection.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 7, 1919

UNIQUE THEATRE

Two large crowds witnessed the production of "The Kaiser, the Beast of Berlin" in seven reels last Tuesday night. In a great many respects this feature was decidedly superior to any of its kind ever shown in Midland. Many were actual scenes taken in Belgium and the acting was superb. The impersonation of the kaiser was exceptionally clever and the depredations committed by these fiends fairly made your blood boil. The house was crowded at both matinee and night.

The first episode of Marie Walcamp in "The Lion's Claws," was shown last Friday night to a large and enthusiastic audience. This serial will be given every Friday night and tonight the second episode will be shown. The scenes of this play are laid in Africa and Egypt and the wild entanglements of the jungles with all manner of beasts are portrayed, actual scenes in the very heart of the jungles. Marie Walcamp is ably supported by a strong cast and the plot, judging by the first episode, promises to be thrilling.

The "Mystery Girl," a Bluebird photo drama, last Monday night was indeed one of mystery, and kept the audience wondering from the beginning to the end.

The comedy that is being portrayed is very fine. Many of our old favorites are on the scenes with new stunts. Charlie Chaplain, Lee Moran and Eddie Lyons are the main attractions in the comedy skits and they are still there with the goods.

Wednesday night Neal Hart was seen in a wild west drama and pleased all with his cowboy impersonations.

Last night Priscilla Dean, the former comedienne, was seen in a very powerful drama entitled "That Brazen Beauty." She was ably supported by a strong cast.

Tonight Marie Walcamp in the famous serial "The Lion's Claws," and tomorrow night Helen Gibson will be seen in "False Pretenses." Aside from this there will be a rattling comedy entitled "The Pullman Blunder," thus making up an evening of a variety entertainment. Better get there early and avoid the rush.

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NEED FOR PROHIBITION ELECTION QUESTIONED

A writer from Sherman puts the

following up to the legislature in a recent issue of the Dallas News: "What is the use of submitting a prohibition amendment to the Texas constitution when a national prohibition law is now assured? At the lowest calculation it will cost the State \$125,000 to hold this election and it will accomplish nothing. If that money was put in the school fund or spent on good roads it would be worth while, but to shoot it at an enemy that is already dead, looks like folly to me. If, as a matter of sentiment, we must have this amendment passed on the constitution, let it go over to the next general election and save the cost."

"If the present legislature does its duty it will call a constitutional convention to make a new constitution—one that will not have to be half-soiled every change of the moon."

But the Texas legislature, during the twenty years we have known of it, is bound to lay itself open to ridicule. The Reporter has always espoused the cause of prohibition, in any form, but it fails to see any sense in this absurdly useless expense to tax payers.

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MEANS VERY MUCH LARGER ATTENDANCE

Preparation For Big Meeting of Stockmen in Ft. Worth Shows Many Changes

That all of the livestock classes for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show will be open classes, in which livestock from any state or country, for that matter, may compete, was announced this week by M. Sanson, Jr., secretary-manager.

Hitherto there have been closed classes for cattle from ticky area. Tickey cattle may compete, as usual, but they must compete against all comers. It was planned to make this spring's show a "clean" one entirely, but this was found impracticable, inasmuch as some of the best exhibits from below the line would not have had time to "clean up."

Rapid educational advance of the Southwest in the breeding of better livestock will be exemplified at the show in a large measure by the magnificent exhibits that will be sent from Texas A. & M. College, according to J. C. Burns, professor of animal husbandry at the college, who spent several days here last week. Burns also has accepted the post of judge for the Red Polled department of the show.

Invitations have been issued by the show management to the A. & M. Colleges of Texas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Arizona, Arkansas, New Mexico and Louisiana, to participate in the students livestock judging contest. Texas and Oklahoma for many years have been the sole contestants, but it is believed that two or more of the colleges of surrounding States will enter the competition this year. J. Kirven Fisher, of Swift & Company, himself once a contestant with a high record on a Texas A. & M. team, will act as superintendent of this department. Wayne Dinsmore, of Chicago, Ill., secretary of the American Percheron society, one of the best posted livestock authorities in the country, will attend the spring show and has been invited to judge the students' contest.

Horse show classes, as usual, will be among the many features of the Rodeo, the afternoon and night diversion of the show. Virgil P. Keel, of Gainsville, whose fine horses have made notable winnings at previous shows, was a visitor last week. He announced that he would have again some very fine cattle and high school horses. The prospects for the saddle and high school classes this year are very bright, according to the show management. Numerous entries also are expected in the harness classes, for which suitable prize provisions will be made.

Plans for a "cutting contest" to be held in connection with the Rodeo are being worked out by the management of the show. The "cutting contest" is one of the most ancient yet ever new stunts performed by cowboys and cow horses. And the real skill and "brain-work" is displayed by the latter. Every ranch has its quota of "cutting horses" and these animals display intelligence that is almost human and skill that is beyond human ability.

Tentative arrangements for hanging up a purse of \$1,000 for the "cutting contest" have been made, to be divided, three ways: First \$500; second, \$300; third, \$200. The idea of the cutting contest is to eliminate certain steers from a herd. It is anticipated that riders and horses from all over the West, the most skilled in the land, will take part in this contest.

Negotiations are on foot with E. McCarty, of Chugwater, Wyoming, for a string of the finest outlaw horses in the United States, for use in the Rodeo. In fact, McCarty's buckers and twisters are regarded as the class of the land and not a horse in the bunch gives a rider an idle moment.

An outlaw horse, it should be understood, is one that has never been subdued. No matter how many times it has been mounted by aspiring riders, it has never gotten tractable and is willing to be ridden.

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When all stock is subscribed and paid for, it will be incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas, or organized under a Declaration of Trust.

Officers and Directors

The officers and directors of the Burkley Oil Company will be elected by the stockholders, therefore this company will be controlled by and for the benefit of the stockholders through men selected by themselves and not by promoters as is usually the case with corporations. However, Mr. A. L. Todd has agreed to act as Trustee and Treasurer for the Company and to see that every dollar is properly accounted for.

Trustee

The Trustee for the Burkley Oil Company is Mr. A. L. Todd, President and General Manager of the Wyoming-Kansas Petroleum and Refining Company. Mr. Todd is an extensive and successful oil operator and producer of wide experience.

Attorneys

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ARMENIANS MAY PERISH
One month's delay in sending re-
lief to the Near East means 20,000
deaths, this number increasing as the
colder months of winter draw on, say
William S. Nelson, American consul-
lar agent at Tripoli, Syria, and Char-
les S. Dana, Armenian relief execu-
tive at Constantinople last year. The
same cablegram also states that not
more than one-fourth of the Armen-
ian population will survive until next
harvest with present relief resources.

NEWS NOTES FROM
MIDLAND COLLEGE

The work at the college has done
better since the flu abated. The chap-
el has assumed normal proportions
and the class work is on the upgrade.
The college basketball team added
another scalp to their belts by defeat-
ing Big Spring in a fast game Sat-
urday with a score of 27 to 15. Sid-
ney Pitzer coaches the team and they
have several other games in the near
future. Mr. Pitzer hopes to have the
champion team of West Texas.

One of the pleasantest socials of
the year was held in the college par-
lor Saturday evening when Mr. and
Mrs. McKissick entertained his young
men's Bible class. The affair was
planned by the class and the social
committee of the college. Misses
Baldwin and Wilhite aided much in
making it a success. Every one pres-
ent enjoyed the affair.

President Jones expects to be in
Fort Worth the first of next week at
the yearly meeting of the board of
trustees of Texas Christian Univer-
sity. The University has had a very
prosperous year thus far.

The societies had their usual semi-
monthly programs Tuesday. There is
a generous but not strained rivalry
between the two societies and this
has enlivened the work.

Announcement is made that on the
night of the 22nd there will be held
a colonial night program. It will be
under the direction of the fine arts
departments of the college and will
be enjoyed by all. There will be a
revival of the old time customs (not
to say costumes) and some old time
music. Reporter.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Baptist Church
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Clas-
ses for all ages, Jno. M. Cowden,
supt.
The pastor will preach at 11 a. m.
and 6:30 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 5:30 p. m.
The congregation will be favored
by special music both morning and
evening by a visiting singer from
Dallas. You are cordially invited to
these services.
O. J. Hull, Minister.

Christian Church
Bible school rally at 9:45 a. m., J.
F. Howe, supt.
Preaching at 11:30 a. m. and 6:30
p. m. by the regular minister.
College Endeavor at 4 p. m., and
Junior at 3 p. m.
V. W. Wallace, of McKinney, is ex-
pected Monday to continue revival.
J. T. McKissick, Minister

Presbyterian Church
There will be no services at this
church on the coming Sabbath, except
Sunday school, which meet sat 9:45
a. m. W. H. Foster.

MRS. BEN ETHRIDGE
DIED LAST SUNDAY

Our community was deeply grieved
last Sunday morning to learn of
the death of Mrs. Ethridge, wife
of our esteemed citizen, Ben Eth-
ridge. The most profound sympa-
thy of all goes out to the bereaved
family and other relatives in their
irreparable loss. The funeral took
place Monday afternoon, conducted
by her pastor, Rev. J. T. McKissick,
of the Christian church. Next week
The Reporter will publish a suitable
comment in memory of this much
loved wife, mother and friend.

RETURNED FROM VISIT
TO POINTS SOUTHEAST

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Proctor return-
ed Sunday night from an extended
trip to Winters, Ballinger and other
points. Mr. Proctor went for the pur-
pose of renting out his farms near
Winters, and reports satisfactory ar-
rangements. He also states that that
country is in unusually fine condi-
tion, and promises much for the com-
ing crops.

GOING TO HAVE GREAT
TIME IN EL PASO

From all appearances and the talk
all over the country, the aggregation
of cattlemen and visitors at El Paso
during the annual convention of the
Association, which convenes March
4, 5, and 6, will surpass any crowd of
its kind ever assembled in the city
says the El Paso Livestock Journal.
Great preparations are being made
for this event by the citizens and the
Chamber of Commerce. Those who
have been here before know what
that means. There will be a varied
program of events and doings outside
of the ordinary convention proceed-
ings. A trip to Juarez by the com-
men in a body for several hours is on
the string, and they might pull off a
bull fight there. A big banquet the
day before, something swell, lots of
grab etc., etc., for the executive
members of the association will get
things going. Brass bands, military
bands, smokers, parades, big ball and
trips to the large plant of the Peyton
Packing Company, where the old-
fashioned barbecued roasts will be
served, and many things are being
formulated by the men in charge of
things. No definite program of the
events can yet be given, but it is going
to be one big time and big crowd.
Stockmen all over the country have
begun to realize that from a financial
point of view, it pays to take the time
and money to get to such a conven-
tion as we will have in El Paso in
March. The knowledge gained by
contact with other stockmen, the mat-
ter of getting in touch with prices,
conditions and general information
gained will be of many times the
value of the time and money spent.
It is the very thing a progressive
wide-awake stockman should do. The
Panhandle & Southwestern Stock-
men's Association is doing a valuable
work for the cattlemen all over the
west, range conditions were never
finer, and about March things will
open up right in the trading along
cattle lines, and El Paso is the point
where thousands of range cattle
change hands.

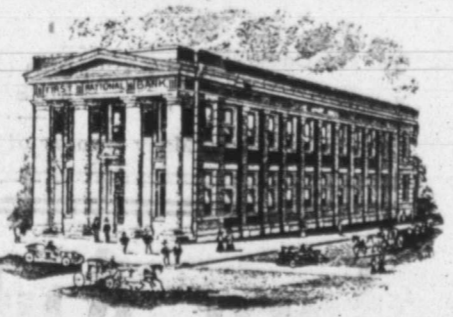
Make it a point to be here, and
come loaded for big doings.

Sheriff's Sale
The State of Texas,
County of Martin.

Notice is hereby given that by vir-
tue of a certain order of sale issued
out of the honorable district court of
Bosque County, of the 2nd day of
January, 1919, by S. C. Smith, clerk
of the said court, for the sum of one
thousand three hundred ten and 33-
100 dollars, and costs of suit, under
a foreclosure of vendor's lien, in fa-
vor of the First National Bank of Mer-
idian, in a certain cause in said court,
No. 4218, and styled First National
Bank of Meridian, Texas, vs. R. D.
Robbins and J. D. Peters, and each of
them, and placed in my hands for
service, I, V. Y. Sadler, as sheriff of
Martin County, Texas, did, on the 4th
day of January, 1919, levy on certain
real estate, situated in Martin Coun-
ty, Texas, described as follows, to-
wit: The south one-half (1-2) of the
northeast quarter (1-4) of section
No. one (1) of block No. thirty-six
(36), township one (1) south, T. & P.
Ry. Co. land, with all improvements
thereon, and levied upon as the prop-
erty of R. D. Robbins and J. D.
Peters, and each of them, and that on
the first Tuesday in March 1919, the
same being the 4th day of said month
at the court house door, of Martin
County, in the town of Stanton, Tex-
as, 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 bid-
der, as the property of said R. D.
Robbins and J. D. Peters and each of
them.

And in compliance with law, I give
this notice by publication, in the Eng-
lish language once a week for three
consecutive weeks, immediately pre-
ceding said day of sale, in the Mid-
land Reporter, a newspaper published
in Midland County.

Witness my hand, this 4th day of
January, A. D., 1919.
V. Y. Sadler,
Sheriff Martin County, Texas.
adv. 18-3t



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ing our citizenship to successfully "go over the top"
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which is capitalized at only \$45,000, and whose stock is selling at only 10 cents a share; has 20 acres
in the center of the new district in the BURKBURNETT OIL FIELDS where the frenzied rush for
acreage is now going on. There is virtually a stampede for acreage in this immediate vicinity. Now,
there must be a reason for this intense scramble for acreage. You follow us, and we will tell you the
story. In this locality, and adjoining the holdings of the Golden Goose Company's 20 acres, the Quanah
Oil Company has 21 shallow wells that are paying handsome dividends monthly, but, the big, im-
portant reason why Golden Goose stock should go extremely high is that large companies are putting
down deep test wells practically around this 20 acres, and one of these companies on Monday, January
20, struck a sand at 775 feet which the drillers estimate will produce 100 bbls. of oil per day, and the
drillers say the formation is identical with that of the big gushers near by. Now, this company is
going on down after the 1900 foot sand that produces the big gushers many of which are flowing at the
rate of 1000 to 3000 barrels daily. These wells have been known to pay as high as 12 per cent daily on
the investment, or in other words a \$12 a day income on a \$100 investment. Think for a minute what
it means to the GOLDEN GOOSE OIL AND REFINING COMPANY and its shareholders for the big
companies to spend practically \$200,000 on these deep tests, which will beyond a doubt prove up
the GOLDEN GOOSE COMPANY'S 20 acres as to deep oil. If these big companies strike gushers, as
their geologists say they will,

Golden Goose Stock Will Go Sky High

because, it is only natural to expect to find gushers on the adjoining holdings of the GOLDEN GOOSE
COMPANY also. But, even in case the big companies fail to strike gushers, as they expect, the GOL-
DEN GOOSE COMPANY can still make big dividends for their shareholders by developing the shall-
ow depths, as it is only about 100 yards from their holdings to the producing wells of the Quanah Oil
Company, where the 775-foot sand is producing 100 bbls. a day. Now, frankly, if these big companies
that know the oil game can afford to spend \$200,000 betting that they will find gushers in this locality,
haven't you got nerve enough to bet \$10, \$50, \$100, or more that the

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Form for ordering shares of Golden Goose Oil and Refining Company stock, including fields for Name, Town, State, and amount.

AGENT IN SALE OF ONE
THOUSAND AGED STEERS

"You can tell 'em, Watson," re-
marked Lige Davis—the "loneliest real
commission man in town"—one day
this week "that I have broken the
monotony of so much oil talk. The
firm of Lige Davis & Son were last
week agents in the sale of 1000 old
steers, 3s to 5s, for Wm. Bryant to
R. M. Clayton, Jr., and the price was
\$90 around." That was some sale,
sure enough; the biggest thing pulled
off in Midland in many a day. A
good many years ago The Reporter
did not feel any particular surprise
at fifty-to-one, and two-hundred-
thousand-dollar deals in livestock

among local ranchmen, for they were
not infrequent. It is good to report
another of the kind, and we congrat-
ulate, right heartily, all parties con-
cerned.

HAD PLEASANT VISIT.
FROM H. E. CROWLEY

Our old friend, H. E. Crowley, was
with us this week from Ft. Worth,
spending three or four days here
and at Odessa. He paid The Report-
er office a very pleasant visit yes-
terday, prior to his departure for
home in the afternoon. We enjoyed
his call, heartily, for his is always a
word of good cheer, and he was much
enthused over the promise of reviv-

ing prosperity in the Midland Coun-
try, the section of the State where
he spent so many useful years of his
life and where he has so many warm
friends. It was a pleasure, too, to
know that all his family are in very
excellent health.

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crease its subscription list, now, to
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FOR LEASE—My residence in North Midland and another residence in southeast part of town. See L. C. Proctor, or phone 330-A.

FOR RENT—Four east front rooms, with bath and electric lights and water conveniences. Mrs. D. C. McCormick. 18-6f

FOR RENT—Four room dwelling, with bath and electric lights, two blocks from Main street. See Mrs. Paul Brown. 9-1f

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS

HELP WANTED—A lady cook, and also a girl help in the kitchen. Write or phone J. H. Wilhite, Midland College. 16-2f

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Poland China sow, marked under sloap in right ear. Will weigh about 175 pounds. Kindly give information of whereabouts to L. C. Proctor, phone 330-A.

AUCTION SALE GOVERNING HORSES AND MULES—There will be sold on February 10th, 1919, at 9 a. m., at public auction, to the highest bidder, Remount Depot, Fort Bliss, Texas, 2,500 government horses and mules. These animals were bought by the government for overseas service and are now in excess of the present requirement.

Twelve hundred and fifty horses will be offered single, in pairs, fours, tens and car lots. Buyers will be permitted to select and classify stock and have them presented in auction right according to their selection. Arrangement has been made with railroad to have cars placed at Remount Depot loading pen so that there will be no delay in shipping stock.

A leather halter will be furnished with every animal sold. Lunch will be obtainable on the grounds. Sale will be held regardless of weather.

Terms of sale: Cash, or certified check. Do not forget the date, February 10th, and the place, Fort Bliss, Remount Depot, El Paso, Texas. This is an unusual opportunity of securing horses and mules at your own price. For further information, wire Major D. H. Speed, Commanding Officer, Remount Depot, Fort Bliss, Texas. 11

HOME AGAIN AFTER VISIT TO SOUTH TEXAS

Our esteemed old friend and townsman, T. B. Wadley, returned home the first of the week, after an extended visit to various points in East and South Texas, spending most of the time with his son, Allen, at Houston. He returned by way of Dallas, and there visited his sons, Dan and Pence, and his daughter, Mrs. Logan.

SOCIETY

By L. G. W., Phone 88

Dykstra—Crosby

The society editor is pleased to publish the following contributed account of the marriage of Miss Marie Dykstra in Oklahoma City. The bride is a former Midland girl and many friends will unite with The Reporter in wishing her the greatest happiness and prosperity.

"Her many Midland friends will be interested to know of the marriage of Miss Marie Dykstra to Mr. Ted Crosby on Jan. 15th at her home in Oklahoma City. Miss Dykstra is one of Midland's fair daughters, having lived here since early childhood until two years ago, when she with her mother moved to Oklahoma City. Since that time she has been employed with the Western Union Telegraph Company at that place as a Morse operator. Although very young in years, Miss Dykstra is an expert operator, handling the heaviest wires out of the Oklahoma relay office. Mr. Crosby is a splendid young business man of sterling integrity, he also being employed by the Western Union. The young couple will make their home in Oklahoma City."

Wednesday Club

The Wednesday Club had a meeting of much interest, as well as pleasure this week, when they met in regular session with Mrs. Chas. Gibbs as hostess. Mrs. Holt concluded the word drill and Mrs. Gibbs the parliamentary drill. The study hour was dispensed with as it was the time for the annual election of officers. The result of the election was as follows:

President, Mrs. Jax Cowden.
Vice President, Mrs. O. B. Holt.
Recording secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer.
Corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. R. Chancellor.

Critic, Mrs. J. M. Caldwell.
Parliamentarian, Mrs. Chas. Gibbs. After the business hour the hostess served the most delicious refreshments consisting of macaroon pudding, whipped cream, angel food and coffee.

Mr. W. K. Sinclair, who is abundantly capable of doing big things both at home and abroad, returned home Tuesday morning after an absence of nine months. During this interim Mr. Sinclair has been in Oklahoma, where at Bartlesville, he did a stupendous thing in erecting a Masonic Temple ten stories high, and costing \$500,000. We congratulate him upon his ability and skill as a master workman and architect and with other Midland friends cordially extend a welcoming hand.

Miss Pearl McCormick, of The Ladies Store, Midland, left last week for the markets north and east. She went by way of Mineral Wells, was joined there by her sister, Miss Maggie McCormick, and together they will do spring marketing for the stores at Midland and Mineral Wells, promising their customers all that is choicest in spring millinery.

This week Messdames Dunn, Reiger and Mary Lizzie Quinn, accompanied by Mr. Gordon Reiger, left for Long Beach, Cal., where they expect to remain indefinitely. Mr. Paul Reiger also was of the party, but he will remain in Phoenix, Ariz., believing that climate will be more conducive to his health.

Mrs. Lawrence Shields, of Amarilla, has been a Midland visitor the past two weeks, having been called to attend her mother and sister, Messdames S. M. Francis and Chas. Goldsmith, both of whom have been very ill with influenza.

Mr. Wilber Wimberly, who has been stationed at San Diego, Cal., since he first enlisted, received his discharge and returned home Sunday night. He will leave again tomorrow, however, for Abilene, where he will resume his studies in Simmons.

Miss Nadine Pollard left Sunday afternoon for Stanton, where she is teaching this season. The Stanton schools have been closed on account of influenza and are just now reopening.

Circle No. 2 of the Woman's Baptist Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. Ella Youngblood Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A large attendance is very much desired and a good time anticipated.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gray are now pleasantly domiciled in the pretty cottage of Mrs. Marie J. Riggs.

Mrs. Theo Ray is visiting in Peecs this week, the guest of Mrs. John B. Howard.

It has been said the Marseillaise was worth a million troops to France any day.

Mrs. J. B. Rhea returned Tuesday from a visit to Mineral Wells.

LAST SUNDAY AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Bible school last Lord's day, was one of the best we have had this year. The attendance was very much larger than the Sunday before and our offering amounted to a little over \$17. Eleven made the good confession at the close of the service. Two others had done the same thing the Sunday before and three others joined Sunday night. The baptismal services were held both Sunday and on Wednesday evenings.

Brother Wallace, of McKinney, will be here Monday, Feb. 10th, to begin a meeting. It is hoped that all the congregations with their choirs will co-operate with us in this meeting and make it one of the greatest revivals in the history of the town. Church Reporter.

Dresses

THEY ARE HERE! We have just received some of the newest and prettiest Dresses that can be bought. We are again selling the famous Mitchell Dresses that have always been so popular, and in addition to these we have a beautiful assortment of Superba Dresses. These portray the fashions that are prevalent in the Eastern cities, and are as good as can be bought in any city store.

Waists and Skirts

We would like to show you our new Blouses and Skirts. It will pay you to come early and select yours before they have been picked over. We have a generous assortment, and you can surely find the styles here that will please you.

To Market

Our Ready-to-Wear department buyer is still in the markets purchasing our Spring Hats and Clothing. We will have the newest and best in all lines.

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MASONS HONOR MEMORY OF LATE CHAS. H. PRICE

Whereas, it has pleased the Great Architect of the Universe to remove from our midst our late brother, Charles H. Price; and

Whereas, it is but just that a fitting recognition of his many virtues should be had; therefore, be it

Resolved by Odessa Lodge, No. 955 of A. F. and A. M., that while we bow with humble submission to the will of the Most High, we do not the less mourn for our brother who has been taken from us.

Resolved, That in the death of Charles Price, this lodge laments the loss of a brother who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid and the voice of sympathy to the needy and distressed of the fraternity; an active member of this society, whose utmost endeavors were exerted for its welfare and prosperity; a friend and companion who was dear to us all; a citizen whose upright and noble life was a standard of emulation to his fellows.

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of this lodge be extended to his family in their affliction.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the lodge, and a copy thereof be transmitted to the family of our deceased brother, and published in the Odessa and Midland papers.

Ted Wallace,
J. T. Cross,
W. H. Rhodes,

NOTES FROM THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Were you at the Baptist church on last Sunday night? If you were you heard Mr. Ted Brown, the overseas soldier boy, tell of his experiences while in the army, but if you were not, you missed a real treat. A large crowd was present and every one enjoyed the services fully. The music was good and there were some special numbers. Several soldier boys were on the platform, one of whom has been wounded eight times and also gassed. He was unable to talk for us this time, but has promised that he will tell all about his experience when he returns from the hospital, where he goes for treatment.

The morning service was also good and the Sunday School showed a gain over last Sunday. The prayermeeting hour was spent in a profitable way to the church. As this was the regular time for conference the time was spent in straightening out the church roll. At the close of the service the ordinance of baptism was administered.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend the services on next Sunday and also the prayermeeting on next Wednesday night. Visitors are always welcome. Church Reporter.

DON'T DISPOSE OF YOUR WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

Many owners of Stamps are pre-

senting them for payment, seemingly on the assumption that the government no longer needs the money received for them.

While it is true the war is practically over, or at an end, it is equally true that a large part of the expenditures of the war must still be met by the sale of War Savings Stamps and Liberty Loan Bonds.

The financial obligations of the war must continue for many months and the National Treasury needs the money from the sale of War Savings Stamps to aid in meeting them. The expense of demobilizing the army and navy, the return of our boys from France, the care of our sick and wounded soldiers and other liabilities incident to the war, all call for a continuance of the same patriotic effort that the owners of War Savings Stamps made during the tragic struggle.

Do not transfer your stamps to any one; they are not transferable and will not be cashed, except for the original purchaser, and not then unless you are in actual need of the money.

For further information you can inquire of the postmaster, J. Wiley Taylor.

Dennis Ethridge returned home yesterday from Camp Pike, Ark., where for many weeks, he was critically ill, and sustained a number of surgical operations. We are glad, indeed, that he is well again.

Nature's Music

Sighing through the trees, whispering among the nodding flowers, swaying the golden fields of wheat, the gentle wood-wind zephyr trips across the world of summer. Carelessly it wafts the multitudinous seeds to new and fertile soils; it is at once the shepherd and the master of all the countryside.

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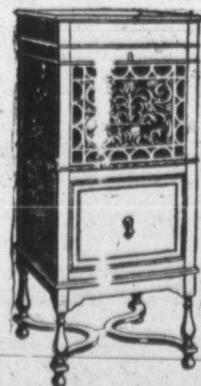
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