

When a man isn't sure of himself, nobody else is

YOU CAN BE "SURE" OF YOUR MONEY

CHECK IN - CHECK OUT - CHECK UP!

CHECKING IN - provides security, economy and peace of mind.

CHECKING OUT - is convenient, systematic, safe and sure.

CHECKING UP - is at all times easily and accurately done.

IF YOU PAY BY CHECK!

Midland National Bank

"There Is No Substitute For Safety"



FORMER MIDLAND MAN CHOSEN BY STATE BODY

LEE CLARK OF GAINESVILLE ELECTED PRESIDENT STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Lee Clark, superintendent of the schools of Gainesville, was unanimously elected president of the Texas State Teachers Association in the annual convention held at San Antonio last week.

Mr. Clark was formerly connected with Midland College, and his family lived here for several months, although he was on the road working in the interest of the college most of that time.

He is a man with a splendid school record, having been superintendent of the schools at Wichita Falls, and also in other large places. He has a record as a builder of school systems.

E. K. Barden of Livingston was elected first vice president; Miss Mary Nash of Kaufman, second vice president; Mrs. Stella Cole of Breckenridge, third vice president. R. T. Ellis will continue to serve as secretary and treasurer, while G. O. Clough, the retiring president, will serve on the executive committee.

G. D. Staton of Canton, L. V. Stockard of Dallas, Miss Harriet Smith of Huntsville, Miss Mary Carroll of Corpus Christi, Miss Clyde Duncan, of El Paso, and P. E. Shotwell of Abilene were also elected to serve on the executive committee. T. J. Yoe of Brownsville and E. M. Day of Gonzales were also elected to succeed themselves, having been appointed to fill vacancies on the executive committee last year.

A wonderful program was carried out by the teachers in their convention, taking up all phases of school activity, according to W. W. Lackey and Chas. L. Klapproth, who attended from Midland.

El Paso, Dallas, Austin, Houston, and Fort Worth invited the next convention, and the place will be selected in January, by the executive committee.

Rom Holt was here this week from Livingston, visiting his brother, O. B. Holt.

AGRICULTURAL CENSUS BEGINS HERE AT ONCE

V. C. RAY WILL BE ENUMERATOR FOR MIDLAND COUNTY.

Appointment of V. C. Ray as enumerator for Midland County in the taking of an agricultural census was announced last Monday, when he returned from the district conference at Sweetwater.

Walter L. Boothe, of Sweetwater, is in charge of this district, having forty nine enumerators working with him.

The census will show the comparative gain or loss in agricultural and livestock interests since 1920. It is believed that Midland will show a marked increase in the number of farmers and stock raisers, the value of agricultural land, and in the value of products marketed.

V. C. Ray is supplied with questionnaires which he will present to local farmers and ranchmen.

It is nothing but right that everyone should fill out these blanks as quickly and correctly as possible, because it will be of great benefit to the country to make this particular county show its true increase over the 1920 agricultural census.

The census is not for the purposes of determining the worth of property for taxation, as some people have suspiciously thought; but is purely to secure the total valuation of agricultural and livestock interests of each community and of the whole nation.

The Department of Commerce has completed the preliminary organization of the field work on the Census of Agriculture for the State of Texas, and announces the names and addresses of the supervisors of the fourteen districts into which the state has been divided for census purposes, together with the probable number of enumerators, number of farms in 1920, and the names of the counties in each district.

District No. 6 Supervisor, Walter L. Boothe, Sweetwater, Texas. Number of enumerators, 49. Number of farms, 1920 census, 6, 976.

Counties (31): Andrews, Brewster, Crane, Coke, Crockett, Culberson, Ector, El Paso (part of), Glascock, Howard, Hudspeeth, Irion, Jeff Davis, Loving, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Nolan, Pecos, Presidio, Reagan, Reeves, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Terrell, Tom Green, Upton, Val Verde, Ward, Winkler.

Part of El Paso County will be taken care of by the Reclamation Service, by William J. Ball, El Paso, Texas.

Modern Dolls Perform Great Stunts

Addison Wadley, of Wadley-Wilson Company, gave the editor a demonstration of what modern dolls can do, and the stunts are astounding.

We have heard of walking and talking dolls, but until Wednesday we had never seen dolls have to be rocked to sleep to get them to quit howling.

Then when he pulled out a big fine looking doll that sang two or three songs, recited old Mother Goose rhymes and said her prayers, it began to look suspicious.

However, that is what those big fine looking dollies did, and Mr. Wadley is preparing to stage a big demonstration so that the public can see and hear these stunts.

Names of Members To Be Published

Names of all persons who join the Midland County Chamber of Commerce will be published in next week's Midland Reporter.

Do you want to be on the honor list?

These names are being published so that the people may know who the people are who are loyal Midland boosters. If there's anyone in Midland County who is unable financially to join the Chamber of Commerce, he has a legitimate reason for not having his name on this list.

The man who is able to join, but who is willing to let the other fellow pay for the benefits he received from work of the Chamber of Commerce—in other words the man who wants to get something for nothing—won't have his name on this list—but that's strictly his own business.

Everybody's Will Handle Xmas Toys

Toys of all varieties are to be sold by Everybody's again this year, and they are now receiving shipments daily, following Mr. Patterson's purchases in Dallas a short time ago. Their ad tells about the toys in detail.

IDEAL GIFTS FOR EVERYONE FOR CHRISTMAS



Beginning Next Friday Morning = December 12th = A SALE OF WONDERFUL MADAM HENDREN DOLLS

WITHOUT QUESTION HERE IS THE MOST WONDERFUL LOT OF THE FINEST DOLLS EVER SHOWN HERE.

- DOLLS THAT WALK
DOLLS THAT TALK
DOLLS THAT PLAY HARPS
DOLLS THAT BLOW HORNS

The Reason For This Sale

is simply that we need the room for other Christmas merchandise and to move these quickly, we offer these at price reductions that mean a saving. Every doll in an individual box and we will be glad to deliver these any time you wish. At These Price Reductions we must ask for cash when the doll is put away or delivered.

- DOLLY DINGLE - \$1.29
CHOCOLATE DROP - \$1.29
HARMONICA DOLL - \$2.75
BOY BLUE - \$2.75
LUCILLE - \$4.45
ROCK-A-BYE - \$7.90
IRENE - \$2.75
MARY ANN - \$8.50
CURLY LOCKS - \$12.50
DOLLY RECORD - \$13.75
DUTCH DOLLS - 85c to \$1.00

There has never been such beautiful dolls shown here before. These will surely sell out quickly. If you wish us to reserve these, write or phone. Out of town orders given prompt attention, sent post paid and money refunded if doll is not satisfactory. Remember These Go On Sale Next Friday Morning and For One Week Because We Need the Room. Wadley-Wilson Co. ONE PRICE-THE LOWEST-FOR CASH MIDLAND, TEXAS

A GIFT THAT LASTS. Not just enduring beauty, but beauty combined with usefulness in watches of exquisite design. A gift that lasts not merely in appearance, but in service. Every Howard watch is guaranteed for perfection of movement, thus giving to its owner lasting JOY of perfection. D. H. ROETTGER JEWELER "Gifts That Last"

Wolcott Sells Tract. A half league of land has been sold on the Wolcott ranch, out of the northeast corner, going to a Lamesa man and an Oklahoma man. The country on the boundary of the ranch has been cut up into farms, and the Wolcott land will find a ready sale. Hugh Barnes and wife were here from Andrews last week end. Prof. J. H. Surles, of Cisco, Texas, the Scientific Masseur and Drugless Healer, has treated thousands of Chronic Troubles all over this and other states. He has also conducted Drugless Sanitariums at Putnam, Sherman and Blossom, Texas, and has been doing office work in Cisco for the last five years. So if you are sick and want to get well, come to see or write Prof Surles, Cisco, Texas. 7-4t

Christmas is Coming! Place your order early for special groceries to be used in preparing YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER. You will find a nice fresh stock of Staples, Fruits, Nuts, Spices, canned goods, and everything you need. COME TO OUR STORE OR PHONE YOUR ORDER. Smith & Stevens Wholesale and Retail GROCERIES AND BUNCH SUPPLIES PHONE 342. WE DELIVER

Friday, December 5, 1924. Dear... If you... to write... as your... mail... Claus... you... put... store... are... Write... YOU... that... and gir... visit to... a roy... own he... These Goods Now until Get the Fir... HOW DOCTOR COLDS... To break up a cold short an attack of throat, physicians recommending Calo Calomel tablet, that gerous and sickening have tried it say that far more effective an style calomel, heretic physicians. One or two Calot a swallow of water, no nausea nor the with eating, work ering your cold has yem feels relief... are sold only in... price ten cents for thirty-five cents for age. Recommended druggists. Your most delighted.—adv. Ed Cole and w dren, were in fr week end. HIG... FE... AU... W... Robo... Good Gu... Located

A Letter to Santa Claus

Dear Children:
If you haven't sent a letter to Santa Claus it's time to write it now. Just as soon as you've finished, bring your letter to our store and mail it in the special Santa Claus Letter Box. Santa Claus wants to hear from you. That's the reason he put the letter box in our store. Each day the letters are sent direct to him. Write your letter soon.

TOYLAND



The Blessed Gift of Gifts: "GIVING"

Since that wonderful Christmas Morn when the Three Wise Men, Melchior, Gaspar and Balthasar, brought Gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh to lay at the feet of the Infant Saviour, the people of the civilized world have increasingly experienced the exhilarating heart throbs and inmate pleasure of gift giving.

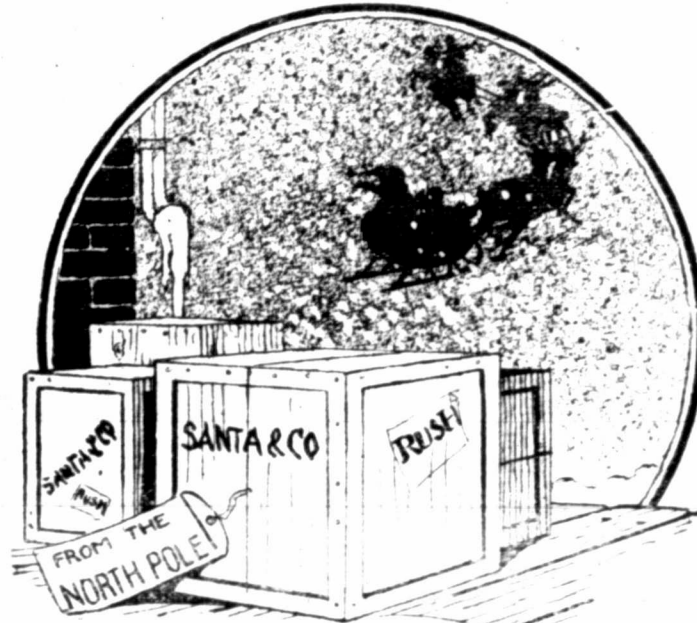
The true Spirit of Christmas really finds its fullest expression in that greatest of all proverbs, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

A Big Shipment of Christmas Toys Just in

Toy Wheelbarrows	75c	Train (with track)	\$1.25
18 Inch Red Wagon	\$1.50	Doll Buggies	65c
Leather Foot Ball	\$1.00	Unbreakable Mama doll	\$1.25
Horse and Carriage	35c	Regular Tractor	65c
Ford Touring Car	65c	Balky Mule	65c
Hay Wagon	50c	Kiddie Kar	\$2.00
Pop Gun	25c	Pedal Kar	\$3.50
Air Rifle	\$2.00	Bronco Buster	65c
Hungry Goose	65c	Sand Dump Cart	75c
Racing Rex	35c	Red Chairs	\$1.00 to \$1.25
Tea Set	35c	Gyro Motor Toys	\$1 to \$2.00
Horns 10c to	50c	Children's Books	5c to 25c
Drums	15c	Musical Tops	25c to 35c
Toy Pianos	\$1.50	Building Blocks	\$1.00
Dolls (all kinds)	10c to \$3.95	Baseball Glove	\$1.00

Many Other Beautiful Gifts at Toyland

OUR HOLIDAY OPENING SATURDAY
Come Visit Toyland



GIFTS OF ALL KINDS

Toyland Is Open!

YOU'LL find them here—all the nicest gifts that Santa Claus could find for little boys and girls, and grown-ups, too! You'll enjoy a visit to Toyland. It's open now. Come soon—a royal welcome awaits you at Santa Claus' own headquarters.

These Goods Will Be on Display From Now until Xmas. Come Early and Get the First Selections.

MORRISON VARIETY STORE

Every Child in Midland is Invited to Leave a Letter Here for Santa Claus. His Letter Box Is Here.

Santa Claus' Headquarters

HOW DOCTORS TREAT COLDS AND THE FLU

To break up a cold over night or to cut short an attack of gripe, influenza or sore throat, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the nausealess Calomel tablet, that is purified from dangerous and sickening effects. Those who have tried it say that it acts like magic, by far more effective and certain than the old style calomel, heretofore recommended by physicians.

One or two Calotabs at bed time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with eating, work or pleasures. Next morning your cold has vanished and your system feels refreshed and purified. Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price ten cents for the west-pocket size; thirty-five cents for the large family package. Recommended and guaranteed by druggists. Your money back if you are not delighted.—adv.

Ed Cole and wife, with their children, were in from the ranch last week end.

STATE BODY PLANS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

The following fifteen points have been outlined as a definite constructive program by the State Department of Education, for the period of 1925-27, according to a bulletin issued by that office:

Educational Program

1. Provide for a state board of education non-political and non-partisan who shall appoint the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and perform other administrative functions.
2. Enact a modified county unit law and provide for the employment of the county superintendent by a county board of trustees.
3. Submit an amendment to Sec. 3 Art. VII, of the Constitution authorizing a county school tax and repealing the authority given to the Legislature to create special districts.
4. Refund the state bonds now owned by the Permanent School Fund into bonds bearing a higher rate of interest and provide for their pay-

WANTED, FOR COLONIZATION

5,000 TO 30,000 ACRES OF LAND
Will also handle small tracts, improved or unimproved farms.

I HAVE THE BUYERS
List Your Land With Me For Sale

W. C. HOLLOWAY

Room 448 Llano Hotel

AVOID THE RUSH

ment.

5. Retire the Penitentiary Railroad Bonds so that rural school districts bonds may be purchased.

6. Authorize the State Board of Education to retire bonds held by the Permanent School Fund before they become optional.

7. Increase the regular sources of the available school fund to insure annually a minimum per capita apportionment of fifteen dollars. This will require \$4,000,000 annually, or \$2,000,000 more than was provided for the year 1924-1925.

8. Appropriate \$1,500,000 annually for aid to the rural schools reserving \$500,000 for high school tuition.

9. Amend the teachers certificate law with reference to issuance of special certificates and increasing the penalty for fraud in connection with teachers examinations.

10. Amend the free text-book law repealing the exchange feature and providing for gradual introduction of text-books.

11. Amend the compulsory attendance law extending the age to sixteen and term to 120 days.

12. Lower the free school age to six years and remove the upper limit.

13. Continue the appropriation for vocational education and accept the Civilian Rehabilitation Act of Congress.

14. Enact a restricted junior college law which will standardize these institutions and protect the interests of the elementary and secondary schools.

15. Provide adequate financial support for all higher institutions of learning supported by the State.

Respectfully submitted
S. M. N. Marra,
State Superintendent.

J. H. Zimmerman and wife were over from Stanton last Friday, shopping.

Last year, through the generous cooperation of the press, and other advertising mediums, Christmas mailers were induced to dispatch their Yuletide presents earlier in the month than ever before in the history of the institution of gift exchanging in the holiday season.

As a result, the spectacle of the last minute rush of former years, with its attendant heartbreaking labor on the part of weary and nerve worn store clerks and postal employees, was avoided.

This year Postmaster General New and First Assistant Postmaster General John H. Bartlett have determined to make an even better record and to banish for all time the suffering undergone in past years by those engaged in sale and transportation of gifts. They hope to make "Shop Early" and "Mail Early" a habit with the American people.

Mailing early does not mean December 1 or before, but if everyone could get their holiday tokens in the mail between December 10 and December 20, the postoffice could not ask more.

Particular attention this year will be paid to greeting cards. Despite the success last year it was noted that the last minute mail consisted largely of cards. Possibly many of them were returned greetings to friends, heard from on a previous mail, but overlooked on the original Christmas list. Unlike parcels and letters containing money orders, cards, of course can not well be marked "Do Not Open Until Christmas." Therefore, it is possible that the many mailers hold them until the last to insure delivery on Christmas Eve. This class of mailers this year, however, may find their cards undelivered until after Christmas Day.

Believing that the energies of postal

employees should not be sapped to the last degree for any avoidable reason, and, intent upon securing for them the same Christmas privileges enjoyed by others, Postmaster General New asks the hearty co-operation of the public. The last-minute, or zero hour has been moved up so that all postal employees may eat their Christmas dinner at home. Rural carriers will deliver no mail at all on Christmas day and clerks and carriers in the city offices will stop work promptly at noon.

HOUSE FOR SALE

Four room house, with bath, sleeping porch, barn and garage, fine grape arbor, good well and windmill, known as the Walter Jordan place. If interested, see J. S. Cordill.

BAPTIST TO HAVE CHRISTMAS TREE

The First Baptist Church Sunday School will have a Christmas tree the night of December 24. Mrs. Frank Norwood will be general chairman in charge of all committees on arrangement, and will appoint her own committees. Every child who is now a member of the Sunday School and every child who joins and attends the next three Sundays will be remembered by Santa Claus.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine

will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh.
Sold by druggists for over 40 years
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio

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East of Light Plant
TEXACO PRODUCTS
FEDERAL TIRES AND TUBES
AUTOMOBILE ACCESSORIES
We Vulcanize Tires and Tubes
"Service Guaranteed"

BOB YARBROUGH

Roberts' Filling Station

Good Gulf Gasoline, Motor Oil, Pennsylvania
Vacuum Cup Tires

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

Located West of Camp Ground on Bankhead Highway

Have Your Ford Tuned Up For Winter

Be prepared for cold weather by letting us re-charge your battery, tune up your starter and generator, adjust your carburetor, and tighten up your car generally.

Perhaps your motor needs overhauling.
Have It Done The Ford Way

Our plant is equipped to turn out a better job at a lower cost.

Have your radiator filled with Anti Freeze Now.

Cowden & Ulmer

Lincoln Ford Fordson
CARS-TRUCKS-TRACTORS



CHOCOLATES

FOR AMERICAN QUEENS FOR CHRISTMAS

Our assortment is most complete. We have all the popular standard King and Liggett packages as well as a beautiful array of fancy Christmas gift boxes. Drop in today and make your selections, while our stock is yet complete.

PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW—FOR DELIVERY ON XMAS DAY!

City Drug Store
The Rexall Store

Day Phone 33 Night Phones 261-185

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T. PAUL BARRON, Editor-Owner

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1924

ONLY TWENTY DAYS

We are forcibly reminded that only twenty days stand between us and Christmas. Much must be done before that glorious day, and the limited time will shorten rapidly so that the remaining days in which to shop, to prepare for the Christmas dinner, and to do other necessary things will soon be gone.

The merchants of Midland have demonstrated that they are prepared for the rush, as will be seen by their various ads in this issue.

In justice to them and to their clerks, and to save anxiety on the part of Christmas shoppers, let everyone in Midland adhere to the nation wide idea of doing Christmas shopping early.

Even if everything were left intact

so that gifts could be selected up to the last day, it is more pleasant to know that the responsibility of buying presents has been taken care of before those last few hours.

Christmas is a great occasion for remembering loved ones and needy ones with gifts, and it is a time when the hearts of the people are tuned unselfishly from their own desires to the idea of making other people happy.

Let us indulge in Christmas to the full and enjoy every minute from now to the big day, December 25th.

BATH ROOM DISPLAY IS ATTRACTIVE

A model bathroom is on display in the show window of Howe & Allen's plumbing establishment and has drawn many compliments. The fixtures are unusually artistic and of high quality, and arranged very tastefully.

Miss Florence Whittenburg, business manager of the Odessa High School's paper, The Dogie, and Miss Cleo Joine Fielder, editor of the paper, were in Midland yesterday afternoon in the interest of their paper. They have good support in Midland.

Have your battery filled with pure distilled water at Exide Service Station. Free! 10-2t

Ector County Today

Has more to offer to those looking for Farms, Ranches or other Investments than most any other section of the United States, or of America. Our Farms, Ranch lands, and Mineral Properties have made, are making, and will continue to make, investors rich. My eleven years residence here, and experience in handling both large and small deals, fits me for being of service to you.

We grow successfully, cotton, corn, maize, Kaffirs, Sorghums, Fruits, potatoes, and melons, and our gardens can not be beat. Many of our farm lands produce more than enough the first year in cultivation to pay for the land.

We are located on the south end of the Plains, below the early Frost line. Our altitude is just the happy medium, climate fine and healthy. We have plenty of good water at 40 to 100 feet, cool and refreshing. Come and get you a home where lands are advancing yearly, and among the best people in the world.

I have at all times, an attractive list of choice improved and unimproved Farms and Ranches, at live and let live prices, on long liberal terms. No trouble to answer questions.

Jno. T. Cross

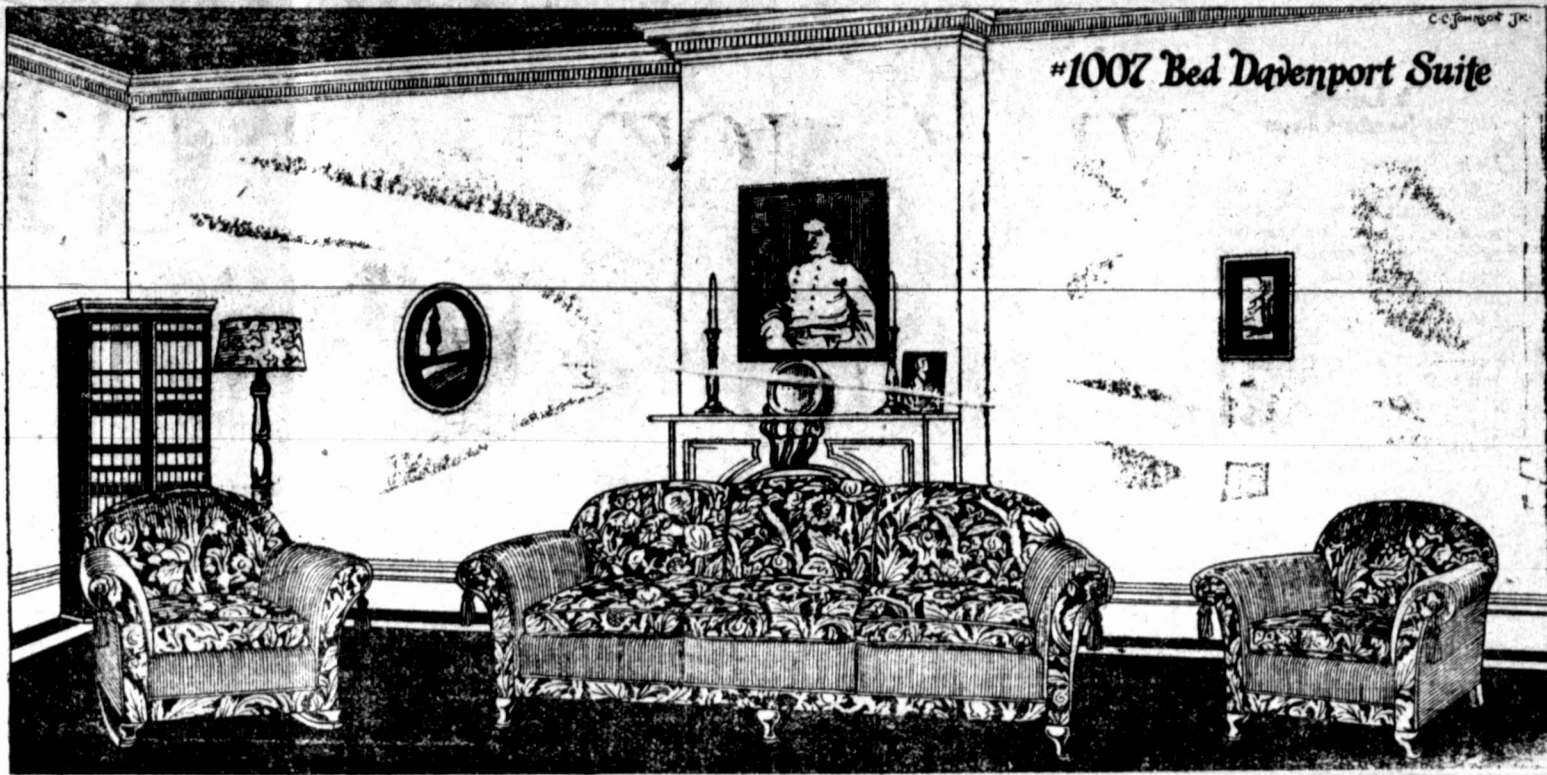
ODESSA, TEXAS

Will Co-Operate With All Real Estate Dealers

The First National Bank

of Midland, Texas

Wants Your Business



Christmas Morning

When the sparkling eyes and eager faces of the family catch the first glimpse of the gifts, let it be Furniture that carries your message of good will and esteem—Furniture will carry this message to them—

EVERY DAY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR FOR YEARS TO COME

Hoosier Sale Closes Saturday Night

\$1.00

DOWN

Delivers

Your

HOOSIER

BEAUTY



FREE

With Every Hoosier Beauty Cabinet This

Week

31 Piece Set Dishes
10 Piece Dexter Domestic Science Set
14 Piece Set of Glassware

GET YOURS NOW!

DECEMBER 24th— OUR ANNUAL GIFT DAY —DECEMBER 24th

GET YOUR TICKETS READY

On the afternoon of December 24th we will give away the Winchester Pump Shotgun, Hoosier French Grey Cabinet and Ton Coaster Wagon

In making gift purchases REMEMBER we give tickets for every dollar cash. Don't overlook your account. Every dollar paid entitles you to a ticket.

Midland Hardware Co.

The Store of Sensible Christmas Gifts

HAZARD JOHNSTON IS PROMINENT UTAH MAN

Hazard Johnston, eldest son of C. Johnston, who was buried here last week, is now living in Tooele, Utah, and returned there last night.

He is at the head of a general contracting firm, and does road building, building erection, and general construction work all over his state and parts of Nevada.

He has been up there for fifteen years, and has been engaged in the picture show business, printing and newspaper business, and other ventures during that time.

He is a live member of the Lions Club in his home town, and a progressive citizen in every way. His old friends were glad to greet him again on his visit to Midland, and wish him great and continued success.

Have your radiator filled with anti-freeze now, at the Ford Garage

H. E. Cummins, who with Mrs. Cummins has been on a trip to Waco, Mineral Wells, Graham, and other points, returned Monday morning, reporting a fine time.

LOOK! Exide

BIG REDUCTION IN PRICE

BATTERIES

YOU CAN NOW BUY AN EXIDE BATTERY FOR YOUR

Ford For \$16.00

Give one for a Christmas Present. It is a practical and worthwhile Gift.

ALL MAKES OF BATTERIES SKILLFULLY REPAIRED.

BATTERIES CHARGED, \$1.00

MIDLAND MOTOR CO.

C. E. LANGE, Prop.

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\$13.75 Dr

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WHY NOT MAKE IT A "SURE NUFF" MERRY XMAS



Give Her a New Set of Fixtures for That Bath Room

Something that will last indefinitely and give happiness every day in the new year and years to come. Health is the first requisite of happiness; sanitation is the first requisite of health. So think about making this a Safe and Sane Xmas.

HOWE & ALLEN

CALL 232

Ideal Christmas Toy given free with each Dearborn Independent subscription, by the Ford Garage. 9cf

Marcus Gist was a business visitor from Odessa yesterday afternoon.

Read the ads carried in this week's Reporter. The Midland merchants believe this will be one of the best Christmas seasons in many years and have ordered their stocks accordingly. Do your Christmas shopping while all the stocks are complete.

Your Photograph will carry the true sentiment of Christmas. 10-2t

R. N. WHITE INJURED

R. N. White, more familiarly known as Bob, who works on the Holt ranch, was painfully cut in the leg Wednesday afternoon, when a horse "cold jawed" with him and ran into a string of barbed wire fence. Bob came into a doctor and is getting along very well, being able to walk about on the streets.

Next to a personal visit, send Photographs. 10-2t

Hazard Johnston returned to his home in Tooele, Utah, last night.

The most personal of all gifts—Your Photograph. 10-2t

Buck York is in town today from Odessa.

Mrs. J. T. Poole left Wednesday night for Bryan, where she will make her home for the present.

The gift that is you—your Photograph. 10-2t

Your Photograph will carry the true sentiment of Christmas. 10-2t

M. F. King and wife spent last week end in Midland, visiting relatives.

Elmer Jones is in town this week from his ranch west of here.

It cost only \$1.00 to have your battery charged at Exide Service Station. 10-2t

The gift that is you—your Photograph. 10-2t

O. W. Fannin returned this week from a business trip to Austin.

Ford Prices Drop

According to M. C. Ulmer, of Cowden and Ulmer, Ford prices have been reduced again. On the Fordor Sedan, the price has dropped \$25.00, on the Tudor Sedan, \$10.00; and on the other models, \$5.00 each, based on factory prices.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FRUIT TREES—Nursery stock of all kinds, suitable to this section. I represent the Ramsey Nursery, of Austin. Let me take your order now for fall delivery.—V. C. Ray, Midland, Texas. 42ft

ONION SLIPS: I have several thousand bermuda onion slips for sale at my home. Phone 213. 7-4t

FOR RENT—Good pasture for 300 head of cattle by Dec. 1st.—J. F. McQuarters, Phone 441. 8-4tp

FOR LAND breaking see Z. T. Reader. 8ft

FOR SALE: White Wyandotte cockrels.—W. H. Spaulding, Phone 372. 9-2tp

LOST: On highway between O. B. Holt's and town, one baloon tire and rim, lock and chain.—W. S. Hill, 9-1

WANTED: Cotton farmers to plant five hundred acres in cotton. Either third and fourth or on halves. 15 miles south of Seminole. Address: W. C. Sherrod, 1004 Bluff st., Wichita Falls, Texas. 9-4tp

VALUABLE LAND FOR SALE: Two and one half miles northeast of Midland, an offering 320 acres of as fine cotton land as you will find in West Texas. This half section lays half a mile along the Lamesa highway and is one and one half miles north of the Rice Farm. Will sell for only \$20.00 an acre with a reasonable payment down and a long time on the balance. This well located tract of fine land is a splendid bargain and as an investment can not be beat. I believe this land will sell for \$50.00 an acre within the next two or three years. Write R. T. Manuel, Colorado, Texas. 10-2t

FOR SALE: 680 acres in Gaines and Andrews County, section 5A30. Good for stock farming. Well drilled on same.—Eugene Stevens, Box 487, Bisbee, Arizona. 10-8tp

FOR RENT: Two-room apartment upstairs; furnished. See Bookkeeper at Midland Mercantile Co. 10-1p

See Mrs. W. T. Beauchamp's hand made gift articles. On sale at Mrs. Jess Shelburne's, first door north of Burton-Lingo Lumber office, Dec. 6th. 10-2tp

FOR SALE: A few Plymouth Rock Pullets and hens, a typewriter, a heater (coal), a Vose piano, and also would sell my home for \$2750, which is now rented furnished for \$52.50 per month, reserving two rooms.—J. H. Wilkins, Phone 261. 10ft

LOST: 22 cal. Stevens Winchester rifle, between Andrews and Midland, Thursday. Return to Reporter office or notify W. D. Fortune, Andrews. 10-3tp

Clean-Up Sale On Dresses

SATURDAY AND NEXT WEEK

\$13.75 Dresses reduced to	\$10.85
14.75 Dresses reduced to	11.50
16.75 Dresses reduced to	12.75
17.50 Dresses reduced to	12.75
19.75 Dresses reduced to	14.75
21.75 Dresses reduced to	16.00
22.75 Dresses reduced to	17.00
23.75 Dresses reduced to	17.75
26.75 Dresses reduced to	18.75

UNUSUAL OFFERINGS IN GINGHAMS

Have just received two cases of Gingham that we are offering for one week, beginning Saturday, at a special price. This is the best value we have seen in years. A large assortment of patterns to select from; also staples and solid colors.

17c the yard

These Offerings Are For Cash Only

You will find many other similar values at this store.

"Where Your Cash Buys More"

Midland Mercantile Co.

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D. G. Phone No. 284

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QUALITY FIRST
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IN
"Gifts That Last"

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Insurance Commission Issues New Bulletin

In a bulletin issued by the State Fire Insurance Commission, the following clippings bring attention to the menace of fire losses, and give hints as to how these losses may be reduced.

Kerosene and stoves. (Lighting fires.) Electric wires and nails or metal hooks. Pennies and electric spark plugs.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the friends who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of our father, C. C. Johnston.

Gideon Johnston, Mrs. S. L. Dillard, Wade Johnston, H. H. Johnston, Mrs. C. J. Randle, Mrs. T. E. Steele, Winnie Johnston, Mills Johnston, C. C. Johnston, Jr.

Clean Your Chimneys.

Before real cold weather sets in be sure your flues and chimneys are safe. Have them cleaned and examined to be sure there are no cracks in them.

Dangerous Combinations.

The following dangerous combinations should be avoided at all times: Sparks and gasoline. Careless smokers and trash.



Xmas Gifts

that will be appreciated are on display. Come in and look at our complete stock of

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DRUGS

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Fighting Hollow News

Miss Inez Abbot has been ill with fever. She is some better. Miss Ethel Abbot left to begin her school at Fairview Dec. 1.

and instructed by the above officers, and they were pronounced well drilled and all in good shape for services when needed.

The stork brought an 8 pound boy to Charlie H. Skeen and wife Thanksgiving Day.

MOTHERS-

Why allow "sniffles" and stuffy, wheezy breathing to torment your babies when quick relief follows the use of

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New Colonization

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W. C. Holloway, who comes here from Limestone County, is preparing to list tracts of land here for colonization purposes.

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HOLLY ROBERTS PHONE 325-A

Porter Rankin returned last Saturday morning from a two week's trip to El Paso, Van Horn and other points west of here.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF J. T. POOLE, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of J. T. Poole, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 19th day of November, A. D. 1924, by the County Court of Midland County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address is Midland, Midland County, Texas.

Mrs. James T. Poole,
Administratrix of the estate of J. T. Poole, Deceased. 8-4t

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

For Sale By City Drug Store

Burette Karkalits is somewhat ill, having been confined to his bed since last Thursday. His temperature has been running high, and he has experienced several days of suffering.

THE PASSING DAY

By Will H. Mayes, Department of Journalism, University of Texas

The Texas State Board of Control has issued a statement that its recommendations for legislative appropriations for educational institutions in Texas will almost equal the combined cost of all the departments and other institutions. This is as it should be. It is generally conceded that in every country the cost of running courts, caring for prisoners, operating asylums, and providing for the helpless, decreases in proportion to the increase in the literacy of the people. The more Texas spends for education, the less it will be required to spend for those things that indicate a low intellectual and moral standard. Education, therefore, whatever it costs, is the cheapest investment a state can make.

Miss Ruth Cross, the Texas girl who has suddenly attained national fame as the author of "The Golden Cocoon," and who was an obscure girl struggling for a living until her book stamped her as a success, in an address at the University of Texas, stated that it is easier to live a failure than the successful life. She meant thereby that one who succeeds has so much more demands on his time and on his talents than one who is content to remain a failure. It is very true that one has to pay for success both before and after it is attained. Any success that is not followed by continued effort is not success after all. Success carries with it a suggestion of increased usefulness, and the person who becomes useless relapses at once into failure.

The cross-word puzzles in the newspapers have all at once become as popular as the "comic" pages have been for so long. It is to be hoped that they may entirely supplant those abominations. There is little that is funny, and nothing that is artistic, elevating, or instructive in the hideous color daubs that the papers are sending out. It is seldom that one of them provokes even a smile from the most simple minded, and every parent I have ever heard express an opinion on the subject regards them as unfit for children and grown people as well. The papers that use them know that this is true, and they use them only because other papers do and they are afraid that some circulation might be lost by dropping them. Parent-teachers associations of the country should inaugurate a movement to have the papers discontinue these hideous and demoralizing supplements.

The cross-word puzzle has something to commend it to all classes. It may be a time-killer, but there is something to be learned thereby. It increases the vocabulary and acquaints the puzzle worker with definitions. In fact the best of these puzzles teach something of history, geography, anthropology, grammar and almost every other branch of study. They have a fascinating hold upon nearly all members of the family that causes the paper to be kept until such time as the puzzles may be worked, and the paper's value as an advertisement medium is enhanced thereby. Let's start a movement to rid the newspapers of the so-called "funny papers" even though we do not substitute therefor the enticing word puzzle.

Thanksgiving seems to be getting away from the purpose for which it was originally intended. When instituted as a holiday and for many years thereafter, it was a day of worship and thanksgiving for God's infinite goodness. Every one went to church to spend at least part of the day in His service. This was followed by family gatherings and feasts, where there was still a spirit of thankfulness prevalent. The day has been converted into a time for sporting contests and noisy demonstrations over athletic victories; for dancing and frolics and dress parades. The people are too busy for home-coming Thanksgiving dinners in the cherished associations of home, and so they dine out hurriedly at restaurants and cafes in the rush from one event of the day to another, retiring in the wee small hours of the next morning exhausted and thankful that the day is at last over.

"Toy Land" Display At Morrison's Store

Morrison's Variety Store is making a big display of "Toy Land," and are receiving letters to Santa Claus, who has made arrangements to get his mail there, according to Chas. G. Morrison.

Great days are in store for the children of Midland, as toys are being put on exhibition.

Dr. J. F. Haley arrived last Friday night for a week's visit with relatives and friends.

YOUTHFUL ENTERTAINER TO PERFORM SUNDAY

Fred Gordon Middleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Middleton, who celebrated his third birthday Monday, will sing and read at the First Baptist Sunday School next Sunday. Fred Gordon is known as a musical prodigy. He sings the most difficult tunes and directs an imaginary orchestra with his baton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fasken left Sunday night, after a brief visit with relatives here.

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