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ANNUAL MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SHOWED BIG YEAR'S WORK

Annual Report of Past Year's Accomplishments Is Eclipsed Only by Ambitions for the Year Just Started New Directors Elected

Although the attendance was not as large as expected from the big membership of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce, at its annual meeting and election of directors last Tuesday night, the record of the past year's work was enthusiastically received by all who were present; and practically everyone who was there was solidly behind the program outlined for the year 1925.

Secretary Paul T. Vickers, who came to Midland about nine months ago, delivered a fine report of the work of the big organization, with special emphasis on the work of the members and the directors.

His report showed many substantial accomplishments, many of which were outlined in a recent issue of The Midland Reporter. The secretary had on display a number of huge boards on which were pasted the articles that have appeared in many of the leading papers, with publicity about Midland, and the array ran almost across the front of the district court room. Mr. Vickers said he could account for about 200,000 words of good free publicity that have appeared in newspapers, and much of this publicity was carried to other papers by the various press organizations, so that he lost track of it.

Notable among the concrete evidences of the Chamber's work is that a County Agricultural Agent is now working in Midland County. His work is doing much already toward benefitting the farmers and livestock men and their industries.

The most recent big thing that has been done to benefit the entire community is the gigantic rabbit poisoning campaign, first launched through the untiring efforts of V. C. Ray, who took up the matter of securing federal aid, through Congressman Claude Hudspeth.

The work that has been done on road construction was also one of the immediate and most obvious results of the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce, through the cooperation of the Commissioners' Court.

It would be impractical to attempt to enumerate the various activities that were described in the annual report, but no citizen of Midland can be unaware of the development that has been brought about by the work of the commercial organization.

1925 Ambitions

To continue the good work during the year 1925, many things were brought about that needed to be done. The first was to organize either Boy Scout or H-Y boys clubs in the county, giving proper attention to the development of the young men.

The completion of the road from Midland to Lamesa, by way of the growing community of Patricia was also mentioned as a necessity.

The conversion of the road which is now being built from Midland to Rankin into a State Highway, if this is possible, was deemed advisable.

Then the need of a new road to Garden City was stressed, to take care of the ever increasing trade that should come from that big territory. To continue another year of big publicity about Midland, keeping the community before the outside world, was given as an assured number on the program for 1925.

The importance of exhibiting at various fairs, to demonstrate what Midland can do in growing diversified crops was given as a good move. Continued aid will be given to the farmers of this territory, in killing rabbits; and aid will be continued for poison at cost.

Measures will be followed to see that a road, either a good highway or a railroad, will be built to the Seminole country.

An ice factory and a steam laundry, two badly needed institutions, are to be sought.

Street improvements will be considered, perhaps with the idea of securing paving as soon as possible.

Poultry, and farm demonstration cars from the T. and P. rail road, similar to those made in extension work will be asked for.

One of the immediate plans is to

try to secure the district meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce for the year 1926.

The Chamber of Commerce will encourage the planting of more orchards, especially peaches and pecan trees on tank dams.

The mutual needs of the farmer, rancher and merchant will be worked on, seeking the greatest of cooperation among all groups.

It is planned to distribute more and better literature about Midland. Better lighting for the Midland streets will be sought.

A cotton compress, as soon as the territory will justify it, is one of the aims.

Location of railway shops, which may be probable, will be considered seriously, offering the aid of the Chamber of Commerce to the railroad officials when they desire it.

Midland will be boosted as the district and wholesale city for the surrounding trade territory.

Sensible advertising will be fostered, and spurious forms of advertising will be condemned for the local business men.

The creation of a building and loan association to take care of the needs of more homes will be looked into.

The permanent location of a federal rodent control man, with his headquarters in Midland, is to be worked for.

The chief aim will be to make Midland a city, like Abilene and Amarillo.

On motion of Pat P. Barber, the Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution favoring the appropriation of State funds to supplement Federal funds in fighting rodents. The secretary stated that Midland was in line for being headquarters of a rodent control man if the State Legislature passes a bill supplementing Federal funds.

Highsmith is Speaker

The address of the evening was made by R. A. Highsmith, convention manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. He was here in the stead of Porter Whaley, who was unable to reach Midland because of snow covered roads at Stamford.

Mr. Highsmith made what several of his hearers declared was the best Chamber of Commerce speech they had ever heard. He secured the attention of his audience by making humorous but pointed illustrations and then driving home points on town loyalty and enthusiasm.

"Don't wait for your secretary, your directors, to do all the work, because they are the leaders, or because you are paying your secretary. They can't make the chamber of commerce work successful unless they have your support, no matter how capable they may be. Attend the meetings, make suggestions, show your elected leaders they have your support, personally and morally, as well as financially," declared the speaker.

Officers Elected

Following the announcement that directors would be elected for the ensuing year, nominations were made from the floor, and ballots were taken. When all were counted, the following nine men found themselves elected: W. R. Chancellor, J. B. Wilkinson, H. W. Rowe, J. E. Hill, Addison Wadley, B. F. Haag, Chas. L. Klapproth, Chas. Gibbs and T. Paul Barron.

These nine directors, in keeping with the by-laws of the organization, held a called meeting Thursday afternoon, and elected two directors and the officers. Dr. John B. Thomas and B. F. Whitefield were elected to the directorate, and the officers who have so faithfully filled their positions during the past year were re-elected.

W. R. Chancellor, although he would not consider the office at first, finally consented to accept the presidency for another term. He was told by the directors that the organization had experienced the greatest year of any commercial organization ever organized in Midland, and that the same administration should continue.

Addison Wadley was elected vice-president, J. B. Wilkinson was elected treasurer, and Paul T. Vickers will

TWO SUDDEN DEATHS ON TUESDAY MORNING

DR. J. W. WOOLDRIDGE AND MRS. W. G. PEMBERTON DIED AT ABOUT SAME HOUR.

Coming as a shock to the entire community, two sudden and unexpected deaths were reported about eight o'clock last Tuesday morning. Both people were old timers in Midland, and were well known throughout this section of the country.

Dr. J. W. Wooldridge

Dr. Wooldridge, whose home has been in San Antonio for the past few years, had been in Midland for about two months, visiting his daughter, Mrs. Elliott F. Cowden, and her family. His health had apparently been good, and he had not complained at all.

Mrs. Cowden was in a local sanitarium, where she recently underwent an operation, and Dr. Wooldridge had prepared breakfast for the Cowden children. He walked to town and stopped in the office of the Rockwell Bros. lumber yard to warm. It was there that he suddenly passed out, without a moment's warning.

Dr. Wooldridge practiced medicine in Midland long years ago, and was a faithful citizen in the community during its early growing years. All of his acquaintances have been his friends, and his death will be mourned all over the country. He was 72 years old.

He moved to Fort Worth with his family several years ago, and Mrs. Wooldridge died there. Consequently Dr. Wooldridge's body was taken there for burial. It was accompanied by Elliott F. Cowden, the funeral being held Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. G. Pemberton

As a pioneer citizen, Mrs. W. G. Pemberton also held a prominent place. Her health had not been good for some time, and she did not mix with her friends as she formerly did.

As stated before, her death came unexpectedly, in spite of the fact that she had not been well for quite a while. She would have been 59 years old next October.

The funeral services were held at her home Wednesday afternoon, Rev. L. U. Spellmann officiating, assisted by Rev. W. B. Blount. Mrs. Pemberton was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Axtell and Mrs. Mac Neill, daughters of J. T. Pemberton, of Fort Worth, and Guy Pemberton, were here for the funeral. Mrs. Kenneth Davis, of Stanton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pemberton, was here, and the other daughters have been living with their mother and father, namely Miss Marjorie, Miss Minnie Warren and Miss Euphrye.

Lindsey-Mogelin

Coming as a surprise to the most intimate friends, is the news of the marriage of Miss Bertha Bell Mogelin to Mr. Frank Lindsey, of Blythe, California. Miss Mogelin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Mogelin. The ceremony was performed in Phoenix January 3, at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Frank Lindsey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lindsey, of Blythe, California.

The bride wore a gown of navy blue satin and a hat to match.

Mrs. Lindsey attended Mesa and Phoenix high schools.

The young couple left immediately for Blythe, where they will make their home.

Mr. Lindsey is a well known young rancher of Blythe District.

The bride and her parents are well remembered as former citizens of Midland.

May Thanks Reporter

In a letter from Assistant Attorney General Ernest May, who represented the State in the recent I. C. C. hearing, The Midland Reporter was thanked for a copy of the paper, giving the account of the hearing and for the way in which the intervenors' work was complimented.

continue as secretary.

With these same men in their carefully studied positions, the coming year's work should be greater than ever.

ATTORNEY FANNIN LEAVING MIDLAND

TO BE CONNECTED WITH IMPORTANT LAW FIRM IN FT. WORTH.

On or about February 16, when County Attorney O. W. Fannin makes his departure for Fort Worth, Midland will lose a valuable lawyer and a fine family.

Mr. Fannin recently completed transactions whereby he will go to Fort Worth for the law firm of Bryant, Stone, Wade and Agerton, a firm of lawyers that have made a great success in Fort Worth and that section of the state.

It is his intention to leave Midland about February 16, with his family.

Mr. Fannin was educated in the Midland public schools, having come here as a young boy, then attended State University, where he completed his academic work and his law degree. As a student, he was always at the head of his classes, and proved himself to be a resourceful thinker early in life. He was active in high school debates, and continued his public speaking when he entered college.

During the war, he was a commissioned officer and made a great record as a soldier.

When he completed his law work in college, he returned to Midland and began the active practice of law, and has had a large and growing practice. He has been an untiring county attorney, and has served the community well.

Through friendships made in the course of his legal work, he has secured the position which will take him from Midland, and it is believed that he will continue to advance in his work. His advancement in the new field will be limited only by his own ability, and his friends in Midland know that his ability will give him a wide range.

County Agent Is Organizing Clubs

Three boys farm clubs were organized Wednesday by County Agent J. B. Snider. Midland boys are joining a maize club, a cotton club, and a pig club. If sufficient interest is shown, the county agent will start a baby beef club.

Mr. Snider spoke to interested boys at the South Ward school Wednesday, after Principal M. L. Moody had gathered the boys from the several rooms into his office room. A number of them took cards to sign for membership.

The county agent told the boys that they would be provided with free maize seed for their test acres by the Midland National Bank. Only pure-bred cotton and maize seed will be planted he said. He also told them of a free trip which prize winners would get to the Dallas Fair, and pointed out to the boys that they should get the money they made off their one acre to five acres of maize and cotton, or their pigs. He said other prizes would likely be offered.

Mr. Moody and the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce also made short talks urging the boys to join the clubs so as to learn as much as they can under the instruction of an expert, win prizes, and lay the groundwork for becoming the best farmers in Midland County.

Band Players To Go To Big Spring

E. D. Kittinger, director of the Big Spring band, was in Midland Thursday to employ some of the local boys to augment his band when the district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is held in Big Spring Thursday.

He said the band would meet the Midland delegation outside the main district of the city and escort the Midland visitors to the convention hall.

Midland people will leave here at 9 a. m. promptly from the street in front of the Llano Hotel. At least 50 men and women are needed if the convention is to be brought to Midland in 1926.

Mrs. Frank L. Hill returned Thursday from Spur, where she has been visiting her daughter for several weeks.

ELECTION IS ORDERED FOR BONDS TO FINANCE NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

Petition to School Board Was Signed by Almost Two Hundred Qualified Voters of the Midland Independent School District

If the school board of the Midland Independent School District had been opposed to a bond election for a new building, their objections would not have any weight whatever with the many citizens who got out and circulated a petition to get said election ordered.

However, the members of the board are not opposed to it. They know how badly the building is needed and they want the building. They are not by themselves. One hundred and seventy nine other citizens demonstrated their desire to get a bond issue through by signing the petition requesting that the election be ordered at the earliest possible date, so that a building may be ready by next Fall.

How It Started

Following the current comment on the streets for the last few years, the recommendations of the department of education of the State, the fact that other towns smaller than Midland have better buildings, and following the criticism that is openly expressed by every visitor to Midland, what course could be followed but to get a new school building?

The citizens who believe in the welfare of the community, and who want to see that their children are given their rightful advantages, have started the ball rolling themselves.

They have talked it and have brought it into print in so many ways that bond salesmen, architects, and others who are interested in school buildings, have been coming to Midland in droves.

The members of the school board could not get it off their minds even if they wanted to. So when that long petition came in, there was only one course to pursue, and they did it.

Clubs Endorse It

Two of the first guns fired were the endorsements of a bond issue for the erection of a school building by two civic organizations.

The Lions Club, an organization that is operated solely as a luncheon club, not performing the duties of a commercial organization gave its endorsement.

The Parent-Teachers' Association, which is in constant contact with the needs of the local schools, endorsed the movement, and there was a big attendance of Midland women at the meeting.

Citizens Talk It

One prominent business man stated that he could not imagine anyone talking against such a proposition, or anything that is good for the town.

He added that good schools are the greatest asset a town can have.

Another one added that if any citizen would go 20 or 50 miles in any direction and see how the neighboring towns have Midland "skinned" for school houses, he will come back ashamed of what we have. He stated that if Abilene and Lubbock had listened to the reactionary element (and they have them), they would have more than 3500 population today.

One business man who owns quite a good deal of taxable real estate here said that he would vote for the bond issue even if it meant three times as much taxes, because he believes the school is needed that badly.

Petition Circulated

Finally the petition was drawn up and circulated, and the voters flocked to it. It was out only a few days and 179 people signed it, although only twenty are required. This was the stroke that the school board was waiting for, and they immediately met and ordered the election that will undoubtedly mean the salvation of Midland's dreadful school situation.

The order itself is reproduced elsewhere in the paper, and may be read fully so that each voter will have a complete understanding of it.

Propositions Explained

There are two propositions in the election order, and each voter should vote his preference in each proposition.

It should be noted that the mini-

mum tax of \$1.00 per \$100.00 is the maximum including both propositions, and that it will be the highest possible amount of tax. Some may construe it to be the sum of the two propositions, but that is wrong.

Only thirty days were allowed between the date of ordering the election and the day for the election itself, so that February 24 is the date.

The amount of the bonds will be \$150,000, which will be ample to provide the necessary building and equipment for the schools.

COURT TO CONVENE ON FEBRUARY 9TH

LIST OF JURYMEN IS PUBLISHED FOR NEXT TERM OF DISTRICT COURT.

Sheriff A. C. Francis submits the following list of Midland County men who have been summoned for jury service during the February term of district court.

Although law violations have apparently few during months, there are a few violations to be reported to the jury.

Boys who have violated the law during the past year are as follows:

- George W. ...
- Neal ...
- Lester ...
- M. W. ...
- Rube Clayton ...
- C. M. Goldsmith ...
- Herd Midkiff ...
- Dick Ethridge ...
- Clifford Hill ...
- N. L. Heidelberg ...
- Alvin Johnson ...
- J. H. King ...
- Ernest McCall ...
- B. H. Blakeney ...
- W. C. Myrick ...
- R. O. Brooks ...
- J. Curtis Nance ...
- Lee Bradshaw ...
- Tom Patterson Jr. ...
- Roy McKee ...
- W. S. Garnett ...
- L. A. Brunson ...
- Bill Countiss ...
- Lynn Butler ...
- J. H. Wilhite ...
- J. H. Locklar ...
- J. E. Montiehl ...
- W. J. Sparks ...
- John Williams ...
- Jim Shelburne ...
- W. B. Blount ...
- L. U. Spellmann ...

Copy of Grand Jurors for February Term District Court, to appear First Monday, same being 2nd day of February, 1925:

- Joe Caldwell Jr.
- W. A. Hutchison.
- Claud Williams.
- Dewey Stokes.
- Bobbie Yarbrough.
- Addison Wadley.
- J. L. Tidwell.
- A. W. Stanley.
- D. H. Reitger.
- Byron Bryant.
- H. W. Rowe.
- H. J. Neblett.
- R. M. Barron.
- Chas. F. Ulmer.
- G. C. Walker.
- M. R. Hill.

Sun In Eclipse

Those who arose early enough last Saturday morning, had the pleasure of seeing the sun in eclipse, shortly after sun rise. It grew considerably darker for a few minutes, and the black spot was clearly visible through a smoked glass.

The man who does nothing never knows when he is through.

The "Moral Risk"

In considering loans your bank is largely influenced by the MORAL RISK.

Bankers in other towns or cities, where you are a comparative stranger, will limit your requirements to your cash balance.

Sometimes you are entitled to more than that—why not bank in your home town where your moral worth is known and where it will have weight?

It's worth thinking about, gentlemen.

Midland National Bank

"There Is No Substitute For Safety"

PROSPECTOR IS CRAZY ABOUT MIDLAND LAND

SAID TO BE INSANE BECAUSE HE WANTED TO SELL OUT AND MOVE HERE.

If it's a joke, it's a good one! If it's not a joke, there is "something funny" about this story.

A prospector from one of the State's banner cotton counties, where land is valued at from five to ten times as much as in Midland County, recently came to Midland to look at the country.

One of the local real estate men showed him a good sized piece of property that met with his favor, and he wanted it. The price suited him. He stated that he must return to his home and close out some of his property there, after which he would return and complete the deal. He expected to return within ten days.

Ten days later, he had not returned to Midland. Several more days elapsed and still no land buyer. The real estate man began to think his customer had forgotten him.

However, just a few days ago, a letter bearing the postmark of Terrell, Texas, arrived in the mail of the real estate dealer. It was from no other than the prospective land buyer. The writer stated that he had returned to his home and announced his intention of selling out and moving to Midland, whereupon his family had him immediately put in jail, declaring that he was crazy. In a few days he was sent to the state asylum at Terrell. He stated however that he would move to Midland as soon as he got out.

One Midland man, on hearing the story, believes that the people of that section of Texas are so jealous of the Midland country that they go to any extreme to prevent their citizens from coming here. Another one thinks that they regard any of their citizens as being crazy when they want to come here. People who met the man believe he possesses superior intelligence, but was "railroaded."

SUGGESTIONS FOR ACCIDENT PREVENTION

Secretary Hoover, in an address before the National conference on Street and Highway Safety, asked for the co-operation of all interests in an effort to reduce the now rapidly increasing number of deaths and injuries due to traffic accidents. He stated that there were 22,000 such deaths and 678,000 serious injuries last year and that nearly 80 per cent of the highway accidents were due to the automobile.

Here is a suggestion for lessening accidents. In the old days, a road was rounded up like a railroad grade with deep ditches on each side. Probably two teams passed at a pace of three or four miles an hour on every five mile stretch. Today our modern highway grades are largely the same, with a strip of pavement in the center on which scores of automobiles pass in a mile traveling at a rate of speed varying from 25 to 45 miles an hour. With good driving, there are no accidents. Misjudgment one way or another, however, and an automobile crashes with another car or goes in the ditch.

Instead of digging ditches on each side of the road, use the same labor and extend the grade and culvert crossings from the edge of the pavements at a gentle slope to the fence row on each side. In other words, have the curve of the road more like a street. This is possible along 90 per cent of the highways at no additional expense. Thus is the tendency for cars to crowd in the center relieved and consequently the danger of accidents is lessened.

All the rules, regulations and laws that can be passed will be of little or no avail so long as a man or woman can buy an automobile one minute, step into the state licensing department and get a permit to drive the next minute, regardless of his familiarity with the car, its operation or road rules. No other piece of machinery in the world is operated on such haphazard basis. The marvel is that instead of 22,000 deaths a year, there are not 200,000 deaths.

Remove the cause and you will remove the accidents. Intermediary measures will be useless. Compulsory automobile accident insurance, or worse yet, monopolistic state automobile accident insurance, a suggested remedy, will simply encourage recklessness for it will cause to remove restraint from an already careless person.

Judge Chas. Gibbs returned last Saturday from Fort Worth, where he has been with Mrs. Gibbs. Mrs. Gibbs was operated on January 14, and is reported to be getting along fine at present.

Great Fire Loss Report

The fire losses reported during December are the heaviest we have had, being over one million dollars. In several cases adjustments had not been made at the time of the report and these would run the amount higher.

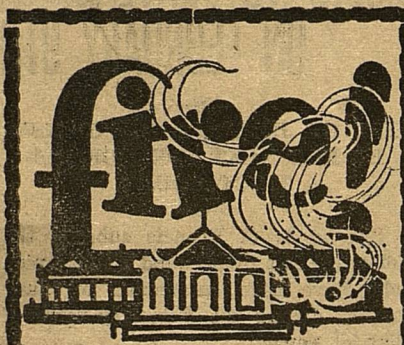
We hear much talk about high taxes in the public press, but few mention the awful fire tax which we are paying. This is a complete loss without return. Other taxes do not represent losses. These taxes represent a transfer of funds from the individuals to the government. In the fire tax the property goes up in smoke and cannot be used by anyone. It takes time to grow timber for lumber and much labor is consumed in the preparing of materials and the construction of buildings, etc.

It is a little discouraging at times to see the slow progress we make in fire prevention, but we are convinced that it is through education that we may hope to correct this wasteful habit we have. The fire losses for December would go a long way in equipping the State University with ample buildings or in furnishing buildings for the West Texas Technological College.

Fire Losses in Texas, December, 1924

- 49 defective chimneys and flues, \$83,003.02.
- 18 Gas, natural and artificial, \$25,110.00.
- 1 Ignition of hot grease, tar, wax, etc., \$25.00.
- 26 Matches, Smoking, \$26,771.00.
- 3 open lights, \$9,760.00.
- 8 Rubbish and litter, \$6,209.50.
- 29 Sparks on roof, \$5,463.02.
- 46 stoves, furnaces, boilers, and their pipes, \$3,911.06.
- 20 electricity, \$69,334.02.
- 45 exposure, including conflagration, \$45,169.40.
- 3 Incendiary, \$23,636.00.
- 1 lightning, \$1,350.00.
- 33 miscellaneous known causes, \$57,918.64.
- 6 spontaneous combustions, \$8,568.50.
- 78 unknown causes, \$717,606.22.
- Total Cases, 366.
- Total Losses, \$1,183,925.88.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. (Bill) Locklar last Sunday night. The proud father was taking long steps down town the next morning.



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A. C. FRANCO, a de Sheriff and Tax Collect are Midland County, Texa

Mrs. A. W. Cato returned last Saturday after spending several weeks in Weatherford, Fort Worth and Dallas. She was accompanied by J. Cato, brother of A. W. Cato.

LOO BARRON
E. H. Barron
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Texas

It's

Local Highway Toward the Oil Field

Midland County has completed more than one third of the road toward Rankin, where it is to be met by the Upton County road. Those who have been over this part already built say that it will be in the class of state highways, and rides like a boulevard.

According to a message received by the local Chamber of Commerce, Upton County officials are ready to go to work as soon as R. E. Estes can be obtained to do the engineering work.

Earl Dunn was here from Andrews last Saturday.

Let Us Stock Your Pantry With Good Groceries

Our merchandise is first class. Rapid turnover means fresh stock. Our prices are reasonable on every item. Our service has not been reduced. Phone us for prompt deliveries.

Smith & Stevens

PROMPT DELIVERY SERVICE
Wholesale and Retail
GROCERIES AND RANCH SUPPLIES
PHONE 242. WE DELIVER

Come See the New SPRING THINGS

Truly they are beautiful, in fact it seems that every new season brings more Beautiful Styles, Fabrics and Colors.

AS TO COLORS

This will undoubtedly be a season of the brightest of bright colors, and what is even better still, they will every one be FAST COLORS.

Hardly is there a wash fabric today but that is absolutely fast.

This store has given particular attention to this feature and for Spring every yard of wash materials shown will carry a guarantee of FAST TO SUN AND TUB, and you can buy even the brightest of colors without a particle of fear of their fading.

ABOUT STRIPES

Yes, Stripes are very, very good, in fact, they were never before so good.

True, some style authorities predict that they will be of short life and that solid colors will be leading before the Spring Season is far advanced, but the fact remains that for early wear it is STRIPES—BIG, BRIGHT, BROAD STRIPES.

EVERY WEEK BRINGS NEW

Spring Ready-to-Wear Millinery

and we know that you will be glad to stop in and see these as they come. No obligation, we just want you to see the most wonderful new Spring Merchandise you have ever seen.

Childrens Spring Hats are Here OVER A HUNDRED OF THESE—NO TWO ALIKE

Truly, we were fortunate in being able to buy one of the leading Sample Lines of Children's and Misses' Hats. As you realize, samples are usually fashioned and finished with extreme care, and we have been able to save just one third in the price.

We offer you this saving as long as there are any of these.

As to Prices for Spring THIS STORE IS GOING TO SAVE YOU MONEY

IN 1925

You will find high grade, dependable merchandise sold at this store for less than any store in West Texas, or mail order house.

We welcome comparison of values with any source of supply and will gladly help you to save money on your needs.

A BIGGER, BETTER BUSINESS IN 1925

Wadley-Wilson Co.

One Price : : The Lowest : : For Cash Only
MIDLAND, TEXAS

Your Big Opportunity

To Buy Well Known Brands of Merchandise at the Lowest Possible Prices

CASH SYSTEM TAKING FINE

Many have told us that the difference in price was well worth the effort. While we know we have lost a few customers, we believe that we have made five new ones for every one we have lost, and we are going to strive to cut the price even deeper as the market affords it, as we are going to show the people just what a real cash store means to the town.

SPECIALS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT

We are selling many goods for much less than we could buy them for, but it is odds and ends, and some of it is goods that we are not going to continue to handle, so ask to see the bargains as the store is full of them and we are glad to show you our goods, and the price, as we expect the price to do the talking.

What we don't have, we will cheerfully get for you! We are keeping in constant touch with the New Things. New goods are constantly arriving, and it will pay you to make a special trip to town to see our stock.

Don't forget to see us at once, if there is something you want our buyer to get when he goes to market. He is at your service, and will be sure to fill the bill.

PHONE FOR YOUR GROCERIES

When it is not convenient to come to the store and make your own selections. Our deliveries are prompt.

Midland Mercantile Co.

Ben F. Whitefield

The Passing Day

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

Thousands of people from all over Texas were in Austin to witness the inauguration of Mrs. Ferguson as governor. It was an epochal event in Texas history, installing the first woman as governor. Many of the thousands were not especially interested either in the history or in the governor; but were in Austin because they knew all sections of Texas would be represented, and they wanted to be "among those present." Others came to meet political friends of former days and talk over old times with them. Hosts of them were her to see if any political crumbs might be gathered for themselves or their friends, or to see members of the legislature about legislative matters in which they are interested.

Austin, usually staid and dignified and with an educational and literary atmosphere that can be distinctly felt, becomes busy and even kittenish when the legislature convenes and a new governor comes into office. Then it is the mecca of newspaper men of Texas who like to gather where the lights are brightest. Nearly all the newspaper writers of Texas manage to get here for at least a few days during the legislative session, and most of those who are not yet here are arranging to be here when the Texas Press Association holds its biennial business session February 6th and 7th. While that business session may be the main incentive for a large gathering, most of them like to come here to see the "legislative wheels go round." A dozen or two of them are parts of the legislative and governmental machinery themselves, and they always give the other newspaper workers a hearty greeting.

The most interesting thing about a large crowd gathered from many sections is the crowd itself and the reaction of parts of the crowd to others. Texas is so large that the people of one section are often a good show to those from other parts of the state. In large crowds characters can nearly always be found who look like they had been left over from a century ago. I saw an elderly man, inauguration day, wearing a "plug" or "stov-e-pipe" hat along Congress Avenue in the daytime; the first I had seen on the streets in many years. It would have been interesting to have talked with that man and to have led him back in the conversation to days when tall silk hats were worn as the distinguishing day-time dress of eminent men. But the modern man is in too great a hurry to loiter on the streets to talk to the survivors of past generations.

When the orchestra started some lively dance music at the inauguration ball a confederate veteran with long flowing white beard, evidently recalling his youthful days, found a dancing partner and joined with much vigor in the crowded whirl of dancers. Unmindful of the applause he received and the admonitions from the watchers to "keep your step, Santa Claus," the old man danced round after round, his long white whiskers and his confederate grey uniform making a picture among the gaily dressed dancers that will be remembered long after the aged veteran had passed on. The memory of the occasion will always be as pleasing to him as to the youngest dancer there, and the crowd was happy in seeing him happy.

The Old Gray Mare Band, of Brownwood, again demonstrated at the inauguration how enthusiasm and determination can keep an organization and place in the public eye. It reached Austin on an early morning train, bringing the now famous old gray mare along. Early in the morning it was parading Congress Avenue, Mae Patterson, a noted prima donna, riding the old gray mare and gracefully smiling at the crowds. Up the granite steps of the capitol she rode, waving her sombrero at the cheering crowds, the band playing the air that has made it famous throughout the country. Down the immense corridors of the majestic building the band marched, its music resounding through every room of the great structure. Thousands did not get to see the woman governor, for the crowds were too large for all to hear or see her, but all heard and praised that band and commended Brownwood for maintaining such an organization. Its reputation has been made by years of hard practice and much sacrifice on the part of its members and the determination of its director, Wright Armstrong, to make it one of the famous bands of the country.

Mrs. E. O. Ellington, of Big Spring, was in Midland last Saturday.

Rain or Shine!

We can give you one day service in Cleaning and Pressing. The weather makes no difference to us.

We are equipped to dry your clothes in a short time, also have a closed truck to call for and deliver with, so don't fail to call us anytime we can be of service to you.

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NOTICE

The Commissioners' Court of Andrews County, Texas, will, at the regular February 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. 1925, receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Andrews County, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county for the ensuing two years as prescribed by law.

And such banking corporation, association or individual banker of said County, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the county judge of said county on or before the first day of 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 shall be accepted by the court, he will enter into the bond as required by law.

At the said term of 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, this 19th day of January, A. D. 1925.

S. E. Umberson,
County Judge, Andrews
County, Texas.

Encouraging Incendiarism

In a western state two convicted and confessed fire-bugs have just been released on parole without seeing a day in prison, after receiving a sentence of 8 years each.

They were the owners and managers of a restaurant and conspired to commit a gross fraud on their creditors and the insurance companies and the sentence of the judge and jury was not too severe.

In the easy-going way in which justice is being administered, where the property and lives of others were endangered, the judge on the bench and the jury joined in extenuating pleas for the release of the fire-bugs.

It is stated upon high authority by one of the most prominent officials in this western state that 50 per cent of the fires last year were incendiary, and that the property consumed in flame and smoke thereby, totaled \$5,000,000.

In the measure of criminality, deliberate incendiarism ranks with criminal assault, kidnapping and murder.

In addition to causing loss of life to citizens and fire fighters, firebug criminals generally aim to secure funds with which to carry on further operations.

As a matter of record, men, women and children constantly lose their lives in blazes lighted by fire-bugs. The men in this case confessed to the crime of arson, to touching a match to oil-soaked materials.

Liberating fire-bugs imperils lives and financial interests of property owners, whose insurance rates are higher on account of leniency to confessed criminals.

Such a phony sentence as ordering two confessed criminals to the penitentiary for eight years each and immediately paroling them brings our courts into marked disrespect.

Superintendent Duncan, who is at the head of one of the prosperous county schools north of Stanton, was a business visitor to Midland last Saturday. He has over 100 pupils, several teachers, and they may add one more teacher real soon on account of the increase in the number of pupils.

R. M. Barron and N. W. Ellis motored to Rankin, Big Lake, Best, Texas, Stiles and other points adjacent to the oil fields last Sunday. They say that a road to the field must be built at once if Midland is to get in on the big business.

West Texas Faces Prosperity In 1925

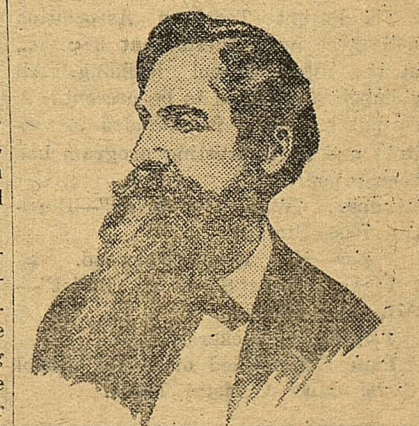
Bankers and business men, both large and small, greeted the advent of the new year with a spirit of optimism, in which there is evident much real enthusiasm in their predictions for the 12 months ahead.

That this sentiment is well founded is shown by many favorable signs; a general upward movement of commodity prices; last year's abundant cotton yield which enabled the farmer to liquidate 90 per cent of his debts, and fairly favorable conditions in the wool growing sections. Sheep raisers are further bolstered up by new advanced contract prices for the current year, which augurs prosperity for this class following their spring clip.

Wholesale and retail sales, on the whole, showed much gain, ranging from 10 per cent in the wearing apparel lines, to 25 per cent and even 50 per cent increase in other lines. With very few exceptions there has been healthful growth and comparative gains reported in building activities, and bank deposits invariably have shown a gain of 50 per cent to 100 per cent.

The cattle industry underwent little or no change for better, and only in instances where herds were released at sacrificial prices was there much liquidation or indebtedness reported. A slight upward trend in future contracts points to some relief in the future, however, just how pronounced remains to be seen.

To sum up the situation, West Texas today is indeed a land of plenty, and probably never before in history have the people enjoyed so much wealth. With disasters of recent years still in their minds, they are now in position to use the power in their hands, and forge ahead steadily, avoiding the speculative tendencies followed by some in former days, and dodging the danger of extremes in either course pursued.

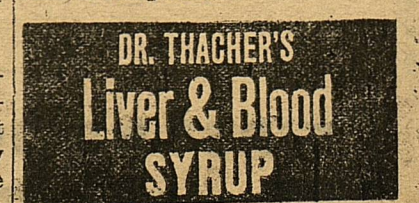


DR. H. S. THACHER Do You Feel All Tired Out?

When your appetite is gone and your digestion bad; when your food sours on your stomach, causes gas to form and makes you nervous and feel like smothering; when you feel all tired out and unfit for work you need Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup.

Miss Forrest Deese, Route 9, Cullman, Ala., says: "My health was failing fast; I felt tired and worn out and could hardly get my breath. Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup is our family medicine and it soon relieved my sufferings."

Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup is now being used by countless numbers of men and women because it not only improves digestion but helps to soothe the nerves, wake up the sluggish liver, relieve constipation and send pure, healthy blood coursing through your veins. Your money returned if it fails to bring relief.



For Sale By City Drug Store

ANDREWS LOCAL NEWS

By F. S. Wilson

Nearly the entire community is suffering from colds.

Quite a few prospectors are in town this week.

Mrs. Hunter Irwin and children have moved back to the ranch. The children will attend the Shafter school.

A. L. Wilson and son and family are again in Colorado this week looking after business.

Miss Lillian Dorn, our primary teacher, is spending a few days with home folks in Colorado this week.

Miss Florence Mathews is filling her place in the school room.

Frank Wilson and Theo Heasley made a business strip to Lamesa Saturday.

Rev. Pickins filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

The young folks enjoyed a party Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Craddock. All report a nice time.

Frank Wilson and family were the guests of J. D. Mathews and family Sunday.

Ned McAllister and wife, of Shafter, were the guests of H. C. Barnes and wife Sunday. They also at-

tended church.

At the home of Roy Wilson, Justice of the Peace, last Wednesday night, Mr. Alvin Williams and Miss Vesta Heasley were united in marriage. Both young people are well known here and their many friends wish them a long happy married life.

Mrs. Mattie Taylor and little daughter, Lometa, returned home Wednesday from a few days visit in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Sutphen have moved to Iatan, where he will take up work in the depot. Andrews is sorry to lose these good people, but wish them success in their new home.

J. D. Mathews and son, Walter, were attending to business in Lamesa Monday.

HOME FOR SALE

My home in Midland is for sale. Stucco house, one block of ground, good well and windmill, cypress and concrete tanks, good barn and corals, young orchard. Four large blocks adjacent are fenced and being used without cost. I also have for sale 15 acres of land south of college. Have two good jersey cows for sale. 17-2t

O. W. Fannin.

Gus Miller was in Wednesday from the Blakeney ranch.

A School Message

A new school building for the city of Midland and Midland County is an imperative necessity, but the 64 sections of land around and embracing the town of Midland should not have to bear all the burden of paying for the bonds to build it.

Below are 14 points why Midland County should be included in one independent School District, to share the benefit and share the cost.

These points following are not in logical sequence but are briefly put:

No. 1: It will save money to do this. Rural schools that have only a few pupils, and an expense of say \$2,000 per term to maintain them, can be closed and the pupils hauled to a central school for not more than one fourth of the cost of maintaining the rural school.

No. 2: The pupils from the rural schools will get the advantages of a high school education, the same as his city cousin, whereas he now gets only the advantages of a grammar school.

No. 3: The country pupil is entitled to the same educational advantages as the city pupil.

No. 4: The chances for carrying an election for the bonds to build the building will be assured.

No. 5: The school tax rate will be equalized all over the county.

No. 6: The tax will be no more than it is now on an average all over the county, and have the new building thrown in.

No. 7: School Trustees will not all be elected out of the Town of Midland.

No. 8: It will encourage the building and maintaining of roads.

No. 9: It will encourage farmers to come to our county to live and own farms, because they will have equal educational advantages for their children.

No. 10: The farmer and the man living in the country will not have to move to town and rent or build a home in order to have the advantages of a good school.

No. 11: There will be more co-operation between the town and the country.

No. 12: Our whole population will be unified, Churches and all good work will be promoted.

No. 13: It will put Midland on the map and be the best advertisement she ever had.

No. 14: It will promote the happiness and be a blessing generally to everybody concerned.

A VOTER.

WANTED

SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS, 1st LIEN LAND NOTES—ON IMPROVED FARMS, LANDS—CHAS. EBBERSOL, STANTON, TEXAS.

Rev. Homer Miller of Odessa was a business visitor to Midland Tuesday.

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Political Announcement

For City Marshal:

OSCAR HALE.

JOHN WINBORNE.
(Re-Election)

CHARLIE McCLINTIC.

Glasscock Citizens Seek Outlet North

Glasscock County wants a railroad. And the citizens of that county are ready to cooperate with Midland people in every way possible to get a railway. They are ambitious to see the Santa Fe extend from Sterling City through Midland northward.

Citizens of that County held a mass meeting, and pledged the right-of-way through the county and maybe a cash bonus of \$20,000 to \$30,000. J. L. Parker and W. T. Mann, representing Glasscock County citizens, were in Midland Wednesday conferring with the Chamber of Commerce secretary relative to the road. These men also conferred with Judge Charles E. Klapproth relative to the proposed auto road from Midland to Garden City. Garden City has nearly completed her end of the road.

Program Prepared For P. T. A. Meeting

The Parent Teachers Association will meet next Tuesday at 3 p. m., at the High School Building. All members are urged to be present. A cordial invitation is extended to visitors and an interesting program has been prepared.

Reading: "Willie's Hearing"—Dorothy Bess Stanley.

Paper—Mrs. Frank Norwood.

Piano Solo: "Scene de Ballet"—Alta Mae Johnson.

Talk—Mrs. Vickers.

Paper: Simplified dress for school girls.—Miss Christal Poole.

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LIVE STOCK

EXPERIMENTS MADE ON FINISHING PIGS

The Minnesota agricultural experiment station has recently reported the results of some hog feeding experiments, principally to determine the relative economy of finishing fall pigs for market as compared with spring pigs. A second purpose of the work was to compare the value of different combinations of feeds for growing pigs. The results of the work are published in bulletin 213.

The different combinations of feeds used were as follows: (1) shelled corn, red dog flour, tankage, self-fed and semi-solid buttermilk hand fed; (2) shelled corn, red dog flour, linseed meal, self-fed and semi-solid buttermilk hand fed; (3) shelled corn, red dog flour, tankage, linseed meal, self-fed.

The cost of 100 pounds gain for the fall pigs fed in dry lots was \$5.22; of the spring pigs fed in dry lots, \$5.71; and, of the spring pigs fed on alfalfa pasture, \$5.52. No charge is included for the alfalfa pasture. The feeds given in the alfalfa lots being self-fed, a comparatively small amount of alfalfa was eaten.

The feed cost per 100 pounds of gain where shelled corn, red dog flour, tankage, and semi-solid buttermilk were fed was \$5.85. Where shelled corn, red dog flour, linseed oil meal and semi-solid buttermilk were fed, the cost of 100 pounds of gain was \$6.05. Where the semi-solid buttermilk was eliminated from the ration and where shelled corn, red dog flour, tankage and linseed meal, were self-fed the cost of 100 pounds of gain was \$4.54.

The authors of the bulletin, E. F. Ferrin and M. A. McCarty, draw the following conclusions from the feeding experiment:

Fall pigs are more difficult to raise than spring pigs but when handled carefully they are at least equally profitable. A greater variety of feeds is necessary to grow fall pigs satisfactorily because green crops are not available. Fall pigs make as rapid gains when well housed and handled as do spring pigs. The amount of feed required to produce gains was practically the same for pigs farrowed at the two different seasons. Cheaper gains were made by fall pigs because feed costs are lower in winter than in summer. Fall pigs sell at higher prices than do spring pigs.

In storing eggs for hatching purposes, it is best to place them in flat wooden trays. Incubator trays not in use are good for this purpose, or trays may be made along that style. A cabinet may be made of a number of these trays nailed together which will be handy and serviceable.

Turn the eggs every day from the time they are taken from the nest until they are placed in the machine. This is to prevent the germ sticking to the shell and rendering the egg worthless for incubation purposes.

Get the eggs into the machine or under hens or off to the customer at the earliest possible moment. Every day that passes lessens the chances of the utmost success. Evaporation is the constant enemy of the held-over hatching egg, and the longer this progresses the less the chance of getting a strong, viable chick.

Scientist Finds Goiter in Minnesota Chickens

Two cases of that rarest of poultry diseases, goiter, have recently been diagnosed by Dr. H. C. H. Kernkamp, assistant professor of veterinary medicine, University of Minnesota. Both were in White Orpington hens which came from the same farm in Ramsey county.

In one of the specimens the thyroid gland had become so enlarged that it pressed against the trachea and inferior larynx and caused the former to become flattened. The heart had also become slightly displaced by the growth and the lungs were pressed against the walls of the thorax.

Records of the veterinary medicine division at university farm show that of 2,409 autopsies on poultry sent in from all parts of Minnesota for investigation and study the last six years, these two cases were the only ones of goiter observed in birds. Carpenter, a veterinary scientist of California, did not find a single case of goiter in 1,000 autopsies on chickens.

Height for Perches

Dropping boards should be level, and the perches arranged about six inches above them. The perches should be on a level, also, and of 2-by-2 material. They should be fastened to 2-by-4 supports that are hinged at the back end of the house so that the roosts can be raised out of the way while scraping the dropping boards.

Damp Sawdust Is Bad

Damp sawdust is not very desirable to use as insulation in a wooden walled poultry house, not only because the dampness is likely to increase rather than decrease, and is bad for poultry, but because damp sawdust has only a small part of the insulating value of dry sawdust. If the coal clinders were crushed into fairly uniform small pieces, it probably would work very well for insulation, but the ordinary lumps are too coarse to have much value for insulation.

A good ration for brood sows is all the alfalfa they will eat and about 2 1/2 pounds corn and 1/4 pound tankage per 100 pounds live weight. If you don't have alfalfa they will eat the leaves of bright clover or soy beans.

FARM POULTRY

GATHER EGGS OFTEN IN SEVERE WEATHER

Success in selling hatching eggs or in getting good hatching eggs for your own incubators to supply you with chicks for the baby chick trade is dependent a great deal upon gathering the eggs during the winter months at frequent intervals; but even market eggs require the same attention in order to get the best results.

In freezing weather the eggs may lie in the nest three or four hours before freezing, but there is no reason for subjecting them to such a temperature for any length of time. If they are to be used for hatching purposes, sold for hatching eggs, you owe it to yourself or your customer to gather them as soon as laid, if possible. Any unnecessary exposure to the temperature will affect, more or less, the hatching quality and the vigor of the chick.

Where it is at all possible, especially in severe weather, it is advisable to visit the nests every 30 minutes and gather such eggs as can be gathered without disturbing hens on nests. So long as there is a hen on a given nest, the eggs under her are in no danger. Those who are fortunate enough to have double-walled and frost-proof houses are not in as much danger of loss as those whose hens are indifferently housed.

The ideal way to handle winter hatching eggs is to put them in the incubator the same day they are laid, says a writer in Successful Farming. However, this is not often possible, unless one has a large flock laying enough to fill the incubators. Some hatchers remedy the situation by having small incubators and setting them every day or two during the season; or, where large machines are used, setting separate compartments.

Where this is impossible and the eggs must be stored a few days before placing in the machines or shipped to customers, it is best to place them in a clean and dry, but well-ventilated place, where an average temperature of about 40 to 45 degrees is maintained. A regular incubator cellar is good for this purpose, but do not place the eggs in a damp, poorly ventilated, or musty vegetable cellar. If you do not have a clean cellar, it is better to place them on a ground floor where the room is heated sufficiently to keep it from freezing.

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Emden Geese Popular

The Emden breed of geese is one of the best known and most popular of all the varieties known. Individuals of this breed are large, and beautifully formed. The back is fairly straight while the under part of the body is canoe shaped, or almost crescent. They have blue eyes, orange bill slanks and toes and pure white plumage. Size and vigor are the principal features to be considered when buying these birds. It is quite common for the females to develop a "dewlap" or loose pouch of skin under the body.

Poultry Facts

Keep strong, healthy, vigorous stock and care for it properly.

Know the preferences of your market and strive to meet them.

Never wash eggs unless they are to be used immediately by local trade.

Don't wash dirty eggs. Washed eggs spoil quickly and are of lower market value.

The first essential in marketing quality eggs as required by the new egg law is quality production. When proper methods are employed it is easy to produce and market quality eggs.

Keep the hens off the dropping boards by putting three-fourths-inch wire netting immediately under the roosts.

Watch for cracks and do not have strong drafts in the roosting rooms. If you neglect this, you will have to fight colds and roup later on.

Confine the hens to the poultry house when the yards are muddy until the middle of the afternoon, when most of the eggs have been laid. This will mean fewer dirty eggs.

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BETTER PICTURES

Friday, Jan. 30:
Leo Maloney in
"KING'S CREEK LAW"

Saturday, January 31:
Elliott Dexter in
"BY DIVINE RIGHT"

Monday and Tuesday, February 2 and 3:
Anita Stewart in
"A QUESTION OF HONOR"

Wednesday and Thursday, February 4 and 5:
"KING OF WILD HORSES"
A Great Picture

RIALTO THEATER

Judge Ed Whittaker, of El Paso, is a business visitor to Midland, having arrived Thursday morning.

Jack Holmsley arrived yesterday from Dallas, and will visit his family here for a few days.

Mrs. Elliott F. Cowden was taken seriously ill last Friday night and an immediate operation was found necessary. She has been getting nicely during the last few days, and her friends are hoping for her immediate recovery.

Fisher Pollard, County Clerk of Andrews and one of the leading citizens of that town, was a business visitor to Midland Thursday.

CLASSIFIED ADS

WILL guarantee salary \$50.00 per week and furnish automobile to several men selling excellent Ford accessories. Address Salesmanager, 4821 Main, Granville, Ohio. 18-1tp

AUCTION SALE: Saturday, Jan. 31, at Shelburne's Wagon Yard—Horses, Mules, Harness. Going to Highest Bidder.—G. W. Bowlin. 18-1tp

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. 42tf

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

FOR SALE: 15 head of 2 and 3-year old mules of \$25.00 per head, or will let 10 head out for year for breaking. Apply to C. M. J. Stringer, 14-4

FOR SALE: Fordson tractor, Athens 2-disc plow, and a two row Case planter. Tractor is almost new.—E. M. Ferrell, at W. J. Moran's office. 16tf

FOR SALE at all times: Good Jersey cows or heifers.—John Waddell, 12tf

FOR SALE: Good Jersey milk cows with young calves, \$40 to \$60. See W. M. Allen. 47-2p

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Poison Getting Results

The Federal government doubled up on the rabbits and prairie dogs in Midland this week. Chief L. C. Whitehead, and his lieutenant, A. L. Bridenstine, were here to mix and dispense poison.

Rabbit poison is still being dispensed from the office of the Chamber of Commerce. Ranchers can get prairie dog poison at cost through arrangements of the Chamber of Commerce. Several hundred pounds of poison were distributed this week.

Sisters Earn \$3,900

Mary and Edith Westover have combined salaries of \$325 a month. Wm. Stevens, at 19, earns \$2,100 a year. Thousands of other Draught-trained graduates have similar incomes. If you'd be interested in a \$1,000 to \$1,200 position to begin with, write for special offer today.—Draught's College, Abilene, Texas. 18-1tpd.

J. W. Parks arrived last Saturday after spending several weeks in Parks Field, Breckenridge and other points in the oil fields.

West Texas News

Lubbock—All but \$60,000 of the \$350,000 bonus required for the building of the railroad from Lubbock west through Levelland to the New Mexico line has been raised and the remaining amount will be raised at once.

Muleshoe—Bailey County has just voted \$60,000 Court House Bonds for the purpose of building a modern county court house. Bailey County had a very prosperous crop year for her farmers and many new farms were put under cultivation during 1924.

Brady—A large deposit of mica has been found near Brady. J. L. Anderson, owner of the land has just made a contract with the Ford Mica Company of New York for a part of the production. Considerable tonnage of the mineral is now available.

Alpine—Much interest is now being evinced along the lower border of the Big Bend country in the great Southern part of Brewster County to get a National park for the preservation of game by the joint co-operation of the State and National governments.

This section of Texas is a natural park for wild game and would be better for that purpose than any other part of the United States.

The National Government, under the Clark-McNary forestry act would provide, among other things, for national forests to be established on military reservations subject to regulations agreed upon by the secretary of war and the secretary of agriculture.

Best—Best, a thriving town of West Texas, will have a number of visitors at the District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held at Big Spring, February 5th.

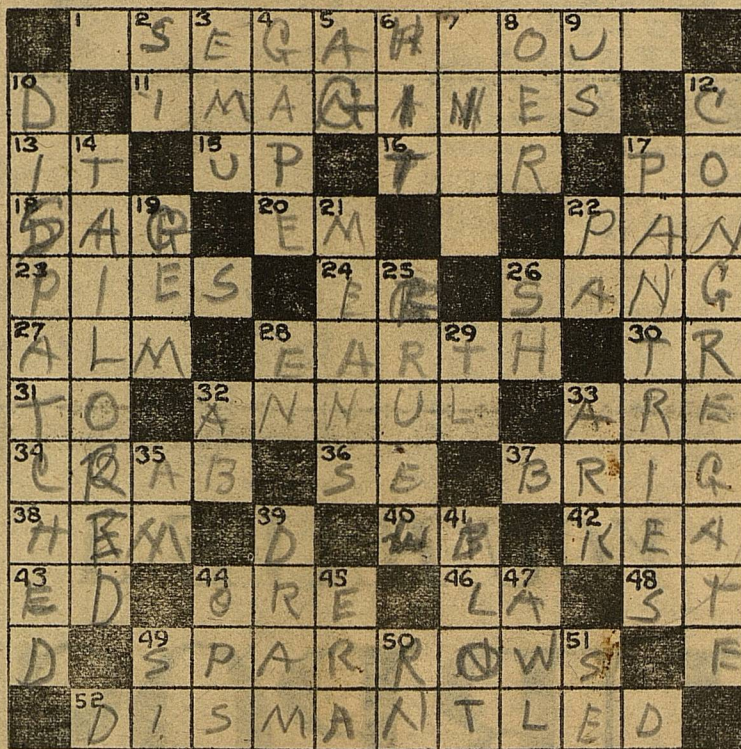
Breckenridge—Stephens County Bond issue for the sum of \$250,000 to build a new modern court house carried a few days ago by a substantial majority.

Canadian—The Canadian Chamber of Commerce will build a long distance telephone line from here to Durham, Okla., according to plans made at a recent meeting of the organization.

The new officers of the Chamber of Commerce are G. L. Anderson, president; H. S. Wilbur, vice-president; W. A. Miller, secretary and C. W. Allen, treasurer.

Christoval—Much interest is being shown at Christoval, one of the most attractive summer resorts in West Texas, in the construction of new residences. Christoval is the annual convention grounds of many religious

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 44



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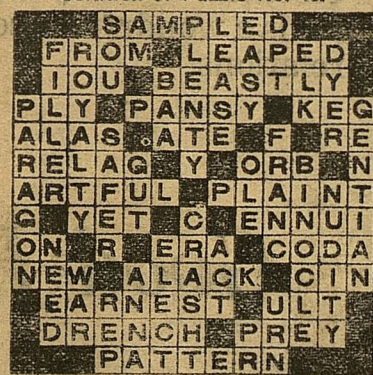
- 1—Tending to flock together
- 11—Issue from a source
- 12—Nutter pronoun
- 13—Skyward
- 14—Through
- 17—European river
- 18—Sink in the middle
- 19—Praising measure
- 22—Metal dish
- 23—Pastries
- 24—For example (abbr.)
- 26—Uttered musically
- 27—Charity
- 28—Dirt
- 29—Initials of a President
- 31—Toward
- 32—Abolish
- 33—Part of verb "to be"
- 34—Apple
- 36—Point of compass
- 37—Ship
- 38—Fold of cloth
- 39—Weight (abbr.)
- 42—New Zealand parrot
- 43—Boy's name
- 44—Native metal
- 46—Note of musical scale
- 48—Byway (abbr.)
- 49—Birds
- 52—Torn down

Vertical.

- 2—Note of musical scale
- 3—Australian bird
- 4—Yawn
- 5—Indefinite article
- 6—Knock
- 7—Prose paragraph
- 8—Across (poetic)
- 9—We
- 10—Sent off
- 12—Gather
- 14—Made to measure
- 17—Food storerooms
- 19—Jewel
- 21—Methods
- 22—Father
- 25—Thin porridge
- 26—Quiet!
- 28—Praising measure
- 29—Symbol for thallium
- 32—Month of Hebrew calendar
- 33—Historic ship
- 35—Part of verb "to be"
- 38—Weight
- 41—State
- 44—Ancient Italian goddess of the harvest
- 45—Age
- 47—Shoemaker's tool
- 48—Note of musical scale
- 50—The king's navy (abbr.)
- 51—Point of compass

Solution will appear in next issue.

Solution of Puzzle No. 43.



denominations that hold their annual meetings. The rugged banks of the South Concho, the large and beautiful pecan trees and liveoak groves are second to none in West Texas.

Lamesa—Poultry business in Dawson County has proven to be very profitable in the last few years and many farmers who heretofore paid no attention to the business have given it much attention. Numbers of farmers are constructing poultry houses, lots or other enclosures as well as many are purchasing incubators for their own use.

Tahoka—The new 150 horse power engine for the light plant in the Santa Fe yards will soon be installed by an expert from the factory.

Big Spring—The Convention for the Central-West Texas District of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held in this city February 5th. From reports received from Convention Manager R. A. Highsmith there will be a large attendance, and everything is being done to make it the best of its kind ever held. Colorado City, Herleigh, Merkel, Lorraine and San Angelo will send bands with their delegations, and practically every town has promised to send delegates to the convention. Indications are at this time that this will be the largest District Convention yet held.

San Angelo—From records secured from the County Agent's office here it is shown that there has been a large increase in the poultry industry. Tom Green County in 1924. This increase in 1924 was 75 per cent greater than the year 1923. The turkey crop alone in 1921 was 2,500 head with an increase in 1924 of 88,000 head, shipped thru San Angelo.

Great growth of the poultry industry is also shown in the increased capacity of two San Angelo hatcheries, the Breezeland Farm and the Rocky Hill Poultry Farm, from 1300 to 23,800.

Sweetwater—Sweetwater is considering bids for street improvements and has asked for bids for furnishing material, labor and machinery for construction of the same. Plans and specifications are already on file in the City Secretary's office.

Bids will be considered on the following types of pavement: Warrenite-Bithulithic; Reinforced Concrete; Asphalt Macadam; Vitrified Brick; Uvalde Rock Asphalt; Willite; Ameliste.

Brady—Among the new buildings to be erected here this year is the modern store building to be constructed by H. W. Zweig. The building will have a 40 ft. frontage and 90 ft. depth, the front to be constructed of ornamental brick and plate glass. The building will also be fire-proof.

Another instance of Brady's civic development is the bond issue for the waterworks extension, to be voted on February 3rd, of \$100,000.

Llano—The Llano Chamber of Commerce, through the Traffic Bureau

of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, is preparing figures on freight rates on granite into Llano, with the purpose of filing complaint for the readjustment of these freight rates so as to put Llano on a parity with granite shipping points to Oklahoma and Kansas.

Llano is now putting on a campaign to interest the farmers in the production of Irish potatoes for commercial purposes.

Jayton—Plans have been completed here for the installation of a modern water works system, and efforts are being made to get the West Texas Utilities Co. to extend their high transmission lines to Jayton. A conference will shortly be held on this.

Memphis—The bank deposits of Hall County are greater than they have ever been, with the exception of 1919. At the close of business December 31, 1924, the total deposits of Hall County banks were three and a quarter million. As the farmers are still gathering cotton the deposits are steadily growing.

Prospects for the year 1925 are exceedingly bright as there is quite a building program in sight, with prospects for something like \$200,000 public buildings to consist of new Masonic Temple and several business houses.

Highway Maps of Texas Available

Ten thousand highway maps of Texas have been obtained by the Texas Highway Association for free distribution throughout the State, according to W. T. Wheeler, Secretary.

The maps are now en route to Texas from Chicago, and distribution will start as soon as they are received next week. The maps, in five colors, show the complete designated highway system of Texas and by different colors the stage of the various roads are designated.

The maps are approximately four feet wide and five feet long. They are to be placed in city halls, court houses, public libraries, chambers of commerce and other public places. Requests for several thousand of the maps already have been received by Wheeler from chamber of commerce officials throughout the state.

L. M. Estes of Stanton was in Midland last Saturday.

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Can Save Money On Cotton Seed

Farmers can save 60 cents a bushel on pure-bred cotton seed if they will buy them before February 15.

The Midland National Bank and the First National Bank have purchased a car of Blue Wagon Mebane cotton seed, and are dispensing these cotton seed through Bob Hill, grain dealer, at \$2.15 a bushel. If these seed were bought from the breeder direct, they would cost the farmers \$2.75 a bushel at least, but the banks have put up the cash to buy the seed in car load lots, and consequently are saving the farmers a big sum.

These seed at this low price, however, must be moved by February 15, as this money is drawing interest, and cost of storage and handling mounts. After February 15, the remaining seed will sell at market price.

These Blue Wagon Mebane seed were bought from one of the 18 breeders of pedigreed seed in Texas. They were bought under the direction of the county agent by the Midland National and the First National and are being distributed by Bob Hill at a price set by the banks which barely covers cost of handling, to encourage the movement in this county to plant only pure seed.

For home made candy, come Saturday, next door to White House. 18-1tp. Mrs. Lenton Brunson.

George Harris was a business visitor from Pecos Wednesday.



NEW CALOMEL BREAKS A COLD OVERNIGHT

When the purest kind of English Calomel was combined with pepsin by a smart young chemist, the world was given an ideal mild medicated laxative for breaking colds. One night is long enough for this new, mild and non-sickening pepsin-treated calomel, called "Pepsinated Calomel" to break the most stubborn cold. Before breakfast time it vanishes and leaves you feeling fresh and fine.

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Austin Office Opened

As has been the custom during the last seven years, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will operate its Legislative Bureau at Austin. This will be in charge of Homer D. Wade, and his address will be the Driskill Hotel, Austin, Texas.

The Austin Chamber of Commerce has agreed to allow them the use of their assembly rooms for any meetings they may desire to have.

Among the specific matters the West Texas Chamber of Commerce shall contend for at Austin this year are: Adequate revision, or equitable revision, of the State Tax Laws and an improved method for highway construction and appropriations.

Any legislative matters may be taken up with Mr. Wade direct.

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Better Business For West Texas

Increase in business and the general development of West Texas is causing the American Railway Express company to make preparations to handle a larger volume of shipments to this section during 1925, according to G. Y. Reed, division superintendent of the company.

Mr. Reed announced that in 1924 many offices in West Texas showed as high as a 50 per cent gain in business over 1923 and that practically every office indicated a substantial increase. He said that the new \$10,000 express building at Lubbock would soon be completed and would enable the company to give better service to this city and intermediate transfer points.

"I want to thank the people of West Texas for the splendid cooperation and support we are receiving in our efforts to give better service," Mr. Reed said. "Through this cooperation we are able to handle shipments right and carry them through with dispatch which means the arrival in good condition with a reduction in loss and damage claims.

"I anticipate a larger volume of business in 1925 and will strive to render the best service possible to all of West Texas during the next year. Development of West Texas assures a steady growth in all lines of business and the American Railway Express company is trying to keep pace with this progress."

New Railroad South of Here Is Planned

According to a story in daily papers yesterday, a new railroad is being planned to operate between San Antonio and San Angelo, connecting up a great country hitherto not served by such a line.

Arrangements are said to be pending for the financing of the line to San Angelo.

Now that such a line is to penetrate that section of the country, it looks like a fine opportunity to connect up the country north of here, by way of Midland, with that south of here.

If the Midland and Northwestern is to be rehabilitated, it would be great to get the gap connected between Seminole and Seagraves, then get a line built from Midland to San Angelo. Air castles have to start some time.

INCOME TAX IN A NUTSHELL

WHO? Single persons who had net income of \$1,000 or more or gross income of \$5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of \$2,500 or more or gross income of \$5,000 or more must file returns. WHEN? The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1925.

WHERE? Collector of Internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW? Instructions on form 1040A and 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT? Two per cent normal tax on the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemptions and credits. Four per cent normal tax on the next \$4,000. Six per cent normal tax on the balance of net income. Surtax on net income in excess of \$10,000.

Your Income Tax NO. 2

The exemptions under the revenue act of 1924 are \$1,000 for single persons and \$2,500 for married persons living together, and heads of families. In addition a \$400 credit is allowed for each person dependent upon and receiving his chief support from the taxpayer, if such person is under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support because mentally or physically defective.

The normal tax rate under the revenue act of 1924 is 2 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemptions, credit for dependents, etc., 4 per cent on the next \$4,000, and 6 per cent on the balance. Under the preceding act the normal tax rate was 4 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income above the exemptions and credits, and 8 per cent on the remaining net income.

The revenue act of 1924 contains a special provision for reduced taxes which did not appear in previous laws. All net income up to \$5,000 is considered "earned income." On this amount the taxpayer is entitled to a credit of 25 per cent of the amount of the tax.

For example, a taxpayer, single and without dependents, may have received in 1924 a salary of \$2,000 and from a real estate transaction a profit of \$3,000. His total net income was \$5,000. Without the benefit of the 25 per cent reduction his tax would be \$80. His actual tax is \$60. From his net income of \$5,000 he is allowed a personal exemption of \$1,000; the tax of 2 per cent on the first \$4,000 is \$80, one-fourth of which, or \$20, may be deducted.

For the purpose of computing this credit, in no case is the earned net income considered to be in excess of \$10,000. A taxpayer may have received for the year 1924 a net income from salary of \$20,000, but the 25 per cent credit can be applied to only one-half of this amount.

No. 3

If you're single and support in your home one or more persons closely related to you and over whom you exercise family control, you are the head of a family and are entitled under the revenue act of 1924 the same personal exemption allowed a married person, \$2,500. In addition a taxpayer is entitled to a credit of \$400 for each person dependent upon him for chief support, if such person is either under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support because mentally or physically defective. Such dependent need not be a member of the taxpayer's household. For example, an unmarried son who supports in his home an aged mother is entitled to an exemption of \$2,500 plus the \$400 credit for a dependent, a total of \$2,900. If from choice the mother lived in another city, the son, although her chief support, would be entitled only to the \$1,000 exemption plus the \$400 credit. The mother not living with him, he is not considered the head of a family.

An exemption as head of a family can be claimed by only one member of a household.

The \$400 credit does not apply to the wife or husband of a taxpayer, though one may be totally dependent upon the other.

Mrs. Elliott F. Cowden became suddenly ill last Friday night, and underwent an operation shortly after. She has been reported to be getting along very well.

Miss Susan Cowden left last Saturday for San Antonio, with Mrs. J. S. Day, and will complete the school year there. They expect to spend next summer in Mexico City.

Will Midland have a baseball team again this year? If so, let's have a good one like we had last year. It's time to start the work.

E. G. Cooksey, of Taylorville, Ill., who owns a good piece of land down south of Midland, has been here this week.

New C. M. T. Camps Are Established

According to plans just completed by the Commanding General of this Corps Area, C. M. T. Camps will this summer be held at Ft. Sam Houston, Ft. Crockett, Ft. Bliss, and Dallas, Texas, Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, Ft. Logan, Colorado, and Ft. Huachuca, Arizona. Three new camps are in this way established, no camps being held last summer at Ft. Bliss, Ft. Crockett, or Dallas, Texas. The new camps are established with a view of improving on the present C. M. T. Camps by making them slightly smaller, thereby giving each student more of the instructor's individual attention. Also, this plan, by reducing the distances to camps, will allow more parents to visit their sons while camp is in progress. Visitors are always welcome and will be entertained at each camp in the best possible manner. Dates for the camps have not yet been announced by the War Department but, as last year, they will probably be held during the month of August. It is expected that the quota allotted to this Corps Area by the War Department, will be 4100 men in camp. To get this number in camp will require our securing about 5600 applications. Application blanks can be secured from the C. M. T. C. Officer, Headquarters Eighth Corps Area, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. Many boys were disappointed last summer because there were no vacancies for them in the camps. The rule is "First come, first served," so don't delay but send a card or write a letter now for your application blank. Ask some boy who has attended the C. M. T. C. and don't pass up this chance of thirty days free training and recreation.

Coughing

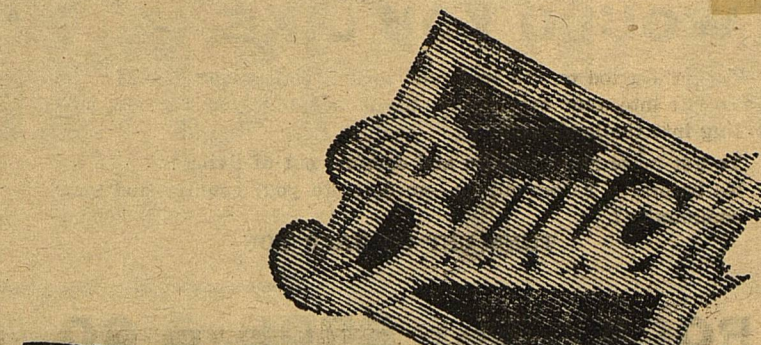
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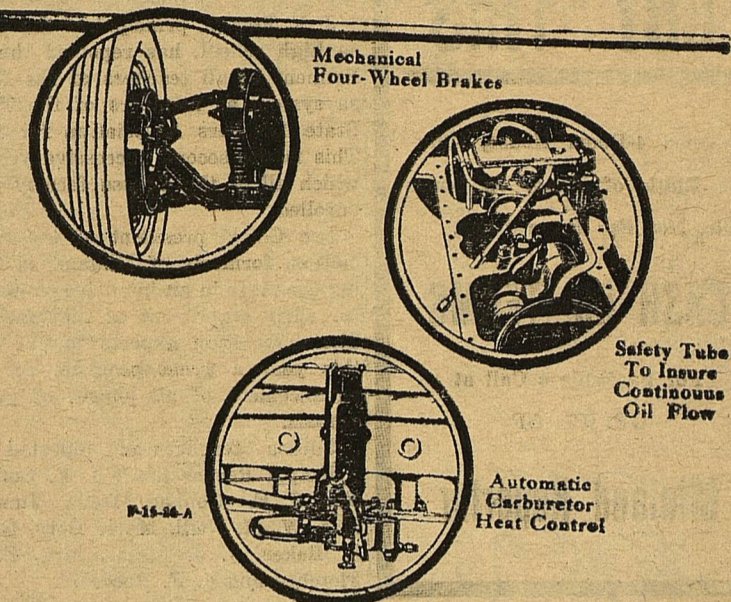
CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Midland County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Oscar J. Francis, Trustee and in person; Edward Morris, Trustee and in person; his heirs and the heirs of his heirs, John P. Wilson, Trustee and in person; Augusta Rothchild and her husband, Maurice L. Rothchild, Ira N. Morris, Maud Morris Schwab and her husband, Henry C. Schwab; Oscar W. Kerr and wife, Minnie Kerr; D. Fasken, Donald S. Trumbull, T. C. Kimber and W. Harvey, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published 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 held at the Court house thereof, in Midland, on the 1st Monday in February, A. D. 1925, the same being the 2nd day of February, A. D. 1925, then and there to answer a petition filed in the said Court on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1925, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1724, wherein W. J. Moran is plaintiff, and Midland Farms Company, Oscar J. Francis, Trustee, and in person; Edward Morris, Trustee, and in person, his heirs, and the heirs of his heirs; John P. Wilson, Trustee and in person; Augusta Rothchild, and her husband Maurice L. Rothchild, Ira N. Morris, Maud Morris Schwab and her husband Henry C. Schwab, Oscar W. Kerr and wife, Minnie Kerr, D. Fasken, Donald S. Trumbull, T. C. Kimber and W. Harvey, are defendants, and said petition alleging Plaintiff sue to establish his right to a commission



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Herein Fail Not but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Midland, Texas, on this the 12th day of January, A. D. 1925.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
All persons interested will take notice that I have qualified as independent executor of the estate of Chris Scharbauer, Deceased, and all persons to whom he was indebted at the date of his death will please present their claims to me for audit and payment.

Clarence Scharbauer,
Independent Executor of the
Estate of Christian Scharbauer, Deceased. 15-4t

G. R. Pope returned last Saturday from Mount Vernon, where his mother was buried a few days before. She had been ill at her home in Hamlin for some time.



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Last Notice To Automobile Owners

If you have paid your car tax put your numbers on before Sunday, February 1st. If you haven't paid, put your car in the shed. Do not appear on the streets without your 1925 plates for we will sure pick you up and you will be fined in addition to having to pay the penalty. You have had thirty days notice.

A. C. FRANCIS,
Sheriff and Tax Collector,
Midland County, Texas.
18-1

Mrs. A. W. Cato returned last Saturday after spending several weeks in Weatherford, Fort Worth and Dallas. She was accompanied by Joe Cato, brother of A. W. Cato.

Odessa Teachers Join State Body

J. F. Reeves, principal of the Odessa high school, has reported the enlistment of all teachers of the Odessa system as members of the Texas State Teachers Association for 1925. This is the second successive year in which all of the Odessa faculty have enrolled.

Lee Clark, president of the Association, formerly of Midland, is leading the state in an intensive campaign for early enrollment of the teachers. The association expects to put over this year a great program for the advancement of all phases of public schools.

Odessa teachers as reported by Principal Reeves are: J. E. Conner, Mrs. J. E. Conner, Della Jumper, Mrs. W. M. Neill, Marie Doty, Grace L. Baker, J. J. Miller, Mrs. E. R. Fletcher and J. F. Reeves.

Inquiries Coming In About Baseball

Other West Texas towns are already asking about base ball in Midland for the 1925 season, and the time has about arrived for something to be started on it if any baseball is to be played here.

Last year, Midland had a team that proved to be a great asset to the community. It was a winning team, composed of clean sports and real baseball players. The management was composed of good solid citizens who took in and disbursed the money judiciously, and the whole thing was worth the money.

If a club is to be organized for 1925, it is time to begin holding a meeting to map out the plans.

J. F. Brookman returned Wednesday from Temple, where he visited his sister for a few days.

Notice

Of School Tax and Bond Election THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland,

Midland Independent School District. To the Resident Property Taxpaying Voters of Midland Independent School District:

Take notice that an election will be held on the 24th day of February, 1925, within said district, in obedience to an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees on the 24th day of January, 1925, which is as follows: On this the 24th day of January, 1925, the Board of Trustees of Midland Independent School District convened in regular session with the following members present:

J. E. Hill, George Ratliff, John P. Howe, M. C. Ulmer, B. Frank Haag, Dr. Jno. B. Thomas, and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees was the following:

There came on to be considered the petition of R. M. Clayton Jr. and 179 other persons asking that an election be ordered upon the question of levying and collecting a tax for the maintenance of the public free schools in Midland Independent School District and also upon the question of issuing bonds of said school district for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building of other than wooden material and purchasing a site therefor, within said district, and

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Board of Trustees that said petition is signed by at least twenty qualified property taxpaying voters of said school district, and is otherwise in conformity with law, the Board is of the opinion that said petition should be granted, and said election as prayed for should be ordered:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

That an election be held in said Midland Independent School District on the 24th day of February, 1925, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, at which election in accordance with said petition, the following propositions shall be submitted to the resident qualified property taxpaying voters of said school district for their action thereupon:

Proposition No. 1
Shall the Board of Trustees of Midland Independent School District have the power to levy and collect annually a tax upon all taxable property in said school district for the maintenance of public free schools therein of and at the rate of not exceeding \$1.00 on \$100.00 valuation of all taxable property in said school district until the same shall be discontinued as provided by law.

Proposition No. 2
Shall the Board of Trustees of Midland Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of said school district to the amount of \$150,000.00 to become due and payable serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed forty years from their date and bearing interest at a rate not to exceed six (6) per cent per annum, with interest payable semi-annually for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building of other than wooden material and purchasing site therefor within said district, and if there shall be annually levied and collected on all taxable property in said school district for the current year and annually thereafter while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to pay the principal thereof as the same becomes due; provided, that the maintenance tax and the bond tax together shall never exceed for any one year \$1.00 on the \$100.00 valuation of said property.

The said election shall be held at the Midland County Court House in the town of Midland, Texas, in said Midland Independent School District and H. W. Rowe is hereby appointed judge and C. S. Karkalits and Miss Fannie Bess Taylor clerks of said election and said election shall be held as nearly as possible in conformity with the general election laws of the State of Texas.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the "FOR MAINTENANCE TAX," "AGAINST MAINTENANCE TAX,"

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF,"

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

As to each of the foregoing propositions, each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote on the two propositions respectively.

None but resident qualified property taxpaying voters of said Midland Independent School District shall be allowed to vote at said election.

The Secretary of this Board of Trustees shall forthwith issue a notice of said election stating in substance the contents of this election order and the time and place of said election and said Secretary shall post a copy of such notice at three different places within the boundaries of said Midland Independent School District, which posting shall be done not less than three weeks prior to the date fixed for said election.

Immediately after said election has been held, the officers holding the same shall make returns of the result thereof to the Board of Trustees of said school district, and return the ballot box to the Secretary of said Board of safekeeping.

JOHN P. HOWE, Secretary, Board of Trustees.

10:: BIG DAYS ::10

Here is your best opportunity to lay in a supply of Household Utensils at a big saving in price. Take a day off and look these bargains over. You will be astounded at the rock botto mprices at.

Morrison's Big 19c Sale

BEGINS THURSDAY, FEB. 5,

CLOSES SATURDAY, FEB. 14,

—DON'T MISS A DAY!—

Morrison's Variety Store

Reginald Driver

News was received this morning of the death of Reginald Driver, eighteen year old son of W. B. Driver.

He had been very low with pneumonia for several days, and he was unable to withstand its weakening power.

The funeral services were held at the Driver home this afternoon at 3:30, Rev. W. B. Blount officiating.

Contract Is Let For Erection of Two Rigs

According to S. F. Johnson, manager of the operations of the Texas Development Company, in Crane County; the contract has been let to McDonald Construction Company, of Big Lake, for the erection of two new rigs in Crane County, where the wells will be drilled for a North Carolina concern and for people in Pittsburg, Pa.

The terms of the contract state that the rigs will be ready in time for the spudding in to take place by March 1.

The machinery is on the ground, having been hauled down there from Midland along in December. This will make the third test on the Jax M. Cowden ranch, and it is hoped that definite showing will be revealed during the next few months to open up a new field.

The Texas Development Company's No. 1 well is temporarily cased off, and will not resume operations for about sixty days, at which time Mr. Johnson plans to start to work with a core drill.

To Ship Poultry Car Next Thursday

J. E. Hill announces that he will ship a car of poultry next Thursday, and will load it that day only.

He is endeavoring to stimulate a better market for poultry in the community, and is buying these chickens and turkeys up at a close margin. He states that these prices, as announced in his ad elsewhere in the paper, are the highest that have been paid for some time.

Legion To Hold Annual Election

Buddies from over all this section of the country are invited to attend the annual meeting of Woods W. Lynch Post, American Legion, next Thursday night, at the Legion Hall.

All members of the Post and all ex service men from the county, as well as from Ector, Andrews and other surrounding counties, are urged to attend the meeting and help launch some good live plans for the year 1925.

Bring Books Tuesday

Officers of the Parent-Teachers Association announce that those who did not get their books to the shower this week may bring them next Tuesday afternoon, at the regular business session, at the high school building. It is believed that many more books will be given to the school library.

Citation on Application For Letters of Guardianship

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Midland County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Midland County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS To all persons interested in the Welfare of Lois Cooper, a minor, W. J. Cooper has filed in the County Court of Midland County, an application for Letters of Guardianship upon the estate of said Minor, which said application will be heard at the next regular term of said Court, commencing on the 2nd Monday in March, A. D. 1925, the same being the 9th day of March, A. D. 1925, at the Court House thereof, in Midland, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said Minor, may appear and contest said application, if they see proper to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Midland, Texas, this 28th day of January, A. D. 1925.

C. B. Dunagan, Clerk, County Court, Midland County, Texas.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, 9:45 a. m., Sunday school. 11 a. m., "The Sabbath Law"; 7:15 p. m., "The Church and Its Critics."

At the evening hour the pastor will read and discuss the letters sent him in response to his invitation to the public to criticize the church and its services. Don't miss this service. It will be interesting. The League meets each Sunday evening at 6:00. L. U. Spellmann, pastor

J. H. Williamson left Thursday evening for Snyder, having received news that his sister was seriously ill.

MIDLAND HOMES

For Sale Cheap

TWO 4-ROOM HOUSES
ONE 3-ROOM HOUSE
TWO 2-ROOM HOUSES

LOCATED ON SOUTH SIDE

Terms: \$100.00 cash, and balance \$20.00 per month. Low prices on all.

SEE

B. F. STANLEY

CARD OF THANKS

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our friends and to the people of Midland for their kindnesses, and for the beautiful floral offerings, at the death of our dear wife and mother.

We are deeply appreciative and our hearts have been filled with gratitude.

W. G. Pemberton.
Mariam Pemberton.
Euphye Pemberton.
Minnie Warren Pemberton.
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis.

Little Miss Annie Fay Dunagan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Dunagan, who was painfully injured in the recent snow storm, when she was thrown from a sled, is said to be getting along nicely.

Her tongue was lacerated by a nail on the sled, and her speech will be difficult for some little time.

NEXT THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5th, I WILL HAVE A

POULTRY CAR

ON THE TRACK FOR ONE DAY

These Prices Good For That Day Only

Hens, 4 pounds and up 19c
Hens, under 4 pounds, and all Leghorns 15c
Stags 9c
Old Roosters 6c
Turkey hens over 8 pounds and young Toms over 14 pounds 19c
Number 2 Turkeys 10c

J. E. HILL

LOOK! LOOK!
It's Time To "Re-Tire"

Beginning Saturday Morning, Jan. 31, my stock of Tires will be put on Sale at Rock Bottom Prices.

Come Early and Get a Good Selection

CASINGS

Regular Price	Sale Price
\$14.50 30x3 1-2 Oversize Cord	\$10.00
18.70 32x4 Penn. V. Cup Cord	14.75
22.00 32x4 Penn. Tuxedo Cord	17.00
30.00 32x4 1-2 Penn. Tuxedo Cord	23.40
24.00 33x4 Penn. Tuxedo Cord	18.35
35.00 33x5 Penn. Tuxedo Cord	29.90
26.35 34x4 1-2 Penn. V. Cup Cord	20.45
8.00 30x3 1-2 Ajax Fabric	6.75
7.00 30x3 Ajax Fabric	5.00

TUBES

Regular Price	Sale Price
\$2.00 30x3 Red Tube	\$1.20
2.25 30x3 1-2 Red Tube	1.50
2.85 31x4 Red Tube	1.75
3.85 32x4 Red Tube	2.00
\$3.80 33x4 Red Tube	2.15

Roberts' Filling Station