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POISONING CAMPAIGN SHOULD KEEP GOING

THE RANCHMEN AND FARMERS SHOULD NOT RELY SOLELY ON RABBIT DRIVES.

Here's the difference in cost of rabbit drives and rabbit poisoning:

Since the Federal Government rodent control men have been stationed in Midland issuing poison furnished by the county, through a partial count and a partial estimate, it is known 15,000 rabbits have been killed. The strychnine cost \$38.63. To have shot 15,000 rabbits would have cost \$1,800 for shell alone.

Farmers estimate they kill one-third of the rabbits shot. This makes each rabbit shot cost 12 cents. The cost of poisoning rabbits has averaged one and one-tenth cents each. This bill of \$1,800 does not include the cost of gasoline, the wear and tear on cars, the food contributed for the dinner, nor the time lost from work by 100 or 200 men as the case may be.

Where no poisoning has been done on the outer edge of some parts of the farming districts, farmers feel that it is necessary to supplement the poisoning campaign with rabbit drives on the ranches.

A number of ranchers, seeing the good results obtained, have obtained the free poison and used it successfully. One rancher said he had so many rabbits that he believed he

could run a third more cattle on his ranch if he could kill off his rabbits. Scientific tests which have shown that 32 rabbits destroy as much grass as one steer have been made by the United States Government.

A. L. Bridenstine, Federal man, and J. B. Snider, county agent, urge that the poisoning campaign be carried on unabated. There is still some free poison to be issued, and such successes as the following are cited to prove the efficacy of using poison:

W. C. Rayburn killed 150 rabbits in two nights with poisoned pie melons.

Fred Leonard killed 300 rabbits with 2 ounces strychnine.

"Timberline" Floyd killed 250 rabbits with poisoned alfalfa.

O. P. Buchanan killed over 400 rabbits with poisoned maize.

E. Bulsterbaum killed 96 rabbits with 1 ounce strychnine.

Mills killed 100 rabbits with poisoned pie melons.

R. D. Hamlin killed 200 rabbits with poisoned corn chops mixed with a ground apple.

B. L. O'Neal and A. L. Ware killed 500 rabbits with 2 ounces strychnine.

Many other good records could be given. Several farmers have had fine luck poisoning with devil's heads or pin cushions. Pie melons seem to be the best medium yet discovered, though maize, corn chops and apple and other mediums have proved good. Alfalfa has not been very successful.

The Government man urges that every farmer and rancher raise a few pie melons this year and "bank" them before they freeze, so they may be used for killing rabbits next winter.

Don't forget the book reception at the Library tomorrow.

Tech Buildings Being Completed

Work on the Texas Technological College buildings, at Lubbock, has been going ahead with great speed during the past few weeks, and there is a great showing already made.

The president's dwelling, a fine Spanish style building, has been completed. The administration building is nearing completion, and one of the other buildings is well along toward its completion.

The vast stretch of ground that is to be used as a campus is rapidly taking on the appearance of a real college, and will be one of the best arranged schools in the south.

West Texans should see the buildings and the development around it. It will truly serve this great section of Texas.

BAPTISTS COLLECT \$58,500,000 IN CASH

Final Report on 75 Million Campaign Is Issued by General Headquarters.

NEW PROGRAM PROJECTED

Men of Churches Will Assist In Enlisting Membership More Fully—Conferences Planned In States.

Total cash collections on the Baptist 75 Million Campaign, which closed finally in December, amounted to \$58,575,819. It is reported by the general headquarters. This money came from the following states: Alabama, \$9,717,464.62; Arkansas, \$2,319,672.62; District of Columbia, \$273,747.96; Florida, \$1,009,416.89; Georgia, \$5,282,533.24; Illinois, \$677,575.81; Kentucky, \$6,414,159.87; Louisiana, \$1,551,438.52; Maryland, \$729,440.82; Mississippi, \$3,076,035.90; Missouri, \$2,428,661.24; New Mexico, \$708,124.80;



DR. J. T. HENDERSON, Secretary Laymen's Movement

North Carolina, \$5,171,049.83; Oklahoma, \$1,461,822.83; South Carolina, \$4,752,390.22; Tennessee, \$3,963,011.13; Texas, \$8,720,161.50; Virginia, \$6,727,778.80; Home Board specials, \$15,340; Foreign Board specials, \$86,103; total contributed by foreign churches directly to Campaign \$359,000.

Contributions for the five years represent nearly four times as much as was given in the preceding five years, to missions, education and benevolences, the offerings for the previous five years being \$15,164,345.00.

Campaign Gains Set Forth
Other gains of the Campaign period include the organization of 1,950 new churches; baptism of 950,943 converts; organization of 2,913 Sunday schools with a gain of 445,781 pupils; an increase of \$52,847,268.00 in the value of local church property and contributions to local church objects, in addition to Campaign funds of \$104,673,560.00.

In the special departments of work fostered by the Campaign the following typical results are noted: 265,000 persons baptized by state mission workers; 225,000 converts baptized by representatives of the Home Mission Board; entrance into 8 new countries and the doubling of forces on the foreign fields by the Foreign Mission Board; putting nearly as much money into the denominational schools as had been invested there in all the years before the Campaign was launched; increasing the number of Baptist hospitals in the South from 12 to 24 and giving \$1,000,000 in free medical and surgical service to the deserving poor; raising the number of Baptist orphanages from 17 to 19 and caring for 4,900 homeless boys and girls and aiding more than 1,000 aged, worn-out preachers and their dependent ones.

New Program Projected
With the 75 Million Campaign finished, Southern Baptists have now entered upon the 1925 Program which embraces the support of state, home and foreign missions, Christian education, hospitals, orphanages and ministerial relief, on the basis of yearly rather than a five-year's subscription. It is hoped to raise this year a minimum of \$15,000,000 among Southern Baptists for these causes or the equivalent of the goal for a single year in the former movement.

It is pointed out that only 37 1/2 per cent of the members of Baptist churches of the South had a definite share in the support of the 75 Million Campaign. It is the ideal of the 1925 Program to enlist every member of every church in giving at his regular church services, to every cause, according to his ability, through his church treasury.

With the hope of more fully enlisting the Baptist men of the South in definite Christian service, Dr. J. T. Henderson of Knoxville, secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Southern Baptist Convention, is promoting a series of men's conferences in the majority of the Southern states during March. In this way it is hoped to bring before the men the needs of all religious enterprises fostered by Southern Baptists and, having informed them, then enlist them in adequate support of all these causes.



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Political Announcement

For City Marshal:

OSCAR HALE.
JOHN WINBORNE.
(Re-Election)
CHARLIE McCLINTIC.
W. A. (BUD) ESTES.

thirty minutes?"

There is still time for the rain to come and help us fatten the cattle, make bumper crops, build houses, do a great volume of business, and prosper to the fullest extent.

We must not sit idly by and leave it to the rain, but it is up to us to show some pep, to do something, to demonstrate that we have confidence in the country, in ourselves, and in each other.

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TIME TO PAVE
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To mention street paving right on the heels of the election which makes the new school building a sure thing may sound like folly to some citizens, but there are some strong arguments in favor of it.

To begin with, there is not much use in waiting, because the present tax rate for sewer, water works, highway, and school buildings will run on for a good many years any way.

As one citizen remarked, there is nothing we spend money for that brings in as much as the little amount we pay annually for taxes.

Higher taxes mean higher valuations, not only for taxes but also for selling. There is where the property owners get the benefit of these improvements, as well as in the use of highways, school buildings, sewer systems and water works.

This editorial should not be construed to mean that the present city council has any plans to lay before the voters for the purpose of starting paving, because it has not.

Speaking for the mayor, his term of office will definitely close about the first Tuesday in April, and it is likely that other changes will be made in the council.

However, the new citizens will do well to consider the matter of paving a few blocks in the business section of Midland. There are plans where-by paving can be handled without bond issues, where the street tax or warrants are set aside to pave one-third of the street and all of the intersections, and the property owners pay one-third on each side.

Let's not stop till the town is put in first class condition! Paving is the next step!

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WHY ADVERTISE?
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Advertising has raised the standards of business. It has revolutionized the quality of merchandise. The merchant who puts his name to an advertisement makes sure that he is linking his name with a product that will stand up. That is why people

call for advertised merchandise.

Advertising brings new customers, it keeps up the name of a worthy product, brings repeat orders, and keeps the name of the advertiser before his clients.

The advertising that brings results is that which keeps constantly on the job. Spasmodic advertising is good temporarily, but it must keep everlastingly at it to bring its best results.

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Visited Printing Plants On Plains
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Although going primarily to visit relatives, the editor and editress visited several newspaper shops and printing plants, the first of this week, in Lubbock, Slaton, Tahoka, O'Donnell and Lamesa.

The Plains-Journal, a weekly publication in Lubbock, has recently moved into a new building, built especially for this shop, and is a fine model for newspapers to grow to. With practically new machinery throughout, good linotypes, a duplex press, a battery of job presses, casting box and mat service, they are equipped to issue a daily as soon as their territory justifies another one.

The Lubbock Avalanche, already publishing a daily, is also a model of newspaper and job printing efficiency. It is affiliated with the associated press, and also features daily news about Lubbock and the adjacent territory.

There are three well equipped job printing shops in Lubbock also, all of them seeming to be doing comparatively well.

In Slaton, the Times is turning out a good paper and is doing a great work toward building up the second largest town in Lubbock County. The Santa Fe shops, combined with the adjacent farming territory, is building up a real town there.

In Tahoka, The Lynn County News is a growing periodical. Although not equipped with as fine machinery as some of the larger plants, it handles its territory well and puts out a good paper, under the management of E. I. Hill.

O'Donnell has had a newspaper only a few months, but the rapid growth of the town demanded one. The shop has only small equipment, but is adding to it as rapidly as the business justifies it.

Lamesa has two papers. The Lamesa Reporter has recently built a house of its own, equipping it especially for a newspaper shop. The machinery is a credit to a much larger place, and the Smiths advise that they expect to add another Model 14 linotype soon.

These shops were especially interesting and gave several ideas that will be beneficial in conducting The Reporter's business.

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"IF IT RAINS"
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The old saying that everything will be all right if it rains was romped on so heavily in Midland last year that it faded away to some extent; but now that the dry weather is holding on a little longer than we had expected, some people cannot resist the temptation to express doubt.

Of course we all want it to rain, but we mustn't crawl into our shells and wait for it. There is a whole lot in the way we prepare for the rain, so that we will be ready when it comes.

It always has rained, although there have been times when the dry period lasted for some time.

We can't get away from the fact that the counties just northeast of us have made great strides in the last few years. Just now they are as dry as we are, but the editor was up there last week and heard very little talk about dry weather. They were all at work, making the best of it.

It is gratifying to note that the majority of the people who do things are going at it the same way here. New land is being cleared, many farmers are getting their old land in shape, and most of them will be ready when the good old showers come and soak this great section of West Texas with real rain water.

This editorial is not directed to farmers especially, but applies to ranchmen, merchants and everyone else. We can get ourselves into pretty bad straits by allowing our talk to drift toward such lines as "Won't we be blown up if it doesn't rain in

GOOD PICTURES

Friday, February 27:
"MISSING MILLIONS."

Saturday, February 28:
"BUFFALO BILL JR."

Monday and Tuesday,
March 2 and 3:
"SUNSHINE TRAIL"

Wednesday and Thursday,
March 4 and 5:
"THE WORLD'S APPLAUSE"

WATCH for "SUNDOWN"

RIALTO THEATER

Killed Many Rabbits

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A good crowd attended the drive, good barbecue and all that goes with it were served, and the day was profitably and enjoyably spent.

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

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Midland to Ship Many Beeves

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nutritious.

Cattle have wintered much better than the most sanguine ranchers expected. Some cattle are suffering, however, and ranchers are longing for soaking rains to revive the weeds. The majority of beef cattle to be offered this Spring are in fine condition.

Herd Bulls Plentiful

Breeders are also well stocked this year with herd bulls. A census taken by Inspector Hogan shows 485 young bulls, only 75 of which are past yearlings. Of these 485, a total of 235 are registered. The registered animals are owned by Scharbauer & Eidson, B. N. Aycock, J. M. Gist and George G. Gray. The purebred bulls are owned by Spence Jewell & Son, George Rathoff, Elliott & Clyde Cowden, and J. E. Parker Jr.

This will be a better year than last, cattlemen opine, and next year will be better than this. Midland, for many years, expects to offer buyers thousands of head of cattle of the finest strains known in the world.

"Things may not be like they used to be, but they are not so far off as they were, and cattle barons like a darn sight of being obsolete," the cattlemen of West Texas declare.

Still Hope For Cattlemen

The people of Midland, who have seen the cattleman "down on his uppers," and have seen him grit his teeth and still hold on, and still boost, and remain the big, open-hearted, forward-looking man he was when the cattle business soared, he never will become obsolete, for great sections of West Texas will always have their richest wealth in the cattle industry, close observers of men and times declare.

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"Sundown" Will Be Thrilling Picture

Manager W. H. Williams, of the Rialto Theater, announces that on March 16 and 17, he will show "Sundown," the great picture recently completed, much of which was made near Sierra Blanca.

Bessie Love, a former Midland girl, is the star of the film; and is backed up by a great cast.

The troop used in making this big picture traveled 15,000 miles to film the various scenes.

Over 100,000 head of longhorn steers will be shown in the picture, according to Mr. Williams; and a terrific stampede is one of the principal thrills.

"Teddy" Roosevelt is portrayed to good advantage by one of the stars in the picture. Many people say that this picture is greater than the "Covered Wagon."

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Possible To Get More Rabbit Poison

Ranchers of this section have been saved from \$350 to \$500 on prairie dog poison issued by the Federal government through the Chamber of Commerce office and the advances made by the Midland County Commissioners Court. This big saving came through ability of the Chamber of Commerce to purchase A. & M. College strychnine at less than one-third the wholesale price private dealers have to pay. A. L. Bridenstine, Federal rodent control assistant temporarily located here, says he might arrange to mix another thousand pounds of poison if guarantee is given that this amount will be taken.

"Not what you get, but what you hold—
Eases life's burden when you are old."

WILL-POWER

Almost anyone can make a great effort of will—
once.

But it takes an unusual person to repeat even a small effort of will day after day, week in, week out.

The best proof of Will Power is to be able to store away a part of your earnings regularly.

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Midland's good schools, housed in good buildings, will have a greater reputation than ever before.

George Bell Will Get Try-Out With League

George Bell, promising young right-handed hurler, graduate of El Paso sandlots, has been signed by Wichita Falls of the Texas League for a try-out. Bell will report to the Spudders' training camp on March 10.

Last season the young Pass City lad "burned up" local diamonds, pitching for the Tri-State Motor company nine and the Mustangs. It was his brilliant slab performances of last season that caught the eye of a Wichita Falls scout.—El Paso Herald.

George Allen Bell is a former Midland boy, and his friends here wish him great luck for a real big league baseball career. When he gets in the Texas League, it's pretty easy to have a fair chance at the big ones.

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MEBANE COTTON SEED

I will have car of Mebane Long Staple cotton seed at J. A. Andrews' Cash Market after March 1st. Should make 500 lb. and up out of 1400 seed cotton. Price will be \$1.50 per bushel in any quantity, in sewed sacks.
J. N. Wells. 22tf

CLASSIFIED ADS

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

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

FOR SALE—Milk cows to suit you; priced from \$35.00 to \$75.00.—Holly Roberts, Phone 325-A. 19-4tpd

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FOR SALE, and ready to be delivered: About 800 bushels of cotton seed, three varieties; also 30 head of work stock, consisting of horses and mules, some broke and some not broke. Will give Fall time, with good note. See E. N. Snodgrass. 21-4tp

FOR SALE: A ten room house with all modern equipment, close in. For information phone 218 or write Box 82, Midland, Texas. 21tf

FOR SALE: Buff Leghorn eggs. \$1.00 for 15. See or phone P. P. Barber. 21-2tpd.

WANTED: Expert gardener and truck farmer to work by the month. Apply by letter ONLY to Reporter office. 21-1tf

FOR SALE: Good Cable-Nelson upright piano. Apply at Reporter office. 22tf

FOR SALE: Rose Comb White Wyandotte pure bird eggs, for setting \$1.50. 270 C. P. O. 644—Mrs. Terry Elkin.

LOST: One red fountain pen. Phone 202. 22-1tpd

FOR RENT: Furnished apartment.—Mrs. Cospier. 22-1

FOUND: Some money. Owner can have same by giving proper description and paying for this notice.—Box 357. 22-1t

Your Income Tax

No. 4.

The revenue act of 1924 provides that the status of a taxpayer relative to the amount of his personal exemptions shall be determined by apportionment in accordance with the number of months the taxpayer was single, married, or the head of a family. Under the preceding act the amount of the exemption to which the taxpayer was entitled was determined by his status as a single person, a married person, or the head of a family on the last day of the taxable year, December 31, if the return was made on the calendar year basis, as most are.

For example a taxpayer married on September 30, 1924, would be entitled to an exemption of \$1,375. For the first nine months he is classified as a single man entitling him to an exemption of \$750—three-fourths of the \$1,000 exemption allowed a single person—and for the last three months he is entitled to exemption of \$625—one-fourth of the \$2,500 exemption allowed a married person.

If on June 30 a taxpayer ceased being the head of a family—the support in one household of a relative or relatives being discontinued—he is allowed an exemption of \$1,750—one-half of the exemption of \$1,000 granted a single person plus one-half of the exemption \$2,500 granted the head of a family. With regard to the \$400 credit for a dependent, the taxpayer's status is determined as of the last day of the taxable year. If, during the year, his support of the dependent ceased, he is not entitled to this credit.

No. 5.

In making out his income tax for the year 1924 the business man, the professional man, and farmer is required to use Form 1040, regardless of whether his net income was or was not in excess of \$5,000. The smaller form 1040A is used for reporting incomes of \$5,000 or less derived from salaries or wages.

Forms have been sent to persons who last year filed returns of income. Failure to receive a form, however, does not relieve the taxpayer from his obligation to file a return and pay the tax within the time prescribed on or before March 15, 1925. Copies of the forms may be obtained from offices of collectors of internal revenue and branch offices. The tax may be paid in full at the time of filing the return, or in four equal installments, due on or before March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15.

No. 6.

The taxpayer must include in his income-tax return for the year 1924 all items of gross income specified by law. In the case of a storekeeper, gross income usually consists of the gross profits on sales, together with income from other sources. The return must show the gross sales, purchases, and cost of goods sold. The professional man, lawyer, doctor, dentist, must include all fees and other compensations received from professional services. The farmer must report as gross income the proceeds of sales or exchange of products raised on the farm or whether purchased by him and resold. He must report also gross income from all other sources such as rentals or profits from the sale of farm lands.

Net income, upon which the tax is assessed, is gross income less certain deductions for business, expenses, losses, bad debts, contributions, etc. To take full advantage of the deductions to which entitled taxpayers should read carefully the instructions on the form under the heads of "Income from business or profession."

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THE PASSING DAY

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Despite all that is said about the craze for jazz music there has been, in the last few years, a remarkable improvement in the character of musical entertainments given in both the cities and small towns of Texas. Most persons who dance seem to prefer to time their dances to the jazziest tunes and the harshest notes the orchestras will play, but when Texans pay to be entertained at musical concerts they demand something better. There is hardly a Texas town of as many as two thousand population that doesn't have one or more high-class musical entertainments a year given by professional musical artists, and the cities do not hesitate to pay high prices for the best talent obtainable. Texans are paying for good music and are getting the world's famous musicians.

When the player piano and the talking machine were perfected, fears were expressed that young people would no longer care to study music, since the very best could be had in the "canned" form. It has been found, however, that the general use of musical records and rolls has increased interest in the study of music. Young men do not hesitate to sing because they cannot rival Caruso or McCormack; young women are not afraid to let their voices be heard because they cannot sing like Schumann-Heink or Tetrazzini. Almost every Texas town has its band, its orchestra, its glee club that are not ashamed when told that they cannot compete with the best in the land. Even the radio has not diminished to any extent the interest in local musicians, but it appears to have stimulated the development of local talent everywhere.

Many of the colleges and universities of Texas send out brass bands, orchestras, and glee clubs to towns throughout the state. These are well received everywhere and prove almost, if not quite as popular as the athletic teams. The schools are finding that these musical entertainments, while not getting as large crowds as the athletic contests, are doing even more to bring the schools to the favorable notice of the public. Band contests of statewide extent, or between neighboring towns or communities, are now common and popular forms of entertainment. Community and county singing conventions draw large crowds of participants and auditors. Community singing, unknown in Texas a few years ago, is now proving popular in many places. In every form of music, interest appears to be growing in Texas.

Yes, jazz is also popular. As stated before it is now the favorite dance music of the day, and most persons like a little of it even on a program given mostly to classical music. In community singing and at civic club luncheons jazz songs find a place along with the old-time melodies. They seem to afford a sort of relaxation not to be found in the better music, to free the pent-up strain of business worry or overwork. If they do in fact serve such a purpose, even in a small degree, no one should complain of the jazz airs. All persons need relaxation at times, and there is after all nothing demoralizing in such music, unless it be its tendency to vitiate the taste for something better. The increasing love for the best music, despite the popularity of jazz, shows conclusively that musical tastes are not corrupted by the inferior musical compositions. Nor is the universal desire for musical self-expression weakened because music may be bought to order.

While music may not be the highest expression of art, there being no way in which a comparative evaluation of the arts may be made, it can safely be said a universal love of music is evidence of a cultured people. All that is called music does not deserve the name, however, for much of it is merely a survival of barbarism. Even barbaric music is better than no music. The person who sings or whistles as he goes about his work, however poor his music may be, is all the better for it. Many factory owners and other employers of labor have learned this and furnished lively music for their workers. It serves the double purpose of getting more work out of the laborers and of making them better satisfied with themselves. A well-known newspaper is now trying the experiment of music in the editorial rooms to determine whether it will prove an aid to brain work.

In keeping with the general interest in musical matters, the State of Texas is now trying to decide on a state song of a kind that will represent the spirit of Texas in its sentiment, its rhythm, and its melody. It is proving a bit difficult to find a composition with all these qualities, one that will adequately represent the greatness of Texas and that will find a responsive chord in the hearts of all the people, and yet be simple enough for all to

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THE CLOTHCRAFT STORE

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Miss Jaine Fielder, of Odessa, was in Midland Thursday, shopping.

J. M. Caldwell made a business trip to Seminole day before yesterday.

Mrs. Mat Carroll and daughter, Micky, of Stanton, were in Midland Wednesday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Shelburne, of Stanton, were in Midland Tuesday, on business.

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County Agent J. B. Snider did some demonstration work in orchard pruning this week.

P. C. Tom of Stanton was in Midland on business Thursday.

Frank Ramsdell, who works on the "L7" for W. W. Brunson, is in town this week.

Miss Florence Whittenburg, of Odessa, was in Midland Wednesday looking after the advertising for "The Dogie."

George Allen Bell and Miss Ula Lee Bell are expected to arrive tomorrow from El Paso, and will visit a few days with the M. C. Ulmers.

A. C. Francis left Wednesday evening, for Temple, where he will undergo further treatment.

John Lane, of Upton County, was in Midland on business Thursday. He states that drilling has been resumed on the Half well, with three crews at work, keeping the work going night and day.

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Rev. J. F. Wood and Dan Cobb were here today, from Seminole.

Federal Man Leaves For Amarillo Sunday

A. L. Bridenstine, Federal rodent control assistant, will leave here Sunday for his home in Amarillo after being stationed in Midland several weeks killing rabbits and prairie dogs. Mr. Bridenstine says the work has been very successful here and should be vastly more successful next year because of the discoveries made in poisoning here. He urged farmers and ranchers to plant a supply of pie melons and put them up before frost next fall to be used for rabbit poison bait. He advises that all poisoned bait be distributed over as wide territory as possible in order to reach as many rabbits as possible.

Letter of Thanks

I wish to thank my patrons who have made it possible for me to attend the annual convention of the agents of The Lamar Life Insurance Company, recently held in Jackson, Miss. The trip was very instructive, and I feel that I am better qualified to serve this section of the country in the writing of life insurance, to prescribe the right policy for each individual. The business which you have made it possible for me to write also gives me half the necessary quota toward a free trip to Trout Lake, Wisconsin, to be held in July.

JOHN W. HIX.

N. W. Bigham was called to Abilene the first of the week, on account of the illness of his brother. News was received Thursday that his brother had passed away. Mr. Bigham's many friends here extend their sympathy to him and regret to hear the sad news.

Guy Cowden was in from the ranch yesterday.



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FARM STOCK

FIELD BREEDING IS ALWAYS UNRELIABLE

It is the usual custom in eastern Canada to raise two litters of pigs from each sow each year. In order to take advantage of the warm seasons this practice necessitates early spring and early fall farrowing. The earlier in the spring the first litter can be handled the more leeway there is for getting the pigs weaned and the sows re-bred to farrow before cold weather.

Not many farms, however, are equipped to handle little pigs economically or satisfactorily before March, which brings the fall breeding season in November or early December. The question then arises as to the best and most satisfactory ways of handling the breeding herd during this period. Under most farm conditions one of two general systems is usually found to fit in with the other farm operations with a minimum requirement of extra time and labor.

The first and probably by far the most widely used is field breeding, where the boar is turned in with the sow herd on the day when the breeding season is to start, writes E. W. Orampton of MacDonal college in the Montreal Star. From then on until all have been bred, or in some cases until farrowing time approaches, the boar is a member of the sow herd, and the detail of the breeding left entirely with him.

About the only commendable thing about this system is its convenience, which in this case is simply a polite word for shiftlessness. Field breeding makes for unreliable records. Dates of breeding, checking of sows not settling promptly, the vigor and activity of the boar and the regulation of his services to best conserve his strength and potency—all these factors are lost to the immediate touch and control of the breeder.

Only this last summer the author's attention was drawn to a case where a yearling boar ran all the season from May to September with three sows, and not until fall was it definitely known that none of the sows were in pig. The herdman wasn't sure whether the boar had bred them or not, though he said he had seen him "nosing around" a good deal. Which was to blame—the boar, the sows or the breeder? In other words, in this system of field breeding the breeder becomes a casual spectator—not a manager.

Calves Should Be Given Liberal Feed of Grain

Unless the cows in the herd are exceptional milkers, calves intended for fat yearlings should be started on corn, kafir, milo, barley, wheat or oats, when from four to six weeks old. Nothing so stimulates the growth and early maturity as milk fresh from the dam, but in all cases calves should be fed liberally on grain for at least one month before weaning time. Every effort should be made to get the calves through the weaning period without loss of their baby fat. The grain ration should be increased so as to permit as little change in their rate of growth and fattening as possible.

Some feeders build "creeps" in the pastures or lots so that the calves can get their grain without disturbance by the cows. Creeps consist of small pens with openings which permit only the calves to enter. These openings may have rollers on each side to prevent bruising the calves.

Live Stock Hints

Did you ever wear a collar that didn't fit? Well, a horse or mule is worse off yet with a collar too large or too small.

Calves may be raised on a very small amount of milk, provided they are fed a liberal ration of grain and a leguminous hay.

Which did you bring home from the county fair—prize money or experience? Either one will help you to improve your exhibit for next year.

Protect your animals from the cold. This will make them more comfortable, and will save you feed.

Be sure the sheep have shelter from cold rains. Shelter saves feed and makes the wool clip heavier.

It requires feed to carry sheep through the winter. If the best returns in wool and lambs are to be made, begin feeding the ewes about lambing time and feed them until pasture is good.

It might be well to make arrangements to feed your sows at least fifty yards or more from their sleeping quarters and force them to take exercise in walking back and forth between feeding floor and hog house.

Breeding cattle especially need extra feed. Calves cannot be grown out without liberal feeding, and there is no demand for stunted, underweight breeding animals. Corn silage or hay with cottonseed meal or velvet beans will put them through in good shape.

WEST TEXAS NEWS

LUBBOCK—The \$150,000 necessary to put over the big \$350,000 hotel here has been raised, making the proposed hotel an assured proposition.

SLATON—A movement is now on foot at this place to put over a new modern fire proof hotel. A 50 room building is contemplated.

HASKELL—A \$60,000 hotel is now assured for this city, as the amount of stock necessary to make it a sure thing has been subscribed by the business men.

QUANAH—This city through the efforts of the secretary of the chamber of commerce put over a very successful poultry school and much good will come of it.

SLATON—This city is assured a cotton oil mill with a six press mill. This will be of great benefit to the livestock feeders of the Yellow House Canyon.

CLEBURNE—Porter A. Whaley, manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, was in Cleburne on the 20th where he had been invited by the Chamber of Commerce of that city to address them during their annual banquet.

ALBANY—P. S. Hendrick of this city was elected president of the American Polled Hereford Association at their annual meeting held in Des Moines, Iowa, a short time ago.

ABILENE—February 23 was the beginning of the city clean up week and the citizenship of Abilene are planning to make a real good job and have Abilene one of the best cleaned cities in West Texas.

ASPERMONT—14 public school districts of this county were given State aid totaling \$6,920.

ABILENE—The public schools of this county received \$6,700 State aid, all of which goes to the rural districts.

SEAGRAVES—This city is planning to build a new school building, as the present one is too small to accommodate the more than 250 pupils enrolled.

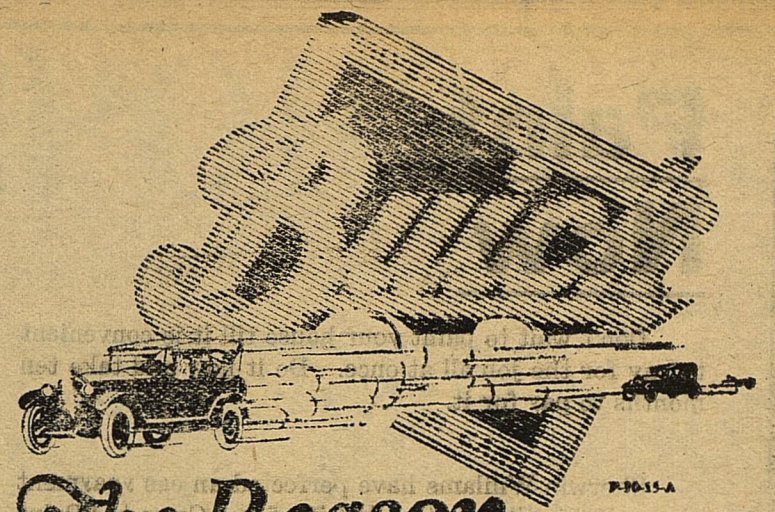
DIMMITT—A trades day will be staged each first and third Monday of the month according to the report of the chamber of commerce at a recent meeting.

MULESHOE—This city has secured a new forty room hospital, also a new lumber yard, making the fourth lumber yard for this place.

POST—The one slogan at Post today is "Cut down the Cap Rock." A movement is on foot to reduce the grade from the valley below to the top of the Cap Rock and in every window and automobile windshield is to be seen this slogan. A bond issue to cut down and then to pave the six miles from Post to the "Top O' the World" is being asked for and the petition will soon be filed calling for this election.

TAHOKA—This city has since January first granted 19 permits for new buildings, which amounts to more than \$50,000, and several more applications will be filed for permits shortly.

OLTON—The Chamber of Commerce met here recently and elected the following: W. H. Bohner, H. P.



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LITTLEFIELD—The Yellow House Land Company of Littlefield has sold to more than 600 bona fide settlers land out of the Littlefield estate. All of these purchasers are settlers or soon will become settlers.

HASKELL—The new location of the Postoffice is at the North East corner of the Public Square. New boxes were installed and modern fixtures put in.

Friday night Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Bizzell entertained quite a crowd at their home. Hot chocolate and cake were served. Everybody reported a nice time and expressed the hope that they could meet there again some time. Some of their friends were up from Colorado, and enjoyed the party also.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chaney and two daughters, of Colorado, are visiting his sisters, Mmes. A. B. Wilson and T. E. Bizzell, of Midland.

J. P. Inman and family drove over to Best last Sunday, and were met there by Thomas, who is now attending school in Alpine.

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John B. Howard was here the first of the week attending court.

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