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"MIDLAND THE FOREMOST TOWN APPLYING FOR TECH."

SO STATED SILLIMAN EVANS, STAFF
CORRESPONDENT TO STAR-TELEGRAM

Many Other Expressions, Some of
Them Almost Extravagant, Heard
on Every Hand When Locating
Board Visited Our City

Among visitors to Midland the latter part of last week and the first of this, The Reporter especially esteems those who came over from Odessa. They came for no other purpose than to help Midland with the State Locating Board for the West Texas Technological College. And among these visitors was the enterprising, versatile editor of the Odessa Times, Mr. Edward J. Wall, and on page 4 of this issue we are publishing in full what Editor Wall will say in The Times tomorrow. He, Mr. Wall, believes, as does The Reporter, that Midland's chances to be the successful contender for this tech college are fairer than ever. Read Mr. Wall's articles on page 4 of this paper.

That the locating board was highly pleased with their visit to Midland may not be questioned.

Dr. Sutton, acting president of the State University, remarked: "I never hated to leave a town so much in my life, and when this business is finished I am coming back here and spend two weeks with you." As a bit of pleasantry, Dr. Sutton also remarked during the meeting Monday morning: "I am ready to cast my vote now."

Senator Cowell made a magnificent speech of appreciation of Midland, and every member of the board had something pleasant and encouraging to say. Even the reporters for the daily papers were pronounced in their praise, one remarking: "Midland without question, has put up the best argument and the best reasons why the Tech. should be located here than has any other town;" while another made the statement that is at the top of this page.

Besides the quotations from Mr. Wall, given on page 4, we are reproducing below the articles sent in from Midland by the staff correspondents of the Dallas News and Ft. Worth Star-Telegram.

Colorado Spreads False Report

Just why it was done we don't know, but Colorado City, in presenting claims for the college, sent out a false report that concerns and was calculated to injure Midland. It was published from there that during the severe drouth of 1917 Colorado was the only town on the T. & P., between Abilene and Pecos, whose water supply was sufficient for the needs of its people.

These are not the exact words, perhaps, but the significance of the report. As a matter of fact, Midland's water supply has never been affected, never in the history of the town. Our water supply is and has ever been apparently inexhaustible and all reports to the contrary are erroneous. Our local locating committee immediately wired the State Locating Committee to this effect, and they themselves had visible evidence that Midland has water in abundance.

LOCATING BOARD VISITS MIDLAND

TECH COLLEGE MEMBERS FUR-
THEST WEST IN THEIR
ITINERARY

The article given below is the first sent in to the Dallas News by its staff correspondent, Ted Dealey, who is traveling with the State Technological Locating Board. Other communications are given in other columns. Mr. Dealey writes:

Midland, Texas, July 22.—A geographical climax was added to the three weeks' journey of the locating board of the Texas Technological College by their arrival in this city late Saturday afternoon and their subsequent hearing of the arguments of Midland as to why it should logically be the site of the new institution. Of all the thirty-seven towns seeking the college, Midland is the farthest west. Ever since their departure from Austin on July 14th the members of the locating board have gradually been working their way toward the setting sun. On Monday they turn back eastward along the line of the Texas & Pacific railroad.

Dr. F. M. Bralley was the guest of honor here at dinner given by former students of the College of Industrial Arts.

Rains Cause of Delay

The committee was late in arriving at Midland. The original schedule called for their presence here early Saturday afternoon, following an overland drive of 140 miles from San Angelo. But shortly after leaving San Angelo Saturday morning light rains began to fall, and by the time the board arrived at Sterling City, less than half way to Midland these showers had increased until they

amounted to a regular downpour.

The Midland delegation, which was due to meet the board at Sterling City, ran into still heavier rains back farther west, and was consequently, delayed almost two hours. As a result of this, the locating board did not get away from Sterling City until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and this fact, coupled with the fact that the highways were still slippery on the return journey, resulted in the first "hitch" in the itinerary that has occurred so far.

Midland had prepared quite a program for the board Saturday afternoon, including a band concert, an inspection of the sites, an afternoon swim and a dinner at the Llano Hotel. All of this had to be postponed except the dinner at the hotel and a short business session which followed. The band concert was given Sunday.

Judge Bryan Talks

Immediately after their arrival in charge of the Midland delegation, headed by B. F. Whitefield, chairman of the tech committee of this city, the members of the board, tired from their long journey, repaired to their rooms to freshen up a bit. They were then escorted into the dining room of the Llano Hotel and were entertained at dinner, following which Judge E. R. Bryan spoke in behalf of this city in its argument for the college. Judge Bryan was introduced by Judge Charles Gibbs.

"The Texas Technological College," said Judge Bryan, "is the outgrowth of a demand which has existed in West Texas for many years. It first took form in the Thirty-fifth Legislature, when a bill was introduced asking for a West Texas addition to the Agricultural and Mechanical College on the grounds that in this western country different methods of agriculture were in vogue, and that there was here a different soil and a different climate. The bill was passed, but was later repealed, as all remember, because of the trouble that came up

over the location of the school. But the people of West Texas have never gotten over the idea that they deserve a real State school and one of the best.

Midland's Argument

"The new college will be an independent institution. It will not only be a technological college, but will give any kind of a degree to any student who works for it. I note in the press that you gentlemen have said that this is to be an institution for the benefit of the entire State. That is true, but it is mostly destined to be of service, in my opinion, to that part of Texas west of the 98th meridian and the 29th parallel. I believe that the legislature looked upon it this way because of the fact that many other colleges are already established to serve other sections of the State.

"Now, as to Midland's argument for this college, I note that climate is one of the main things stressed. We feel here that, in this respect no other site has an advantage over the Midland Country. We are on the lower part of the plains. Our altitude is 2,800 feet. We have something in the air here which is conducive to effort and which makes a man glad he is living.

"Fully 350 days out of the year are sunny ones. We have little snow or bad weather. The sunshine is warm in the summer, but it is always tempered by a breeze, and sunstroke is unknown. The nights are delightful, affording one good opportunity for rest and making one feel refreshed upon arising in the morning.

"The rainfall is not as much as we would like, and the lack of it in sufficient quantities is all that is keeping

this country from coming to the front. But we are learning to overcome our deficiency in precipitation and we want the college here to assist us. In four years out of five, however, in spite of the comparative lack of rain, we have had good crops. Cotton is especially successful here. Statistically speaking, our rainfall is 18.70 inches, but the Creator gave us a soil here which is more drouth-resisting than in any other part of Texas.

"I have seen cotton in the fields doing well after three months of drouth. Our growing season is eight or nine months long.

Means New Railroads

"As far as water is concerned, there are no running streams in this part of the country, nor are there any sloughs or ponds to breed malaria mosquitoes. Our water comes from underground, and its source is inexhaustible. We have wells here from forty to 100 feet deep flowing 1,000 gallons a minute. Drouth does not affect their flow in the slightest degree.

"You gentlemen are also interested in accessibility. In this connection, I will say that we are located on the Texas & Pacific railroad, half way between Fort Worth and El Paso. There are connecting lines at Sweetwater, Abilene and Cisco from the north and south. Moreover, I will promise this, that if the college is located here there will soon afterwards be built a line from Midland to Roswell, N. M., and in addition the Santa Fe will come from Lamesa here and on through to make a connection at Sterling City.

"But, most of all, I desire to call your attention to the fact that just 25

miles northwest of here, in Andrews and Martin counties, there lie more than 300,000 acres of University lands, while in Reagan County, sixty miles south, the University has 570,000 additional acres. Do you gentlemen doubt that, if the Tech College is located at Midland these lands will not be increased in value from \$3 to \$4 per acre. I do not and this is an important point to consider.

"From an industrial standpoint we are also rich and potentially richer. Potash in commercial quantities is a prospect near Midland, while as a cattle country this region is unexcelled. From here to the Rio Grande lies the greatest wool territory in the nation. Hides are also one of our important resources."

In closing Judge Bryan said that, while Midland wanted the college badly, the people here were good sportsmen and that the board would hear no kick if it went elsewhere.

After Judge Bryan had spoken the business meeting was adjourned until Monday morning. At that time additional speeches in the behalf of Midland will be made by W. W. Lackey, superintendent of schools; W. A. Smith, pastor of the Methodist church; Homer Rowe, receiver for the Midland & Northwestern railroad, and Judge Chas. Gibbs of this district.

Attend Church Services

Sunday was the board's rest period in Midland. In the morning they went to services held in their honor at the Christian church auditorium, where Dr. W. S. Garnett delivered the sermon. Special music was rendered. Sunday night services were held in the Baptist church auditorium, with the Rev. W. Angie Smith presiding. The local committee did everything in its power to make the stay of the board members pleasant.

Sunday afternoon the board took a drive with the Midland people and looked over the four sites that this city is offering for the college. They were also interested in viewing the fine herd of cattle owned by Henry M. Half of this city.

"Midland is The Foremost Town That Has Applied for The College."

So says Silliman Evans, staff correspondent to the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, in his communication for Monday's issue of that paper. Mr. Evans also gives details of their trip, and concludes:

In the morning the service was held in the Christian church auditorium, and Rev. W. Angie Smith presided. He is the Methodist pastor. A 12-piece orchestra, with two pianos, rendered a sacred service, and the orchestral program was augmented by the community choir. It compares favorably with the choral clubs in the larger portions of Texas in volume and richness of voices.

Rev. W. S. Garnett, pastor of the Midland Baptist church, preached, and the offering was sung by Miss Lena Kate Baker and Miss Brookie Lee. The evening service was in the Baptist church, with Rev. Mr. Garnett presiding. The sermon was by Rev. Mr. Smith and a classical and sacred concert was rendered by the orchestra and the community choir. Percy Mims sang an offertory.

Sunday night Dr. F. M. Bralley, the president of the College of Industrial Arts, and a member of the locating board, was the guest of former students of C. I. A. at a dinner. Midland women attended the banquet Saturday night. Every effort was put forward by the Midland men and women to make the stay here pleasant for the board.

Where the West Begins

Visiting here members of the board were at the seat of early West Texas culture. The best known West Texas families for years resided in Midland. Famous cattle herds had their domiciles here, and in every direction lies great ranches.

"Out where the West begins," is a Midland motto, and it is with this poem that the town began its brief.

Heavy rains fell in Midland County Saturday. Board members slept under blankets last night. Today has been the coolest yet experienced. Sunday afternoon the committee drove around the city inspecting the site and seeing the civic and suburban surroundings. They saw the famous Half Herefords, celebrated at every stock show and in which belongs Beau

Homage, a champion that has won first prize in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma State Fairs.

Especial interest was shown in the Midland irrigated farms. Splendid truck crops are grown here. Judge Bryan told board members last night that Midland is located on the South Lower Plains and no finer water could be found than is here. The Aycock, the Gist, the Van Huss and the Scharbauer herds were seen, as well as irrigation wells putting a thousand gallons a minute on part of the ground fields of maize and other smaller grains. Onions weighing a pound each are grown almost the year round in Midland County.

During the drive, Honeydew farm, owned by Henry M. Half, irrigated from wells capable of making 1,500 gallons, was visited. Honeydew melons were served.

See College Auditorium

The members of the board saw the college auditorium which is tendered free to the Texas Technological College if it is located here. It is the main building of the old Midland Christian College, which has been moved to Cisco and is now called the Cisco Christian College.

It cost \$100,000, and is located on one of the three sites of 2,000 acres which was offered to the board. Midland is the foremost town that has applied for the college.

MOST ATTRACTIVE CAMP GROUND ON T. P.

MIDLAND BUILDING A BEAUTY
SPOT AS ATTRACTION TO
TOURISTS

Midland and her citizens are to be congratulated most highly on the free tourist park which she has built for the accommodation of the many tourists who pass through our city daily.

The three cornered block where the park is located, the old Herman place on East Well Street, has been cleared of all weeds and brush and is enclosed by a good five-wire fence. The three entrances, on the south, east and north, are protected by cattle-guards and there are attractive signs above each—signs which by their very appearance speak for substantiality and show the competent manner in which Midland handles any undertaking, be it tourist park or Tech. College Locating Committee.

The grove of trees in which the house originally stood will have a low fence around it so that no cars can park under the trees, but is to be used by people who wish to eat there, or by those who wish to rest in the shade. There are six or eight camp tables equipped with benches which are sure to be appreciated as it is much more convenient to eat on them than on the ground or the running board of a car. The well built shed, open on both sides, will accommodate eight cars and has already been used by four in one night.

Last, but by no means least, comes the house. It has a screened-in front porch, or will have when completed, and two rooms equipped with lights, water, shower baths, two electric stoves and two small tables. A book will be hung in some convenient place and all tourists are requested to register their name, home town, destination and number in their party.

Again we should congratulate our very able city council who have by their persistence at last secured the park, and the citizens who contributed money for its improvement and beautification.

Many tourists have already expressed appreciation of Midland's camp grounds. One party, from away up in Oregon, stated that our plans were calculated to make this tourist park the most attractive of any he had seen anywhere along his long drive, and others have stated that nothing along the T. & P. is comparable to it.

This, however, is Midland's way, when she gets into a game of the sort—to build attractively and enduringly, and in a manner ever pleasing to those who come in contact with "The Midland Way."

Miss Jimmie Pooler had her tonis removed last Tuesday and is doing nicely.

Our Greatest Asset

The greatest asset that a business can possess is the confidence of its patrons.

We are proud of the fact that this business lays its success to the fact that our patrons believe in us, and in the merchandise which we sell.

They have come to know that everything purchased from us must be exactly as represented or their money will be cheerfully refunded.

They know that we value this confidence by the quality of merchandise which we offer—merchandise produced by the most reliable manufacturers, and which is always a little better than the price indicates.

Midland Mercantile Co.

"THE APPRECIATIVE STORE"

Grocery Phone
No. 6

Dry Goods Phone
No. 284

BUSINESS AND OUR COTTON PRODUCTION

BY CHAS. BAUGHMAN, TEXAS COMMISSIONER OF MARKETS AND WAREHOUSES

The cotton grower can no longer afford to produce cotton to supply the consumption demand at prices so much at variance with the prices paid by him for the necessities of life, including the by-products of the raw cotton.

If an attempt to solve the many questions relating to growing and marketing the cotton crop of the south we must come back to the earth with both feet, and if we are to get results beneficial to the grower the spinner and the ultimate consumer, we must have the grower, the banker, the spinner, the Federal and State Governments sit together at the Conference table and there enter into a fair and equitable adjustment of conditions.

Those areas, strictly productive areas, devoted to the growing of cotton, hampered by crop pests, uncertain markets and other uncontrollable influences, in the face of present day prices for the necessities of life, and confronted with the expense of fertilization of soil, must turn to fields other than producing cotton, if any merit of financial success is to attend their efforts, unless constructive plans are formulated and put into operation.

Ingenuity of mind has never been adopted by the Federal Government in behalf of the cotton grower of the South.

The demands of the teeming millions of earth are such as to enable the southern cotton grower to "come into a kingdom of his own," so to speak, if only the fundamentals of treaty making are brought to bear.

The crop of the Southern states has been the key to the great commercial and financial structure of the United States. Others, not directly connected with the producing end of the crop have profited more, far more, than the grower.

I would not, under any circumstances, seek to sow the seeds of prejudice among the cotton growers of the south. No one in particular is to be blamed; on the other hand, the grower, the people and the government, all, have had a part in the financial condition of the cotton grower.

A democratic administration gave to the industries of the United States in the creation of the Federal Reserve Banking system, the greatest piece of financial legislation ever enacted by any nation, and likewise in the creation of the Federal Farm Banking system, an agency through which the farmer, the stockman and ranchman are to own and develop their resources at a much less outlay of interest charges, and through which came rural credit aid to the producers at the hands of our agricultural and stock-raising friends in Congress without regard to partisan politics.

A proper and profitable basis has been created and it now becomes a mixed duty of growers, spinners and governmental agencies.

Cotton has been a commercial football, the gridiron has been the tables of the market manipulators, and the players have been the foreign buyers aided or coached by those on the ground seeking to enrich themselves without due regard for the interests of those actually engaged in the business of producing. As it stands today, we are in a position to command not by mere virtue of pressure, or unwarranted demands resulting in injury to others, but by reason of a cleansing of the system of marketing, profitable prices for the growers.

It may be said, the greatest commercial asset of some of the other nations of the earth, is the cotton crop produced by the southern cotton grower.

The solution then lies in the construction of a system of merchandising our cotton crop.

The warehouse, State or Federal, is the basis of the only system that in the end will bring results—results profitable to the grower.

Next let the cotton growers plant sufficient other crops to enable them to make of their cotton crop a surplus crop—one that they are not compelled to sell on a "glutted market", and with this surplus crop stored in bonded warehouses, represented by negotiable warehouse receipts, this same surplus cotton crop will be sold only to meet the consumption demand.

Through the operation of the Intermediate Credits Bank, this system of marketing is to be wholly practical and the entire industry may be changed into one of strict merchandising of cotton.

The State of Texas is preparing for just such a program.

Warehousing capacity for the storage of cotton has increased from less than 800,000 bales on September 1, 1921, to approximately 2,000,000 at

this time, while the number of bonded warehouses, agricultural and merchandise, has increased during the same period to more than five hundred per cent.

Ninety per cent of the compress plants have shedded their platform and wharf spaces, and state supervision of these warehouses has made the negotiable warehouse receipt entirely acceptable, not only to local bankers, but to the Federal Reserve Bank and the Intermediate Credits Bank.

Should I be asked to outline in a concise, but brief way, a plan to be adopted by the southern cotton growers, it would be:

First. Treaty regulations by the Federal Government through which the South's cotton crop should pass to the teeming millions of earth needing the cotton, free of the shackles of the manipulator.

Second. Extended financial aid that will enable the grower to market his crop orderly and to meet the actual consumption demand.

Third. The Federal Government to extend additional aid by virtue of treaty rights to the extent of actual construction of warehouses in those European and Asiatic countries buying American cotton in large quantities.

Fourth. The several states to encourage co-operative marketing by the enactment of Rural Credits measures, such as were passed by the Texas Legislature at the Second Called Session of the Thirty-Eighth legislature, providing for the organization of agricultural financing pools, and let the states respective marketing departments urge the organization of these in each and every cotton growing community, with local district or state agencies to direct.

Such a program will make of the South's cotton crop, a national asset, far greater than one might hastily judge.

Last, but by no means least, to put into operation any profitable plan, we must get away from the idea that the government, both State and National, have no interest in the grower. Such is not the case. State and National governments are at work, and the reason some perfectly sound plan has not been evolved and put into general practice is that there has been entirely too much of politics and too little of brains to work in an unselfish attempt to get profitable results.

To bring about any beneficial reform, as relates to the bona fide producer of agricultural products, we must, as stated in the outset, set all directly interested parties down at the Conference table, where, without regard to partisan politics, a plan may be evolved that will give to those interested, directly and indirectly, a profitable return for the labors expended.

To object to governmental bureaus, or agencies, State or National, created for the advancement of the creative and productive powers of our country, is only an objection to the people governing themselves, for indeed without such encouragement and further State and National supervision of industry, our own nation would soon lose its place among the nations of the earth.

The plan of co-operation was given to the world when God, after creating the world, the beasts, the fowls, and other things, He called upon the Holy Trinity to assist Him in the making of man.

Co-operation has been the advance guard to civilization, to Christianity, education, and only recently it was co-operation on the part of the Allied Powers that saved the world for democracy.

My opinion is that the conservative banker is ready to join the producer in any really constructive program that will work beneficial results to the people, and I am further of the opinion that our State and National governments will continue on the job, through their tireless and unprejudiced servants until agriculture has reached a profitable stage and when we shall see a city-to-country movement.

WORKERS CONFERENCE IN BIG SPRING THIS WEEK

On Monday about 15 of our Baptist ladies motored to Big Spring to attend the monthly meeting of the workers council of the Baptist association of this district. They enjoyed an excellent dinner provided by members of the B. Y. P. U. and in the afternoon heard the reports of the different churches and made plans for future progress. Those who attended from Midland were: Mesdames C. S. Karikalits and daughter, Miss Louise, W. A. Hyatt, Rogers, W. H. Williams, J. M. Gilmore, W. W. Wimberly and daughter, Pearl, J. V. Hobbs, Chas. Gibbs, M. R. Hill, J. E. Shumate, John Hix and daughter, Annie Laurie, Miss Bernice Weldon and Rev. W. S. Garnett.

Miss Revice Brumley, of Seminole, arrived Sunday for a visit with Miss Mary Hobbs.

JUST A FEW MORE DAYS OF THE BIG Mid-Summer Clearance Sale

Next Tuesday, July 31st, will be the last day. Take advantage of this Saving Opportunity.



Final Clearance of All Ready to Wear

This last few days will see the racks cleared of all Summer Dresses.

17 dresses of printed silks in sizes from 16 to 44, values up to \$16.75 will be grouped for this final clean-up beginning Friday morning. Choice of the lot

\$7.90

- One \$20.00 Organdie dress, must go **\$8.75**
- One \$18.50 Organdie dress must go **7.85**
- One \$25.00 Organdie dress must go **9.75**

Every Suit in This Stock is Tagged at Just Half Price

\$2.85 values in morning frocks or porch dresses, made of the very finest French cambric and positively fast colors, sizes 36 to 44 priced to move at, each **\$1.69**

\$1.50 value in fast color percale Aprons; sizes from 36 to 46 Final Clearance, each **\$1.19**

\$2.85 Mary Newton Khaki Bloomer dresses for the miss from 8 to 14 year size, ideal for school wear, each **\$1.95**

THE NEW MID-SEASON HATS of VELOUR and FELT are included in this final clearance at \$2.35 to \$4.65 each.

Children's Base Ball Suits in sizes 6 to 12 that should bring \$2.50 the suit. A better garment than coveralls in wear and looks. Final Clearance, the suit **\$1.19**

One lot Men's Work Pants, values up to \$2.50, all sizes, in khaki and striped cotton material, extra value even for this sale. Final Clearance, the pair **\$1.39**

Yard wide, Introdutor Bleached Domestic, a splendid quality, not too heavy, but not filled or loaded, a cloth that on today's market is worth 22 1-2 the yard Final Clearance, the yard **15c**

\$1.00 quality, white Ratine, yard wide in white only. Final Clearance the yard **49c**

BOX STATIONARY in white, cream, pink and blue colors, each box contains 18 double sheets of paper and 18 envelopes to match; a very special value Final Clearance, the box **15c**

MEN'S DRESS STRAWS are just half price for this final clearance.

Men's Shirts in sizes 14 to 18, some with collar, some without, extra values, this final clearance, each **\$1.19**

One lot Boys' Tom Sawyer and Boy Blue Shirts and Blouses, sizes 6 to 12 years; every one warranted fast color Final Clearance, choice **69c**

A few pieces light weight narrow outing, suitable for quilt lining, in medium checks and plaids, Final Clearance the yard **9c**

One lot Ladies Junior Louis Heel, grey suede pumps; a this season's style that was \$7.85 the pair, Final Clearance, the pair **\$3.85**

10 dozen Star Cut, Chrystal Glass Tumblers; a splendid item at a very special price Final Clearance, the set of 6 **55c**

81 x 90 Dimity Bed Spreads, a regular \$3.00 value and one of the big values of the sale, each **\$1.95**

\$2.85 value in Sheer Chiffon Hose in black and some colors, a very special value, the pair **\$1.69**

Yard wide, soft finish, Challies for quilting, a regular 25c value and splendid value at that price. Final Clearance the yard **18c**

Ladies Silk Gloves, in black and white, regulation two clasp, double tips, regular dollar values, sizes 6 1-2 to 8 Final Clearance, choice **39c**

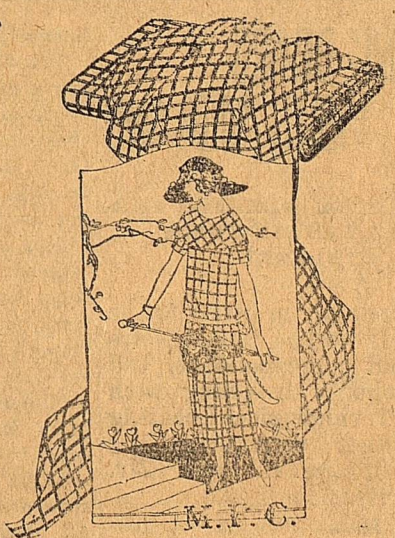
Only a few left, Manning-Bowman six cup, aluminum Percolator, worth \$5.00 to \$6.00 everywhere. Final Clearance **\$2.25** each

6 piece Kitchen Set of Sheffield Steel, every piece warranted. Values that would cost you \$3.00 to \$3.50 if bought separately; set of six pieces in box, Final Clearance, set **\$1.39**

Genuine Gillette Safty Razors, with three Gillette blades, in leatherette case a very exceptional value. Final Clearance **69c**

Final Clearance of Summer Dress Goods

Never before have we offered such values as you will find here this last few days of Mid-Summer Clearance



NINE PIECES of 40 inch Voiles, regular 40c values, must leave this house this last few days of Final Clearance choice, the yard **19c**

Five pieces imported ratine voiles, regular \$1.25 values that some one must buy. We have owned them long enough. Our cost on this goods is 82c the yard. Choice, Final Clearance the yard **39c**

ONE TABLE ASSORTED pieces of goods, consists of Printed Batistes, Lykelinen, Swisses, and tissues, values up to 50c the yard Final Clearance, choice of the lot **19c**

FINAL CLEARANCE OF DRAPERY FABRICS FIVE PIECES Curtain Nets, values up to \$1.25 the yard, all 36 to 40 inches wide, in white, beige and ecru. Choice, Final Clearance, the yard **59c**

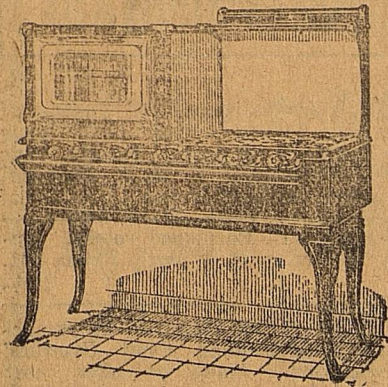
THREE PIECES yard wide, silk draperies values \$1.50, colors are gold, raspberry and blue. Final Clearance, the yard **85c**

About 25 boys' suits, most of them with two pairs of pants, almost all of them are heavy enough for fall school year, sizes 7 to 12 only. Values to \$12.50, Final Clearance, choice **\$7.85**

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Does your battery need a drink? Neglect is costly! Another example of our service. Batteries tested and watered at no cost. Ever-Ready Filling Station. adv-38tf

Van E. Curtis has returned from a two weeks vacation spent in San Antonio.

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OR POINTS BEYOND
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PASSENGER TRAFFIC MANAGER
Dallas, Texas

**CURRENT BUSINESS
CONDITIONS**

By GEORGE E. ROBERTS
From the Monthly Bulletin For
July by National City Bank

The slowing down of business, which became noticeable in some lines in April and was more pronounced in May, has been the subject of absorbing interest in June. Uncertainty as to the extent of the reaction has increased. Doubt as to the staying powers of our newly-found prosperity has spread. For this increased degree of unsettlement certain events in and around the stock market seem to be mainly responsible. The market has been shaken by several failures, which were in no way significant of general business conditions but were of the sensational class of news which gets general attention and is always disturbing to confidence.

It is evident that the country was distrustful of the March boom, with its wage and price advances, and has been moving cautiously ever since. Everybody with a memory three years long recognized the danger of stifling prosperity by rising costs and prices. Caution was enjoined on all sides.

The effect has been to put a definite check upon buying which has been maintained long enough to raise the question whether the country is not lapsing back into depression. Construction Work the Principal Factor in Boom Times

There is general agreement that except in war times the most important fluctuations in industry are in construction of industrial equipment or durable structures of some kind constituting lasting improvements. The variation in this class of work is much greater than in the production of food-stuffs, wearing apparel, and other goods that are quickly consumed. A large proportion of the population is required on the average over a period of years in the industries that supply the new houses and furnishings, industrial equipment and public facilities of all kinds needed by our growing population and that result from the changes in tastes and customs. If this portion of the population could be steadily employed year in and year out our industrial fluctuations would largely disappear, but this class of work does not have to be are great variations in it, which affect general prosperity. When condoned with regularity, and in fact there construction work is in full swing, including the industries that supply the materials, we have full employment and the highest state of prosperity. When construction work falls off, not only is there unemployment in the trades directly affected but a loss of purchasing power in their members

that affects all the industries.

All construction work involves an investment of capital which is only released over a term of years, and if unwisely invested may be unremunerative for a long time and may be lost. There is a marked tendency to overdo construction from time to time, making it necessary to wait for demand to catch up with supply, and these fluctuations have been the chief factors in our periods of marked prosperity and depression.

Crisis of 1920 and Revival of 1922 The crisis and depression of 1920, however, had a different origin. It was not brought about by an excess of construction work. The great inflation of prices was not due to activity in building operations, but to activities for war purposes and resulting from war conditions. These activities forced the suspension of development and improvement in many lines, and a deficiency existed in these lines when the depression came on. Prices and costs had been inflated, credit was overstrained, a fall of prices in some lines but not in others caused industry to become unbalanced, and the needed construction work was restricted.

The revival of 1922 is attributable to several causes working together. A fall of prices for manufactured goods and rise of prices for agricultural products improved the position of the farmers, and a great increase of construction work caused a demand for labor and an increase of purchasing power that restored general prosperity. The question now is whether or not these influences have exhausted themselves, and to what extent conditions here may be affected by events in Europe.

The Building Industry

To what extent has this country made good the deficiency in dwellings, office buildings, public buildings, and other construction work which existed when the depression began?

A careful review of the building situation as it existed a year ago was published in June 1922, by the Cleveland Trust Company, from the pen of Col. Leonard P. Ayers, vice-president of that institution. He summed up his findings as follows:

"A study has been made of the value of building permits in fifty large cities from 1900 through 1921, and by extending the general trend of the pre-war expenditures an attempt has been made to estimate what the volume of new construction would probably have been if the war had not occurred.

The difference between the new construction actually undertaken in the six years from 1916 through 1921, and the amount that probably would have been begun if the war had not intervened, is so great that it is equal to 2.44 times the estimated normal construction for 1921.

It will be seen that it was not until the latter part of 1921 that building permits rose above normal and the country began to actually gain upon the deficit.

The existing building shortage in these fifty cities is so great that building could continue at about 25 per cent above its normal activity for ten years before it would entirely make up the deficit."

The 50 cities under examination include about one-fourth of the population of the country.

The Monthly Review of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in its May number presented a diagram based upon Broadstreet's figures for building permits issued in 158 cities in each year from and including 1917, with allowance for price changes, seasonal fluctuations and year to year growth, the purpose being to bring the result into comparison with pre-war building and determine the relation of recent operations to normal,—normal being taken to mean the amount of building which might be anticipated if construction kept pace with population. By the courtesy of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York we have reproduced the diagram with this article.

Conclusions as to the Business Outlook The general conclusion from the foregoing survey would seem to be that actual construction work will go on at least through the present year at about the capacity of the industry, and that employment in the principal industries will be maintained about as at present. If so, it will mean a resumption of buying and good fall trade. If the latter is realized, the present slump will have disappeared and the scene of our apprehensions will have been moved ahead to next year.

In valuing the apprehensions which are manifested in some quarters about the present situation it should be considered that neither the price level nor the credit situation is anything like what it was in 1920. No such price recessions as occurred then could occur again, even if we should go into industrial depression, and it follows that there could be no such losses. There is no state of credit extension or stringency to cause pressure for the contraction of business or the sacrifice of assets. There are no such drastic readjustments to be made

as were made then, and no possibility of such a shock to confidence as in 1920. There is no occasion as in other periods of prosperity to stop for the purpose of catching up with premature development; there are no stocks of goods to be worked off before more are needed. Here is a nation of 110,000,000 people with daily wants to be supplied, and with industries now fairly well adjusted to world conditions. In no respect are the conditions parallel to those of 1920 and 1921. The entire situation was new and strange then. Nobody knew what might happen to Europe or what the effects might be here. It was all a guess as to how low prices might go and who would be solvent. The whole world has gone a long way toward finding itself since then.

The business sky is seldom entirely clear of clouds, and the rise of industrial costs which started last spring and is still in progress is unfavorable to permanent prosperity. The apprehensions which have been aroused have served a good purpose in checking the pace that was developing. The wage advances that are being demanded, and in many instances granted are menacing, not in the main because of their effect upon the profit of the employers immediately involved, but because they threaten the general prosperity. This is particularly true of those which are pressed by the arbitrary power of organizations which have the power to disturb the general business of the country, for such advances interfere with the free play of economic forces, whereas a spontaneous rise of either wages or prices under competitive conditions sets in motion corrective influences. As to the outcome of such tendencies, reliance must be placed upon the common sense of the people. The labor organizations no doubt have the power to wrick the present prosperity, but we are not expecting them to press their claims to that extent.

It is always necessary to take account not only of the logical results of the economic factors in a situation, but of what other people think of them and are likely to do about them. The present situation is largely psychological, i. e., dependent upon what people think and are moved to do in efforts to promote their interests. There is no reason why the country should not go on in moderation with full employment and prosperity spreading until every department of industry is included. Judging by the obvious possibilities and probabla

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Agricultural Conditions

It is true that the prices of agricultural products are too low in comparison with the prices of other products, but the case is sometimes overstated. All agricultural products are not in the same position. The South had very good returns from its cotton crop last year. Corn is up to about double the price at the low point, wool and sheep and sugar beets promise good returns, dairy products have been doing very well and the outlook for cattle is improving. The bureau of labor index numbers by classes for the month of May shows farm products at 139 as compared with 156 for all commodities, on a base of 100 for 1913. The farmer is not going to be a free buyer under existing conditions, but these unquestionably are temporary, and meanwhile the deficit in his buying power is being made up by full employment in the other industries at high wages.

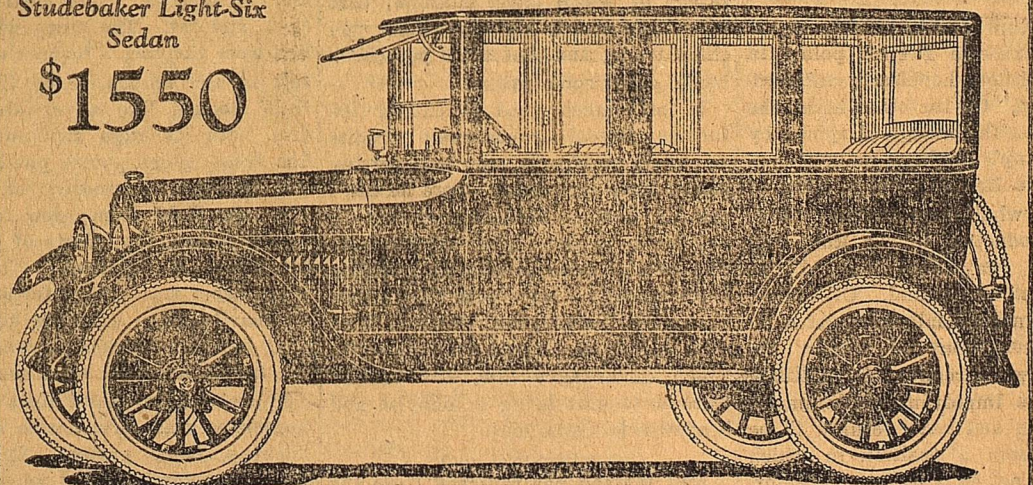
There is a good deal of natural impatience that the agricultural situation recovers so slowly, but the situation is due to world conditions. Secretary Wallace has recently pointed out that the production of most of the grains has been largely increased. The receipts of hogs at Chicago in the first five months of this year have been about one-third larger than the

corresponding months of last year. Such conditions inevitably affect prices, but it must be considered that the increased production of both grain and hogs has been obtained with very little additional labor or expense. Hogs are down in price, but not one-third, and the increased yield of grain has been at lower cost per bushel. The manner in which the big corn surplus has disappeared and the price has rallied is significant of what is likely to happen with other farm products, which is down on account of the disappointing European demand. We are producing a great deal more wheat than before the war, and the carry-over this year is very large. However, the population of the United States is greater by 15,000,000 than in 1913, and increasing every day. And the same is true of other populations which look to this country for food.

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THE OUTLOOK FOR BUSINESS

Everything looks well enough except the farmer, says the El Paso Times.

Foreign developments are still a long way from satisfying the business man's taste for perfection, but they really seem to be coming along as well as could practically be expected. The British government, which has been the crux of the whole reparations situation for the past three weeks, has had an excellent chance to bungle the job, but has not done so. On the contrary, the combination of "die-hards" and conservative liberals in the Baldwin cabinet seem to have brought themselves to the best compromise that could have been hoped for.

Thus Britain has been able to rebuke the extreme French policy in the Ruhr without hopelessly antagonizing France. On the other hand, she has gone just far enough in sympathy with Germany's plight to make it possible for the British foreign office to deliver the wholesome advice to Berlin that production in the Ruhr and reparations payments should be brought back to normal. Of course, France will not officially consider mediation as yet. But unofficially, the British have already accomplished some of the important preliminaries to mediation and have refused to be dislodged from a position in which Britain can act as a formal mediator, with some prospects of success, when the time comes. No wonder foreign exchanges have improved and the stock market has registered a considerable increase in confidence.

Inside the United States, we still

have many of the motions of acute prosperity, but the substance is dull and apathetic. We have record-breaking car loadings, rising rents and wages, plentiful employment, etc. But prices continue to drop without much hesitation as all the experts in index figures agree.

The trouble is, of course, that our 40,000,000 farmers are not buying beyond immediate necessities and often can't buy these except on strained credit. And while this condition continues, general business can not be over-confident, or anything, in fact, but cautious. Unfortunately, there does not seem to be any help for it this year. The much heralded farmers' relief measures passed by the last congress are hurting now quite as much as they assist. For instance, the limitations placed on dealing in wheat and other staple "futures" have checked trading on the wheat exchanges and are having a palpable influence on the downward course of wheat prices.

Of course, it is sweet for the "farm bloc" to see the terrible speculator deprived of some of his profits, but it remains to be seen what good it will do the farmer. In fact, it looks more and more as if the old-fashioned act of cutting off a nose to spite the face had been repeated. The speculator in the grain exchange may have certain sins to answer for, and certainly he is a perfectly apt target for envy. But experience begins to show all over again, that his operations are the things of which trade consists; that when you check his operations you check trade; and that when you check trade, down come prices.

It isn't much good to extend the farmer liberal government credits when, coincidentally, you are hurting his business to a point where he can't sell his product profitably enough to pay for his credit. After all, the solution of the farm prosperity question lies a whole lot more with the farmer than with Washington. Both to himself and to his country's prosperity which advantages him, the farmer owes it to quit being a lobbyist and become a business man.

Ned Watson has returned from the concert tour which he recently made in East Texas in company with Dewey O. Wiley, teacher of violin in Simmons College, and other Abilene musicians. He reports a most enjoyable vacation in every way.

MIDLAND PRESENTS ARGUMENT TO TECHNOLOGICAL LOCATING BOARD

Snappy Meetings Make Fine Impression With Visitors. Chances are Better Than Ever.

From Odessa Times.

The Locating Board of the Texas Technological College visited Midland in its round of inspection of 37 contesting cities, last week end, and as a result of the visit, Midland's chances for the college are at least 100 per cent better than they were before the board arrived.

Midland put its claim over "big." That is the only word that adequately describes the results achieved, and the board went away impressed with Midland, its people and its capabilities for handling the college problems in the event Midland should be fortunate to receive the majority vote of the committee.

The committee left San Angelo on Saturday and on the way to Sterling City where they were to be met by the Midland delegation, encountered the heaviest rain of the summer. The committee wallowed in mud, as did the Midland delegation in going to Sterling City. The ride to Midland from Sterling City was made under particularly trying circumstances, and the committee arrived in Midland sore in body and mind.

It had been planned to show the committee the Midland sites Saturday afternoon, but because of the rain and delays, no attempt was made to do anything except break the ice with some introductory arguments, Saturday evening, after a banquet tendered the visitors.

The main argument for Midland was presented by Judge E. R. Bryan, and it was supplemented by talks from other people including Judge Chas. Gibbs, who presided, and Mr. Lang, government geologist, who told of the potash development in Odessa and its value in relation to a Technical school in the immediate vicinity.

Sunday was to have been a day of rest for the committee, but because of the delays of Saturday, the sites were inspected Sunday afternoon. It was a glorious cool day, the effects of the rain being noticeable in every direction. The country looked green and prosperous. The cattle looked sleek and fat. The crops which visited were thriving. Cloverdale, the result of the enterprise of Henry M. Half, looked like a veritable paradise, with its huge swimming tank, fine trees, grass, dance pavillion and rest rooms, and hundreds of visitors.

At the Half Honey-dew farm, the committee saw the effects of practical irrigation in Midland. The Half grape arbor was a sight for sore eyes. So heavily laden were the vines with huge luscious bunches of grapes, that the leaves and the vines were literally buried from view. Here also the committee was served with fine cantaloupes, home grown. At Cloverdale, the committee had an opportunity to see one well pumping 1000 gallons of water per minute, from the huge inexhaustible underground sea of fresh water.

While the committee was non-committal on the sites, they were visibly interested in the site west of town on which is located the former Midland College building. They made a second trip to the building early Monday morning.

Sunday morning and evening the committee attended union services in the Christian and Baptist churches, and expressed themselves as highly pleased with the music and services.

Monday morning the committee allotted an hour for the final arguments, and this was the meeting by which Midland "went over the top." Newspaper men accompanying the committee said unreservedly that the Monday morning meeting was the peppiest and most enthusiastic meeting which the committee has attended since the journey was started.

Judge Gibbs presided and with a battery of facetious jibs and humorous quips, got the members and hundreds of visitors in rare humor before he presented Rev. W. Angie Smith of the Methodist church. Mr. Smith made a speech that was worth going miles to hear. In everyday vernacular, it was a stemwinder, and made the committee sit up and take notice. In a forceful, orderly fashion he delivered Midland's keynote address. He told of its advantages, its opportunities for growth and development, and stressed the need of such an institution as the Tech for the immense territory which Midland serves.

"I have no apology, no excuse to make for Midland," he said in ringing terms. "Midland stands on its own merits and it stands or falls on these merits, not on the demerits of any other contestant. We don't pre-

tend to compare with the larger cities you will visit, but we've got the climate, we've got the sites, we've got the soil, we have the ability to care for the students, and we are logically situated in that part of Texas which the legislature intended to be served when the bill was passed."

Prolonged applause greeted Smith at the conclusion of his remarks, and the committee was visibly impressed. The program was concluded by a short address by W. W. Lackey, superintendent of the Midland schools, who spoke on the moral and religious atmosphere.

At the conclusion of the program Senator Cowell, chairman of the Board, made a short address in which he thanked Midland for the hospitality shown the committee, and complimented the people on their progressiveness, their churches, and their willingness to co-operate and their splendid spirit of co-operation.

A delegation from Stanton took charge of the committee after the meeting.

TECH-FOR-MIDLAND NOTES

The Locating Board went to Stanton after the Monday morning meeting at Midland. The army of "Henrys" which the Stanton delegation jined over in was decorated with small placards, bearing the picture of a goat and containing this inscription, "If you don't locate the college at Stanton, you'll get our goat." The chances are ten to one that Stanton will be minus a goat.

The Midland band rendered two excellent concerts Saturday and Sunday afternoons. At the dinner in the Llano Hotel Sunday, Mr. Ned Watson, Midland's violin virtuosa, accompanied by Mrs. Philipp Werla, of Ft. Worth, played a delightful program of classical music.

Judge Chas. Gibbs, who presided very acceptably over the meetings in his Monday morning address, spoke of the wonderful possibilities from potash development. "When that first started," he said, "I laughed at it. I thought it was a joke. You did too. But I don't laugh at it any more. I don't consider it a joke any more. You don't either. It is a serious proposition. The biggest proposition under development in Texas today." Well and nobly spake, your honor. We are glad for the capitulation.

Gibbs has an inimitable line of humor that went well with the committee. In his introductory remarks Monday he noted that Mr. Sutton, acting president of the U. of T. was sitting in his place with his eyes closed, apparently nodding. Says Gibbs, "We seem to be already to go. All except old Doc Sutton there, who is asleep, as usual." The committee burst into uproarious laughter, and Dr. Sutton, alive instantly, shook his finger at Gibbs, saying: "Young feller, I'm going to tell you what I tell my wife. I'm not always asleep when I have my eyes closed." The retort shook the place with laughter.

Gibbs replied: "Well, old Doc is all right. He's getting young again." "I caught him smoking a cigaret yesterday. (Laughter from the committee and high glee from Dr. Sutton.) If we could just keep him here long enough, he'd grow up and soon be a man." (Laughter from the committee.)

When the speaking was over Gibbs asked the committee to ask any question they wanted "only don't make them too hard."

Dr. Sutton perked up and said: "Can you answer one question in half a minute?"

"Depends upon what it is," replied Gibbs. "You can ask some mighty good questions."

"Well, what arrangements have you made for sewerage?" Mayor Paul Barron was on his feet instantly and answered that the city council had ordered a survey made, a contract was satisfactory and just as soon as it was signed an election would be called and bonds voted.

"Ask us something hard," says Gibbs, and the crowd laughed.

Concluding, Gibbs said: "Well, if there are no more questions to be answered, our program is over. That's all. We are very glad to have the committee here, glad they gave us this extra time, and now, if the committee will stand up, the ladies will

kiss them good-bye." More laughter.

Once when Gibbs was in the middle of his discourse on development and progressive possibilities, he was interrupted by the noise of a steam roller as it passed by on the street below. He waited until the noise had subsided when he said to the committee: "Hear that? That's development." The crowd roared its approval.

Lackey started off by saying: "I'm a plain blunt man—like Mark Anthony." He scored a bullseye in his story of the dentist who had about committed murder in excavating a hole in his patient's tooth, and then to find how close he had approached the nerve, turned on a stream of compressed air, on the excavated part. "Do you feel that air?" he asked. "That 'ere what?" replied the patient, unperturbed.

The ex-students clubs of Midland were hosts at a dinner to the committee Sunday evening. Mrs. Harry Tolbert was in charge of the event and it was a delightful success.

A feature of the meeting at Midland was the spirit of social intercourse which the committee enjoyed. Heretofore they had been tendered barbecues and banquets by men only who had been strictly business, concerned only in presenting their arguments to the visitors. At Midland, women were present at all the dinners and meetings. They were gorgeously gowned and at the dinners Saturday and Sunday evenings, the display of diamonds and jewelry was one of extreme brilliance.

Sillman Evans, Star-Telegram correspondent; Ted Dealy, Dallas News staff man, and G. A. Martin for the Ft. Worth Record, were the newspaper men accompanying the committee. All three told the writer Monday that the Midland meeting Monday was by far the most successful which the committee has attended, and the presentation speeches were the best that the committee has yet listened to.

All three had been told that Midland still housed a cow-puncher who had tried to rope the first steam engine he had ever seen. "We want a picture of that bird," they said. And part of the day was spent in trying to get a picture of "the man who roped but failed to throw a bloomin' steam engine."

The Llano Hotel made a hit with

the committee. It is big enough, they said, for a town five times the size of Midland.

The committee spent much time at the Gist farm where Col. John M. Gist showed some of his prize winning registered stock. The animals never looked better. They were carefully groomed, well handled and looked exactly what they were—high grade, prize-winning registered Herefords. The committee was very much impressed with the herd, and said they had heard of the Gist cattle before.

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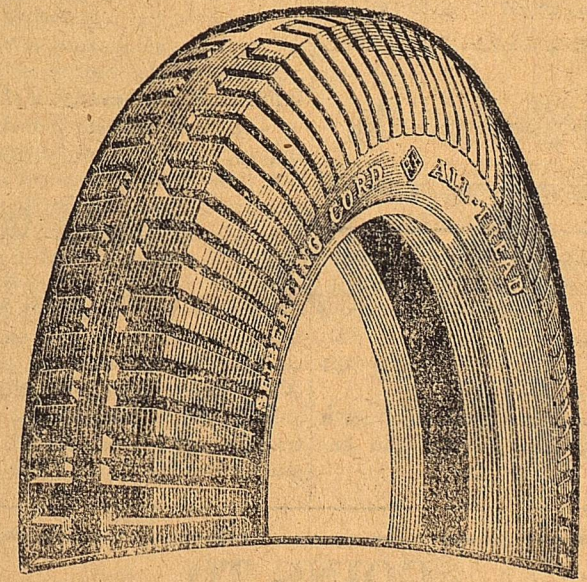
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"This petition is a continuation of the suit brought against us eleven years ago. Upon the hearing of that case, held more than nine years ago, the Harvester Company was acquitted both by the findings of the court and by the attorney general's admission, of any wrongful dealings or unfair practices toward customers or competitors, but, to insure the fullest competition, a decree was entered in 1918 requiring the company to sell to competitors certain complete lines of harvesting machinery, and to limit its sales representation to a single dealer in any one town.

"That decree further provided that at the end of a test period which has now expired the government might ask the court to determine whether or not the free competition contemplated by the Sherman law exists in the farm implement industry. This step the government has now taken.

"As we understand it, the sole issue raised by the present petition relates to competitive conditions with respect to harvesting machines only. It does not charge the company with unduly raising the price of harvesting machinery to the grave injury of the American farmer, as was charged in 1912, but it does charge that the company has been unduly depressing the price of harvesting machinery, particularly since 1920, to the injury of its competitors.

"Without attempting to argue our case at this time, it seems fair to say that the unfortunate condition in which manufacturers of harvesting machines, and in fact of all other farm implements, find themselves, is due to the serious business depression that affected the entire country beginning in the fall of 1920.

"During the last few years the whole farm implement industry has been in an abnormal and distressing situation which directly reflects the situation of the farmer. High costs of labor, material and transportation have burdened it with high manufacturing costs, while on the other hand low prices for agricultural products have left the farmer unable to buy his normal and needed requirements of

farming machinery.

"We are confident that the hearing on the present petition will clearly show that the Harvester Company is not in any way responsible for these conditions in the farm implement industry. Prices of harvesting machinery are the result of vigorous competition, exactly the kind of competition which the Sherman law was enacted to preserve, and are fairly comparable with the prices of other implements which the government concedes were fixed by normal competition."

NEW WELLS NEAR THE SANTA RITA

Timbers for five new wells have arrived and it is reported that eight new wells are to start within the next few days, says the Big Lake News, in its last issue. Continuing news of the Santa Rita neighborhood, this paper says:

Another derrick is being put up by the Texon Oil & Land Company on their University lease 14 miles west of here which will make a total of eight wells.

The structural geology will be worked out by leading and prominent geologists. It is not known just exactly where the pool is located. Reagan leads us to believe that it is not far from the Santa Rita well which has been flowing continually since the 28th day of May.

It will require about sixty or ninety days to sink more wells. As soon as this is done the skeptical will no longer have doubts as to the best oil field in Texas. Experienced oil men and geologists state that they never saw any better indications for a sure enough oil field.

Many new business houses have been added to Big Lake which will enable her to handle the oil business and accommodate the many visitors. The Santa Rita well continues to flow regularly, reports emanating from the lease that the well is getting stronger. Oil men and scouts declare that the well is gradually drilling itself in.

Two shipments of oil have been consigned to the Rio Grande Refining Company of El Paso. This is the part that has not been purchased for fuel by other companies.

VISITING MINISTER AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. T. Nicholson, of Stanton, will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning. Bro. Nickolson is well and favorably known throughout this part of the State, and all who attend the service are promised an interesting and instructive message. Bro. Garnett will be home for the evening service.

A GREAT MASONIC MEETING IN MIDLAND

MANY DISTINGUISHED VISITORS HERE REPRESENTING MANY LODGES

Representatives of the committee on Masonic service and education of the Grand Lodge of Texas reached Midland about noon on Wednesday and were immediately quartered at the Llano Hotel where they rested until 3 o'clock in the afternoon. They had driven over from Fort Stockton during the forenoon, at which place they put on three programs with appropriate addresses by members of the party.

At 3 o'clock a large convocation from Midland and surrounding counties assembled in the lodge room of the Midland lodge. Judge Charles L. Klapproth, who is the present master in Midland lodge, presided at the afternoon session, and after having called the meeting to order he asked Bro. Keith, who is in charge of the party, to conduct the meeting as best suited the committee. Short talks were made by Judge E. R. Bryan, Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Texas; Bro. J. H. Arnold, of Memphis, Texas, who was with the committee; Bros. M. B. Terrell, B. B. Cobbs and H. H. Williams, after which Judge Hiram F. Lively, of Dallas, delivered the principal address to the Masons there assembled. Short talks were then made by a number of the visiting brethren, among who was Bro. Hillary Bedford and Bro. Nicholson, of Stanton.

At 6:30 barbecue was served to the visitors and to the families of local members. The serving committees deserve great credit for the manner in which they handled the crowd. About 350 people were served in 45 minutes.

At 8:15 the open program was held at the Methodist church, this auditorium having been very kindly tendered by Rev. W. Angie Smith, pastor, for the purpose of this program. The local orchestra furnished exquisite musical numbers. The Grand Junior Warden was introduced and made a short talk, outlining the honors and responsibilities of his station. The welcome address was delivered by the youngest Past Master of Midland lodge, Bro. B. Frank Haag, which was responded to in a very happy and responsive manner by H. H. Williams, one of the Grand Lodge party, and who is assistant secretary of the Scottish Rite bodies at Dallas.

Moving pictures, showing the Masonic Home and school at Ft. Worth, were then projected upon the screen, the machine being operated by Jimmie Hooks, a 17-year-old youth of the institution who has by the excellence of his standing, earned the right to accompany this party upon their itinerary. These pictures were explained in an address by Bro. W. C. Barrickman, and in a most enlightening manner. The people of Midland had a most excellent opportunity to see the exact conditions existing at the Masonic Home and school, and also to see by means of the pictures, illustrations of the work which the Masons are doing for the orphan children of their deceased brothers.

The principal address of the evening was delivered by Bro. M. B. Terrell on the subject of Masonry and Citizenship, an address which was greatly enjoyed by all present.

M. B. Terrell and Judge Hiram F. Lively, two members of the party who delivered the principal addresses, have delivered more than twenty similar addresses within the last fourteen days at various points in northern Texas, eastern New Mexico and western Texas. The party left early on Thursday morning for San Angelo where programs will be given on the night of the 26th and in the afternoon and night of the 27th.

Visitors were present from Odessa, Garden City, Big Spring, Stanton, Lamesa, Andrews and Seminole.

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Miss Nancy Rankin is visiting in Stanton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cowden and children have returned to the ranch after a few days' visit with Mrs. R. D. McAnaly.

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WILL CONNECT WITH ODESSA AND STANTON

The Midland Light Company is extending its services for light and power to Stanton, 20 miles east of Midland, and to Odessa, 20 miles west. Electricity will be supplied by means of a high line of No. 6 aluminum wire. Sub-stations will be installed at Stanton and Odessa and the line will carry a current of 13,500 volts.

Additional buildings, which will house engines comprising 250 horsepower, are being erected at the Midland power plant to care for the additional power which will be required to carry the two towns. This makes a total of 400 horsepower for the Midland plant, which is one of the most modern, up-to-date power plants in West Texas, and the power will all be consumed as soon as the new lines are completed. The high line will run parallel with the Bankhead Highway. The project will cost \$30,000, and when completed, which will be within the next sixty days, another achievement will be added to the credit of our little city.

Mrs. Bert Stone and mother, Mrs. J. H. Epley, left Wednesday to visit a few days in Stanton before returning to Abilene.

Miss Jeanette Graham, of Odessa, returned Wednesday to her home after a few days visit with Mrs. Gibb Cowden.

Rev. T. P. Holifield and family have gone to Clovis, N. M., for a visit, and Mr. Holifield will conduct a revival while there.

Miss Mariam Pemberton has returned from a few days spent in Big Spring, where she attended a Christian Endeavor rally meeting held by the young people of Coahoma and Big Spring.

Mrs. E. L. Cowden and children arrived the first of the week for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Chas. Edwards.

Misses Maud Price and Winnie Runyan left Monday to attend summer school in Las Vegas, N. M. They will teach in New Mexico next winter.

The Alpha-Omega Club was entertained last Tuesday afternoon by Miss Lois Patterson in her home. There were three tables of bridge. Miss Lorraine Davis won club high-score prize. Mrs. Bert Stone, nee Miss Alma Epley, the guest's high-score prize and the consolation favor went to Miss Geraldine Cowden. Fried chicken, frozen fruit salad, olives, sandwiches and iced tea were served.

E. F. Langham and wife and Pope Langham, of Dallas, and Mrs. H. C. Barnes, of Odessa, are the guests of their sister, Mrs. E. R. Thomas.

Miss Georgia Bryant is leaving this evening for her home in Cedar Hill, to be gone indefinitely.

O. B. Holt, Jr., was host on last Monday to a group of young people who motored to his ranch northeast and enjoyed an excellent dinner, and rabbit hunt in the afternoon. About twenty-five rabbits were killed but no other casualties reported. In the evening they motored over to Mrs. Frank Cowden's ranch and enjoyed a bridge party and dance. Those who enjoyed this outing were Misses Elsie Wolcott, Leola Bigham, Margaret Caldwell, Lady Connell and Mabel Holt; Messrs. Ben Wall, O. B. Holt, Jr., Herman Klapproth, Leroy Whitson, and Cecil McClellan, of Waco.

BRIDGE PARTY IN LLANO WAS GREATLY ENJOYED

Mrs. Harry Neblett entertained the Bridge Club on last Friday evening with a most charming party, given in the dining room of the Llano Hotel. There were twelve tables of bridge. The club high score prizes were won by Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Cowden; the guests' high-score by Miss Mamie Moran and Dick Hutt. Miss Lois Patterson received the low score favor. After the game chicken sandwiches, stuffed tomatoes, potato chips, nut pie and iced tea were served.

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Scripture, 2 Thes. 3:6-13; Acts 18:3-11.
Song and prayer service.

"The Cross and Plow and Hunger of India"—Lenora Whitmore.
"Active Hands Save Crime"—Louis Thomas.

Piano solo—Bessie Johnson.
"Sam Haggerbotham in India"—Alta May Johnson.
"When Saw We Thee Hungry? and seven reasons"—Mrs. Stacy Allen.
Vocal solo—Eunice Allen.
"Workers Needed"—Herman Klapproth.

Announcements and benediction.

JOINT SHOW AND SALE TO BE HELD

A joint show and sale for the South Plains Registered Hereford Breeders Association of Midland and the Midland Hereford Breeders Association will be held here October 4th and 5th, according to announcement by our townsman, Henry M. Half, secretary of the first named association. The South Plains Registered Hereford Breeders Association will sell at public auction sixty head of registered Herefords for their members, and the show of registered cattle will be open to the world, according to Mr. Half.

The Midland Hereford Breeders Association will show and sell 1500 head of high-grade Hereford cattle.

In the meantime The Reporter will give further and detailed publicity to these events as the plans are further developed, and the information given us from time to time.

Mrs. J. M. King and daughters, Misses Annie Lee and Jessie, and J. L. Veazey have returned from a three weeks' stay in Austin, Houston and Galveston.

S. H. Stevens and family, of Hillsboro, arrived Wednesday to make their home in Midland. Mr. Stevens is the shoe repairer in Dorsey's boot shop.

Henry M. Half is shipping 2 cars of cattle to the Ft. Worth market on Saturday.

Mrs. John Collins and son, John, Jr., are spending the week on the ranch with her mother, Mrs. J. M. King.

J. S. Cordill shipped 2 cars of cows to Ft. Worth Thursday.

T. H. Hines & Company shipped 2 cars of mixed cattle to Friona Wednesday.

Mrs. C. E. Rice and Mrs. C. C. Fish, of Odessa, were shopping here Wednesday.

Seaborn and Clyde Gwyn left on Thursday morning for San Antonio, where they will enter the Citizens Military Training Camp.

Wielif Curtis is visiting on the Kyle ranch south of Pecos this week.

Paul Barron made a business trip to Andrews Thursday and Friday of this week.

Mrs. J. B. Thomas and children are visiting Mrs. Thomas' parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Hurt, in Big Spring this week.

J. Hall and family, of Snyder, are visiting their son, G. H. Hall, and daughter, Mrs. F. C. Dale.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cole and children were in the first of the week from the ranch.

Mrs. A. S. Boone and daughter, Aleene, left Wednesday morning for California, where they will spend the remainder of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cowden and daughter, of Kermit, are spending the week in town with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Holcombe.

Mr. and Mrs. John Locklar and family left Thursday morning for a two weeks' visit with relatives in Corsicana and Malakoff.

Valley View Christian Endeavor Subject, "Industrial Missions." Leader—Florence Parr.

Sentence prayers, led by W. W. Jackson and closed by R. D. Jones. Scripture, 2 Thes. 3:6-13—Leader. Labor a Duty (Prov. 13:11; 14:23.—Roxanne Castellaw.

Danger of Idleness (Prov. 19:9-15)—W. W. Jackson.
The Sluggard (Prov. 13:4-19-31)—Gladys Inman.

Industry and Eelf Respect (Prov. 6:6-5; 5)—R. D. Jones.
Song and mizpah.

Mrs. Edith Carr Ellis this week sustained a serious surgical operation. Friends are hoping her recovery may be complete and in the briefest time.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Porter and family, of Snyder, are now the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Bob Preston, on their ranch near Upland.

J. P. Collins is shipping four cars of cattle to Elmdale tomorrow.

W. H. Cowden, of San Antonio, and president of the First National Bank, Midland, is with us at this time to look over his business interests and to visit his several sons and other relatives.

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HICKOX IS OUT AGAIN ON BOND

T. F. Hickox, sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of Lamar Schrier at a dance at Rankin, Upton County, the night of July 20, 1921, was released from the Tom Green County jail July 17th. The arrival Tuesday afternoon of the mandate from the court of criminal appeals, following that court's reversal and remanding of the case late in June this year, gave the convicted man his freedom under the same \$10,000 bond he made prior to his sentence in San Angelo June 9, 1922.

Hickox has been in jail at San Angelo pending the outcome of the appeal to the court of criminal appeals a trifle over 13 months.

Reversal in the case was granted on insufficiency of the court records showing the return of the indictment and because of demonstration during the progress of the trial at San Angelo. Because of the upper court's finding, it is believed that it will be necessary to re-indict him in Upton County in order to bring the case to trial again.

CHEVROLET SEDANETTE A DELIGHT

Some weeks ago, about four, the Western Auto Supply Company sold to the Baptist pastor here, Rev. W. S. Garnett, a Chevrolet Sedanette, and since then Mr. Garnett has so tried it out as to be convinced that it is a delight beyond expression.

Last Friday Mr. Garnett returned from a two weeks vacation spent in various distant Texas towns, and made the whole trip in the little Sedanette, and every bit of it was pleasant, the little car giving all the luxury and ease of one of far higher price.

The Western Auto Supply Company is featuring the Chevrolet as a specialty, in the several types made, and they have a lot of customers who are no less pleased than is this young minister and his family.

Prather Benedict left Thursday morning for San Antonio where he will enter the citizens training camp. He will spend Friday in Austin with his uncle, Dr. H. Y. Benedict, and then go on to San Antonio.

TOO MANY EGGS FATAL TO HEN

A prize-winning turkey hen, belonging to Mrs. Warren G. Pemberton, this city, died last week from the strain of over production.

This hen is credited with having laid 75 eggs in three months.

Some turkey hen, "we calls it!"

R. A. Cotton, of San Angelo, was in Midland Thursday on business.

Chas McGonagill and family left Wednesday for their home in Ft. Worth, after a visit in Midland with Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Curtis.

Miss Margaret Pringle, of Ft. Worth, spent the first of the week with Mrs. W. K. Curtis.

Miss Margaret Caldwell has returned from a visit to Dallas and Denton.

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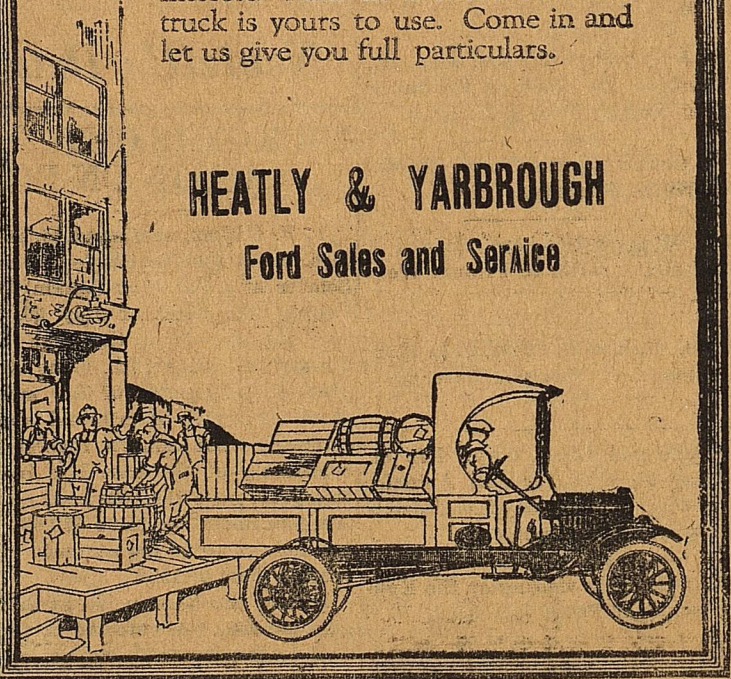
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FIRST LINCOLN OF TYPE EVER IN TEXAS

W. F. COWDEN BUYS HANDSOME 4-PASSENGER PHAETON OF LOCAL AGENCY

Automobile enthusiasts have been much interested in Midland this week over the arrival of the first Lincoln car ever brought to our city by one of our citizens, and it is the first of the type ever brought to Texas, we understand. It is a 4-passenger phaeton, finished in dull gray with gray leather upholstery, and is beautiful, luxurious in all of its appointments. Many have enjoyed rides in the splendid vehicle, and not one but has "fallen hard for it."

Healy & Yarbrough, the local agents, gave the writer a ride and his admiration beggars description.

Orders on hand at the Lincoln division of the Ford Motor Company, which have been increasing for months, continue to be considerably in excess of the production schedule, we are informed by Mr. Yarbrough.

Quality buyers in the market in growing numbers are showing a decided preference for the Lincoln and the leadership which it has always enjoyed among the higher priced motor creations is now more pronounced than ever, continues Mr. Yarbrough.

While manufacturing facilities have been greatly extended since the Lincoln came under Ford ownership and while they are being still further enlarged, production under the expressed policy of the company always will be more or less restricted because of the exacting high standards set for all details of Lincoln construction.

So insistent is the company in maintaining every feature of the individuality and distinctiveness which characterizes the Lincoln that not infrequently its production slowed up that some new refinement may be added for assurance is given the purchaser that the Lincoln at all times presents the utmost in automobile construction and design.

The Lincoln motor, accepted generally by automotive engineering experts as the finest of power plants, has been enhanced by a number of refinements which have resulted in improved appearance, increased acceleration and smoother operation.

Lincoln bodies present the highest types of craftsmanship by America's foremost body-builders. The purchaser has eight standard models to choose from and where the desire is for even further exclusiveness six Lincoln custom-built enclosed types offer the latest developments of this country and Europe.

Purchasers of the standard types have a choice of colors for body finish and in the enclosed types may specify either velour or broadcloth for upholstery. Silk curtains, floor rugs and other furnishings are provided in a harmonious color scheme. All Lincoln models are mounted on the standard eight-cylinder, 1336 inch wheel-base Lincoln chassis and combine the utmost in luxury and exclusiveness.

TAX REDUCTION PLANS VESTED

While the Democrats and progressive Republicans are formulating plans for tax reductions by the next congress, and President Harding in his vague and indefinite way is holding out a tentative promise that taxes may be reduced, the real financial master of the government, Senator Reed Smoot, (Rep. Utah) who will be chairman of the senate finance committee, puts the veto on any plan to relieve the people in this respect. He said:

"I am opposed to a reduction in taxation. The expenditures will not be reduced next year. They will be greatly increased, due to the bonus legislation and probably a public building bill."

Senator Smoot also punctured the claims of the administration that the paper surplus for 1923 was brought about by administrative economy. He said:

"The present satisfactory surplus came largely from customs duties. No one dreamed that the customs receipts would exceed \$561,000,000. The wild-estimate was \$400,000,000."

The senator, of course, did not explain that the increased customs receipts represent an increase in the tariff taxes on imported articles at an increased valuation, all of which comes out of the pockets of the American people.

It is just as well for taxpayers to remember that when the administration holds out the wavering and uncertain promise of tax reduction that the man who really holds the purse-strings of the government, the chairman of the great finance committee of the senate, bluntly says that there will be no reduction of taxes and that the expenditures of the government next year will be largely increased.

"EFFECTIVE PROTECTION" OF FARM PRODUCTS

As an answer to President Harding's statement in his speech at Hutchinson, Kansas, that "the combinations of effective protection, easier credits, and the operation of the War Finance Corporation quickly arrested this downward trend (of prices of farm products) and started agriculture on the upgrade once more," comes the appeal of the farm bureau federation for some sort of governmental help to stabilize wheat and give the grower a fair return for his labor and investment. The price of wheat at the farm now is averaging about 70 cents a bushel—significantly less than the cost of production.

The "protection" given to American agriculture consisted of the "special" tariff approved May 27, 1921, and the Forney-McCumber law of last September. Wheat was selling in Chicago at an average of \$1.68 a bushel (for No. 2 hard winter) on the day the "special" tariff was signed by the President. On May 27, 1923, wheat sold in Chicago for \$1.17 a bushel. And for the last two years the duty on wheat has not been lower than 30 cents a bushel.

The "protection" given to meats has been almost as futile as a stimulant to prices as the duty on wheat. According to the department of agriculture, the prices of hogs, cattle, sheep, and chickens were 10.9 per cent lower on May 15, 1923, than they were on May 15, 1922, before the Forney-McCumber act was passed, with its duties of from 50 cents to \$6 a hundred-weight on these animals and fowls and on their meats. At the same time retail prices which consumers had to pay were higher than they were a year ago.

Wool received "protection" in the form of a duty of 31 cents a scoured pound—the rate fixed by the Forney-McCumber profiteers' tariff last September. The department of agriculture reports that producers of wool are unable to get a fair return for their product and that "buyers indicate that their ideas of values are 10 cents a pound lower than the prices paid at recent sales." Thirty cents a pound has been offered for lamb's wool in the West, the department of agriculture states in a recent bulletin.

While the wool growers face an unprofitable market and a further recession in the value of their product, the wool trust is increasing the prices of its output. President William Wood of the American Woolen Company declares that "very much higher prices" for woolen goods are in prospect, and are even now being quoted.

The Republican tariffs have been of little worth to the American farmer, but have compelled him to pay \$800,000,000 a year more for what he buys than it has given him in higher prices for what he has to sell, according to expert economists of the farm bureau federation.

As for the "easier credits" that have been provided for agriculture, the former's answer is that he is looking for a device to get him out of debt, not a recipe for making his indebtedness heavier.

THE MAN WHO POISONED MY DOG

(In memory of Barrabas)
Somebody poisoned my dog today,
Though he never did anyone ill,
And so he is through with his canine play,
And his wiggly tail is still.
No more shall I walk in the fields with him,
Along at my side to jog,
And—I don't care if my eyes are dim—
Somebody poisoned my dog.

He crawled to my side and licked my hand,
And then with a gasp he died;
And—though some people can't understand—
I patted his head—and cried;
For it isn't funny to lose a friend
From off of this earthly cog,
And he was loyal unto the end—
Somebody poisoned my dog.

I wonder how anyone could have done
This poor little fellow harm;
But here he lies—his race is run—
Though his body's still soft and warm.
My life is lined on a peaceful plan,
My pace is a quiet jog,
But I wish I could find the sneak of a man
Who poisoned my little dog.

BAPTIST PASTOR AWAY THIS WEEK

Rev. W. S. Garnett is holding revival services at Roberson Chapel, six miles south of Big Spring, this week. He will hold evening services here and has invited Rev. Nicholson, of Stanton, to fill his pulpit Sunday morning, which Mr. Nickolson will do, provided his family is able for him to leave them.

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STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.

In the District Court of Midland County, Texas,
Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Midland County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 24th day of February, A. D. 1923, in favor of J. M. Jemison and against Mrs. Cordelia Byrd, E. N. Snodgrass and W. T. Beaucamp, said cause being No. 1645 on the docket of said court, I did on the 10th day of July, A. D. 1923, at five o'clock P. M., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the county of Midland, State of Texas, and belonging to the defendant, Mrs. Cordelia Byrd, to-wit: Lots 4, 5 and 6, in Block 154, Southern Addition to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas.

And on the 7th day of August, A. D. 1923, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of ten o'clock A. M. and four o'clock P. M., on said day at the court house door of said county I offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right, title, and interest of the said Mrs. Cordelia Byrd in and to said property. Dated at Midland, Texas, this 10th day of July, A. D. 1923.

A. C. FRANCIS,
Sheriff of Midland County, Texas.
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The ancient Incas of Peru possessed an efficient calculating machine in the "quipu." This instrument consists of a knotted cord about 16 yards long, containing 100 knots. These knots are divided into ten unequal sections by as many silver beads, representing the odd numbers from 1 to 19. The sections are of different colors which were important factors in the calculating process. The silver beads between the groups represent the even numbers from 2 to 20. Calculations involving tens, hundreds and thousands are possible by this device, which was first used by the Chinese, later by the Japanese and must have been brought to America by Asiatic migrations in ages past.

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Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson and Mrs. E. S. Patterson and children have returned from Snyder, where they visited relatives.

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dine out occasionally and give the wife a day away from the cares and heat of the kitchen. We have the best things to

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YOUNGEST AT SIMMONS ONLY TEN YEARS OLD

Farmers' sons and daughters are in the decided lead among the students of Simmons College for the summer session, according to a check of registration. Among the occupations or professions listed for parents or guardians of students farmers come first with 55, merchants second with fifteen, doctors, eight; teachers, eight; ministers, eight. This does not account for those who are attending college independently.

Other occupations represented by children in the school for the summer are: ranchers, hotel proprietors, salesmen, dress-makers, house-keepers, bankers, trainmen, cotton buyers, oilmen, contractors, city and county officials, insurance men, druggists, lumbermen, painters, chemists, barbers, carpenters, dairymen, grocers.

Simmons draws its summer enrollment from forty-two counties of Texas. Outside of Taylor county, which has one hundred and some students in the session, Jones county leads with 34, Callahan comes next with 15, and Eastland county has eight. Other counties represented this summer with from one to six students are: Floyd, Nolan, Coke, Vardeman, Sutton, Palo Pinto, Stephens, Shackelford, Mitchell, Van Zandt, El Paso, Stonewall, Whitewright, Cook, Comanche, Wilbarger, Rannels, Coleman, Bastrop, Knox, Fisher, Hamilton, Dawson, Baylor, Wharton, Ranger, Lynn, Cameron, Concho, Midland, Throckmorton, Bosque, Hardeman, Cottle, Ector, Haskell, Denton.

The youngest student in the summer school is ten years of age, while the oldest is fifty-five. There is also an eleven year student, one thirty-five and one thirty-nine.

The deepest mine in the world is in Brazil at St. John del Rey. It has attained a vertical depth of 6,276 feet. At that depth the temperature of the rock is 117 degrees Fahrenheit, necessitating a system of artificial cooling. The gold-bearing ore at the bottom shows no signs of decreasing.

Chas. McGonagill arrived Saturday from Lovington, N. M., having made the trip in his car. He reports fine rains all the way from here to New Mexico.

DON'T DELAY

Some Midland People Have Learned That Neglect is Dangerous

The slightest symptom of kidney trouble is far too serious to be overlooked. It's the small, neglected troubles that so often lead to serious kidney ailments. That pain in the "small" of your back; that urinary irregularity; those headaches and dizzy spells; that weak, weary, worn-out feeling, may be nature's warning of kidney weakness. Why risk your life by neglecting these symptoms? Reach the cause of the trouble while there yet is time—begin treating your kidneys at once with a tried and proven kidney remedy. No need to experiment—Doan's Kidney Pills have been successfully used in thousands of cases of kidney trouble for over 50 years. Doan's Kidney Pills are used and recommended throughout the civilized world. Endorsed at home. Read Midland testimony.

Mrs. D. A. Price, Wall St. says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills for rheumatic pains and a weakness of my kidneys. They did me a lot of good and I think they are a fine kidney remedy. I procured Doan's at Taylor's drug store and advise anyone troubled with their kidneys to use Doan's."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Price had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 43-2t

MANY STUDENTS HAVE ENROLLED

Word has been received from the C. M. T. C. Officer, Headquarters, Eighth Corps Area, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, that the quota assigned to this Corps Area to attend the 1923 Citizens' Military Training Camps has been increased five hundred students, making a total quota for this area of thirty-five hundred students.

There are now on file at the Headquarters Eighth Corps Area, three thousand applications, leaving vacancies for five hundred students. Attention is called to the fact that any prospective student who will submit his application between now and July 28th, will receive consideration and that his vaccination and inoculation will be given him after he arrives at camp.

Application blanks may be secured from any Regular Army Post, American Legion Headquarters, Recruiting Officers or Reserve Officers. If applications can not be secured from any of the above, same can be secured immediately by wiring or writing to the C. M. T. C. Officer, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

The young men who have submitted applications for attendance at the camps are requested to bring one of their friends with them. These friends will be assigned to the same company and when possible will be placed in the same squad and barracks.

This will be our last appeal to the young men in this Corps Area to join us at the camp opening July 28th and continuing to August 26th. Submit applications before it is too late.

DEPARTMENTS REPRESENTED

The thirteenth annual summer school and summer normal at Simmons College is well under way with the largest enrollment which the college has ever had for a summer session, registration nearing the 400 mark at this date.

The Fine Arts department has an unusually heavy enrollment for summertime work and the devotion of Home Economics is crowded to its capacity, some even having been refused registration therein. Courses in psychology and education are well filled, as are also the English courses, as special requirements are made along this line for certificates.

Approximately fifty high school, elementary, and first grade certificates will be awarded at the end of the session, while some 25 permanent certificates will be granted for the normal work. Fifteen seniors make up the roll of the summer graduating class of the college.

Instructors for the summer school were chosen from the faculty of the regular session of Simmons, with one or two outside additions. The summer normal is being conducted by V. Z. Rogers, Superintendent of Anson public schools; B. M. McKeown, Supt. of Knox City schools; Hiram R. Arrant and Mrs. H. E. Davis, Simmons graduates, Mrs. R. S. Walker, primary teacher Abilene schools; Supt. J. F. Boren of Baird; L. A. Woodriddle, mathematics instructor in Stamford high school, are other members of the normal staff.

HIGH TARIFF CHECKS BUYING

Impartial authorities on financial and industrial conditions say the United States, at the beginning of the second half of the year, is envisaging a sharp decrease in activities of all kinds and may complete 1913 with a loss of all the gains made thus far.

Unremunerative prices for agricultural products, compared with excessive cost of manufactures consumed by agricultural producers, and the resultant decline in the purchasing power of the farmer's dollar, are numbered among the principal factors working to create the depression foretold by these experts. The continuance of low prices for all the farmer has to sell, notably wheat, of which there is a big surplus, will quicken the general decline of trade and industry, these writers say.

The high tariff was an artificial stimulus to many kinds of industry but it has lately begun to lose its power in this regard while remaining a deterrent to general buying. It is not forgotten that the tariff added four billions a year to the cost of living at a time when taxes were a brake on the country's recovery from war.

Farmers of Northern Wisconsin are mixing honey and water and using the preparation as an anti-freezing agent in the radiators of their automobiles. Ten pounds of honey with an equal amount of water will last through the winter and the solution is effective even at a temperature as low as 20 degrees below zero.

While steaming in battle formation in the Gulf of Panama the United States battleship Arizona struck a whale head on. So vicious was the encounter that the whale was cut practically in two on the prow of the warship. It was necessary to halt the ship's engines while a wrecking crew disengaged the carcass.

If it should be in an up-to-date service station, we have it. Our service will please you. Ever-Ready. adv 38tf

What apparently are ancient stone gears, probably used hundreds of years ago by Indians who inhabited California near Santa Monica, have been found. The gears were about two feet apart and were uncovered 15 feet below the surface. One was four inches in diameter and had several teeth neatly cut and smoothed and it is believed that the wheels were part of a machine invented by the Indians for grinding corn.

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Forty-one persons were killed and 160 injured in automobile accidents in 27 cities over a recent week-end. Seven were killed and sixteen injured in Philadelphia. Three were killed and eight injured in Denver. Four persons were killed and twenty injured in New York City. Detroit also reported four killed and twelve injured, and four were killed in Los Angeles, Montrose, Colo., reported three killed. Cleveland, San Francisco, Milwaukee, Buffalo and Cincinnati each reported two killed. Other fatalities were: Youngstown, O., 1; Chicago, 1; St. Paul, Minn., 1; Columbus, O., 1; Kansas City, 1; Baling, Texas, 1; Wilmington, Del., 1; New Palestine, Ind., 1, and Waverly, O., 1.

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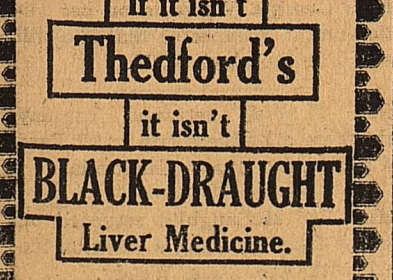
There is a lake of Epsom salts near Basque, British Columbia. The lake lies on a plateau and is not affected by spring freshets or melting snow. The impregnated water and apparently the like is inexhaustible. The product is taken out in four-inch sheets which are dried and pulverized.

The Same Everywhere The editor of Paisa Akhbar, a native newspaper of Lahore, India, says, "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy many times among my children and servants, for colic and diarrhoea and always found it effective." adv July 1m

Henry Wrage and family were up this week from their ranch near Garden City. Mr. Wrage reports five inches of rain down his way last week, which puts everything in fine shape for several weeks to come.

Inactive Liver

"I have had trouble with an inactive liver," wrote Mrs. S. Nichols, of 4412 Spencer St., Houston, Texas. "When I would get constipated, I would feel a light, dizzy feeling in my head. To get up in the morning with a lightness in the head and a trembly feeling is often a sign that the stomach is out of order. For this I took *Theford's Black-Draught*, and without a doubt can say I have never found its equal in any liver medicine. It not only cleans the liver, but leaves you in such a good condition. I have used it a long time, when food does not seem to set well, or the stomach is a little sour."



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THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland.

WHEREAS, on the 29th day of March, 1923, the Comptroller of the Currency at Washington, D. C., adjudged that the capital stock of the Midland National Bank of Midland, had been impaired to the amount of \$75,000 being 100 per cent on the capital stock of said bank, and on said date issued notice to the Midland National Bank of Midland to that effect, and made an assessment on the shareholders of said bank for the purpose of restoring the capital stock of said bank to its par value and to pay the deficiency in the capital stock by assessment upon the shareholders pro rata for the amount of capital stock held by each.

AND WHEREAS, notice was on said date given said association to pay said deficiency in the manner required by law; AND WHEREAS, in obedience to said notice of said assessment issued by the Comptroller on the 28th day of April, 1923, a meeting of the shareholders of said bank was held at the office of said bank in Midland, Texas, for the purpose of considering and voting upon the question of paying the assessment; AND WHEREAS, said shareholders levied an assessment of \$75,000 against the shareholders of said bank, making good the deficiency; AND WHEREAS, due notice was given Z. T. Brown, guardian, Eastland, Texas, the holder of Certificate No. 93, for 15 shares, to W. W. Fambrough, of Abilene, Texas, the holder of Certificate No. 126 for 10 shares, to Anna Mae Klapproth, of Midland, Texas, the holder of Certificate No. 144, for 13 shares, of the assessment levied by the stockholders, which said notices were immediately sent to the said Z. T. Brown, guardian, Eastland, Texas, to W. W. Fambrough, at Abilene, Texas, and to Anna Mae Klapproth at Midland, Texas; AND WHEREAS, the said Z. T. Brown, guardian, the said W. W. Fambrough and the said Anna Mae Klapproth, the owners of the above mentioned shares have each failed and refused to pay the sum due by them, being \$1000 due by said Z. T. Brown, \$1000 due by W. W. Fambrough, and \$1300 due by Anna Mae Klapproth, said sums being the amounts due by them on the said assessment so levied by the Comptroller and by the said shareholders of said bank; AND

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to sell the shares belonging to each of the said parties to pay such assessment.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises, the Board of Directors, acting by and through its president, and duly authorized hereby give notice that on the 8th day of August, 1923, at 2 p. m. the Board of Directors, acting through the President of said bank, will sell the shares of the said parties, being the shares above described, for the purpose of meeting the deficiency required to be met by each of the said parties by virtue of said parties being the owners of the above described shares. In making the sale, Certificate No. 93 held by Z. T. Brown, guardian, will be sold first, then Certificate No. 126, held by W. W. Fambrough, and then Certificate No. 144, held by Anna Mae Klapproth. The sales will be made to the highest bidder for cash.

This sale will be made at the office of the bank in the town of Midland in Midland County, Texas, on the 8th day of August, 1923, at 2 o'clock p. m. The notice of this sale will be posted in the office of this bank, and a notice published in The Midland Reporter, a newspaper published in the town of Midland, Texas, and a notice of this sale will be sent to each of said parties at their addresses as given above.

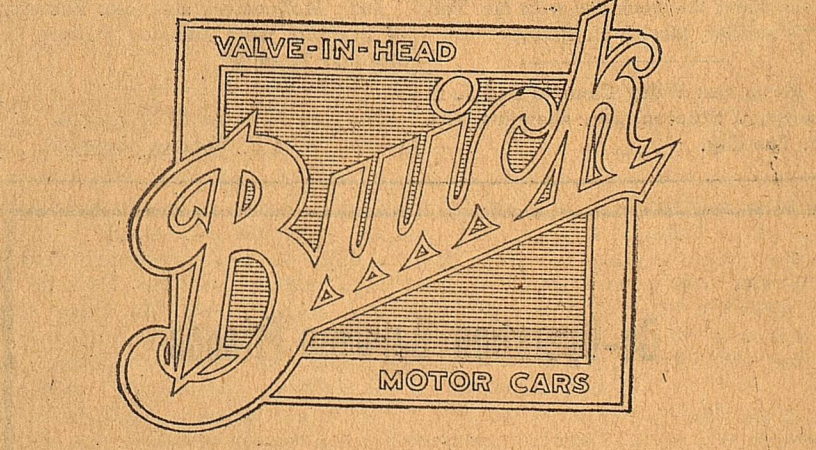
Witness our hands, this 7th day of July, 1923.

HENRY JAMES, President,
J. B. WILKINSON,
R. M. BARRON,
A. FASKEN,
J. V. STOKES,
adv-41-4t Directors.

The rating schedule for gins in Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, and Louisiana carries an added charge of 25 cents for each 100 for gins not properly grounded. Some mutual companies insuring gins in Texas give a 15-cent credit on each 100 for gins grounded effectively.

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Mrs. J. Wiley Taylor and daughter, Mrs. Eddie Weirra, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Pegues on the ranch this week.



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Mrs. Lee Heard and baby left Monday for Comanche County, where they will visit relatives and enjoy a family reunion.

Ira Driver has returned to his home in Big Spring after spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Driver, on their ranch south.

Miss Una Draper, of Mound, Texas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. S. Garnett.

Miss Mary Stanley, of Itasca, has been visiting friends and relatives in Midland for the past week.

Charles Levenson, of Ft. Worth, is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Sam Weinstein.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Goldsmith, of Cleburne, arrived Monday for a week's visit with Mrs. C. A. Goldsmith.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Johnson are the happy parents of a 5 1-2 baby boy, born Monday night. The Reporter offers congratulations.

Bud Estes, who has been confined to his bed for three weeks past, suffering of a bone felon, is now able to be up and out again.

W. C. Cochran returned last Sunday morning from Mineral Wells, where he had been with his wife who has been suffering of ptomaine poisoning. Friends will be glad to know that Mrs. Cochran is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. L. E. Cooper, nee, Miss Clara Belle Elkin, is now visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Elkin.

Joe Jay returned Saturday from a business trip to Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Terry, of Seminole, spent the week end with Mr. Terry's mother, Mrs. I. H. Terry.

Mesdames Wiley Clemets and J. B. Lewis, of Stanton, were shopping here on Tuesday.

Miss Annie Wall will open her classes in Music September the third. She will have a studio near the South Side School, also the North Side. Those interested please call 126 for information. adv.42-6t

J. H. Moore and children have returned to their home in Van Horn, after a visit in Midland with Mrs. G. W. Moore.

Miss Mary Hobbs returned Saturday from Big Spring, where she visited friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wolverin, of Tennessee Colony, are visiting Mrs. Wolverin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Reeder.

Healty & Yarbrough sold a two door Ford sedan to J. R. Simpson on Monday of this week.

Goodner Driver and sister, Nellie Lee, left Tuesday morning for Teague, where they will visit relatives and friends.

The Midland Band boys went to Stanton Monday and returned the favor which the Stanton boys did them when they came up here last Saturday and helped our boys play for the Tech Committee.

E. H. Estes, Jr., of Sierra Blanca, was a business visitor in Midland the first of the week.

F. L. Fowler, West Texas agent for the United Fidelity Insurance Co., was a business visitor here Tuesday.

I am ready and willing to do your work on windmills and pumps. Call phone 186, W. H. Nixon. adv.43-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ebbersol, of Stanton, spent Sunday in Midland with friends.

John McQuatters and Geo. Bassett, of Stanton, were business visitors in Midland Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Amburgey, of Odessa, were in Monday, shopping.

Mrs. W. L. Locklar and daughter, Etta, of Stanton, were in town shopping this week.

Mesdames George and Reeder Webb, of Odessa, were shopping in Midland Tuesday.

Mrs. T. D. Jones is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. T. Locklar, in Stanton this week while her husband is in Corsicana.

Andrew Norwood returned Tuesday morning from California, where he has been with a shipment of cattle.

Mrs. T. B. Wadley returned Sunday from Oklahoma City where she has been with her son, John Wadley, who has been seriously ill. Friends will be pleased to learn that he is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gambrel, of Tupelo, Miss., arrived Monday morning for a visit with Mrs. Gambrel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Ligon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McQuatters, of Judkins, were in Monday, shopping.

Mrs. Hiram Pigman and daughter, of Metz, were in Monday, shopping.

Mrs. Aldredge Estes and son returned to the ranch Monday morning after spending a week with her father, J. A. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Schrock and son, Ford, spent last week on their ranch southeast and report two big rains.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wise and children, of Odessa, were in Midland shopping the latter part of last week. Mrs. Wise is a niece of Mrs. Clarence Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Guthrie and family left Sunday for Ft. Sumner, N. M., where they will visit relatives.

Miss Marguerite Turner, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. P. Inman, has returned to her home in Abilene.

Cecil McClellan, of Waco, arrived the latter part of last week to visit Miss Mabel Holt.

A. M. Stanley and family, of Itasca, arrived Saturday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Stanley.

Mrs. Tom Nance and twin daughters, Billie Louise and Bennie Alma, of El Paso, arrived Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Nance's mother, Mrs. B. F. Stanley.

Floyd Thomas, who has been working in Bisbee, Ariz., is now at home on his vacation.

Mrs. F. A. Kelton and daughter, Leah, of Pecos, arrived Tuesday for a visit with Wm. Kelton on the "5 WLS" ranch.

Willis Woody was in Wednesday from the ranch to attend the Masonic lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wilkinson and son have returned from a trip to Ovalo.

Mesdames Cal Smith and Jay McGee, of Odessa, were in Midland on Tuesday, shopping.

Miss Van Lee Estes is leaving on Thursday for a visit with relatives in Van Horn.

Miss Caroline Estes returned Tuesday morning from a six weeks' visit with relatives in Van Horn.

Miss Fredonia McKinney, of Odessa, spent Tuesday in Midland with Miss Van Lee Estes.

Miss Leona McCormick wishes to announce the opening of her class in expression Monday, September 3rd. Those interested please call 271 for information. adv. 42-6t

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harlan and daughter, and Mrs. Fred Collins and daughter, of Rankin, were in Midland shopping Tuesday.

Stella Woody was in the first of the week from the ranch, shopping and visiting friends.

Luther Tidwell and family have returned from a visit with relatives in Clyde and have brought Mr. Tidwell's sister, Mrs. E. P. Meeks, to Midland for a visit with them and with Mrs. Greenhill.

Miss Georgia Voliva is on her vacation and it is expected that she will spend it in Carlsbad, N. M.

Geo. G. Gray returned Tuesday night from a business trip to El Paso and a pleasure trip to California.

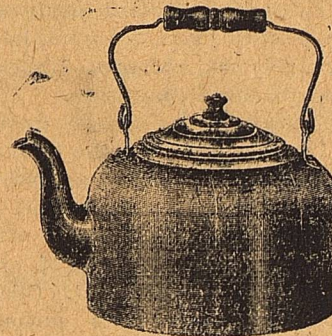
Miss Leo McLaughlin returned on Tuesday from spending a week on the ranch with Miss Stella Woody.

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Tuesday, July 31st, is the Last Day. Save While You May.

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SAYS BIG LAKE IS SURE COMER

The population of every town on the Orient line is being ascertained by the railroad, and the figures are being procured by A. J. Cleary, general superintendent in Texas, and W. H. Hargrove, general passenger and freight agent. The two officials were in Big Lake Thursday. They were traveling in Orient inspection car No. 2, and were accompanied by Max Bentley, staff correspondent of the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram and Houston Chronicle. Mr. Bentley is getting data for a special article on the Orient railroad, oil development along the line, range conditions of West Texas, and the sheep industry.

"West Texas never looked any better," Mr. Bentley said. "There is no doubt, in my opinion, about an oil field being near the point of discovery and along the Orient. It will surely make a city of Big Lake, which has a fine location."—Big Lake News.

No doubt this is all true, but that condition existing at Big Lake holds good at Rankin, though Rankin is badly in need of a bit of boosting. That Rankin is little mentioned in a way of publicity is nobody's fault but Rankin's. Make a noise. You have to do it yourself.

B. F. Haag and son, Mervin, and Billy Sparks made a business trip to Odessa Monday.

Dick Arnett and Ted McAllister, of Shafter Lake, were in Midland Wednesday to attend the Masonic lodge.

Miss Quinnie Thomas is going to Odessa today to visit relatives for a few days, and will leave Sunday for Breckenridge to resume her work.

WATER STUNTS WILL BE OF MUCH INTEREST

A spectacular swimming contest will be staged at the Christoval campment during August by Coach Y. P. Kuhn, of the Simmons College athletic department. He will be assisted in management of the water events by Jerry Bell, a student of Simmons. Mr. Bell and Coach Kuhn won first and second places in both the fancy diving and speed contests which were put on at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce meet in San Angelo this year. Contestants entered the meet from all over the State. Mr. Kuhn has staged water carnivals in various West Texas towns during the summer.

SPUDDING SANTA RITA NO. TWO

The spudding in of the Santa Rita No. 2, an offset to No. 1, is scheduled for spudding next week, probably Monday.

The second offset, the third well of the Texon Oil & Land Company, will be 800 feet north of the Santa Rita No. 2. Timber has been unloaded here and the boiler is being set back for No. 2.

Mr. Pickrell stated that the present well, which is now flowing, will not be drilled in now but will await Nos. 1 and 2.

The Santa Rita is only eight or ten inches in the sand and it is believed by company officials and experienced oil men that oil in paying quantities will be found here.

The water from No. 1 has been analyzed and found that it contains at its base, Ichtyol, a drug much in demand.

Six cars of oil will be shipped next week. Three cars were shipped last week.—Big Lake News, July 21st.

Judge M. G. Buchanan, of Odessa, was in Midland the first of the week.

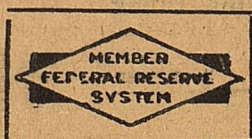
Mrs. B. A. Wall and daughter, Dora, have gone to Odessa to spend a few weeks.

Co-Operation Between Friends

There is much work to do; the surface has hardly been scratched in the wealth producing possibilities of our country.

The greatest word in modern civilization is Co-operation. We can do little alone; you can do little alone; together whoknows what may be accomplished. And when to co-operation is added acquaintance, friendship and mutual confidence, the way is made much easier than between strangers.

Let us be friends and work together.



First National Bank
Midland, Texas

CHURCH NOTICES

Catholic Church

Mass will be on every third Sunday of the month and on the fifth Sunday when there is a fifth Sunday in the month. Beginning of mass at 10 a. m.

Baptist Church

The pastor is in a meeting this week with the Robinson Chapel church, and will not be home for the Sunday morning service. Bro. Nicholson, of Stanton, will preach Sunday morning. The pastor will preach at the evening service.

W. S. GARNETT, Pastor.

Methodist Church

The pastor will be in Sterling City for a revival meeting for ten days. There will be regular Sunday School and Epworth League but the members of the church are asked to worship God with other churches during my absence.

W. ANGE SMITH, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wall, of Odessa, spent last week end in Midland.

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