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## TIME NOW FOR MIDLAND PEOPLE TO WORK HARD

### SHEARMANS FREED IN FEDERAL COURT

MIDLAND COUNTY JURY CLEARED THEM OF THE STATE CHARGE

C. P. Shearman and sons, Neil T. and John Shearman, were acquitted in federal court last Saturday.

Herndon Kemp, foreman of the jury which heard the case returned the verdict to United States Judge DuVal West at 5 o'clock, 24 hours after the case had been submitted to the jury.

At 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon the jury reported that it had failed to agree.

"I will not ask the jury how it stands at the present time," Judge West said. "This is an important case. I have made plans to leave El Paso for my home tonight, but my plans may be changed. It is my opinion that the jury is as well qualified to judge the issues involved in this case as any other future jury may be. If this jury cannot decide, it may be that no jury ever will be able to decide, and in that event the case will never end. I ask you gentlemen to resume your deliberations until 5 o'clock and at that time report to the court room."

When the verdict was read John Shearman arose and shook hands with each of the jurors as they left the court room. Father and sons then left the federal building.

Trial of the case started before Judge West a week ago last Monday. The men were charged with having resisted and conspired to resist S. E. Beckett, C. Arch Wood, W. C. Guinn and J. S. Parker, federal agents. At the close of the trial Judge West instructed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty on all counts except one, which charged the men with resisting by killing S. E. Beckett, a prohibition officer. Charges of resisting customs officers and conspiracy to resist officers with firearms were eliminated.

Beckett and Wood were killed in a gun battle on the Shearman hog ranch on the night of March 21, 1921.

C. P. Shearman, in his testimony, said that he shot the officers in self-defense. He declared that he was shot at from behind by a federal officer. His two sons were summoned to his aid, he said.

As if confident that he would be cleared of the charges, C. P. Shearman sat in the court room throughout the afternoon. He smoked a cigar and read newspapers leisurely. He displayed no agitation, looking up now and then to exchange greetings with acquaintances, who went in and out of the court room. John and Neil Shearman sat with relatives in the spectators' section of the court room. Neither approached in calmness the confident manner of their father. Now and then "Dad" Shearman chuckled at newspapers "funnies."

When the verdict was read Mr. Shearman smiled and nodded his head in assent.

"Certainly," he said under his breath.

Without waiting for greetings of friends the Shearman family left the federal building immediately.

Will S. Wood, brother of the late Arch Wood, one of the men killed in the hog ranch raid, was present when the verdict was returned.

Mrs. S. E. Beckett, aged mother of the other slain man, did not remain for the end of the trial, but returned to her home in California. She carried a large hat box full of flowers to the federal building yesterday morning and asked federal officers to take them to her son's grave. They did so last evening.

Acquittal of the Shearmans marked the end of litigation covering two years and two months. They were previously tried in the State courts in El Paso and at Midland. The first resulted in a mistrial and they were later acquitted at Midland.

More than a score of witnesses were called by the government last week in an effort to convict the Shearmans.

The case for the government was conducted by John D. Hartman, United States district attorney of San Antonio; H. R. Gamble, special assistant to the United States attorney general; Norman J. Morrison, assistant United States district attorney, and E.

### COMMANDERY NOW COMPLETE IN MIDLAND

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES IN HIGH MASONIC DEGREES THIS WEEK

On Tuesday evening, May 29th, Midland Commandery, which had been working under a dispensation since last July, was duly constituted under its charter by Right Eminent H. B. Robertson, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Texas. The ceremonies constituting the Commandery were short but very impressive. After the Commandery was constituted it was opened in full form and officers were elected for the balance of the Templar year, which will end on December 31, 1923, and after election the officers were duly and constitutionally installed, the Right Eminent Grand Commander presiding. The following officers were elected and installed:

E. R. Bryan, Commander.  
Ray V. Hyatt, Generalissimo.  
Percy J. Mims, Captain General.  
R. M. Barron, Senior Warden.  
E. H. Barron, Junior Warden.  
C. S. Karkalits, Prelate.  
W. K. Curtis, Treasurer.  
N. W. Ellis, Recorder.  
Charles Klapproth, Standard Bearer.

M. D. Johnson, Sword Bearer.  
Leonard S. Pemberton, Warder.  
M. C. Ulmer, John P. Howe, and Harry Tolbert, Guards.  
T. R. Aycock, Sentinel.

The Grand Commander expressed himself as being well pleased with the work done by this Commandery, while under its dispensation, and with the personnel of the Commandery and spoke and wished for it a prosperous future.

So far as we know Midland is the smallest town which has a chartered Commandery in the State of Texas, or in the United States, for that matter. It speaks well for the Masonic standing of the town of the size of Midland that is prepared to confer all the degrees in York Rite Masonry, and the Masons of Midland are proud of that fact.

The order of the Temple is different from the other degrees in Masonry, in that it is based upon the Christian religion, and none but those who believe in Christianity can become members of this order.

Sir Knight Robertson remained over and attended the conferring of the Chapter degrees on Wednesday, and delivered an address to the Chapter Masons which was very much appreciated. The Knights Templar of Midland feel that it was a special honor that the Grand Commander should constitute their Commandery in person, and as a whole it was a very enjoyable occasion from a Masonic standpoint.

### AN INCREASE IN PRODUCTION

Ford production for the week ending Tuesday, May 22nd, went to a new high record with a total of 39,417 cars and trucks completed for domestic use, it is announced by the Ford News. This is 114 more than the record-breaking production of the week before.

Monday, May 21st was the biggest day of the last week with a production of 6,658 cars and trucks, beating the daily record of 6,615 set up on May 9th.

Fordson tractor output for the week was 2,996.

The Lincoln division of the Ford Motor Company produced 174 cars during the week ending Tuesday.

Mrs. Chas. Lewis and three children are here from Monahans, guests of Mrs. Lewis' mother, Mrs. W. A. King.

B. Elfers, former United States district attorney.

Attorneys for the defense were C. W. Croom, L. A. Dale and Joseph M. Nealon.

The jury follows: Herndon Kemp, W. P. Cazares, Stanley G. James, Verbis Berg, James Crawford, Charles C. Cook, Ed. C. Moon, O. McWilliams, Joe Goodell, Victor T. Cox, Roy Davidson and R. A. Hurley.

### BURNS PROVE FATAL TO BOY IN ODESSA CAFE

Lloyd Ratliff, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ratliff, of Odessa, died early Wednesday morning from injuries received Monday evening when he was frightfully burned, while cleaning out the stove in the Brown Hotel Cafe.

The young man was employed as a helper at the cafe. He had a pan of oil in his hands and some of it splashed on his foot, lighting from a coal which dropped from the ash pan of the stove. He rushed to the door with the pan of oil, fearing that the slight fire on his shoe might ignite it. Reaching the door he hurled it from him. A west wind threw most of it back in his face and body. Instantly he was a mass of flames.

Before aid could reach him, he ran terror-stricken about the yard until he fell to the ground in great agony. The flesh from his waist up had been burned to a crisp. He had inhaled some of the flames and when a doctor reached him he was in a critical condition.

Late Tuesday it was thought he might recover, but he grew steadily worse toward morning and at 8 o'clock, passed away. Interment took place at the Odessa cemetery Wednesday evening at 6:30, Rev. W. S. Garnett, of Midland, officiating.

The boy's mother is prostrated with grief. Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass, of Midland, is a sister of the deceased youth.

The Reporter joins other friends in extending to the bereaved profound sympathy in their hour of inexpressible sorrow.

### GOOD RESULTS FROM FEEDING MIDLAND STUFF

Mr. G. Rendleman, general manager of the W. P. Mesler & Company, of Stoddard County, Mo., last week marketed 33 head of steers averaging 800 pounds at \$10 per cwt. He also sold 29 head averaging 724 pounds at \$9.60. These were marketed on the St. Louis yards and were brought in the Midland Country last fall. Mr. Rendleman was quite a liberal buyer at the annual show and sale of the Midland Hereford Breeders Association and completed his purchases from the herds of W. Y. Houston, of Stanton, and W. W. Brunson, of Midland.

Mr. Rendleman bought some 450 head here last fall and has been marketing them along and writes he has about 150 head of the tops left back at home which he will put on the market in some three or four weeks. These cattle have averaged from 75 to 85 pounds per month increase in weight or about 400 pounds per head, and a difference of over three cents between the purchase price and the sale of the finished animal.

It is very gratifying to our local breeders and a source of encouragement when their cattle are purchased by such people as Mr. Rendleman, for when he goes to town with his cattle he is at once spotted as a top notcher.

Dick Arnett, in from the Skinner ranch in the northwest part of Andrews County, reports that country not suffering at all of drought as yet. Says rains out there, though perhaps not as heavy as here were more frequent and distributed better.

### EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD SHOULD PULL FOR TECH. LOCATION

LOCATING COMMITTEE WILL SOON BE HERE AND THE CITY SHOULD BE CLEANED UP AGAIN AND EVERY ONE

STEAM-UP FOR THE CREATION OF AN  
UNIVERSAL ENTHUSIASM

The Locating Board will be here on or about June 17th.

That is the information received here this week, from an authoritative, though unofficial source. The impression which Midland and Midland citizens make on that day will go a long way toward deciding whether or not the State will make a million dollar investment in the "Queen City of the South Plains."

Immediately on being advised that the committee would start its tour on June 10th and be in Midland about June 17th the Midland Location Committee got busy and laid plans for the next three weeks. Mr. Wall, who put Midland on the map through the vigorous newspaper campaign he conducted and who made Midland one of the four leading contenders for the college had returned to Odessa, but was induced to return to Midland for the final drive which Midland shall make.

He is now back on the job and will handle the reins until the Locating Board shall visit Midland. The Locating Committee this week sent out letters to Midland citizens who have been supporting the campaign and who were instrumental in giving the movement the impetus it received at the start. The letter is in the form of a call for additional advice and suggestions for the entertainment of the committee.

A get-together-meeting will be held Thursday evening June 7th at the Llano Hotel for which invitations have already been sent out. The meeting will be preceded by a dinner served at 8 o'clock after which plans for the entertainment of the committee will be discussed. A complete report of the local committee will be rendered at this time.

The importance of this meeting cannot be over-emphasized. It will be one of the most important sessions Midland citizens have had in many moons. Those who plan to attend should give the matter some thought before reaching there and come prepared to take an active part in the proceedings. This will be an occasion when the advice and suggestions of all will be warmly welcomed. The proposition is too big for one man or a group of men. It is going to be necessary and essential to secure ideas of many people and their support in instilling their friends with the right kind of enthusiasm until after the committee leaves.

From now up to June 17th Midland citizens should think and act in terms of the "Tech." Write your friends about it. Talk to your friends about it. Let the world know that Midland is in the race for the Tech. and you are doing your share to bring it here.

Midland citizens should also give the town its second clean-up. The first one some weeks ago was productive of excellent results, but since then weeds have grown over and in some places unsightly rubbish heaps allowed to accumulate. Clean-up and start immediately. And keep at it until June 16th.

Midland citizens must realize that here is an opportunity to secure a million dollar investment for the town. It will represent this much in cash alone, to say nothing of the beneficial results in having a college in our midst and the business it will bring to locate merchants. Is it any wonder that our competitors are devoting unlimited funds and energies to advertise their towns favorably for the Tech. In some cities the population is solidly for the Tech. They think and talk of it all the time. They actually believe that the location of the college in their town is a foregone conclusion. This unity of spirit is going to have its effect on the Locating Board. The Board would desire naturally to locate the college where people are united and progressive and the town or city in which the school

is located will have a fair chance to grow.

Midland's spirit thus far has been fine, but the enthusiasm must be doubled and re-doubled in the next three weeks. Think of the strides Midland has taken. It was one of the last to enter the race, and it is now one of the leaders. It is among the first four cities that are regarded as likely-looking prospects. Think of the large cities that have been eliminated by Midland in its campaign, simply because it developed the organization and pep to put "itself" over.

The whole citizenship should be on the sidelines on the home-stretch. There are many things Midland people can do. And they should do it. The first and most important is to clean up the unsightly places. Next talk it to your neighbor and your friends. Mention it at your lodge meetings and other assemblies. Write to your friends about it. Create a Sentiment For Midland. Public sentiment to a large extent rules the universe today. Midland can create a sentiment in its favor that will be overwhelming. Don't let a single occasion pass when favorable mention may be made of Midland's chances for the Tech.

Excellent returns are being received by the Local Committee on literature recently put out. Mr. Wall wrote a personal letter to every bank cashier in the State (some 1800 of them) enclosing literature with suggestions that if the Midland argument appealed to them, they write to the Locating Board urging the school be located at Midland. Many replies have been received, all of which were acknowledged by the secretary of the Locating Board.

Let every Midlandite do his or her part from now until the 17th. Be guided by the wishes and advice of the Local Committee—do what you can—but in any event do something.

### MRS. HOLLOWAY MAKES BIG DEAL

Mrs. Lou or S. H. Holloway, who for so long was a resident of Midland, was married some time last November, to a Mr. Thorpe, of Long Beach, Cal. This statement as an explanation to the following newspaper comment which appeared in a recent issue of a Long Beach or Los Angeles paper:

A ten-year lease was signed today for the new three-story apartment house being erected at 56-60 Alamitos avenue, in what is said to be the largest lease deal ever consummated in Long Beach. The total consideration was \$132,000. Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Hallam, who recently moved here from Philadelphia, purchased the lease from Mrs. Lou Holloway Thorpe. The building will be ready for occupancy July 15th.

The building contains one large 4-room apartment, designed for the manager, and 32 well arranged and completely appointed single apartments. An expansive lobby, incinerator, electrically equipped laundry, private lockers and circulating hot water system number among the various features to be found in the apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hallam are experienced apartment house managers. Before coming to Long Beach they operated apartments in Philadelphia for a number of years. They plan to furnish the new building in sumptuous style.

Tom Garrard returned last Tuesday from a trip to Tulsa, where he was called to try a case. He returned by way of Lubbock and reports those sections as having been dry, but that a pretty good rain fell there last Saturday night.

## Unusual Values

### FOR SATURDAY AND MONDAY

#### BARGAIN NO. 1

BOYS SHIRTS—We have about three dozen boys' shirts with and without collars, made of extra fine quality materials. We have been selling these shirts for \$2.50 and \$2.75. These shirts will be offered for two days, Saturday and Monday, each \$1.95

#### BARGAIN NO. 2

SILK DRESSES—Our entire stock of silk dresses will be offered Saturday and Monday at a special reduction. Only a few left but we must clear our racks.

A SPECIAL DISCOUNT OF 25 PER CENT ON ALL SILK DRESSES FOR TWO DAYS ONLY

#### BARGAIN NO. 3

GOSSARD CORSETS—On every corset bought Saturday and Monday, we will give a special discount of 25 per cent. We have a well assorted stock and this will be an opportune time to buy.

25 PER CENT DISCOUNT FOR TWO DAYS ONLY

Mail orders on the above will be given special attention

## Midland Mercantile Co.

"THE APPRECIATIVE STORE"

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Dry Goods Phone  
No. 284

In every transaction it is our aim to make the service of this bank so courteous, helpful and satisfactory as to deserve the permanent patronage of our customers and to warrant them in recommending our facilities to their friends also.



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**J. V. STOKES**, Vice-President and Chairman of the Board.  
**R. M. BARRON**, Cashier.

**A GENERAL TEXAS INDUSTRIAL REVIEW**

**SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES OF OTHER TEXAS TOWNS THE PAST WEEK**

Operating industries, steady payrolls and good employment are some of the best advertisements any city or town can have. A record of such activity attracts favorable attention of investors and home builders. Following are some records of the past week:

County roads to be finished near Denton.

Laredo—600 carloads onions shipped from here to date.

El Jardin—New cotton gin under construction to serve this community.

East Texas expects to produce \$400,000 blackberry crop this season.

Llano—Fruit prospects good here.

Beeville—To construct paving at cost of \$9,000.

Building activities unusually brisk in all parts of State.

Tarrant County completes 225 miles highway.

El Paso—Bank clearings for April were \$5,000,000 greater than those of 1922.

Laredo—Shipped 576 carloads oil in April.

Cotton mills are slowly but surely finding locations in this State.

Houston—To have new community market building.

Next few years to see wonderful development and extension of pecan culture.

Milam County's shallow oil wells show increase in production.

Laredo—This district got nine producers and two gassers during last week in April.

Harris County—\$400,000 drainage contract let.

Abernathy Review sold to W. A. Richter.

Hico—Fine new warehouse completed.

Columbus—Construction of \$40,000 bank building commenced.

Willacy County ships 36 cars onions to date.

Eagle Lake—To build \$150,000 school house.

Tomatoes and cucumbers begin to move in carload lots from Aransas Pass district.

Losses by fire in State for March totaled \$346,145.

Ft. Worth—More than 100,000 head of cattle were shipped from Southwest Texas to long grass ranges in Kansas and Oklahoma during April.

Centerville—Has a new sawmill.

Texas Chamber of Commerce will promote \$100,000 advertising campaign.

Houston—Reports material increase in business.

Zavalle County attracts almost as many oil promoters as Laredo district.

Burnet—Graphite mine resumes full operation.

Rockport—Makes effort to secure canning factory and cotton gin.

Highway contracts amounting to \$2,000 let in Tom Green County.

Allamore—Circle ranch mine makes valuable ore shipment.

Rosenburg—Gulf Refining Company installs additional large storage tank.

Brownsville—Starts plans for navigation district in lower valley.

Hudspeth County to expend \$20,000 on roads.

Austin—University of Texas to get \$100,000 dormitory.

Marble Falls—Cotton-woolen mill wanted here.

Texas City—First electric welded steel storage tanks in Gulf district now under construction here.

Houston and Texas Central Ry. Co. asks city of Dallas \$2,000,000 for removing 20 blocks of track in heart of city.

Eight new oil wells add greatly to production of Mirando field.

Hearne—Surveyors start work on \$200,000 road project here.

Thorndale—Begins construction of new bank building.

Brady builds fine church.

Laredo feels influence of oil with more than \$1,000,000 worth of improvements and \$500,000 paving project.

Houston—Carter building to remodel two floors at cost of \$100,000.

Littlefield—Soon to have weekly newspaper.

Beaumont—Construction of 10,000 bbl. oil refinery started.

Lake Worth—Tabernacle with 1,000 seating capacity to be built.

Amarillo—\$35,000,000 company to organize to build pipe line into gas fields.

Bronte—Preliminary steps being taken for construction of 200,000 acre irrigation district in Colorado river valley.

Dallas—To spend \$3,000,000 for schools, streets and fire stations.

Houston—17 projects aggregating expenditure of \$36,450,000 contracted for or authorized to be started.

Brownwood—Southern Hotel to add 2 stories costing \$60,000.

Mundaq—First National Bank to erect \$20,000 home.

Cameron—Contract awarded for construction of Jones Prairie road.

Marshall—Six new business stores to be built at once.

Athens—To get \$60,000 telephone system.

Munday—5-stand gin to be built to handle 1923 cotton crop.

Hemphill—Rebuilding of Temple Lumber Company's big mill commenced.

Del Rio—Sells 450,000 pounds wool at 55 cents per pound, previous price here being 51 1-2 cents.

Bowie—17 test wells now drilling in Mantague County.

Corsicana—Big oil activity with many wells nearing completion.

Eagle Lake Headlight sold to Bruce M. McCarty.

Kinney County expects largest pecan crop for several years.

Ft. Worth reports cattle market steady, hogs strong and demand good for sheep.

**SUGGESTIONS ON TAXATION**

An exchange says:

Tax the people, tax with care, tax to help the millionaire.

Tax the farmer, tax his fowl, tax the dog and tax his howl.

Tax the hen and tax her egg, and let the blooming madsill beg.

Tax his pig, tax his squeal, tax his boots run down at heel.

Tax his horse, tax his lands, tax the blisters on his hands.

Tax his plow, tax his clothes, tax the rag that wipes his nose.

Tax his house, tax his bed, tax the bald spot on his head.

Tax the ox and tax the ass, tax the "Henry," tax its gas.

Tax the road that he must pass, and make him travel o'er the grass.

Tax the cow and tax his calf, tax him if he dares to laugh.

He is but a common man so tax the cuss all you can.

Tax the laborer, but be discreet, tax him for walking on the street.

Tax his bread, tax his meat, tax his shoes clear off his feet.

Tax the pay roll, tax the sale, tax all his hard earned paper kale.

Tax his pipe and tax his smoke, teach him government is no joke.

Tax their coffins, tax their shrouds, tax their souls beyond the clouds.

Tax all business, tax the shop, tax their income, tax their sox.

Tax the living, tax the dead, tax the unborn before they're fed.

Tax the water, tax the air, tax the sunlight, if you dare.

**Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy**

Every family should keep this preparation at hand during the hot summer months. It is almost sure to be needed, and when that time comes, its worth many times its cost. Buy it now. adv June-1month

**A DOWNWARD PROGRESSION**

When James Algernon Smackett was ten, his mother asked him what he was going to be when he was grown.

"President," James replied promptly, which pleased his mother immensely.

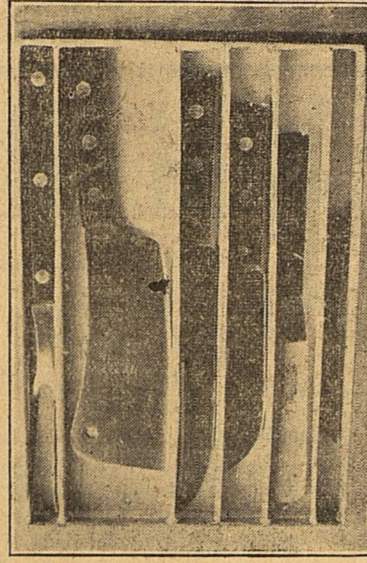
When James was eighteen his father asked him what he was going to be.

"Senator," James answered with some hesitation, which pleased his father.

When James was twenty-two, his professor asked him what he was going to be. "Governor," James said, after mature reflection, which pleased the professor.

Ten years later James wanted to run for constable but the missus would not let him.

**On Sale Saturday Morning**



This six piece, Kitchen Set of Warranted Sheffield Steel, consists of

- Kitchen Cleaver
- Bread Knife
- Butcher Knife
- Kitchen Fork
- Paring Knife
- Spatula

If bought in a regular way these are worth from \$3.00 to \$3.50, six piece set, on sale as long as there is any of these left  
The set **\$1.85**

Phone or mail orders sent promptly, postpaid.

**COLORED PONGEE \$1.75**

A beautiful quality, 33 inch, all pure silk Pongee in Rose, Green and Copen blue, a special value that is just in, priced at **\$1.75**

Extra heavy, natural Pongee, 33 inches wide, priced at the yard **\$1.35**

**CHILD'S BASE BALL SUITS, \$1.85**

These are the regular \$2.50 values and in a splendid grey striped material that will wear and wear, no collar, belt of same material, size 3 years to 10 years. An ideal play suit for the kiddies, The suit **\$1.85**

**EXTRA QUALITY KHAKI COVERALLS, \$1.35**

Here is another wonderful value that we offer special for Saturday morning and for one week, in this extra good quality Child's Khaki Coverall, size 3 to 9, regular \$1.85 quality, priced special, at **\$1.35**

**SHEER CHIFFON HOSE, \$1.95**

This extra value, sheer silk stockings comes in black, grey, silver, beige and Cordivan, in sizes 8 to 10, a regular \$2.50 value that we offer special Saturday morning, and as long as there is any of these, at the pair **\$1.95**

**40 INCH SUMMER VOILES, 29c**

The quality will compare most favorably with that usually sold at 50c the yard and the patterns are very good. A bargain that we are glad to be able to offer our customers. Forty inches wide, the yard **29c**  
Samples gladly sent.

**LADIES SUMMER UNIONS, 50c**

The quality is far better than the price would indicate, for they represent a value of months ago. French band top, wide umbrella knee, closed, sizes 36 to 44, The suit **50c**

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Always Better Values*

*At This Store*

**Wadley-Wilson Company**

Midland One Price, the Lowest. For Cash Only Texas

**GOING TO Kansas City--St. Louis OR POINTS BEYOND**

YOU HAVE THE CHOICE OF THESE DEPENDABLE TRAINS

**The Katy FLYER  
The Katy LIMITED  
The TEXAS SPECIAL**



"Every Mile a Railroad"

**Save Business Hours**

By seeing that your ticket reads via the Katy Lines  
Do Not Forget Our Superior Dining Car Service

**ASK ANY KATY AGENT**

OR WRITE  
**W. G. CRUSH**  
PASSENGER TRAFFIC MANAGER  
Dallas, Texas

**AVAILABLE FOR CHILD HYGIENE**

According to Dr. W. H. Beazley, State health officer, there is available for immediate use Federal and State funds on child hygiene. Dr. Beazley invites representatives of women's organizations to form committees to advise with the State board of health from localities where this work is essential. The State health officer feels that inasmuch as the women are most vitally interested in child hygiene, and were greatly instrumental in passing the Sheppard-Towner bill at Washington as well as aiding in securing the State's acceptance and creation of this fund, that they should have a voice in the campaign and distribution of these funds.

Several plans have been worked out and employed, and the most satisfactory one for all concerned seems to be that the State furnish the nurses, paying their salaries and the county simply provide for their maintenance while operating in the respective localities. The law which creates this fund provides that maternity homes, baby farms, lying in hospitals must be licensed and a maternity home inspector is provided for on this budget of the child hygiene department.

There are some very splendid institutions of this type in Texas, but there is room for much improvement in many maternity homes and boarding houses.

The nurses also go into schools for contact inspection, with local doctors and hold advisory conferences with mothers, and teachers discussing the welfare of the children at large. The bureau of child hygiene has in the past worked in co-operation with the women's clubs of Texas, in putting on a birth registration campaign for the registration of all unregistered children of Texas, with very successful results and Dr. Beazley solicits their same co-operation at this time in this work and requests that those interested get in touch with him at once.

In a crowded trolley, a female strap-hanger was loudly complaining of the lack of galantry of the men occupying seats. Finally, one of them looked up.

"Do you believe in women's rights, Madam?" he inquired.

"Certainly I do," she flared back.

"Then stand up like a man," he retorted.

When a man stands aside to let a woman board a car, you can't tell it is chivalry or curiosity.

**TIRED, WORN-OUT AND MISERABLE**

Many Midland People in This Condition

There is little rest for many a kidney sufferer.

The kidneys feel congested, sore and painful.

The urinary passages are often irregular and distressing.

The sufferer, tired, worn-out and depressed.

Weak kidneys need quick help.

They need a special kidney remedy. Doan's Kidney Pills have stood the test.

A remedy especially for kidney ailments.

Can any Midland reader doubt this statement?

Mrs. E. F. Stanley, Midland, says: "I had a case of kidney and bladder trouble and the action of my kidneys was irregular. The trouble pulled me out in weight and I felt all worn but none had any effect on me until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. After using one box, I felt better as the action of my kidneys became more regular, and two boxes of Doan's entirely cured me so I have been feeling fine ever since."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Stanley had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv24-92

Enroll Now - - For Only

\$5

you can order a  
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and in a short time it will be yours.

If you have delayed placing your order because of the cash outlay necessary—you need wait no longer.

If you have been depriving your family and yourself of the pleasures and benefits of a car because you felt that you could not afford it—order now and know that it will not work any hardship on you. Use the

Ford

Weekly Purchase Plan

So plan to ride and be happy, you and your family. Make the first payment of \$5 today. You can add a little each week. Soon the payments, plus the interest, will make the car yours. Come in and learn about this new plan.

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Ford Sales and Service

er had the best of anything. From my boyhood up I have always had at least four friends who have enjoyed the distinct of having the best of everything. I have, therefore, contented myself with the secret reflection and pleasure that I have had the best fifth dog, the best fifth gun, the best fifth fishing outfit. For I have always had at least four friends who have assured me that they occupied the enviable first place in these possessions.

I have a Kentucky reel, counted as one of the best of its kind. Others, or at least four of them, have reels of different make and each of them is better than any Kentucky reel. Therefore, I content myself with the reflection that mine can claim the distinction of being the best reel, with the exception of four other reels. Together, this rod and reel would in value approximate \$75 or \$100.

Now, I am not giving away to the tendency of my kind to exploit my wealth. I am just telling just how much I have invested, through purchase and gift, in rod and reel, that the reader may realize how seriously this matter of fishing may become to a man.

Preparedness

On this reel I wound a line, Japanese silk, costing about \$3. Then I practiced casting. I spent days and days, which, if devoted to chopping cotton, would have yielded me a goodly sum. I searched for bucktails to make lures. I studied colors for such tails, bought small tubes of paints used by artists in painting pictures. I would apply the red geranium to a part of a white bucktail, leaving the other half white, and thus have a pink lure exactly like a "Parmancheene Belle." Or I would take the white bucktail and with the lemon yellow make "Yellow Sally." In fact, with the natural bucktail, or the white part of the tail, I could imitate almost any of the "jury of flies" of Izaak Walton.

Now, it required hours and days to become even as skilled as I was, and I was somewhat proud of my accomplishments. All the time I was spending money or expressing thanks for my fishing outfit, and in laboring to make it perfect, I was dreaming. For no man can be a fisherman and not dream. And my dream, never broken, but consistent and persistent, was of one great bass lying somewhere in some deep pool and slowly moving his fins ready to strike. It was this particular fish that I had in mind all the time. Would he take the bucktail of pink or yellow color? And if he did, how would I conquer him in the final contest? I knew him well, so much had I thought about him. He would weigh at least six pounds, maybe more. He was not a short, chubby fish, distinguished by mere weight, but a long one—a male, doubtless—and sinewy and strong.

For one year after I had prepared myself for the encounter with him I sought him out in lake and stream. He was always absent or sullen or wary or full of food. At the end of the year my quest of him was a complete failure. Indeed, nothing like him ever came near the deadly contraction I had fixed for him.

The Rest of the Quest

This spring opened and I resumed my quest. I brushed up my lures. I oiled my reel. I had my rod rewound and varnished. I filed down the points of my hooks on the lures. And then I went forth. The lake I sought for him was ideal. It was from ten to twenty feet deep in certain parts of it. In the center of it is a floating island. On it aquatic vegetation has thrived to the extent that some of it has grown to be shrubs or miniature trees. In these the water turkey, or cormorant of certain breed; the small crane, the heron and the red-wing blackbird had built their nests and were rearing their young.

In a cove or small bay of the island, say fifty by sixty feet in area, a small button willow at the brink of the land had what might be called a "toe hold" on it, hung out over 15 feet of as clear water as ever came from a water distilling establishment. I had cast in this water before, but I had never received an answer of any kind to my call. It was the place for my fish—my fish, the fish that for two years I had been seeking; my fish, to take which I had spent so much of my time and my money. I called him my fish because in my mind I had become acquainted with him and had gone so far in imagining that I really felt that he belonged to me.

My reel had been running splendidly. I hummed in accompaniment with it as it purred. The resiliency of the rod thrilled me. I could see thirty feet away the pink-colored bucktail and the spinning of the shannon lure. The water was not disturbed by a breath of the wind. It was as smooth as glass.

I fairly sneaked into the cove, that the most wary denizen of the water should not be disturbed. I laid my paddle by my side as if I were putting a sick and sleeping baby into its cradle. Then I prepared for my cast right under the button willow I have mentioned. It was a perfect one. The cranes, water turkeys and the herons

had their eyes on me. As my gesture in casting was made and my lure struck the water, almost simultaneously the flock of them arose with a unanimous squawk. It was an instant of diversion from the business in hand with me. And at the moment my fish struck. My thumb, because of the birds, had pressed on the reel. My fish struck—struck with mighty force. He was all that I had dreamed of him. An he broke the line! Impaled on the lure, he carried it with him, and, to make my anguish greater, he came to the top, even after he was free, in the effort to rid himself of it, and paraded his size and activity before me.

I had sought him and found him. I had spared no expense or time to prepare for this contest with him. I had not only done this, but I had devoted my spare time to reading about his kind and how to take it. There was not a detail in fishing for bass that I was not acquainted with from reading.

And yet I had forgotten the simple fact that a man ought to change his casting line at least once every two years. And my experience in this case brought home to me the realization of the fact that in this life nearly all our disappointments and unhappiness result from some neglected simple detail of our best and most matured plans. In this case the discomfiture did not come from entangling water lilies or sunken logs or tree tops. It was a plain case of idiocy on the part of one man, and I confess it, though my vanity writhes under the force of confession.

TRADE REVIEW FOR PAST WEEK

A change in sentiment rather than in underlying conditions marked the past week in the country's leading financial markets, says a New York correspondent, in a review of trade conditions during the past week. While more favorable sentiment with regard to the general business outlook doubtless has been induced, to a certain extent, at least, by the pronounced recovery in the stock market, there is evidence also that a more sober examination of the facts has had its effect.

Advices from the steel trade have been re-assuring, commodity markets have firmed up, renewed interest in metals has been reported and railroad freight traffic has further expanded. Mercantile trade agencies, furthermore, while still clinging to caution in their reports, are more prone to attribute such slackening as has appeared in trade to natural seasonal influences. Business is coming around to recognize what has been patent for some time, namely, that the pace has been a bit too rapid to be maintained without interruption. Buying is now more for current needs than for the future, but the belief is growing that with the summer digestive period over, demand will become more insistent. What the fall will bring remains to be seen and much depends on how the labor situation shapes itself.

Labor Conciliatory

Even the latter is not without its ray of hope. While strikes and threats of strikes undoubtedly are coming more frequently, and the week brought further wage increases, notably on a large railroad system, it is known that labor leaders, particularly in the building trades, are showing a more conciliatory spirit. It would appear that announcement of abandonment of building plans is having a salutary effect on those guiding labor's destinies.

Late planting and unfavorable growing weather have brought reduced private estimates of the cotton crop and its condition. Some claim that even with a 10 per cent increase in the acreage, the crop may not exceed 12,500,000 tons. At any rate, strong speculative buying and heavy covering movements in the old crop months brought a sharp rise during the week. Profit-taking appeared on the bulge, as was natural, but it was well absorbed. Short covering also was the chief factor in wheat on fears of a smaller yield due to bad weather conditions.

Money Abundant

Money has been fairly abundant and cheap, despite recent government financing, although no actual changes in rates have occurred. Those in the closest touch with banking circles say that inability to place all available funds has resulted in re-investment in securities by some institutions. Firmness in the bond market tends to confirm these reports.

That goods are still going into consumption in large volume is shown by the weekly carloading statistics. The latest figures available, those for the week which ended May 12th, show a total of 974,531 cars loaded with revenue freight. This not only established a high record for all times for this season of the year, but comes within 4 per cent of the peak traffic recorded in the first week of last November. Meanwhile, earnings, statements covering operations during the month of April for the roads that

have reported so far show that net income is running somewhat below that for the previous month, but is substantially higher than last year.

Steel Mills Active

Making allowance for the fact that there are fewer working days in April than in March, net incomes, in the opinion of most railroad authorities, should show a percentage earned on valuation equal to, if not higher, than that for March, which was 5.84 per cent. That net income is not higher, in view of the heavy car loadings, is due to a large extent to increased expenditures for deferred maintenance and for new equipment.

The situation in the steel industry pretty well epitomizes that for industry in general. Steel men say that too much stress has been placed on the slackness of forward buying. They point out that the mills are operating close to the high rate for the year and that business on their books is sufficient to keep them running for a long time to come. Now bookings for many of the mills, furthermore, are almost as large as the volume they are shipping out. Automobile output also continues to exceed earlier predictions. Commodity markets have shown more strength.

THE WORLD'S NERVIEST MAN

Judge W. D. Howe, of the thirty-fourth district court of El Paso, announced Monday that he believed he had located the world's nerviest man.

A citizen of El Paso was summoned to appear Monday morning in Judge Howe's court. Instead of obeying the summons the man wrote an excuse and sent it to the court, adding a postscript asking the Judge to give the boy 50c for delivering the message. The Judge refused to pay the boy 50c, but excused the summoned man out of admiration for his nerve.

Hobo's Unlucky Number

Hobo: "I've never had a chance. My unlucky number always bobs up." "What is your unlucky number?" "Thirteen—a jury of twelve, and a judge."

Severe Indigestion

"I had very severe attacks of indigestion," writes Mr. M. H. Wade, a farmer, of R. F. D. 1, Weir, Miss. "I would suffer for months at a time. All I dared eat was a little bread and butter... consequently I suffered from weakness. I would try to eat, then the terrible suffering in my stomach! I took medicines, but did not get any better. The druggist recommended

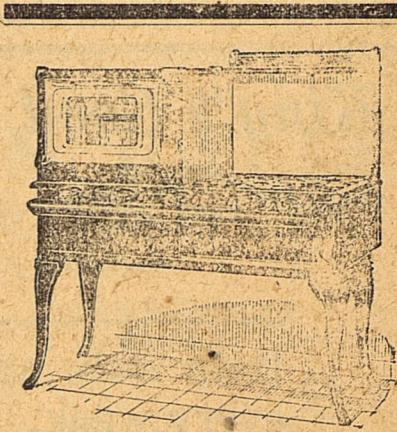
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and I decided to try it, for, as I say, I had tried others for two or more years without any improvement in my health. I soon found the Black-Draught was acting on my liver and easing the terrible pain.

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SECOND PRIZE STORY IN JUDGE'S MAGAZINE

A Scottish farmer, being elected a school manager, visited the village school and tested the intelligence of the class by this question: "Now, boys, can any of you tell me what naething is?"

After a moment's silence a small boy in a back seat rose and replied: "It's what ye gieed me the other day for holding yer horse."

The Home of the Soul

In olden times, it was believed that the seat of the soul was the stomach, most likely for the reason that a man is never so completely used up as when his stomach is out of order. For the cure of ordinary stomach troubles, there is nothing quite so prompt and satisfactory as Chamberlain's Tablets. They strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. Give them a trial. They only cost a quarter. adv Jnu -mt

Couldn't Make Him

Grandpa always worked on the contrary side of everything, and let his hair and beard get very long. One day he was sitting a little too near the fire and his hair got on fire. Some one coming into the room and seeing it cried, "Oh, grandpa, your hair is burning," whereupon he replied, "I didn't ketch it on fire an' I be damned if I put it out!"

CONFESSION OF AN ANGLER WHO FAILED

CONTRARY TO RULE, HE DOES NOT BLAME FISH FOR ESCAPING

The article given below is from that veteran staff correspondent to the Dallas News, William G. Sterett, and it appeared in Monday's issue of the News. Mr. Steritt writes:

If I have ever met any human being in which the tincturing of self-esteem in the bolder or the tincturing of self-abnegation, in the timid, did not appear at times, I have forgotten his name and the place of his existence. "We have with us" everywhere and at all times that class of people who plague us with declarations of their superiority or with stories of themselves which prove it without the declarations. We have the more modest, perhaps in greater number, who repeating the incidents of life, strip them by omissions and exaggeration, of everything but the courage, strength or intellectual resourcefulness of their own self-important selves. There are others, perfected artists in affected modesty, who can, with a smile or facial contortion put to flight the greatest of loud and nerve killing boasters.

As I have said, there is not one of us lacking in the possession of the attribute of self-esteem. This fact is not deplorable. For without it the "group," that is, our kind, would soon fall from its dominance in this world and drop to the plane of the other animal groups.

These ideas come to me just at this time because it is the season when men go fishing, and I am reminded by it that I never read or heard of a big fish getting away except through the action of the fish or something else beyond control of the superior man with the fishing pole. Fish that get away are always large fish. That has become a proverb. While the size of them—each and every one of them—always has been discounted by those who listen to stories of their escape, yet such skepticism has had no deterrent effect on those who have again and again permitted such escape and tell about it. The "big one" was not well hooked, which was its own fault and not the fault of the angler. It ran around a lily pad, after being hooked, and thus, either broke its flesh-hold or the line or the hook, which was clearly not the fault of the

angler. Or it dived deep and entangled itself on a hidden tree top or something of that kind and thus the fisherman was deprived of the legitimate fruits of his victory, (clearly his,) not through any fault of his own, but through the exceptional or unreasonable conduct of the fish.

Fault of the Fish

Of course the man who listens and to some extent is prejudiced by envy, tries to punch a hole in the age-old story. And invariably he has the sympathy of his fellow-listeners. He suggests by question or by intimation that in the case in hand it is clearly a contest between human and fish intellectually; that of a fish, finding its mouth pierced by some substance or thing with which it is unacquainted and which frightens it, if it does not pain it (the question of whether a fish can experience pain, being as yet undetermined) endeavors to rid itself of it, and the man desiring to have the hook retain its hold ought not the supposed superiority of human intellect over the intellect of the fish, be able to prevent the fish from getting around a lily pad or down in the submerged tree top?

Clearly, the human intelligence, in its resourcefulness and powers of anticipation over the intelligence of the fish, must be admitted. Being admitted in a contest as suggested, if the fish got away the fault must be with the fisherman. But never was there a fisherman that will admit this, if the contest was his and not that of another of his kind. And I intend here to tell of an experience of mine with a fish that got away, not for the purpose of exploiting my capacity for, if not addition to truth, but as some sort of atonement for other fish stories which I have told and over which my fishing friends have sadly shaken their heads.

Secure in Fifth Place

I have a casting rod, made by an ardent fisherman whom time relegated from the still waters. In fact, he had retired to his simple home to cast his flies and his bucktail as he sat before his fire. In other words, he dreamed rather than fished. But the angling spirit which never, never dies was in him still, and he made rods for those who desired only the best and made not by machines and unskilled workmen who never felt the thrill of the strike. This rod was given to me, it is almost unnecessary to say, since its price was high up in two figures. If my associates were free from that vanity or self-esteem which I have mentioned, and which extends to their possessions, I would say that it was the best rod in the State. But I nev-

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### DON'T TRY TO KID YOURSELF

Common expression is, "I won't build now as cost of construction is too high."

Incomes have increased proportionately to cost of construction and the man who does not demand every new fangled contraption can build with his present day income and have a larger margin left than would have been possible in 1913.

Don't blame the present building costs entirely on to lumber and labor. Remember that in nine cases out of ten your ideas of what you want have expanded with your income and you would not be satisfied today with the 1913 bungalow.

Taxes at \$100, insurance at \$30, repairs and upkeep at \$100 and 7 per cent interest on a \$5,000 house amounts to \$580 a year.

If you pay \$50 a month rent for 9 years you have \$5400 worth of rent receipts worth nothing. If you put \$50 a month into a home for five years, even if it was necessary to cut out a few theater parties or clothes to make up interest, etc., until the property was paid for, you would have an asset worth probably more than \$5400 at the end of nine years and your family would have a roof over its head which could not be taken away from them for failure to pay a month's rent.

Don't kid yourself; you can own a home as well today as you could ten years ago if you want to. It is not the cost of building that will prevent you, it is the cost of satisfying your demands for luxuries and modern extravagances.

### MRS. L. PEGUES MARRIED AGAIN

Lee Satterwhite, member of the legislature from Panhandle, Texas, and Mrs. Lula Pegues, formerly owner of a ranch and the famous Pegues herd of registered Hereford cattle, of Odessa, were married at the Wright Hotel in Sweetwater at 8:30 o'clock last Sunday morning. The Rev. L. G. Aroney, pastor of the Baptist church, officiated. The bride and bridegroom met here by appointment Sunday morning, the bridegroom coming from Austin and the bride from Odessa.

They were married in the hotel parlors with Mr. and Mrs. Wright as witnesses.

The couple departed on the 4 o'clock train for Austin and will be in Austin Monday. After adjournment of the legislature, Mr. and Mrs. Satterwhite will make their home in Amarillo.

The above statement was taken from Monday's issue of the Dallas News. The bride used to live in Midland and has many friends here who wish her every happiness and prosperity.

A young lady entered the fur store and the polite salesman came forward.

"I wish to get a muff," she said.

"Yes'm," said the salesman; "what fur?"

The young lady looked surprised.

"Why," she said, "to keep my hands warm, of course."

### GREATEST OF ALL EXPECTED

Predictions for the greatest summer session in the history of the University of Texas are now being made by the authorities of the institution, and elaborate plans have been made to secure the most competent instruction and excellent facilities for education and recreation. The enrollment of the summer school and normal last year totalled 2,953, and it is thought that this year's enrollment will probably surpass that of former years. The first term of the summer session will open June 7th, and it will continue for six weeks. The second term will open on July 20th, and the closing exercises of the session will be held August 31st. The summer normal will continue from June 11th to August 9th.

An excellent faculty of 150 members has been provided for the summer session, many of them noted lecturers from colleges and universities in various parts of the country. They will give courses in the College of Arts and Science, the School of Business Administration, the College of Engineering, and the School of Law.

Norman Crozier, assistant superintendent of the Dallas public schools, will be director of the summer normal for the third consecutive summer. In addition to several members of the regular University of Texas faculty, there will be teachers of experience from all parts of the State in the faculty. There will be nine different types of teachers' certificates to be obtained in the summer session, and the work is so co-ordinated with the work of the University summer session that courses taken in the University can be counted on the certificate requirement, as well as toward a college degree.

### THE MARVELS OF THE PRESENT AGE

Lo! 'Tis a marvelous age in which we are living! acclaims Southwestern Machinery. A man in New York puts a drop of blood on a blotter and sends it to a man in San Francisco; the recipient runs the blotter through a machine and writes the man in New York: "The drop of blood was taken from the left ear of a male sheep 18 months old; the sheep was in good condition." And he had guessed it!

I sit alone in my attic and listen in on Havana, Dubuque, Walla Walla, Atlanta, Chicago, Schenectady; I hear as plainly as I could hear the voice of my neighbor over the telephone. A machine is perfected which indicates when a person is lying. Photographs are taken of the spirits of persons dead many years. Pictures of living persons are sent by telegraph across the Pacific Ocean. Boys in their teens can drink a pint of corn likker—and get away with it.

Marvelous age, indeed! But listen to this: The editor of the magazine advertisements and concludes that sooner or later the oil companies will be put out of business by mechanical devices.

We read: "The installation of the Stormbound Carburetor will decrease your gasoline consumption 25 per cent; the use of Dill Piston Rings will decrease it another 25 per cent; Quicken's Hot Shot Vaporizer will save 15 per cent; Eunkolene Motor Oil 20 per cent, and the addition of a small inexpensive can of Zip to your gasoline will cut down your fuel consumption another 15 per cent."

"You readily see that with the use of these five economizers you actually use no gasoline at all. But you haven't heard anything yet; listen to this: Nonpareil Spark Plugs and the Weehawken Timer together save another 35 per cent—which means that if you run far enough you will accumulate so much gasoline that your tank will run over."

### TARIFF SENDS THINGS HIGHER

Some of the highest taxes imposed on consumers by the Fordney-McCumber profiteers' tariff law are those on clothing of all kinds, whether of wool, cotton, silk, linen or their blends. Accordingly, it is not surprising to have the department of labor report that clothing of all sorts is now the most costly of the three major necessities of life—food and shelter being the others.

Retail prices of clothing in the country at large averaged in April 74 per cent over the averages for 1913. This was an increase of 2 per cent over the average for 1922. The trend is still upward, considerable increases in the price of fabrics having been made by the manufacturers within the last few weeks. These will reach the consumer next fall and next spring.

Miss Euphie Pemberton will leave for Ft. Worth Friday for a visit with relatives. She will also attend the Christian Endeavor convention at Sherman.

## Are You Entitled To The Courtesies of Credit?

Credit is a convenience that firms have extended to you because of their confidence in you.

Your credit is based upon your past performance of payments more than upon your wealth. You may have lots of property but if you have allowed your accounts to lapse months, your slate is not clean and you are not considered an A-1 credit.

Midland merchants are going to eliminate the "slow pay" just as they have eliminated the "dead beat."

To-day, tomorrow and all next week you will receive statements for the credit purchases you have made to June 1st. Pay them promptly upon receipt and thus keep your part of the contract and Your Credit Good.

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Pay Promptly and Keep Your Credit Good.

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### WHAT OF RADIO IN THE FUTURE?

Already it reaches ships in any part of the ocean, the isolated farm can listen to music and lectures in the cities. Medical advice has been sent by radio where it was impossible to reach a patient by other means. Information is broadcasted to the farmer on crop and weather conditions. Fire warnings have been sent out and the way of the crook will be made harder through ability to broadcast a record of his activities to every community in the land.

The future possibilities of radio are inconceivable. Various principles which will make it more applicable to business and social life are just being worked out. The supreme inventive genius of the country, the greatest organizing ability and the most powerful resources are now at the service of the new art, with the result that radio has made greater strides in the past two years than in the ten years previous.

No other nation has such a combination of air communication resources for the benefit of its people.

### THE OBSTACLE TO PROSPERITY

With the present epidemic of profiteering—inspired and assisted by the outrageous tariff on everything—result in a "buyer's strike" and halt and hinder the return of commercial and industrial prosperity? That is a question which is provoked by the recklessness of certain exploiters and openly asked by many financial writers.

There is a disposition in some quarters—where the friends and beneficiaries of the Fordney-McCumber Act are numerous—to charge the excessive prices of commodities to increases in wages. This explanation is merely an alibi for the tariff, since the interests which were favored with the biggest duties long ago began the process of converting those rates into profits, and they didn't give labor a share of their "prosperity," either.

To continue the prevalent practice of enhancing prices without any regard to cost of production and the consumer's ability to pay, it is believed, will kill the goose that promises to lay golden eggs; that is, will force the people to wear their clothes for a longer period, curtail their purchases of necessities, and deprive themselves of anything in the nature of luxuries. This would leave the retailer's goods on his shelves and dam the flow of all products into consumption.

At the bottom of the whole situation is the Republican tariff, which has given a license to profiteer, and which has put American business on a wholly artificial basis. Until the duties of the Fordney-McCumber tariff are reduced to a reasonable level they can only serve to enrich Special Privilege without benefitting the farmer or the wage-earner or the consumer.

Every American wants to see himself and his neighbor prosperous. Every American resents a false economic theory or a vicious practice that even so much as threatens to endanger or delay the return of prosperity. If the Republican tariff is an obstacle in the path of prosperity it should be removed.

### That's a Good Car, Too

Two women met and one said to the other: "Oh, I understand you have a new car."

She replied, saying: "Yes, I have a Ford; I understand you have a new car, too. What make is yours?"

"Oh," came the answer, "Mine is a Packard."

The first woman sighed and said: "Well, that's a good car, too."

Mrs. A. A. Anderson was a visitor from Odessa last Monday, here for a day to do some shopping.

Robert Faskin returned Thursday night from California, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. D. Faskin, and his son, David.

Henry Wolcott is leaving today for Ft. Worth where he will attend the home coming of T. C. U.

Roy Parks is leaving Saturday for Ft. Worth to attend the jubilee and home-coming of T. C. U.

Friends have received invitations to the wedding of Miss Dorothy Elizabeth Carson, of Barstow, to Mr. Wilbur Wimberly, which is to be a church affair, will take place next Tuesday, June 5th, at 1:30 p. m.

### Why Suppose It

When the door bell rang the second time, Mrs. Jones, thinking that the servants had not heard, answered herself. She was surprised and delighted to find there her brother, whom she had not seen for two years. She threw her arms around his neck and was rapturously kissing him when the cook came into the hall. Seeing her mistress in the arms of a strange man, the cook discreetly closed the door and tiptoed back to the kitchen.

A few minutes later Mrs. Jones went to the kitchen to give instructions for the next meal. "Mary," she said, "I want you to have an unusually good dinner because my brother is here from the West. You did not know who he was, when you saw us in the hall, did you?"

"No, ma'am," answered the truthful Mary, "but I jes' lowd hit wuz yo' pastor."

### FIRST PRIZE STORY IN JUDGE'S MAGAZINE

Three freshmen at college were discussing the incomes of their fathers. One said: "My father writes a song in an evening and takes it downtown the next morning and sells it for \$25."

The next countered: "My father writes a story in an evening and takes it downtown the next morning and sells it for \$50."

"That's nothing," declared the third. "My father gets up in a pulpit on Sunday and talks for half hour for half an hour, and it takes twelve men to carry the money up to him."

Miss Georgia Bryant is in Dallas this week visiting relatives.

### GRANDPA WILSON BURIED MONDAY

Everybody in this part of the country was saddened to learn of the death, the latter part of last week, of T. F. Wilson, which occurred while he was visiting his grand-daughters by adoption near Cisco. His remains were brought to Midland for burial and the funeral, under auspices of the Masonic Lodge, was conducted Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

"Grandpa" Wilson, as he was called by many who knew and loved him, was one of our very oldest settlers, he having come here about 1880, and was known by most everyone. He was 89 years of age and his long life was one of quiet usefulness. His wife died many years ago. He had no children, but the marriage of an adopted daughter, who also died years ago, gave him two dependencies, two girls whom he devoted his life to and raised to womanhood. Their names appear elsewhere, in a card of thanks to people of Midland for kindnesses and expressions of sympathy.

"Grandpa" Wilson was a life-long member of the Christian church, and to which he was earnestly devoted, as he was also to the teachings of Masonry. Few people knew a great deal about him, even though his life was so open and so exemplary. However he was modest, even retiring, and his good works were wrought in behalf of humanity because of a great heart that had in it room for every good thing.

In his passing the hearts of loved ones and friends are saddened; even so they rejoice that he is through with a tiring toil and now claims his crown of glory, the reward of the pure in heart, the good and faithful.

Attorneys in the case request us to notify, in this way, witnesses in the case of Andy Meador that his case comes to trial in San Angelo next Monday morning. This is notice for them to be on hand.

Geo. G. Gray was taken ill out at his ranch a few days ago, but friends will be glad to know his condition is not serious and that this morning he feels lots better.

We are glad to report that Mrs. L. C. Rayburne, who returned Tuesday from El Paso, and who was ill during most of her visit in that city, is considerably improved.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

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LAUNDRY WORK—Second house north of the Light Plant. Nursing or laundry work either. Call at the house. If work is not satisfactory your money returned. Mrs. E. M. White. 30-tf

FOR RENT—Four unfurnished rooms, two blocks southeast of depot. Kitchen sink, city water, cistern, barn and garage. R. E. Crowley, Midland, Texas. 31-2t

FOR SALE—Three work horses, one saddle pony. See C. M. J. Stringer, Box 204, Midland, Texas. 33tf

FOR RENT—Office rooms one door west of First National Bank Annex. Dr. W. K. Curtis, Phone No. 176. 34-2t

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. Apply to Mrs. J. H. White, Phone 261. 34-tf

LOST—A log chain. Was lost on Monday of last week between Prairie Lee school and Lenton Brunson's house. Finder please notify L. C. Proctor.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Thirty acres out of Midland Fruit Growers' Association. Make us offer, part cash, balance terms, or what have you to offer that we can use? Box 88, Sherman, Texas. 35-10tpd

C. R. Smith, of Hereford, who has been pasturing some 2300 head of cattle in the Midland Country for the past year, has been here on business this week. He shipped 500 head to Friona for grass Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jay and daughter, Miss Stella, are spending the week in Jayton, Mr. Jay's home town, and which was named for his family.

L. G. Pierce, of Plainview, is here this week in the market for veal calves.

Miss Ila Ringo, of Garden City, is in Midland this week, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Chas. Ulmer.

Monday and Tuesday

# "THE FLIRT"

with **Eileen Percy**  
and a select cast of other stars.

One that you will long remember is "The Flirt." Full of comedy, romance and adventure.

Saturday, June 2nd

**Gladys Walton**

the delightful little star in

# "The TOWN SCANDAL"

**THE RIALTO THEATRE**

The Home of the Best Pictures"

## BLOOMER GIRLS SMOTHERED BY MIDLAND 16 TO 3

(By T. J. Stokes)

Game was featured by heavy hitting on part of Midland who collected a total of 18 hits. Scruggs had a perfect day at bat, getting four doubles and a single in as many times at bat.

At least 5 of the 18 hits would have gone for home runs in anybody's ball game, but as the park was rather small, a parked ball was good for only two bases.

Frayer, the Bloomer Girls' star player, hit the ball at least 75 feet over the center field fence in the 2nd inning. There were two men on at the time but only one was allowed to score.

Midland got under way in the first and put the game on ice before the inning ended.

Williams was safe on Bobbis error, he stole second and scored on Tatum's Texas leaguer to center. Tatum taking 2nd on the throw-in, Ward doubled to deep left scoring Tatum. Collins rapped the first ball pitched to left scoring Ward. Gage and Ligon went out short to first.

The Bloomer Girls put one over in the second when Girlach was hit by a ball and given her base.

Doughty stroled. Frayer hit the second ball pitched over the center field fence, scoring Girlach, Doughty stopping at third.

It was the best wallop of the day and should have gone for a circuit clout. The Bloomer Girls put two more over, one in the fourth and one in the eighth.

Midland hit the ball to all corners of the lot and every one of them played league ball.

With a little support from the business men of Midland we could have the best ball team in this section of the country.

Think it over.

## MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED BY LEGION POST

Suitable observance of National Memorial Day was conducted in Midland last Wednesday, under auspices of the local American Legion Post. A program was carried out in the afternoon by Legion members at the cemetery, and the graves of our honored dead were decorated with flowers.

The occasion was not generally advertised and the crowd was rather small, but none the less earnest and devout.

A beautiful talk and an earnest prayer were offered by Rev. Ted Hollifield, after which flowers were placed upon the graves of the following boys of our town, who gave up their lives:

Luke Cowan, Tim Gates, Oran Edwards, Carrol Holloway, Brooks Lee, Arthur Nixon and Joe Joiner.

O. P. Buchanan was quite ill for a day or two this week, but is not again and well on the road to complete recovery.

Attorney Oliver W. Fannin was in Winters, and Ballinger attending to legal business the first of this week.

William Connell is leaving today for California where he will be for some time.

## REAGAN COUNTY WELL MAKES GOOD SHOWING

CHANCES FOR NEW WEST TEXAS FIELD ARE EXCELLENT

West Texas News Service. Midland, Texas, June—The Texon Oil and Land Company's Santa Rita well, 15 miles east of Rankin in Reagan County which spurted oil on Monday from a depth of 3050 feet may be the curtain-raiser for an extensive program of development in West Texas and the bringing in of a new field.

The well made several heads on Tuesday and Wednesday flowing each day between fifty and seventy-five barrels of oil. The oil is reported to be high gravity oil, with a good gasoline content.

A most unusual situation exists in regard to the leasing business. The well is situated on some University land, in section 2, block 2, and no land is available for leasing within a radius of six miles of the well.

It is reported that the well was drilled on its present site by chance. Geologists had selected another site, but the crew in unloading the material from the cars, set the rig up within fifty feet of the railroad tracks. In drilling the well a rich strata of potash was passed through, which find has since occasioned the starting of another test a short distance away for the express purpose of testing for potash.

A rich strata of potash would be more valuable than oil.

There is a steady stream of visitors to the well from all parts of the west, but so far no lease sales have been reported.

## WEST TEXAS CATTLE IN FINE CONDITION

West Texas News Service.

Midland, Texas, June—Cattle in West Texas, especially in the Llano Estacado or Staked Plains region, are in better condition this summer than they have been in many years, according to many of the old time cattlemen in this section of the country.

Early spring rains have done much to put the ranges literally in clover and cattle have been doing finely for several months. There are many heavy shipments of cattle, and many of the stocker cattle around Odessa and Midland will go to northern feed lots.

A large number of West Texas cattle will be shipped this year to Iowa and other northern states, contracts of great numbers for early fall shipment having already been made.

The spring calf crop was unusually heavy. Experiments in spaying heifer cattle are being successfully carried on by many cattlemen.

Going Through the Rye  
Four and twenty Texans,  
Feeling pretty dry,  
Motored 'cross to Mex-ic  
To get themselves some Rye.

When the Rye was opened,  
Those birds began a song,  
"Say, who the hell is Volstead?  
Hurrah for Obregon!"

## ATTENDED A BIG MEETING AT EAGLE PASS

Judge J. M. DeArmond and wife have just returned from a week's absence attending the 23rd annual convention of the Retail Merchants' Association, the Retail Credits Men's Association and the Secretaries' Association of Texas, which met in Eagle Pass last week. Judge DeArmond is secretary and treasurer of the local association and was the representative of this body at the convention. One hundred and sixty-six associations of the State were represented at the convention and a most successful business and social program was carried out.

"The successful handling of credit," says Judge DeArmond, "is the greatest problem in the business and national life of today. It affects every line of business and every individual life in the nation and community. The business man, the banker, the cattleman and the farmer could not exist without it, neither could one line of industry exist without the other. If one link of the chain is weak the whole chain is faulty and the greatest strength cannot be attained by the business interests of a community or by the individuals of the community. If the individual customer fails to meet his obligation to his merchant promptly the merchant cannot pay the wholesale merchant or his banker and thus his ability to give the best service to the community and the individual is impaired to that extent. If everyone would just get into the habit of paying promptly it would stimulate business as nothing else could. Everything runs in a circle; you pay me, I pay the next man, he pays someone else. Thus the ball is kept rolling and it will complete the circle and back to us before we realize it."

"A good credit is like a good name, it is what the individual makes it. In the consideration of a credit risk, the amount of property a person owns is not the controlling element, but the greatest asset is a good moral risk and the promptness of meeting an obligation when due. A person's property may be swept away overnight by adversity or by means beyond control of the individual but a good name and a good credit is absolutely within our control and it is just as good or as bad as we ourselves make it."

The Reporter feels that to let what Judge DeArmond has said stand, sanctioned and without comment, will be most effective. Let his words soak in, bearing in mind that Midland's greatest distress today has been largely brought about by an abuse of credits.

It is a pleasure to know Judge DeArmond and wife thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Eagle Pass. They made it in their car, and from every view point it was an occasion long to be remembered by them most pleasantly.

## "THE FLIRT" COMES NEXT MONDAY AND TUESDAY

"The Flirt" is as near sure-fire as any picture ever made and will be extensively exploited by those who see it. The truly celebrated cast with Eileen Percy and Helen Jerome Eddy, George Nichols, Nell Craig, Harold Goodwin, Buddy Messenger, Tom Kennedy, Lydia Knott, Bert Roach, Edward Hearne, Dorothy Wolbert, and William Welsh, will make up an evening of solid enjoyment to all. In no manner will this production be over acted; the comedy, romance and adventure lends a variety and the great moral lesson is wonderful. Comes to the Rialto next Monday and Tuesday nights.

Saturday, tonight, Gladys Walton will be featured in "The Town Scandal." We have seen Miss Walton in many bright and sparkling productions. 'Nuf sed.

## DATE SET FOR ORGANIZATION OF CIVIC CLUB

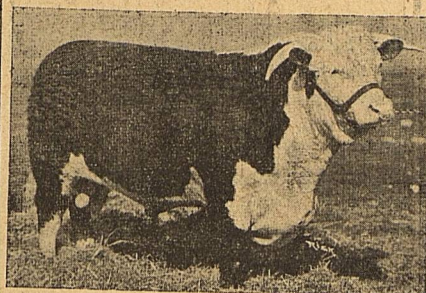
At 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the Methodist church, the ladies who are interested in the Civic League, will meet for formal organization.

At that time a president, secretary and treasurer and other necessary officers will be elected. Plans for the furtherance of the work of this organization and many pertinent questions for the benefit of Midland and her people will be discussed.

All the ladies will be personally invited to come and if you do not come, at some later date you will be canvassed for membership. No one will be knowingly overlooked and the reading of this article is an invitation for you to be present. It is hoped that there will be at least fifty women to be enrolled as charter members.

Miss Fannie Bess Taylor will act as chairman pro-tem.

Mrs. Lisle Currie arrived the first of the week from Big Spring to spend ten days with her parents-in-law, Robt. Currie and wife.



BEAU HOMAGE NO. 517611

Dear Friend:

The Texon Oil & Land Company has brought in an oil well on Section No. 2, Block No. 2, State University Land in Reagan County, Texas.

The well is about 3000 feet deep, flowing in heads a high grade oil. The oil sand has just been touched and at this time we do not know what this well will develop.

This much we do know: There is oil in West Texas and lands surrounding this well will be tested. Already one well is being drilled five miles west of the Santa Rita and since my lands are west of the Santa Rita, that brings a test five miles nearer my land. I have always thought oil would be discovered under my holdings in Upton and Crockett Counties, and only because I was unable to hold all my land, I have offered them at what I considered ridiculously low prices. I sold \$200,000 worth of my land in the last nine months.

I have not yet raised the prices on my land in Midland and Glasscock Counties, but may do so at any time. If you want some of the best cotton lands in West Texas, look up the bargains I am offering in Midland and Glasscock Counties.

For the present my lands in Upton, Reagan and Crockett Counties are not for sale at any price. If I can get them tested for oil I will not have to sell them. If we find oil in paying quantities my only trouble will be where to invest my money.

I have already refused a flattering offer for a mineral lease on my fifty thousand acres in Upton County. I do not want to lease that much to one individual or firm. My lands in Upton County are fifteen to thirty miles west of the Santa Rita. What the leases are worth, I do not know, but I need the money and for that reason am offering to lease a limited number of sections, 640 acres each, no more and no less, to one person, five year lease for oil and mineral rights, regular eighty-eight form, at one dollar per acre cash and one dollar per acre annual rental, subject to acceptance after I have received the money, or if you prefer, send the money to any bank in Midland. This offer and this price is subject to change without notice.

Yours truly,

**HENRY M. HALFF**

## SUPT. LACKEY GOES TO C. I. A.

The summer session of the College of Industrial Arts is scheduled, according to announcement, to begin on Tuesday, June 5th, and continue for a full quarter of twelve weeks, closing Friday, August 24th, and the summer normal of the college will begin June 5th and continue to August 9th, according to a schedule arranged by the State Department of Education.

Supt. W. W. Lackey, of the Midland City Schools, left this week to be present at the opening. He has taught there in the summer sessions for a number of years past. Soon after the closing there in August he will return to Midland, preparatory to the opening of schools here in September.

A student may choose her courses from the regular college and the summer normal courses, or exclusively in the college or in the summer normal in this session of C. I. A. This is a convenience and an accommodation for both the college and the summer normal students. Another arrangement of convenience has been developed, and that is that the summer session of the college is divided into two terms, the first term closing July 14th and the second term August 24th, and the courses have been arranged so that the regular quota of work may be completed by students who enter at the beginning of either of the terms of the summer session.

At the close of the summer session, graduating exercises will be held and degrees will be conferred. At the close of the summer normal, the examinations prescribed by the State department of education for teachers' State certificates will be held.

According to the correspondence, many of those who will attend the summer session will do college work exclusively and earn their teachers' State certificates, which will be issued by the State department of education, by doing such work. Arrangement has also been made for classes in public school music, public school drawing, a primary demonstration school, the kindergarten training school, linotyping and journalism.

The registrar of the college announces that the correspondence indicates a large attendance at the summer session and an increased attendance of teachers in the summer normal subdivision of the work.

E. C. McAllister and wife, ranching at Shafter Lake, Andrews County, were in this week and spent a few days among Midland friends. Mr. McAllister says cattle out there are in fine shape, though the range is getting a little dry.

## SPECIAL WORK HIGH MASONRY HERE THIS WEEK

On Thursday, May 30th, was held what might be termed a reunion by Chapter and Council Masonry. There were two candidates for the chapter degrees and eight candidates for the council degrees. The Most Excellent High Priest, J. M. Caldwell, had set down May 30th as a date for finishing up this work some time ago and by means of a personal letter had requested the presence of as many members at Keystone Chapter No. 172 as could conveniently be there to be on hand.

The work began at 9:30 in the morning and the degrees of Mark Master and Past Master were conferred before noon. Beginning at 1 o'clock the Most Excellent Master's degree was conferred, and following this the Royal Arch degree; this work being concluded about 5 in the afternoon.

After completing the work of the Royal Arch the Keystone Council was opened and the work conferred upon eight candidates in the Council, all of these except two having previously taken the Royal Arch work necessary to qualify them for the Council degrees. This work was completed by about 8 p. m., after which a sumptuous banquet was served to the candidates and all visiting companions of the Chapter and Council.

Particular mention is to be made of the excellent work of Companions E. R. Bryan, M. F. Burns, R. V. Hyatt, P. J. Mims and others in conferring the degrees.

The Chapter and Council had as a visitor upon this occasion, the Right Lminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Texas, H. B. Robertson, of Dallas. Companion Robertson was here on the day preceding for the purpose of instituting Midland Commandery No. 84, the youngest commandery in Texas to be instituted, and in giving them the work, was induced to remain over for the work in the other degrees.

All who attended upon this occasion were greatly pleased and benefited. It is to be regretted that every member of Chapter and Council within this jurisdiction was not present, both for the exemplification of the work and for the social time afterward.

Mrs. Bertram Brinson left the first of the week for her home in Shreveport, La., accompanied by her sister, Miss Lillie D. Midkiff, who will spend the summer there.

# HENRY M. HALFF

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MIDLAND, TEXAS

June 1, 1923

## PIANO RECITAL WELL ATTENDED

In another part of The Reporter will be found the excellent program rendered by the music pupils of Miss Lydie G. Watson in the Methodist church on last Monday evening.

The church was beautifully decorated with spring flowers of all kinds and this together with the pretty and dainty costumes of the boys and girls made the auditorium a perfect enchantment of beauty.

The program was varied, many little specialties interspersed the piano numbers which gave a delightful flavor to the whole affair.

And how those "kids" did play! One man remarked that "they don't sound like they're practicing, they sound like they're actually playing." Many of the piano numbers deserve special mention. Some of the heavy selections rendered would have been a credit to any artist. The work of the pupils showed thorough and patient training and both teacher and pupils are to be congratulated upon the success of their year's work.

At the close of the program two medals were awarded, one to Miss Gladys Inman and one to Miss Ruby Pritchett, for having practiced the greatest number of hours during the year.

Got Him Located

"Tommy," said a young woman visitor at his home, "why not come to our Sabbath school? Several of your little friends have joined us lately."

Tommy hesitated a moment. Then suddenly: "Does a red-headed kid by the name of Jimmy Brown go to your school?"

"Yes, indeed," replied the new teacher.

"Well, then," replied Tommy, with an air of interest, "I'll be there next Sunday, you bet. I've been laying for that kid for three weeks, and never knew where to find him."

Tuesday morning Rev. and Mrs. W. Angie Smith and little son left in their car for Georgetown. Bro. Smith will there complete his third year's work in the post-graduate course which all Methodist ministers are required to take for the first four years of their ministry.

R. H. Elkins, prominent stockman from El Paso, is here this week, and is looking for grass. He wants to lease 60 sections for a term of twelve months. Mr. Elkins is an old friend of our townsman, D. M. Trammell.

Kenyon Hogg, of Monahans, was a week-end visitor in Midland.

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—At—  
**INMAN'S**  
Licensed Optometrist

**LOW PRICE EDICT  
CAUSES PROTEST**

DALLAS COTTON EXCHANGE  
PRESIDENT SENDS LETTER  
TO HARDING

George S. Wielman, president of the Dallas Cotton Exchange, has written to President Harding, says the Dallas News, calling attention to the operations of the several Federal Reserve Banks and declaring that this section of the country has not yet recovered. Willman says in his letter that it is understood that the Federal Reserve from the first deflation process. Mr. Banks have sent out an edict that prices are too high and must be reduced. Such action, he decares, would be detrimental to many lines of business, but particularly to cotton.

The letter follows in full: "We respectfully desire to call your attention to the serious consequences which have resulted to the cotton and other interests of our section from the recent development, alleged to have arisen out of rumors and allegations that the Federal Reserve Bank, and others, have sent out an edict that prices were all too dear and must be reduced.

"We would like to point out that inasmuch as our great State of Texas is concerned we have not yet, by any means, recovered from the great slump occasioned by the first deflation process. Many lines, including the agricultural interests, had not reached normalcy when, like a bolt out of a clear sky, we are being inflicted with another deflation process, due, we feel, to utter misconception of causes and effect.

**Cotton Declines**

"Our agricultural interests had already pitched their crops for the next season (based on a fair remuneration for their products,) when, without warning or cause, other than unnatural interference, the price of cotton alone declined about 7c per lb. It is true a partial recovery in price has occurred, but, in the interim, large losses have been made unnecessarily.

"Our Federal Reserve Bank, founded on a great principle of protection for the country at large, has lost its true function in a false attitude of paternalism, which is passed on through the member banks so that they control the nation's policy to the last degree, and in an effort to curtail that which we respectfully maintain did not exist, they destroy the painstaking efforts of the last two years of reconstruction, and drop us back again to the starting point. We were not suffering from inflation, but trying to get out of the muck of deflation, when our efforts have again been shattered, or are being threatened with destruction.

"It certainly can not be the intention of yourself, and counselors, to again bring sorrow and suffering to our large agricultural interests. May we point out to you that the average cotton farmer (excepting two or three years of very high prices has, as a rule, gone insufficiently nourished, his children undereducated, living in underaverage houses, barely eking out enough to keep body and soul together, and now he is again threatened with deflation, which means low prices and its corresponding wake of poverty, sickness, distress and illiteracy.

"May we not appeal to your fine acknowledged sense of justice to put a stop to the many recent things done by this, that or the other governmental departments responsible for the state of semi-panic which pervades our country today? May not all business be entitled to proceed in this course, without hindrance or interference through artificial sources, to its predestined end, and will you not lend your aid to that goal?

"May we not request you to assure the country that our financial system is on a sound basis and thriving; that there is no cause for alarm except that which may be created in the minds of people by those who can not distinguish the great strong solid growth of this great people from that of inflation?"

**Doggon Right**

A tricky man may smile on you,  
Yet wish you with the devil;  
But when a good dog wags his tail,  
You know he's on the level.

**T. C. U. FESTIVITIES  
COMMENCING TODAY**

JUBILEE PROGRAMS ELABORATE  
AND WILL LAST MOST  
OF NEXT WEEK

Joe Fasken, of Midland, will get the bachelor of arts degree from Texas Christian University June 5th. He has made an exceptional record and has been recommended as a teacher of English and French. The commencement exercises will be held in the University auditorium Tuesday, June 5th, with Rev. R. H. Miller, of Kansas City, as the speaker for the day.

Texas Christian University will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of her founding with a great home-coming and Jubilee June 4th and 5th, to which more than 5000 old students are expected to come. In connection, the Texas Christian church convention will meet in Ft. Worth, starting its sessions on June 1st, and running on through the 5th.

The general program will open today, June 1st, with the morning sessions devoted to the Woman's Missionary Society, and the afternoon to the Bible school department. There will be inspirational addresses at night by some of the leading preachers of the State. Saturday will be Orphans' Home Day, when more than 100 of the children from the orphans' home in Dallas will attend and put on a program. Missionaries from the foreign fields will be on the afternoon program.

Rev. L. N. D. Wells, of Dallas, will preach the baccalaureate sermon to the graduates of Texas Christian University Sunday morning. The service will be held in the First Christian church. That afternoon, there will be general inspirational addresses at the church and in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium. The local pulpits of all denominations will be filled at night by the visiting clergy.

State Missions will have charge of the Monday program, with J. B. Holmes, the general secretary, in charge of the services. Reports from missionaries of all sections of the State will be heard, and plans for the next year will be outlined.

A giant parade will be held on the streets of Ft. Worth Monday afternoon. A banquet in the Crystal ballroom of the Texas Hotel Monday night will be the meeting place of several hundred of the ex-students and those in attendance on the convention.

Tuesday has been designated as Jubilee Day. Following the commencement exercises, there will be a barbecue on the campus. Then the world war veterans memorial arch will be dedicated. Baseball teams of the years of long ago will rally their forces for some games with the varsity squad. A pageant will be presented at dusk, giving a sketch of the fifty years of the University.

Texas Christian University has raised her endowment to \$500,000; has been admitted to the southern association of colleges; has cleared away all debts on the beautiful \$2,000,000 plant; has been admitted to the Southwestern athletic conference, and has otherwise had the greatest year of her history.

Miss Ola Dublin, of Midland, is a visitor at T. C. U. this week. She will stay through the Jubilee celebration, which will be held June 4th and 5th. She has been a student of the University for the past two years, up to Christmas of this year.

Ray M. Camp, who taught English in Midland College for three years, is an instructor of English in T. C. U. and publicity manager for the institution. He is editor of a section in the Star-Telegram. Mrs. Camp, formerly Miss Mary Wilhite, of Midland, is also a graduate of T. C. U.

**POLITICS VS.  
CONSTITUTION**

Press dispatches say the "open shop" question will come to the front as a campaign issue in 1924. It is ridiculous that our great republic should be torn apart politically over a principle basic to our constitution which guarantees freedom and protection to the individual. Radicals foment such controversies to stir up class hatred and agitation against so-called "big business" and sound government.

**DEFINITION  
IS THE BEST YET**

"Sermons in stones, books in running brooks, and good in everything"—something of the sort Bill Shakespeare remarked in "As You Like It," we believe, and he was right about it, at that. "K Lamity," or Jno. S. Bonner, in his "Harpoon," or "American Forum," a ku klux thing of disgusting prepossessions, has actually given us something good, and we didn't believe it in him. He has given us the best definition yet of the knocker. He says:

A subscriber asks: "What is the real meaning of the word, 'knocker,' and how did it originate?"

In the early days of Texas, when farms were few and far between, hogs ran wild, and in the summer time, when there were no acorns or pecans, these old razor-backs became very thin and poor, and as there was nothing to eat, they spent most of the time lying in mud-holes, and longing for the fall of the year. A razor-back hog can live on less than an editor, and there is no reliable evidence to prove that one of them ever actually died of starvation. They simply get thinner and thinner, until you cannot detect their presence from a front view—and a legend of the old-time cowboys declares that they simply grow thinner, until they just fade from view—but are still alive.

Only a few of them were caught with dogs and marked, by cutting off about enough ear to make a door mat. When let alone their ears grew in length, until they resembled saddle-skirts, while their tails were over a foot long, and ended with a brush of stubby hair—something like that of a calf.

In lying in the sticky black mud, a ball of dirt was formed on the end of their tails—small at first—but after continuous wallowing in the mud and drying in the hot sun, this weighty appendage finally grew bigger and bigger, until it ranged in size from a Ben Davis apple to that of an average size cocoon and became as hard and solid as a billiard ball.

So long as the gaunt old sow was lying down—or standing still—all was well, but as soon as she started walking her caudal ear-drops (or tail-drops) got in motion, like the pendulum of a clock—bumping her hind legs and playing hades generally.

These old razor-backs were wilder than deer and on seeing, scenting or hearing the slightest noise, or evidences of danger, they lit out for tall thick timber, with a speed that would cause a jack-rabbit to grow green with envy.

Then was when the deadly mudball, (or "knocker," as the cowboys called it) got in its vicious work. It swung from side to side like a flail, and pounded the ribs of the frightened animal, until it fell breathless, exhausted and squealing like a siren—for the old fool sow thought a man had been after her, and was beating her with a sledge hammer.

That is the origin of the word "knocker," meaning a deadly, dirty weapon—that hurts no one but its owner. In other words a "knocker" means a dirty ball of mud—on a sow's tail.

The next time you meet a knocker you will know what he is.

**PRICES AGAIN  
ARE THREATENED**

The livestock interests of Texas and other states are threatened with the greatest calamity in the history of the industry in the form of the proposed reduction in the present tariff rates, according to W. N. Waddell, veteran livestock raiser and former official of the war finance corporation.

In a statement to the press last week, Waddell quotes information just received from Argentine and Brazil which indicates that cattle in that section are in excellent shape and have practically no value. If the present duty on stocker and feeder cattle is reduced fifty per cent as requested by the American farm bureau, the next step will be a reduction of the duty on beef and a general decrease will follow on all livestock schedules, Waddell points out, letting the South American cattle replace Texas livestock in the markets of this country.

The same interests which led the fight for free hides when the present tariff measure was before congress, are responsible for the demand for a reduction of rates on cattle, Waddell asserted. All livestock interests of Texas, as well as the banks and merchants who are in a measure dependent on these industries in conducting their business are requested by Waddell to strenuously oppose any effort at downward revision of the present tariff rates.

The fight being waged by the soap and varnish interests to reduce the duty on vegetable oil is cited by Waddell as an example of the attack that will be made against all raw material schedules, and especially the livestock and agricultural schedules.

Diner: "How's the chicken today?"  
Waitress: "Fine, kid, how are you?"

**MARKED ALL OF THE  
WAY TO TEXARKANA**

IN ANOTHER TWENTY DAYS  
STATE HIGHWAY NO. 1 WILL  
ALL BE MARKED

Lewis Hancock, of Dallas, arrived in Midland Monday, completing the marking into the city of the State Highway No. 1 from Texarkana. He has continued on west carrying the marking to a point 20 miles northwest of El Paso at the New Mexico line.

State Highway No. 1 is the longest and most important highways in Texas. At the same time it is the longest State highway in the United States, being 891.4 miles long. This is the Texas portion of the trans-continental Bankhead Highway from Washington, D. C., to San Diego, Calif.

The highway is being marked so that tourists may follow from one point to another without getting lost. It is possible to go from Texarkana to Midland now, or visa versa, without the necessity of obtained a single road direction.

The system of marking is simple but positive and practical. A marker is placed every half mile throughout the entire distance east from this place to Texarkana. These are "confidence" markers telling the tourist that he is still on the right road. At every doubtful place as cross roads two markers will be found, one on each side of the point to be passed. For a change in direction two markers together will be encountered, then in the direction of the turn two additional markers will be seen. There are then, four markers to the turn. In places there have been placed as many as six or seven markers to get the traveler around a corner. In the towns and cities where it might be more confusing to get in and out, a single marker is placed in each block. In Dallas, for instance, there are four turns to be made and markers were used for these turns. In the corporate limits of that city alone nearly 200 markers were needed.

The marker consists of a 12 inch white board painted on telephone poles or fence posts and has a six inch black band at the top and bottom. This will later be stenciled with the Texas State Highway Department's official designation number, "State Hy. No. 1."

Pointers are placed on both sides of all towns bearing the direction, name and distance to the next town. Danger signs are placed at all dangerous points.

There will be published and distributed 10,000 copies of a strip map. This will, among other things, carry a story of Midland. This story has already been compiled by the Midland commercial secretary.

State Highway No. 1 leads from Texarkana through Mt. Pleasant, Sulphur Springs, Greenville, Rockway, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Weatherford, Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto, Baird, Ranger, Eastland, Cisco, Abilene, Colorado, Big Spring, Stanton, Midland, Odessa, Barstow, Pecos, Toyah, Van Horn, Sierra Blanca, Fabens and to El Paso.

It is understood that the other States along the Bankhead Highway have, in most cases, marked their portion of the highway. It will make a possible four weeks to complete the markings from Midland to the point 20 miles beyond El Paso. When this will have been completed and the program of advertising carried through there should be a noticeable increase in tourist travel through Midland. It should be the cause at least by 1924 of bringing from 250 to 400 more cars per day through Midland.

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**WHY WILL YOU  
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The newspapers have recently been filled with numberless accounts of stock swindling operations. The old saying that a sucker is born every minute seems to be more than borne out.

The average man knows about investments and too often seems adverse to securing advice. If the uninformed citizens before giving up his hard-earned money for a scheme about which he really knows nothing would consult a bond house or banker and learn the actual facts in the case, the fake stock seller would soon disappear.

Mrs. Harry Tolbert opened her summer session of school Monday morning with an enrollment of nine pupils.

**CATTLE STEADY  
AT KANSAS CITY**

Writing from Kansas City last Monday, Chas. M. Pipkin, our regular market correspondent states that a decline of 10 to 15 cents in hogs took the market into a new low level for the year, and 75 to 85 cents below the general level early this month. The 75,000 hogs that arrived in Chicago today would indicate that there are still plenty of fat hogs in the northern and more eastern sections. Best cattle were fully steady, stockers and feeders strong and the plain to medium kinds slightly lower. Sheep were 25 cents lower and lambs down 50 cents.

**Today's Receipts**  
Receipts today, Monday, were 13,000 cattle, 15,000 hogs, and 7,000 sheep, compared with 13,000 cattle, 18,000 hogs and 7,000 sheep a week ago, and 9,600 cattle, 22,900 hogs, and 9,625 sheep a year ago.

**Beef Cattle**  
While trade in the best fat cattle was fairly active the movement of the plainer classes was slow and prices lower. In most cases where declines were quoted the loss was 10 to 15 cents. Quality of the offerings was not as good as early last week when the top price paid was \$11. However there were steers here, good enough to bring \$10.25 to \$10.60. The kind that sold below \$9.75 showed some weakness. However, straight grass cattle in the native division and south Texas grass fat steers in the quarantine division were nearly steady. Plain to fairly good cows and heifers were lower, but choice grades were scarce and fully steady. Veal calves were in slow demand but about steady.

**Stockers and Feeders**  
Trade in stockers and feeders received considerable impetus in larger demand and prices ruled strong to slightly higher. Inquiry was for all classes. A good many fleshy steers went to the corn belt for a short finish, and others were taken on grazing accounts.

**Hogs**  
Hog prices were 10 to 15 cents lower. At the decline a new low level for the year was recorded. The top price was \$7.15 and bulk of sales \$6.90 to \$7.10. Packing sows at \$6 and stock hogs and pigs \$6 to \$6.25. Chicago has 73,000 hogs, or more than one-half the total supply at the five western markets. This heavy run was the cause of the decline, and more eastern markets showed greater declines than river markets.

**Sheep and Lambs**  
Sheep were 25 cents lower, and lambs off 50 cents. At the decline clipped Texas wethers were sold at \$5.75 to \$6.75, clipped Texas ewes \$5.25 and native spring lambs \$15 to \$15.25. Some Arizona spring lambs brought \$14. Prices are \$1.50 lower than a week ago.

**Horses and Mules**  
Receipts of horses and mules continue too small to afford a fair test to the extent of demand. Prices are quoted firm.

**THE RESULT OF  
TOO MANY LAWS**

One of the strangest political tendencies of our time is the suddenly increased faith of legislators in the power of laws to enforce themselves once they are reduced to writing. No belief has been so continuously and thoroughly discredited, yet none is so alarmingly alive. Every political philistine philosopher from Montaigne's day to this hour has recognized that the best government is that conducted with the least law and machinery.

A multitude of evils attend the naive faith of legislatures in the auto-enforcement capacity of law as represented by words on a piece of paper. One is an inevitable weakening of respect for a government born of a disregard for its more outlandish aspects. Another is the uninterrupted encroachment of government on the governed. A third and most distressing evil is the appalling expense attending the creation of multitudinous new bureaus and offices provided for. The time may come when a candidate pledging himself to nothing but the repeal of two laws for every one created will be generally supported.

**BUNCH OF FINE  
ONES LAST WEEK**

Andrew Fasken, manager of the Midland Farms Company, was among shippers from Midland last week. He had in our pens 118 head of yearlings, we understand. They were billed to Des Moines, Iowa, and consigned to the Livestock Exchange of that place, to be distributed to feeders. The bunch was especially fine. Those who know pronounced them A1 from every point of view, and will be a credit to the growing reputation that is fast spreading among feeders of the corn belt. W. B. & E. F. Elkin handled the shipment locally, as agents for the Livestock Exchange.

The man who agrees with everything you say lies to others, also.

**BELIEVED HIM  
TO BE A HERETIC**

It is believed that the first private house in the world to be lighted with electricity was in Salem, Mass., from whose harbor the intrepid whalers sailed to fill their casks with the whale oil that burned in the lamps of the period.

On Pearl Street, in 1859, twenty-three years before the starting of the first electrical central station, the house of a retired sea captain was lighted with small electric arc-lights supplied with current from primitive batteries.

The name of the sea captain is lost, but it is recorded that he was regarded as a heretic and a renegade by his colleagues.

Miss Jean Kellar left for her home in Georgetown Saturday morning.

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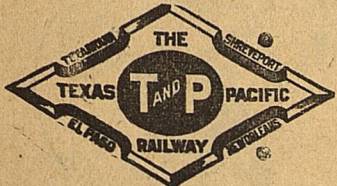
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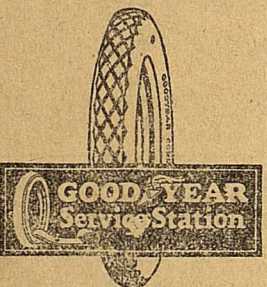
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**Deuce of a Question**

A professor in one of our large prep. schools called upon Smith, who stutters, to parse the sentence: "The propinquity of the porcupine made pot-shooting at the hippopotamus virtually impossible." Smith gave a wild glance around the room and said: "P-p-professor, now ain't t-t-t-that a d-d-deuce of a question to ask me?"

**TEACHERS ARE NOT COMPETENT**

"There can never be a real teaching profession in Texas with the great transitory army of young girls now in it," says E. E. Davis, writing in the Texas Outlook. "So long as un-aggressive, inexperienced little girls constitute 40 per cent of all our teachers, the teaching profession will continue to be a harbor of peaceful refuge for the man possessing a small amount of academic learning lacking the courage to enter those vocations calling for the competition of dynamic masculine conflict."

Mr. Davis is not alone in lamenting the situation which tends to discourage men and women of talent, culture and education from entering into competition with inexperience and limited ability, says Farm and Ranch. The "good old days"—whatever else they lacked of equipment, breadth and present standards of scholarship—undoubtedly harbored in the little red school house a virility more pronounced than has since been seen. The teaching profession in those days was such as demanded the frequent use of "the big stick" by strong young men capable of wielding it efficaciously.

According to Dr. Eby, of the University of Texas, 77.7 per cent of all the teachers in Texas in 1879 were men. In 1900 the percentage of men to children had fallen to 46.4, and in 1910 it had shrunk to 30.5. In 1920 only 15 per cent of the Texas teachers were men. And many of these, we are assured, were men of mature years who have "peacefully settled down to a life of professional atrophy and mental stagnation."

Poor salaries and the demands for trossseau money undoubtedly are largely responsible for the preponderance of young girls in the teaching profession. But the fundamental trouble is, if the contention of Mr. Davis be correct, that "competency will not compete with incompetency."

**PRESERVE EGGS FOR TEN MONTHS**

Eggs can easily be preserved in the home for a period of from eight to ten months, according to a bulletin sent out by the New Mexico Agricultural College.

Since this can be done at an expense of a few cents a dozen, it offers an effective means of insuring an ample supply of eggs for use during the winter months when production drops and prices as a rule are high.

Both the lime and water glass methods of preserving eggs have given very good satisfaction, but when available, the water glass solution is to be preferred.

Water glass, also known as sodium silicate, can be purchased at most drug stores and used to preserve eggs as follows:

Mix one quart of water glass with nine or ten quarts of water that has been boiled and cooled. This should furnish sufficient solution to preserve twenty dozen eggs. The eggs can either be placed in a container, which should preferably be a large crock or jar, and the solution then poured over them, or the container may be partially filled with the liquid and the fresh eggs added as they are laid.

At least two inches of the solution should cover the eggs.

When using the lime method, dissolve two or three pounds of unslacked lime in five gallons of water that has been boiled and cooled.

Allow the undissolved lime to settle out, and pour off the clear liquid and use the same water glass.

With either solution, place the eggs in a cool, well ventilated place and keep covered tight to prevent evaporation and the solution.

**Commencement Program**

Presented by the Piano Pupils of  
**Miss Lydie G. Watson**  
at the Methodist Church Monday Evening,  
May 28th, 1923.

**PROGRAM—Part I**

- Processional—Aida March ..... Verdi  
Community Orchestra
- Invocation ..... Rev. W. S. Garnett
- Chorus—Spring Song ..... Wilson  
Class
- Piano Solo—Hungarian Dance ..... Engelmann  
Annie Fay Dunagan
- Piano Solo—Goblins March ..... Preston  
Marian Wadley
- Piano Solo—The Fire Engine ..... Preston  
Marie Hill
- Piano Solo—Cabin Dance ..... Baines  
Dorothy Weinstein
- Reading—Her New Spring Bonnet ..... Anon  
Eulalia Whitefield
- Piano Solo—Little Curly Headed March ..... Holcombe  
Bessie Sue Ratliff
- Piano Solo—The Meadow Lark ..... Ashford  
Martha Louise Nobles
- Piano Duet—Spanish Dance, Op. 12, No. 1 ..... Moszkowski  
Alta Mae Johnson  
Bessie Johnson
- Piano Solo—Bicycle Waltz ..... Geibel  
Rosie Pliska
- Piano Solo—Military Array ..... Kern  
Archie Estes
- Piano Solo—Valse Espagnole ..... Martin  
Hazel Foster
- Chorus—The Robin Red Breast's Secret ..... Worrell  
Eight Girls
- Piano Solo—Fairy Whispers ..... Preston  
Sarah Weinstein
- Pianologue—The Apt Pupil ..... Spaulding  
Bush Elkin

**PROGRAM—Part II**

- Overture—Patriotic ..... Bowman  
Community Orchestra
- Piano Solo—Children at the Circus ..... DeLancey  
Josephine Curry
- Piano Solo—The Merry Flatterer ..... Rolf  
Ruby Pritchett
- Piano Solo—Echoes From the Homeland ..... Engelmann  
Mary Allen
- Piano Solo—Quartette from Rigolotto ..... Verdi  
Birdie Bradshaw
- Vocal Solo—My Mama ..... Bristow  
Annie Fay Dunagan
- Piano Solo—Dolores (Spanish Dance) ..... Grunn  
Eulalia Whitefield
- Piano Solo—Elfin Dance ..... Heins  
Bernice Hill
- Piano Solo—Sweet Violets ..... Heins  
Elizabeth Crews
- Chorus—Merry Archers ..... Tomlinson  
Eight Girls
- Piano Solo—Military March ..... Schubert  
Olive Allen
- Piano Solo—Medley of Southern Folk Songs ..... Stulwitt  
Elma Collins
- Piano Solo—Le Reveil D'Amour ..... Moszkowski  
Bernice Norwood
- Piano Solo—Cabaletta ..... Lack  
Alta Mae Johnson
- Chorus—My Dolly Looks Like Me ..... Bristow  
Five Girls
- Piano Solo—Spring Song ..... Leibling  
Gladys Inman
- Piano Solo—Last Hope ..... Gottschalk  
Bessie Johnson
- Piano Solo—Il Trovatore ..... arr. Dorn  
Ernestine Half
- Piano Trio—Polonaise in A Major ..... Schubert  
Bessie Johnson, Lydie Watson, Bernice Norwood
- Presentation of Medals ..... Rev. W. Angie Smith
- Benediction ..... Rev. Ted Holifield

**ADVISED NOT TO HEAR NORRIS**

In a written signed address delivered before the student body of Baylor University last Monday morning by President S. P. Brooks, the students were advised not to hear the address of Rev. Frank Norris, of Ft. Worth, when he was to speak in Waco Tuesday night.

Dr. Norris had announced that he would speak at Waco in the auditorium, his subject being "Fundamentalism vs. Modernism."

In Dr. Brooks' address he gave it as his belief that Dr. Norris is not a friend of the Baptist general convention of Texas, nor its mission boards, its schools, its colleges, its seminary, nor Baylor University, its hospitals, nor its orphan homes.

Dr. Brooks also criticised Dr. Norris for the published statement that there might be interference with the address there, saying that the suggestion was "an insult to the citizens of Waco."

Our fire boys were promptly on the job last Tuesday afternoon, when the siren sounded. However it was a false alarm, some trash being burned in southeast part of town.

**THE MEASURE OF A CITY'S GROWTH**

The growth of a city is perhaps no better reflected than through the expansion of its telephone system. From the time of the establishing of the first telephone exchange in Texas during June of 1881, the growth of the principal Texas cities and the telephone system has been nothing short of marvelous. The largest Texas town at that time had less than 16,000 inhabitants; today four of these cities are fast approaching the 200,000 mark, says the Texas public service information bureau.

From a single small office with one or two employees and a few miles of iron wire strung on unsightly poles, the Dallas telephone system now represents an investment of many millions of dollars and nearly a thousand employees, serving some 46,000 subscribers.

There are today more telephones in this one Texas city than there were people in the combined population of the four largest Texas cities in the year 1881.

Miss Mina Graham will make a brief visit to Bryan before going to C. I. A. for a summer course.

**Own Your Own Key Hole**

George's father often told a story of pouring money down a rat-hole. George decided a rented keyhole is no better. Every month the landlord held the keyhole at arms length while George Poured. The hardest part was that from month to month it took more Kale to fill the cavity.

The last house George rented was a new one. He itched to fix it up with shrubs and knickknacks but hated to accommodate the Landlord. He'd done those stunts at other places and found he had to leave 'em when he moved.

The only sure cure was an operation whereby the ownership should be removed from Friend Landlord and transferred to the Head of the Reel family. George favored his banker with a call during business hours and found necessary arrangements easy.

The transfusion therefore transpired and the beginning of a real home for the Reel family of real people happened.

(To be continued next week.)

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**CAR SHORTAGE NOW AT AN END**

Railroads not only are meeting maximum transportation requirements of shippers at present, R. H. Aishton, president of the American Railway Association, declared Monday before the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, but are buying and repairing equipment on a scale guaranteeing their ability to meet such requirements even as they will be increased this fall and winter. The statement was made by Mr. Aishton as the first witness at hearings in the adequacy of railroad rolling stock.

From Jan. 1st to May 12th, Mr. Aishton said, the railroads this year handled 17,029,946 cars of revenue freight as against 14,278,847 cars during the same period last year. On May 12th, he said, car shortage had practically disappeared.

"While the railroads," Mr. Aishton said, "have been accomplishing this heavy loading, they have at the same time been bringing about a substantial relocation of closed equipment to the West and northwest in anticipation of the crop movement this fall and a substantial relocation of open top equipment from the west to the east."

"One difficulty confronting the railroads at this moment and not peculiar to the transportation industry, but common to all industries, is a shortage of labor. Notwithstanding this and other handicaps, the railroads have confidence that the program to provide adequate transportation service in 1923 will be met and that other conditions being normal, the interruptions and annoyances in the movement of traffic brought about by abnormal conditions prevailing in the last twelve months will be in a large measure overcome."

Miss Thad Kelson returned to her home on the ranch the first part of this week after being in town for the graduation exercises.

**HIGH LIGHTS AT SAN ANGELO**

Ten thousand visitors, 18 bands, scores of newspaper correspondents, special trains, thousands of motor cars—these are some of the high lights in the convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at San Angelo, last week, says the El Paso Herald.

Thirty years ago a man chose between a section of plains land and a few head of mules.

"Oh, I'll take the mules," he said. "The land isn't worth anything."

Some of these convention delegates were from that same neighborhood, rich in farm production.

Do you doubt West Texas is a big, strong young country? It is just beginning to grow.

How much importance does El Paso attach to West Texas? We have had conventions here to be proud of, we never had any attendance to compare with this San Angelo affair.

**Why Suffer From Rheumatism?**

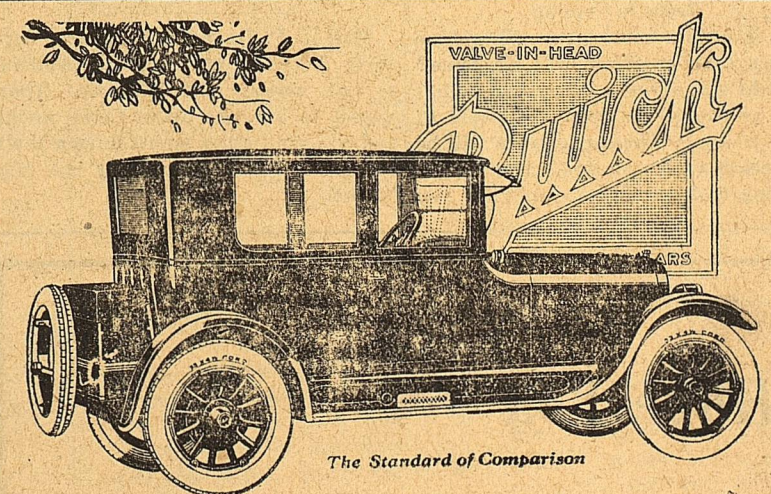
Do you know that nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism are simply rheumatism of the muscles, or chronic rheumatism, neither of which require any internal treatment? The pain may be relieved by applying Chamberlain's Liniment, which makes sleep and rest possible, and that certainly means a great deal to any one afflicted with rheumatism. ad Jnu 1mt

**Entitled to Rest**

Donny's mother had evidently told the lad of the nearness of an addition to the family. "Which would you rather have, Don, a girl or a boy?"

"There isn't any choice. It's got to be a girl. I'm tired of washing dishes."

Z. A. Williamson and mother left Sunday afternoon for Coolidge, where they will visit relatives before Mr. Williamson goes to Austin for summer school work.



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## CHURCH NOTICES

**Presbyterian Church**  
 We sometimes come into the possession of an old coin that has been in use for many years. The inscriptions on the coin are almost illegible and we find it difficult to trace the original letters, words and dates.

There is a word that has been in service for some nineteen centuries and man has pressed into that word meanings that have sprung from his own brains until we find it difficult to recognize the old word as it originally came from the divine mint. There is, however, an Old Book where these original markings, engravings and meanings have been conserved and by diligent search we are enabled to rediscover God's teachings as to "What is a Christian?" This will be the sermon subject at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

We shall be glad to have you worship with us at that time and enjoy this study with us.  
 In the evening at 8 o'clock the Presbyterians will worship with the Methodist people in their church. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. W. A. Smith, the pastor of the Presbyterian church will occupy the pulpit. His sermon subject will be "God's Amazing Grace."  
 Sunday School meets at 9:45 a. m. The Senior Endeavor meets at 6:45 p. m.  
 TED P. HOLIFIELD, Minister.

### 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.

### Jesus is Coming

Is it a fact that Jesus will return to this earth? When will He come? In what manner will He come? What will be the effect upon the world of His coming? These questions will be discussed at the Baptist church next Sunday night. Come early if you

## Have You

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## MIDLAND SOCIETY

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### Patterson-Cowden

Taking social pre-eminence among the recent items of interest was the marriage on Wednesday of last week, of dainty Miss Annie Mae Patterson and Mr. Guy Cowden. The little bride chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half went to San Angelo where she was Midland's sponsor at the Commercial Club pageant, and the following day the young groom also went and, alas, in that beguiling manner, which is so oft the way of a man with a maid, urged her to take the great step, and she with that sweet grace which has so endeared her to lover and friends alike, agreed to capitulate and attended by Mr. Dee McCormick and Miss Lillian Frances Gary, of Big Spring, called at the Methodist parsonage, where Rev. F. B. Buchanan, one of Midland's former pastors, read the sacred service. They then left for Valentine to visit Mr. Cowden's sister before returning to Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowden belong to two of Midland's best and most prominent families. They have been reared together and their marriage is the happy culmination of a courtship of long standing. They enjoy much popularity among their young friends and these together with relatives both here and elsewhere, earnestly wish that the future of rose and gold, which now beckons them onward, may ever be a veritable garden of happy hours.

### Bridge Party Delightful Occasion

A bridge party of unusual charm was given Saturday afternoon at the residence of Misses Fannie Bess and Cordelia Taylor, when they together with Misses Lula Elkin, Leona McCormick, Mamie and Annie Merle Moran, entertained in compliment to Misses Lotta Williams, Alma Brunson and Juliette Wolcott. During the past season a contest has been waged among the young ladies of the Alpha-Omega Club and the girls who won high score were to be entertained by those who made low—hence the lovely hospitality of Saturday. The honorees upon their arrival were presented with corsage bouquets and sweet peas were given as guest favors. After several spirited games of bridge, Mrs. Harry Neblett won the guest prize, Miss Lula Elkin the club prize and the honor guests were presented with a dozen score cards. Cooling and delicious refreshments consisting of ice cream, angel food and devil food were served. Besides the club members the ladies who enjoyed this charming hospitality were: Mesdames Gray, Goldsmith, Half, Neblett, Pegues, Don Clayton, Tolbert, Mims, Frank, Ellis and Elliot Cowden.

Robert Bell, who was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident in January, 1922, underwent another operation at the Masonic hospital Thursday and his condition is reported as excellent and it is thought he will be allowed to return to his home within the next few days.

The above item will be of interest to many Midland friends as the young man is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bell, and a nephew of Mrs. Marvin Ulmer. He has not been able to walk since the accident, more than a year ago, and The Reporter with other friends hope that the sufferer may soon enjoy a complete restoration to health.

Miss Lula Elkin left Sunday afternoon for a trip to Dallas, Denton and Cleburn, where she will be an attendant in a friend's wedding. She will then join the former president of Midland College, Mr. F. G. Jones and family, and go to Bolder, Col., for the remainder of the summer, to study.

Miss Vernon Hill, of Duncan, Okla., arrived Saturday for the summer vacation.

Mrs. W. B. Elkin, with her brother and his children, left Monday for a visit to Lubbock.

Mr. W. W. Lackey, accompanied by Misses Ernestine Half, Lillie B. Williams, Winnie Carlisle, and Quintie Cordill will leave Sunday afternoon for Denton, where the young ladies will do summer work in C. I. A., and Mr. Lackey will teach.

Mrs. Andy Wolcott, who has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. B. F. Whitefield, and renewing acquaintance with many old friends, will leave this afternoon for her home in Dallas.

Mrs. Addison Wadley and children, Barron and Marian, will leave tomorrow for a visit to relatives in Pecos.

Miss Annie Wall will leave Sunday afternoon for Denton to attend the summer term of C. I. A.

### Pollyanna Club Entertained

On Thursday of last week, the home of Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass was the scene of a very pleasant entertainment, that of a party given to members of the Pollyanna Club. This club, which derives its name from the wonderful story of Pollyanna, written by Eleanor H. Porter, is composed of seven girls, all of whom have the Pollyanna spirit. The party, given in honor of the birthday of one of the club members, Miss Minnie Warren Pemberton, was a complete surprise to her. She had been asked to come over for a game of forty-two, and on her arrival was given a string which was supposed to lead her to her partner. After following its course over tables, behind pictures, under chairs and rugs, she found the so-called partner, a gasket of gifts, which had been hidden behind the door.

Towards the close of a delightful evening spent in playing forty-two and other games, refreshments of ice tea, cakes and sandwiches were served. Those present were Miss Maggie Snodgrass, hostess; Misses Junie Tucker, Georgia Kirk Davis, Gladys Inman; Minnie Rita Hutchison, Ernestine Half, Minnie Warren Pemberton and Ruth Inman.

Mrs. W. H. Cowden, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Midland this week, left this morning for her home in San Antonio. She was accompanied by her son, Mr. Jax Cowden and little grand daughters, Misses Susan and Dorothy Cowden. They are making the trip in their car.

Mrs. Donald Hutt returned today from an extended visit to Kansas City, where she was called on account of the illness of her mother.

Misses Eual Holman, Mary Jane Potter and Johnnie Roberts, three of our bright high school graduates, will leave soon for Alpine to study.

Miss Thelma Fox returned Sunday to her home in Big Spring. She has been in Midland as the guest of Miss Lois Hutchison.

C. C. Foster and family moved this week to their farm one mile south of Midland. Their home will now be occupied by A. J. Guthrie and family.

Mrs. Herbert King is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. C. C. Foster.

C. E. Doss, of Dallas, was a business visitor to Midland this week.

Rube Evans and family returned on Tuesday to their ranch, 85 miles west of Midland, taking with them Miss Helen Wipborne, who has been teaching there for the past few months.

Mrs. Ruth Massey and daughter, Edith Faye, are leaving today for Roswell, N. M., where they will now make their home.

Homer Rowe returned Saturday last from Dallas, where he has been with his wife, who is in a sanatorium at that place. He said she was doing nicely and will soon recover from an operation sustained.

Mrs. J. E. Ashford and children left Wednesday for Lamesa where they will visit friends before returning to their home in Carbondale, Texas. Mrs. Ashford is the niece of our townsman, Theo. Ray.

Messrs. Dick Arnett, Ned McAllister and Hunter Irwin, of Shafter Lake, were in Midland Wednesday attending the Masonic lodge, in special degree work.

Miss Maude Price returned Sunday from Ocate, N. M., where she has been teaching the past year. She is one of the three Midland girls who attended summer school in Las Vegas last summer, and secured their first grade certificates and taught this past winter. All of the girls are very enthusiastic about the school, the country and, incidentally the cool weather which they have there.

E. L. Riter, a special clerk in the El Paso post office, was in Midland on Thursday on business.

Mrs. F. E. Rankin went to Big Lake the first of the week to visit the oil well which recently came in down there, only seven miles from her land.

Mrs. Glenn Allen, of Odessa, her mother, Mrs. Dagggett, of Ft. Worth, and her sister, Mrs. Simmons, of Houston, were dinner guests of Mrs. Chas. Edwards last Tuesday evening.

J. B. Wilkerson, active vice president of the Midland National Bank, arrived Wednesday with his family from Avalo. They will occupy the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Van Huss.

Mr. and Mrs. Lane Dupree returned Tuesday from Amarillo, where Mrs. Dupree has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Jones.

Mrs. W. B. Elkin went to Lubbock the first of this week.

Miss Alva V. Scott returned to her home in Buena Vista, last Friday.

Mrs. B. F. Haag and children left Thursday for a two weeks' visit in Sweetwater.

Mrs. J. W. Webb and daughter, Bertha, are leaving today for a visit with friends in Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Edwards and family are visiting on the ranch this week.

Mrs. E. E. Eiland and daughter, Miss Lorena, have gone to their ranch home for the summer months.

Miss Cecil Peyton returned to her ranch home the first of this week after a visit to friends in town.

Rev. T. P. Hilofield went to Sweetwater Monday to meet his daughter, Miss May, who returned to Midland with him.

Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer and Misses Geraldine Cowden and Ruth Blakeney left this week for a visit to Dallas.

Cashier W. R. Chancellor, of the First National Bank, made a business trip to Dallas the first of the week.

Judge J. T. Cross was over from Odessa this week, attending sessions of the Masonic lodge in special work in higher degrees.

A. W. Wight, of Odessa, was here yesterday, for medical attention. Mr. Wight has been right ill lately, but is gradually gaining strength.

Miss Mozelle Newton has gone to her home in Lorraine. Mrs. Horace Newton accompanied her for a visit with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Thomas and son left Sunday for Waco. Mr. Thomas will attend Baylor University this summer and will be with us again this fall as principal of South Side.

Mesdames J. Wiley Taylor and Ellis Cowden are visiting this week with Mrs. Mike Pegues in Odessa.

Mrs. Molly McCormick is visiting in Stanton this week.

Miss Hollie Belle Pickerrill left on Tuesday for Roswell, N. M., where she will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ulmer spent Sunday in Garden City with Mrs. Ulmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Ringo. They were accompanied home by Miss Ringo.

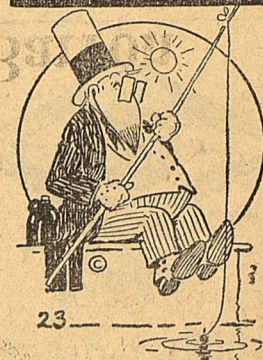
Misses Margaret Caldwell, Elsie Wolcott, and Mabel Holt are expected home from C. I. A. Sunday. Misses Leola Bigham and Lady Connell, who have also been attending C. I. A. will stop in Cisco before coming home, and will be here Wednesday of next week.

Homer Henderson and wife were visitors from Odessa the first of the week, here for the day shopping.

R. E. Van Huss is in for a few days from his ranch south. He reports the range very dry in that section.

Miss Carolyn Caldwell returned on Wednesday from El Paso. She will be in Midland the remainder of this week and leave next Sunday for C. I. A. for the summer school there.

## OLD DOC BIRD says



*It's hard to tell these days which causes the red nose ---sunshine or moonshine.*

*If all the days were sunshine there wouldn't be so many coughs and colds around*

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### MUST KEEP YOUR PREMISES CLEAN

Unsanitary conditions of toilets and outhouses have been brought to the attention of the City Council by the Health Committee, and it is found that some badly needed cleaning up must be done at once.

The health of the community, the purity of the water in wells, the control of disease depend largely on the condition of these toilets.

Unless all of them are cleaned up within a few days, the officers will be compelled to visit the owners of these unsanitary premises to enforce the city sanitary laws.

Let every citizen realize his duty to the community and prevent possible epidemics and loss of life.

### CITY COUNCIL, Midland, Texas.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to express our most sincere gratitude and thanks for the kindness shown us by the dear people of Midland, and for the beautiful floral offerings sent to the burial of our dearly beloved Grandpa Wilson. We mention the Masons in particular.

Mrs. M. A. Gentry,  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Bailey.

I have bought the Stone meat market and will open up Monday morning. Will sell meat at 12 and 15 cents per pound. Have a choice bunch of calves, raised myself, and my meat will be first class. Mr. Stone will be in charge. Ike Stovall. adv 35-4t

Miss Ruby Barham left Saturday for her home in Stephenville.

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