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"SIX CYLINDER LOVE" NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

POPULAR COMEDY PRESENTED BY PERCIVAL VIVIAN PLEYERS AT RIALTO

The world might be divided into two kinds of people—those who own automobiles and those who would like to own them. "Six Cylinder Love" is a comedy all about an automobile and the havoc it caused in the lives of two families. That is why it has had such a tremendous run in New York and Chicago.

It is a powerful sermon against extravagance, in spite of the fact that there are more hearty laughs to the play than you would ever imagine. It is good, clean, wholesome fun all the way through, with a clear-cut message that you can't dodge, even though you might try to do so. That is why it has been chosen for the Percival Vivian Players as their offering for this season.

"Six Cylinder Love" is all the more humorous and human because it is a story that can be duplicated in every community in America. The story is that of a newly married couple, already deep in debt, who feel they must have a car, in spite of the fact it will put them in debt deeper. Their increased popularity with their neighbors after the purchase follows. The payments fall due, and there is nothing with which to pay, until the young husband tampers with the funds of the company for which he works; then he comes to his senses and they dispose of all their unpaid-for property and start over again in an inexpensive flat. This is the action of this play which thousands have enjoyed, and which you will laugh and cry over when the company appears here.

The play ran for 54 weeks in New York and then was taken to Chicago, where it enjoyed an unusually fine season at the New Harris Theatre. Through special arrangements with the producer and the author, "Six Cylinder Love" was secured by the Affiliated Lyceum & Chautauqua Association for this season, to be presented under the personal direction of Mr. Percival Vivian, by a splendid cast of New York stage folk.

Mr. Vivian was formerly connected with the Ben Greet Players, and has since enjoyed association with many of America's leading actors. A few years ago he staged "The Wayfarer," a religious pageant which was given by a cast of 5,000 people at Madison Square Garden in New York City. In 1922-23 Mr. Vivian played an important role in the Belasco production of "The Merchant of Venice," in which David Warfield was the star.

RED CROSS RECEIVES LETTER

Here is a letter received by one of the schools of the Southwestern Division, American Red Cross, from a school in Vienna, Austria, in reply to a letter sent to the Vienna school from the American school children. Letters such as this are constantly coming in to the schools of America as a result of the international school correspondence work of the American Red Cross and are the means of cementing the friendship between the children of the world, regardless of nationality:

"Dear Benefactress: I hasten to send you a few words of thanks for the dear donation. We were so much pleased that so many kind people take a loving interest in the school children of Austria and are doing so much for them. To me it was a great joy, as my parents cannot buy anything for me. My mother must work hard in order that we may have the necessary things to eat. My father is very sick and is in a hospital. He is totally incapacitated by war and can earn nothing. There are three of us children, a ten year old girl, a seven year old girl and a nine year old boy, for whom my mother has to provide. I hope you can read my letter. Now I will close, cordially thanking you once more and remaining,

Yours gratefully,
Litchi Hoefner."

Harry Neblett left for Sweetwater on business this morning.

Henry Brunson was in from his farm southeast of town, Thursday.

Taylor Curtis was in Midland the latter part of last week on his way to Lamesa.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WILL BE GIVEN THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOLS ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21st

The following programs will be given in celebration of Christmas in the various rooms and departments throughout the schools on next Friday afternoon. The public is cordially invited to hear these programs:

High School Department
The program of the high school will consist of two ensemble choruses, a glee club number, a choral club number, a reading, a Christmas poem, a male quartet, and other special numbers. It is possible that this program will be given in one of the church auditoriums on Thursday evening, at which time all are cordially invited to be present. Further announcement will be made as to time and place.

Grammar School Departments (Seventh Grade)
Song: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing (Wesley)—Seventh Grade.

Bible reading: Luke 2:8-14—Seventh Grade.
Reading: When Christmas Comes (Anon)—Katie Leverett.
Piano solo: Fluttering Leaves (Kolling)—Lucile Thomas.
Reading: Miss Prim's Christmas Shopping (Anon)—Timmie Smith.
Reading: Outside (Anon)—Ainslee Estes.

Song: Jingle Bells (Pierpont)—Seventh grade.
Reading: Making Christmas Presents (Anon)—Drotha Johnson.
Reading: Christmas Morning (Miller)—Witzel Whitmire.
Song: Christmas Carol (Sears)—Seventh Grade.
Reading: Christmas Day (Anon)—Thomas Aycock.
Reading: Christmas (Bryant)—Seventh Grade.
Song: Holy Night (Mohr)—Seventh Grade.

North Ward Primary Dept.
Play: Celebrating Christmas in Mother Goose Land (Carter)—Primary Department.

Monologue: Writing to Santa Claus (Marie Irish)—Murray Fasken.
Motion Song: A Christmas Lullaby (Anon)—Nell Wayne Carlisle, Carrie Lee McIntosh, Mary Garner Scruggs, Olga Trammell, Elizabeth Yarbrough.
Monologue: Somebody's Picture (Marie Irish)—Carrie Lee McIntosh.
Christmas Conundrums (Anon)—Olga Trammell, Anna Belle Johnson, Nell Wayne Carlisle, Bessie Dale, Helen Clinger.

Song: Santa Land (Parks)—Primary Department.
Reading: A Visit From St. Nicholas (Moore)—Second Grade.
Song: Christmas Time (Weaver)—Primary Department.

South Ward Grammar School
(a) Song: Holy Night, (Gruber); (b) Reading, Luke 2:8-14—Department.

Piano solo: Valse Artistique (Rofe)—Rosie Pliska.
Reading: Matt. 2:12—Jaunita Johnson.

Christmas Carol (Anon)—High 5th and Low 7th Girls.
Play: Santa Claus in His Toy Shop (Todd)—Low 6th Pupils.

Song: Rock-a-Bye Baby (Sweney)—High 3rd and High 4th Girls.
Play: Serenading Santa Claus—Low 4th Pupils.

Reading: Not in Vain (Dickinson)—The Department.
Song: Christmas Carol (Willis)—The Department.

South Ward Primary Dept.
Song: Bells are Ringing (Everett)—Primary Department.
Play: A Tree for Cinderella (Babson)—24 Pupils.

Song: The Bethlehem Babe—T. B. Weaver.
Reading: Christmas Secrets (Allen)—Hunter Midkiff.

Reading: Christmas Questions—Wolstean Dixey.
Song: Santa Claus (Harris)—Primary Department.

Mexican School
The pupils of the Mexican school have prepared some patriotic and Christmas songs which they will sing before some of the other departments on Friday afternoon.

Capt. W. E. Wallace underwent a very serious operation last week. He is getting along nicely now and friends anticipate an uneventful recovery for him.

ENDORSES WORK OF TEXAS PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Dr. W. H. Beazley, State health officer, interviewed recently in his office at the Capitol, said: "I am glad to endorse the work of the Texas Public Health Association in its campaign to reduce tuberculosis in Texas. This association, during the past several years, has actively co-operated with the State Board of Health in many important matters. Their informational campaign regarding tuberculosis and the need for tuberculosis hospitals in the various counties in Texas, together with the Modern Health Crusade, which is teaching thousands of children health habits, is a most effective and useful adjunct to the State department.

"Tuberculosis, throughout the United States, has been reduced during the past 19 years over 50 per cent. This means that every man, woman and child, living today, will live two and one-half years longer than he would had tuberculosis continued as it was in 1904 when the death rate was 202, per 100,000. In 1921 the tuberculosis death rate was 99 per 100,000.

"The Texas Public Health Association is incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas, as a charitable and eleemosynary institution, and is supported entirely by the Tuberculosis Christmas Seal sale. I hope that the citizens of Texas will see to it that the Texas Public Health Association is better financed this year than ever before, in order that the campaign against tuberculosis may be continued even more effectively than in the past."

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hale and daughter Virginia were visiting in Coahoma last Saturday and Sunday. They were visiting Mr. Hale's father and mother.

THE DEATH OF MRS. CHRIS SCHARBAUER

OCCURED AT 6 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Midland people were sadly shocked this morning to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. Chris Scharbauer, which occurred at 6 o'clock. Many friends had known for years that her health was not especially good, in fact that she once sustained a serious abdominal operation for cancer, but she was of the uncomplaining sort and her troubles were rarely discussed.

Some 24 to 36 hours before her passing hemorrhages set in and her condition grew steadily more hopeless until the end.

At 10 o'clock this morning it was announced that the funeral would be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Baptist church. This will give time for the arrival of relatives and friends from a distance.

Mrs. Scharbauer is survived by her husband—to those who love and know him well, "Uncle Chris"—and two daughters, Mrs. R. E. Rankin, of Abilene, and Mrs. Geo. D. Elliott, of El Paso; and a son, Clarence Scharbauer of Midland.

Probably by her pastor or some other friend, a suitable comment upon Mrs. Scharbauer's useful Christian life, her devotion to home, loved ones and friends, will be made in our next issue.

In the meantime The Reporter joins innumerable friends in an expression of profound sympathy to bereaved relatives and loved ones.

Mrs. Rufus Parks and Miss Katherine Blasdell were visitors from Stanton the first of the week.

LAST NIGHT WAS THE COLDEST OF THE YEAR

IT WAS THE FOLLOW-UP OF RAIN, SLEET AND SNOW OF A FEW DAYS BEFORE

Night before last, or Wednesday night, the government thermometer, located at the home of S. H. Basham, registered 25 above, which was up to then the coldest night of the year. Last night, however, it went down to 20, or 12 degrees below freezing, and almost as cold as it usually gets in the Midland Country.

These cold nights were follow-ups of the rains, sleet, snow, etc., that were visited upon us during the days and nights of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Yesterday was only partially cloudy and cattle no doubt got the chill pretty well worked out of them.

Today it is beautifully sunny, and bids fair to be warm enough by mid-afternoon. This sums up in effect that range stock have not suffered greatly—drawn some, of course—and will quickly respond to the wonderfully growing weed crop that nature has so prodigally sown all over the Midland Country.

Ranchmen say they never saw such a wonderful start for a weed crop. Well, the moisture now in the ground is sufficient to finish these weeds, if we have only the usual amount of sunshine usually given us during December and January.

It all looks pretty good to the stockman and he still figures to very largely dodge that heavy feed bill this winter and spring.

WILL MAKE HOME AT GRANDVIEW

D. M. Pinnell and family leave this afternoon or evening on the east-bound train for Grandview, Texas, where they will make their future home. Mr. Pinnell recently sold his cattle and leased his ranch in Andrews County to the purchaser, and this is his reason for the move.

They have made Midland their home during the school months for some years past, and have acquired many friends here who will greatly regret their departure.

Mr. Pinnell was one of The Reporter's earliest friends in the west, and we especially regret their departure, while heartily commending them to the new friends they are sure to acquire.

MILK DELIVERY COST CUT BY HARD ROADS

The Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Agriculture, has made a study of the effect of highways on milk distribution, the results of which emphasize that good roads lower the milk hauling costs, that with the spread of good roads, milk hauling by truck becomes larger each year, and that the motor trucks add yearly a greater proportion of dairy products to the total hauling done by it in behalf of farmers. Studies in the "Baltimore milk shed" show that farmers on improved highways in this area pay 3 cents a gallon for hauling milk, on the average haul, while the farmer on the unimproved road pays half a cent more.

GIRL WILL TRAVEL 10,000 MILES TO MARRY

Liverpool, Dec. 10.—A girl's romantic journey of 10,000 miles to get married on Fanning Island, one of the Fanning group in the North Pacific, was disclosed when Miss Margaret Birch, formerly a London school mistress, sailed aboard the Cedric to join her fiancé, Major Cuthbert Burncullander, who is manager of a company on the lonely isle, engaged in developing copra exports. She is accompanied by the officers and the party will complete the trip from San Francisco in the company's 300-ton schooner, Doris Crane. This craft will take 28 days to make the voyage. The marriage will be solemnized by the schooner's captain.

Jax M. and Clyde Cowden made a trip to San Antonio last week in their car.

Glenn Allen was in town Wednesday from his ranch near Judkins.

Miss Myra D. Hill, of Lometa, is here visiting her uncle, E. W. Floyd.

FARMING EXPERTS PLAN LEGISLATION

CONFERENCE AT NEW ORLEANS DEC. 13-15 TO DISCUSS MARKETING LAWS

Agricultural experts from many parts of the country assembled in New Orleans Dec. 13-15, inclusive yesterday and today, for the purpose of adopting a definite plan of legislation to be undertaken in their respective States looking toward greater uniformity in State laws touching the conservation of farm products and the stabilization of marketing conditions. The conference is to be held on suggestion of C. E. Baughman, Texas Commissioner of Markets and Warehouses.

Uniformity of the State statutes dealing with bonding of warehouses, the issuance of receipts and the sort of State supervision back of the receipt, standardization of grades and classes of farm products, weights and measures and rural credits acts supplemental to the Federal acts are among the high points to be discussed. The effort will be to agree upon basic principles and urge the legislatures of the several States to enact them into law.

While special invitations have been sent to Southern and Western States, in four of which, Texas, New Mexico, South Carolina and Louisiana, delegations have already been named by the governors, a general invitation also has been extended to the annual conference of State marketing officials recently held in Chicago.

The United States Department of Agriculture planned to have representatives in attendance, according to Commissioner Baughman, although Secretary Wallace will be unable to leave Washington during the early days of the new congress.

The opening session was held under the auspices of the New Orleans Association of Commerce and the address of welcome was delivered by Harry D. Wilson, commissioner of agriculture of Louisiana. In response, C. E. Baughman, Texas commissioner of markets and warehouses, made a brief statement of the purpose of the meeting, after which the conference was organized and committees appointed.

THE FARMER'S ABILITY TO BUY

The interstate commerce commission took testimony at Kansas City last month to find out whether the freight rates on agricultural products are too high. At this hearing M. J. Healey, vice president of the John Deere Plow Company, gave some rather startling figures to indicate the tremendous reduction which has come in the last few years in the farmer's ability to buy manufactured goods.

He said that from 1910 to 1915 the average annual purchase of farm machinery was \$62 per farm family. From 1915 to 1920 it was \$91 per farm family. During the last three years, however, it has been only \$28 per farm family, or about 27 per cent of the average of the previous five years.

This sort of a situation is hard on the farm machinery company, of course. It is even harder on the farmer, who is unable to buy the production tools necessary for efficient farming. Mr. Healey's solution of the problem was to lower freight rates so that the price of farm machinery might be proportionately lowered. This might help some, yet so long as the price of railroad labor stays where it is there is probably not much chance for lowered freight rates. And, so long as the price of city labor stays where it is there is not much chance for reducing the price of farm machinery.

I am inclined to believe that those who attempt to solve the problem from this angle have taken hold of the heavy end of the log. I would like to see everybody make a good living and I have no particular objections either to high city wages, to high machinery prices or to high freight rates if everything else is adjusted proportionately.

The trouble with the farm machinery companies, and with the railroads too, for that matter, is the decreased buying power of the farmers. I would rather tackle the job of getting farm prices up to the average level than to spend time in trying to induce the remainder of the world to come down.

RED TAG SALE GREAT SUCCESS

The Red Tags will be taken off Saturday night, but prices will not be raised for CASH. We are convinced that CASH MAKES NO ENEMIES and from now on your cash will count at this store.

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Our collections have not been satisfactory. On an average it is costing us 10c on the dollar to collect from those we have accommodated with credit. Our finances are limited, therefore we have to borrow money to carry these accounts. Too, about seventy-five per cent of these customers spend their cash elsewhere,

In the future, if you want credit, you must make arrangements.

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Our terms are cash—30 days; accounts being run 30 days as a matter of convenience. If you owe us anything prior to the 1st of December it is now due and we want our money. You know if you owe us. We do not intend to run you down to collect this, but if you expect accommodations from us you must pay as per our terms. IT'S UP TO YOU TO KEEP YOUR CREDIT GOOD.

Remember---Your Cash Will Count at This Store.

From Now On---A REAL CASH SALE---From Now On

"Where Your Money Will Buy the Most"

Midland Mercantile Co.

"THE APPRECIATIVE STORE"

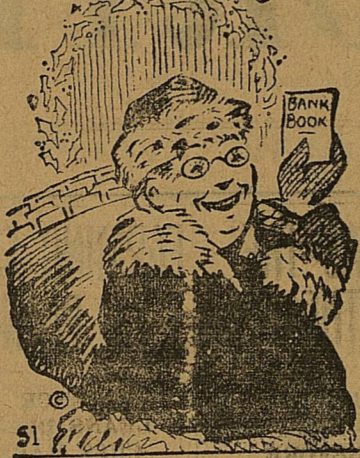
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REVIEW OF MEAT AND L. S. SITUATION

AS PER STATEMENT ISSUED BY INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN MEAT PACKERS

The meat trade during the month just closed was characterized by unusually low quotations in the wholesale markets for various cuts of meat—quotations that in many instances were lower than those recorded for this same period a decade ago. In some cases these quotations were on cuts that have been among the highest-priced meats.

Pork loins for example, the source of pork chops and roasts, have been wholesaling during the most of the month at or below the levels which prevailed at this time in 1913. Quotations on this cut have declined in excess of 50 per cent since early September. The decline during November alone was about 20 per cent. Other fresh pork cuts, such as shoulders and butts, also declined during the month relatively low levels.

Bacon, notwithstanding an active consumptive demand, remains at prices which are unusually low—ac-

tually the lowest in years, in some instances being slightly below the quotations which ruled in November, 1913.

Hindquarters of beef, which normally sell more briskly than fore-quarters, moved rather slowly during the month, while the demand for fore-quarters became more active. The round, a hindquarter cut, is now selling in the wholesale markets at prices which are slightly higher than they were ten years ago and from 18 to 20 per cent lower than they were in early September.

11. Pork and Swine
The foreign demand for pork products, both meats and lard, was fair. Buying was not heavy at any particular port, but the demand generally was steady and diversified.

The English demand for side meats was very moderate, but was about as much as could be expected in view of the heavy supplies that continue to come from Denmark to the English markets. Prices of English cuts such as Wiltshires and Cumberlands declined substantially, especially during the last half of the month.

So far as the domestic trade was concerned, the consumption of fresh pork products has been very large, but prices have not been satisfactory. Although some observers point out that the extremely low prices at

which fresh pork has been wholesaling have detracted somewhat from the consumption of smoked meats, hams, bacon and picnics have been in good demand. Some companies state that their stocks of hams are sold closely up to cure. Price of smoked hams, however, remained about unchanged during the month. Although the demand for bacon was broad, prices declined somewhat.

Dry salt meats were in excellent demand, particularly in the South where much of this meat is consumed and where conditions are unusually good this year owing to the high prices of cotton.

The lard trade was excellent and prices showed a slight upward tendency.

Receipts of hogs continued greatly larger than a year ago, and prices declined somewhat. Many of the animals which arrived at the markets were underweight and unfinished, although, according to some packers, there has been some improvement in quality, as compared with last month, and the light, unfinished stock is not relatively so numerous as it was a month ago. Receipts at twenty markets for the month were considerably in excess of those for November, a year ago and somewhat larger than those for October of this year.

Receipts of hogs at the twenty markets for the eleven months ending with November have been approximately 30 per cent heavier than for the same period a year ago.

III. Cattle and Beef

Receipts of cattle were light as compared with a year ago and also as compared with October of this year. Yearlings and underweight cattle held strong to higher up to the third week of the month, while heavy steers declined rather steadily. All grades broke sharply the third week in the month. However, prices advanced sharply the last week in the month. However, prices advanced sharply the last week, owing to lighter receipts on account of the holiday. Butcher cattle and canner stock ran unevenly lower throughout. There was a noticeable shortage of heavy cattle and of the best quality of all grades, more especially the best natives.

The dressed beef market was slow, but fairly steady throughout the month, and, in the opinion of some producers, slightly better, on the whole, than during October. Prices tended to move lower during part of the month, but the best grades strengthened somewhat at the close. The hide market declined but is very active at present prices, and all stocks are sold closely up to production.

IV. Sheep and Lambs

Receipts of sheep and lambs showed a heavy decrease as compared with last year. In spite of this, the market was steady to lower on lambs, while aged sheep showed some gains. The Eastern mutton markets was very drabby.

November developed a very active wool market, particularly on medium grades, and prices advanced about 10 per cent.

NEWS ITEMS FROM SORGHUM MILL

As Xmas is a-comin' on pretty pert now, it is high time that folks in Sorghum Mill community wuz a-makin' preparation fer this gladsum occasion. Better save up all them aigs that you have been exchanging at the store fer snuff, tobacco and sich, fer they will come in handy on Xmas mornin' fer aig-nog—pervidin' you've got the nog.

Parson Hitchtree sed in announcing the exhibition that wuz given in the community church one nite this week, that the music would be good he reckon, but they'd shore have to git a hump on 'em if they beat our string band.

Our intelligent skule Supt., is now making a speculty of having the newest tunes played in jazz before the skule. He lows that this will have a tendency to put more pep in the football players so as to make 'em more apt in the game.

Miss Matildie Simplebubble had a new beaux out at church last Sunday night, and when she got home her ma axed her what the preacher's text wuz, and she said "Love is the fulfilling of the law."

Bill Petty has accepted a position in Josh Razorback's tonsorial parlors and sez he's ready fer all comers barring none.

The Sorghum Mill Community Ladies Club is making preparations to have something different from the last entertainment they had, when they showed "The Family Skeleton." Some of the women folks who participated in this sez that they're done, for it showed 'em up too much as they really are. But we'll say honestly, that some of 'em looked real snipious in the costumes of a decade ago.



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A Truly Christmas Gift for Men Folks

Interwoven Sox

Come in plain silk, in all the wanted colors, at the pair, 75c and

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In heavy ribbed silk mixtures in brown, black, blue and Pig Skin at

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In Heavy Derby Ribbed Woolen Mixtures in green, brown, tan, blue, black mixtures, at the pair

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One or more pairs, put in a beautiful Christmas folder, without extra charge.

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Bath Robes, Dressing Robes

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Men's Robes ready made, at

\$12.50

8.75 and

\$8.75

Ladies Robes ready made

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at \$7.50 and

50c

Blanket Robes, to be made up, complete with

Cords and Frogs, each

\$1.25

Robe Cloth, 27 inches wide,

50c

the yard

Novelty Corduroy, 30 inches wide in Cherry,

Helio and Blue, the yard

Silk Cords to match,

each

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Handkerchiefs for the Kiddies in the Animated Packages; in the Monday Wash-day, Tuesday Iron-day series. In the three for the box, at 35c the box, and others at 10c to 25c each.

Ladies Handkerchiefs of the finest Batiste and Linens, in hand-work, hand drawn threads and hand-whipped edges, are priced at 65c and 75c; others at 35c and still others at 10c, 15c and

20c

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25c

Men's Initial Handkerchiefs at 25c

35c

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Men's Belt Sets, Men's Knife Sets, Men's Chain Sets, Men's Cigarette Sets, Men's Gloves, and dozens of other things that make it easy to buy for the men, here.

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vests and bloomers, at \$2.85 to

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Boudoir Caps,

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One of the daintiest of these shows an outside handkerchief

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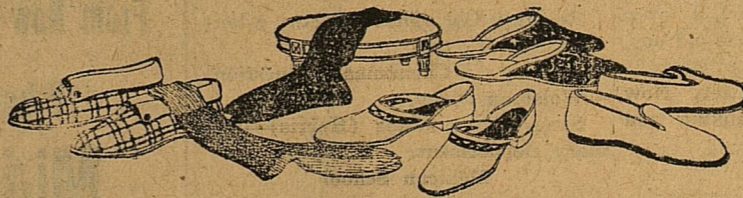
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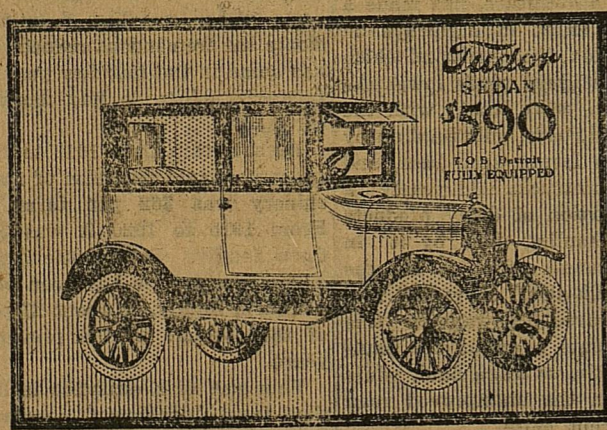


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SHOES

We have these for the tiny tot to Grandmother, and for men folks as well. It's a pleasure to help you, at this store.

Wadley-Wilson Co.



Give One For Christmas

The Tudor Sedan is a gift every member of the family will share. It adds to daily happiness. It will extend the joyous spirit of Christmas to every day of the year.

radiator, broad cowl, sun visor, and large windows make it stylish in appearance. Yet it is sold at the lowest price ever asked for a Sedan—only \$590 f.o.b. Detroit.

This new Ford type is of an exceptionally pleasing design. Wide doors opening forward, folding right front seat, and a roomy interior make it a convenient car to use; its high

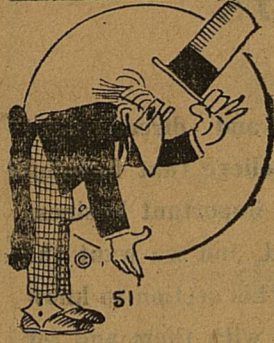
rich, permanent luster of its finish, the quiet good taste of its upholstery, and the ornamental treatment of its full-nickled hardware, all help to make it a car you are proud to drive.

This Car can be obtained through the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

From which you can make a selection.

- Books
- Kodaks
- Pipes
- Percolators
- Ivory Sets
- Albums
- Traveling Sets
- Bill Folds
- Reading Lamps
- Toilet Sets
- Smoking Sets
- Knives

Come in and let us serve you

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OIL INTERESTS MAY BE REVIVED AT PECOS

FIELD THERE TO TAKE ON NEW LIFE FIRST OF YEAR SAYS ENTERPRISE

The oil situation in the Pecos field is really looking brighter, at this time than it has for many moons, says the Pecos Enterprise. Continuing: It looks as if the Bell well might be a real producer before another issue of the Enterprise is published. Of course the work is necessarily slow but they are making real progress as will be shown by the following report handed in today:

"Good progress has been made at the Bell well the past week, with but five feet of the plug remaining to be drilled out, and after the hole has been cleaned and gotten in condition it is believed that this well will make a producer without the necessity of running string of casing with formation packer. Mr. Wesner, who is in charge at this well, is most confident, and it would seem that it is merely a question of time until this well will live up to the many predictions that have been made for it.

Just what the Toyah Bell will do is not yet divulged but it appears to be concensus of opinion that work

will be resumed on that location at an early date.

Rumors are afloat also that by the early part of the new year work will be started on both the Wheat well and Ransey No. 2.

The Enterprise also understands from good authority that a new contract has been signed up giving the parties who have concluded to reclaim and drill in the River well, 90 days in which to begin operations on this location. It is stated they will not take more than thirty days of that time, and in that case work will begin on this location early in January.

Summing up the situation from the above, which appear to be real facts, and it looks as if the new year would start in with a rush of development work. And, if the Bell well acts like a good portion of our citizens believe it will, it will be gushing forth the liquid gold before the end of next week. Allowing time for accidents it would appear that at least by Christmas they would have all the time desired and that Mr. Bell will present our people—maybe in advance of the holidays—with a real gift worth while. Let's hope he does.

Patriotic

"The rapidly increasing divorce rate," remarked the wit, "indicates that America is, indeed, becoming the land of the free."

"Yes," replied the prosaic friend, "but the continued marriage rate suggests that it is still the home of the brave."

Queer Feelings

"Some time ago, I was very irregular," writes Mrs. Cora Robie, of Pikeville, Ky. "I suffered a great deal, and knew I must do something for this condition. I suffered mostly with my back and a weakness in my limbs. I would have dreadful headaches. I had hot flashes and very queer feelings, and oh, how my head hurt! I read of

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

and of others, who seemed to have the same troubles I had, being benefited, so I began to use it. I found it most beneficial. I took several bottles . . . and was made so much better I didn't have any more trouble of this kind. It regulated me."

Cardui has been found very helpful in the correction of many cases of painful female disorders, such as Mrs. Robie mentions above. If you suffer as she did, take Cardui—a purely vegetable, medicinal tonic, in use for more than 40 years. It should help you.

Sold Everywhere. E 90

OIL ACTIVITIES OUT FT. STOCKTON WAY

From Ft. Stockton Pioneer:

On Tuesday, December 4th, at 1 o'clock, the powerful machinery of the Trans-Pecos Oil Company's exceptionally fine standard rig, located on section 6, block 114, G. C. & S. F. railway survey and known as Quinby No. 5 well, was started and will be run double tour. The drilling site of this well is looked upon as one of the finest in the field and was made by a geologist of repute, who spent weeks in compiling his report and making the survey that definitely determined the drilling location. This well is to be drilled to the depth of 3500 feet, unless oil in commercial quantities is encountered before that depth is reached. The importance of the location of the Quinby No. 5 well, with reference to the Ft. Stockton field is attracting no little interest locally, as was evidenced by the fact that the spudding in of the well was witnessed by a number of our prominent business men, the first time in several years that such an interest has been manifested.

The extensive explorations of the Trans-Pecos Oil Company in the Ft. Stockton field which are the largest in the history of the field are being pushed as fast as men, money and machinery can do the immense amount of work necessary to the extensive drilling campaign the company is at this time actively pushing. Quinby No. 1 well, on section 19, block 140, T. & St. L. railway survey is drilling in a hard lime and sandy formation at 2070 feet. The gas in this well is increasing as the drill bit goes down, and a heavy rainbow of oil has been visible in the drill cuttings this week.

Quinby No. 2 well, on section 592, G. C. & S. F. railway survey, is drilling double tour. A fine showing of high gravity oil was encountered in this well this week, which strengthened confidence in the well as being a commercial producer in the near future. The depth of the well is around 910 feet.

The cables for Quinby No. 3 and 4 wells, on sections 19 and 20, block 140, T. & St. L. railway survey, arrived Wednesday, and it is planned to begin work on these two wells immediately. The crew which will have charge of No. 3, arrived Tuesday, and the crew for No. 4 is expected to arrive tomorrow. (Saturday.)

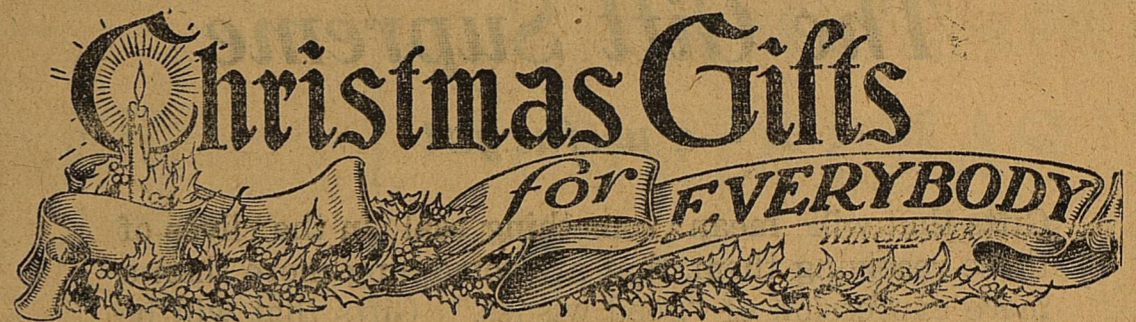
S. R. Frances, of St. Louis, treasurer of the Trans-Pecos Oil Company, accompanied by C. F. Martin, of Ponca City, Okla., spent the last week-end here looking over the drilling activity in the field. Mr. Martin, who is one among the largest independent oil operators was so impressed with the future prospects of the Ft. Stockton field that he declared his intentions while here to become identified with the Trans-Pecos Company, and expects to become active in the development work of the field.

Negotiations with California people who are desirous of entering the Ft. Stockton field are reported progressing satisfactorily and prospects are encouraging that they will soon enter the field and put on an active drilling campaign.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WAS PROGRESSIVE

Ben Franklin organized the first fire company in America; established the first public library; was responsible for the first free school in Pennsylvania from which developed the University of Pennsylvania; invented the heater or stove and refused to take a patent on it; drew up the first form of union for the American colonies; became one of the foremost philosophers of his day; dignified printing and the newspaper; induced France to aid the colonies in the war of Independence; helped make our Constitution and as our first postmaster general, originated our national postal system. He mastered several foreign languages, and though he attended school less than a year, he was called by the historian, Hume, the greatest literary man of the age. While studying Italian with a friend he got to playing chess. Finding that he was wasting too much time, he resolved to quit. His friend remonstrated. Finally he agreed to play chess with his student friend provided the loser each time should be required to recite a lesson in Italian grammar, do parsing and the like. The friend agreed, and the playing was resumed with much mutual profit. Printer, editor, scholar, scientist, law-maker, statesman, diplomat, philosopher—he rose from penny to affluence, from obscurity to renown through frugal habits and unremitting study and work while he was young. He never squandered time.

Mr. Dunn, of Andrews, was in the city Monday, attending to business.



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What To Give

Use this list. It will aid you in your shopping. Just check the items you are interested in and let us show them to you.



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- Fruit Bowls
- Cake Plates
- A set of Community Silver
- Carving Set
- Coffee Urn Sets
- Percolators
- Electric Toasters
- Electric Waffle Irons
- Pyrex Oven Ware
- Tea Pots
- Turkey Roaster
- Nut Cracks

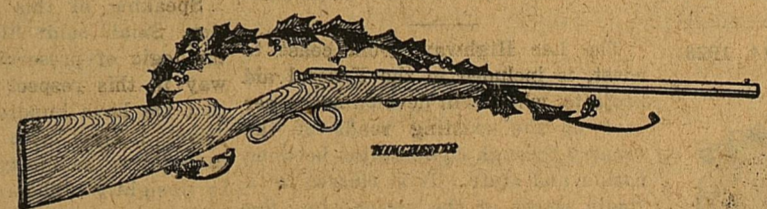
- Brunswick Phonographs
- Brunswick Records
- Floor Lamps
- Budior Lamps
- Quicklite and Rayo Lamps
- Pretty Rugs of all kinds
- Sealy Mattress
- Chairs—Rockers
- Cedar Chest
- Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets
- A New Range
- Aluminum Kitchen Ware
- Vacuum Cleaners
- Scissors of all kinds

Don't Fail to Visit Our Store Before You Buy

- Winchester Shot Guns
- Winchester Rifles
- Air Rifles
- Pocket Knives
- Knife Sharpeners
- Fishing Tackle

- Camp Kits
- An Easy Chair
- Flash Lights
- Tools—Pliers
- Safety Razors
- Vacuum Bottles

We Will Save You Money On All Xmas Purchases

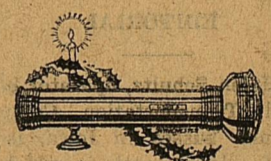


- Express Wagons
- Miniature Farm Wagons
- Nursery Rhyme Sets
- Knife and Fork Sets

- Child's Rockers
- Child's Chairs
- Child's Bed and Mattresses
- Kiddie Koop

- Tricycles
- Coasters

- High Chairs
- Jumpers



\$1 DON'T FORGET \$1
THAT EVERY DOLLAR SPENT WITH US

And every dollar paid on account between now and December 24th entitles you to a ticket on the Handsome Xmas Gift which we are giving away on that day.

A SUPER FEX RANGE OR A BRUNSWICK PHONOGRAPH



PLAITING

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We have just received our new plaiting outfit and can do any plaiting here that you can have done in the cities.

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- Manicure Sets
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- Smoking Sets
- Comb and Brush Sets
- Greeting Cards
- Holly Boxes
- Christmas Seals
- Baby Journals
- Books for Grown-ups
- Dolls (all kinds)
- Automobiles
- Trains
- Tool Chests
- Cedar Chests
- Christmas Candles

- Drums
- Wagons
- Toy Wheel Barrows
- King & Legett's Candy in beautiful Christmas boxes
- Casseroles
- Percolators
- Electric Percolators
- Chafing Dishes
- Bicycles for boys and girls
- Tricycles
- Consoles
- Electric Irons
- Electric Desk Lamps
- Cigars in Christmas boxes
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- Conklin Fountain Pens and Pencils
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We want to assist you in your Christmas shopping.

Most Attractive Prices
In Town

CITY DRUG STORE

HEADQUARTERS FOR HOLIDAY GOODS

Mrs. Robert Currie has home-made Christmas candies for sale in the bulk or in special gift boxes. Put in your orders early. Call 191. adv 1t

B. Y. P. U.

"Some Common Temptation of Today."
Song service.
Business.
Leader in charge—Frank Adams.
Scripture lesson—Ella Mae Ray.
Prayer.
Introduction—Leader.
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Purposelessness—Clinton Myrick.
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Special Music—Orchestra.
Pleasure—Alton Gault.
Doubt—Louise Karkalits.
Vocal Duet—Lois Ballard and Annie Wall.
Inactivity—Minta Aycock.
Benediction.

Ladies, let me help you solve that Christmas gift problem. New things received daily. Mrs. Fred Wemple, Rest Room, Ever-Ready Filling Station. adv

Audrey Henry was brought in from the Jones & Ragsdale ranch the latter part of last week, suffering with a broken shoulder, as a result of being thrown from a horse. He is now getting along fine.

V. R. Dockray was in Midland from Big Spring this week, on business.

Camp Filling Station, near camp grounds, will appreciate your patronage. Service day or night. Bert Stringer, proprietor. adv 7-12t

Elliott Cowden was in Midland the first of the week from his ranch near Odessa.

Billy Holmsley was in from his ranch near Rankin the first of the week.

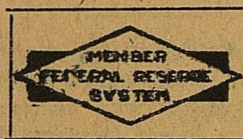
Smoking sets, pipes, cigar-cigarette holders, tobacco pouches, Christmas cigars, cigarettes and tobaccos. —Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv

E. O. Plemmons, a former employee of Neblett's drug store, left the latter part of last week for Dallas where he will spend a few days and then go on to Breckenridge where he has accepted a position.

To Our Farmers

The officers and directors of this bank believe that farming is the most important business in the world, and we want the farmers of this section to know that we are with them and for them to the full limit of our ability and resources in facilitating their needs.

It is time to begin your plans for the new year. Come in and talk things over with us.



First National Bank
Midland, Texas

Christmas trees—During the holidays I will have family trees for sale. All beautiful cedars. Order before Christmas. Oswald Phillips. 10-2tpd

James L. Hundle and wife were made the happy parents of a baby boy on Nov. 25th. We thus tardily extend our best wishes to the happy couple.

O. B. Cook was a business visitor from Slick, Okla., this week.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY.—Elite Confectionery & Floral Shop.

S. K. Lewis and wife are in from their ranch to spend the Christmas holidays.

J. A. Henderson, of Austin, was in Midland the first of the week.

We are very glad to see Phil Scharbauer out among us again. Mr. Scharbauer has just recently returned from Marlin where he has been a patient in the sanitarium at that place. He says he is feeling fine, and will soon be his old self again.

It is claimed that Ft. Worth is the city of Good Positions. Many students going to school there work for their board and room, it costs very little by doing this, only the small amount for tuition. If you are thinking of learning Bookkeeping, Banking, Shorthand, Typewriting, Telegraphy or Radio, you should write the Brantley-Draughon College at Ft. Worth, Texas. It is a wonderful school, has four National Banks represented on its directory board. Just address Box 182, Ft. Worth, Texas, for all information. adv 11tf

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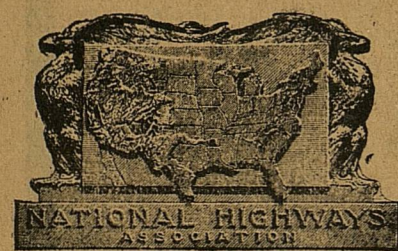
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NATIONAL HIGHWAYS ASSOCIATION
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EDITORIAL

Miss Helen Schultz, operator of the Red Ball Transportation Company, which runs busses in Iowa, is the center of a legal battle in which she is endeavoring to prove to the satisfaction of the State board that her service is a "public convenience," within the meaning of the Iowa motor-carrier law. This is denied by the opposing railroads, the Chicago Great Western; Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific; Chicago & North Western; Minneapolis & St. Louis; Fort Dodge, Des Moines & Southern; and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul roads. These roads are supported in their contentions by the county supervisors of Worth, Cerro Gordo, Hardin, and Franklin counties, who also declare the heavy busses damage the highways excessively.

Friends of the highway bus idea contend that the remedy for any damage done roads by bus operation lies either in higher taxation of such busses or the construction of roads able to bear the traffic of heavy busses. They say that the bus is a convenience, as much a necessity to towns served as are trolley cars, and point to the fact that in the beginning the railroads were against the establishment of interurban trolley service, but that in later years the

railroads found them of such value in relieving them of the unprofitable short haul that many railroads have built trolley lines themselves.

Restriction of a public utility to serve private interests has been so often tried in this country and so often decisively denied that the eventual outcome of this case should not be hard to predict.

PROMPT LEE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION ASSURED

The Lee Highway, from coast to coast, is included in the Federal aid projects, which will develop seven per cent of the existing roads of the country through co-operation between nation and state. It is classed as a "main street of the nation" by the U. S. Bureau of Education, which thus denominates such roads as the Lincoln Highway, the Dixie Highway, the Old Spanish Trails, and the Lee Highway.

In dedicating the Zero Milestone President Harding said: "There is another reason why this particular location should have been chosen for our 'golden milestone.' It marks the approximate meeting place of the Lincoln Highway and the Lee Highway; of the northern and southern systems of national roads."

When President Coolidge touched a button in the White House and unveiled the Pacific Milestone in San Diego, Calif., the message he sent out said: "Lee Highway Association has done a work of national unification in opening up this route between the National Capital and Southern California. The monument may well be dedicated to the purpose of marking the meeting place of this splendid highway with the waters of the Pacific, in the hope that it may hasten the coming day of a perfected system of highway communications throughout the entire nation."

One hundred and eighteen Federal aid projects are now under construction or in the preliminaries between Washington and San Diego, calling for the construction of twelve hundred and eight miles of road and the disbursement of over 22 million dollars. When that work is finished the Lee Highway will be 53 per cent pavement, 30 per cent modern, light-surfaced roads, and 7 per cent natural good road across Western Plains which will make it 90 per cent a good tourist route, leaving only 382 miles of little improved road, out of a total of 3,820 miles.

PROHIBITING DEFACTING ADVERTISING SIGNS

Several States have passed laws prohibiting signs on roads, with the idea that the automobile, carrying tourists and sight-seeing travelers, is not an asset to the individual business house but to the State, and that travelers should not be compelled to have their beautiful views and vistas profaned by painted boards.

Speaking of this idea in Illinois, Gov. Small said: "Illinois has seen the logic of preserving the right of way in this respect with the result that we have hundreds of miles of drives fringed with grass, trimmed to a lawn-like nicety, and unmarred by unsightly billboards, which are so often seen in neighboring commonwealths."

Col. C. R. Miller, director of the Illinois Department of Public Works and Buildings, said:

"Connecticut has followed Illinois' clean highway policy, has passed a law prohibiting signs on the right-of-way. Minnesota has also followed suit and a law in that State, effective December 1, 1923, provides for the elimination of advertising signs already standing, as well as prohibiting the construction of new ones."

PRESIDENT IN MOVIES TO AID GOOD ROADS

The President of the United States is so much interested in good roads that he has appeared in a movie film, which is good road propaganda, sponsored by Henry Ford. The hero of the little two-reeler is a country boy, who is presented by the President with a scholarship for a prize essay. Later the boy becomes a civil engineer, devoting his life to the building of better roads in order to make his section of the country a better place in which to live.

President Coolidge is so familiar with farms and farm life that he has an intimate and first-hand acquaintance with what good roads mean to the farmer, and coming, as he does, from one of the pioneer good road states of the Union, knows personally what hard surface highways do for those who live along them.

The Civic League's new Cook Book is off the press and will be on sale at Wadley-Wilson's on Friday and Saturday afternoons. Price \$1. Get your copy early. adv

There's Nothing More Appropriate or More Appreciated Than Something for the

Car FOR Christmas

A Few Suggestions

- Spot Lights
- Cigarette Cases
- Windshield Cleaners
- Rear View Mirror
- Motor Mirror
- Pumps
- Flash Lights
- Seat Pads
- Luggage Carriers
- Tube
- Mud Chains
- Step Plates
- Glass Wings

- Cigar Lighters
- Bumpers
- Motor Horn
- Jacks
- Radiator Caps
- Stop Signals
- Heaters
- Grip Racks
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Make Your Selections now so that we may engrave it in time for you.

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WANTED—To buy second hand piano. A. J. Guthrie, phone 268. 51tf

WANTED—To harvest your feed. Have good row-binder and charge \$2 per acre. Will Manning. 51tf

CARPENTER WORK—New and repairing. J. H. Wilhite, phone 261. 51tf

COWS WANTED—I want to buy from 100 to 400 cows on a credit. I have lots of grass and water and expense money to take care of them with. Joe Jay. 9tf

FOR SALE—Second hand Voce piano, Majestic range, Fox typewriter, all in good shape. Also a few Plymouth Rock pullets and young roosters. J. H. Wilhite, Phone 261. 8tf

FOR RENT—The Presbyterian manse, phone 79, or see W. J. Sparks. 1tf

FOR SALE—A Fordson tractor, one 3 gang disc plow, one two row Case lister planter. For price or any other information see J. V. Gow, two miles northwest of town. 10-11

NOTICE—I have moved my boot and shoe repair shop to the building one door north of John, the Tailor. Will appreciate a call from you. Gilbert Ragsdale.

Chas. McClintic, of Sweetwater, was a visitor to Midland this week.

Homer Epley was up from Big Spring the first of the week.

Gilbert Brunson was in Monday from his ranch 25 miles southeast of town.

Get the date fixed in your mind. January 11th—Friday.

Forest King was in Stanton last week and reports that Stanton is growing rapidly.

D. H. Haley has been employed by the government as the superintendent of Maintenance of Roads in this county.

FIRST LYCEUM NUMBER OF VERY HIGH ORDER

The Newell Concert Company, which was the first number of the Midland Lyceum course for the winter, appeared in the auditorium of the Methodist church last Monday night, and it will perhaps not be saying too much to say that the program, together with those members of the company who gave it, was one of the best ever rendered in Midland. In fact, a great part of the program consisted of arias, duets and choruses from grand opera selections, all of which were rendered with truly artistic finish and technique, several of these being in French and Italian to the delight of the appreciative audience. While, on account of the severe weather, only about 125 people ventured out, the appreciation of those present was manifest, so much that the members of the company remarked upon the fact. All came away feeling that they had enjoyed a rare feast. Mr. Newell is a tenor of rare attainments, while Miss Holt is a grand opera singer and possesses a voice of great power and rich quality. The pianist was a favorite with many, while the violinist measured up to the highest standards of the most hypercritical. Sarasata's "Gypsy Airs," Kreisler's "Old Refrain," and Schubert's "Ave Maria" were three of the most popular numbers. The next number of the course will be "Six Cylinder Love," and will be given in the Rialto Theatre next Tuesday evening. This is said to be the "funniest comedy" of modern times, and has met with great success, having run for 54 weeks in New York, going from there to Chicago. It is hoped that those who are interested in maintaining a Lyceum course in Midland, will be liberal in their support of this one, which is perhaps the strongest course every brought here.

Stationery, Candles, Candle shades and Candle Sticks.—Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop.

Frank Ingham was in Thursday from his ranch.

January 11th.

Chas. Edwards is in from his ranch this week.

Allan Connell of Odessa was in Midland Thursday on business.

Sam Means, of El Paso was a business visitor in Midland the first of the week.

January 11th comes on Friday.

Mrs. Cleo Fielder and daughter, Janie, of Odessa, were in Midland, Thursday, shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stockham of Odessa were visitors to Midland Thursday.

Rain or shine the big show will open Jan. 11th.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tannehill of Monahans were shopping in Midland Thursday.

V. P. Kippen of Odessa was a business visitor to Midland this week.

Don't make any engagements for January 11th.

W. W. Crenshaw was a business visitor from Big Spring this week.

Jim Webb and Dewey Gann were visitors from Odessa Thursday.

The weather man says that January 11th will be a big day in West Texas.

Judge Chas. L. Klapproth was in Pecos this week attending federal court.

Our former townsman, J. H. Beverly, now of Ft. Stockton, was in town this week on business.

Were you born on January 11th? If so you will be lucky; doubly so if it was on Friday, January 11th.

The Fable of Tut

Three thousand years ago lived an Egyptian King named Tut-Ankh-Amen. It sounded like a stutter and the Gang at the Luxor Golf Club called him "Tut."

When Tut reached the Cake Eater age and got his hair plastered back right—he died. Dying was one of the leading Egyptian indoor sports and Tut's death was a major event. They slipped him into a swell tomb in the Valley of Kings.

Three thousand years later a party of snoopers dug up Tut's tomb and all the junk buried with him. The advertising men took charge of Tut and in a few weeks have given him a rep which makes Charlie Chaplin's, "Doug's" and M. "Day-by-Day" Coue's look like a last year's almanac in comparison.

Dead for three thousand years! Lost! Forgotten! Then Bang! Advertised—and a whole world hollering for more news of Tut!

If advertising can thus put life into a dead one—what can't it do for a live one?

They could have dug up a hundred Tuts in a desert and if they had kept the good news to themselves—only a few bald-headed historians would have known it.

You can have the best merchandise in the world but if the world does not get hep to it—the business will sleep long and peacefully.

Remember Tut!—Vernonia (Ore.) Eagle.

SENIOR C. E.

Subject, "Bible Passages We Should Memorize, and Why." Scripture—Each Endeavor memorize a passage.

Leader—Birdie Bradshaw. Song, "He Lifted Me."

Talk, "Why We Should Memorize Bible Passages"—Garvice Dockray.

Talk, "What Help are the Passages When Applied to Our Own Lives?"—Mr. Wilhite.

Sentence prayers. Discussion of the "Christian Endeavor Chapter"—Bill Potter.

Song, "Wonderful Words of Life." Sidelights—Endeavors.

Special music—Gladys Inman. Song, "Abide With Me."

Business and mizpah.

We wish to urge all the young people of Midland, between the years of 15 and 40 to come to the Christian Endeavor. We wish those above that age to come and "back us up." At 6:15 o'clock.

The Reporter has received several letters from the boys and girls away at college. They all say that although the work is hard, they are passing it with very creditable grades.

Citation on Application to Sell Realty Estates—(By Publication) Class 4

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting:

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

The State of Texas. To all persons interested in the estate of J. H. Dublin, deceased, John Dublin, executor-administrator, and C. Scharbauer and Mary Scharbauer, joined by her husband, Phil Scharbauer, have filed in the county court of Midland County, an application for an order to sell the following property of said estate, situated in Gaines County, Texas, to-wit:

Section 15, block A21, abstract 472, 640 acres, W. F. Gorden, grantee.

W. 3-4 section 7, block A21, abstract 473, 480 acres, W. F. Gorden, grantee.

W. 1-4 section 14, block A21, abstract 474, 160 acres, W. F. Gorden, grantee.

Section 6, block A21, abstract 596, 640 acres, W. E. Pool, grantee.

E. 1-4 section 7, block A21, abstract 1592, 160 acres, E. F. Hart, grantee.

E. 3-4 section 14, block A21, abstract 1593, 480 acres, E. F. Hart, grantee.

Section 24, block A21, abstract 1206, 640 acres, W. H. Morrow, grantee.

W. 3-4 section 3, block A22, abstract 1207, 480 acres, W. H. Morrow, grantee.

Section 4, block A22, abstract 1208, 640 acres, W. H. Morrow, grantee.

E. 1-2 section 5, block A22, abstract 1209, 320 acres, W. H. Morrow, grantee.

W. 1-2 section 23, block A21, abstract 1210, 320 acres, W. H. Morrow, grantee.

E. 1-4 section 25, block A21, abstract 1211, 160 acres, W. H. Morrow, grantee.

Section 7, block A22, abstract 1575, 640 acres, W. T. Stansberry, grantee.

E. 3-4 section 6, block A22, abstract 1376, 480 acres, S. D. McReynolds, grantee.

Public school land, all in Gaines County, Texas which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the second Monday in January, A. D., 1924, the same being the 14th day of January A. D., 1924, at the court house thereof, in Midland, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and show cause why

such sale should not be made, should they choose to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court at office in Midland, Texas this 12th day of December, A. D., 1923.

C. B. DUNAGAN, County Clerk, County Court, Midland County, Tex. (SEAL) adv 11-4t

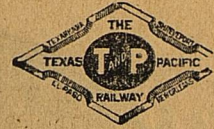
Notice in Bankruptcy In the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Texas, No. 43 in bankruptcy. In the matter of Don Clayton, bankrupt.

To the creditors of Don Clayton, of Midland, Midland County, Texas, and District aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of December, 1923, at my office in Pecos, Texas, the first meeting of his creditors will be held, at which time said creditors may attend, make their claims, appoint a trustee, and examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

The said Don Clayton was adjudged a bankrupt on Dec. 4, 1923.

BEN RANDALLS, Referee in Bankruptcy.



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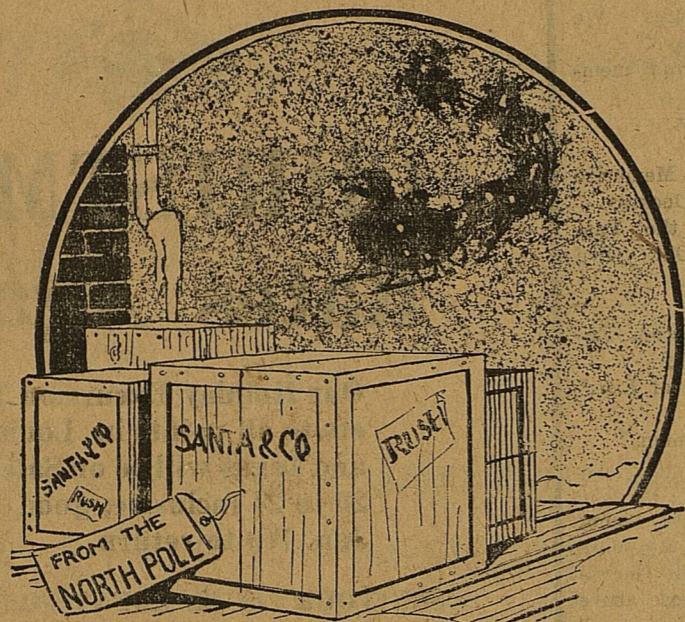
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CONDITION OF COTTON MARKET

Cotton advanced 2 to 3 cents a pound at the leading spot markets in the last two weeks, making a total of 5 to 6 cents since the government's November estimate was made public. Most of the private estimates are now below 10,000,000 bales with some as low as 3,000,000 bales. Ginning returns to date have confirmed low yield ideas, as they are running behind the same date a year ago, and the amount ginned after this date last season is not encouraging from the cotton consumers' standpoint.

Other things besides the shrinking crop prospect were behind the rise. Mills were steady buyers as indicated by the sales on spot markets, which have been unusually large for this season of the year, by prompt snapping up of delivery notices on option markets, and by the steady increase in takings of American cotton by world spinners during the last several weeks. Judging by the amount of buyings by mills at the crest of the advance, they are sensible of the difficulties ahead of obtaining enough cotton to fill their needs. Actual consumption by American mills thus far has been nearly as high as last year, and exports have been larger, so that cotton has been disappearing from the domestic market at a rapid rate when the small supply is considered.

Cotton consumption somewhere must be curtailed this year, but, as yet, the statistics show no clear-cut symptom that anyone has quit using cotton as a result of the price. The influence would be that the market will go still higher before throttling down consumption to keep it within the limits of the supply. When the present advance first started some Fall River mills declared an intention to curtail its upward march and now the Philadelphia cloth market is active, the Amoskeag mills have been resuming operations and the goods market generally is in healthy shape with stocks light so that distributors must continue to buy.

Significant changes have been taking place abroad also. Lancashire spinners, who use American cotton chiefly, are giving up short time schedules, and the demand in British textile centers for piece goods from India has improved distinctly. In brief foreign buyers are realizing more and more clearly the situation confronting them. Egypt has a larger crop than last year, but the increase furnishes no real relief for the shortage, as Egyptian cotton is up to 50 cents a pound.

World consumption of American cotton must be reduced about 1,500,000 bales below last year. Since the size of the crop in this country is fairly well settled, the next factor on which the market will hinge, is the price which will keep consumption within the limits of the supply. Looming up ahead also is the practically unsolved problem of the boll weevil, which may mean that three small cotton crops in succession, beginning in 1921, may not end the series.

C. C. Watson and O. P. Buchanan returned from Marlin last Saturday. They both look fine as a result of the treatment they received while there.

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Kidney sickness often runs you down to the verge of collapse before you know the cause. When you seem unable to pin your mind to any task and your back aches and you cannot do an ordinary day's work, it is time to ask yourself this question: "Are my kidneys working right?" The answer may be easily found.

Weak kidneys slacks this filtering work and the uric acid circulates with the blood, in many cases attacking brain nerves, muscles and vital organs. Don't wait for serious trouble—begin using Doan's Kidney Pills when you feel the first backache or first notice urinary disorders. This remedy has given new life and strength to thousands. Read the grateful testimony that follows:

Mrs. M. A. Wooster, 507 Main St., Big Spring, Texas, says: "I can certainly recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, as I have used them off and on for several years. Sometimes after doing a lot of sweeping or other house work, my kidneys got weak and I had backache. At such times I was bothered with my kidney acting irregularly. I found I could depend on Doan's Kidney Pills to give me quick relief and I recommend them to all my friends."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Wooster had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 10-2t

Sheriff's Sale

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable County Court of Midland County, Texas, by the clerk of said court, on the 4th day of December, A. D., 1923, in a certain cause wherein F. A. Youngblood is plaintiff and W. E. Newton is defendant, No. 785 on the docket of said court, in which cause a judgment was rendered on the 21st day of November, A. D., 1923, in favor of F. A. Youngblood and against the said W. E. Newton, for the sum of five hundred thirty-two & 09/100 dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from November 29th, 1921, and costs of suit, with the foreclosure of an attachment lien on the following described personal property, theretofore levied on under writ of attachment on the 19th day of October, A. D., 1923, to-wit:

1 bay horse about 16 hands high, branded T on left jaw, 1 bay horse about 16 hands high branded "cross" on left jaw, 2 black mares about 16 hands high, no brands, age about 6 and 10 years, weight about 1200 lbs., Peter Schuttler wagon, narrow tire, 3 inch with home-made bed, 2 sets of chain harness, 1 leather collar, 1 ducking collar, 1 and 1-2 sets of leather lines, as said attachment lien existed on the 19th day of October, 1923, and to me as sheriff of Midland County, Texas, directed and delivered, I will, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D., 1924, at the court house door in Midland, Midland County, Texas, within the legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said W. E. Newton in and to the above described personal property, levied upon as the property of the said W. E. Newton, to satisfy the judgment hereinabove described.

Witness my hand this 6th day of December, A. D., 1923.
A. C. FRANCIS, Sheriff,
of Midland County, Texas.
adv 10-3t

TWO TANKS DESTROYED WHEN LIGHTENING HITS

Corsicana, Texas, Dec. 10.—Lightning early Monday ignited two 500-barrel flow tanks in the Corsicana oil field, which were destroyed with their contents. The tanks were the property of the Magnolia & Humble Companies.

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Successful crop growth rests, as we all know, primarily on a rich soil that is one of available fertility. When the available plant food is exhausted, then it must be replenished in one way or another in order to secure satisfactory returns. There are several elements which are absolutely essential for crop production, without these plants will not grow to normal maturity. Carbon, hydrogen and oxygen are obtained by the plant from air and water. Magnesium, iron and sulphur are used to a small extent by the crops, while the supply in the soil is usually large. Potassium, nitrogen, phosphorus and calcium are used to a great extent by the crops, whereas the supply in the soil is usually very small. This is the fundamental reason why the ele-

ments nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium and calcium are added to the land for the purpose of increasing crop production and termed the critical soil elements and are therefore the basis of our commercial fertilizers.

Potassium when used in connection with fertilizers always means the compound containing potassium and oxygen, commercially known as potash. It is a very necessary constituent of complete fertilizers, being absolutely essential for such potash-consuming crops as cotton, tobacco and especially tubers and roots such as potatoes and beets. A good supply of this element is absolutely essential to sugar and starch formation in the plant and in the production of plump, heavy kernels in grains. It also tends to impart tone to the plant, aiding in the formation of the woody fibre in the stalk and decreasing susceptibility to plant diseases.

OUR PORTION OF THE WORLD'S PRODUCTION

The announcement that the corn crop of the United States is above the three billion bushel mark lends interest to the fact that we are maintaining our proportion of the world's production. We habitually produce about 75 per cent of the world's corn crop writes the industrial service department of the First National Bank of St. Louis, in its weekly financial review. The review continues: This proportion has continued for a number of years. In the ten year period since the war our production amounted to 29 billion bushels or about 78 per cent of the world's production of 37 billion bushels. During the 20 year period preceding the war our share of the world's production was approximately 73 per cent, the United States producing 47 billion bushels out of a total 64 billions. Our slight increase since the war possibly can be attributed to the decrease in production in the corn belt of Southern Europe.

An interesting question to consider, is what becomes of our three billion bushels of corn which we produce? Very little of the corn is consumed directly for human food, in fact, only 10 per cent is used for human food, while 40 per cent is fed to hogs, 20 per cent to farm horses, 20 per cent to cattle, and 2 per cent exported in its natural state.

Only on three previous occasions has our annual corn crop exceeded the three billion mark, namely the years of 1921, 1920, 1912.

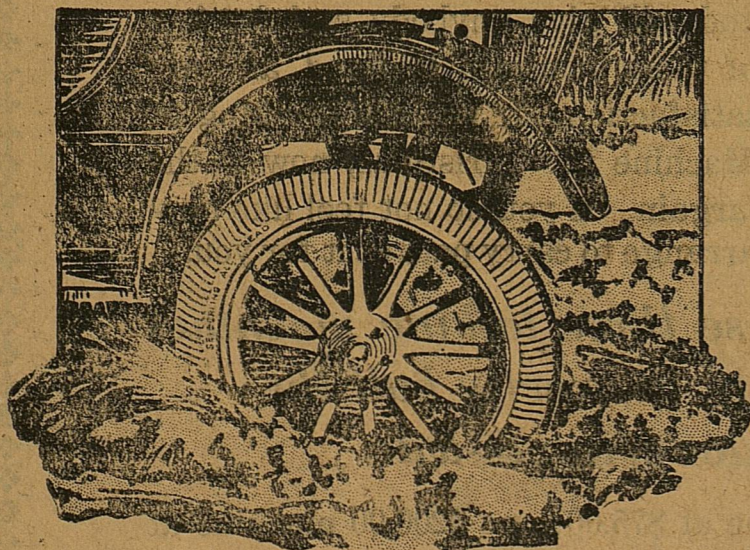
The world's production exceeded the four billion mark on three occasions, 1920, 1915, and 1914. Present indications are that the world crop this year may again reach the four billion mark.

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HEADS HUNTING PARTY ON THE BLACK RANGE

Bill Russell, cowman and cattle commission dealer, now located at Amarillo, was in El Paso early in November with a party of oil men from Oklahoma and Texas. They were headed for the Black Range on the Gila River in Arizona with all necessary paraphrenalia for a big lion hunt or any lesser game that came in their way. They were also out for bear. As Bill is a veteran along this line, no doubt they had a big time. Hunting parties have been the order of the day out of El Paso.

Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, Precinct No. 1, in account with Midland County, Texas.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Midland County, on the 5th day of December, 1923, by the District Clerk of said district court, for the sum of eleven thousand four hundred thirty-eight and 20/100 dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of The Midland National Bank in a certain cause in said Court, No. 1859, and styled the Midland National Bank, a corporation, vs. W. J. Moran and J. Wiley Taylor, placed in my hands for service, I, A. C. Francis, as sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did, on the 5th day of December, 1923, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Midland County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All of lots 4 and 5 in block 36, of the Original Town of Midland, Midland County, Texas; all of the east one-half of block 20, in Haley Heights Addition to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas; the west 1-2 of the southeast 1-4 of the northeast 1-4 of section 26, block 39, t. 1-south, certificate 8132, T. & P. Ry. Co. survey in Midland County, Texas, containing 20 acres of land; all of lots Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in block 79, in the Southern Addition to the town of Midland, Texas, as per plat of said addition as recorded in Deed Book No. 2, at pages 2 and 6, Midland County records, each of said lots being 50 feet front by 140 feet deep, in all 150 feet front by 140 feet deep, and levied upon as the property of W. J. Moran, and that on the first Tuesday in January 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the court house door, of Midland County, in the town of Midland, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale and Judgment, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said W. J. Moran.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in The Midland Reporter, a newspaper published in Midland County.

Witness my hand, this 5th day of December, 1923.

A. C. FRANCIS, Sheriff,
Midland County, Texas.
(SEAL) adv 10-3t

Bob Preston was in from his ranch south Monday.

COUNTY CLERK'S QUARTERLY REPORT

Quarter Ending Oct. 31, A. D., 1923
To the Honorable Commissioners' Court, Midland County, Texas, November Term, A. D., 1923.

A. C. Francis, County Tax Collector, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under Different Fund, for the year 1923:

Debit	
July 31, 1923. To collections for July, Redemption	\$646.14
Sept. 3, 1923. To collections for August	52.51
Oct. 1, 1923. To collections for September	118.41
	\$817.06
Credit	
Aug. 3, 1923. By Treasurer Rect No. 48	\$613.83
Aug. 3, 1923. By commissions	32.31
Sept. 4, 1923. By treasurers rect. No. 63	49.88
Sept. 4, 1923. By commissions	2.63
Oct. 1, 1923. By Commissions	5.92
Oct. 1, 1923. By Treasurers rect. No. 72	112.49
	\$817.06

I. W. Towers, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, in account with Midland County, Texas:

Debit	
Nov. 5, 1923, 1446, State of Texas, fine	\$10.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1448, State of Texas, fine	1.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1450, State of Texas, fine	1.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1451, State of Texas, fine	1.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1452, State of Texas, fine	1.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1453, State of Texas, fine	1.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1454, State of Texas, fine	1.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1456, State of Texas, fine	\$10.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1462, State of Texas, fine	10.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1463, State of Texas, fine	10.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1466, State of Texas, fine	10.00
Nov. 5, 1923, 1467, State of Texas, fine	10.00
I. W. Towers, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, in account with Midland County, Texas:	
Credit	
Nov. 5, 1923. By Treasurers Rect. No. 59	\$ 9.50
By treasurers rect. No. 65	2.40
By treasurers rect. No. 66	.95
By treasurers rect. No. 68	1.60
By treasurers rect. No. 69	8.00
By treasurers rect. No. 74	36.00
By commissions	7.55
	\$66.00

C. B. Dunagan, County Clerk, in account with Midland County, Texas:

Debit	
Horton vs. Girdley, steno fee	\$ 3.00
Mid. Natl Bk. vs Martin steno fee	3.00
Mid. Natl Bk. vs Brown steno fee	3.00
Mid. Natl Bk. vs Jones, steno fee	3.00
Quebedaux vs. Hill, steno fee	3.00
Patterson vs. Brown, jury fee	3.00
Britton vs. Britton, steno fee	3.00
Blankenship vs. Blankenship, steno fee	3.00
Thomas vs. Ray steno fee	3.00
Fines	16.00
L. S. Life Ins. Co. vs. Holloway et al, steno fee	3.00
John Terry, steno fee	3.00
First Natl Bank vs. Clayton et al, steno fee	3.00
Sanches vs. Sanches, steno fee	3.00
Jemison vs. Byrd, et al steno fee	3.00
Flowers vs. Bowden, et al steno fee	3.00
Powell vs. Cowden, steno fee	3.00
Holloway vs. Jacobs, et al steno fee	3.00
Earneast Anderson, fine	8.00
First Natl Bk vs. Clewis, steno fee	3.00
Biddy vs. Biddy, steno fee	3.00
	\$83.00

C. B. Dunagan, County Clerk, in account with Midland County, Texas:

Credit	
By treasurers rect No. 133	\$16.00
By treas. rect. No. 76	67.00
	\$83.00

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the First Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 3, 1923. To balance	\$971.27
Aug. 3, 1923. To A. C. Francis tax col. rect. No. 48	27.29
Aug. 28, 1923. To I. W. Towers, tax col. rect. No. 57	9.50
Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 63	2.22
Sept. 8, 1923. To I. W. Towers, J. P., rect. No. 65	24.00
Sept. 8, 1923. To I. W. Towers, J. P., rect. No. 66	.95
Sept. 8, 1923. To I. W. Towers, J. P., rect. No. 68	1.60
Sept. 27, 1923. To I. W. Towers, J. P., rect. No. 69	8.00
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis tax col. rect. No. 72	5.00
Oct. 17, 1923. To I. W. Towers, J. P., rect. No. 74	36.00
Oct. 29, 1923. To C. B. Dunagan County Clerk, rect. No. 76	61.00
	\$1,131.23

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Second Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 3, 1923. To balance	\$4,149.26
Aug. 3, 1923. To A. C. Francis tax col. rect. No. 48	136.41
Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 63	11.09
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 72	25.00
	\$4,321.76

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Third Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 1, 1923. To balance	\$2,044.50
Aug. 1, 1923. To Midland Natl. Bank int. rect. No. 41	12.90
Aug. 1, 1923. To First Natl. Bank int. rect. No. 43	4.00
	\$2,061.40

Aug. 3, 1923. To A. C. Francis tax col. rect. No. 48

Aug. 31, 1923 To Midland Natl Bank int. rect. No. 58

Sept. 1, 1923. To First Natl Bank int. rect. No. 59

Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis tax col. rect. No. 63

Oct. 1, 1923. To Midland Natl Bank int. rect. No. 70

Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis tax col. rect. No. 72

Oct. 2, 1923. To First Natl. Bank int. rect. No. 73

To amt. to balance

\$4,325.37

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fourth Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 1, 1923. To balance	\$4,091.18
Sept. 1, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 60	15.24
Sept. 5, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 64	14.77
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis tax col. rect. No. 71	19.49
Oct. 25, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 75	23.60
	\$4,164.28
To balance	4,162.82

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fifth Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 1, 1923. To balance	\$2,461.46
Aug. 1, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 48	27.28
Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 63	2.22
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 72	5.00
	\$2,495.96
To balance	2,495.27

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Sixth Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 1, 1923. To balance	\$1,146.14
Aug. 1, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 48	27.28
Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 63	2.22
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 72	5.00
	\$1,180.64
To balance	1,179.95

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under Seventh Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 1, 1923. To balance	\$2,196.40
Aug. 1, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 48	54.57
Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 63	4.43
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 72	10.00
	\$2,265.40
To balance	2,264.02

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under Eighth Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 1, 1923. To balance	\$2,196.40
Aug. 1, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 48	54.57
Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 63	4.43
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 72	10.00
	\$2,265.40
To balance	2,264.02

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under Ninth Class Fund:

Debit	
Aug. 1, 1923. To balance	\$7,225.91
Aug. 1, 1923. To Midland Natl Bank, rect. No. 44	.70
Aug. 3, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 48	22.28
Aug. 31, 1923. To Midland Natl Bank, rect. No. 58	3.49
Sept. 1, 1923. To First Natl Bank, rect. No. 59	.81
Sept. 4, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 63	2.22
Oct. 1, 1923. To Midland Natl Bank, rect. No. 70	3.84
Oct. 2, 1923. To A. C. Francis, tax col. rect. No. 72	5.00
Oct. 2, 1923. To First Natl Bank, rect. No. 73	.84
To overdraft	7,137.11
	\$7,225.91

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under Ninth Class Fund:

Credit	
By amt. paid out	\$24,049.59
By 1-4 of 1 per cent on amt. rec'd.	27.66
By 1-4 of 1 per cent on amt. paid out	50.13
By balance	1,236.55
	\$25,373.93

Recapitulation

First class fund	\$ 574.17
Second class fund	3,333.92
Third class fund	1,841.48
Fourth class fund	4,162.82
Fifth class fund	2,495.27
Sixth class fund	1,179.95
Seventh class fund	2,264.02
Eighth class fund	7,161.41
Ninth class fund	1,236.55
	\$15,246.70
Bal. in all funds	\$6,243.81
The State of Texas, County of Midland.	
I do solemnly swear that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report for the Quarter ending 31st day of October, A. D., 1923, as required by Article 824, 824b, 824c, and 825, Revised Statutes of 1895.	
C. B. DUNAGAN County Clerk, Midland Co., Texas. Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 12th day of November, A. D., 1923.	
C. B. DUNAGAN, County Clerk, Midland Co., Texas. adv 10tf	

Fire--Fire--Fire

If your house catches at the bottom it will burn up; if it catches at the top it will burn down. Better have it insured before it's too late.

We have been writing Fire Insurance in Midland for 18 years and have never had an unsatisfactory settlement.

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Des Moines, Iowa. Midland, Texas

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fourth Class Fund:

Credit	
By 2 per cent com. on amt. rec'd.	\$ 1.46
By balance	4,162.82
	\$4,164.28

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fifth Class Fund:

Credit	
By 2 per cent on amt. rec'd.	.69
By balance	2,495.77
	\$2,495.96

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Sixth Class Fund:

Credit	
By 2 per cent on amt. rec'd.	.69
By balance	1,179.95
	\$1,180.64

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under the Seventh Class Fund:

Credit	
By 2 per cent com. on amt. rec'd.	\$ 1.38
By balance	2,264.02
	\$2,265.40

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under Eighth Class Fund:

Credit	
By overdraft	\$2,206.21
By amt. paid out	18.05
By 2 per cent com. on amt. rec'd.	1.29
By 2 per cent com. on amt. paid out	.36
	\$7,225.91

B. W. Lee, County Treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, for assessment under the Ninth Class Fund:

Credit	
By amt. paid out	\$24,049.59
By 1-4 of 1 per cent on amt. rec'd.	27.66
By 1-4 of 1 per cent on amt. paid out	50.13
By balance	1,236.55
	\$25,373.93

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A universal custom that benefits everybody. Aids digestion, cleanses the teeth, soothes the throat.

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YOUNG COUPLE EARN \$10,000 A YEAR

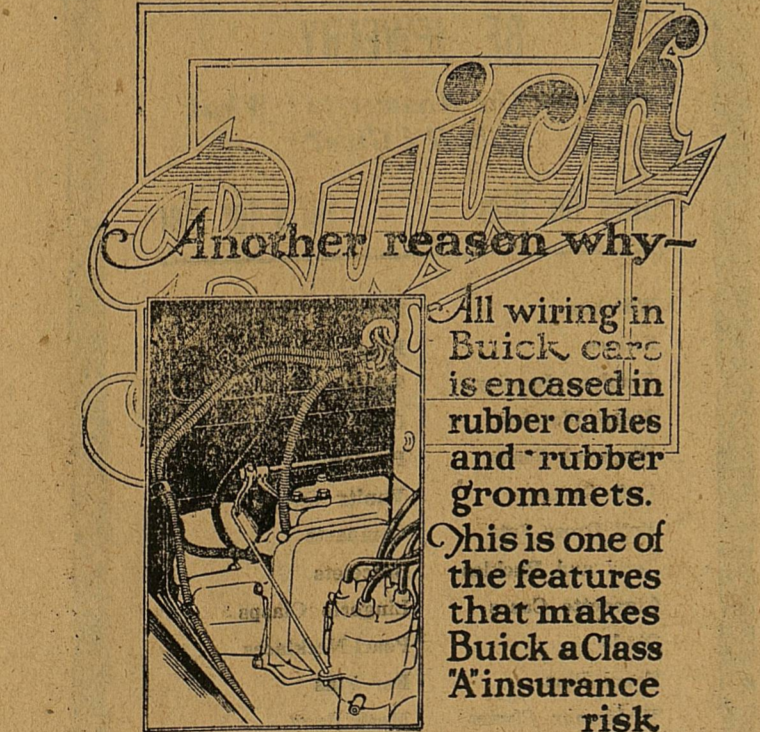
Abilene, Texas.—A young man and his wife, sweethearts in Draughon's College a few years ago, now have combined incomes of nearly ten thousand dollars a year as a result of the world-famous Draughon Training. Many similar instances could be given, it is stated. The College guarantees good beginning positions, and its thorough training insures rapid promotion to ambitious young men and women. Its free catalog No. 10 will be an inspiration to you. Write for it and Guarantee Contract today, addressing J. D. Miracle, Supt., Box 38, Abilene, Texas, or Box 1593, Wichita Falls, Texas. adv 1t

BOYS NOT HALF AS EXPENSIVE AS GIRLS

Students of the Southern Methodist University spend half a million dollars annually in Dallas, a survey by the University School of Commerce discloses. Expense of conducting the school aggregates another half million, which makes the school worth a million dollars a year in cash to the community.

Among the odd facts disclosed, is that boys spend twice as much as girls on movie tickets. Girls buy six hats a year at an average of \$13 each, whereas the boys get along on three at an average of \$4.85 each. Girls pay an average of \$9.80 annually for gloves, against \$3.30 spent by boys. The average expenditure for clothes is \$241 for boys and \$503 for girls.

If you need glasses, see Imman. adv 10tf



Buick

Another reason why

All wiring in Buick cars is encased in rubber cables and rubber grommets. This is one of the features that makes Buick a Class 'A' insurance risk.

Buick is the Standard of Comparison

SIXES	
Five Passenger Touring	\$1295
Two Passenger Roadster	1275
Five Passenger Sedan	2095
Five Passenger Double	
Service Sedan	1695
Seven Passenger Touring	1565
Seven Passenger Sedan	2285
FOURS	
Five Passenger Touring	\$ 965
Two Passenger Roadster	935
Three Passenger Sport Roadster	1675
Four Passenger Sport	
Five Passenger Touring	1725
Brougham Sedan	2235
Four Passenger Coupe	1995
Five Passenger Sedan	1495
Four Passenger Coupe	1395

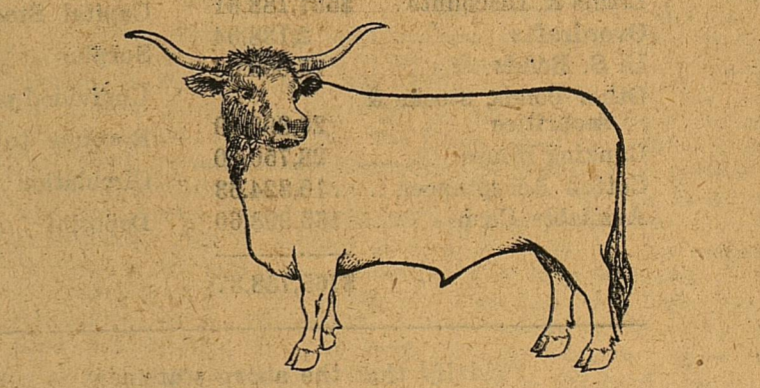
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Built-in Kitchen Cabinets, a Pair of French Doors, An Oak Floor for the Front Room

Those indeed are Christmas Gifts worth while, something that the whole family will enjoy and a gift that will be appreciated.

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MIDLAND SOCIETY

MISS LYDIE G. WATSON, Editor
Phone 88

Dr. J. F. Haley, of San Antonio, but for many years a prominent practicing physician in Midland, arrived last Saturday and is being cordially greeted by relatives and numerous friends.

Mrs. J. Tom White and daughter, Miss Thelma, and Mr. Dee Murphy came in Monday from their New Mexico ranch home, where they have been since last summer, and friends will be pleased to know they will remain in Midland for the holidays.

Mr. Evetts Haley Honored

Interested friends will be pleased to learn that at the election of celebrities for the 1924 Le Mirage, annual student publication at the West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon, Mr. Evetts Haley was selected "The wittiest man." This is a worthy distinction and The Reporter with other friends congratulate Evetts and his family.

Miss Thelma Estes left yesterday for El Paso to spend a few days visiting Miss Lydia Pence, and also a fraternity sister, before going to Los Angeles, Calif., to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Rex Jefferies. After the holidays she will enter the University of Southern California. Her mother, Mrs. S. W. Estes, left today for Monahans, where she will remain indefinitely, having rented her home to Messrs. Dewey Stokes and Oron Collins. Many Midland friends regret the departure of these estimable people, and trust that their departure is only a temporary arrangement.

New assortment of gifts for the final pre-holiday shopping days. Mrs. Wemple's Gift Shop. adv.

Expression Pupils Presented in Recital

A program replete with enjoyment was given at the Methodist church on last Friday evening when Miss Leona McCormick presented her expression pupils in their initial recital. The auditorium was attractively decorated in the joyous Yuletide colors, red and green and the four young lady ushers were especially charming in their quaint colonial costumes of red and green tarlton. The church was crowded to capacity and the audience was most responsive. Each pupil read with expression, skill and artistry, many of them showed unusual talent and all of them displayed careful training. The audience was charmed with Miss McCormick's program and voted it a "stellar attraction."

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half returned Tuesday night from a trip pleasantly spent in San Angelo and Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Coleman and little daughter, Beaula May, spent last Friday and Saturday in Pecos, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Howard.

BOOKS—The Lasting Gift. We have them for all ages from infancy to old age.—Elite Confectionery & Floral Shop.

Seth Ingham was in from his father's Pyote ranch the latter part of last week.

F. C. Stubbe and son, Walter, of Ft. Worth, were business visitors in Midland the first of the week.

Good specks for bad eyes at Inman's. adv 10tf

Home-made Christmas candies for sale at Mrs. Robert Curries. Put in orders early. Special gift boxes. Call 191. 1t-pd.

Prather Benedict returned recently from State University at Austin. He reports that he liked it fine there, and that all the Midland boys and girls are doing well in their work.

J. L. Taylor, of Kentucky, was a business visitor in Midland the first of the week.

Your patronage solicited and appreciated at the Camp Filling Station, near Camp grounds. Day and night service. Bert Stringer, prop. adv 8-12t

Miss Irma Wrage is in from her father's ranch this week visiting Miss Clifford Heath.

Mr. Pentress of the firm of Pentress & Walker, of Vernon, is in Midland on business this week.

BASKETS—A very complete line of Flower and Fern Baskets. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop.

The Railto Theatre, under the new management is putting on some very fine pictures now. Some striking features are billed for next week. Matinee on Saturday.

Buy mother a pair of glasses for Christmas at Inman's. adv 10tf

Those attending Federal Court in Pecos this week are: J. B. Wilkinson, Ralph Barron, Charles Edwards, Judge Chas. Gibbs, C. B. Dunagan, Kirby Nutt, Tom Aycock, and Judge Charles Klapproth.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cowden and Miss Jerra Edwards are in San Antonio this week visiting friends.

I have moved my barber shop to one door north of John's tailor shop. Frank Criswell, Prop. adv 94td

Miss Annie Merle Moran is improving after several weeks illness.

T. P. Barron was a business visitor in Big Spring last week.

If you wish to see, see Inman. adv 10tf

J. R. Jones, who recently went to Texarkana, Ark., has returned. He was accompanied on his return by his wife. Mrs. Jones has been for a long while very ill, but she is now progressing nicely, and it is hoped she will soon be out among her friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cowden are in from their ranch north of Midland to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Cowden's mother, Mrs. O. B. Holt.

A very complete line of Christmas gifts and novelties are now on display at the Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv

Don Clayton and wife became the proud parents of a baby boy on Dec. 2nd. We extend hearty congratulations to the happy young parents.

Everybody's Store

Gifts for All the Family

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FOR WOMEN

- Long Brown or Black Kid Gloves all sizes at \$5.00
- Suede Gauntlets, Brown Beige, priced from \$1.00 to \$2.50
- Kid Gauntlets, all sizes, in brown only at \$3.00
- Beautiful Chiffon and Glove Silk, and Plain Hose up to \$4.00
- Lace and Satin Combination Brassiers, 50 cents, up to \$4.50
- Fox Furs and Baum Marten, two skin chokers, up to \$100.00

FOR MEN

- Bath Robes in checks and plaids, \$6.50 to \$7.50
- Kid and Felt House Shoes, \$1.50 up to \$3.50
- Wool and Silk Sox, Brown and Black, 50 cents and \$1.00
- Warm Gloves, Kid with Silk and Wol Lining, \$1.50 to \$5.00
- Broadcloth Shirts with and without collars \$5.00

Shop Early For Christmas

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Midland, Texas

CHURCH NOTICES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass will be on every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. Beginning of mass at 10 a. m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

9:30 a. m., Children's song service.
9:45 a. m., Bible school.
10:40 a. m., Communion service.
3:30 p. m., Intermediate Endeavor.
6:15 p. m., Senior Endeavor.
A cordial invitation to all.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.
Sunday School, at 9:45 a. m.
League at 6:15 p. m.

There will be a meeting of the Church Conference next Wednesday evening at 7:15. Among other business to be transacted is the election of certain officers and committees for the ensuing year. Every member of the church has a voice and a vote in the Church Conference.

Please remember that our offering next Sunday morning goes to the Orphans' Home at Waco.

L. U. SPELMAN, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Services will be held at the Baptist church this week as usual, except that the evening service will begin at 7:15 instead of 7:30.

The evening sermon will be based on the story of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," and the third chapter of Romans.

You are invited to worship with us.

W. S. GARNETT, Pastor.

Gifts Worth While

A high grade full nickeled six pound electric iron (written guarantee from manufacturer that element will not burn out) sent to you by insured parcel post prepaid for only \$4.50. Send me your order and check today. John C. Sherman, (Electric Dealer) Cisco, Texas. adv 10-2t

Ben Cowden and wife are visiting in San Antonio.

We are the exclusive selling agents for Whitmans, Johnstons and Miss Saylor's Candies.—Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop.

Mrs. W. T. Holcombe and son, Marvin, returned from Brownwood and other points east last Sunday. They made the trip in their car.

GIFTS THAT LAST

OPEN EVENINGS OPEN EVENINGS

LET YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS BE JEWELRY

Here's the Answer to "What Shall I Give?"

Gifts for Him Gifts for Her

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|-------------------|------------------|
| Watches | Bracelet Watches |
| Knives | Ring Watches |
| Emblem Jewelry | Set Rings |
| Strap Watches | Onyx Rings |
| Diamond Rings | Pendants |
| Cuff Buttons | Vanity Cases |
| Full Dress Sets | Compacts |
| Belts and Buckles | Bracelets |
| Cigarette Cases | Lingerie Clasps |
| Studs | Pearl Necklaces |
| Scarf Pins | Bar Pins |
| Waldemar Chains | Mesh Bags |
| Belt Chains | Diamonds |
| Tie Clasps | Costume Jewelry |
| Signet Rings | Necklaces |
| Pocket Combs | Bead Bags |
| Charms | Thimbles |
| Collar Pins | Silverware |

D. H. ROETTGER

JEWELER

Statement of the Condition of

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Midland, Texas

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans & Discounts	\$537,188.61	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Overdrafts	2,138.04	Surplus	100,000.00
U. S. Bonds	15,000.00	Undivided profits (net)	20,647.93
Other bonds, stocks & securities	20,898.49	Revenue to pay taxes	4,801.97
Banking House	23,750.00	Circulation	14,600.00
Cotton Acceptances	10,824.63	Deposits	525,688.47
Available Cash	155,938.60		
	\$765,738.37		\$765,738.37

I certify that the above statement is correct.

W. R. CHANCELLOR, Cashier.