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STATE SUPERINTENDENT COMMENDS MIDLAND

WRITES LETTER OF CONGRATULATION TO SCHOOL AUTHORITIES

The following letter from State Superintendent Marrs to our school authorities here congratulating them on the school tax and bond election, is one of the many which are being received on the subject. It will be of special interest to our people, coming as it does from the highest educational authority in the state. Midland is already receiving favorable publicity and comment on this progressive movement. What will she receive when this splendid building is up, equipped, ready for occupancy? The building will be the pride of our people one and all, and it will be in keeping with our favorably known school system. The letter from Mr. Marrs and addressed to our school authorities follows: "State Department of Education, Austin, February 27, 1925. Gentlemen:

I wish to congratulate you on the success of your school bond and tax election. Midland deserves good school accommodations, and I am sure that her people are rejoicing in this progressive movement.

Sincerely yours,
S. M. N. MARRS,
State Superintendent.

COTTON PRODUCTION BRINGS NEW GINS

WILLIAMS AND MILLER, OF OKLAHOMA, CLOSED DEAL FOR BUILDING SITE.

Midland will have one new six or eight stand gin next year, and it is rumored another has been practically assured.

Williams and Miller, who own 150 gins with headquarters in Elk City, Okla., have bought a lot immediately south of the railroad tracks and four blocks east of the railway station on which they will build their gin. It is said work will start within two or three weeks.

Gin machinery has already been bought and has been ordered shipped to Midland. This machinery is said to be the last word in cotton cleaning, Mr. Williams having patents on some of the cleaning attachments.

Next Drive Starts At the Hutt Ranch

B. W. Floyd, chief ramrod of the rabbit drives, announces that the next one will start at the Hutt ranch, where S. H. Purcell lives, and will work back east and north, coming to the Floyd farm for dinner, and there will be plenty of oats.

On Monday it is said that a drive will be held near the Boone school house, and on Thursday one at the Stokes School community.

Last Wednesday's drive resulted in the slaughter of many rabbits. V. C. Ray served dinner and supper both to the crowd, and they covered portions of the Ray, Heidelberg, Hill, Horton and Floyd land.

Ford Dealers Install Battery Machinery

Cowden & Umer have just completed the installation of a new six or eight-hour battery charging station, as will be seen in their ad. The machinery and equipment is stationed at the front of the building, on the south side, and will have a full time man in charge. It represents an investment of \$500 or \$600, and is designed to do away with the necessity of renting a battery.

Put your advertising on a twelve month, fifty-two week, basis. Use The Reporter to reach this territory.

L. L. Stringer returned last week, after spending some time in Houston and in Navarro County.

Earl Williams and Dick Graves drove over to Big Spring Tuesday night.

WORK PROGRESSING ON NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

SCHOOL BOARD HARD AT WORK ON THE JOB AND RAPID PROGRESS BEING MADE.

The patrons and friends of our schools as well as every citizen of Midland will no doubt be glad to know that our school board is busy with plans for the new high school and report satisfactory progress. Soon after the election a full board met to canvass the returns. At that meeting we understand a site committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. John B. Thomas, B. Frank Haag and John P. Howe. This committee, with President Hill, was instructed to secure options on four or five desirable sites, and on as many others as anyone desired to submit. Options on several sites we understand have been secured. The committee is pleased with the splendid cooperation of the owners in this respect and invite all who are interested in securing a desirable site for the building to see them about the matter. It would be difficult to imagine any person in the town who would not be willing to cooperate with a movement of this character. One man remarked that if his property should be desired as a site for the building the board could appoint two men to appraise his property and the board could have it at the designated figures. This is the right spirit, one which every owner of a desirable location should manifest.

The official architect of the board, David S. Castle & Company of Abilene, will be here Saturday to further discuss plans with the board, at which time it is expected that definite plans and specifications will be adopted and these submitted to contractors for bids. The board of trustees is bending every effort and will do everything in its power to start the work on the new building at the earliest possible date with the view of having it ready for occupancy at the opening of school next fall, if possible. We understand that a certified copy of the proceedings to date have already been submitted to the proper authorities with the view of having the bonds printed and ready at the earliest possible date. We congratulate the board of trustees on the rapid progress they are making, and they give every assurance that no time will be lost in getting this big thing for Midland under way and pushing it through to completion.

Reduced Rates For The Fat Stock Show

In keeping with their plan of cooperating with the big events that are held at points on the T. and P. railroad, reduced rates have been announced over this line for the Southwestern Exposition and "Fat Stock Show."

The reduction took effect yesterday and continues till March 13. The stock show lasts from March 7 to 14 and it is said that this will be its biggest and most interesting year.

Those who contemplate going may get the full particulars about the reduced rates by taking the matter up with Agent J. J. Hamlett.

Hill Buys Big Car of Poultry

According to J. E. Hill, the last car of poultry shipped by him resulted in paying out more than \$1000 for local chickens and turkeys.

This is quite a surprise to many who have not realized how much poultry is grown here, and what revenue can be produced from it. Mr. Hill is making regular shipments of poultry now and a good market will be afforded.

Wadley Attended Church In City

As proof that he attended church while in New York City, Adison Wadley has exhibited a bulletin from one of the large Baptist Churches there, giving his name as one of the visitors.

This is quite a blow to many of the local business men, who have, as he says, questioned his behavior away from home.

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GROCERIES AND HARDWARE

AT
Rock Bottom Prices

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WE GIVE TRADES DAY TICKETS.

A. A. PRICE

I Sell For Cash! That's Why I Sell For Less!

GOVERNMENT ASSISTS LIVESTOCK GROWERS

GRAZING FEES ON NATIONAL FORESTS NOT TO BE INCREASED FOR TWO YEARS.

Secretary of Agriculture Gore has announced there will be no increase in the grazing fees to be charged on the National Forests for the years 1925 and 1926. In making this announcement Secretary Gore said: "I realize the depression through which the livestock industry has been passing. It is the part of agriculture which has not shown the improvement we had all hoped for and it is felt that the postponement of increases in fees would be a material aid to the 36,000 permittees who use National Forest range. The livestock upon the National Forest range total approximately nine million head."

Secretary Gore further said: "In view of the situation confronting the industry and as an aid in stabilizing the range livestock business, former Secretary Wallace approved the plan of issuing ten-year permits on the National Forests beginning with the

season of 1925. It is my belief that this plan should be followed out. The permits will be issued with the provision that the Secretary of Agriculture shall fix the fees for the year 1927 and thereafter during the life of the permits.

It was also pointed out that under the general plans of the department, the stockman would be given, beginning with this season, the benefit of reductions in fees where the range appraisals have shown the year-long rate on livestock to be above a fair value. In order to accommodate the needs of new enterprises in the vicinity of the National Forests the permits will provide for such reductions as the experiences of the Forest Service indicates will be necessary for an equitable distribution of this privilege. In determining the permittees at this time the department is giving full consideration to the small operator.

State Aid For The Rural Schools

Carefully compiled statistics of the State school systems for the year ended June, 1922, just made public by the Department of the Interior, through the Bureau of Education, show that the total revenue receipts for the use of the public schools for that year, city and country, amounted to \$1,444,241,920. Less than 15 per cent came from State taxes and appropriations while local taxation produced more than three quarters of this great sum of nearly one and one-half billions.

The average length of school term for all the state systems, including all the city and country schools, was 164 days. In the cities the school year exceeded nine months, while the rural schools, including the consolidated schools and those in country villages, together with the smaller schools of the open country, had an average school year of but little more than 7 months.

Could state appropriations be increased to 30 per cent of the total school revenue, without reducing the local income, the millions thus obtained would be sufficient to increase the rural school year to nine full months and pay country school teachers living salaries.

Only seven states now provide from general state funds as much as 30 per cent of the amounts required for the support of their public school systems. Seventeen states contribute less than 10 per cent. In many of the states local taxation for schools has reached the limit of what people are able to pay.

THE PASSING DAY

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Plant That Spring Garden.

An east Texas editor writes that some of his subscribers have requested him to ask me to write something about spring gardens. He did not say so, but I have a suspicion that the subscribers are overstocked on garden seeds for which they are finding poor sales because of the continued dry weather. East Texans have so little dry weather that, when it fails to rain for a few weeks, they are inclined to think "It Aint Gonna Rain No Mo'." Therefore they sit down and wait to see what is going to happen. West Texans, having gone through repeated drouths, know that a rain is sure to follow every dry spell, and they plant crops just as though they are expecting rain the next day. There is no drag in the garden seed market in West Texas, I am guessing, and there should not be any where else.



Plant Now and Plant Often.

I am not an authority on gardening. Like most city gardeners, of the backyard variety, I plant nearly as much as I harvest. The spring gardening fever usually hits me hard with the first mild spring days and dies in the heat of the early summer. The vegetables die along with my garden fever. Often there is a race to see which will die first. I have a farmer friend, though, who used to sell me vegetables, and he gave as the rule for his success that he began planting his garden early, planted in small quantities, and at intervals of about two weeks. He pays no attention to the weather or the moon when he thinks it is the time of year to begin planting certain things. The frost gets his vegetables sometimes and occasionally the ground is too dry to bring them up, but he soon has more on the way. The seed cost might be little in proportion to the returns, and by planting often he keeps supplied with fresh crisp vegetables.

Prepare to Live at Home.

Even a town man of average business ability knows one thing with enough certainty to give practical advice in regard to it. He knows that the less he has to pay out of his income for living expenses, the more his profits will be and the more cash he will have to show for his work. He also knows that if he spends more than his receipts he will soon be broke. That statement is so simple that it really sounds foolish, yet some people do not appear to have learned the lesson. The farmer who can produce meat and vegetables and corn and hay and syrup and honey and milk and butter and turkeys and chickens and eggs and fruit and berries and many other things on his place, while also growing cotton, is more than foolish to grow nothing but cotton, leaving the other things to be bought with his cotton money. The farmer who follows the one crop method lives poorly because he has to pay for all he eats, and an occasional crop failure wipes out the little profit he makes.

Advertise Your Surplus Products.

Most farmers are poor salesmen and do not know how to dispose of perishable products and other things for which they have no need, leaving them to go to waste. Why not profit by the example of the most successful business men and place a small advertisement in the local newspaper? If you have an extra horse, cow, hive of bees, machinery that is not needed, there is sure to be some one who would like to have it, if only he knew about it. A small advertisement will help to sell surplus fruit, butter, chickens, eggs, and dozens of other things about the place that you do not need. It has been said that there is somebody wanting and ready to pay for everything one can find to sell, if only the seller and the buyer can get together. The small newspaper reading notice is the best way to get them together that has ever been found, and the cost is small, not usually more than a quarter or half dollar. The farmer who uses this selling plan regularly will find that it pays well. In many states a large part of the country papers is filled with such advertisements, but the advertising idea does not seem to be used much by Texas farmers.

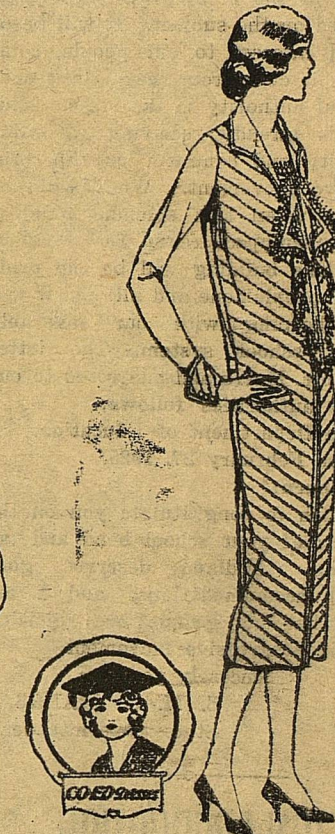
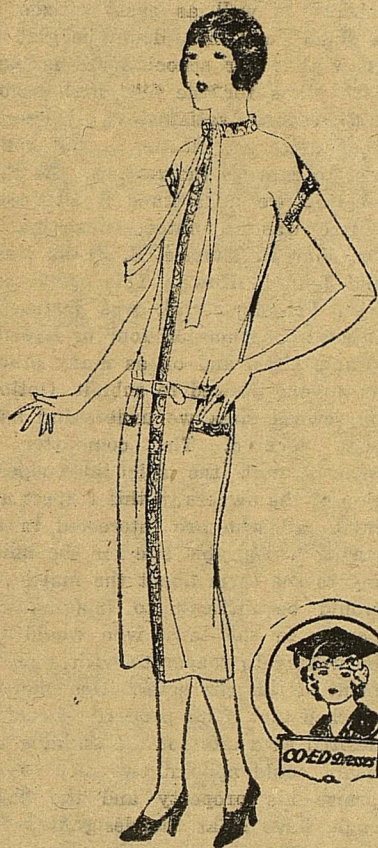
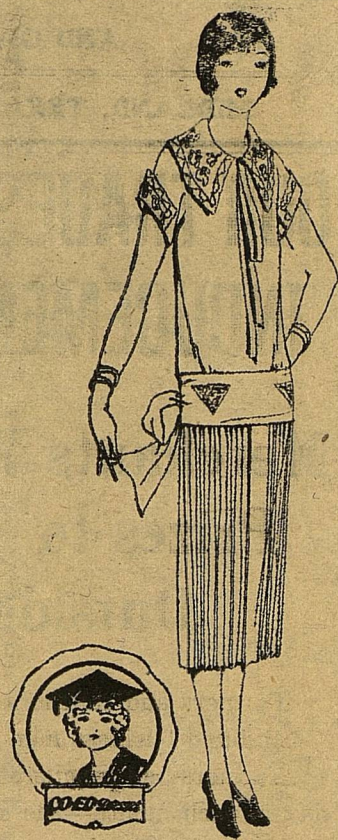
Automobiles and Good Roads a Boon.

A few years ago the farmer who lived as much as eight or ten miles from his trading point was at a great disadvantage, because it took a day to get anything to market. Good roads and automobiles are changing that. A ten mile trip is now a half hour's delightful drive instead of two or three hours of hard toil. A telephone call from a merchant or a neighbor a dozen miles away may close a trade in a few minutes and delivery can be made almost as quickly as a merchant can deliver goods in his town. The world is fast putting away its former day methods, and the farmer who would succeed must keep abreast of the times. He must use the methods of the modern successful business man and not trust to chance, as so many have been doing. What would you think of the merchant who would say: "I sold more overalls than anything else last year, so I will handle nothing but overalls this year, and will sit down and wait for the people to come and buy them?"

WATCH FOR THE DATE OF THE Spring Opening

at which time we will show a splendid collection of Peggy Paige and Co-Ed Dresses and Ensembles; Gold Medal, Fashion and Bijou

Hats. The date will be announced later.



That we may serve

you better this

Store has

added

The Well Known Line Of

Co-Ed Dresses

to our already Splendid Showing of Nationally known Merchandise

Co-Ed Dresses and Ensembles are Priced at
\$18.50 to \$49.00

and at \$22.50, \$25.00, \$27.50 and \$29.00 we believe there isn't a line of Dresses more favorably known. Every Co-Ed Dress carries a Blue and White Label that assures the wearer complete satisfaction or money refunded. This store has been awarded the exclusive sale of Co-Ed Dresses in this trade territory.

OF COURSE WE WILL CONTINUE TO FEATURE

Peggy Paige Dresses and Ensembles

at \$25.00, \$27.50, \$29.00 to \$75.00

OTHER DRESSES IN SILKS AND FLANNELS AT \$11.75 to \$19.50

THE SHORTER, THE BETTER

says PEGGY PAIGE
IN DISCUSSING THIS ALL-IMPORTANT MATTER OF SKIRTS

Skirts, this Spring, are haughtily scolding such things as frills and fluffs. They're far above such mundane matters—at least fourteen inches above them, over here. And in gay Paris, they rise to even greater heights—seventeen inches, to be exact.

"Slender and brief—the shorter, the better"—that's the slogan for skirts this Spring. In sport costumes, they are unadorned, slim and straight. In some of the street costumes they pretend a slimmest that they don't possess, for often there's a bit of fullness folded away in inverted pleats or tucked away at the bottom of a skirt front. Afternoon frocks are a little more bold about their fullness—carrying it very openly in flaring godets and full box pleats.

But whether they're slender or whether they're full—you can count on one thing—they're always and invariably short.

If you wish to be really smart this season—the first requisite is to be brief!



THE ENSEMBLE COMPLETES ITS CYCLE

by Peggy Paige

Completely circling the clock—morning, noon, and night—the ensemble costume takes the lead. It is cost and dress to harmonize for shopping, for tea and even for evening. The filmiest and most glistening of diaphanous evening gowns must have its evening coat to match—among the fashionables.

And if midday is not supplied with such coats and frocks, she sees to it that her wardrobe contains gowns which suggest the ensemble idea—slender straight-lined costumes, with dark shades of lustrous satin simulating the coat, opening up over colorful prints to give hint of a frock underneath.

In selecting your Spring wardrobe, remember—the ensemble leads them all.

Wadley-Wilson Co.

One Price : : The Lowest : : For Cash Only

Hall's Catarrh Medicine

is a Combined Treatment, both local and internal, and has been successful in the treatment of Catarrh for over forty years. Sold by all druggists.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio

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A Good 4-Room House, Quarter Blok of Land, on South Side, Not Far From Town.

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IS A LUXURY TO BE PROUD OF.

Let us help you to keep a good stock of Groceries always ready, to prepare your meals in the most appetizing manner.

NONE BUT THE BEST AT

Smith & Stevens

PROMPT DELIVERY SERVICE

Wholesale and Retail

GROCERIES AND RANCH SUPPLIES

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WE DELIVER

Good Times Are Bad Times to Loaf.

Your's

Our Federal Reserve System comes nearer being perfect than any other system in the whole world.

It is operated for the good of the people. We are a member of this system, we are proud to say, and by patronizing us you help your Government maintain it and you help yourself.

Co-operate with Uncle Sam—Patronize a Federal Reserve member Bank.

Midland National Bank

"There Is No Substitute For Safety"



DR. H. S. THACHER

Do You Feel All Tired Out?

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

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

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

**DR. THACHER'S
Liver & Blood
SYRUP**

For Sale By City Drug Store

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

Classified ads in The Reporter will always bring in a reply.

WE HAUL EVERYTHING

With a good fleet of trucks, wagons, and teams, we can give you the quickest and most dependable transfer service, either in town or to country.

Wood and Coal

A good stock of Fuel always on hand, at reasonable prices.

Joe Roberts

PHONE 216

*If you have Furniture you don't want,
Exchange it for what you do want at*

FURNITURE EXCHANGE

South of Andrews Meat Market

J. E. MONTEITH, Propr. Successor to J. V. HOBBS

LIVE STOCK

BEST SELECTION OF CATTLE FOR MARKET

Getting dollars out of quality not numbers should be the purpose of the range cattle producer, according to James Wallace of Washington, D. C., cattle grading expert sent out by the Department of Agriculture, who is giving demonstrations on the ranches of the mountain states in line with the effort of the department to improve marketing practices.

The first demonstration in the state was given before students of Colorado agricultural college and Larimer county ranchmen at the college foothills pasture. The following day there was another demonstration before the Larimer County Stock Growers' association at the McNey ranch near Livermore.

"The Department of Agriculture, through this grading work is stressing the marketing side of beef production," said Wallace, in opening the demonstration. "We are not going to look at the herd to pick out the pretty cows, but we'll pick them for beef. The consumer is willing to pay a good price for certain cuts and if we want to stay in the business it will be up to us to raise the cattle that carry the largest percentage of desirable cuts of beef. Now as we go over these cows we will do it with an eye that is to tell us what kind of calves they will produce, when sired by pure bred bulls, that will develop into the most good beef at the lowest net cost."

Mr. Wallace told the cattle raisers that he had spent several months in New York, Philadelphia, Boston and other consuming markets studying selling practices. "Seventy per cent of the beef in these markets," he said, "is now sold as cuts and not as carcasses." He urged producers to study their herds so that they can grade the animals on a percentage basis; that is with a view to getting paid on the basis of desirable cuts of beef and not on weight alone.

"The producer who sells his cattle in bulk gets paid on the basis of the poor animals in the bunch," said Mr. Wallace. "He is penalized on the market because he puts the desirable and the undesirable cattle together. The buyer sees only the poor ones when he makes his bid. Sorting and grading according to market demands will solve the problem."

Feeding Brood Sows as Well as Fattening Hogs

Corn is the easiest to feed, and naturally most hog raisers depend entirely upon this grain for brood sows as well as for fattening hogs. On more than one farm I have seen brood sows running with rattling hogs right up to within ten days of farrowing, says a writer in the Prairie Farmer. With that sort of feed and with that care it's a wonder that any of the litters were saved.

Corn makes fat, and the brood sow does not need that at farrowing time, nor much of it at any time. Corn and tankage or corn and alfalfa hay make good rations for the brood sow. Oats are good for brood sows, and they make good, strong litters. The safe rule is to feed sparingly of corn, use plenty of alfalfa, clover or soy bean forage and keep the grain ration balanced by using tankage or something else.

Brood sows should be separated from the balance of the herd three or four weeks before farrowing time. Young sows particularly require quiet and gentle handling for some time.

Poland sows make good mothers. The old sows will average six or seven pigs per litter and the young sows possibly will not do better than five pigs per litter. These were our averages where from 75 to 100 sows were bred, and where individual quarters were provided for each sow at farrowing time.

Live Stock Notes

An old horse, especially, like an old man, feels the cold.

Water your horses at least three times a day. The stomach of the horse is very small.

Kill the worm-out or incurably lame horse. If you sell him, the money that you receive is blood money.

Punctuality in feeding and watering the stock is very important. They will worry and lose flesh if kept waiting beyond the regular time.

Fall pigs should be treated for internal and external parasites before they are turned to the fields. These treatments save feed and make the gains faster.

Build a creep for the lambs and push them for the early high market. Use rye or oats for winter grazing and rape for the spring. Forage crops save feed and make the gains faster.

Of course the beef cattle will help clean up the corn fields and bean fields, but after that what happens? There is no doubt that beef cattle must be carried through the winter on a cheap ration if they are to be profitable, but there must not be too much loss of weight.

New Silk and Cotton Fabrics

Here For Your Spring Sewing

Silks in exquisite new Flat Crepes, Canton Crepe, Crepe Romaine, Satins, Crepe de Chine, Radium, Tub Silks, Mophac, etc. Colors Tans, Blue, Black, Flame Terrapin, Rosewood and other new spring colors. Prices range from \$1.25 up to \$4.50 per yard.

Wonderful New Printed Crepes in rich combinations in Stripes, Dots, and Scroll designs—large and small—95c to \$2.25.

Pongee in bright Stripes, Checks, and Figures, All prices.

Colored Wash Goods

New Colored Linens, Fancy Suitings, Colored Indian Head, new permanent linen-like finish. Imported Gingham, all guaranteed absolutely fast washable colors.

Also new Percales and Lovely Underwear Materials.

Glad to have you come in just to see these new arrivals.

In Our Grocery Department

Big and Little Jim Dandy Herse Collars

They are wonders. The only cheap thing about them is the price. If you have not bought Groceries from us lately you do not know how cheap we are selling them. Come to see us. Bring us your produce. We like to buy from you and we like to sell you your goods.

Midland Mercantile Co.

Ben F. Whitefield

ANDREWS LOCAL NEWS By F. S. Wilson

ANDREWS

We are sorry that we didn't get the news in last week. Our infant baby was very low with pneumonia, but is recovering now.

Mrs. R. T. Esslinger, of Roswell, N. M., who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Wilson, for three weeks, returned home Monday. Her daughter, Mrs. Clyde Wilson, accompanied her home.

Mrs. John Speed, who has been quite sick, is able to be up some.

Mrs. W. H. Howell, of Florey, is visiting Mrs. John Speed this week.

Judge Umberson and wife made a business trip to Florey last week.

Mr. Carter from Colorado was visiting friends here Saturday night.

Mr. M. A. Thornberry and daughter, Miss Rebecca, and Mrs. Annetta Shields, left Sunday for San Angelo, to attend the Meadows trial.

Mr. M. M. Fisher is courting in San Angelo this week.

Dr. Robinson, our Presiding Elder, held conference here and preached at 11 o'clock Sunday.

Mr. Guy Stark and family attended church here Sunday.

John Fisher was in town Monday.

B. T. Tankersley made a business trip to Colorado last week.

Mr. W. J. Lay, formerly of Dunn, has moved on the place that he purchased from S. D. Wood, two miles east of town.

Mr. Jessie Wren Eastman and Miss Dovie Tankersley surprised their friends by slipping away to Lamesa Sunday and getting married. We wish for them a bright future.

L. G. Spire and W. J. Harris made business trip to Lamesa last week.

Mr. H. C. Barnes also was attending to business in Lamesa last week.

Mrs. K. P. Looney, from Fasken, was in town Tuesday.

Oris Coats returned Wednesday from a trip to Loving, Artesia, and Carlsbad, New Mexico.

John Castleberry, of Florey, was in Midland Wednesday, and subscribed for The Reporter. He states that there are a good many new farmers around Florey, and they are already busy breaking land.

Recruiting Begins

The recruiting campaign for C. M. T. Camps is now opened. These camps are for thirty days and commence on July 28th. The young men from the states of Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas, which comprise this Corps Area, will be trained in six camps located at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Fort Crockett, Texas; Fort Bliss, Texas; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Fort Logan, Colorado, and Fort Huachuca, Arizona. The transportation of each man who is accepted is paid by the Government from his home to the nearest camp. At camp, clothing, food and quarters are provided, also without cost to the applicant. When camp is over, free transportation is furnished for the journey home. Our Government pays all the bills.

If you want one month's free outdoor training, with plenty of athletics, recreation and instruction in citizenship, the purpose of all of which is to make you a better citizen, morally, mentally and physically, write now to the C. M. T. C. Officer, Eighth Corps Area, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, for an application blank. Don't delay. Applications are accepted in the order in which received. Delay may mean disappointment.

Another candy sale Saturday, first door north of White House.—Mrs. Lenton Brunson. 23-1p

Johnny LeMaster, driller for the Texas Development Company's operations in Crane County, was in town Monday.

Jax M. Cowden spent the first part of the week at his ranch in Crane County.

STOUT PERSONS inclined to full feeling after eating gross, putrid, constipated Relieved and digestion improved by CHAMBERLAIN'S TABLETS Cleansing and comforting—only 25c

Epworth League

March 8, 6:45 p. m.
How Jesus Cheered the Discouraged and Fearful.

Leader—Sallie Ruth Lumpkin.
Hymn 192.
Hymn 237.
Scripture: 23rd Psalm.
Hymn 58.
A Discouraged Sufferer—Mark Womack.
Troubled Hearts—Lillie May Norwood.

Value of a Life—Cody Cole.
Blessing in Affliction—Albert Norwood.
God's Care for His Children—Thalbert Thomas.
Forgetting Past Blessings—Georgia May Lumpkin.
Prayer.
Hymn 141.
League Benediction.

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STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.
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Look Your Best!

In business, or in social life, it behooves everyone to use care in his personal appearance.

The Most Costly Clothes

Soon look shoddy if not cleaned and pressed regularly.

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EDITORIALS



"BREAK LAND WHILE THE SUN SHINES"

Tomorrow, it may rain! At any rate, it is going to rain some time. The farmer who goes ahead and lists his land, grubs his new farming land, and keeps on the job preparing for the moisture when it gets here, is sure to get ahead.

During the last week, we have heard of a number of farmers who are just as hard at work getting ready for this year's crop as if we had been having heavy rains all through the fall and winter months.

These fellows have faith, and their faith is well founded. They are using their time to much better advantage than if they were loafing on the streets talking about how dry it is. Then if it should not rain this year, they will be in better shape for next season. But it is going to rain in plenty of time, and they are going to profit by their hard work. Midland, as a farming country, is here to stay and to prosper.

The same faith that is demonstrated by these energetic farmers should be shown by all of the people in this section, people of every vocation. Let's forget the expression "If it rains," and keep on the job. Idle hours bring about discouragement, while hard work makes us forget our imaginary troubles.

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

Getting Started

Many people have plenty of good intentions but fail because of lack of action.

Probably your fortune and success may lie in forming the simple habit of banking a little surplus every week. Getting started in this habit will count more than the amount.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
MIDLAND, TEXAS

\$400,000 Deal in Cattle Announced

Amarillo, Texas, March 11.—A cattle deal, said to be the largest in the United States in five years, was closed here yesterday during the Panhandle Cattlemen's convention, when E. K. Warren & Sons of Three Oaks, Mich., sold 7,000 head of yearlings, two and three year old steers to Frank Corn, of Crosbyton, and Morgan Jones of Abilene, who also leased the Warren ranch of 70,000 acres near Muleshoe for five years. It is said approximately \$400,000 was involved in the deal.

Killing Rabbits

Too much cannot be said in favor of killing jack rabbits at this season of the year.

These rabbits, as various statistics have brought out, are the greatest menace to pasture land and crops that confronts the ranchmen and farmers of West Texas today, dry weather included, and it is the DUTY of people of every walk of life to lend every possible effort to the cause of exterminating the jack rabbits.

Those who live in the country owe it to themselves and to their neighbors to make use of the free rabbit poison which is still available at the Chamber of Commerce, donated by the county.

Those who live in the country and also those who live in town should combine in the weekly rabbit drives and either attend each one or send an assistant. Now is the time to prevent the overwhelming production of "new" rabbits. Every one killed now forestalls the spread of about 10 or 12 more.

Adams Turns Out Big Instrument

R. B. Adams, court stenographer for this district, has just completed a statement of facts containing over 1,100 pages. In compiling this big instrument, which has been forwarded to the Court of Civil Appeals, he was assisted by four stenographers, and worked on it himself also.

The instrument was made in duplicate and was bound in book form at The Reporter office. It was about six inches thick.

C. C. Watson and J. W. Blewett left this morning for Clovis, N. M., and various points in that section of the country.

W. S. Cooper, secretary of the Colorado Chamber of Commerce, and Engineer DuBose, who has been at the head of the paving project in Colorado and many other Texas towns, are in Midland today on business.

Mrs. J. O. Quinn and Mrs. J. A. Jones, of Comanche, are here to see their sister, Mrs. W. T. Holcombe, who has been critically ill for the last two weeks. We are glad to report that Mrs. Holcombe is getting better.

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

J. J. Hamlett sold his home to J. V. Pliska this week and is now living at the R. M. Evans home on North Main street.

Miss Nell Midkiff came home this week from Lubbock, where she has been connected with a picture studio. The new hotel that is to be built there caused the studio to be moved, and could not find a suitable location at present. Miss Midkiff's many friends are glad to welcome her back to Midland.

J. D. Glass states that he is having from 1,800 to 2,000 acres put in cultivation on the farms under his management near Germania.

W. J. Moran was a business visitor to Rankin last Tuesday.

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

W. F. Cowden made a trip to the ranch the first of the week, and reports his range and cattle in exceptionally good condition for this season of the year.

J. D. McDurmon is here today from San Angelo, where he is connected with a meat market.

MEBANE COTTON SEED

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

POULTRY FACTS

PRODUCE MORE EGGS IN WINTER SEASON

"The Badger state's winter egg production can be increased very noticeably per hen by carrying out certain easily followed plans," says O. M. Johnson, superintendent of the Wisconsin College of Agriculture poultry flocks.

"We have discovered," avers Johnson, "that pullets must be separated from the old hens to get the best possible egg production. If this policy is not carried out, the older hens will keep the pullets from their feed and boss them around so that they do not have a chance to get full development."

By letting the pullets run with the older fowls, there is also a great danger of spreading diseases. This, too, is fatal to egg production. An underdeveloped pullet or one that is backward in her development should be sold, continues the poultryman. These pullets, as well as cockerels that are not to be kept for spring's breeding, do not as a rule pay their board.

"Skim milk is one of the greatest aids in egg production, and it should be used to the limit," says Johnson, "and each pullet should never be without plenty of milk, either sour or sweet." Washing the dish thoroughly each time before feeding is a precaution so as to guard from diseases. When hens have all the milk they can drink, very little water is needed. In fact it is best, advises the poultryman, that pullets do not have water if they have all the skim milk they can drink. The milk will furnish them with water and at the same time the proteins and minerals the pullets need.

Whole cabbages hung up in the scratching pens will furnish fine green feed, but other greenstuffs also serve their purpose. Many poultrymen make the mistake of throwing large amounts of green stuffs on the floor where it gets moldy and dirty.

For the mash, which the pullets should have access to at all times, equal parts of bran middlings, yellow cornmeal, oats and beef scraps or tankage has given the best results. If the chickens have all the milk they can drink, the meat scraps and tankage can be cut to one-half part.

"A dry, well ventilated hen house free from mites and lice is important. The litter in the scratch pens should not be too deep at first as the pullets do not know how to scratch deep, or else will not. Yellow cracked corn is as good a scratch feed as one needs, but one-third of any other wholesome grain can also be added."

Ration Recommended for Making of Winter Eggs

The following ration for winter egg production recommended by the Missouri College of Agriculture, satisfies the needs of the hens and is economical and practical. During the past year it has been fed on a number of farms with good results: Scratch grain—ten pounds of shelled corn and five pounds of dry threshed oats. Dry mash—three pounds of wheat bran, three pounds of wheat shorts and one and one-half pounds commercial meat scrap.

Where milk is plentiful three gallons of skim milk or butter-milk furnished each 100 hens daily will take the place of meat scrap. Either milk or some form of lean meat must be supplied in every ration for successful winter egg production. Commercial meat scrap can be obtained from most feed dealers in 100-pound sacks. One sack will supply protein needed by 100 hens for more than two months. Barley or feed wheat may be used instead of oats. Cornmeal or ground oats may be substituted for shorts in the mash. Alfalfa meal or clover leaves may take the place of the bran. A good grade of tankage may be used instead of the meat scrap. In feeding this ration all grain should be fed in deep straw to compel the birds to exercise. The mash should be fed in self-feeding hoppers or troughs and a supply kept before the birds. In addition to this ration, hens should have an abundance of water, a supply of green food and free access to sharp grit and crushed oyster shells or soft limestone grit. With early hatched pullets, housed comfortably, and fed this ration, winter eggs are assured.

Plan of Line Breeding

Line breeding can be done by using the same ancestry or blood lines with careful selection that avoids the bad effects of inbreeding. The shade of difference between the breeding and inbreeding is sometimes very faint. Breeding the pullets of a mating back to the sire, and one of the cockerels back to the hen, is a strict line breeding, which is often practiced to establish certain qualities in a strain.

One Nest for Six Fowls

One nest should be provided for each five or six fowls, and even more if trap nests are used. Twelve by twelve inches is large enough and one-fourth-inch mesh hardware cloth is excellent for the bottom. Wall nests are to be preferred to those located under the dropping platform, but the wall nests require a top place at an angle of at least 45 degrees, to prevent the chickens roosting on them. The runways along the front of the nests can also be made to fold up.

See

"SUNDOWN"

The Wonderful Film Portraying the Passing of the Cattle Kings, Their Departure From the Lands They Fought For and Conquered.

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These cattle were filmed as they wound in endless procession across the border into Mexico.

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See the 100,000 Wild Steers, driven mad by thirst, in the Wild Dash for Water!

BESSIE LOVE

A former Midland girl, is the star, with Roy Stewart as leading man. Much of the picture is filmed around Sierra Blanca, Texas, with local cowboys in the picture.

TEDDY ROOSEVELT IS AGED TO PERFECTION

The romantic Cattle Kings, their loves, hates and passions FEATURE THE PICTURE. All built around a thrilling love story.

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FOR SALE at all times: Good Jersey cows or heifers.—John Waddell. 12tf
Several thousand BERMUDA Plants for sale. Phone 213. 20-4p

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

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

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

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

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

FOR RENT—Four unfurnished rooms with sink and water. Barn; two lots with water; fine chicken range; in two blocks of depot. R. E. Crowley. 23-2tp

FOR SALE—English White Leghorn eggs, \$1.00 per setting. E. D. Hamlin; call 177. 23-1tp

FOR SALE—Phonograph, baby bed and few other household articles for sale cheap. Phone 426. 23-1t

FOUND—Bar pin. Owner may have same by paying for this ad. Box 494. 23-1t

FOR RENT—Two neat housekeeping rooms, furnished. Call 195.—Mrs. 23-1t

Cosper. 23-1t
FOR choice hay, see Robt. Currie, first house north of S. S. school building. 23-1tp

WHY not eat home fed and home butchered calves, 20c and 25c pound? At King's Market. Free delivery. 23-3t

Political Announcement

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

Drink at The Elite. 20tf

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

For Royal or Corona Typewriters, See W. S. Hill. 21-4t

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Subject: Our Friends, the Neighbors.
Leader—Irene Arnett.
Song.
Prayer—Miss Annie Lee King.
Business.
Song.
Scripture Readings:
Matt. 4:23-24—Ray Coleman.
John 4:39-42—Frances Ratliff.
Mark 5:18-20—Louise Brunson.
Acts 1:8—R. D. Lee.
Acts 8:1-2—Nolan Williams.
Acts 9:18-25—Clinton Dunagan.
Our Home Mission Board—Ruth Norwood.
Some of Our Neighbors—Joe Cawden.
Some Ways to Be Friends—Al Cowden.
Where is My Jerusalem?—Irene Arnett.
Song.
Closing Prayer—Irene Arnett.

MARCH 14

SATURDAY---JUST ONE WEEK OFF

EVERY FARMER AND RANCHER

IN WEST TEXAS INVITED TO

MIDLAND

FREE CASH PRIZES MARCH 14

EVERY SECOND SATURDAY IN EVERY MONTH MIDLAND WILL HAVE

TRADES DAY—FREE AUCTION SALE

Farmers who have horses, mules, household articles, farm machinery or anything else they wish to sell can have it auctioned off in Midland every second Saturday in each month free of charge. Bring anything you wish and trade it off or sell it.

The free cash prizes go only to people living outside the city of Midland. No person living inside the city limits will be allowed to receive a prize.

MARCH 14 AND EVERY SECOND SATURDAY IN EACH MONTH IS FARM TRADES DAY

Judging Radio Program

Too often, when judging radio broadcast programs, especially music, amateur critics do not take into consideration the difference in reception of the various radio sets. It is too often assumed that everybody listening in hears the same sounds, which is by no means the case.

A few grains of dust in a tube socket, a loose connection in the wiring, an unfortunately directed aerial, or batteries too nearly discharged, may turn a fine performance into what sounds like a poor one.

However, the interest in radio continues to increase by leaps and bounds. During 1920 sales of radio sets and

reached \$4,000,000; and it is the opinion of experts that sales this year will approximate \$500,000,000 or more.

In one Middle Western State alone, 7,500 farmers have installed radio receiving sets.

Philip Flood, who was operated on at the Llano Hotel last week, is doing better and was moved to Mrs. Flood's home south of town Wednesday.

W. R. Chancellor returned last Sunday, after a vacation of about two weeks.

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

Better Check These UP

A large majority of fires start in the chimney and flues. "Safeguarding America Against Fire" cites ten reasons for this:

1. Use of terra cotta sewer pipe or other unprotected tile or hollow blocks as a chimney.
2. Construction of chimney with bricks laid on edge instead of flat.
3. Chimney walls built with brick flatwise or only one brick thick, and flues unlined.
4. Supporting chimney on the timber construction of a building or upon brackets; or insufficient masonry foundation, when the chimney rests on the ground.
5. Two or more connections to the same flue.
6. Building woodwork into the wall of a chimney, or placing it in contact with, or even in close proximity to, its exterior.
7. Smoke pipes arranged to enter a chimney in vertical lines.
8. Carelessness in sealing the connection between smoke pipe and the chimney, and failure to anchor the pipe to the chimney.
9. Carelessness in not renewing a rusted smoke pipe and also in allowing combustible material too near the pipe.
10. Carelessness in not keeping the chimney clean and joints in brickwork properly pointed.

Play "Sundown" Is Recommended

According to Manager Williams of The Rialto, many people who have seen "Sundown," the picture that he is to show March 16 and 17, state that it is better than "The Covered Wagon" and "North of 36," and he hears great reports on it from every place it has been shown.

He is putting the price down to 15 and 30 cents, and expects a record-breaking crowd here.

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

When business is good, ADVERTISE and make it better. When business is slow, ADVERTISE and speed it up.

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Educational Report Is Valuable Work

Receipt of the general report of the Texas Educational Survey, conducted by George A. Works, Professor of Rural Education in Cornell University, is acknowledged by The Reporter; and it is a great work, although we have read only parts of it.

The Texas Educational Survey Commission, with Pat. M. Neff, Chairman; Tom Finty Jr., secretary; P. W. Horn, vice-chairman, and the following members: T. D. Brooks, R. M. Chitwood, Burl Bryant, Gus Taylor, G. D. Slaton, A. E. Wood, Mrs. C. W. Hutchison, Mrs. Henry Redmond, and B. K. King, secured the services of Dr. Works, because he was famous in that line of work, and he has analyzed the educational systems of Texas to the Nth degree.

Many recommendations of the report are for legislation, and the legislators have been asked to digest the survey's report thoroughly. Others deal with the local boards, and can be handled locally.

It is likely that many of these recommendations will be of untold value to Texas, if carried out. The reports deal with the following phases of education:

- (1) organization and administration,
- (2) financial support,
- (3) secondary education,
- (4) educational achievement,
- (5) courses of study and instruction,
- (6) higher education,
- (7) vocational education,
- (8) general report.

Snodgrass Handles A Good Land Sale

E. N. Snodgrass completed a sale of land Wednesday that demonstrates the fact that Midland land is in demand, even though the dry weather is holding on.

The north half of the Mrs. S. D. Hix section was sold to Messrs. Lord of Robert Lee, and brought \$30 per acre. It is a fine piece of land.

Heinz special sampling and sale of their "57 varieties," Saturday at the White House. 23-1t.

T. R. Wilson and R. D. Heatley made a trip to the Shafter Lake country Wednesday.

P. P. Barber states that inquiries have been made for second-hand planters and cultivators to be sold on Trades Day. An automobile is to be auctioned off, and many other articles will be here for sale. Bring in anything you have.

W. F. Scarborough was in from the Shafter Lake ranch Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. B.W. Smith of Stanton was brought to Midland Wednesday seriously ill and underwent an operation at the Llano Hotel. Mr. Smith is here with her.

Anything in plumbing, heating and electrical work. A. P. Kasch, corner Second and Main, Big Spring, Texas. Phone 167. 23-1f

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FARM TRADES DAY MARCH 14

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(CITY GARAGE)



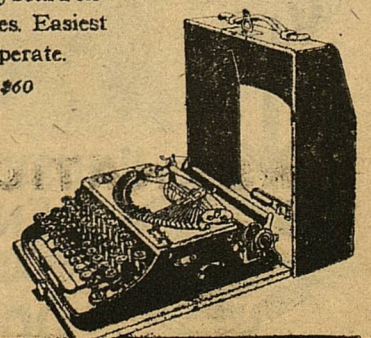
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WEST TEXAS NEWS

LLANO—F. A. Leffingwell, traffic manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, who is handling the matter of securing reduced rates on granite from the Llano region, interstate and intrastate, has returned from Tulsa where he intervened for the Llano granite interests in the Tulsa Granite Case. There were 97 exhibits introduced at the Tulsa hearing.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce, through its Traffic Department, will claim discrimination against the Llano granite shipments to the following states, viz: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Mexico, Tennessee, Utah, Wyoming.

The original complaints are being filed before the Texas Railroad Commission at Austin, and the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington.

PLAINVIEW—The Plainview Chamber of Commerce has requested Senators Sheppard and Mayfield and the West Texas delegation in the National Congress to use their efforts to secure additional appropriation for the operation of the United States Employment Bureau in Texas, including the operation of the office at Plainview. The service of the U. S. Employment Bureau was worth thousands of dollars to the Plains section last year, and the year before, and was directly responsible for furnishing this big region with more than 25,000 harvest hands. The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has also filed application for additional appropriation for the service in Texas.

DALHART—This section of the Panhandle held their first annual wolf hunt recently and the affair was such a success that it will be made permanent. More than 100 men participated and 49 hounds were used in the chase. Many wolves were caught.

MIAMI—Miami citizens recently held a chamber of commerce meeting and entertained some 150 citizens. The paramount issue was to rope and brand the Mustang and put him to work or run him off the range. The issue was to have every one get in line and work that he might help to put over many other important matters.

MINERAL WELLS—Much interest is being shown by the fact that President Coolidge in considering Col. Walsh's invitation to be the honored guest of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at the Mineral Wells Convention, May 4-5-6. This with many other interesting matters and attractions will augment the usual attendance of the convention meeting to increase in numbers to untold or probably unheard of numbers, despite the fact that more than 20,000 people were at Brownwood, Mineral Wells will probably go to 40,000 for the three days with weather conditions favorable.

ABERNATHY—The Chamber of Commerce here has made application to the division of Rural Motor Routes, Postoffice Department, Washington City, for the installation of a new motor postal route out of Abernathy. The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has endorsed their petition and Congressman Marvin Jones is handling the matter before the Postoffice Department.

MIDLAND—Several carloads of homeseekers arrived here during the second week in February to buy Midland County cheap land. Many were tenant farmers who preferred to buy cheap cotton land and own their homes. There is no land to be rented in Midland County at this time.

SHAMROCK—A local building and loan association has just been organized here for the purpose of better supplying homes that are badly needed. More than seventy five homes are to be built under this plan. The association is incorporated with H. B. Hill, B. F. Holes, Mat Lewis, R. Lewis and O. T. Nicholson incorporators.

BAD CITIZENSHIP OF GOOD MEN.

(Do we belong to any of the following:)

- 1—The non-voter.
- 2—Tax-dodger.
- 3—Jury evader.
- 4—Crime protector.
- 5—Law violator.
- 6—Knocker and Groucher.

If our name belongs to any one of the six numbers, let's get it out so we can be an example worth while for our boys and girls.

Come early and get the first selection. Candy sale first floor north of White House, Saturday.—Mrs. Lenton Brunson. 25-1tpd

Public Secondary Education.

Through payment of tuition by the State, intermediate or local school district, through centralization, consolidation and transportation, through establishing high schools in isolated areas where only a few pupils can be assembled and their operation at high cost per pupil, all States are rapidly extending secondary education to children of the open country.

Some evidences of this fact are that in New York State 1.69 per cent of the total population of rural districts are enrolled in high schools as compared with a state average of 1.64 per cent. In 1922 Montana enrolled 31.9 per cent of the farm population of high school age in high schools as compared with 32.6 per cent of the non-farm population. Oregon enrolled 50.5 per cent as compared with 46.5 per cent, Maine enrolled 49.3 per cent as compared with 42.3 per cent, and in New Hampshire the corresponding percentages were 51.9 and 49.0 for farm and non-farm population.

These facts are gleaned from a forthcoming bulletin of the U. S. Bureau of Education, Department of the Interior, on "High School Education of the Farm Population in Selected States."

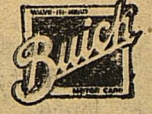
Card of Thanks

We take this method to express our deep appreciation to our friends for the many deeds of love and kindness shown us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father.

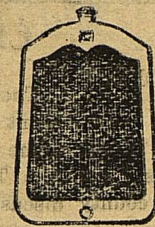
Mrs. J. C. Whitnair,
Mrs. D. H. Partrich,
Mrs. G. W. Dameron,
Mrs. J. W. Bledsoe,
Mrs. Herbert Smith,
J. G. Whitnair,
Ruth Whitnair,
Lawrence Whitnair.

George Allen Bell, Miss Eula Lee Bell and Robert Bell arrived last Saturday from El Paso. George and Robert returned Monday, but Miss Eula Lee remained to visit the M. C. Ulmers.

Porter Rankin was in this week from Rankin, where he is in business around the oil fields.



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To Correspondents of The Reporter

If there is anything we want in our columns each week it is news from the people all over Midland county and the surrounding territory.

However, when we print such news there are certain liabilities that we automatically assume; consequently, we must insist that such news be signed by the correspondent, whose name will also appear at the head of the column devoted to that district. This will answer an anonymous letter from a district adjacent to Midland, as to why "his" or "her" news has not been printed.

Although we do not require such correspondence to be typewritten, we do ask that it be written as neatly as possible, avoiding all underlining, exclamation points and kindred marks that are not necessary, because linotype operators take practically all of their copy from typewritten material.

Library Again Open

The Midland Public Library will be open Wednesday from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m.; Friday nights and Saturdays, 3 p. m. to 6 p. m.

The library was opened last Saturday after a shutdown of several months. Mrs. J. Wiley Taylor is librarian.

The association has ordered a number of books of popular fiction and opened a magazine section with some of the best magazines published in America available.

Membership in the association costs 25 cents a month, and officers are urging that every person in Midland county who wishes to avail himself of the reading material in the library, join the association.

Following the formal opening with a tea last Saturday, Mrs. Sam Preston, president, and Mrs. Homer W. Rowe, secretary, together with others interested in promoting the library, expressed their thanks to all donors of books, money and time.

Missionary Society of The Christian Church

The society met with Mrs. Lewis on Thursday. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Horton. Mrs. Eriksen was leader, with an interesting program on China.

During the social hour a unique cross word puzzle on China, gotten up by Mrs. Lewis and daughter, furnished much enjoyment to all, after which delicious refreshments were served.

There were 25 members present, five visitors and three new members were added to the enrollment.

—Reporter.

"Try Furniture Exchange First."

Club Changes Name

The members of the J. W. S. club spent the happiest afternoon at the home of Miss Georgia K. Davis on last Tuesday afternoon. After some discussion we decided to change the name of our club from J. W. S. to E. G. G. As it was a birthday of one of our members, Miss June Tucker, a handkerchief shower was given her, after which delicious refreshments were served.

—Reporter.

Two Fires Yesterday

F. J. Middleton sustained a slight blaze yesterday morning, when static electricity caused a dress to ignite, while he was cleaning it in gasoline. The fire department quickly reached the scene and the fire was extinguished with the chemical equipment before any headway was made. Mr. Middleton promptly paid the owner of the garment and was not stopped from the routine of his business. His hands and wrists were blistered, but not seriously.

Last night the servants' house belonging to B. F. Whitfield, caught fire and was badly damaged before the alarm could be turned in. It was not occupied, was not wired for electricity, and the cause of the fire could not be determined. A second alarm was sounded for the same place early this morning, when the smoldering embers began to blaze up again, but this fire was easily put out.

METHODIST CHURCH

Program for March

March 8, 11 a. m.—"The Task Ahead"—Centenary.

March 15, 11 a. m.—"Shall the Methodist Church Unite?" A discussion of the pending plan of unification.

March 22, 11 a. m.—"Do We Need a Revival?"

March 29, 11 a. m.—"What Our Membership Can Do to Bring a Revival." A layman's service.

The evening services during this period will be in line with our revival meeting which will be held April 2 to 12. H. E. Draper, presiding elder of this district, will do the preaching and arrangements are being made for a song leader and special music.

L. U. SPELLMANN,
Pastor.

J. H. Williamson was called to Snyder last Monday, on account of the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. Watts.

Ewell LaBeff, of Big Spring, was a business visitor to Midland last Monday.

Get a sample of Heinz "57 varieties" at the White House Saturday.

Oil Industry Serves Public

Reviewing conditions in the petroleum industry, J. Edgar Pew, president of the American Petroleum Institute, expresses the opinion that "the condition of the oil business is better than it has been for several years."

"Within the industry there is a better spirit of cooperation for the benefit of all. Standards of equipment are being established that should very considerably reduce the costs of materials and increase the efficiency of all field labor. Drilling operations are conducted with better success as a result of geological data, largely developed within the past few years. New pools of oil are being discovered with greater frequency and with less of the wildcat type of operations than ever before.

"The relations of the industry to the public are improving. The problems confronting the industry, its responsibilities and its great achievements are being better understood.

"I do not look with alarm upon any prophecies of a scarcity of oil during this year, nor for many years to come. The oil industry has in a big way accomplished the seemingly impossible in the amount of oil it has produced notwithstanding repeated predictions to the contrary that there was no such amount of oil to be had. I am confident that the precedent of its past performances will be fully maintained in the future for many years to come, and until science and invention shall have provided a good and sufficient substitute for oil products. This seems to me to be a safe presumption. On the whole, the future of the legitimate oil business looks very bright."

Benefits of Competition

Forty two of our states have workmen's compensation laws. In 28 of these, the insurance is carried solely by private companies. In nine, the State has set up a competitive fund. In seven, private companies are not allowed to operate because the state government takes over practically all of the business.

"It is a matter of record," says the Illinois Journal of Commerce, "that in the nine states where the government enters into active competition with the private insurance companies in providing workmen's compensation insurance, the average of the total business handled by the state is only 14.69 per cent, while the private companies do 85.31 per cent of the business. In New York, with a total in periums written by both state and private companies amounting to about \$39,000,000, the private companies handle 92.2 per cent of the business. State funds pay no taxes. This is in striking contrast to the immense sums paid in state and federal taxes by private companies.

Private companies employ staffs of experts to handle their business. These men are chosen because of their efficiency and not because of any political affiliations. On the other hand, where the state is in business, appointments are too often made through political influence, rather than because of ability.

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Plenty of Pep

Try our One-Day Battery Service just once and you'll always have your battery charged by this improved method.

Cowden & Ulmer

Service That Satisfies

J. R. Arnett Injured

While roping a horse last Saturday, J. R. Arnett, who runs the Clabber Hill ranch, sustained a bad injury to his knee. He stuck his foot against the ground, throwing all of his weight on the end of the rope, and the impact resulted in a sprain. He is at the Llano Hotel and doing nicely, although he will not be able to walk well for some time.

PASTURE FOR RENT

We have customers who have some extra good pastures in Blue Stem section of Kansas, with good water and railroad facilities. Write us fully what you want to pasture.—RYAN ROBINSON COMMISSION CO., Kansas City, Mo. 23-64

Although the tourist travel through Midland has not fallen off to a very great extent during the winter, the signs of early spring are already depicted in the increasing number of tourist cars every day. It is likely that Midland's year round revenue will be greatly increased during the summer as a result of automobile travelers.

FOR SALE

Everbearing Strawberry Plants at 15c per doz.; \$1.00 per 100. Chrysanthemums at 50c per doz.; Phlox Plants, all colors at 10c per doz.; Giant Zinnia Seed, mixed, at 10c per doz.; Purebred S. C. Buff Orpington Eggs at \$1.50 per (15) setting. Mail orders filled amounting to 50c or more.

Mrs. Dora Lee, Odessa, Texas. 23-3t.

Rabbit poison may still be obtained from the Chamber of Commerce. Let's use it. It's free.

Next to a knocker, a jack rabbit can do more damage than anything. This is the time of the year to get rid of them.

Anything in plumbing, heating and electrical work. A. P. Kasch, cor Second and Main, Big Spring, Texas. Phone 167. 23-tf

D. B. Jones attended to business in Rankin last Tuesday, and reports quite a lot of activity there.

Hudspeth Seeking Tariff On Hides

Representative Claude B. Hudspeth, of El Paso, is fighting for a tariff duty on hides, as a relief measure for livestock growers, according to press notices.

He argues that the cattlemen of the southwest are facing a crisis, that hides should be removed from the free list. A duty sufficient to meet cheaper production in other countries would not result in higher prices on shoes and leather products, he stated.

Mr. Hudspeth directs his argument toward the New England Republicans who are reported to have voted for heavy tariff rates on finished leather goods, but voted against protective tariff on the raw materials produced by farmers, or ranchmen.

Clay Tests Available Without Cost

The University of Texas maintains the only clay testing laboratory in the state where any individual may send sample soil clay for tests. In this laboratory, tests of lignite are also made, according to A. D. Potter, who has charge of the work.

"We accept clay from any citizen in the state and make tests of it to determine its commercial value," said Mr. Potter. "This is done to encourage the manufacture of clay products. We make any preliminary test free and give the owner our opinion on the value of the clay and its analyses if he desires it."

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Midland on the 23rd day of February, 1925, an election was ordered to be held on the first Tuesday in April, the same being the 7th day of April, 1925, for the purpose of electing the following City officers of said City, to-wit: a mayor, Four Aldermen and a Marshall. Said election to be held at the City office by J. A. Johnson, presiding officer.

T. PAUL BARRON, Mayor.

Attest:

JOHN WINBORNE, City Secy.

23-3t.

John R. Johnston was in from Rankin last Monday on business

Evetts Haley Reads Poem to Organizations

Evetts Haley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Haley of Midland, was one of the principal speakers at the annual banquet of the Plains Historical Society recently held in Canyon. The Midland boy delivered an original poem at the banquet in 1924 which was so popular with members of the society, which is composed of the intelligentia throughout the Plains section, that he was placed on the program again this year. Amarillo people who heard his paper this year on an historical subject were so impressed that he has been invited to make an address before one of the big civic clubs of Amarillo.



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