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Thomas Building Monument to Owner's Faith

PATTESON'S PHARMACY WILL OPEN TOMORROW

NEW DRUG STORE LOCATED ON
FIRST FLOOR OF THOMAS
BUILDING

Patteson's Pharmacy, one of the newest business houses here, located on the first floor of the John B. Thomas Building, will be opened to the public Saturday, December 17.

As a part of his formal opening, the owner, J. W. Patteson, will serve refreshments to his visitors tomorrow.

Mr. Patteson was formerly in the drug business in Dallas and in Wichita Falls, having had experience in both wholesale and retail drug trade.

He is a registered graduate pharmacist, taking his work in the State University school of pharmacy.

The new store will handle drugs, drug sundries and prescription drugs as well as fountain drinks, cigars and confections.

The new store occupies the middle downstairs location of the Thomas Building, also having a cigar stand in the elevator lobby, or north entrance.

Gulf Production Co. First to Come Here

LEAD ALL COMPANIES IN WEST
TEXAS FIELDS IN
PRODUCTION

The first big company to locate district offices in Midland was the Gulf Production Company, moving its staff here from San Angelo the first of January, 1927. This company occupies the entire second floor of the First National Bank's main building.

The Gulf leads all companies in production in the West Texas fields, having the big McElroy pool, big production in the Hendricks pool in Winkler County, and various other valuable oil leases and properties in West Texas. The Waddell ranch in Crane County, on which production has been found, is leased entirely to the Gulf.

In the land department, R. W. Patterson is zone agent; W. L. Brown is assistant zone agent, H. B. Dickinson is scout, C. E. Patteson is scout, George Horace Flagg is scout, D. J. McDaniel is clerk and D. E. Shoemaker is clerk.

In the geological department, H. M. Bayer is head of the department, Paul Ambrose Grant is assistant, J. S. Meriweather Jr., V. E. (Buddie) Hall, and R. J. Stipek are geological scouts; E. J. Head is elevation man, W. H. McKelvey is rod man, F. E. Curtis Jr., is clerk and Tom Moore is sample man.

State Office Of Independent Here

TEXAS OPERATIONS ARE HANDLED THROUGH MIDLAND OFFICE

Texas offices of the Independent Oil and Gas Company have just been moved to Midland, and all operations in the state will be handled from here.

The Independent is moving into a three room suite, with reception parlor, on the second floor of the John B. Thomas Building.

C. A. Daniels is general superintendent; J. T. Orn is chief clerk to the general superintendent; J. R. Bradley is material man and H. H. Beck is scout.

Fred Brasted Is Practicing Here

Fred Brasted, attorney at law, and formerly of Fort Worth, is now practicing in Midland, and has his office in the Thomas Building. Mr. Brasted has been in Midland a number of times on cases in the courts here, prior to making this his home.



Civil Engineer In Thomas Building

Van Camp, civil engineer, occupies a location on the ground floor of the John B. Thomas Building, having been located in Midland since the early part of the year.

Mr. Camp is general manager of the concern, with R. L. Montgomery assistant.

W. B. Mulvey and Wm. Lauderdale are draftsmen, R. E. Morris is chief of party, M. D. Long is a member of the surveying party.

Branch offices will be opened soon in Pecos, Big Spring, and possibly Rankin, with the main office at Midland.

Civil engineering work and surveying has been done by the concern throughout the West Texas oil fields.

Robert E. McKee General Contractor

IS ALSO BUILDING THE HOTEL
SCHARBAUER IN MIDLAND

Robert E. McKee, general contractor of El Paso, was the successful bidder when bids were opened for the construction of the John B. Thomas Building.

Mr. McKee has constructed some of El Paso's best buildings and is well known over the country as a thorough and dependable builder, dealing principally in big buildings.

While engaged in the construction of the Thomas Building, Mr. McKee was successful in landing the contract for the Hotel Scharbauer, and has been busy on both jobs here for the past few weeks.

New Man With The Midland National

Cecil Adams, formerly of Cleveland, Texas, has moved to Midland and is now on the force of the Midland National Bank.

Mr. Adams was formerly an assistant bank examiner, and is recommended as being a thorough man for banking work.

FIRST CLASS CONSTRUCTION USED THROUGHOUT THE THOMAS BUILDING

MATERIALS SELECTED FOR DURATION, AS WELL AS FOR
BEAUTY. MANY FIRMS CALLED UPON TO
SUPPLY EQUIPMENT

Construction, material and equipment in the Thomas Building is first class, and no expense was spared by the builder in selecting what would be the best for duration, as well as for beauty.

The building is six stories in height, being 45 by 100 feet in dimensions, and is constructed of brick, concrete and tile.

Granite is used to trim the front and furnish a solid exterior. Marble is used in halls and in some of the rooms, furnishing a wainscoting that is both attractive and durable. The granite was furnished by the Cold Springs Granite Company of Cold Springs, Minn.

Marble was bought from the Vermont Marble Company, at Dallas.

The roof, a Johns-Mansville built-up roof, was purchased from and installed by the Lydick Roofing Company, through the Midland office, and is regarded as the best type for this type of building for this climate.

Plate glass used in various parts of the building was bought from the Southwestern Paint and Glass Company at Abilene.

Plaster and gypsum tile for the building was bought from the Certenteed Gypsum Company at Acme, Texas, one of the largest gypsum plants in the state.

Plumbing fixtures throughout the building, including those for the office suites, corridors and for the Thomas Sanitarium on the sixth floor, were purchased from Kohler and Kohler.

Cement for the concrete frame work of the building, and for other uses in the building was supplied by the Portland Cement Company at El Paso, using the well known El Toro brand.

Steel, used in re-inforcing the concrete and for other parts of the construction, was bought from the North Texas Iron and Steel Company.

Face brick, a beautiful light colored material, was bought from Evans and Howard of Malakoff, Texas.

The tile and common brick were purchased from the International Brick plant of El Paso.

The floors of the Thomas Building are a source of beauty, and are also the most durable type. After the building was started, it was decided to install terrazo floors. Material was bought from the American and Venetian Tile Company, Dallas.

Handsome wood work, including doors, window facings, interior decorations and the like were manufactured to order by the Alamo Planing Mill at El Paso.

Black Electric Co. Furnished Fixtures

LOCAL FIRM SUCCESSFUL IN
LANDING CONTRACT IN
BUILDING

The Black Electric Company of Midland was successful in landing the contract for electrical fixtures in the John B. Thomas building, when the final job was let a few weeks before the completion of the building.

Bidders from a number of cities tried for the contract, some of them submitting several layouts. J. R. Black of the local firm, submitted only one plan and layout of fixtures, and was awarded the job.

Clark and Malone Installed Plumbing

MIDLAND FIRM HANDLING BIG
JOB ON NEW OFFICE
BUILDING HERE

Under bidding a number of firms for the plumbing installation of the John B. Thomas Building, Clark and Malone, who moved to this city a few months ago from El Paso, landed a big contract.

The two men have been engaged in the work personally, with a crew large enough to keep up with their end of the job at all stages of the construction of the building.

All of the piping, "roughing in," and the installation of the plumbing fixtures was handled by this firm.

Insurance And Loan Man Here

J. A. Baker, representing a San Antonio life insurance concern is now residing in Midland representing the company in insurance and loan business. Mr. Baker formerly lived in Corpus Christi.

"FAGS" AND LIGHT

The man who smokes a package of cigarettes a day is spending more than twice as much for tobacco as the average home is spending for lighting, according to data of the National Electric Light association.

Local Physician is Sole Owner of New Office Building

MADE GROWTH OF CITY
POSSIBLE AS AN
OIL CENTER

The John B. Thomas Building handsome and commodious six-story office structure now in service, is a monument to the faith of its owner and builder in Midland and its surrounding territory.

Dr. John B. Thomas, practicing physician and surgeon here for the past 20 years, has been active in building and improving property here for years.

He has proven his faith in the country on more than one occasion by his investments, owning a large ranch south of Midland, having bought and improved a number of valuable farms near the city, buying and improving city property even when the market was slow or inactive; but his big venture, the construction of the magnificent office building, has been the crowning act which has demonstrated to the world that he has unbounded faith in Midland.

Was Far Sighted

Dr. Thomas demonstrated his foresight by recognizing the need of greater office facilities in Midland several months ago. Without asking for bonus or assurance from the community, he set about to secure the best location possible for his proposed building.

The site selected, 140 feet from Wall Street on Lorraine, was chosen on account of its convenience to hotels and other business institutions of Midland, and has already proven that it is well situated.

Employing an architect to work out plans best suited to an office building to serve oil companies and others who would be interested in the Midland situation, Dr. Thomas decided to build a five-story building.

Plans were drawn, specifications worked out, and date set for letting the contract. Reservation was made by the builder for the addition of a sixth story; if he should decide on it up to a certain date; and ere that time he had recognized the need sufficiently to announce the sixth floor.

Work was pushed on the construction of the building, in keeping with good permanent construction, and it was ready for the public by the middle of November.

Oil companies and others who provided locations in the building came on to Midland and occupied temporary quarters until the building could be finished.

Served Midland

By providing office accommodations for oil companies, Dr. Thomas made it possible for Midland to attain her present position as the center of business activity for fields in this section of the state.

His demonstration of faith in Midland encouraged others to invest, and housing facilities were provided in keeping with office facilities although even yet there is a demand for both.

Serving his community in another way, Dr. Thomas has provided and equipped the Thomas sanitarium on the sixth floor of the building.

Associated with him is Dr. W. G. Whitehouse, formerly of Houston, also Mrs. Whitehouse who is experienced in clinical work and making tests. Miss Josephine Sully is head nurse.

Visitors Welcome

Visitors are being shown through the Thomas Building every day. Store buildings on the first floor, offices on all but the sixth, and the sanitarium on that floor have been inspected by a large number of Midland people and from the adjacent country, and the owner has received hearty congratulations upon his big venture.

LYDICK ROOFING COMPANY TO HAVE DISTRICT BRANCH HERE

VALUABLE LOCATION PURCHASED TUESDAY ON TEXAS AVENUE. BUILDING TO BE ERECTED WHEN PLANS ARE ERECTED

Midland has been selected as district oil field headquarters for the Lydick Roofing Company.

Ned Lydick and J. M. Hooks were in Midland yesterday closing a deal for a quarter of block of property, including the Mrs. Salie Pemberton house near the new high school. Lydick announced he would immediately construct a new warehouse 50 by 140 feet, and would build four or five new houses for his employees who would bring families to Midland.

"The Lydick Roofing Company will have 40 or 50 men in Midland next spring," declared Lydick. He said the company now had about 20 men either working in Midland or operating from Midland as headquarters.

Midland will be office and warehouse headquarters for all of the oil field area including Big Spring, and other towns east, as well as the oil field towns to the west and south as far as Crance City. The territory extends west to El Paso. Midland is not a branch, Lydick specified, but is placed on an equal basis with Abilene, Wichita Falls, Amarillo and other important cities.

The land deal was handled by Grafa-Carrington. Barney G. Grafa is an old Fort Worth friend of Lydick, and used his influence to land this big firm for Midland. Grafa said today that the coming of Lydick to Midland meant still further prestige to this city as a wholesale and distributing point. A. C. Hanson is manager at Midland.

Rev. Guthrie Now At Navasota

The Rev. S. C. Guthrie, former pastor of the Midland Presbyterian Church, is pastor of a church of 270 members at Navasota, and besides his pastoral duties was coach of high school football this year, he writes his friends.

The Rev. Mr. Guthrie has made a fine record as a young pastor. He was offered a large church at Richmond, Va., but preferred returning to Texas. His friends at Midland are congratulating him on the birth of a new ministry several weeks ago.

Prairie One Of First to Come Here

PRODUCTION IN CHURCH AND FIELDS UNIVERSITY POOLS

Among the first oil companies to remove district offices to Midland was the Prairie Oil and Gas Company. The company now occupies a suite on the second floor of the Thomas Building.

W. A. Yeager is in charge of the company's affairs in this section. In addition to his representation of the company, Mr. Yeager owns his home here, is a director in the Midland Chamber of Commerce, and otherwise is a very valuable citizen.

Richard Foley, in charge of the geological department, is also a home owner in Midland. H. McClure is in charge of this department.

Rat Curtin is clerk of the Midland office.

Earl Henderson is scout, R. E. Wilford is geologist.

The Prairie has production in the University of Church and Fields pool in Crane County, and has two producers in the McCamey field.

Texas Company Has Production Office Located in Midland

RECENTLY MOVED INTO THE NEW JOHN B. THOMAS BUILDING

The Texas Company, production department, has had a district office in Midland for the past six months, and is now located in the John B. Thomas building.

J. A. Nichols Jr. is in charge of the land department; Messrs. Witty and Bradley are scouts; H. E. Munson is geologist, and J. W. Smith is assistant geologist; and Curtis Bowers is draftsman and stenographer.

Holds of the Texas Company are located in Ector, Crance and Upton County.

Mid-Continent Is Active in This Area

RECENTLY MOVED TO THE NEW JOHN B. THOMAS BUILDING

The Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation with holdings in Winkler and other counties of the Midland oil area, has been in Midland for several months, and recently moved to a suite of four offices in the John B. Thomas building.

E. H. Stafford, of the land department, is manager of the company's business in this territory.

C. Schnoor and W. M. Burress are geologists operating from here, and F. E. Swenson is scout for the company. E. F. Mears is on the office force.

Allen J. Watts will be in charge of the office when he arrives here about January 1.

Hill Represents Rector Oil Company

BUYING PROPERTIES IN VARIOUS COUNTIES OF WEST TEXAS

The Rector Oil Company, of which Patrick Hill is representative, maintains an office in Midland, Mr. Hill being manager.

George T. Abell is geologist, Parker Garvie is scout, Miss Evalyn Williams is secretary, and Miss Lucille Petrey is assistant secretary.

The home office of the Rector Oil Company is a Delaware concern, with its home office in New York.

Leases and royalties are being bought in this territory through the Midland office. No drilling operations are being conducted by the company itself in this section.

Galt-Brown Company Has Midland Office

O. C. HARPER IN CHARGE OF COMPANY'S OPERATING HERE

The Galt-Brown Company, oil operators, have an office in Midland, with O. C. Harper representative and manager. Mr. Harper is an experienced geologist.

D. F. Lillis is scout for the company, operating from Midland.

Recent drilling operations have been in the McCamey field.

Architects Have Big Business Here

EDW. A. NOLAN AND SON IN THOMAS BUILDING OFFICES NOW

Edw. A. Nolan and Son, architects, are among the occupants of the John B. Thomas Building, occupying a suite on the third floor.

This progressive firm moved to Midland last spring and has handled the majority of the business house construction jobs, as well as a large number of residences, built since that time.

Edw. A. Nolan and his son, C. E. Nolan, are architects. R. J. Nolan is draftsman and Miss Eunice is stenographer.

Southern Crude Co. Moved Here Recently

DISTRICT OFFICE MOVED TO MIDLAND LAST MONTH FROM ANGELO

District offices of the Southern Crude Oil Purchasing Company, with producing wells and drilling operations in Winkler County, have been located in the John B. Thomas Building since November 21, having moved here from San Angelo.

C. L. Ackers is in charge of the West Texas division.

J. A. Whitson is in charge of the land department, and Chas. L. Stevens is his assistant.

Romaldo DeChicchio is assistant to Mr. Ackers in the geological department.

Scouts for this territory are J. R. Vanderverter, Frank Donohue, J. T. Smith and J. H. Meeks. Miss Bessie Tilson is stenographer.

The Southern Crude has big production, drilling operations and holdings in the famous Hendricks pool in Winkler County, and is also drilling in Upton County.

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Inspector Hogan Has Headquarters Here

COVERS BIG TERRITORY FOR CATTLE RAISERS' ASSOCIATION

J. W. B. Hogan, inspector for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association, makes his headquarters in Midland, in the John B. Thomas Building, and covers a large ranching and cattle shipping territory in West Texas and parts of New Mexico.

Although one of the youngest inspectors on the force, Mr. Hogan has had as much experience as many of the older ones, and has been successful in bringing a number of cattle thieves to justice.

The Cattle Raisers' Association constantly wages war against cattle theft, and has reduced the large scale thievery to a minimum. It is actively engaged in ridding the country of "beef" thieves, and brings many of the culprits to court each year.

On account of the large number of cattle handled through the Midland stock pens each year, the city has been used for a long time as the headquarters for the inspector of this territory.

Livestock Exchange Handles Many Cattle

MIDLAND OFFICE LOCATED IN JOHN B. THOMAS BUILDING

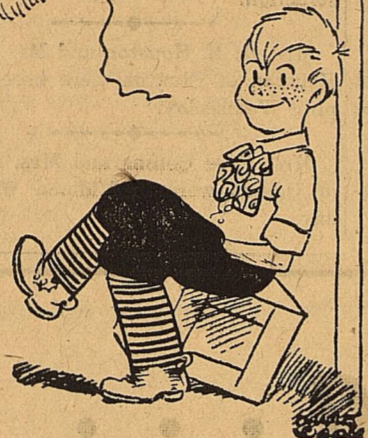
The Livestock Exchange, Inc., of Midland and Des Moines, Ia., is one of the largest cattle buying and selling organizations operating today, and also has big ranching interests.

The Midland office, operated by Leon Goodman, W. B. and F. F. Elkin, was recently moved to the Thomas Building.

This firm handles thousands of cattle from West Texas, the Panhandle, New Mexico, Colorado and other points each year, shipping the cattle to feeders in the Corn Belt. The territory covered is gradually growing, and the number of cattle handled grows proportionately.

MICKIE SAYS—

RUNNING A NEWSPAPER IS QUITE A JOB. SEZ TH BOSS, "YOU CAN PLEASE SOME OF TH' PEOPLE ALL OF TH' TIME, AND ALL OF TH' PEOPLE SOME OF TH' TIME, BUT NO EDITOR EVER PLEASED ALL OF TH' PEOPLE ALL OF TH' TIME!" SO TH' BOSS DOES THE BEST HE KIN AND LETS IT GO AT THAT



Mr. Goodman was formerly in charge of the Des Moines office, but after getting the marketing end of the business down to routine, he moved to Midland to assist his partners, the Elkin Brothers, in buying more cattle each season.

Ranches, comprising many sections, are owned both north and south of Midland by the Livestock Exchange.

Marie Antrim, 15 years old, of Kingman, Kan., won first honors in the nation-wide health contest in Chicago.

A mechanical bokmaker, which registers each bet, is being operated by electricity in the Stadium Club in London.

Mrs. Saxon Brown, professional strong woman of London, can balance three stalwart men on her body at one time.

Paul Ash, a creator of jazz and an orchestra leader at Oakland, Cal., has his fingers insured for \$10,000.

Rev. Brown Attends State Board Meeting

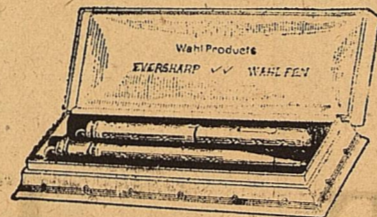
Rev. George F. Brown, pastor of the Baptist Church here left today for Dallas, where he will attend the board meeting of the Texas Baptist convention.

He was accompanied to Dallas by the Rev. Perry Evans, special representative of the Buckner's Orphans Home, who preached in Midland Sunday. The state board meeting is

Chicago is 90 per cent religious, according to the report of the Chicago Church Federation.

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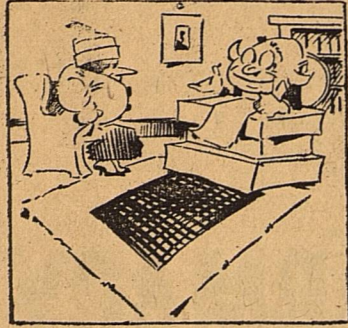
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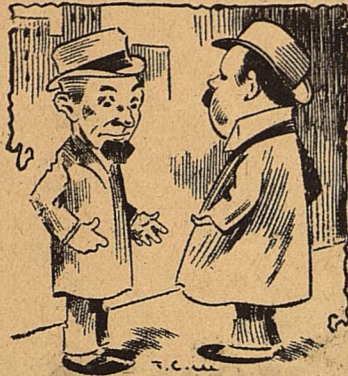
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Midland, Texas



Patient—"I think you are charging me too much, doctor." Doctor—"But you wouldn't want to have it said that you had anything less than a major operation."

GETTING BACK AT HIM



"You are lucky to be alive."
"Yes—among so many dead ones."

EXPLAINED



Swift's Great Power as Satirist of Vice

Swift is unquestionably the greatest of English satirists, and it is interesting to observe why he is so much more effective than our numerous satirists today, of whom we have God's plenty. The reason—apart from the incomparable austerity and beauty of his prose style—is not far to seek. It can be stated in two words. Our present contemporary satirists ridicule vice; Swift ridiculed virtue. Our living satirists attack religious and moral people, and, above all, they make fun of anyone intensely in earnest. If this earnestness is directed not toward the predatory selfish satisfaction of lust or lucre, but expresses itself in religious, moral or social reform, then the satire takes on increasing intensity. Swift attacks treachery, ingratitude, lechery, pimping, uncleanness, hatred, envy, swinishness, avarice, and the wholesale murder sentimentalized under the name of patriotism. And it is because these degrading vices were all about him in England in 1726 and all about us in England and in America at present that the cutting edge of his sword went so deep and made so many victims wriggle, and it also explains why that sword has not lost its edge in 200 years.—William Lyon Phelps, in Yale Review.

Town Failed to Live Up to Expectations

The old town of Quindaro on the Missouri river above Kansas City was founded in 1856 by free state boomers who came from New England. Kansas City and Leavenworth were either neutral or were dominated by sympathizers of the South.

The New England emigrants wanted a "port of entry" of their own. The town was built up rapidly with a large hotel, great warehouses, a steamboat landing, and other evidences of a "future great metropolis." During the Civil war, however, the men all went to fight. When they returned the Union Pacific was building west through the Kaw valley, and a little later the Hannibal bridge was constructed, forever making Kansas City the "port of entry."

Quindaro was abandoned. Its hotel and warehouses went to decay, and now all that remains are the ruins and the memory of a struggle of a few brave men who believed they were right, but who were mistaken in their judgment as to the geographical location of the "future great metropolis."—Kansas City Star.

Trees in Miniature

Anyone can grow miniature trees. Cut a thick-skinned orange in two and remove the pulp from one of the halves. Put a coating of shellac on the outside of this little "bowl," and fill the hollow with rich soil. In it plant a couple of seeds of an evergreen tree, such as pine or cedar, and prop the bowl upright in a room where it will get plenty of sunlight. Water the soil occasionally, and do not let the room get overheated.

When the roots begin to force a way through the orange skin, cut them off level with the surface, taking care not to injure the shellac coating. When the tree has attained fair growth, it may be transplanted to a large flower pot, but the curtailment of its roots will permanently stunt its growth.

Scharbauers Back From Chicago Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer returned Wednesday night from Chicago, where they have been transacting business for the past two or three weeks. They report a very enjoyable trip.

Hinton Represents International Brick

J. J. Hinton, local building man, sold the common brick and the tile for the Thomas Building, representing the International Brick Company at El Paso.

Mr. Hinton handles a large variety of building materials and equipment for houses, and maintains a warehouse at Midland.

Drs. Bobo And Ryan Have Office In Thomas Bldg.

Offices of Drs. Ryan and Bobo are now located in the John B. Thomas Building, on the fifth floor.

Dr. Ryan has been in Midland since the first of the year, and Dr. Bobo joined him July 1. These physicians and surgeons have built up a large practice in Midland, and have much new and up-to-date equipment.

Dr. Pemberton In Midland for Years

Dr. L. B. Pemberton, although young in years, has been practicing his dental profession in Midland for several years. He is a native of Midland, and has built up an enviable practice in this section.

New dental equipment, said to be the best in this section of the state, was installed when he recently moved into the Thomas Building.

STOCKHOLDERS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Midland Country Club, Inc., of Midland, Texas, for the election of directors and transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting will be held at the Country Club between the hours of 7:30 and 8:30 p. m. on Tuesday, January 10th, 1928.

R. M. BARRON, Secretary.
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CITATION

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Midland County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cite all persons interested in the welfare of May Beth Judkins, a minor, and the due service hereof does cite them to appear at the next regular term of the county court, to be held at the courthouse thereof on the 1st Monday in January, 1928, the same being the 2nd day of January 1928 and contest, if they see proper to do so, the application of Arthur L. Judkins, which has been filed in said court for the guardianship of the person and estate of said May Beth Judkins, a minor.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, at the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness J. M. Shelburne, clerk of the county court of Midland County. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in the city of Midland, this 7th day of December, 1927.

J. M. SHELburne, Clerk of the county court, Midland County, Texas. Issued this the 7th day of December, 1927. (Seal.) 22-3t-F.

CITATION

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

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published for ten days exclusive of the dates of publication, in a newspaper published in Midland County, Texas, which has been so published for more than one year prior to date of publication, the following citation:

The State of Texas, to all persons interested in the Estate of Edward R. Benedict, Deceased.

Know ye that Pearl Benedict having filed in the County Court of Midland County, an application for letters of administration upon the estate of Edward R. Benedict, deceased;

Now, therefore, these are to notify you, and each of you, who are interested in said estate, to be and personally appear at the next regular term of the honorable county court, to be holden at the courthouse of said county, in Midland on the First day of January, A. D., 1928, same being the 1st day of January, A. D., 1928, then and there to contest said application should you desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal this 8th day of December, A. D., 1927. J. M. SHELburne, Clerk County Court, Midland County, Texas. (Seal.)

Issued this December 8th, 1927. J. M. Shelburne, Clerk, County Court, Midland County, Texas. 22-3t-F.

El Paso Firm Had Electrical Work

WIRING OF BUILDING A BIG UNDERTAKING, WELL HANDLED

The Ware Electric Company, of El Paso, handled the electrical installation in the John B. Thomas Building, having been awarded the contract on the same day the general contract was let.

This job was a huge undertaking, as wiring for a large variety of uses was installed. Wiring for light fixtures, base plugs, hot water heating, X-rays, sterilizing equipment, and many other uses had to be installed and the firm turned out a satisfactory job.

The Reporter does Job Printing.

Hyatt Deals In Oil Properties And Real Estate

W. A. Hyatt, with offices in the Thomas Building, is dealing in oil properties, leases and royalties, also handling real estate.

Mr. Hyatt, formerly a banker here, has been in business in Midland for several years, and also has a large clientele of oil operators and investors by reason of his operations in the Ranger field, at Artesia and other locations.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Smallheart were here yesterday from their place southeast of Midland.

Mrs. Iona Crow was here yesterday, shopping.

Owens and Sloan Have Office Here

Owens and Sloan, oil operators, have recently opened an office in the Thomas Building, with Dave Smith of Midland in charge.

These operators have holdings in Mitchell County, and have recently added Pecos County properties.

Sam Sloan is active in this section on account of his promotions of flying. He will have charge of the Midland Airport, which is now under construction.

Mrs. A. R. Houston and Mrs. C. M. Houston of Stanton were here shopping Wednesday.

Mrs. Fred Collins and Mrs. Boozer of Odessa were in Midland Wednesday.

TEXAS IS FIG PRODUCER

Figs are rapidly coming to be a commercial crop in Texas. They are grown in the coastal region and this indicates the wide variety of crops and climate of the state, ranging from the wheat belt of the Panhandle to the fig, date and citrus fruit sections of the Valley.

Texas produced last year 2,400,000 pounds of grapes for the commercial markets last year.

The electrical production of Texas increased 20 per cent in September this year over September last year. The total for September 1927 was 164,987,000 kilowatt hours.

Texas uses more natural gas in the production of electricity than any other state. In September this year its consumption of gas for this purpose reached 2,342,826.00 cubic feet.

Announcing . . .
the
Formal Opening
of
Patteson's Pharmacy
Saturday, December 17th

YOU are invited to be our guests Saturday, December 17, the date of the formal opening of Midland's newest drug store, Patteson's Pharmacy. We want you to call, get acquainted, and look around, even though you don't want to buy a thing. Inspect our new fixtures, acquaint yourself with the nationally-known lines of merchandise we are going to handle, and . . . come to see us again.

Valuable Gifts will be Given Away Saturday, Dec. 24th

To Participate, Come in and Register

Refreshments Served Saturday

And for Christmas Gifts . . .

We have the newest selections in town. Here you will find the famous toilet preparations of Helena Rubinstein, Fifth Avenue, New York; Johnston's nationally-liked candies, and a large assortment of writing sets, smoking sets, manicuring sets, toilet sets, and others. Let us help you decide "what to give."

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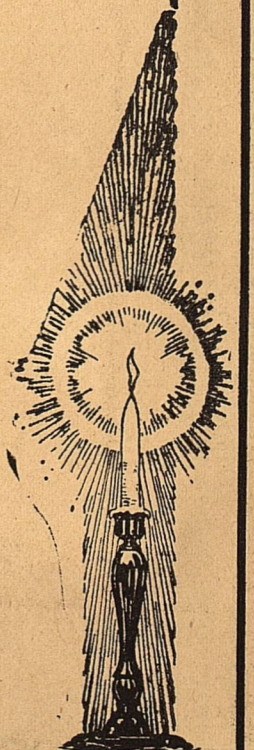
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**Equipment Sold By
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HOSPITAL FURNITURE AND
FRIGIDAIRE SYSTEM
FURNISHED

The Midland Hardware Company, Inc., sold the hospital furniture for the John B. Thomas Building; and also the Frigidaire equipment which is used in the circulating ice water system throughout the building.

The Midland Hardware Company is one of the oldest business institutions in Midland, dealing in hardware and implements, and in furniture.

They have had the Frigidaire and Delco busines here for the past few years, and have done a large traffic in that equipment.

Marve Mayfield of Odessa transacted business in Midland yesterday.

**Short Courses In
Livestock To Be
Given at A. & M.**

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 15.—Special livestock short course for live stock farmers, ranchers and others interested will be held at the A. and M. college of Texas January 9 to 13, inclusive. This course will be offered by the extension service in co-operation with the animal husbandry department of the college and the Texas agricultural experiment station. It will be the first course of the sort offered at the college in several years.

The program for the course just issued, shows three divisions, dealing respectively with beef cattle, hogs and sheep and goats. Lecture programs for these three divisions will proceed during the same hours but in different sections during the five-day period. The short course is de-

signed to give livestock farmers and ranchers an opportunity to study problems of the industry more intensively than is possible either in county meetings or during the summer short course.

F. C. Bishop, bureau of entomology, United States Department of Agriculture, will be one of the outstanding lecturers for the course. He will give especial attention to discussion of screw worm control and the ox warble and other external parasites. Subject matter on the program covers a wide range of topics, including among others judging, marketing, feeding, market classes and grades, range management, diseases, parasites, management, sanitation, record keeping, wool and mohair grading.

J. Tom Mercver was here yesterday from Big Spring, on business with the Continental Oil Company.

It Was Our Pleasure

to have a part in the
construction of the

Thomas Office Building

Common brick, fire brick and hollow tile in this building were furnished by

The International Brick Co.
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Sold through their local distributor, J. J. Hinton

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*appreciate Dr. John B. Thomas and
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land's strides toward becoming the
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The
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We congratulate Dr. Thom-
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pletion of his office building.

University Gets Small Return From Oli Properties

"Black gold from gushing oil wells" is a romantic figure of speech that creates visions of untold wealth in the minds of the readers, but the University of Texas officials feel that it is little more than a pretty figure. Even a road to prosperity paved with "black gold" may be long and tortuous, they have discovered. Figures compiled by W. R. Long, auditor of that school, show that to September 1, the latest figures available, the school's available building fund had derived only \$38,000 from this source. On that date, interest payments on the invested oil funds had amounted to \$203,374.98, of which amount \$165,374.98 had been paid as premiums on the investment made.

With oil royalties from the wells in West Texas amounting to \$7,462,082 on December 1, 1927, university officials find themselves still looking to the grass-fed steer to remove the decrepit, war-time wooden shacks from the campus and provide badly needed class rooms, laboratories and library facilities. At best, this is a slow-moving program, they ruefully admit. This situation is the outgrowth of legislative action on university finances. The school has two funds, the permanent fund and the available fund. The available fund is mostly made up of the interest collected from investments of the permanent fund and is the only source the school has for building funds. The state constitution provides that the permanent endowment, which is nearly all in the form of lands, must be kept intact, that monies derived from the sale of these lands may never be spent, but must be invested in bonds of the state of Texas or the United States and only the interest used. It also limits the university to this source of revenue for building purposes, expressly forbidding the legislature from appropriating money for buildings on the university campus, as it does for other state institutions.

The attorney general ruled that the oil was part of the land itself, and not a product of the land, since it cannot be replaced, and that the money derived from this source must be placed in the permanent fund. The legislators made an effort to give the university the right to spend this money for buildings, but the attorney general ruled the bill they passed unconstitutional, and the supreme court upheld his ruling.

Then came the question of investing the oil royalties. The state constitution provides that the university permanent fund must be invested in state or national bonds. There are no state bonds to absorb so large an amount. The state comptroller ruled that the university could not pay more than par value for United States bonds, the only source. But all government bonds were selling at premiums of from \$5 to \$10 per \$100 par value. Later it was ruled that the university might pay the premium required; but that the first interest from the investment must be used to replace this premium in the permanent fund so that the money withdrawn for the purchase of bonds and the face value of the bonds would be equal.

This meant that no available revenues from these bonds would be forthcoming for about two years. The first investments were made in the summer of 1925, and the premium

on these bonds has just been repaid. Bonds bought since that time have not yet begun to produce any expendible revenue.

However, from this time forward a steady stream of revenue may be expected. Just how large a stream this may be is problematical. At present the investments made by the university yield an average of \$3.60 per \$100 face value investment. But the best bonds available for investments made during the past month or so have been treasury certificates bearing interest at 3 3-8 per cent; and the premium on these certificates has been a little more than 2 per cent, which brings the net yield down to about 3 1-4 per cent. Dean J. A. Fitzgerald, of the school of business administration of the university estimates the yield may go as low as 3 per cent, giving as his reasons the large liquidation of the national debt by the treasury department and the consequent large sums to be re-invested. Too, these bonds are tax-exempt and very attractive to those whose income tax is important.

Premiums on investments each year will amount to approximately \$100,000, the auditor estimates, as long as the oil lands continue to produce revenue. This money must come from the available building fund. Then there is an item of \$25,000 per year for supervision of the university's interests in the oil fields, another of about \$35,000 for repairs and betterments and upkeep to existing buildings, and other expenses, making the total to be deducted before funds may be set aside for actual building close to \$200,000 each year.

It must be remembered that this fund is constantly increasing. Nearly \$7,500,000 has already been derived from this source and it is still producing. The present low price of oil, so acute as to cause talk of a special session of the legislature to devise means of raising it, had altered figure somewhat, but authorities generally are convinced that the first pools have been at least half depleted and that \$15,000,000 is a fair estimate as to the university's ultimate share. That would indicate that the university may ultimately expect a yearly income of from \$450,000 to \$500,000 from this source.

At the present rate of income it would take the total oil income, not making deductions for premiums on investments or for maintenance of existing buildings, about two and a half years to pay for the new power plant under construction on the campus. Another three years would be required for the library extension already planned by the board of regents and more than three years more for the chemistry building planned to take that department out of the half mile long row of wooden shacks it now occupies.

The building committee of the university places its need for buildings needed at this time at approximately the oil income for 40 years, without help from other sources. With the other sources of revenue, and the expected increase in oil funds or about 20 years if there is no increase in the rate of income.

This calculation is made on the presumption that the oil royalties remain the sole possession of the university; that the A. and M. college is denied its claim to part of this fund, that Prairie View is denied its claim and that other schools do not set up a claim that will bring them

Robson Company Operating Here

BUILDERS HANDLING A NUMBER OF JOBS IN MIDLAND

The Robson Company, Inc., of Texas, headed by A. Newton Robson, occupies offices in the Thomas Building, having moved to this city only a few months ago. The company specializes in building contracts.

With Mr. Robson is John Marquis, experienced builder.

This firm has been successful in landing a number of contracts since coming to Midland, especially of business buildings.

B. Frank Haag In Thomas Building

B. Frank Hag, prominent attorney and mayor of Midland, has recently moved his office to the John B. Thomas building, being located on the third floor.

Assisting Mr. Haag in the office is C. F. Ulmer.

Stenographer Has Office in the New Thomas Building

Miss Willia Gilmer, who recently moved to Midland from Amarillo, is an experienced public stenographer, and maintains her office in the John B. Thomas Building.

a division of the fund.

In estimating the needs of the university, the building committee has taken into consideration the present plants of other state universities, and has tried to arrive at a building need calculated on enrollment. For instance, figures compiled by the United States bureau of education for 1924, the last year available show that with an enrollment of approximately 2,200, the A. and M. college of Texas has buildings valued at a little more than \$3,061,000. This estimate excludes the two branches of this school. For the same year, the buildings of the university of Texas, including the medical branch and the school of mines and metallurgy, were valued at a little more than \$2,905,000 by the same bureau. The enrollment at that time was approximately 5,150. Other figures given by the same source show the university of California with an enrollment of over 17,000 and buildings valued at \$12,323,000; University of Illinois, with an enrollment of over 11,000 and buildings valued at \$7,606,000; the State University of Iowa with 5,200 students and buildings worth \$4,263,000; the University of Michigan with an enrollment of 9,500 and buildings worth \$11,795,000; Louisiana State with 1,400 students and buildings at \$4,150,000; Missouri University with 3,900 students and buildings worth \$4,059,000; West Virginia with 2,300 students and buildings worth \$3,346,000.

These figures are the basis of the calculation that it will not be less than 15 years before the school is caught up with its present needs and probably will be 20 years.

"But by that time, we will be as far behind as we are now, if the enrollment continues to double each 10 years as it has for the past 40 years" Mrs. Callhoun states.

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The Thomas Office Building is a monument to his faith in Midland.

Sparks and Barron were chosen to handle a large part of the insurance on this six-story building.

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**T. P. Coal & Oil
Has Big Production**

DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATED IN THOMAS BUILDING AT MIDLAND

The Texas-Pacific Coal and Oil Company, with 16 producing wells and one drilling in the McCamey field, has its district office on the second floor of the John B. Thomas Building.

George Vorbe is chief geologist. In the land department, Edmond W. Dawson is scout for this territory and makes his home in Midland. Miss Lucille Boozer is stenographer.

**American Elevators
In Thomas Building**

TWO SPEEDS ON LATEST TYPE MACHINERY NOW IN OPERATION

The new Thomas Office Building has been equipped with the latest type two-speed alternating current American Elevators.

Before making the final selection of this equipment, Dr. Thomas gave much consideration to the problem of an efficient elevator system and found that the elevators as manufactured by the American Elevator & Machine Company are one of the most up to date machines on the market, embodying all the latest developments for sale and comfortable elevator service.

The American Elevator & Machine Company, through its representative, J. Peyton Hunter at Dallas, is supplying the needs of many of the leading hotels and office buildings in Texas.

The new Hotel Scharbauer will also be equipped with American elevators. This same elevator company has recently installed the elevators in the new Myrick office building at Lubbock, Jean Lafitte hotel at Galveston, Plaza hotel at San Antonio, Goodhue office building at Beaumont, Medical Arts building at Fort Worth, and the Crazy Water hotel in Minnott, Texas. Other buildings in which American

**Oil Field Lumber
Company Maintains
Headquarters Here**

CRAGIN AND SON HANDLE BIG BUSINESS THROUGH MIDLAND OFFICE

Cragin and Son, Inc., dealers in oil field lumber, have their district office in Midland, and are now located in the John B. Thomas building.

They do not maintain a yard at Midland, having them located at Breckenridge, McCamey, Odessa and Pyote. Midland has been the location of the general office since July first.

F. E. Cragin is president, S. B. Cragin is secretary-treasurer, P. P. Montgomery is vice-president and W. E. Webber is in charge of the Midland office.

**Jowell and Sons
Deal in Cattle**

Spence Jowell and Sons, dealers in land and cattle, are among the occupants of the Thomas Building.

The Jowells have ranches in Andrews County, New Mexico, and out north of Pecos. Besides their ranching interests, they handle cattle on a commission basis.

**Bedford Represents
Oklahoma Operator**

E. G. Bedford, who recently moved to Midland from Oklahoma, has his office in the Thomas Building. Mr. Bedford represents S. M. Gloyd, oil operator of Oklahoma City, and has bought and sold considerable oil properties in this section.

A \$30,000,000 liner, to be the world's fastest, is to be built by the Cunard lines, according to a London announcement.

Elevators are now being installed are Allen hotel at Sweetwater, Doering hotel at Temple, Breckenridge hotel at Breckenridge, Medical Arts addition at Dallas, Wells-Roberts hotel at Oklahoma City and in many other prominent buildings.

**District Office Of
Tidal Oil Company
Located in Midland**

C. LL. JACKSON IN CHARGE OF BUSINESS FOR THIS DISTRICT

District offices of the Tidal Oil Company have been opened in Midland, in the John B. Thomas Building, with C. L. Jackson in charge.

Business of the Tidal for West Texas and New Mexico is handled through the Midland office. The staff here will be added to from time to time according to Mr. Jackson.

The Tidal has production in the Church and Fields pool in Crance County, and also in Howard County.

**Southwest Elevation
Company Locates Here**

COMPANY SPECIALIZES IN MAKING ELEVATIONS FOR OIL WELLS

One of the newest companies to locate in Midland having to do with the oil industry is the Southwest Elevation Company, moving here from Oklahoma. This company specializes in well elevations.

Robert Muldrose is president, Robert Muldrose Junior is vice president, E. P. Peterson is secretary-treasurer. Robert Barling is also an official of the company.

This concern has its Midland office located in the Thomas Building.

**Parks Calves Bring
Record Price After
Being on Feed Lot**

What is regarded as one of the best records ever made by calves from this country after being on feed in the Corn Belt was reported this week when Roy Parks of Midland received a letter from Mr. Baum, well known Illinois cattleman, stating that calves which he bought from Mr. Parks from the 1926 calf crop had sold for \$19.50 per cwt.

The calves are reported to have weighed about 1,200 per head, and dressed 62 1-2 per cent. There were a car load in the lot.

**Vacuum Oil Company
Has Big Staff Here**

OCCUPIES SUITE OF OFFICES ON THIRD FLOOR OF THOMAS BLDG.

With land department, geological force, torsion balance crews and office staff located in Midland, the Vacuum Oil Company has one of the largest forces of any oil company in the city.

The Vacuum occupies a suite of offices on the third floor of the John B. Thomas building, having been located at the Home Hotel since August 1.

R. H. Woods is in charge of the land department.

John Hornbeck and C. H. White are scouts working out from the Midland office in adjacent fields.

F. H. Wilcox is in charge of the geological force for this district, with Guy E. Green, Dr. E. Jablowski, R. F. Ryan on the force.

Fred E. Joekel and Mr. Sankey are instrument men; Robert Briggs is sample grabber.

On the torsion balance crew, R. Hanrick is in charge, with Mr. Michaelis assistant. Mr. Williams is data expert. Fred E. Plummer is also on this force.

Miss Marguerite Shaffer is stenographer.

**Crump and Meek Deal
In Oil Properties**

Crump and Meek, new Midland firm are officing in the Thomas Building. They deal in oil properties in this section. J. L. Crump and M. M. Meek are the members of the firm.

Divorcing his wife and marrying her mother brought a Sioux City, Ia., man again into the divorce courts. He was granted a divorce from his former mother-in-law after living with her one week.

The Vacuum has locations in Pecos and Reeves counties.

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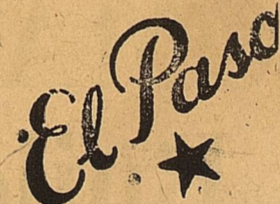
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Lloyd Tipton, Asst. Mgr.

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We congratulate Dr. Thomas, David S. Castle and Robert E. McKee on the completion of this wonderful building.

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HOWEVER, SOME IMPROVEMENT IS NOTED IN THREE CORN BELT STATES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Development during November did not alter moderately the outlook for cattle feeding this winter from what was reported one and two months ago, according to the report of the United States department of agriculture. All information available December 1 indicates a considerable reduction in feeding this winter as compared with both last winter and with any other winter in the last five. Reductions are indicated for nearly all important feeding states except possibly the three states of the Corn Belt west of the Missouri river where feeding last year was below normal. Reports from the Western states indicate a considerable reduction in cattle feeding this winter all off the these states. This reduction is most marked in the states that supply the Pacific Coast states and present information points to a reduction of at least 20 per cent in the number of cattle to be fed in these states compared with last year. The movement of feeding cattle during October and November into Northern Colorado and the most important feeding section outside the corn belt, while below last year was above that of two years ago and above the average. The movement of feeder cattle inspected in markets, into the Corn Belt states, in November this year was large as compared with other months this fall. It was about the same as in November, 1926, whereas in all other months this fall were much below the corresponding month a year ago. The total movement for the five months July to November was 16 per cent below the same months last year and 28 per cent below the five year average movement for these months. In most years the demand for feeding cattle falls off in November and prices of feeder cattle are the lowest of the fall. This year, however, due to the continuing high level of fat cattle prices and to the improvement in the corn situation demand for feeder continued strong throughout

David S. Castle Architect for New Thomas Building

HAVE HANDLED BIG JOBS IN MIDLAND DURING LAST FEW MONTHS

David S. Castle & Company, well known architects of Abilene handled the plans and superintendency of the John B. Thomas Building. This firm served as architects for the Midland high school building, recently completed, and is also handling the Hotel Scharbauer, now under construction. A large number of buildings in West Texas were planned by Castle and Company, especially in the city of Abilene where a big building program has taken place during the last few years. C. C. Holderness is superintendent on the work in Midland, with Walter Davies, assistant. Plans are now being drawn by the company for a fire-proof garage for McClintic Bros.

WHERE CURRENT IS MADE

Statistics show that 95.1 per cent of the electricity in the United States is produced by privately owned electric plants and only 4.9 per cent is produced by municipally operated plants. One third of the municipal plants purchase their electrical energy from privately owned companies.

GAS USED IN 5000 WAYS

Gas is used in more than 5000 different ways in industrial plants. About 25 per cent of the total amount of manufactured gas sold is now used by industries.

About 48,000,000 persons in the United States now use gas, and new customers are being added at the rate of 350,000 a year. The manufacture of gas utilizes more than 10,000,000 tons of coal and 900,000,000 gallons of oil each year. There are 966 gas utilities in operation.

November and prices were near the high point of the year.

Gins to Close For Holidays

The three Midland cotton gins, Williams and Dean gin, Hamilton Gin Company, and the J. E. Hill gin, will close for the Christmas holidays, shutting down on the night of Thursday, December 22, and opening for business again Tuesday morning, December 27.

Miss Tommie Preston is at home for a few days from the Tech college at Lubbock.

Mrs. Jones Lamar and daughter, Emily Jane, were here from Big Spring yesterday, visiting S. R. Preston and family.

Mrs. Tom Nance was in from the ranch yesterday.

Mrs. A. C. Eidson and daughter, Miss Betty, were here yesterday from Stanton.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Graham and Miss Effie Young of Stanton were in Midland shopping Thursday.

SIGNS YOU CAN BELIEVE IN

If your breath is bad and you have spells of swimming in the head, poor appetite, constipation and a general no-account feeling, it is a sign your liver is torpid. The one really dependable remedy for all disorders in the liver, stomach and bowels is **Herbine**. It acts powerfully on the liver, strengthens digestion, purifies the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy, vim and cheerfulness. Price 60c. sold by The City Drug Store.

MAN SO NERVOUS GETS SORE WHEN SPOKEN TO

"It actually irritated me to have anyone talk to me, I was so nervous. Vinol ended this and I feel wonderful now."—Wm. Fahy.

Vinol is a compound of iron, phosphates, codliver peptone, etc. The very FIRST bottle makes you sleep better and have a BIG appetite. Nervous, easily tired people are surprised how QUICK the iron, phosphates, etc., give new life and pep. Vinol tastes delicious.—Taylor's Drug Store.

Continental Supply Co. Headquarters Located in Midland

Headquarters for the Continental Supply Company are located in the Thomas Building. Jim Coombes is district manager, and Mr. Myers is salesman of drilling engines. Others will join the force here soon.

Dr. Campbell In Thomas Building

Dr. K. F. Campbell, dentist, who moved to Midland early last year, is now located in the Thomas Building. On moving in, he installed a new dental X-ray and other equipment.

Mrs. Fern Ttaum of Monahans was here Wednesday shopping.

New Attorney In Thomas Building

G. W. Dunaway, attorney at law, is now practicing in Midland with offices in the Thomas Building. Mr. Dunaway states that he will practice in all of the courts, state, federal or county.

Dr. John B. Thomas

WE CONGRATULATE YOU

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HOTEL SCHARBAUER BEGINS TO ASSUME COMPLETED APPEARANCE

BRICK LAID PRACTICALLY TO TOP. WINDOWS BEING INSTALLED AND WORK PROGRESSING ON THE INTERIOR OF BUILDING

With brick laying completed on two sides and practically to the sixth floor on the other two, the new Hotel Scharbauer is beginning to assume an appearance of a completed building.

Windows are being installed, decorative trim is being added to the exterior, and work is also progressing on the interior.

The contractors, Robert E. McKee and Company of El Paso, are bending every effort to have the building completed by February 1. Crews are working at all hours of the day and night and as many men as possible are being used for each branch of construction.

The Hotel Scharbauer is a six-story structure, located on Wall Street and Loraine. The front is 140 feet across, and the building extends back 100 feet.

Every modern hotel convenience has been incorporated in the make up of the Hotel Scharbauer by David S. Castle and Company, architects, and the building will be one of the most attractive and best equipped in the state.

It will have 150 rooms, and will cost approximately \$400,000.

It is being built solely by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer of Midland.

FOOTBALL BANQUET WAS WELL ATTENDED

LETTERS AWARDED TO 18 MEN AT HIGH SCHOOL LAST EVENING

Honoring the Midland High School Bull Dogs, football champions of the seventh district, a hundred and fifty people attended the annual football banquet at the high school last evening, the bountiful feast being served by the home economics department.

The menu was as follows: Whistle, roasted Stantons, Scalloped Odessa, browned Colorado, mashed Alpine, creamed Pecos, salty Sweetwater, stuffed Fort Stockton, buttered Bull Dogs, perfection champions, brick Shiflett, Angel Searcy, mint King. A program, with John Will Dorsey as toastmaster, was then given, consisting of toasts with appropriate responses, as follows: To the team, Barron Wadley; response, Lynch King, captain; to the coaches, Alvie Strawn; responses, D. D. Shiflett and H. C. Searcy; to our superintendent, Ronald Morgan; response W. W. Lackey; to our school, Henry Paddock; response, Hon. E. Frank Haag; to the pep squad, D. W. Brunson; response, Emily Flanigan; to our boosters, Rae Sowell; response Charles C. Watson.

Letters were awarded to the following players: Joseph Archer, right tackle; D. W. Brunson, center; Dennis Fleenor, right half; Robert Fleenor, left guard; Harvey Fryar, quarterback; Lynch King, (captain), left tackle; Rex Long, right guard; Glen Morgan, left end; Ronald Morgan, full back; Wilton Orson, left guard; Henry Paddock, right tackle; Dorsie Pinnell, left guard; Earl Sowell, left guard; Rae Sowell, center; Alvie Strawn, left half; Harwell Whitmire, left end; Witzel Whitmire, right end; Maurice Woody, full back.

The Bull Dogs defeated all opponents in this district, losing only to Colorado (pre-season game), and to Sweetwater for the bi-district title. The Bull Dogs ran up a total of 247 points to their opponents 55.

Carlsbad To Have Additional Paving

Contract has been let in Carlsbad, N. M., for additional street paving, to cost over \$100,000, according to an article in the Carlsbad Current. Most of the business section is already paved.

Brilliant display of Christmas novelties, bright, clean and catchy. Grey Rose Millinery and Gift Shoppe, 24-1

FLEENOR ELECTED CAPTAIN OF TEAM

ALVIE STRAWN SELECTED AS CO-CAPTAIN OF 1928 ELEVEN

At an election of letter men of the Midland High school Bull Dogs this morning, Dennis Fleenor was elected captain and Alvie Strawn co-captain. These men have done stellar work on the squad this season, and were selected unanimously by their team mates.

Freeze Slows Up Laying Of Brick

Brick laying on a number of buildings now under construction has been checked today on account of freezing weather, making it impractical to work with mortar.

The brick layers had reached the bottom of the sixth floor of the Hotel Scharbauer late yesterday, and will finish their work in another day, judging from the time they have made this week.

The Schrock and Wilkinson Building on Texas Avenue was well along for brick work, but was halted today also. The walls of the addition to the Hodge Building, being remodeled for a theater, are practically up.

Construction has started on the second story addition to the Haley Building, occupied by the Midland Hardware Company.

Work has been progressing on the second floor of the Orson Building on Main Street.

Rough On Rats Here Three Days

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will be rough on rats in Midland.

Unrelenting warfare has been declared by the county farm agent, mayor of the city and the chamber of commerce. Rats are destroying much property in Midland. They are carriers of disease. They are multiplying rapidly in Midland.

It is declared that a concerted effort will rid the city of these dangerous and destructive pests. Authorities on rat killing are urging every business man and every householder of Midland to purchase a dime's worth of poison, barium carbonate is recommended, mix it with some kind of food and place it in handy places for the rodents, but unhandy for dogs or other animals one does not wish to kill.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Collins and O. C. Jr., visited Mr. Collins' parents in Big Spring today.

Reporter To Publish Christmas Edition

A departure from the regular publication dates will be made by The Midland Reporter next week, combining the Tuesday and Friday editions into a Christmas Edition which will be put in the mails Wednesday night.

Advertisers are asked to take notice of the change, and to have their final Christmas advertising ready as early as possible, as the Christmas Edition will be the big advertising medium of the season.

Society items, church and club announcements, and contributions to the news columns should be turned in early and the co-operation of the public will be appreciated.

THE MIDLAND REPORTER

NEW LAW MADE TO CLEAN THE STREETS

CITY INAUGURATES PLAN FOR BIDDING PARKING IN EARLY MORNING HOURS

To forbid parking of automobiles on the streets between the hours of 1 and 5 in the mornings, a new ordinance has been passed by the city council.

This action has become necessary because of inability to find a time when the pavement can be swept. This will give four hours in which employes of the city may operate the street sweeper without being hampered from traffic or parked cars.

This applies to the paved streets, also to Wall Street between Barron and Colorado.

C. of C. Directors Meeting Called

Directors of the Midland Chamber of Commerce will meet Monday night at 7:30. President W. E. Chancellor is asking all of the 21 directors to attend, as this will be the last meeting before Christmas. The meeting is open to all interested citizens.

Jax M. Cowden will leave in a few days for San Antonio to spend Christmas. Mrs. Cowden has been there for the past few weeks.

William E. Tanner, manager of the Kuykendall Motor Company branch house in Odessa, was in Midland on business yesterday evening and this morning. Mr. Tanner was in charge of the fleet of cars used in taking the group of New York bankers to the Yates field yesterday.

CAMPAIGN PLANNED TO RID CITY OF RATS

COUNTY AGENT TO DIRECT THE WORK FOR THREE DAYS, BEGINNING DEC. 19.

A campaign to rid the city of Midland of rats and mice is scheduled for December 19, 20, and 21, with County Agent Atkins directing the work.

The mayor, city council and chamber of commerce endorse the campaign and are requesting the citizens to co-operate in this work.

Atkins states that powdered barium carbonate mixed with hamburger meat, rolled oats, stale bread or other baits at the rate of one part carbonate to four of bait, will be the chief method employed. Where the bread or oats is used they should be wet with water to form a paste.

Powdered squill (sold under the trade name of K-R-O) may also be used with suitable baits, using one part squill to ten of bait.

Sufficient poison has been used in country districts to kill 25,000 rats and mice, and it is to be hoped that as many will be destroyed in the city of Midland.

All druggists in the city are co-operating by stocking supplies of poison, and the county agent will be available with his services for mixing poison all three days of the campaign.

Following is the mayor's proclamation setting aside the time for the campaign:

Whereas, the mayor and city council of Midland believe in endorsing and promulgating any movement that will benefit the city and her citizens,

Whereas, rats are a source of menace to health and property and their presence conducive to filth, waste, and destruction,

And, whereas, the county agent of Midland County has volunteered his services to the people of Midland for a three-day campaign against rats and mice,

Now, therefore, I, B. Frank Haag, mayor of the city of Midland, do designate December 19, 20, and 21 as a time set apart for a "Rid Midland of Rats" campaign, and call upon the citizens of Midland to aid in every way possible in the destruction of these pests.

Done at Midland, this the 16th day of December, A. D. 1927.

B. FRANK HAAG,
Mayor, city of Midland.

Sweaters Selected By Football Men

Sweaters were selected this morning by letter men of the Midland High School Bull Dogs.

The sweaters are of the slip-over type, gold in color, with a seven-inch chenille letter and Bull Dog emblem.

MIDLAND OFFERS CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS BIG ADVANTAGES

WIDE TERRITORY SERVED ON ACCOUNT OF FACILITIES OFFERED BY BUSINESS HOUSES. CITY DECORATED WITH CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Christmas shoppers over a wide territory are being served this year by business houses of Midland. The big stocks carried here, the wide variety of merchandise handled, and the co-operative spirit of Midland merchants offers attractions and advantages that are being accepted by the people of surrounding towns and counties.

To add greater attractions to Christmas shoppers, the city streets have been decorated with colored lights, emphasizing the Christmas spirit.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Texas Electric Service Company have made possible this Christmas decoration, and the lights may be seen each evening and night in the downtown section.

With 22 blocks of pavement, well lighted store windows, and attractive displays of Christmas goods, Midland presents the air of even a much larger city and is very attractive.

NEW YORK BANKERS MADE TOUR OF YATES POOL IN PECOS COUNTY

FIFTEEN MEN IN PARTY REPRESENTING CAPITAL BACK OF OPERATIONS OF PANDEM OIL CORPORATION, RIETER-FOSTER OIL CORP., GIBSON OIL CO.

Coming to Midland early yesterday morning in a special car, 15 capitalists, bankers and oil men, representing the capital which is back of the Pandem Oil Corporation, the Rieter-Foster Oil Corporation, and the Gibson Oil Company, made a tour yesterday of the Yates oil field in Pecos County.

In the group were distinguished men, representing some of the major corporations of America.

T. M. Pettigrew, president of the banking firm of Pettigrew and Myer of New York, was in the party. This bank has supplied \$3,000,000 for operations of the Pandem Oil Corporation in the last two years, and will furnish \$1,500,000 for development in West Texas, according to Mr. Pettigrew. The banker seemed to have no doubt but that Midland is and will be the center of the oil business for West Texas.

E. L. Smallwood, New York banker for the Gibson Oil Company of Amarillo, was also in the party. It was intimated that the interests of the two companies were closely allied. They own 230 acres of lease in Pecos County, with three producing wells. They also have production in the Seminole pool and in Brown County.

Judge Warwick Downing, prominent attorney of Denver, was in the party. He has the distinction of being the guiding hand in drawing up the bill which was passed by Congress, having to do with the leasing of government lands. He is a director in the Pandem Oil Corporation, and is president of the Salt Creek Consolidated Oil Corporation.

A. L. Smith of Dallas, president of the Pandem, was in the party; also J. E. Dunn of Amarillo, president of the Gibson Oil Company.

Frank deC. Sullivan, who is a director in the American Railway Express Company and also a director in the Interborough Transit Company of New York, was with the group; also J. C. Campbell, president of the New York Clearing House, said to be the largest in the world.

J. Kern, New York banker and president of a well known packing company; Frederick Mills, capitalist; E. H. Hough, Paul Ache, A. C. Keeler, Edgar Stapper, all of New York, were along.

Willis Storm, chief geologist of the Pandem, accompanied the party, also J. I. Carper, representative in this section for Pettigrew and Myers. Mr. Carper's home is in Palm Beach, Fla.

The group has been on a tour of the Logan and Payne County, Oklahoma, fields; also of Coleman and Brown County, Texas.

It is a compliment to Midland to have been paid a visit by such an important group of capitalists, but all of them seemed of the opinion that they had come to "headquarters", as far as West Texas is concerned.

Cars for the trip were secured through the Kuykendall Motor Company.

Petroleum Building Ground Floor Plan Seen in Midland

A rough plan of the ground floor of the Petroleum Building to be erected by T. S. Hogan was seen in Midland yesterday at the office of the C. L. Alderman Telephone Company, the plan having been sent here to ascertain if it will be possible for 250 telephones to be supplied in the building according to the specifications.

The blue print shows the building to be located at the corner of Texas Avenue and Colorado Street, facing 140 feet on each street, and included in the plans is the big theater which was announced two weeks ago by Mr. Hogan.

The twelve-story part of the building is E-shaped, so that a maximum of light and ventilation may be provided for all offices. The theater entrance is on the west, judging from the appearance of the floor plan.

Full detailed plans of the building have not been completed, according to a statement made a few days ago by a representative of Mr. Hogan, but it is reported that the exterior of the building will be along Gothic lines, similar to the Petroleum Building in Fort Worth, and to Medical Arts buildings in several Texas cities.

"Llano Estacado" Title of New Book

LUBBOCK, Dec. 15.—"Llano Estacado," an authentic story of the far famed Staked Plains of Texas, is to be published early this spring under the direction of Dr. John C. Granberry and Cecil Horne of Texas Technological college. Tech faculty members have been asked to contribute much of the material.

The following subjects relative to the South Plains will be treated in the book: history, geology, agriculture, livestock, dairying, poultry, horticulture, engineering, cotton mills, economic life, home economics, architecture, literature, painting, music, chemistry, athletics and recreation, education and other topics. Each subject will be authentic and authoritative.

The editors have received encouragement from many sources and it is expected that the volume will be quite successful.

Ray Coleman is expected home Sunday from the A. and M. college to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Steve Taylor and Miss Clara Fowler from Eunice, N. M., are among the out-of-town visitors to Midland today.

Originator of Highway Name In Midland Yesterday

C. W. Taylor of El Paso was in Midland yesterday on business with the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Taylor is originator of the slogan recently applied to the Bankhead highway, the "Broadway of America."

He reports that federal recognition has just been granted to the "Broadway" route and that it is now designated as a first class trans-continental route.

The Broadway of America is only 50 miles farther from New York to Los Angeles than the shortest route, and when a certain strip of road now under construction from Lordsburg to an Arizona point is completed, it will be exactly 100 miles shorter than any other route, and is an all year and all weather highway.

Mr. Taylor is publisher of a monthly magazine called "The Broadway of America and the Southwest Review," and an article will soon be carried having to do with this section of the country. The rata will be prepared by the local chamber of commerce.

Bedford Attended Funeral of Nephew

H. G. Bedford returned yesterday from Corsicana where he attended the funeral of his nephew, Billie Bedford, aged 12, who died as a result of injuries received while playing with a football. The youth was not in a football game, but was injured when a companion fell on him while playing with the ball.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon. The boy was a son of Rufus Bedford, brother of H. G. Bedford, who lives in Corsicana.

Dr. Haley Here For Holidays

Dr. J. F. Haley of San Antonio arrived yesterday for a visit with his brothers, J. A. Haley and Claude Haley.

Dr. Haley seemed weel pleased with the march of progress here, and says he is going to take plenty of time to see what has been going on since he was here last.

MOTHERS

Watch for symptoms of worms in your children. These parasites are the great destroyers of child life. If you have reason to think your child has worms, act quickly. Give the little one a dose or two of White's Cream Vermifuge. Worms cannot exist where this time-tried and successful remedy is used. It drives out the worms and restores the rosy hue of health to baby cheeks. Price 35c Sold by The City Drug Store.

M. E. Ruple and wife of Haynesville, La., are visiting their nephew, Drew Ruple, and family

Chas. G. Fitch of Abilene was in Midland yesterday on business.

Mrs. E. H. Taylor is visiting her parents through the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Heard.

New Girl in Home Of the Ben Stanleys

Miss Joan Stanley is the name of a new baby girl who arrived in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben M. Stanley Sunday. She and Mrs. Stanley are reported to be getting along fine.

Amerada Man Here

J. S. Polhemus, of the Amerada Petroleum Corporation, was in Midland yesterday from San Angelo. He went on out to the Watson well in Winkler county.

The Reporter does Job Printing.

Forestry Legislation Shows Progress

That the past year has shown an increasing interest in forestry throughout the country is evidenced by the legislation enacted in a number of States, according to Col. William B. Greely, chief of the forest service, United States Department of Agriculture.

"It is evident," says the Chief Forester, in reviewing the progress in State forestry legislation, "that the States are becoming more and more alive to the importance of forestry and the necessity of progressively developing their forest policies. During the year, three States—

Florida, South Carolina, and Delaware passed laws for the establishment of State forestry departments and the appointment of State foresters. Similar legislation was again proposed in Arkansas, but failed. California created a department of natural resources, under the general supervision of a director, with a division of forestry administered by the State forester and guided as to policies by a State board of forestry. This new department takes over all the powers and duties of the former State forester.

Rhode Island made an important change in its forestry organization by putting it under the Department of Agriculture, North Carolina revised the board of conservation and development by increasing its membership and Louisiana provided for an additional member on its forestry board.

Miss Effie Young of Stanton were in Midland shopping Thursday.

CAR OF CALVES TO ORPHANS HOME

MIDLAND PEOPLE RESPOND LIBERALLY TO GIVE BIG CHRISTMAS

A solid car load of fat calves will be shipped early next week to the Buockner's Orphans home at Dallas, and a substantial cash gift will be sent in at the same time as a result of the efforts of Miss Georgia Bryant of Midland, assisted by Sheriff A. C. Francis.

Thirty-four calves had been donated for the cause last night, and \$158.00 in money had been given.

The car of calves will be shipped to the orphans for a big Christmas dinner. Miss Georgia Bryant originated the idea, and with the aid of Sheriff Francis solicited a number of Midland cattlemen for calves. Each

one responded gladly, and a number who did not have the calves donated money.

Thus Midland people are sharing their prosperity with the little fellows in Dallas, and will do a great part toward providing a merry Christmas.

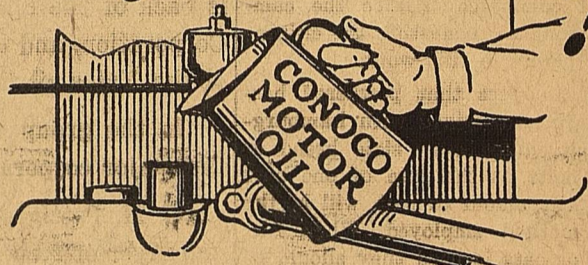
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Mrs. Ben Jenkins was over from Odessa Thursday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Kilborne were here yesterday from Gulf-McElroy.

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- Fur Lined Gloves
- Gladstone Bags
- Bill Folds
- Military Sets
- Smoker Sets
- English Kit Bags
- Leather Jackets
- Leather Caps
- Paris Garter Sets
- Fur Caps

For Her

- Handkerchiefs
- Hosiery
- Silk Underthings
- Fur Chokers
- Quilted Robes
- Bath Robes
- Pajamas
- Silk Mules
- House Shoes
- Bed Spreads
- Gloves
- Evening Shawls
- Silk Pillows
- Down Quilts
- Silk Quilts
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City Bakery

W. H. Spaulding, Prop.

In a study of the marketing of milk and cream in New England economists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture visited many milk and cream stations supplying the Boston market with milk. They found too many competing stations in which the volume of milk handled daily was too small for economical service to the producers. Because of the advantage of carload over less than car load freight rates, the lowest operating costs for a station are obtainable only when the station can ship a car load of from 220 to 250 40-quart cans of milk daily. This means a minimum supply of from 7,000,000 to 8,000,000 pounds yearly, and a supply of 10,000,000 pounds is more desirable because it permits a full car shipment even in the seasons of lightest supply. Much the same applies to dairy stations in other regions than New England, particularly in areas where the principal market is a large city with a heavy demand for fluid milk.

Mrs. Donald Hutt left yesterday for Kansas City, where she will visit relatives during the holidays.

W. C. Shull, from El Paso, is now located in Midland and is bookkeeper for the Scruggs-Buick Company.

W. G. Smauder, official of the Southern Ice and Utilities Company, was in Midland Wednesday from Dallas, on business with Kenneth Ambrose, manager for this district. He spoke highly of Midland's growth and development.

Miss Johnnie Mae Wilson will visit her parents here in Midland next Sunday. Miss Wilson will be accompanied by her cousin Thelma Harrison and a number of school friends. Mrs. Wilson will return to Colorado with her daughter for the holidays, and while there will attend the family reunion honoring her mother.

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Church Announcements

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning worship, 11 o'clock.
Epworth League, 6 p. m.
Evening worship 7:30 o'clock.
Stanley Haver, pastor.
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 11 a. m.
Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

Morning Subject: "The Place of the Bible in Christian History."
Evening Subject: "Heart-felt Religion."

We most cordially invite your presence at all these meetings.

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Thos. D. Murphy, Minister

Schedule of Services
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Public Worship 11 a. m.
and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST

North Loraine Street
Rev. R. O. Wilson, Pastor

Regular hours of services are as follows:—
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Communion and Preaching Service 11 a. m.
Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.
Preaching Service 7:30 p. m.

St. Ann's Catholic Church

Every third Sunday; Mass 9 a. m. for the English speaking.
10:00 a. m. for Spanish Speaking
Rev. F. X. Gagnon, O. M. L., Pastor.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Section 20, Blk. 40, Tsp. 1 So., known as the old Bailey place, is posted against trespassing of all kinds. Violators will be prosecuted.
Holly E. Roberts. 21-3tp

Of the 138 million acres of National forest lands, exclusive of Alaska, the United States forest service estimates that approximately 90 million acres are suitable for the grazing purposes.

"The law of supply and demand," says W. B. Greeley, head of the forestry service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, "is working steadily to create timber values which in large portions of the United States will pay fair returns on forestry as a business."

The use of good home grown legume hay and silage is the basis of economical feeding of cows. The cost of the grain portion of the ration will depend largely upon the quantity of these roughages available. A dairyman who has several stacks or a barn full of legume hay and a silo full of silage need not worry about the winter feed bill. Every cow should have these roughage feeds.

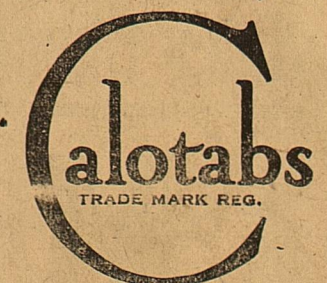
When weather conditions along the New York-Chicago air mail route are favorable insuring the arrival of mail in New York early the next morning, a day's interest can be saved by sending securities by air mail. This sometimes amounts to large sums. It is the practice of business houses in Chicago to call up the weather bureau each afternoon to learn what the prospects are. If unfavorable, the securities are sent by ordinary fast rail mail as this is more dependable in bad weather.

DR. K. F. CAMPBELL
Dentist

Announces the removal of his offices from the Midland Mercantile Building to Suite 304, Thomas Building, and the additional a Dental X-Ray.

The Reporter does Job Printing.

For colds, grip and flu take



Relieves the congestion, prevents complications, and hastens recovery.

Builders Have Own Lumber Yard

Anderson and Sundquist, general contractors and builders of Midland, are putting in their own lumber yard near the T. and P. railroad on Maricfield Street.

The sheds and offices are about completed. Lumber is not to be handled for general sale, but only for their use in handling their own building contracts, it is stated.

Onions like some other vegetables and fruits may be cooled somewhat below the freezing point without actual freezing taking place provided they are not in any way disturbed. Under commercial conditions it sometimes happens that onions are inadvertently allowed to be exposed for some time to a temperature below their freezing point. Under such conditions a wise precaution is to warm the onions gradually to a temperature somewhat above their freezing point before attempting to move or otherwise disturb them.

In poultry raising, the incubator has the distinct advantage of hatching a few or several hundred chicks at once time, and with the use of the coal burning brooder the problem of reproducing the flocks from year to year is materially simplified.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half spent a day and night with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hutt on the ranch, while they were in Midland.

Class T. railroads expended \$186,291,000 in 1926 for the direct purchase of about 15 per cent of the total timber cut of the United States. Indirect purchases brought the railroad's 1926 consumption of forest products up to approximately 25 per cent of the country's entire output. Because of those huge expenditures the railroad regards fire prevention as of utmost importance.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ira Howard of Stanton were Midland shoppers Thursday.

Mrs. W. A. Howard from Torzon was a visitor to Midland Thursday.

PALACE THEATRE

Friday

"CITY GONE WILD"

Saturday

"LIFE OF RILEY"

IDLEHOUR THEATER

Friday

"SALVATION DAN"

Saturday

HOOT GIBSON in
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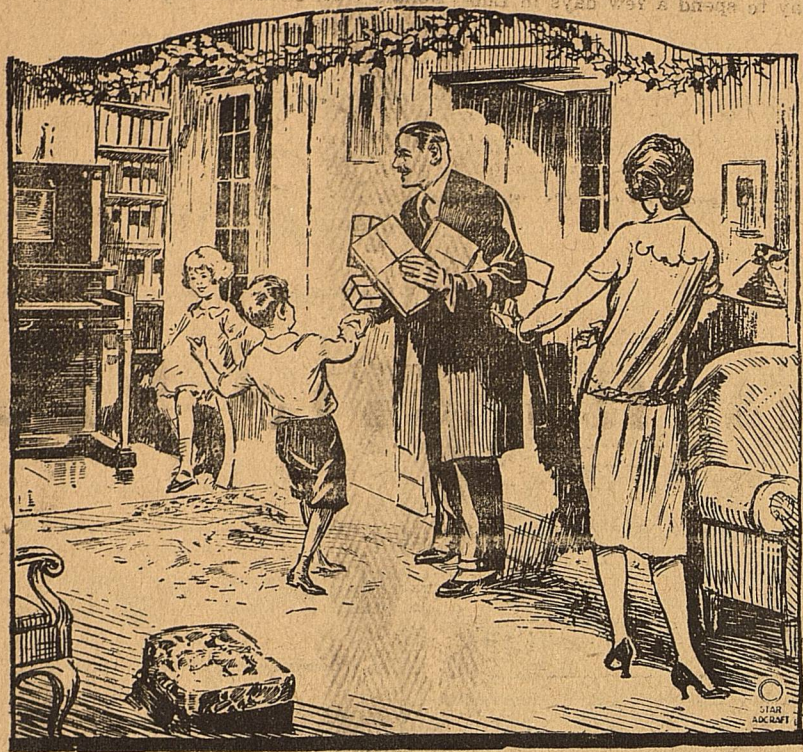
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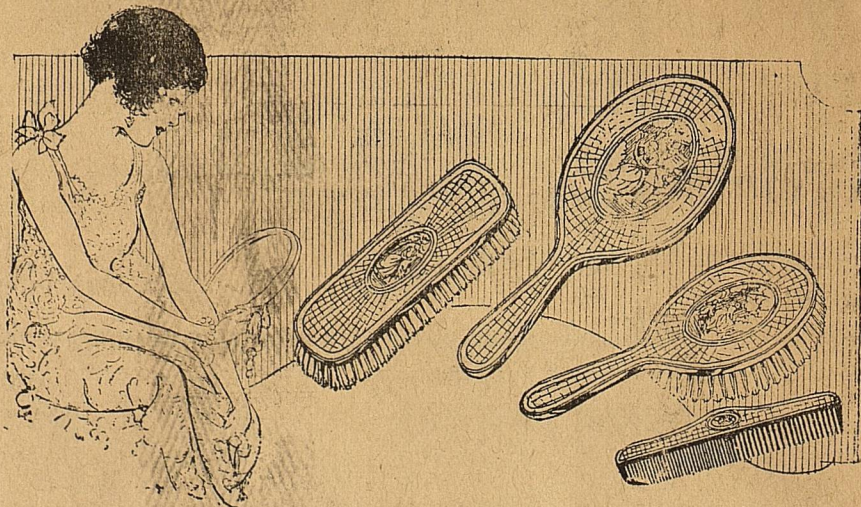
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A LIGHTED CITY

Midland people are having a taste of
what should be seen on the city
streets the year round. Thanks to
the Chamber of Commerce and the
Texas Electric Service Company, the
city is lighted up for Christmas in
a beautifully lighted manner.

A very small extra tax would be
necessary to light up the business
streets, with occasional lights over
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and that one thing would do more
toward beautifying the city, and
drawing the line between a town and
a city, than anything except the
street paving.

Paved streets and street lights go
hand in hand. What Midland needs
is more pavement and more lights,
but especially should the city be
lighted as much as possible during
the next few months.

The present array of Christmas
lights furnishes one of the most
beautiful night scenes of any city in
the state.

WATCH MIDLAND IN 1928

The eyes of the state, and consid-
erably more territory, are on Mid-
land and have been for the past few
months. The public in general is
amazed at the progress and develop-
ment that have been witnessed here
in the past ten months.

But, watch Midland in 1928! The
past ten months' growth and envelop-
ment are not a circumstance to what
will be seen during the coming year,
if prediction of capitalists, business

men and casual visitors mean any-
thing.

Everywhere is optimism. Not the
"blow hard" "horn tooting" type of
optimism, but a constructive ari of
going ahead which cannot be stop-
ped.

Midland has come into its own. It
has been the proper location for a
city for years, but needed only to
convince the outside world. The out-
side world now believes in Midland,
because the Midland people believe
in Midland, and results will soon be
seen.

Legion Post In Midland Growing

For the first time in nearly three
years Midland now has a good, live
energetic post of the American Leg-
ion. Let us keep it that way. Just
two weeks ago, the state department
of the Legion wired the local offi-
cers to get their quota. The local of-
ficers wired back that they would
double it. And they did. Now the of-
ficers of the local post are out to
treble it. Can they do it? The answer
is "yes." State headquarters are
watching the Midland post with great
interest and there should be no let-
up until the Woods W. Lynch post
No. 19 is the best in the state. But it
is going to take some work. Thus far
the responsibility has been assumed
by five or six men. That should not
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man, Main Cafe, Monahans. 24-2p.

FOR SALE—Jersey bull calf, regis-
tered, one year old. See Johnny Wad-
dell or J. E. Wallace. 24-2p

LADY, experienced in practical nurs-
ing wants employment. Mrs. D. L.
Flood, 2 miles west and 4 miles south
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lent location, good lease, reasonable
rent, fully equipped and very modern.
Will sell stock, separately or with fix-
tures or lease. Good reason for sell-
ing. Box 58 Eldorado, Ark. 24-2t

FOR SALE—A few choice Barred
Rock cockerels for sale. From select-
ed matings. J. M. Prothro. 23-2p.

FOR SALE—6 lots 50x140 feet, each
facing west half of block 45, West
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will trade for 100-acre farm in three
or four miles of town and pay differ-
ence. J. M. Prothro. 23-2p.

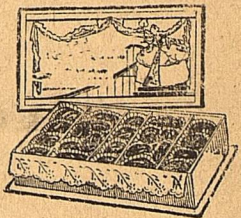
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keys for sale, \$10.00 each. Mrs. M.
C. Williams, Box 38, Rout 1, Stanton,
Texas. 23-2p.

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FOR SALE—Lots 8 to 12 inclusive in
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lor street, Amarillo, Tex. 22-3tp.

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G. R. Porter, district manager of Wm. Cameron & Co., accompanied by Mrs. Porter, will spend the Christmas holidays in Waxahachie.

Mrs. D. E. Cross, Mis Melba Cross and Mrs. Sidney Cross and little daughter are over from Stanton today.

MICKIE SAYS—

HERE'S TO TH' GOOD OL' LOYAL HOME PAPER THAT REJOICES AT OUR BIRTH, BRAGS OF OUR SUCCESS, REJOICES WHEN WE FAIL OR TH' SHADOW OF DISGRACE TOUCHES US, AND AT LAST MOURNS OUR PASSING AND EULOGIZES OUR MEMORY!



Mrs. Henry Orr and Mrs. E. E. Clements of Stanton are in Midland today.

Misses Eunice and Nell Nolan are able to be out again after recent illness.

Rumors were afloat here today that a second test may be drilled on the W. F. Scarborough ranch in Winkler County by the Roxara and Llano companies.

W. C. Kinkley of the Mid-Kansas Petroleum Company was here from Fort Stockton Thursday.

George Vorbe, chief geologist of the T. and P. Coal and Oil Company, is ill in an El Paso hospital. He went to El Paso last week end, but has been unable to return yet.

W. T. Lewis, vice president, and W. L. Fickett, secretary of the Llano Oil Company, will arrive in Midland tomorrow morning to spend a few days transacting business.

T. L. Griffin, manager of the Mens' Store, Inc., was a business visitor to Big Spring yesterday.

H. B. Dunagan is back from a business trip to Dallas.

J. B. Walton of Kermit was here last night on business.

Miss Jennie Elkin who is attending the Hockaday school in Dallas is expected home tomorrow for the holidays.

Mrs. Jack Cox, connected with the Alderman Telephone Company, leaves today to spend a few days in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half spent a day and night with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hutt on the ranch, while they were in Midland.

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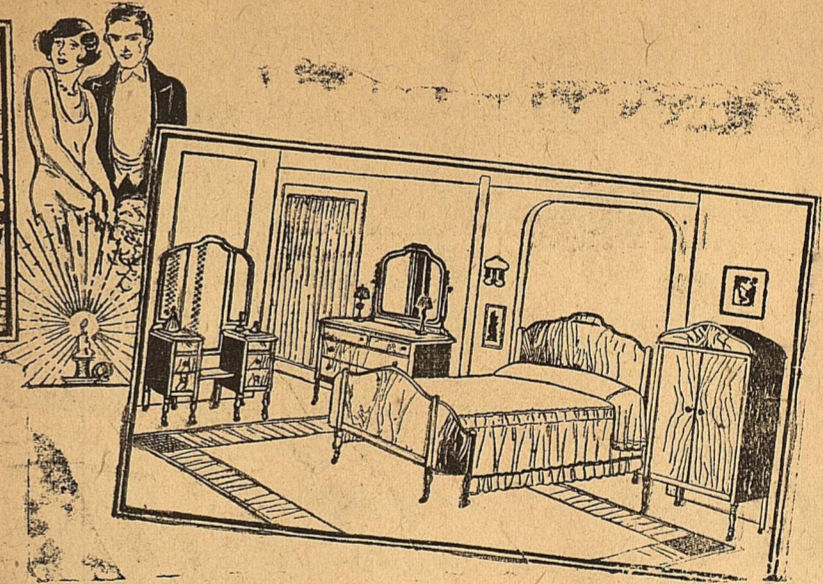
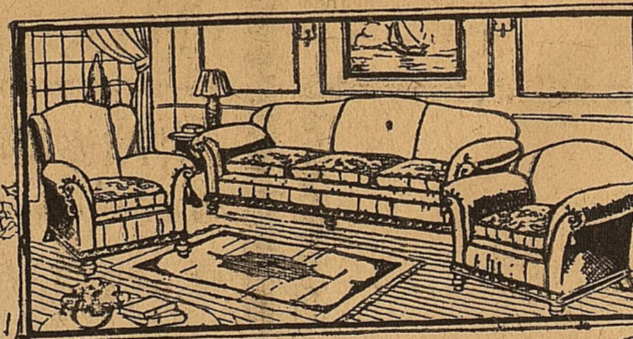
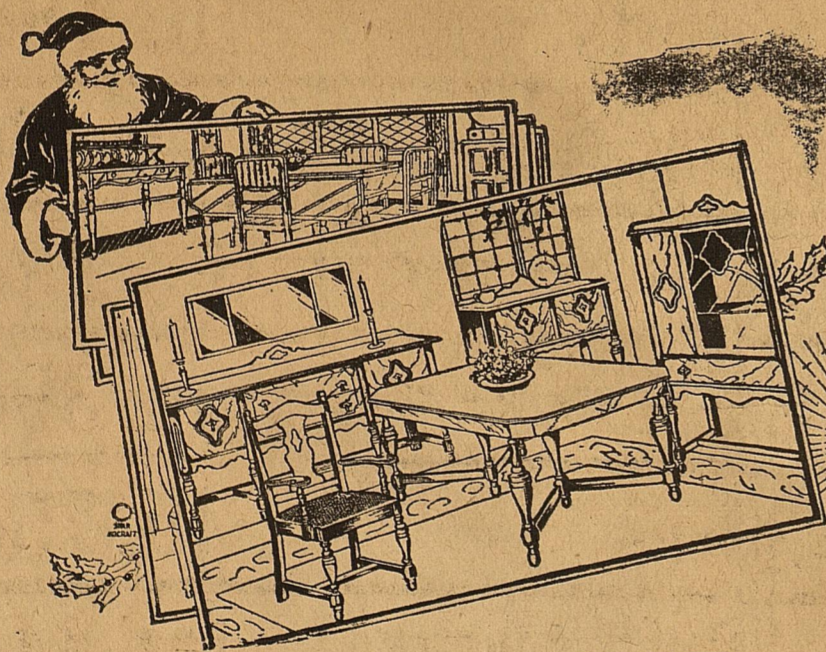
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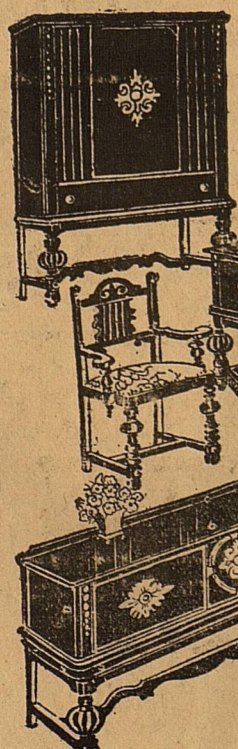
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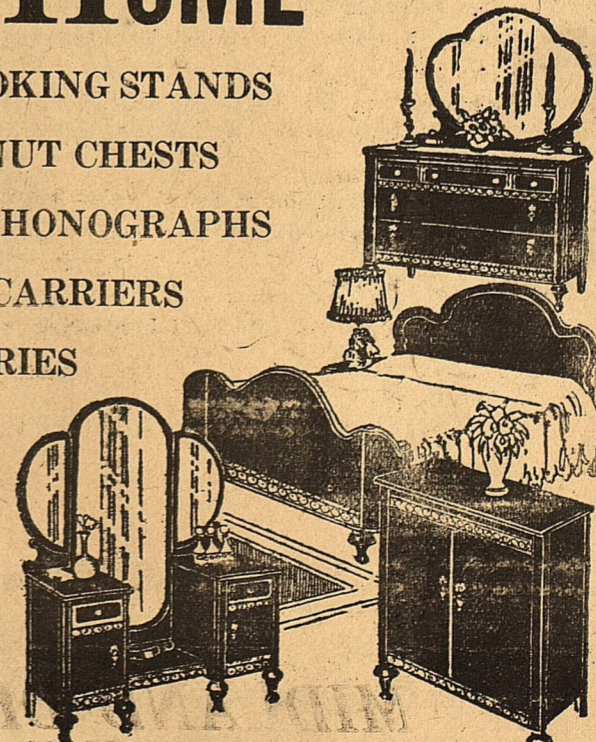
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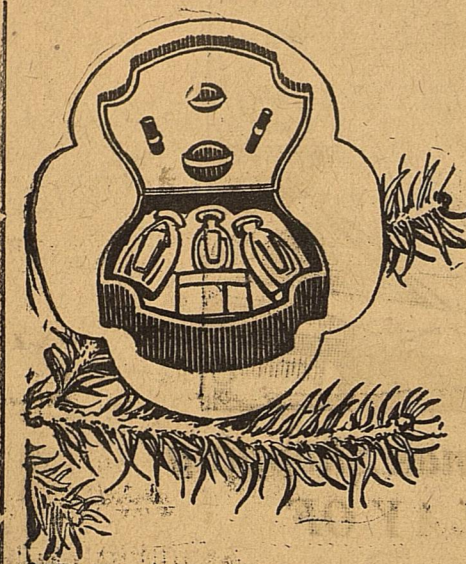
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D. R. Gaskins Buys Farm He Rented

D. R. Gaskins, well known Midland farmer, has bought the Henry Shumake place, 18 miles north of Midland, according to W. A. Wyatt who handled the deal.

Mr. Gaskins has been renting the big farm, and has been successful in making excellent crops. The farm comprises 2,277 acres and is in Martin County.

The last owner was Henry Sheffield who lives in Iowa, and was a former acquaintance of Mr. Hyatt.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Sloan of Stanton were in Midland Thursday.

Lovington To Have New Bank

For some time now work has been going forward quietly towards organizing a bank for Lovington. Little publicity has been given the matter because those having charge of the work did not wish it advertised until their plans were all matured and arrangements made for the financing of the new enterprise.

The work has now gone far enough to insure the securing of the band. The incorporation papers were drawn up last week and the application for a charter has already been made.

The new institution will have a capital stock of \$25,000 and also a healthy surplus. The major portion

of the capital will be furnished by outside capitalists, although a part of it has been taken by local people. The board of directors will be composed of local people and the officers and managers will also be local men.

The men financing the new bank are worth millions of dollars and it will be among the most substantial banks in the country.

There is no doubt that the time is now ripe for such an institution at this place, and it will mean more for the upbuilding of the town than anything which has been done here in many years.

The new institution will have the hearty support of the people of Lea county from the day of its opening. —Lovington (N. M.) Leader.

Legion Reports Successful Work

Membership in Woods W. Lynch Post No. 19, American Legion, was found to be 50 or twice the quota set for Midland, at the meeting Wednesday night.

Coffee and doughnuts were served to members present at the meeting, and all had a fine time.

Resolutions of sympathy were extended to George Wein, member of the local post, on account of the death of his mother last week.

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Plans Go Forward For New Railroad

KERMIT, Tex., Dec. 15.—Plans are going forward for the construction of a railroad from Monohans on the Texas and Pacific, to Kermit, the county seat of Winkler county, and from Kermit on in a northerly direction to the Texas-New Mexico line. The Texas-New Mexico railroad company, which was chartered at Austin Nov. 19, is behind this railway enterprise. Application to build has also been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington.

According to the charter filed at Austin with the secretary of state, the new line will take the following route: Beginning at a point on or near the Texas and Pacific railroad at or near the town of Monohans, in Ward County, Texas, and continuing thence through Ward county to the town of Kermit, in Winkler County, and from Kermit through Winkler County in a northerly direction to or near the Texas-New Mexico boundary line a distance of approximately 35 miles.

Offset Drilling To Watlon Well

The Southern Crude is preparing to drill its off set to the Amerada No. 1 Watlon well in Winkler County, according to J. B. Walton who was here last night.

The new test is on the south half of section 47.

The Amerada test is still fishing at 2,409 feet, and Mr. Walton stated that the casing might have to be pulled before drilling could be resumed.

Misses Gladys and Helen Manning motored to Crossett Thursday. Miss Gladys will remain for a few days with her father, Will Manning.

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MISSES WHITMIRE HOSTESSES TO FOOTBALL SQUAD

Honoring the members of the football squad, Misses Lenora and Myrtle Whitmire most charmingly entertained on Tuesday evening last.

Decorations of red and green streamers from the chandelier to the corners of the rooms, bright Christmas bells, and beautiful holly wreaths reflected the joyous Christmas spirit throughout the house, where tables were set for progressive "42".

After the highly animated games of the evening, delicious refreshments consisting of hot chocolate and cake were served to the football boys, Messrs Lynch King, Henry Paddock, Dorsie Pinnell, Rae Sowell, Bill Morgan, Harvey Fryar, Dennis Fleenor, Harwell Whitmore and Witzell Whitmire; other guests were Misses Lucile Thomas, Jeanette Waddell, Dorothy Campbell, Catherine Dunaway, Merle Craddock, Ruby Hodges, Elizabeth Smith, Sadie Bradshaw, Christine Brooks, Polly Wolcott, Pat Key Collum, Imogene Cox, Helen Hodges, Ova Ellen Walters, Clarice George, and Alta Mae Johnson; W. W. Lackey and H. Clay Searcy.

TUESDAY BRIDGE WITH MRS. HENDERSON

Mrs. E. H. Henderson was the charming hostess to the members of the Tuesday Bridge club this week.

Clever tallies, reflecting the spirit of Christmas were used. Mrs. Jack Hazeltine won high score and received a beautiful box of stationery. Mrs. C. J. Davidson won second high and received a box of French soap.

The hostess passed a delightful salad plate to the club members, consisting of perfection salad, sandwiches, olives, fruit cake and coffee. Mrs. Dave Smith was club guest for the afternoon.

LOVEJOY-FLOOD WEDDING HERE

Miss Joyce Lovejoy and Frank Flood were united in marriage Tuesday night with Judge Towers reading the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Flood have lived in Midland for a number of years and have many friends who wish for them much happiness in their new home in Midland.

FOWLER-HARRIS WEDDING SOLEMNIZED

Miss Violet Fowler and Grady Harris, both of Odessa, were quietly married at the Methodist parsonage with Rev. Stanley Haver reading the ceremony.

Several friends from Odessa accompanied the couple to Midland and attended the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris will be at home in Odessa.

MISS BRUNSON HOSTESS TO ENTRE NOUS CLUB

Miss Alma Brunson was the charming hostess to the members of the Entre Nous Club at her home Tuesday evening.

A beautiful guest room door knock-er went to Mrs. Chan Mason, winner of high score and Miss Theresa Klapproth cut high and received a beautiful hand embroidered handkerchief.

A pretty salad plate was served the club members and one guest, Mrs. Fritz Estell.

MRS. KLAPPROTH HOSTESS FOR SEWING PARTY

Close friends of Mrs. Anna Klapproth enjoyed an afternoon of conversation and sewing on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Klapproth.

Late in the afternoon delightful refreshments of chicken salad, whipped cream, chipped potatoes, wafers, apricots, devils food cake and coffee were served to Mes. Fred Middleton and son, Fred Gordon, Henry Butler and daughter, Myrtle Gene, and Miss Theresa Klapproth.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ENJOY CONTEST PARTY

Mr. Brenneman's class of boys of the Christian Sunday School, entertained the class of girls taught by Miss Quinnie Cordill, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Meeks this week.

The house was beautifully decorated in the red and green Christmas colors and jolly Santa Clauses. Candy making was the diversion for the evening, several different kinds of candy being made.

Billy Walker won the prize, a miniature Santa Claus, in the contest of trying to pin a sack on Santa Claus' back. Jean Wolcott won the consolation prize.

Those to enjoy the lovely party were Archie Estes, Billy Walker, Jack Hewitt, Malcom Brenneman, Bill Blodgett, Harold Blodgett, Dennis Fleenor, Bush Elkin, Carl Reeves, Ainslee Estes, Rae Sowell and G. Brenneman; Misses Quinnie Cordill, Lillian Danaway, Catherine Dunaway, Eulalia Whitefield, Bennie Sue and Dorothy Ratliff, Laura Helen Sowell, Ruth Wolcott, Elizabeth Smith, Lotta Fae Wright, Nancy Rankin and Jean Wolcott and Mrs. Porter Rankin and Mrs. G. Benneman.

PARTY FOR NEW WOMEN LOVELY AFFAIR

One of the prettiest parties of the season was given on Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Ed Cowden when she opened her home for bridge in honoring the new women in Midland.

The house was tastefully decorated with Callie lillies, carnations and other cut flowers interspersed with

po' ferns. The Christmas spirit was beautifully reflected in a miniature Christmas in front of the fireplace with a sparkling decoration of red and green.

At the close of the games, Mrs. Fred Hogan held high score and was rewarded with a silver candelabra with delft blue tapers. Mrs. Jack Hazeltine cut high and received a beautiful Dresden dresser set.

A delicious party plate was passed consisting of creamed chicken in patty shells, toasted crackers, olives, frozen salad, fruit cake and coffee.

Those to enjoy the charming hospitality of Mrs. Cowden were Mes. Dave Smith, E. H. Stafford, Donald Hutt, Fred Turner, Chan Mason, W. A. Yeager, John Dublin, Foy Proctor, Leon Bryant, W. R. Till, Jack Hazeltine, Virgle Cole, R. W. Patteson, J. W. Petteson, Lisle, Dr. Bobo, Fred Hogan, C. J. Davidson, Ellis Cowden, Chas. Goldsmith, Joe Youngblood and Roy Parks.

Mrs. A. D. Martin, who has spent several days here with Mr. Martin, has returned to Abilene.

Mrs. John Y. Francis and daughter were here yesterday from Odessa.

Richard R. Tyron and family of Odessa were in Midland yesterday afternoon. Mr. Tyron is publisher of the Odessa News and Timse.

John Castleberry and H. M. (Senator) Hill were here yesterday from Florey.

Chas. Bird and Tom Nance were in from their ranches north of here yesterday. Mr. Bird recently came down from Matador where he makes his home most of the time.

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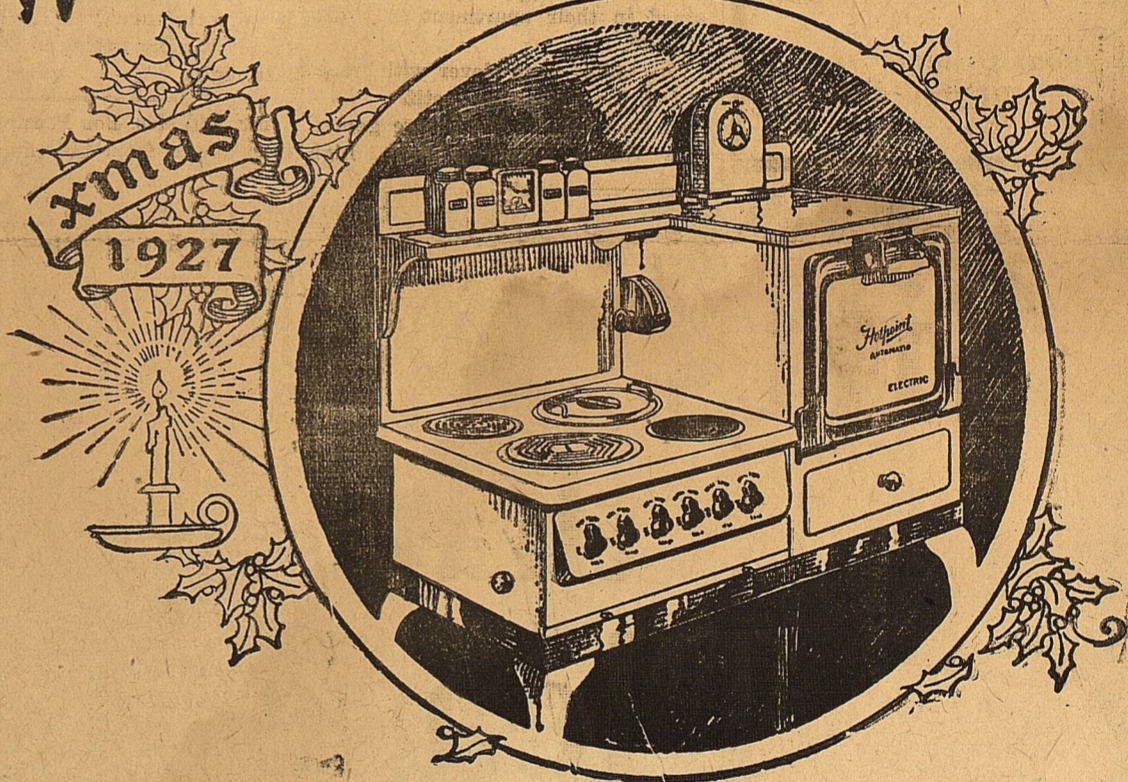
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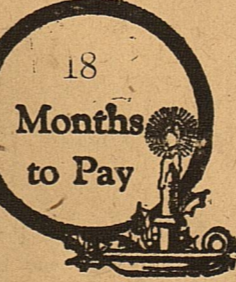
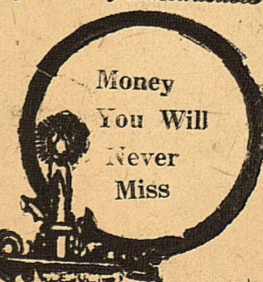
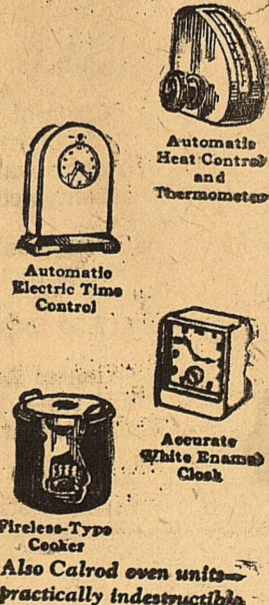
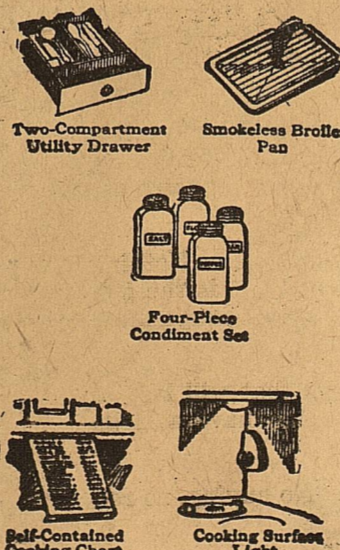
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OIL MENS' DANCE GALA AFFAIR

One of the most brilliant and gala events of the season was the oil mens' "get acquainted" dance at the Country Club on Wednesday evening. More than fifty couples participated in the smart Christmas dance, this being the Christmas affair since so many of the oil men will be out of town through the holiday.

The dance was a subscription affair and after the expenses are paid, the money will be turned over to the Red Cross.

The club rooms were pretty in decorations in green and red, reflecting the Christmas spirit. Christmas confetti and serpentine added spirit to the decorative motif. Favors were horns and clever caps.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the Brimberry Hunt orchestra of Big Springs.

The committee is not able to announce at this time just how much money will be gained for the Red Cross fund.

MRS. A. P. BAKER TO ENTERTAIN

Mrs. A. P. Baker will entertain with bridge at her home in West Midland next Thursday afternoon.

RE BROWN

Rev. George F. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church, returned Wednesday night from the meeting of the executive board of the State Baptist Convention, held Wednesday in Dallas. He reports a good attendance and a constructive meeting.

J. U. G. CLUB TO HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Ethel Reynolds and Miss Ruby York were co-hostesses to the member of the J. U. G. club and a few guests last evening when they entertained in their apartment in North Midland.

The tallies were clever with traceries of the Christmas motif.

At the close of the bridge games, Miss Thera Klapproth held high

score and Miss Lenora Whitmore low.

Delicious refreshments of rich banana whip, Angel food cake, hot chocolate and mints were served. The table covers were paper with traceries of Santa Clauses and holly wreathes as were the napkins.

Guests of the club were Mrs. Kenneth Ambrose and Mrs. Carl Ratliff.

The club will have a Christmas party at the home of Miss Opal Pyle on next Tuesday evening. A committee was appointed to make all arrangements.

Y. W. A. TO HAVE INTERESTING MEETING

The regular meeting of the Y. W. A. will be held next Monday evening at the Baptist church parlors. A clever and unique program has been arranged and every member is urged to be present. The program starts at 7 o'clock.

G. A. ORGANIZATION IN GARLINGTON HOME

The members of the G. A. organization met in the home of Evelyn Garlington for the regular meeting. Mrs. Carrol Hill is the new sponsor for the girls.

Quite an interesting program was held and in a business session it was decided to have a Christmas party on next Tuesday night.

The girls will not meet again until after Christmas.

ORCHESTRA NUMBERS PLEASE HIGH SCHOOL

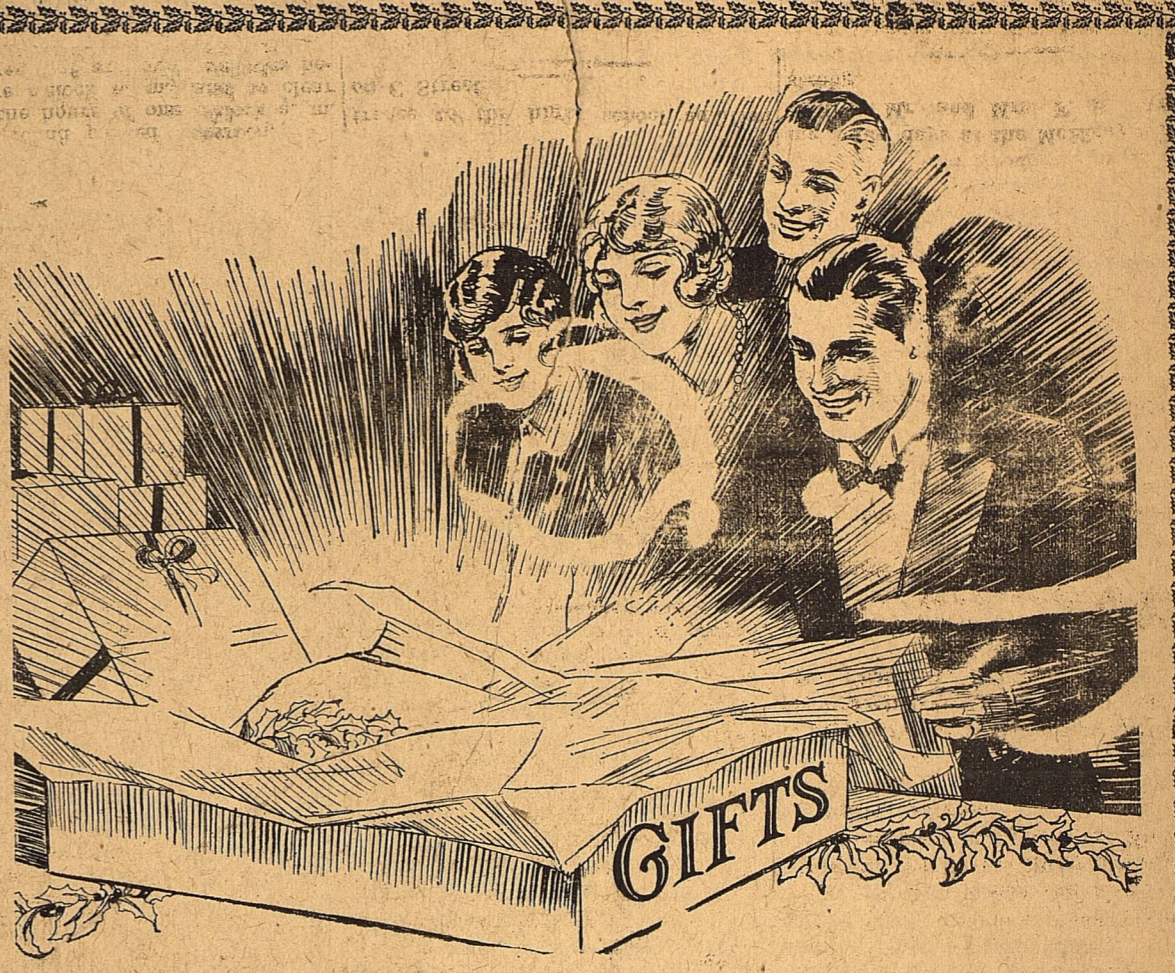
The Watson Students' Symphony orchestra entertained at the high school Wednesday morning with several selections and each number was greeted with much applause.

The program included "America Forever March" by Ascher, "Festival Overture," by Ascher, "Love's Dream Waltzes," by Ascher and "Melody in F" by Rubenstein.

The Midland Mercantile Market, J. W. Fowler owner, is the newest member of the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

Chares A. McClintic, cattleman and oil operator and Paul T. Vickers attended the Big Spring annual banquet last night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Preston and children are in from the ranch today.



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TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

An ordinance prohibiting parking of automobiles, trucks, tractors, and all other motor, steam vehicles, or horse drawn vehicles from parking upon the paved streets of the city of Midland, and upon Colorado and Wall Street, and Baird Street and Wall Street, from one o'clock a. m. until five o'clock a. m., and providing a penalty therefor.

Section one—Be it ordained by the city council of the city of Midland, at a regular meeting at the city hall in the city of Midland, that no person, firm or firms or corporation, shall park any automobile, truck, tractor, or any other motor, steam or horse drawn vehicle upon any part of the paved streets of the city of Midland, and or upon Wall Street from the intersection of Wall and Colorado, and the intersection of Wall and Baird Street, from one o'clock a. m., to five o'clock a. m.

Section two—That it shall be the duty of the city marshal, deputy city marshal, night watchman, and city pound man, and or any other peace officer commissioned by the city of Midland, to remove any automobile, truck, tractor, or any motor, steam, or horse drawn vehicle from the paved streets of the city of Midland, or from the intersection of Colorado and Wall Street, and Baird and Wall Street, found parked thereon, between the hours of one o'clock a. m. and five o'clock a. m., and to clear said streets of any such vehicles between the hours named. Any person, firm or corporation, violating this ordinance shall be deemed

guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than three dollars, nor more than ten dollars.

Section three—It shall be the duty of the city secretary to place on the streets and other public places, signs and posters, sufficient in his judgment, calling the attention of the public to this ordinance.

Whereas, it is necessary to sweep and clean the streets each night, and with vehicles parked upon the streets it is laborious, expensive, and almost impossible, creates an imperative public necessity that the rule requiring the reading of ordinance three several times be not required and that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its publication.

Passed by the city council of the city of Midland, Texas, this 13th day of December, 1927.

Approved by the mayor, this the 13th day of December, 1927.

Attest:
B. FRANK HAAG, Mayor.
J. C. Hudman, city secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cowden are moving into their new home this week. The residence is strictly Spanish architecture and is one of the most expensive homes built here recently. It is located at the south entrance to the high school addition on C Street.

W. B. Montgomery of Stanton is here today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Wilson were over from Odessa Thursday on business.

Mrs. V. Y. Sadler and Mrs. J. E. Moffett and Mrs. Gilbert Graves of Stanton were shoppers in Midland Thursday afternoon.

T. J. Stokes who is attending Draughan's Business College, Abilene, is expected home Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Ruby Castleberry from Florey is spending a few wdays with her sister, Mrs. Jim Gage.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Zimmerman were here yesterday from Stanton shopping.

Mrs. Herbert Carlock and children are here to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Dallas who is connected with Co-ed Dressmakers is in Midland today spreading the new spring stock at Wadley Watson's store.

Miss Margaret Snodgrass is spending a few days at the McElroy ranch visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Armstrong.

Al Cowden who has been attending Tech is home for the holidays.