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THE FINE PLANS OF MIDLAND STOCKMEN

REALIZING THE NECESSITY FOR
PUBLICITY MAY TAKE
ACTION

Because our stockmen have not much encouraged it, The Reporter, for some months past, has had little enthusiasm for the publicity that is merited by the splendid promise that lies in the livestock situation of the Midland Country. Publicity absolutely demands co-operation, and without it any single effort is doomed to failure. This statement as a preface to sales made lately by one firm of stockmen.

B. N. Aycock & Sons, our progressive Hereford breeders, have made a number of sales recently of registered bulls which indicate that our cattlemen are going to work with a new determination to breed up their herds. Some of the sales reported to us by Mr. Aycock are given here.

To Andrew Fasken, 10 bull calves, sired by the Champion Hector, which will be used in the high grade herd which Mr. Fasken has been recently acquiring, located at "C" headquarters ranch.

To J. E. Parker, Don Hector, a very fine junior yearling bull, sired by the champion Hector, which goes to head the good registered Hereford herd of Mr. Parker, located near Andrews.

To John Edwards, of Odessa, Beau Randolph 28th, another good junior yearling bull, sired by the \$20,000.00 Beau Randolph that Mrs. H. M. Pegues & Son sold to go to a Nebraska breeder last spring. This bull Mr. Edwards will use to head a good herd of registered cows recently acquired and located at his new home place adjoining the town site of Odessa.

To G. F. Cowden & Son, 3 yearling bulls all sons of Prince Domino, which are to be used on the full-blood herd of Herefords the Messrs. Cowden acquired last year from Bud Brown. We happen to know these three animals cost Messrs. Cowden over \$700 around, and perhaps not before have such high priced animals been used with unregistered cows.

To J. V. Stokes, 3 sons of Prince Domino, which will be quite an addition to the Stokes herd which has

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WILL MAKE SURVEY OF STOCK INDUSTRY

GOVERNMENT SPECIALIST TO
INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS
IN ENTIRE STATE

The first-hand investigation of the costs of wool, mohair, mutton and beef production in Texas and the Southwest was to have been made by Louis G. Conner, specialist of the United States Tariff Commission, has been delayed because of the necessity Mr. Conner was under to return to Washington and give testimony before the Ways and Means Committee now investigating the tariff question in Congress, it was announced in Fort Worth last Monday by E. B. Spiller, secretary of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas. Mr. Spiller returned Monday from El Paso, where he attended the sessions of the twenty-four annual convention of the American National Live Stock Association and a meeting of the executive committee of the American association.

Mr. Conner appeared before the convention and read a paper in the absence of William F. Culbertson, member of the tariff commission, who had promised to attend the convention, but was detained on account of the cost of producing live stock in the Southwest was made by Commissioner Culbertson to Col. Ikt T. Pryor, of San Antonio, and Judge James Cornell, of Sonora, in November at New Orleans during the sessions of the first congress of the Southern Tariff Association.

Mr. Conner will return to Texas as soon as he can leave Washington, according to promises made to Mr. Spiller. The Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, working in co-operation with the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association of Texas, will map out an itinerary for the tariff specialist that will carry him into the principal sheep, goat and cattle precincts of the State. An extensive survey of the ranching industry recently has been made in Sutton County by Dr. A. B. Cox, of the staff of the Extension Service of A. & M. College, and B. Youngblood, director of the experiment stations.

Mr. Conner will spend several days in the San Angelo, Sonora and Del Rio sections, and will have access to the records of Dr. Cox. He also will pay a visit to the sub-station of the



To Shippers of Live Stock:

You as a shipper are entitled to every cent the market will justify. You owe to your best interest to ship your live stock to the commission firm that will secure for you the most dollars.

The
NATIONAL
Live Stock Commission Company
Fort Worth, Texas

Gives you maximum at the minimum charge. NATIONAL salesmen are all men of recognized ability in their line and thoroughly seasoned by years of experience in the handling of stuff on this market, which insures you that your shipments to the NATIONAL will receive the attention of experienced men and the prices obtained by NATIONAL salesmen for you will reflect the full strength of the market. RESOLVED TO TRY NATIONAL SERVICE is the best New Year's Resolution you can make. It will pay dividends all the year round.

Texas Experiment Station maintained near Sonora, where sheep and goat raising is being developed along approved lines for a range country.

A considerable part of the investigation into the costs of raising cattle will be carried on in the Panhandle after he has seen and investigated the costs of production in the Southwestern country. It is probable also that on his tour he will visit Oklahoma and New Mexico.

There is now promise of much beauty and happiness to be added to the home life of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis, since the arrival yesterday of a beautiful baby girl. The little mother is desperately sick in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pemberton, but there is bright hope for her ultimate recovery, when congratulations of friends, many and sincere, will be showered upon the happy young parents.

MRS. NANCY J. WISDOM
DIED LAST SUNDAY

Friends and loved ones were much saddened last Sunday by the death of Mrs. Nancy Jane Wisdom, wife of J. S. Wisdom. Deceased had suffered more than a year of heart trouble, and the end came rather suddenly on last Sunday morning, just after breakfast. Mrs. Wisdom was 65 years old, and the husband, several children and many grandchildren survive her. Two of her children, Joe Wisdom and Mrs. Swillings, live in Midland, and a brother and sister came from Mansfield, Texas, to attend the funeral. The funeral took place Monday afternoon, her pastor, Rev. O. J. Hull, conducting the service. The Reporter joins many friends in an expression of profound sympathy to all who are bereaved by the passing of this good woman.

FATE OF BRYANT NO. ONE IS UNDECIDED

COMPANY EXPECTED TO MEET
SOON AND DETERMINE
FURTHER ACTION

One of our readers, at a distance, who writes this week to renew his subscription to The Reporter, asks: "Why can't we have some news about Bryant No. 1? I own some land near there and am much interested. Your paper only had a small advertisement about Bryant No. 1 last week."

This reader is evidently not a close student of The Reporter's columns. Had he been he could hardly have failed to read the double headed article on our first page last week, under the caption, "Dampers Placed on Oil Situation." Following this was at least half a column, giving details of procedure at Bryant No. 1 up to that date.

At a depth of 4460 feet, the drill struck a stratum of sulphur water, which rose high in the well, caused cavings, and stopped operations, temporarily at least. Below the sulphur water was the same encouraging formation the drill was in above, hard, blue lime or shale. To proceed further, we understand, an expanse of eight to ten thousand dollars will be entailed, and it is not known what action will be taken by the company, though a good deal of guessing has been the order, the general predictions being that the operators will finish the job.

To say the least the project has not been abandoned. Persons in authority are kept on the ground, and in view of the encouraging structure found so far down, it is not thought that the company will be deterred by this comparatively small additional expense. A delay has been incurred, however, and our readers will have to be patient.

At Big Spring and Pecos, to the east and west of us, activities continue with much interest, and though oil enthusiasm at Midland is held in abeyance, it is in no wise dead.

Jack Beard, of the City Drug Store, has been quite sick this week, but we are glad to see him able to be out again.

Mrs. B. F. Dyer returned yesterday from an extended visit to her daughters, Mesdames Sales and Dempsey, in El Paso.

TEN DAYS YET IN WHICH TO PAY POLL TAX

Tax Assessor Newbie W. Ellis has received the following instructions from State Comptroller M. L. Wiginton:

In compliance with a law passed by the fourth called session of the 36th Legislature, granting to women the right of suffrage, and imposing a poll tax on all women between the ages of 21 and 60 years, and making the same requirements for the assessment and collection of poll taxes from women as are now required of men, you are instructed that all women over 21 years of age and under 60, who have no legal exemptions, are liable for a poll tax and should be assessed.

To facilitate this work, and in order to avoid burdening the tax rolls with a duplicity of unnecessary names, you are instructed that in assessing married men and women that you assess the husband and wife with all community property owned by them and assess each with a poll tax on the same inventory, just as you would a partnership, except that the initials or given name should be given. For example: "J. W. and Mary Smith," or "B. G. and Ethel Jones." Single women should be assessed in the same manner that single men are assessed.

Where a married woman has separate property that is assessed in her name, you should assess her poll tax on her separate list.

Women will take notice that if they wish to participate in the elections of 1921, they must pay this poll tax before Feb. 1st, same as men have to do.

Many visitors to Midland this week, a few cattle deals, and some shipments. The Reporter's patronage is at such a low ebb, however, and our help is so reduced accordingly that we have been unable to go out after the news. Friends could help us in this situation by calling phone No. 7 and telling us the news.

Dr. E. Callaway has been right ill lately, suffering of a deep seated cold, which has threatened pneumonia. Many friends are hoping for his speedy recovery.

Pre-Inventory---Red Tag Sale

will close on Saturday night of this week

All merchandise will be marked on a basis of today prices. We promise you the very lowest prices that the market will justify both on Groceries and Dry Goods.

We will leave in a few days for Market, and are glad to say that we go open handed, as we have booked Spring Merchandise, and expect to buy to the best advantage in the way of prices, thereby assuring our friends and customers the lowest prices during the coming season.

If we can be of any service to you while in market in the way of looking after special orders for you, we will take great pleasure in doing so. Call on us.

Your Interest is Our Interest. Buy your Groceries from us---Always the best at the lowest price.

WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS

Midland Mercantile Company

Gro. Phone No. 6.

"THE APPRECIATIVE STORE"

Dry Goods Phone No. 184.

What Is Your Bank Balance?

On it may depend far more than you think possible. It may mean enough to tide you over any depression or loss of income by illness or other means; it may mean ability to grasp opportunity; it does govern largely the amount of credit you may obtain to enable you to carry through a business transaction that may prove of great profit to you.

First National Bank

SAYS PROSPERITY IS IN THE REACH OF ALL

The Southwest is in much better condition agriculturally and financially than many other portions of this country, urges Farm and Ranch, and continues: It is true that prices of cotton are low; it is true that livestock prices have declined considerably; it is not to be denied that corn, hay, wheat and country produce have preceded manufactured articles in downward prices. But let us not forget that there is an abundance of feed on farms in most localities. Smokehouses have been or are being filled in many communities. Many farmers are selling poultry, eggs, butter, cream, hogs, cattle, sheep and other things. These farmers have cash or bank accounts and good standing in business. Such communities are the barometers of sound business and the flags of prosperity. Business is passing through a readjustment. Prices of labor, materials, and in fact most all articles are declining. Even a bale of cotton at much lower prices now will buy many necessities where the living is produced at home.

Most farmers are more prosperous than they are thought to be. They will, it is generally believed, be able to finance themselves upon reasonable terms and produce as much as the markets will take at profitable prices next year.

Let every citizen be fair with his neighbor, honest with himself and liberal with his services to society. The war is over; peace is being enjoyed and prosperity is in reach of all.

A Creditable Witness

A Kansas City grocer named Tony Grisnick was arrested by the food inspector, after a housewife had complained that Grisnick had sold her some bad eggs. The grocer pleaded not guilty.

"Is anyone here a judge of good and bad eggs?" the judge asked, after hearing the evidence. No one responded. The inspector, who was prosecuting Grisnick, toyed with an egg above the judge's desk.

"I guess we had better give Tony the benefit of the doubt, and—" began the judge. He was interrupted a loud "pop." The inspector had dropped the egg.

"You're fined \$25!" shouted the judge.

A Visiting Minister

The pastor of the Methodist church is pleased to announce that Rev. C. O. Davis, pastor of our church at Jayton in the Northwest Texas Conference, will be a visitor in this city over the fifth Sunday in this month, and that he will occupy the pulpit for us both morning and evening of that date. Let our people turn out en masse and give to this visiting brother a fine hearing.

S. X. Swimme, Pastor.

Pay Out of \$100 Salary

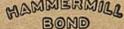
One person from each county selected may now enroll for complete course, pay down and part out of salary AFTER \$100 position is secured—position to be guaranteed as explained in free 72-page book, "Guide to Business Success." Write for offer 34 today. Abilene Draughton Business College, Abilene, Texas.



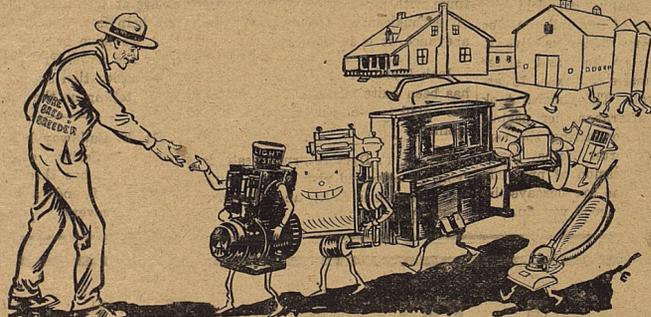
Different Colors of Paper

Many business men have a system of using different colors of paper for different printed forms, thus distinguishing each form by its color.

We can work this system out for you, using



the Utility Business Paper, and you will find that it saves you time and money. Let us show you the advantage of standardizing your paper and your printing.



Coming His Way!

Merchants and manufacturers endorse pure-bred cattle because they make business better. They buy electric-lighting plants; farm power; machinery; pianos; household conveniences—power washers, sweepers, churns; better buildings; better homes. They buy improved roads and more efficient schools.

Farmers raise pure-breds for the same reason. They like to be prosperous and pure-breds will make them so. Better cattle widen the margin between the producing cost and the selling price of beef; they make their own market as breeding stock.

Don't let a pure-bred bull go to waste in this community. Remember that the poorest pure-bred is better than the best scrub. He is easier to feed, he makes better beef, and he will pass his money-bringing qualities on to his get. Only the pure-bred can make the cattle industry stable and certain of steady return, year after year.

THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN, whose cooperation enables us to present these advertisements, has long

been an ardent supporter of the pure-breds, because they pay the farmer who raises them. This dominant weekly of farm service studies for you every aspect and every problem of your business and the conclusions at which its trained investigators arrive can be accepted as thoroughly reliable. These investigators say: "Buy Pure-Breds."

In the next 52 big issues (which will come to you for just \$1.00) the editors will tell you why.

Texas Hereford Breeders Association

JOHN LEE, Secretary
San Angelo, Texas

THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN, Philadelphia, Pa. I'm glad to see you pushing our organization with good advertising. And here's my dollar for a subscription for one year, fifty-two issues. The two go well together.

(My Name) _____

(My Address) _____

(Town) _____

(State) _____

Buster Brown

and

Tige

will be here

Monday, January 31st,

at 3:30 o'clock at

Wadley-Wilson's

Buster and Tige will entertain the children in front of the store if the weather permits. But, if the weather should be bad, he will take them all to the Rialto Theater, free of charge.

Buster has already sent a big box of souvenirs to give all the boys and girls and has written to invite every boy and girl and their mama's and papa's, too, for he wants to tell them why Buster Brown Shoes are the best. How they are made on the correct last for growing feet so that in later years there will be no foot troubles. Why they are the cheapest shoes to buy because they wear longer.

If you have to buy a pair of shoes, buy Buster Brown Shoes before Buster comes for he might ask you what kind of shoes you had on.

Remember---

Buster Brown Shoes are sold only at this store. You can't get them at any other store in Midland.

Wadley-Wilson Company

One Price---The Lowest---For Cash

MIDLAND COLLEGE NOTES

By D. O. W.

L. C. Kilgore, of Hamlin, is a new matriculant in the college this week. He joins the "dignified" senior class.

The college has finally succeeded in securing enough players who live in the dormitories to make a good orchestra right here in the school. A new clarinet player is due this week from Sherman, and with the two violins, piano, cornet and trap drums that are already playing, we are assured of plenty of orchestra music on any occasion.

We feel that something is on the verge of being announced. A real "peppy" meeting of several in the school was held Tuesday morning and Mr. Kilgore gave them the preliminary work for the play that is to be given for the benefit of the baseball boys. It will be a real musical comedy.

Miss Mary Swimme is now a resident of the celestial heights region. She received her degree after due initiation, Monday night. We miss the paint and powder; wonder why it was left off.

Dedan Buford, of Dallas, came in with Bro. McKissick Tuesday at noon. He takes janitor work in the college.

SUGGESTS THERE IS NO UNPLEASANT ANTICIPATION

By D. O. W.

Says the El Paso Times: Overseer Voliva, of Zion City, says tippers on earth will spend their term in purgatory in a natatorium filled with beer, wine and whisky. "O Death, where is thy sting?"

THE OLD RELIABLE WINDMILLER

Expert workmanship by one who has had years of experience. If your windmill needs "fixing," I know how and will do it right, at live and let live prices. All work attended to promptly. W. H. Nixon, phone No. 90. adv 16-4t

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Buy your Cigarettes here.

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The Old Reliable Druggist.

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**Tinners, Plumbers
Radiator Specialists**

When any of your plumbing freezes, or gets out of order, we will make it good as it ever was. We do all kinds of sheet metal work. We will not "fix" your radiator, but we repair it and make it like new. We can weld anything that can be welded anywhere.

"WATCH US GROW"

**J. S. ALLEN
E. C. LAWRENCE**

Phone 77

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

At Midland, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Dec. 29th, 1920

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, including rediscounts (except those shown b and c)	\$545,984.52
Total loans	545,984.52
Notes and bills rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank (other than bank acceptances sold) (see item 54a)	25,144.64
Foreign Bills of Exchange or Drafts sold with indorsement of this bank not shown under item b above (see item 54 d)	25,144.64
U. S. Government Securities owned:	
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	15,000.00
Pledged as collateral for State or other deposits or bills payable	48,000.00
Owned and unpledged	13,656.10
War Savings Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned	13.75
Total U. S. Government securities	76,669.85
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	6,900.00
Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered	23,750.00
Equity in banking house	23,750.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	26,328.51
Items with Federal Reserve Bank in process of collection (not available as reserve)	1,299.02
Cash in vault and amounts due from national banks	117,537.27
Net amounts due from banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included above)	3,495.56
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than item 15)	446.33
Total of items 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16	122,778.18
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	5,139.88
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	750.00
Total	\$782,256.30

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	100,000.00
Undivided profits	31,989.79
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	14,500.17
Amount reserved for taxes accrued	3,400.00
Circulating notes outstanding	14,700.00
Net amounts due to National Banks	22,540.34
Net amounts due to banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than above)	5,223.09
Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding	25,278.50
Total of items 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	53,041.93
Individual deposits subject to check	448,624.75
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve	448,624.75
Bills payable with Federal Reserve Bank	45,000.00
Total	\$782,256.30
Liabilities for rediscounts with Federal Reserve Bank	25,144.64
Total contingent liabilities not included in schedule 23	25,144.64

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland, ss:
I, W. R. Chancellor, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. R. CHANCELLOR, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of January, 1921.
C. F. ULLMER,
Notary Public, Midland County, Tex.
E. R. BRYAN,
P. SCHARBAUER,
J. M. COWDEN,
Directors.

BRIEF COMMENTS BY UNITED STATES SENATORS

Senator Pittman: "State rights were larger in the beginning than they are now. Because the States were remote from each other. We know more about the conditions in every State now. Each county took charge of the building of its own roads, and when a county failed to build good roads it affected no one except the people in the county."
Senator Ping: "Incompetent government officials attempt to force upon States and State officials obsolete or archaic methods and policies, and the result is either confusion or revolt or stagnation. The States are making progress. They do not want the paralyzing hand of Federal bureaucracy and incompetency laid upon them."
Senator Brandegee: "The Bank-head good roads bill was not designed for post roads, nor for military roads, but was designed for the high rollers who want to roll over the country on rubber tires. I predict that in time every one of the States which rejoices in the receipt of the government stipend, in the end will come here and say, you have loaded us down with taxation which we, as poor States, cannot any longer stand, and we demand that the Federal government assume the entire expense of this work."
Senator Penrose: "Congress will hereafter blaze the way in our foreign policies and will not sit back and take the program of any secretary of State. Cabinet possibilities are therefore of secondary importance at this time."
Secretary Daniels: "Some say the war is over. If it is, I have no official knowledge of it, especially when it is a question of protecting the government from oil profiteers."

A Difference in Quality
A young Californian often visited a leading Santa Barbara hotel because of its excellent hon-y.
When the young man got married the wedding trip included this hotel, so that the bride might taste this ambrosial spread.
But the first morning there was no honey on the breakfast table. The bridegroom frowned. He called the old familiar waiter.
"Where's my honey?" he demanded.
The waiter hesitated, looked awkward at the bride, then stammered, "Er—Mamie don't work here no more, sir."

SHUTTING DOWN COMING OF UNDESIRABLES

Because of the bill now pending in congress to limit immigration, the Italian government has stopped issuing passports to subjects who wish to come to this country.
"In dealing with an emergency bill of this kind," Senator Colt said, "we look at it, first from an economic standpoint—how it would affect business—and secondly, we would consider it with reference to the menace—the flood from Europe ready to pour in upon us."
Representative Johnson, of Washington, author of the House immigration measure, says, "I am told the situation immediately confronting us is such that aliens are coming over in droves. They are gathering at European ports in largest numbers yet reported. They represent a highly undesirable class."

**GET OUT OF THE PRIMITIVE
STAGE AND
Use Plumbing**
Intelligent people no longer consider Plumbing a luxury. It is recognized as one of the essentials of a comfortable and healthful home.
Don't Deprive Yourself
of the comfort and convenience of running hot and cold water in the house, together with a good set of Plumbing Fixtures.
Jno. P. Howe
The Midland Plumber and Tinner. Sheet Metal and Heating Specialist. PHONE No. 19.

Notice

The Commissioners' Court of Midland County, Texas, will, at the regular term of said court, to be held at the court house in the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, on the second Monday in February, A. D. 1921, same being the 14th day of said month, receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Midland County, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county for the ensuing two years as provided by law.
Any such banking corporation, association or individual banker in said county, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the county judge of said county on or before the first day of the said term, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that the said banking corporation, association or individual banker offers to pay on the funds of the county for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid should be accepted by the court, he will enter into the bond as required by law.
At said term of the court, such bids as may be presented will be op-

ened and acted upon by the court as prescribed by law.

Given under my hand and official seal of office at Midland, Texas, on this the 18th day of January, A. D., 1921.

J. M. DeARMOND,
County Judge, Midland County, Tex.
adv 16-3t

Following the Commandment

The children in the Sunday School class were getting restless, and the teacher, to divert them, asked all who wished to go to heaven to stand up. All rose except one little girl. "Don't you want to go to heaven, Jennie?" asked the teacher. "Yes'm, but I know mother doesn't want me to go just yet."

Considerate Conductor

A very ugly man was quite perturbed at having an organ grinder sit down beside him on the street car. Walking back to the conductor he asked: "Do you allow monkeys on this car?"
"Just sit here in the back seat," replied the conductor, "and nobody will notice you."

How Will You Have Your Owl?

Can you eat an owl? A correspondent of Fur News confidently asserts that you can.

I read of a boy, he says, who shot an owl and sent a letter to an editor, asking whether owls were good to eat. If he had asked me, I should have told him that they were very good when cooked.

At a taxidermist shop in Newark, N. J., which was owned by a German whom I knew, there were two or three carcasses of large fat owls on the table one day when some of the owner's neighbors happened to come in.

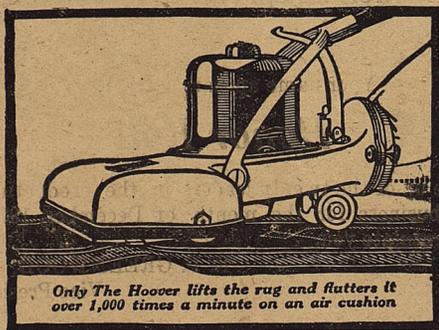
"Would you like some nice fat ducks?" he asked them.

"Oh, Daus," one of the neighbors remarked some time later, "those were the best ducks we ever ate in our lives."

My daughter once broiled a fine fat owl for me. She ate a part of it, and I ate the rest. It certainly had a good flavor.

Lids for kids, winter or spring, all colors, all prices, at Whitmeyer's Shop.

Announcement The HOOVER VACUUM CLEANER



Only The Hoover lifts the rug and flutters it over 1,000 times a minute on an air cushion

It is a boon to the overworked Housewife and every home that is wired for electric current should have one. Besides the comfort, ease, and convenience in keeping the home clean with a Hoover, it is economy, saves your rugs, and does the job infinitely better than can possibly be done in the old way.

**A STOCK OF HOOVERS
NOW ON HAND**

Come in and see them, or let us put one in your home on trial.

Midland Light Company

The Midland Reporter
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C. C. WATSON, Editor and Prop.

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\$1.25 SIX MONTHS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1921

CITY ELECTION

First Tuesday in April, 1921

For City Marshal:

RALEIGH D. LEE
JOHN WINBORNE

MIDLAND SOCIETY

MISS LYDIE G. WATSON
Editor
Phone No. 88

Mr. C. S. Karkalits, Honoree

Mr. C. S. Karkalits last Tuesday achieved a birthday—far be it from us to be so "ungallant" as to surmise which birthday—and we know not if the birthday cake was illuminated only by a small constellation of twinkling tapers, or if it might be likened unto a torch light procession. He has traveled the cheery road far enough, however, to have attained the dignity of position in church and business circles and to win many friends and the Holy Scriptures tells us that even one "faithful friend is a strong defence and he who hath found him hath found a treasure."

In honor of this momentous day in the life of her good husband, Mrs. Karkalits gave him a surprise birthday dinner at 6 o'clock and invited Rev. and Mrs. O. J. Hull and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Spaulding to share in the pleasure of making the event as a cherished star in his memory forever and ever.

The Moment Musical Club met in regular session Wednesday afternoon in the studio of Miss Lydie G. Watson. The students responded to roll call with musical quotations, after which the following girls played piano solos from memory: Ethel Railey, Elizabeth Crews, Mattie Elkin Biard, Annie Laurie Hix, Lucile Stewart, Willie Pearl Dockray, Maggie Snodgrass, Pearl Wimberly, Louise Karkalits, Carolyn Estes.

Duet by Johnnie Preston and Leola Bigham.

Beethoven was the special composer for the afternoon's study and little Miss Jennie Elkin gave a wonderfully good sketch of his life, and then in truly artistic manner played the great musician's "Für Elise."

The Club was much pleased at the number of visitors, each of whom gave interesting and helpful talks. A number of school girls were present, besides Mesdames Brown, Karkalits, Snodgrass, H. B. Dunagan, Crews, Dockery and Norwood.

The Wednesday Club, at the regular session this week had an instructive and attractive program as follows, with Mrs. Chancellor as leader: "Booth Tarkington is proud of the fact that he is a native of Indiana."

Roll call; A man who had added to the Coterie of Indian writers—by the Club.

Biographical. Booth Tarkington—Mrs. W. H. Cowden.

Review: "The Turmoil (Tarkington)—Mrs. Curtis.

Answers to question—Mrs. Chancellor.

An Announcement of Interest

You tell your friends and tell them to tell their friends, that tomorrow (Saturday) while they are down town, to stop in and eat a bowl of that delicious chili, being served by the good ladies of the Christian church. Not only chili but other dainty things which will please the most fastidious Epicurean appetite will be served. Make an engagement with your best friend and spend a pleasant social hour with these excellent ladies.

Mr. Emmett Adair, of Amarillo, son of Rev. and Mrs. Lockett Adair, spent a few days in Midland this week, the guest of his aunt, Mrs. G. H. Coyle and family.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Coyle returned Wednesday afternoon from a visit to Dallas and to Mineral Wells, where they happily spent a time with their daughter, Miss Voila.

Prosperity and Good Fellowship, Keynote of Baptist Banquet

This is a day of accomplishment and service and the organization, or person, who does not progress will sink lower and lower in the scale until it, or he, eventually finds—oblivion, with "requiescat in pace" written above the remains; but the soul that loves mirth, happiness, joy and things of the spirit will progress throughout eternity.

The Baptist church of Midland is producing a high form of mental, social and spiritual stimulation to the citizens of our town, and by their church loyalty, their spirit of co-operation, they put over almost magical achievements. Their annual banquet on last Friday evening given in the Red Cross room, was a stupendous thing and so successfully managed that it will ever be a luminous event, not only in the church but in the social calendar of our little city. Such things not only bring people nearer to the church but it gives them a mental stimulation, a fine spiritual uplift, which they take home and make the business of working and living a finer, better thing throughout the week. And the ladies particularly should receive the highest encomiums of praise for the magnificent and apparently easy manner in which they fed the "multitudes," but they were divided and sub-divided into committees, and these committees worked together as harmoniously as intricate parts of delicate machinery.

There were three long tables at which were seated more than 300 people for the first helping and when the second tables had been filled it was estimated that more than 400 hungry people had been served.

Dainty and appropriate place cards were attractively arranged and vases of red and white carnations lent their beauty and fragrance to the festive scene. The menu was wonderful, 18 turkeys and three chicken had been perfectly cooked and everything that goes with a turkey dinner was served "a la bountifully." The orchestra played beautifully and the delighted guests ate in waltz, march or "jazz-time."

The guest list included, besides the members and their families, all the pastors and their families, the public school teachers and all the telephone operators, but the great central purpose, other than the bringing together the members of the congregation, was to raise the budgets for the ensuing year. Each year of Bro. Hull's ministry his salary has been raised, and this time it was increased \$200, which is a very "telling" way of showing their pastor's acceptability. Then they raised the magnificent sum of approximately \$6000 for the local expenses of the church.

Rev. S. X. Swimme, of the Methodist church, invoked a blessing and Rev. O. J. Hull acted as toast master. He introduced the speakers and performers with clever and sparkling bits of witticisms. Enthusiastic talks were made by Judge Caldwell, Mayor Dawson, Messrs. Spaulding and Lackey. Others were to follow but on account of the lateness of the hour the pleasure of hearing them had to be foregone. A good musical program was rendered by Misses Melson and White; Percy Mims with Miss Margaret Caldwell, accompanist, and lastly Mr. Ned Watson and Miss Lydie G. Watson with a cello and piano duet.

Again to these splendid hosts and hostesses, blessed and blessing we offer poems of praise with a special little hope tucked snugly in our hearts that "auld acquaintance shall not be forgot," and that next year at this special time it will again be our happiness to "drink a cup of kindness" with these good friends of ours.

Miss Lois Prothro left last Thursday for Big Spring, where she will open up another studio for Mr. Geo. W. Miller. The Midland studio will be managed by Miss Pearl Bradshaw, who, under Miss Lois' tutelage, has also become proficient in the fine art of making folks "look pleasant, please."

The C. W. B. M. ladies of the Christian church are planning to observe Women's Missionary Day on the evening of Feb. 6th. An elaborate and suitable program is being arranged, which will be published next week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Noble, of Somerton, Ariz., arrived last Friday night for a visit to Mrs. Noble's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Graves. They made the entire trip in a car and though rather travel-worn, they report an ideal journey.

The Bible class of the Christian church is entertaining this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Sam Holloway. An account of this pleasing function will be given in our next issue.

SKOVGAARD HAS A RARE OLD VIOLIN

\$20,000 for a violin! Stupendous as this is, it is indeed the fact, and a very fair price it is for a rare violin made by either Antonius Stradivarius or Joseph Guarnerius, for these master violin builders were so entirely expert in their art that it has seemed that their work could not be equaled.

The difference between a very good violin and a poor one is very great, for we all know that sweetness of tone and carrying quality are the essentials in a violin and that something which determines whether a violin is wonderful.

Now the characteristics of an Antonius Stradivarius or a Joseph Guarnerius are just this: The violin must have a perfect body so that when the strings are touched ever so lightly the whole instrument, both top and back will vibrate equally. Several kinds of wood are used in this rare artistry. The top is formed of a much softer wood than that of the sides and back, and the tough wood of the back must be so perfectly joined and blended into the softer wood of the top that a mathematically perfect body is produced. The result is similar to a finely hammered bell, so perfect in shape and so accurate in its calculated dimensions that a breath arouses its soul and stirs a perfect vibration.

So it is we pay the price of a number of luxurious limousines for one small but lovely violin, for we must pay for the long labors of an inspired genius. The great artist must have an appropriate medium of expression a symbol of his genius.

When Antonius Stradivarius and Joseph Guarnerius were living, their violins were as famous as they are now, and the price they received was a very good one indeed. It was an old saying in Italy "as rich as a Strad."

Must we always seek the antequated? If Stradivarius lived today he would be making new violins and after they had played four or five years would be as good as the older ones for the value is in the craftsmanship and for this we pay the price. Many a famous Strad in use today is a copy made by modern French masters who can not only make violins as perfect as did Stradivarius, but can make them look exactly like a Strad. These copies, many times after they were sold, have held their intrinsic value and are now considered genuine by experts. Lupot and Villame, the French violin makers, are famous for their wonderful copies of the Stradivarius as are other more modern masters.

Skovgaard, the Danish violinist, who is soon to appear in Midland, besides his wonderful Stradivarius violin, is the possessor of several masterful copies of famous old Italian violins. Skovgaard quite often uses these copies before his most select audiences, and in both America and Europe violin experts and connoisseurs have been puzzled to know which was the genuine and which the copy, so equal were they in every way.

At one of the Skovgaard concerts in New York, invitations were sent to the leading musicians and violin connoisseurs telling them that part of his program he would play on a genuine Strad and part on a copy, asking his audience to decide which numbers were played on the old Stradivarius and which on the copy. The audience was unable to distinguish between the genuine violin and the copy, and the violin experts were completely baffled over this remarkable instrument.

Skovgaard will appear in the Christian church on the night of Feb. 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Estes, of Stanton, have been in Midland the past week, having come to have their little girl's tonsils removed. While here they were entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Estes.

Mrs. C. C. Foster, who had an operation for appendicitis last Wednesday, is getting along finely and every indication leads to an early recovery.

May we have the pleasure of measuring you for that new Barclay custom made corset you have been promising yourself? Others like them; you will too. Choose your own style and material, at Whitmeyer's Shop for Milady. adv.

Mrs. T. B. Wadley was called to Dallas the first of the week, on account of the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Grace Logan. The sufferer has, some time past, sustained two major operations, and has lately been again in poor health. Friends in Midland and elsewhere hope she may soon be restored to health.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Baptist Church

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Let's help to have a perfect class. Each individual graded on six points. Perfect classes will make a perfect school. We want an A1 school. Two hundred and thirty present last Sunday; we can beat that with your help. W. A. Dawson, Supt.

Preaching hours at 11 a. m. and 6:30 p. m. The services will not be long drawn out. Good music at both hours furnished by a choir and orchestra that make preparation.

B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening at 5:30 o'clock, Prof. Arrant, Pres.

Ladies Auxiliary Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Bible study, led by the pastor.

Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday at 6:30 p. m.

OWEN J. HULL, Pastor.

Methodist Church

Sunday School will be held at the usual hours Sunday morning. Come and bring your little ones and listen to the lesson yourself. "Come with us and we will do thee good."

Preaching service Sunday morning at 11 a. m. Sermon subject: "Remarkable Answers to Prayer."

Do you believe man "evolved" from a monkey? Do you believe in a lake of fire and brimstone? Do you believe that men must be converted and baptized into the church to be saved? Then come hear the sermon Sunday evening on "Who are We, and Where are We Going?"

Vocal solo Sunday evening by the pastor.

L. C. KILGORE, J. P.

Christian Church

You are requested to attend divine worship at the above church on next Lord's day at 11 a. m. and 6:30 p. m.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.

Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 6:30.

Good music both vocal and instrumental, and gospel sermons on practical themes. Come worship God. I. H. TEEL, Pastor.

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MILK, BUTTER, EGGS AND WHAT THEY BROUGHT

Mrs. W. M. Allen, wife of Farmer Allen, who have the old Lee Heard place just east of town, submits some interesting figures on the income from milk, butter, and eggs for 1920. Here they are:

Butter from two cows.....\$214.30
Milk from two cows..... 40.20
Eggs from 30 hens..... 68.15
Besides this total of \$322.65, the cows and chickens supplied the family with their butter, milk, eggs, and chickens for table use, a very large part of the grocery or living expense, as will be admitted by any householder.

Mr. Allen had in 60 acres of cotton. Questioned as to what he accomplished, his reply, substantially, was: "We're talking about milch cows and chickens, not cotton." Cotton is rather a painful subject, but had you stopped to think that it nearly always has been with cotton?

Blessed is the farmer who has a wife who can safeguard the family's comfort and bounty through her barnyard fowls and cows.

An Appreciation

I have sold my dray and transfer business to Locklar Brothers, and take this method of thanking my friends and patrons for many favors in the past. I am deeply grateful. Also I wish to commend to you Locklar Brothers, whom I know will serve you faithfully and well.

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ON THE Honor Roll

This week, I received the following announcement from the Great Southern Life Insurance Company, which I represent in this locality:

Your name appears upon our

Honor Roll

made up of the twenty leaders in the production of new business for the month of December, 1920. I congratulate you.

E. P. GREENWOOD,
Vice President.

I appreciate very much the friends who have enabled me to get on this "Honor Roll," and take this method of expressing same. These friends, I know, have gotten the worth of their money with a policy in the Great Southern, and I wish to urge others to investigate the insurance I offer. My urging this upon you is an act of

True Friendship

Let's talk it over. Insurance is worth while, and to neglect it is unsafe, even foolish.

Cordially yours,

JOHN W. HIX

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CHOOSE CAREFULLY

The selection of a bank should be a matter for careful consideration.

Look into its personnel, its directorate, its financial strength, its methods and its principles.

On this basis we invite your business.

THE BANK THAT DEALS IN COURTESY

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Capital \$75,000.00 Surplus \$75,000.00

MIDLAND, TEXAS.

THE FINE PLANS OF MIDLAND STOCKMEN

(Continued from page one)

an established reputation for producing high class bulls.

To Scharbauer & Eidson, 2 herd bulls, both sons of Prince Domino, which will be added to their good list of herd bulls already in use on their registered herd which is the oldest herd in the Midland County.

Messrs. Aycock & Sons have added another good young bull to their list of herd bulls, in Prince Domino 76th, by Prince Domino. It will be remembered that Prince Domino by Prince Domino was grand champion at the last international show at Chicago and all these Prince Domino and of the most enviable reputation of to the grand champion. A picture of this champion is on the cover page of Hereford Journal Jan. 15th.

Mr. Aycock and a few others are how somewhat interesting themselves in a revival of that spirit of enthusiasm that at one time made Midland livestock the most talked-of nos we here named are half brothers any section. In late years, while our stockmen have continued to breed to the very highest degree of purity, we have yet rather lost ground in our standing before the outside world of stockmen.

This is easily accounted for. Our cattle are no less fine or numerous, but we have failed to give that publicity to our affairs that has characterized the procedure of other sections of the country. It wont do. Other towns have their local associations, auction sales, fairs, advertising propaganda, etc., and it is inevitable that we fall behind and become comparatively lost in the wake of the progressives when we fail of like measures. In this day of general readjustment publicity, in its varied forms, is the lever that moves all lines of industry and productiveness to heights of prominence and success, and no lines of industry can be exempt from this demand of the times.

Midland stockmen, at least some of them, are coming to a realization of this fact, and they can hope to recover what they may have lost and go forward to greater success only through systematized, co-operative plans of publicity. The Reporter, congratulating our stockmen upon their realization of publicity demands, looks forward to far more than mediocre results, for we have the utmost confidence that Midland can lead again, and lead splendidly.

SHIRTS—Made to measure from all materials. See me or phone 126. Mrs. B. A. Wall. 15-1f



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TWO ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR CITY MARSHAL

Raleigh D. Lee, who is our city night-watchman, was the first, last week, to authorize his announcement as a candidate for the office of city marshal, election to take place the first Tuesday in April. Mr. Lee has been a citizen of Midland for about four years and during the time has become quite well known to many of us. Especially is he to be commended for his services as night watchman. He is always on the job and it will be remembered that Midland has so far escaped the hold-up and other robberies that have been so prevalent all over the country. Mr. Lee keeps the town free from "hoboes" and other suspiciously undesirables, keeping them on the move when they hit Midland, and sometimes he has had more experiences that have produced more or less of thrills. In the event of election, Mr. Lee promises the utmost fidelity to duty, to be always on the job, and to render an impartial duty. We commend him to your consideration.

John Winborne was next to authorize his announcement. He is the present incumbent, and he needs no introduction to our people, nor any ratifying statement as to his efficiency and faithfulness as an officer. Mr. Winborne has held the position he seeks again for a considerable length of time, and some time ago he made an enviable reputation by the splendid success he had in building city streets. This splendid work he was unable to keep up by reason of a lack of funds, and the neglected condition of our streets now can in no wise be blamed to him. He is a good citizen, a good officer, and when he promises, in the event of his re-election, to render the efficient service that characterized his past efforts, his promise may be depended upon. The Reporter is afforded much pleasure in also commending Mr. Winborne to your consideration.

You will find it worth while to take advantage of our great reductions on winter hats, suits, dresses and coats. Only a few left and they are conservative styles that are always good, at Whitmeyer's Shop for Midland. adv.

Notice to Banks and Bankers

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with Art. 2440 et seq., Vernon's Civil Statutes, the Commissioners' Court of Martin County, Texas, will at the February term of said court, to be held at the county court house in Stanton, Texas, on February 14th, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m., receive from any banking corporation, association or individual banker, sealed bids or proposals as the depository for the funds of said county for the next succeeding two years thereafter.

All such bids to be sealed and delivered to the undersigned not later than 10 o'clock a. m. on February 14, 1921, and to be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the revenue of said county for the year 1920. Said court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Witness my hand at Stanton, Texas, this 20th day of January, A. D., 1921. A. G. ODOM, County Judge, Martin Co., Texas. adv 16-4t

NO. 8094

Report of Condition of The

First National Bank

At Stanton, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Dec. 29, 1920

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts including rediscounts	\$120,726.46
Total loans	120,726.46
Notes and bills rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank	4,977.39
Foreign bills of exchange or drafts with endorsement of this bank not shown under item d above (see Item 54d)	115,749.07
Overdrafts unsecured	1,309.92
U. S. Government Securities Owned:	
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	\$25,000.00
Owned and unpledged	4,000.00
Total U. S. Government securities	29,000.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	1,200.00
Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered	\$ 4,500.00
Equity in banking house	4,500.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,000.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	7,575.68
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks	8,493.48
Total of Items 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16	8,493.48
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	85.95
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Interest earned but not collected—approximate—on Notes and Bills Receivable not past due	854.08
Total	\$171,018.18

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits	11,781.37
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	2,481.98
Interest and discount collected or credited in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)	1,971.85
Circulating notes outstanding	23,900.00
Net amounts due to national banks	2,243.58
Total of Items 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	2,243.58
Individual deposits subject to check	93,493.62
Total of demand deposits other than bank deposits, subject to reserve, items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38	93,493.62
Liabilities other than those above stated	109.74
Total	\$171,018.18

Liabilities for rediscounts with Federal Reserve Bank 4,977.39

Total contingent liabilities (54 a, b, c, and d) (not including items in Schedule 23 of report) 4,977.39

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Martin, ss:

I, Jim Tom, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JIM TOM, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, 1921.

E. P. WOODARD, Notary Public.

A. L. HOUSTON, J. E. MILLHOLLON, H. HOUSTON, Directors.

Citation by Publication

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

You are hereby commanded to summon J. P. Beckley and D. Hill Jameson, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein; but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 70th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Andrews County, to be held at the court house thereof, in Andrews, Texas, on the third Monday in March, A. D., 1921, the same being the 21st day of March A. D., 1921, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 19th day of January, A. D., 1921, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 240, wherein C. H. Jameson is plaintiff, and J. P. Beckley and D. Hill Jameson, trustee as defendants, and said petition alleging that heretofore on or about the 13th day of March, A. D., 1915, J. P. Beckley executed his certain promissory note for three hundred and thirty dollars bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum from date until due and due in six months which was later extended for three more months by plaintiff, securing said indebtedness by giving to the said plaintiff a deed of trust with D. Hill Jameson as trustee of said deed of trust on the following described land lying in and being situated in Andrews County, Texas, to-wit: The south one-half of section five, block A thirty-five, together with all improvements situated on said land or to be thereafter erected or situated thereon. That the sum of two hundred dollars has been paid on said promissory note and the balance of the principal and interest are still unpaid.

Plaintiff prays for judgment for his debt, interest, and foreclosure of the deed of trust lien on the above described land and premises.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Andrews, Texas, this the 19th day of January, A. D., 1921.

R. M. MEANS, Clerk. District Court, Andrews County. adv 16-4t

Junior Endeavor

Topic: "Africa." Leader—Willie Pearl Dockery. Scripture—Birdie Bradshaw. Hymn: "From Greenland's Icy Mountains." Prayer—Eulalia Whitehead. Song No. 58. Talk: "Africa and its People"—Bennie Sue Ratliff. Talk: "Our Churches in Congo Land"—Society. Sentence prayers—Jossie Moore. Business. Roll Call. Songs Nos. 125 and 132. Benediction.

WHEN PROSPERITY IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE

Congress is doing but little cheseparing, and the appropriations for the year's business will doubtless exceed four billion dollars. Mr. Burleson's airplanes will be suspended, and mails will return to the railroad routes. The Shipping Board will be given equally reduced appropriations—and in these measures a few "measly millions" will be saved—if partially wrecking our new merchant marine for want of sufficient money to permit it to function is "saving." In any event burdensome taxes cannot be escaped in the present year. In Washington one watches the figures of the Treasury, the Federal Reserve Board, the results of the many surveys of agriculture, industry, labor, crop reports, etc. That forms the basis for identifying government's relation to progress. The financial reports are very good, the situation with agriculture is equally bad—very bad. Over two million laboring men are unemployed. There are a lot of business smashes taking place, but the shelves of the nation are depleted—bare, in many cases. Factories must get busy. From the angle, therefore, of federal vision, the situation is 50-50.

"Big business" chips in its voice to observe, from its coming towers of industry and finance that "confidence is strong." And its prognostications are that in consequence there will be a revival of business activity. Government authorities are agreed with private institutions that the period of liquidation has about finished its work.

Just how correct the guesses may be, we cannot state—but a digest of all their predictions and prophecies, puts "prosperity" still out at sea, and sailing towards American shores on a ship that will arrive in from six weeks to six months. If she does not land somewhere within that broad interval of time, then every statesman, every prophet, and every son of a prophet, is very much mistaken in signs.

Epworth League

Leader—Quintie Thomas. Subject: "Most Helpful Passage in the Bible." Song service. Scripture lesson, Ps. 23, in concert. Sentence prayers. Song: "Wonderful Words of Life." Scripture by department committees: 1st, Ps. cxix:11. 2nd, Ps. cxix:105. 3rd, cxix: 111. 4th cxix: 125. Song: "I Love to Tell the Story." Talk: "The Most Helpful Book in the World."—Leader. Male Quartet—First tenor, Alvin Johnson; second tenor, Stacy Allen; first bass, Herbert Patterson; second bass, Bro. Kilgore. Talks—Leaguers. Announcements and benediction.

NO. 9053

Report of the Condition of the

Home National Bank

At Stanton, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Dec. 29, 1920

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts (except those shown in b and c)	\$60,809.56
Total loans	\$60,809.56
Notes and bills rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank (other than bank acceptances sold) (see Item 54 a)	6,900.00
Foreign Bills of Exchange or Drafts sold with indorsement of this bank, not shown under item d above (see Item 54 d)	6,900.00
Overdrafts, unsecured	603.27
U. S. Government Securities owned:	
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	25,000.00
Owned and unpledged	1,846.00
Total U. S. Government securities	26,846.00
Stocks, other than Federal Reserve Bank stock	1,061.06
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	1,150.00
Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered	11,000.00
Equity in banking house	11,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,569.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	2,763.50
Items with Federal Reserve Bank in process of collection (not available as reserve)	190.57
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks	7,658.90
Total of Item 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16	7,749.47
Checks on banks located out side of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	1,476.53
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Other assets, if any, miscellaneous remittance	80.00

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	13,000.00
Undivided profits	\$ 3,727.87
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	2,278.73
Interest and discount collected or credited in advance of maturity and not earned—(approximate)	725.33
Circulating notes outstanding	25,000.00
Net amounts due to national banks	371.04
Total of Items 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	371.04
Individual deposits subject to check	41,282.92
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38	41,282.92
Bills payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank (including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscounts)	4,000.00
Liabilities for rediscounts with Federal Reserve Bank (see Item 1 d)	6,900.00
Total contingent liabilities (54 a, b, c, and d) (not including items in Schedule 23)	6,900.00

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Martin, ss:

I, Brick P. Eidson, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BRICK P. EIDSON, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of January, 1921.

E. P. WOODARD, Notary Public.

H. HAMILTON, A. C. GRAHAM, J. R. VANCE, Directors.

BURDENS LIFTED

From Midland Backs—Relief Proved by Lapse of Time

Backache is a heavy burden; Nervousness, dizziness, headache. Rheumatic pain; urinary ills; All wear one out. Often effects of kidney weakness. No use to cure the symptoms, Relief is but temporary if the cause remains. If it's the kidneys, cure the cause. Doan's Kidney Pills are for kidney ills; Read about your neighbor's case. Here's Midland testimony. The kind that can be investigated. Mrs. B. F. Stanley says: "Six years ago I had a case of kidney and bladder trouble. The action of my kidneys was irregular, causing me a great deal of annoyance. The trouble pulled me down in weight and I just felt all worn out. I tried different kidney remedies but none had any effect on me until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. After using one box, I felt better, the action of my kidneys being more regular. Two boxes of Doan's entirely cured me and I have been feeling fine ever since." Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Stanley had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 15-2t

Negative Talent

Have you heard Miss Howles? They say she has the gift of song. I hope it was that. I should hate to think she paid anything for it.

Notice

The Commissioners' Court of Andrews County, Texas, will, at the regular term of said court, to be held at the court house in the town of Andrews, Andrews County, Texas, on the second Monday in February, A. D., 1921, same being the 14th day of said month, receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Andrews County, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county for the ensuing two years as provided by law. Any such banking corporation, association or individual banker in said county, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the county judge of said county on or before the first day of the said term, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that the said banking corporation, association or individual banker offers to pay on the funds of the county for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid should be accepted by the court, he will enter into the bond as required by law. At said term of the court, such bids as may be presented will be opened and acted upon by the court as prescribed by law. Given under my hand and official seal of office at Andrews, Texas, on this the 18th day of January, A. D., 1921. J. W. IRWIN, County Judge, Andrews County, Tex. adv 16-3t

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 At Midland, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Dec. 29, 1920.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscouts	\$483,003.91
Total loans	483,003.91
Notes and bills rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank	88,630.00
Foreign Bills of Exchange or Drafts sold with indorsement of this bank	88,630.00
U. S. Government securities owned:	
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	50,000.00
Total U. S. Government securities	765.00
Total bonds, securities, etc., other than U. S.	4,500.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	8,470.35
Furniture and fixtures	12,836.09
Real estate owned other than banking house	31,063.07
Lawful Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	33,584.59
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks	1,087.33
Net amounts due from banks, bankers and trust companies	219.24
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 15)	34,891.16
Total of Items 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16	2,996.16
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	2,500.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	508.60
Other assets, if any	
Total	\$542,409.34

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$75,000.00
Surplus fund	75,000.00
Undivided profits	33,021.86
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	30,083.80
Circulating notes outstanding	48,600.00
Net amount due to national banks	5,614.07
Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding	2,367.53
Total of items 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	7,981.60
Individual deposits subject to check	209,096.06
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)	2,737.12
Other demand deposits	100,000.00
Total demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve	311,833.18
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	56.50
Total of time deposits subject to reserve items 39, 40, 41, and 42	56.50
Bills payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank (including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscouts)	20,000.00
Letters of Credit and Travelers' Checks sold for cash and outstanding	1,000.00
Total	\$542,409.34
Liabilities for rediscouts with Federal Reserve Bank	88,630.00
Total of contingent liabilities (54 a, b, c, and d) not including items in schedule 23	88,630.00

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland, ss:
 I, B. C. GIRDLEY, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
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 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of January, 1921.
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**INTERESTING BULLETIN
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A new bulletin, "Tree Planting in Texas Towns and Cities," has just been issued by the State Forester. Copies may be secured free of charge by writing him at College Station. This bulletin should be of great assistance to residents of towns and cities who wish to beautify their homes by planting trees. For decorative planting around farmsteads this bulletin will also prove helpful. Forest tree planting for windbreaks and utility woodlots, however, is not discussed but is taken up in a bulletin "Tree Planting for Fuel, Fence Posts, and Shelter," which is now in press. Announcement will be made when it is ready for distribution.

The city planting bulletin points out the advantages to be gained by planting shade trees. It is said that "in no other way can the comfort and attractiveness of a town be secured so cheaply, easily, and satisfactorily as by the extensive planting of shade trees and shrubs."

Points to consider in the selection of trees are the shape, rapidity of growth, length of life, cleanliness, shape of root system and adaptability to soil and climate.

Tables of trees adapted to narrow streets, wide avenues, trees tolerant of severe city conditions, short-lived trees, untidy trees, and undesirable ones are given. Following these tables comes a list showing the essential characteristics of eighty commonly planted trees.

A section is devoted to the location of shade trees and planting directions are given. Subsequent care and attention is treated and then comes a discussion of tree troubles and remedies. Various pests are considered and sprays or other remedies for tree troubles are recommended. Tree repair work is briefly mentioned with a descriptive cut showing methods of pruning, bracing and concrete filling.

A set of city ordinances is suggested to be used by towns which desire to put the shade tree work on a firm footing.

At the end is a list of Texas Nursery dealers which should be helpful where nursery stock is desired. Many of these nurseries issue descriptive catalogs, which may be obtained by writing them.

Mr. Siecke announces that he expects that the distribution of this bulletin to greatly stimulate tree planting in Texas municipalities.

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**WEEKLY REPORT FROM
 METHODIST CHURCH**

Rev. Kilgore, of Dallas, who has been appointed junior pastor of this church, preached Sunday morning to a large audience. Bible lesson, the 2nd chapter of Hebrews; text, Romans 1st chapter 16 verse: "For I'm not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek." Extracts from the sermon are as follows: We should take pride in our religion because it enables us to do wonderful things. We should be proud of our religion because of its origin. Having originated in Heaven the place of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. A great salvation because of its origin and because of the effect it has upon men, regenerating of the heart, the most wonderful miracle ever performed. Man comes into the world sinful and "Hell bent." Regeneration makes him despise the things of the past; makes things of a worldly nature fade into insignificance. Proud, because of the philosophy of the Christian religion, philosophy believes that such is this, without reasoning, tells you this is right. We should be proud because of the result on the whole world. We owe all the progress of social and educational life, woman's rights, to the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ. The religion of the Lord Jesus Christ has so gripped and saved us. You can stand on the outside and look in, but you can't experience it until you come in. Try it and see. God is ruler of all.

Bro. Kilgore is a combination orator, musician and singer. He will direct the Methodist choir while in Midland, has planned to organize an orchestra and will be glad to have any singers who are not doing choir work elsewhere, to join him in building up a strong choir in this church.

Rev. Swimme preached at the evening hour to a full house. Subject: "The Perfect Law of God." Bro. Swimme, in a very kind manner impressed upon the church members how important it is for them to respect and keep this perfect law of God, and that it is no less important to respect and observe the law of their church if they would have an influence for good, and the confidence of the world. Speaking very forcibly upon the general rules and laws of the Methodist church, the church is of God and of divine origin. Every member is under obligation to keep these laws just the same as the pas-

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Indian Calm
 You cannot startle an Indian, declares Mr. Malcom McDowell in the Washington Star, nor can you ruffle his calm dignity.
 I once had the satisfaction of pointing out to an Indian chief an aeroplane sailing across the sky. It was the first aeroplane he had ever seen, and I had fond hopes that he would show some excitement.
 "There," I said, "There! What do you think of it? Isn't it extraordinary?"
 The chief looked up at the aeroplane calmly; then he looked at me.
 "But it was built to do that, wasn't it," he said.

Citation by Publication
 The State of Texas,
 To the Sheriff or any Constable of Andrews County—Greeting.
 You are hereby commanded to summon the Lone Star Farms Company, a corporation, partnership or joint stock association, the stockholders of which or the partners thereof being unknown, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Andrews County, to be held at the court house thereof, in Andrews Texas, on the third Monday in March, A. D., 1921, the same being the 21st day of March, 1921, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 28th day of October, A. D., 1920, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 239, wherein J. S. Means is plaintiff, and James V. Gowl, A. A. Horne, Ira J. Bell, W. E. Bell and Lone Star Farms Company are defendants, and said petition alleging that heretofore on the 1st day of November, 1915, defendant James V. Gowl, made, executed and delivered to A. A. Horne his promissory note in writing in sum of twelve hundred dollars, due in one year after date and providing for interest from date at rate of 10 per cent per annum and 10 per cent additional as attorney's fees, and simultaneously therewith executed a deed of trust to secure said note on section No. 18, blk. A-34, public school land, Andrews County, Texas, and which note and lien were transferred to plaintiff.
 That the Lone Star Farms Company thereafter acquired said land in consideration of the assumption of said note.
 Plaintiff prays for judgment for his debt, interest and attorney's fees and for foreclosure of the deed of trust lien.
 Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
 Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Andrews, Texas, this 8th day of January, 1921.
 R. M. MEANS, Clerk,
 District Court, Andrews County.
 adv 15-4t

A Splendid Bull
 The climate of India is vigorously, if not quite logically, defended in Bulls and Blunders by a certain Irish colonel.
 "Bad climate be hanged!" roared the irate warrior. "There's no better climate in the world; but there are a lot of young fellows who come out to India, and they eat and drink, and they drink and eat, and they die; and then they write home and say that the climate has killed them. Of course, lots of people die in India. Tell me where they don't, and I'll go and end my days there."

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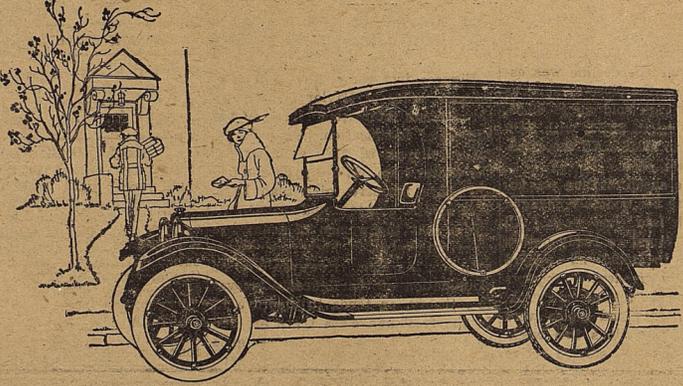
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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL
By J. E. Jones

When Presidents Do Not Interfere
The other day President Wilson vetoed the bill to revive the War Finance Corporation, which is supposedly needed to help out the plight of the farmers of the country. Senate Democrats almost unanimously joined with Republican Senators in overriding the veto.

Evidently the day of "one-man government," and "presidential interference" has passed, just as it passed eight years ago, when the then president, William H. Taft, found his power and influence over congress swept away by an adverse vote of the people in the November election. Mr. Taft made "economy and efficiency" in the affairs of government his particular pet, but congress would not even permit him to maintain the credit for his zeal in behalf of these needed objects in government; and they pushed his pleas aside, just as they did the other day with President Wilson in overwhelming his veto. Former President Roosevelt had the same experience when he retired from office, and on March 4th he was still fighting battles that had lasted from the previous November.

We are reminded once more that "nothing succeeds like success," because four years ago Mr. Wilson's veto would doubtless have been sustained. A defeated president, with his party power likewise repudiated, has a hard time of it. It almost converts one to the belief that the term of the presidency should cease with the beginning of the session of Congress in December, instead of dragging along for four fighting months.

Nevertheless, we are reminded by the experiences of President Wilson and ex-President Taft that after all the supreme power in the government rests with the people themselves. No one can find any semblance of "one-man government" in the present situation.

The Undeveloped Water Powers
There were practically the same number of water powers in 42 B. C. as now, even though fewer of them were developed; and in that year one Publius Sarrus wrote:

"Amid a multitude of projects, no plan is devised."

This observation applies as correctly to the condition with reference to water powers today as it did when it was first written. The difference is that "projects" have been filed to the number of 140 with the Federal Power Commission, but that official body has no one to do the investigating that is required by the law that created it. Because of a very meagre appropriation the Commission has been able simply to put its head above water, and to say, in effect: "We are ready to receive your offers." And right there the Commission has had to stop. However, the friends of water power development have been busying themselves in Congress within the past two or three weeks, and it is likely altogether likely that there will be early legislation that will provide a working force for the Federal Power Commission. It will then be possible to make the necessary investigations and pass upon the projects, and authorize the beginning of "water power development."

Quite recently a report was secured by courtesy of the War Department upon the project at Great Falls on the Potomac River, and it was favorable. A dam above Washington will be capable of supplying all the power the National Capital needs, at a fraction of the cost now involved by the use of coal and steam.

Penrose Back from Death's Door
Ever since President Wilson sailed for Europe the country has heard the rumblings of war between the executive and legislative branches of government. Their disputes have involved the whole nation, and the Republican victory in the campaign cannot be construed otherwise than as a victory for the legislative claim to be consulted freely in the matters of treaties, foreign policies, etc. Mr. Penrose, just arrived from Death's Door, but apparently in as good fighting trim as ever, declares: "Congress will hereafter blaze the way in our foreign policies and will not sit back and take the program of any secretary of state. Cabinet possibilities are therefore of secondary importance at this time."

Whatever else one may say about Mr. Penrose, all agree that "he knows what he is talking about." That is because he has the power in the Senate and in his party to make, break or spoil policies and plans of mice, men, politicians or statesmen. Mr. Penrose voices a feeling that is supposed to be quite general in the Senate. Interpreted, it means that President Harding and his cabinet ministers need not expect to formu-

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late foreign policies without first consulting the Senate leaders. The Penrose warning means that if this policy, as it has been carried out heretofore under former administrations, is attempted, that it will not meet with support in the Senate. The Senate has the whip hand, and Penrose and Company have already given notice that they propose to crack the lash.

The Shortage of Homes
In 1919 only about 70,000 houses were built in the United States. The average in pre-war years was 350,000 to 400,000 family dwellings. While figures are not obtainable for 1920, the probabilities are that the record will be as bad as in 1919, if not worse.

It is observed that the house shortage does not materially affect the man with a salary of several thousand dollars a year, but wage-earners and those earning small salaries are hit "between the eyes." The overcrowding of rooms is viewed by the health officials with anxiety. In all cities the "down-town" rents are driving out those with small salaries. When they turn to the desirable suburbs it is to find that new housing operations are not caring for their wants. Investigators of civic improvements say that the country is in immediate need of a million and a quarter homes.

Particularly in the cities the necessity has arisen of "getting out into the country." It is the logical solution of the family of small means, with a desire to live decently. Coupled with their problem is the difficulty that exists in local transportation. The politicians continue to hammer the street railway lines, with the result that suburban lines are no longer being built in keeping with the demands of the public. "No a house, either old or new, "down-town" or in the "country," access to an efficient railway is as essential as other improvements. The householder who can get a clean, comfortable, substantial home, and good transportation, is able to live cheaper and more satisfying to himself than is possible in the congested districts.

Those who study the housing shortage must look beyond their noses, and when they do they will find that the price of boards, nails, carpenters and bricklayers' wages is only a part of the puzzle, since common sense dealings with street

railway systems are a part of the real problem that is being faced.

New Crop of Political Lawyers

After each congressional election a flock of "prominent lawyers" who have lost out in elections "at home," join the lawyers' colony in Washington. The shingle-makers are preparing a great many new markers to hang over the doors of the new crop of lawyers that will open shops in the national capital. A defeated congressman falls short of being a hero at home, and since those of the lawyer-kind have usually sacrificed their law practice, when entering political life, the process of beginning all over looks more alluring with Washington as the seat of their activities, than does the simple life of the old home town.

Some of them "make connections" with business interests and open shop on a hopeful basis, after their turn of office expires. Others throw the dice of future success in the game of chance. Some win fame and fortune, while others drift along and sad, but true—become "has-beens." After all, the chances of success for the new crop of political lawyers is no brighter in Washington than it is for those who go "back home." In either event the man of limited means is compelled to begin his career anew.

Climatic Reasoning

It is said that ex-President Taft once told three negroes that he would give a big turkey to the one who could give the best reason for being a Republican.

The first said, "I see a 'Publi-can kase de 'Publi-cans set us niggers free."

"Very good, Bill," said the ex-president. "Now, Pete, what do you say?"

"Well, I see a 'Publi-can kase dey done gib us a pectective tariff."

"Fine!" he exclaimed. "And now you, Sam."

"Boss," said Sam, shifting from one foot to the other and scratching his head; "boss, I see a 'Publi-can kase I wants dat turkey."

And he got it.

"A Pity 'Tis True"

Visitor (at the jail)—"Poor man! What are you locked up for?"

Prisoner (wearily)—"I suppose they think I'd get out if I wasn't."

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Citation by Publication

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 estate of Marie J. Riggs, deceased, to appear at the next regular term of the county court, of Midland County, Texas, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Midland, on the second Monday in March, A. D., 1921, the same being the 14th day of March, A. D., 1921, to contest, should they desire to do so, the application of S. R. McKinney, filed in said court on the 30th day of December, A. D., 1920, which will then and there be acted on for probating of the last will and testament of the said Marie J. Riggs, deceased, filed with said application, and for letters testamentary. You are further commanded to serve this citation by publishing the same in this, the county of Midland, Texas, if there be such a newspaper, and if there be none, then in a newspaper which is published nearest the court house of such county, for ten days previous to the first day of the term of this, the county court of Midland County, Texas, to which this citation is returnable, to-wit, the 14th day of March, 1921.

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

Witness C. B. Dunagan, clerk of the county court of Midland County. Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in the city of Midland, this, the 13th day of January, A. D., 1921.

C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk, County Court, Midland County, Tex. Issued this, the 13th day of January, A. D., 1921.

C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk, County Court, Midland County, Tex. adv 16-4t

Complexities of the Romans

Casey met Dolan at the dock and took him at once through the city to show him what America was like. "Casey," said Dolan, "what does them letters MDCCCXCVII mean?" "Eighteen hundred and ninety-seven," answered his friend.

"Casey," came the query after a moment of thought, "don't yez think they're overdoin' this spellin' reform a bit?"

Mere Matter of Ownership

Captain—"All is lost We cannot save the ship!"
Moses—"Do you hear what he says, Abie? The ship is going to sink."
Abie—"Vell, let it sink. Vot do we care? Ve don't own it."

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MAY CO-OPERATE IN SELLING OF STOCK

FORT WORTH CATTLEMEN ARE IMPRESSED WITH ADVANTAGES OF PLAN

The establishment at the Fort Worth stock yards of a co-operative live stock selling agency under the patronage of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas is expected to follow the annual convention of the association, to be held on March 15th, 16th, and 17th, according to members of the executive committee of the association who returned to Fort Worth the first of the week from El Paso, where they attended a conference of the executive committee on Tuesday of last week and remained over to attend the annual convention of the American National Live Stock Association.

Advocates of the co-operative live stock commission company plan for Texas appeared before the quarterly session of the executive committee of the cattle raisers in Dallas last October during the Texas State Fair when President W. W. Turney, of El Paso, was authorized to appoint a committee to make an investigation of the success of co-operative selling enterprises at other markets. The market that was established by the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Nebraska at Omaha several years ago with the result steadily growing rebates were returned to shippers of live stock at the end of each year was the most prominent example before the committee.

The Texas committee, headed by Ralph H. Harris, of San Angelo, with E. B. Spiller, secretary of the association, as secretary, obtained a full report of the workings of the Nebraska commission company from G. H. Gustafson, president of the Nebraska Farmers' Union and manager of the selling agency.

The model plan of the Nebraska Farmers' Union which the committee had before it was originated early in 1917, and the concern was organized at Omaha and began business on April 1st of that year, operating on a fund of \$2,000 appropriated from the Farmers' Union, as the parent concern.

Applications were made for membership on the Live Stock Exchanges at Omaha, St. Joseph, Mo., and Sioux City, Iowa. These applications were denied and the company proceeded to operate independently. In Mr. Gustafson's letter he said that business is done in the same fashion as that practiced by other concerns except that free dinners and free theater tickets are eliminated. The same rates are charged for service and the best salesmen available are employed at salaries commensurate with those paid by private live stock commission firms. Whatever surplus accrues after the expenses of operation have been met are paid back to the producer-customers. After the first year of operation 38 per cent of the total net receipts were returned to shippers. A year later it was possible to return 46 per cent, and at the end of the third year of operation shippers got back 50 per cent of the total amount they had paid. When Mr. Gustafson wrote his letter a month ago he said that indications were the concern would be able to give back to customers 60 per cent of the money paid at the close of the year's business on January 1st.

The Omaha concern has had a great growth since it started business, Mr. Gustafson wrote. When it entered the stockyards there were 51 live stock commission firms doing business. At the end of its third year, on April 1st, 1920, the company's business had become the largest on the yards.

The committee met in Fort Worth on December 19th with all of the members present and drafted recommendations to be made in its report to President Turney and the executive committee at the El Paso meeting. The executive committee gave enthusiastic indorsement to the plan as proposed. Mr. Spiller said Monday upon his return, and the report of the committee will be submitted by President Turney at the annual convention.

The marketing question was at the forefront in discussions at the sessions of the national convention and a resolution was adopted urging members of that association to co-operate in the establishments of co-operative selling agencies and as patrons of such agencies when they are established. The belief was expressed that the selling service is one that may be best controlled by the seller himself and with a saving to himself and to others engaged in the production of live stock.

FAT CATTLE WEAK ON KANSAS CITY MARKET

Chas. M. Pipkin, market correspondent of Kansas City yards, writing from there last Monday, gives the following general report of the market:

Liberal receipts of fat cattle and lower priced steers were steady, and 15 to 25 cents lower for others. Hog receipts exceeded the early estimate by about 3000, and the market was steady to 10 cents lower, top \$9.65 for pigs, and \$9.50 for fat hogs. Sheep and lambs sold readily at firm prices. Ewes sold up to \$5.25, and lambs up to \$10.90.

Receipts today were 14,000 cattle, 13,000 hogs, and 7000 sheep, compared with 14,500 cattle, 19,000 hogs, and 14,100 sheep a year ago. Trade in beef cattle opened slowly at about steady prices. Early demand was for the cheaper classes of steers and plain to medium cows and heifers. Bids on the better killing grades were 10 to 15 cents lower, and later most of the offerings sold at that decline. Chicago's heavy receipts 29,000 practically all fat cattle, was a depressing influence in the trade. Veal calves and bulls were quoted stronger. The best steers here sold at \$10.25, cows up to \$7.75, and heifers up to \$9.50. The top price for calves was \$12.25.

Though prices for fat cattle averaged lower demand for stock and feeding grades was active at steady to strong prices. A good many half fat steers sold to feeders, though choice quality 750 to 850 pound steers that had had no dry feed were the best sellers.

The early estimate was for 10,500 hogs, but more than 13,000 arrived. Prices averaged steady to 10 cents lower, mostly 10 cents down. Trade was active after the decline was established and on the close most sales were steady. Pigs sold up to \$9.65, and fat hogs up to \$9.50, with bulk of sales \$9.25 to \$9.45. All the offerings sold before noon.

Trade in the sheep division was active with prices not notably changed compared with late last week. All the offerings found a ready outlet. Lambs sold up to \$10.90 and ewes up to \$5.25. Only moderate receipts are in sight for the rest of this week.

About 500 horses and mules were in sight for the auctions this week. The opening auction started active with a good many buyers at the ring side.

Miss Mary Dehn will again have charge of the trimming room at Whitmeyer's Shop, and will arrive in the next few weeks to resume her duties. During the one season she was in Midland she made a host of friends who will be pleased to hear that she will return.

"Thirdly, fresh air is moderately moist air. Either very dry or very humid air is harmful. "Lastly, fresh air is variable air. Slight changes in temperature and humidity are stimulating and wholesome for the body."

The term "fresh air" is used a great deal, but most people do not know what is meant by the term. For all such, the definition given by the Yale man is helpful.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Vern Smith by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Midland County, Texas, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Midland, Texas, on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1921, the same being the seventh day of February, A. D. 1921, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the day of January, A. D. 1921, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 1605, wherein Ola Beatrice Smith is plaintiff and Vern Smith is defendant, and said petition alleging the lawful marriage of plaintiff and defendant on or about the 11th day of June, 1917, and that on account of abandonment of the plaintiff by the defendant about four years ago, she asks that the bonds of matrimony be dissolved between the plaintiff and defendant, and for such other relief, special and general, in law and in equity that she may be entitled to.

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

Witness, C. B. Dunagan, Clerk of the County Court of Midland County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, in the city of Midland, Texas, this 13th day of January, A. D., 1921.
C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk.
District Court, Midland Co., Texas.
Issued this 13th day of January, A. D., 1921.
C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk.
District Court, Midland Co., Texas.

WHERE WE DRAW LINE ON HOME PATRONAGE

The Reporter has always been an enthusiast when it comes to endorsing, in toto, all lines of home patronage. It is nearly always a locally patriotic duty to do so; but—well, sometimes it is different again. One day recently we had a local "cobbler" to put half soles and rubber heels on a young boy's shoes. The job was as rough, coarse, and unworkmanlike as could be imagined. The soles were nailed on, the nails wide apart and the leather puffed out between. The price was \$2.60. Not so long ago we had a local merchant to send our own shoes to our former townsmen, H. B. Dorsey, at El Paso. The half soles were beautifully sewed on, the rubber heels nicely fitted, and the job made the shoes look like new. The price was \$2.25, carrying charges both ways included.

The Reporter's advocacy of home patronage has always been based up on all-things being reasonably equal, but we have no more respect for profiteering in Midland than we have for the petty "hold-ups" in some other town. We urge, therefore, that our people can secure better service—indefinitely better if the two instances above cited are average—by taking your shoes to the dry goods merchants of the city and have them sent away. They will gladly render this service to you, and you will find it to your profit and much to your satisfaction to have them do so.

ARE WOMEN OR MEN THE MORE INTERESTED?

Figures just compiled by the registrar's office of Baylor University throw some interesting light on the subject of co-education. Out of a total enrollment of 1132 students for the winter term 584 are girls and 548 are boys, 36 more girls than boys. This at first glance would seem to indicate that the women of today are more interested in higher education than are the men. However, a close examination of the figures disproves this theory, or tends to disprove it. In the freshman class there are 125 boys and 191 girls, 66 more girls than boys. As we go up the scale, however, this advantage in numbers of girls over boys sharply declines. In the sophomore class there are only six more girls than boys, while in the junior class the advantage switches to the boys, there being three more boys than girls in this class. The advantage increases with the senior class, there being fifteen more boys than girls. In the graduate department of the University there are fifty per cent more boys than girls.

The only explanation of this condition seems to lie in the fact that most parents, and the girls themselves, seem to be satisfied with one or at most two years at college or finishing school. They probably have the idea that to spend four years at college would endanger their chances of marrying well. Then, too, there is not that necessity for specialization on the part of the woman as is true in the case of the professional man.

STRAYED OR STOLEN
STRAYED OR STOLEN—Span of small mules, light brown in color, a horse and a mare mule. One branded "C" on thigh and other branded "I H X" on hip. Disappeared from my home in Midland about December 20th. Will gladly pay for information or trouble in locating same. Jax M. Cowden. 13-1f

LOST—A gold Conklin fountain pen and a silver Eversharp pencil. If found, please return to Holt Jowell and receive reward. 14-1f

POULTRY AND EGGS
MINORCAS—Single comb black Minorcas, the B. P. Harrison stock. I will have a few settings of these eggs for sale, \$2 per 15. Place your order now. H. H. Meeks, phone 320. 16-1f

ROOMS—At the Dyer Hotel. Nice and comfortable and close in. Prices moderate. Accommodations for transients, ranchmen, and others solicited. 16-1f

WINDMILLING—We are in the business to render service, and we are going to do it. Try us on your next job and we guarantee satisfaction. Phone us at the Midland Hardware. Phone 36. Greenhill & Sharp. 16-1f

Cumulative Food Value
"I thought you said you knew something about cooking," said the sergeant.
"I did say so," admitted Mr. Erastus Pinkley.
"Well, how do you make hash?"
"You don't make it. It jes' accumulates."

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS
FOR SALE CHEAP—A Detroit gasoline stove, two burners and oven. City Drug Store 16-2t

FOR SALE—Two good, second hand, 10-foot Standard windmills and towers, for sale at half the cost of new ones. See R. A. Young. 16-4tp

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One .32 and one .38 caliber Winchester rifle. Both in good condition. Jack Biard. 16-2tp

FOR SALE—A good wood heating stove. Call Mrs. Terry Elkin, phone 128. 16-2tp

FOR SALE—Good 2nd hand furniture. Extension dining table, bedsteads, springs and mattress, kitchen safe and dishes, stand, table, washstand and bowl and pitcher and various articles. R. E. Crowley. 14-2tp

FURNISHED ROOMS—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, very close in. Phone 176. 16-2tp

FOR SALE—My home place, nice little up-to-the-minute bungalow, close in. Five rooms with bath; lot 100x150.

The J. E. Crossett home is for sale at \$1000. This place is close in; 4 rooms, fine well of water, windmill, tank, barn; lot 150x140, east front. 320 acres good level sandy land, 10 miles southeast of Midland; at a bargain if taken at once.

I will lease for oil 160 acres 4 miles from Bryant well, at the right price, and you had better get 40 acres of this now as the well is making a good showing. Write or call at post office. J. WILEY TAYLOR.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A 9-room house furnished, at Cisco. It is close in and rents at \$200 per month. Will sell or trade on easy and attractive terms. Mrs. W. F. Anderson, phone 78-C. 13-1f

MINERAL LEASES
FOR SALE—Oil leases on 40 acres 5 miles from Bryant No. 1 well, annual rental \$1 per acre. Price \$20. Henry M. Half, Box 307, Midland, Texas. 5tf

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