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STATEMENTS WE ARE PLEASED TO CORRECT

OUR MISREPRESENTATION OF BIG FT. WORTH CONCERN IN LAST ISSUE

Did you ever notice how "prissy" he gets and how important a little dog sometimes thinks he is when he takes in after a big one? Of course you have, and at times his antics become highly amusing. The big dog's dignity forbids him noticing the little one, even though perhaps annoyed and feels that the pup ought to be "taken to a cleaning."

For some weeks past The Reporter has been barking at a big \$1,000,000 concern in Ft. Worth, the Agricultural-Livestock Finance Corporation, which has not been conducting its business just as we thought it should. The little dog has no way of knowing that it has worried the big dog—rather think it has not—but it, the little dog, barked a little too loud and up a wrong tree last week.

We stated that J. V. Stokes & Sons had applied for a loan from the Fort Worth concern and same had been only partly approved, that a lesser sum had been offered than applied for, and that the Stokes's, having plenty of security, refused the offer.

This is not exactly as stated, but about, with some trimmings; and we were altogether wrong.

Messrs. Stokes' application had been approved in to-to. They refused the loan only for the reason that the papers were unavoidably delayed and the elder Mr. Stokes found a buyer for 500 head of calves which rendered the loan unnecessary.

Mr. Stokes called on The Reporter, requesting that we set this matter straight. He has, from time to time, received nice letters from the corporation, explaining that delays had been entailed by reason of the enormous mass of applications for loans, together with the details of organization, and he has no grievance whatever. Thus The Reporter was, as is not infrequent, wrong, and, while we are not exactly tucking our tail and apologizing to the big dog, we don't want to be barking at an imagination, just as we've seen a lot of little dogs do; and so it is our honest wish to bark right and true.

In late days the Corporation has loosened up considerably, we understand, has reconsidered a number of applications, and is getting down to a routine that promises a lot of relief to the stock-raising industry. A number of men in this section have been approved for loans, and others have hopes. So, in a quasi retraction of the whole of our past arraignment of the iron-clad rules of loans that seemed the mode of procedure of the Corporation, we recognize immense good that may be accomplished. We have no right to expect the corporation to take undue risks in placing funds of the War Finance Committee, and the "howl" this paper sent out did not suggest that it do so. Our first applications were almost indiscriminately turned down, and this, too, in the face of very rosy expectations that had been inspired by stock subscription and organization propaganda which heralded the Corporation. Its first activities have borne the marks of packer-bank influence, and, as forcefully expressed by one young stackman, "if that's all it is, to hell with it."

YOUNG MAN GAINING MUCH DISTINCTION

Our young townsman, Wiclif Curtis, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Curtis, and a student of much distinction in Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky., will be home tomorrow for the Yuletide with his parents. Some time back The Reporter had occasion to speak of this young man by reason of many honors that have been bestowed upon him by his university, among them he having been made assistant instructor in the chemical laboratory. He is a fraternity man, a Cappa Alta, and his university has again honored him by appointing him a delegate to the National Convention of the Cappa Alta fraternity in Dallas next week. In the meantime while he is in Midland he will be much pleased to meet such other Cappa Altas as may be here.

Mrs. Carl Smith and son were visitors from Odessa this week, doing some Christmas shopping.

FOOTBALL BANQUET ELABORATE AFFAIR

MANY GUESTS DO HONOR TO TEAM AT THE LLANO HOTEL

One of the most highly enjoyed affairs of the school year was an elaborate banquet tendered the football team by the students and faculty of the Midland high school Saturday evening at the Llano Hotel. Supt. Lackey, as toastmaster, presided with the ease and ability which characterizes him, and the elaborate five course dinner was bountifully interspersed with toasts, responses and impromptu speeches.

The leading speakers of the evening were Judge J. M. Caldwell, O. B. Holt, Sr., and Oliver Fannin. Especially was the address by Mr. Fannin enjoyed by all present. Mr. Fannin, as an athlete of note, is greatly admired by the members of the team and his keen intellect and sense of humor insure an enjoyable address at all times. In addition to the aforementioned speakers, ex-students and other guests made impromptu speeches, and the following well rendered program was given:

Greetings to Our Team—Miss Littlejohn.

Response—Marion Allen.

Reading—Miss Keller.

Members of Team of '21—Dick Graves.

Response—Bryan Hull.

Feminine Admiration—Margaret Caldwell.

Response—Carter Arnett.

Rio Nights—Girls' Chorus.

College Players of Tomorrow—Inabeth Whitefield.

Response—Herman Klapproth.

Inspirations of the Team—Cleve Baker.

Response—B. C. Elliott.

Coming as a happy culmination to the pleasure of the evening was the presentation to the football team of tiny gold footballs, to be used as watch pendants. These tokens, gifts of the high school faculty, students and local friends of athletics constitute the most beautiful and novel trophies ever given athletes here, and were presented by Miss Davis. The members of the football squad who received these favors were: Marion Allen, captain; Bryan Hull, Ben Wall, Paul Jones, Herman Klapproth, Wesley Henry, Cleve Baker, Charles Watson, Carter Arnett, Jim Gage, Cullen Arnett, Earl Williams, Forest Ward, and Golden Donovan.

Members of the faculty, students and guests attending the banquet were: W. W. Lackey, B. C. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Strickland, Misses Keller, Littlejohn, Davis and Pickercell, Attorney Oliver Fannin, Judge J. M. Caldwell, O. B. Holt, Sr., Will Manning, Brookie Lee, Brooks Ramsey, Lillie B. Williams, Curtis Nance, Leslie Floyd, Thomas Schrock, Ammie Wall, Roy Lee, O. B. Holt, Jr., Carolyn Caldwell, Marion Allen, Jack Archer, Cullen Arnett, Minta Aycock, Cleve Baker, Ruth Blakeney, Leola Bigham, Martin Bradford, Carroll Coyle, Lady Connell, Margaret Cald-

well, Golden Donovan, Evelyn Estes, Lois Estes, Jay Floyd, A. J. Florey, Jim Flanagan, Minnie Foster, Jim Gage, Dick Graves, Marie Hord, Oriol Horton, Eual Holman, Cora Mae Haley, Carroll Hill, Wesley Henry, Lyman Hyatt, Mabel Holt, Bryan Hull, Seth Ingham, Paul Jones, Frances King, Herman Klapproth, Jessie King, Ruth Lewis, Gladys and Florence Manning, Ray Moran, Ethel Norwood, Blanche Moran, Cecile Peyton, Rufus Parks, Willie Ramsay, J. Wiley Taylor, Jr., Inabeth Whitefield, Earl Williams, Elsie Wolcott, Nolan Williams, Ben Wall, Forest Ward, Charles Watson, and Fay Young.

—Contributed.

A. C. Murphy was a visitor to Midland this week, from Ranger.

Our Greetings

In the Meaning of Christmas

IN THE true spirit of the occasion and with due appreciation of all it implies, we extend Christmas greetings to the readers of The Reporter. Christmas has a meaning possessed by no other holiday throughout the world. America has its national and special days, other countries have theirs; Christmas is the only one alike in spirit and celebrated in all Christian lands. So pure is its principle that it commands respect and admiration among people who worship their Creator in different ways from ours.

Christmas typifies all that is best in mankind. It is the culmination of the human mind throughout the ages dwelling upon the wonders and mysteries of existence, turning to a reverence for God and His representative on earth. It expresses the ascendancy of spirit, the realization of men of their interdependency and their duty to one another; and so it is marked by the bestowal of gifts and other sentiments of benevolence and well wishing.

The makers of newspapers, concerned as they are with the doings, manifestations and thoughts of their respective communities and the world at large, and recording them in their more important aspects for the information, mayhap the education of readers, are brought into an intimate sense of the spirit and meaning of Christmas. Would that we could express to you all the good that we see in the hearts of men and the increased brilliancy behind a few shadows of the light which has upheld the world for so many centuries. In the happy auguries we see for the future, there is every reason to be merry.

Our Yuletide thoughts go out to the people of this community and our thanks are due the patrons and friends who have given us practical support or extended encouragement during the year. May this be the best Christmas you have ever spent, is our wish to all.

THE PUBLISHER.

THE HOLY MANGER IN ITALY AND SPAIN

BEAUTIFUL CUSTOMS USED IN CELEBRATING THE YULE-TIDE SEASON

Girls and boys of Italy and Spain, which are called the Latin countries, never hang up their stockings at Christmas time, nor do they have Christmas trees. Kris Kringle and Santa Claus are German saints and the Christmas tree came out of the German forests long, long ago, when the nations of northern Europe were forest tribes. It is the northern peoples—the Germans, Scandinavians and English, all of whom are descended from old Teutonic tribes—who keep Christmas as Americans do.

Instead of the Christmas tree Italian and Spanish boys and girls have the presipio. "Presipio" means manger, and it is a representation of the manger where the baby Christ lay in Bethlehem. It is presented in different ways. Sometimes it shows only the inside of the barn where the Baby and His mother lay, with Joseph, the Three Wise Men and the animals about. Sometimes it shows a hillside, with the Wise Men coming on foot or horseback, or on donkeys, bringing their gifts to the stable. Sometimes the manger is small—not more than a foot square. Sometimes it is large enough to occupy the whole end of a room. It is built on a board foundation and is made of wood, with earth, pebbles, dier grass and leaves for the outdoor scenes. The figures are carved of wood, or perhaps little dolls are used, all very carefully and elaborately dressed by the girls. Sometimes brooks and lakes are ingeniously represented with paper, glass or isinglass. Sometimes the whole is rough and rude, but again it is very neatly and beautifully done, and is quaint and interesting when all complete.

The French, who are half Latin and half Teutonic in their makeup, mix the customs of both races in their Christmas keeping. They build the manger and they also give the children presents; only, instead of hanging her stockings, little French Babette puts out her shoes. The French call the manger "cheche," and in country villages in France companies of children still go from house to house on Christmas Eve, carrying the cheche and singing Christmas carols. Sometimes they help to build a beautiful large creche in the village church, over which they are very proud and delighted.

Friends will regret to hear of a loss sustained one day last week by Mrs. Robert O'Connor, of Los Angeles, daughter of our townspeople, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Gray. She was out in the city attending some sort of teachers' meeting when her garage burned. The car and all other contents were totally destroyed, with no insurance.

Marvin Spaulding and family are in from their ranch west, for the holidays with Mr. Spaulding's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Spaulding.

TWO CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE OF SHERIFF

The Reporter this week has authority to announce both Will Manning and Audrey Francis, respectively, for the office of sheriff and tax collector of Midland County, subject to the Democratic primary in July, next. Their names, therefore appear in the proper place. However The Reporter has so much Christmas in it this week that we defer our usual comment on their candidacies until our next issue. These are two mighty good men, and when we have finished extolling their good qualities we'll see if you can tell which one we favor.

Fresh vegetables. Youngblood Grocery Company. adv 11tf

Announcing Our Great January Clearance Sale

Our Famous Red Tag Sale

Opening on Thursday, January 5th, and continuing to the close of Saturday, January 21st. *Values without precedence in the very best of Merchandise.* See our big ad on page 5. Every item in our big store, throughout its several departments, Dry Goods, Groceries, Everything at prices unheard of in Midland since pre-war days. Everything priced at a real bargain, with many items below cost

Amazing Values And we make the announcement as we extend to you the season's greetings, wishing you great joy at this Yuletide, and a Prosperous New Year

Midland Mercantile Company

"The Appreciative Store"

Grocery Phone No. 6

Dry Goods Phone No. 284

TRI-COUNTY TEACHERS INSTITUTE THIS WEEK

WORK ACCOMPLISHED WAS VERY INSPIRING AND PROFITABLE

The Tri-County Teachers' Institute has been in session at the high school building commencing last Saturday, December 17th and continuing until yesterday the 22nd. The attendance upon the daily sessions amounted to more than 30 teachers. All teachers from Midland, Martin, and Andrews counties, excepting the Stanton public school teachers, and several who were transferred attended.

Saturday morning, preceeding the opening of the institute proper, the pupils of the Midland public schools gave an excellent program of open air Swedish gymnastics. In the absence of Judge J. M. DeArmond, Supt. W. W. Lackey called the institute to order and the following officers were elected:

Conductor and chairman, W. W. Lackey; secretary, Miss Lula Elkin.

To accommodate the large audience that came to hear Dr. Eby, of the University of Texas, the institute adjourned to meet at the Baptist church at 10:15, a. m., when it was called to order by Judge DeArmond. Rev. W. A. Smith conducted the devotional exercises and gave a helpful address to the teachers, stressing the importance of the teaching profession, the great influence teachers exert, either for good or evil. Judge DeArmond called upon Mr. Lackey to introduce the speaker of the day, Dr. Frederick Eby dean of the department of education, University of Texas. He is a very effective and interesting lecturer, being also a writer of note. His subject Saturday morning was "Idealism and Realism, and its Relation to Education." In the afternoon "History of Education in Texas." These lectures were beneficial, instructive and edifying, and contributed much to the success of the institute.

The teachers were favored by addresses from Rev. I. H. Teel, Hon. O. W. Fannin, and Judge J. M. Caldwell. One special feature was a thorough demonstration of the most modern methods of penmanship given by W. H. Bodenheimer, of the Andrews public school.

The work of the institute was based on a very fine book lately published, entitled "How to Teach Elementary School Subjects," by Rapceer. The high school teachers of Midland gave carefully prepared talks on their special subjects.

A regular program consisting of special numbers and a professional period was carried out each session. Several numbers deserve mention, among them a special song by a group of high school girls, readings by Marie Hill and Wright Cowden, an instrumental duet by Mr. Ned and Miss Lydie G. Watson, vocal solos by Messrs. Mims and Lackey.

At the last session a symposium on the general topic, "Has the Institute Been Worth While?" was conducted by Mr. Lackey. Each one present expressed his or her appreciation of the week's work and it was declared by several to be the best institute ever attended. —Contributed.

NOTICE TO BUTCHERS AND BEEF PEDDLERS

There seems to be some misunderstanding as to the effect of the law with reference to butchers and slaughterers of cattle. The law requires all who are so engaged to register their names with the county clerk and to enter into bond before the county judge conditioned that a true and faithful record will be kept of all cattle purchased or slaughtered, with a description of the animal, including marks, brands, age, weight, from whom purchased, and the date, and that he will not purchase any animal slaughtered by another unless the hide and ears of such animal accompanies the same.

The law further provides for the making of quarterly reports to the commissioners' court and for the inspection of the hides by a magistrate (justice of peace or county judge,) in counties having no hide and animal inspector.

Those engaged in this business will please govern themselves accordingly. This law applies to all counties in this immediate section.

B. W. Baker, District Attorney.



"A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!"

May peace and joy and gladness,
And sweet contentment, too
Steal through the silvery softness
And leave their joy with you.

May every wish of your own come
true this happy Christmas Season.
This is our wish to you.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Midland, Texas

INTEREST REVIVED IN BIG SPRING FIELD

From Big Spring Herald.

J. G. Leavell, of Houston, recently appointed receiver for the General Oil Company, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Big Spring on a tour of inspection of the company's properties in this district in company with H. D. Conley, one of the former board of trustees who had been in charge of development work in this district.

While here they held a conference with the employees of the company and it was unanimously decided to resume operations in this district.

As a result of this decision Bob Helms and Valentine Day who have been in charge of drilling and operations on McDowell No. 4 will be resumed today. Eck Lovelace and Roy Messer will again be on the job as tool dressers at this well. Ben Lovelace will be on duty at McDowell well No. 1 keeping enough oil pumped from this well to supply fuel oil for operations at No. 4.

Work was suspended on McDowell No. 4 November 30th at 1450 feet, just as drillers Helms and Day had made a record of drilling 750 feet in six days. They are going back on the job with a determination to do some more fast drilling. They will probably have to set 8 1/4 inch casing at 1900 feet. If they have no hard luck they expect to complete this well by January 10th.

It will be good news to our folks to learn that Mr. Conley will again be in charge as superintendent of development for the General Oil Company in this district, and to know that the affairs of the company are in good shape. In the court of proceedings last month in which J. G. Leavell was named as receiver it was decided that the company was not insolvent nor had there been mismanagement. Receivership was decided upon as a matter of policy because of litigation.

Wilbur Wadley and wife, who ranch in New Mexico, 80 miles west of Magdalena, arrived in Midland on Monday, to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wadley and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Glenn. This is their first visit home in four years.

Country sausage—all pork. Youngblood Grocery Company adv11tf

Cyclamen and poinsettias are the real Christmas flowers. We will have them potted and in full bloom with many blossoms. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv 10-3t

W. H. Rhodes came in Tuesday from Odessa, for a day's shopping.

"Say it with flowers" this Christmas, and much happiness will result. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv 10-3t

RECIPES FOR NICE CHRISTMAS CANDIES

Christmas without candy would seem almost as strange as Christmas without Santa Claus, so interwoven with each other are thoughts of the holiday season and the sweets that give it a festive touch.

All candies for which recipes are here given will keep well throughout the holidays if carefully packed in boxes and put away in a cool, dry place.

Walnut Bonbons

One cup of fondant, 1-4 cup of grated cocoanut, English walnuts. Put the fondant into top of double boiler over hot water. When soft remove and add cocoanut. Mix well. Take a teaspoon, roll into oblong balls, then press 1-2 English walnut on each side; sprinkle with sugar.

Creamed Dates

Dates are cut in half, stone removed, and filled with the same kind of fondant, then rolled in powdered sugar. Figs, raisins, prunes and dried apricots are prepared the same way.

Plain fondant is molded and dipped in melted baking chocolate.

Chocolate and Honey Nut Candy

One cup strained honey, 4 squares of melted chocolate, or 1-2 cup cocoa, 2 cups finely chopped nut meats, 1 teaspoon powdered cinnamon. Mix ingredients, put into saucepan and boil slowly until it spins a thick thread or has reached the hard ball stage when dropped in cold water. Dust bakeboard with 1 teaspoon of confectioner's sugar and put mixture on. When cold roll out one-half inch thick and cut in one-half inch squares. Place in warm oven to dry.

Chocolate Peanut Fudge

Two squares of chocolate, 2 cups of granulated sugar, 1-2 cup of milk, 2 tablespoons peanut butter, 2 tablespoon syrup, butter. Cook together the ingredients in the usual manner of fudge with a piece of butter the size of a walnut. When done beat well and pour into buttered pans.

Cocoanut Fudge

Two squares chocolate, 2 cups sugar, 1 tablespoon butter, 1-2 cup fresh grated cocoanut and cocoanut milk. Put all the ingredients into saucepan and boil until when tried in cold water, a soft ball is formed. Remove from the fire, add a pinch of salt and stir until smooth and creamy. Pour into buttered pan and, when cold, cut into blocks.

Christmas candies and shelled pecans. Youngblood Grocery Company. adv 11-tf

Aquariums in one, two and three gallon sizes at the Elite. Gold fish free. adv 10-3t

A number of our boys and girls who are attending various schools and colleges away from home, are back for the Christmas holidays. Many of them, no doubt, we have failed to mention, because of our lack of information.

All kinds of fire works. Youngblood Grocery Company. adv11tf

W. A. Hyatt and wife left Monday morning for a three weeks' vacation to points in South Texas. While away they will visit their son at San Antonio.

Southern Wild Smilax, Holly with red berries and mistletoe for your Christmas decorations at the Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop 10-3t

CITY GARAGE

R. D. Scruggs, Prop.

Agent for
PHILADELPHIA DIAMOND GRID BATTERY
Two Year Guarantee

We also charge, overhaul and make your old Battery like new.

Full line of Gates' Super Tread Tires.

General Auto Repairs, Accessories, Acetylene Welding, Carbon removing, etc.

Good Service and Guaranteed Satisfaction.

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Wishing You a Very Merry Christmas-

And may the New Year be a Busy, Prosperous and Happy One.

We appreciate the Splendid Business you have given us
We appreciate your good will and your Confidence.

We expect to work harder;
to Strive to serve you better;
in 1922

Beginning Monday Morning the 26th A Clearance of the Ready-To-Wear Department

Every Garment in the ready-to-wear department will be priced to sell---regardless of cost.

Dresses - Suits - Skirts
Blouses - Kimonos - Robes
Coats - Children's Coats

This is a clearance Sale that will move this stock quickly. The price at which these are marked will clear them from the cases. **DONT WAIT.**

WADLEY - WILSON CO.

One Price

The Lowest

For Cash Only

Christmas Greetings!!

Merry Christmas, gentle reader, may your Cup of joy overflow.
May the road be smooth before you, as on Your way you go.
May the troubles of the present and the Hardships of the past
No longer than a bubble in a West Texas Sandstorm last.
That everything you are wishing for Yourself may all come true
Is the sum of all the wishes that we are Wishing for you.
May Santa Claus bring you just the Biggest load he can.
With the sincere Christmas greetings of

BURTON-LINGO COMPANY
And LEE BRADSHAW

Greetings!

THE Midland Variety Store wishes you one and all a Merry Xmas and a prosperous New Year.

THIS store will strive to make the coming year a PROSPEROUS one for you by selling you goods on a very small margin above the wholesale cost.

Remember the Doll and Go-Cart to be given away December 24th at 7:00 p. m. Be present with your tickets and see if you are lucky.

MIDLAND VARIETY STORE

CHURCH NOTICES

God's Christmas Gift 1921 Years Ago
And the angel said unto them: 'Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.' (Luke 2: 10-11.)

Methodist Church

Throughout the world men will unite on this Sabbath day to pay tribute to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. It is our desire that our entire community meet in their different churches to honor Him who has done so much for us. We have all been busy during the week, but let us feel that the greatest Christmas gift should be given to Him whose birthday we celebrate.

We wish to send our Christmas greetings to the entire community and hope that this year the Spirit He

sent into the world will be the dominating influence in all our lives.

You are invited to worship the King with the Methodist church Sunday at both services. The pastor will preach a Christmas sermon at both the morning and evening hours. The program will be as follows:

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock, "The New Born King."
Evening worship, 7 o'clock, "Because There Was no Room in the Inn."

Catholic Church

Mass will be on every third Sunday of the month and on the fifth Sunday when there is a fifth Sunday in the month. Beginning of mass at 10 a. m.

Fresh oysters. Youngblood Grocery Company. adv 11tf

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Allen Tolbert returned the first of the week from his vacation, spent at various points east. He is back at his post as an employe of the First National Bank.

Christmas candies and shelled pecans. Youngblood Grocery Company. adv 11-tf

GREAT ATTRACTIONS AT RIALTO NEXT WEEK

To celebrate the holidays commencing tonight Friday, the management of the Rialto Theatre will put forth the very best efforts to make the Yuletide season a gala occasion in filmdom. A great program has been arranged for lovers of the silent drama. Probably matinees will be given next week for the benefit of all who do not care to come out at night. A line of comedies, dramas, etc., has been arranged for and all are cordially invited to spend an hour or two at each performance. It will help to while away many of the hours that you have to spare to see these special programs and you may be the happier for it. The programs are all very fine now. We would call special attention to Will Rogers, who was featured in one of his eccentric comedies one night last week. We will have many opportunities to see this famous comedian among others in the near future.

Following will be the program for next week, commencing tonight, Friday:

Special Western feature with the serial "Tarzan" and Pathe News.

Saturday—Gladys Walton in the "Rich Girl Poor Girl." Also a red-hot comedy. Matinee and night.

Monday, Christmas matinee and night, "Dinky," and "Mamas Cow-puncher."

Tuesday and Wednesday—Mary Miles Minter in "Don't Call Me Little Girl."

Thursday—Frank Mayo in "Go Straight." And a very laughable after-piece comedy "Gone to the Country."

County Attorney B. F. Haag left Monday evening for points east, expecting to be gone four or five days.

Country sausage—all pork. Youngblood Grocery Company adv11tf

COURTESY SERVICE FIRST STABILITY



Our Greetings to You

"Christmas and New Years come closely together Here is a rousing good greeting for both: Here's to your joy in this winter-time weather, Here's to your health and your progress and growth.

May you keep body and mind in condition Fine as a power-plant perfectly run, Never lack fuel to feed your ambition, Always have steam for what's to be done."

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

The year is about over, but there still is time to open a bank account and mark this year as the turning point in your financial condition.

When an account is once opened, it becomes more easy to add to it regularly—as the sum grows there is greater inducement to develop it to a worth while amount.

Insure next years prosperity by starting a bank account now.

Midland National Bank

HELPFUL WORDS

From a Midland Citizen
Is your back lame and painful?
Does it ache especially after exertion?
Is there a soreness in the kidney region?
These symptoms suggest weak kidneys.
If so there is danger in delay.
Weak kidneys get weaker fast.
Give your trouble prompt attention.
Doan's Kidney Pills are for weak kidneys.
Your neighbors use and recommend them.
Read this Midland testimony.
Mrs. J. M. Jemison, Wall Street says: "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills off and on for quite a long time and from the good results I received I can certainly say they are a good, reliable medicine. I use them for lumbago and weakness in my back and they have never failed to relieve me. Anyone troubled by their kidneys should get a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Taylor's drug store."
Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Jemison had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv.11-2t

CARDUI HELPED REGAIN STRENGTH

Alabama Lady Was Sick For Three Years, Suffering Pain, Nervous and Depressed—Read Her Own Story of Recovery.

Paint Rock, Ala.—Mrs. C. M. Stegall, of near here, recently related the following interesting account of her recovery: "I was in a weakened condition. I was sick three years in bed, suffering a great deal of pain, weak, nervous, depressed. I was so weak, I couldn't walk across the floor; just had to lay and my little ones do the work. I was almost dead. I tried every thing I heard of, and a number of doctors. Still I didn't get any relief. I couldn't eat, and slept poorly. I believe if I hadn't heard of and taken Cardui I would have died. I bought six bottles, after a neighbor told me what it did for her.

"I began to eat and sleep, began to gain my strength and am now well and strong. I haven't had any trouble since. . . I sure can testify to the good that Cardui did me. I don't think there is a better tonic made and I believe it saved my life."

For over 40 years, thousands of women have used Cardui successfully, in the treatment of many womanly ailments.

If you suffer as these women did, take Cardui. It may help you, too. At all druggists. E 85



Faster and Faster the joyous Jungleland Movies go into child-loving homes

Wonderful fun—these Kellogg's Jungleland Moving Pictures—for children and for mothers and daddies! No limit to these animal antics! Any hour—day or night!

And—Jungleland FREE to you, with a generously big package of KELLOGG'S—the most deliciously flavored, the crispest, crunchiest Corn Flakes you ever ate!

Such a fun treat with Jungleland and a taste treat with KELLOGG'S Corn Flakes! Children sure delight in KELLOGG'S because they are not leathery or hard to chew! Grown folks delight in KELLOGG'S fascinating fla-

vor and unique crispness! KELLOGG'S are simply wonderful! That's the way to say it!

Thousands of Jungleland Moving Pictures have been put away for Christmas gifts! They'd cost you 50c in book stores! If you have no children, give Jungleland to a little friend you love.

FOR THIS WEEK ONLY —KELLOGG'S Jungleland is packed inside the Waxtite wrapper of every package of KELLOGG'S Corn Flakes! You can't buy KELLOGG'S without Jungleland—you can't buy Jungleland without KELLOGG'S!

Kellogg's is in the RED and GREEN package!



Kellogg's CORN FLAKES

Also makers of KELLOGG'S KRUMBLES and KELLOGG'S BRAN, cooked and krumbled

ELECTRIC GIFTS

Always Please

—because they are always useful. You must see our special Holiday showing of Electrical Appliances and Household Helps

Our Prices Make Buying Easy

As a suggestion for Gifts, consider the following list:

- Waffle Irons
- Lamps
- Electric Heaters
- Flashlights
- Warming Pads
- Curling Irons
- Electric Ranges
- Electric Washers
- Electric Irons
- Percolators
- Grills, Etc

A selection of these Helps to Home Keeping would make the wife or mother a happier Christmas

Let us help you in a choice of those things that will best serve in your home.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements are
made subject to the action of the
Democratic Primary Election to be
held Saturday, July 22, 1922:

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

WILL MANNING
AUDIE FRANCIS

BUSINESS HOUSES

WILL CLOSE MONDAY

The First National Bank and Midland
National Bank request announcement
that they will be closed Monday,
December 26th, it being the legal
Christmas holiday. Other business
institutions of the city will likewise
be closed on this day, as Christmas
comes on Sunday, and it being the
custom to give over one week day in
recognition of this birthday of the
Savior.

ACTIVITY INCREASES IN PECOS OIL FIELD

From The Enterprise.

With the closing of the old year
activity seems to be increasing in the
Pecos oil field. Announcement of
several new locations has been made
during the past few days and work is
being resumed on a number of the
wells that had been started but had
been stopped because of lack of funds
and change in management, etc.

With the opening of the new year
still greater activity is expected and
all prospects point to a real oil boom
of no small proportions for this section
before the winter ends.

The Toyah-Bell well is now ready
for the tubing which is en route to
Pecos from Ranger. When this ar-
rives it will be placed in the well to
make the oil flow continuously. B.
Ramsey, president of the Ramsey
Company which is drilling the well,
went to Baird Wednesday to hurry up
the shipment of tubing, engine boiler,
etc., that are on the way. It was re-
ported that the shipment has been de-
layed at Baird because of some acci-
dent that made it necessary to reload
the material. All this new material
is to be used in completing the
Toyah-Bell well and in drilling the
other two wells for which locations
have been made by the Ramsey Com-
pany.

What do you know of the process of
applying design to material called
batik? You may find out and also
see a piece of this work at the C. I.
A. exhibit at the Library on January
3rd and 4th.

Work in sheet metal, brass, copper
and silver is one of the popular crafts.
Some designs in metal and jewelry
are included in the C. I. A. Art Ex-
hibit.

"The student who has studied
wood working should be able to know
good furniture." Come to the Library
on the afternoons of Jan. 3rd and 4th
and see what the C. I. A. students
learn about wood-working.

Come to the Library on January
3rd and 4th and learn how impor-
tant is commercial advertising. Free
art exhibit by students of C. I. A.

"Helen of the Old House," by Har-
old Bell Wright, now on sale at the
Elite Confectionery and Floral
Shop. adv 10-3t

Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets

"I have frequently used Cham-
berlain's Tablets, during the past three
years, and have found them splendid
for headache and bilious attacks. I
am only too pleased, at any time, to
speak a word in praise of them,"
writes Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt, Rock-
port, N. Y. adv Dec 1m

We have been informed that the
Midland Concert Band will go to El
Paso on Jan. 9th, to hear John Phillip
Sousa's famous 100 piece band. This
will not only be a trip of great pleas-
ure, but will be of great material bene-
fit to the young musicians of our city.
The boys will make the trip in cars.

Coffee, Coffee, Coffee. Golden
Gate, Cup and Saucer, Manor House,
Maxwell House, Schillings. Young-
blood Grocery Company. adv 11f

The nice Christmas candies at the
Home Bakery are going fast. Better
hurry and get yours. adv

It takes a wise man to make a fool
of himself intentionally.

Any man can own the roof over his
head. There is no reason for your
paying rent. See or write our repre-
sentative, H. A. McDonald, Rankin,
Texas. 12-2t

Fresh vegetables. Youngblood
Grocery Company. adv 11f

CLOSING-OUT SALE

ON ALL

Holiday Goods

Two days only--Friday & Saturday Dec. 23rd & 24th.
An Unusual Sale at Sacrifice Prices. Reason for Sale:
We have a large stock of Holiday Goods and must Sell
Them. This Sale will be our loss and your gain.

We quote here a few prices; other goods marked accordingly

Dolls, with natural hair, Regular price \$1.85.	Sale Price \$1.20
Knockabout Dolls, Regular price \$1.50	Sale Price \$1.00
Knockabout Dolls, Regular price \$1.25	Sale Price 85c
Sleeping Dolls, Regular price \$1.50	Sale Price \$1.00
Sleeping Dolls with natural hair, Regular price \$1.25	Sale Price 85c
Tricycles, Regular price \$5.00	Sale Price \$3.85
Tricycles, Regular price \$5.75	Sale Price \$4.25
Iron Clad Wagons, Regular price, \$5.00	Sale Price \$3.85
Marathon Wagons, Regular price \$3.75	Sale Price \$2.75
American Boy Wagon, Regular price \$5.75	Sale Price \$4.25

Satisfy the Kiddies this Xmas when you
can do it with very few dollars at
this unusual Toy Sale and
Before Christmas

Midland Variety Store

"Headquarters for Holiday Goods"



A Store Full of Gifts

The Christmas spirit pervades every corner of this
store. You will be surprised at the completeness
of our stock---and every gift at a reasonable price.

Christmas Suggestions for Women

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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Brunswick Phonograph | Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet |
| Floor Coverings | Cedar Chests |
| Scissors | Casseroles |
| Aluminum Ware | Glass Ovenware |
| Carving Sets | Rocking Chair |

Christmas Suggestions for Men

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Winchester Rifles | Winchester Shotguns |
| Winchester Flash Lights | Kamp Kits |
| Safety Razors | Pocket Knives |
| Easy Chairs | Hunting Coats |

Christmas Suggestions for Children

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|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Winchester 22 Rifles | Air Rifles |
| Flash Lights | Wagons |
| Pocket Knives | Child's Chair and Rockers |

You can shop here for the whole family.

Midland Hardware Company

"A Square Deal to All"

Not Too Late for a Dandy
Christmas Gift

A FORD

ONE OF THE SEVERAL TYPES

Your friend or loved one would like such a gift, no
doubt, better than anything else. It would be a
handsome remembrance.

Other Nice Things, Too

We have dozens of nice things for the car, handy
accessories, that would be a delight to your motorist
friend. Let us show you.

In the Meantime

We want to extend to you our very best wishes at
this glad Christmas time. May your joys be great
at this festive season and the New Year dawn for
you with brighter hope than in the rosiest years
gone by.

HEATLY & YARBROUGH

Ford Sales and Service

Merry Christmas

Red Tag Sale

The Greatest Semi-Annual---Pre-Inventory Clearance Sale

You Know What It Means

Begins Thursday, January 5th
Closes Saturday, January 21st

Dry Goods :- Groceries

The prices will be cut to the bottom on every article in our house. We expect to make this the biggest and best RED TAG SALE ever. All profits sacrificed in order to move all seasonable merchandise before taking inventory.

YES Everything in the house, both Groceries and Dry Goods, will be sold at Red Tag Prices. A real Price Reduction Sale. Men's Furnishings, Ladies' Ready-to-wear, Hosiery, Underwear, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Piece Goods, Trunks, Suit Cases, Hand Bags, Blankets, Comforts, Domestics, Sheetings, Linens—all will be tagged with RED TAGS and priced to sell.

GROCERIES Our grocery department will be well stocked with staple and fancy groceries of quality— All these will be sold at RED TAG PRICES, and this will move the goods. YOU CAN'T AFFORD NOT TO BE HERE THE FIRST DAY.

PRICES Space would not permit us to give prices on everything, and we never throw out a FEW BAITs, but we do make the price in the house ourselves, and you have never been deceived in a RED TAG SALE. You will not be deceived this time— We have never quoted any prices during the many years we have had Red Tag Sales, but the Sales Record of every RED TAG Sale speak for themselves.

POSITIVELY Nothing will be charged during this sale---Everything must be paid for when bought. No hold tickets. Nothing reserved. No merchandise can be returned. Every sale a bonafide sale.

DRY GOODS Department will be closed from Saturday, December 31st until Thursday morning, January 5th, so that we may tag and mark every article. Grocery department will be closed Wednesday afternoon January 4th, and no deliveries will be made after the noon hour.

Every Item Tagged With RED TAGS and Marked in Plain Figures

DON'T FORGET THE DATES

From January 5th to January 21st

Midland Mercantile Company

Grocery Phone No. 6

"The Appreciative Store"

Dry Goods Phone No. 284

Merry Christmas

French Doors

Give yourself and the family a pair of French Doors for a Christmas present. They will make the house look better and cut your fuel bill this winter

Talk to us about it; their cost is not much

Rockwell Bros & Co.

Telephone 48

MIDLAND SOCIETY

MISS LYDIE G. WATSON
Editor
Phone No. 88

Mr. O. B. Holt, Jr., who is a student at a commercial college in Dallas, is spending the holidays with his parents.

Misses Eunice and Mittie Lee Allen, who are teaching in Crowell, and Miss Laura Gay Allen, of Texas Woman's College, Ft. Worth, arrived Sunday to spend Christmas at home.

Mrs. Jennie Collom, who has been spending the winter with Mrs. C. A. Goldsmith, left Thursday to spend Christmas with her cousin, Rev. Hawkes, who is presiding elder of the Austin district. Mrs. Collom has a wide circle of very warm friends in Midland who will cordially welcome her upon her return.

Mr. Franklin Whitefield returned this week from Rice Institute, Houston, to spend the Yuletide with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Whitefield.

Misses Johnnie, Willie and Tommie Preston, of Simmons College, Abilene, are expected this week to spend the vacation with their father, Mr. Sam Preston.

Miss Reba Nugent, of Dallas, arrived Sunday and Miss Roxie Nugent, who is teaching in Eastland, is expected tomorrow for the holiday season.

Miss Grace Clark, of Dallas, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. L. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Collins, of Toyah, were last week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Collins.

Miss Florence McKissick, who is teaching on the Bright ranch near Marfa, is a Christmas guest of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. McKissick.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass and daughter, Miss Maggie, together with Miss Gladys Inman, went to Abilene this week to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. J. Frank Hobbs.

Miss Brookie Lee, of the Sierra Blanca public schools, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lee.

Mrs. Louis Sharp, of Abilene, and Miss Annie Mae Klapproth, who is teaching in Amarillo, are the Christmas guests of their mother, Mrs. H. Klapproth.

Mrs. A. S. Dees, and daughters, Mrs. Dell King and Miss Daisy Dees, are this week enjoying a family reunion, the guests of the house party being daughters and sisters of the hostesses, together with their families. They are Mrs. H. D. Durst and children of Los Altos, Cal., Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bird and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hopson and children of Abilene.

Mrs. S. O. Richardson spent the last week-end most delightfully, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Purcell, on the Hutt ranch.

Miss Ethel Shepherd, teacher in the Lamesa public school, is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shepherd.

Mrs. Robert Malone, of Plainview, arrived in Midland today to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. N. W. Bigham, and family.

Mrs. Louie Arrington, of Merkel, arrived Tuesday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingham, and Mr. Arrington will arrive tomorrow in time for the Christmas turkey and all the "fixings."

Mr. Meyer Half, a student of the New Mexico Military Institute, of Roswell, returned Thursday for a Christmas visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half.

On January 3rd and 4th, in the afternoon, there will be shown at the Library building an art exhibit from the College of Industrial Arts at Denton. This exhibit includes many things, among them costume designing, household furnishings, basket making, etc. There will be no charges.

Dear Folks: Furthermore, speaking of our interest in matters musical, did ever a "gang" of young boys practice with such continued enthusiasm and make more progress than our band boys? Let us resolve to show more appreciation of their efforts during the new year. We know how much that means, for your words of encouragement and liberal patronage have kept us enthusiastic and interested in a new proposition during a most difficult period and filled us with unbounded expectations for a great new year. May it be only a reflection of your own after you have enjoyed the very merriest Christmas. Your own Whitmeyer's Shop. adv

For exchange at once—Some beautiful Blue Birds (dresses) for just a few eagles. We are glad you like our new hats as well.

Geo. G. Gray this week bought two of the Henry M. Half show bulls. They are senior calves and very fine. Mr. Gray will use them on his ranch north, with some fancy heifers he is reserving from his own breeding.

John Edwards and family were in yesterday from their Monahans ranch, to do some Christmas shopping. They expect to spend Christmas with Mrs. Edward's mother, Mrs. Harris, in Pecos.

C. W. Logsdon was a visitor yesterday from Andrews County. He ranches near Shafter Lake, and reports conditions pretty good, considering how very dry it is.

Beautiful new sizes and shades of Cranes stationery in Christmas boxes for Christmas. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv 10-3t

Mrs. W. H. Brunson returned yesterday from Temple, where she recently sustained another operation. Friends are so glad she was enabled to come home for Christmas and hope for her steady improvement until her health is fully restored.

Go to the Home Bakery for your Christmas candies. Nice and fresh; home-made. adv.

Full line of late fiction by most popular authors, and a good book is always an acceptable gift. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv 10-3t

H. B. Adams and wife, J. G. Mansfield and wife, and W. H. Armstrong and wife, all of Burk Burnett, were visitors to Midland this week, touring in their cars.

Bill Potter and Oscar Ragsdale arrived the first of the week from Abilene, where they are attending business college. They will spend the holidays with home folks.

Complete line of smokers' articles for men—pipes, cigar and cigarette holders, cigar and cigarette cases, smoker stands and ash trays, cigars and cigarettes in holiday packages. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop.

Oron Cochran is home from Oklahoma City for the holidays. He is a business college student in that city.

Many beautiful potted plants and table ferns will be on display at the Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop for Christmas. adv 10-3t

Mrs. W. M. Price, of Deming, N. M., arrived in Midland Wednesday, and is a guest of friends.

Mrs. Lennie Cavener, of Roswell, N. M., is a guest of friends in Midland having arrived last Wednesday.

Coffee, Coffee, Coffee. Golden Gate, Cup and Saucer, Manor House, Maxwell House, Schillings. Youngblood Grocery Company. adv 11t

When You are Constipated
To insure a healthy action of the bowels and correct disorders of the liver, take two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. They will not only cause a gentle movement of the bowels, without unpleasant effects, but banish that dull, stupid feeling, that often accompanies constipation.

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

To Everybody

May your Christmas be a merry one
and your New Year most happy.

One more week of bargains. Our sale will close Saturday night, December 31st. If you have not bought all of your winter needs you will be well paid to visit Everybody's Store next week.

Just received a delayed shipment of Staples that should have been here for the opening day. Consists of Outing, Gingham, Percale, Shirting, etc. This goods will besold for less money than will be possible to buy again.

Cotton Blankets 98c to \$1.89 pr.
Good Outing, Dark and Light . . . 12 1-2c
Good gingham 15c, 17c and 19c
All Wool Suits for Men . . . \$14.95, \$19.85, \$23.50.
Just opened splendid boys' All Wool Suit in large sizes, 12 to 18 at \$9.75
Men's Winter Unions at \$1.00
Men's Heavy Fleece Shirts and Drawers at 60c

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY

Everybody's

Midland's Quality Store.

T. S. Patterson & Co.

MUST BE DELINQUENT SUBSCRIPTION LIST

It occurs to The Reporter that the Pecos Enterprise must have a pretty heavy delinquent subscription list to have been inspired to write, in its last issue, the following disquisition on the degrees of punishment in hell, one perhaps that is as irksome, irritating as that which burdens The Reporter:

The writer of this editorial does not profess to be a theologian, but we have studied the Bible and men enough to be a firm believer in the doctrine of degrees in Hell. Of course there are degrees in the other world—Heaven.

But the point we are driving at is that our thinking upon the subject of degree in the dreaded place of punishment soon takes us to the point of wondering just who will receive the greatest amount of "fire and brimstone." And we wonder if that ten-million degree of suffering to be conferred upon the most wicked man will not fall on the fellow who is most ungrateful.

Now that leads us to the point of wondering some more—for one word suggests another. We are thinking too that gratitude and debt paying go hand in hand. Why shouldn't a man be grateful to his fellowman who allows him credit—especially sometimes when said debtor is sometimes carried for a long time. And doesn't our logic then lead to this conclusion—namely, that the man who will not do his best to pay his debts is really a very ungrateful man.

We think of all the crimes in the catalog of the wicked and wonder what are the most heinous. Of course a traitor is one of "the meanest," but the biggest part of his sin is ingratitude. We say Judas Iscariot was the meanest man—yes, 'tis true, but old Judas was the most ungrateful man who ever lived. He got his punishment all right, too—rather he is getting it, for the place where he went is eternal, everlasting, without beginning and without end—a long time isn't it? But it is where Judas went and has a lot of company and more than likely will have a lot more.

We didn't mean to say so much to arrive at this point, but sometimes the indirect route is best—to get folks to think. Let the new year find

you free of as many debts as possible, for when you pay A then Mr. A can go pay B and Mr. B can go pay C, then Mr. C can go pay the man he owes and so on down the line. Many men can't pay until somebody pays them. And wouldn't this be a fine plan to bring added cheer to the holiday season and be a boomer in starting the new year right?

We are very glad indeed to welcome our friend, Floyd Countiss, and family back to Midland. They arrived Wednesday from Weatherford, where they made their home for several years, and they are again locating on their farm seven miles south of town. Mr. Countiss has acquired an additional half section just across the lane from his home. It is always a pleasure to welcome the old timers back home.

Cut flowers sent anywhere at any time by our telegraph service. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop 10-3t

Certificate
The State of Texas, County of Andrews. I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing 20 citations, covering delinquent tax suits, numbered from 244 to 249, inclusive, and from 251 to 264, inclusive, pending on the civil docket of the district court of said county, were ordered published in the Midland Reporter, at Midland, Texas, there being no newspaper published in Andrews County, Texas, by the commissioners' court of said Andrews County, as shown by the public records of said county. Witness my hand and seal of office at Andrews, Texas, this the 21st day of November, A. D., 1921.
R. M. Means, Clerk,
District Court, Andrews Co., Tex. (seal)

Speaking of Practical Christmas Gifts

We Suggest the Following:

- A Tire
- A Tube
- A Spot Light
- A Bumper
- A Tire Pump
- A Sun Shade
- A 5-Minute Vulcanizer
- A Tube Repair Kit
- A Tire Cover
- An Electric Horn
- A Pair of Mud Chains
- For Wet Weather
- But Best of All
- A New Nash Car

The Western Auto Supply Co.

Rialto Theatre

Greetings!

The management of the Rialto Theatre wishes all its patrons a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, and cordially invites you to see the following Christmas week program, commencing tonight, Friday:

Big Western and the great serial, "Tarzan," and a comedy and Pathe News.

Saturday—Gladys Walton in "Rich Girl Poor Girl." Comedy. Matinee at 2:30.

Monday—Special Christmas picture, matinee and night, "Dinty" and a comedy, "Mama's Cowpuncher."

Tuesday and Wednesday—Mary Miles Minter in "Don't Call Me Little Girl."

Thursday—Frank Mayo in "Go Straight," and a comedy "Gone to the Country."