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THE MIDLAND FAIR ALL THAT WAS ANTICIPATED

Heavy Attendance the Three First Days and Crowds all Pleasantly Enthusiastic

It cannot be expected that The Reporter this week will be very much in a way of news. There's plenty of it, of course, but this paper cannot afford any special reporters to cover the many attractions that are now on at the best fair Midland ever pulled off; and Midland pulls off the best in the west. The editor just had to take it all in, so full details of the fair will be given next week.

D. C. Imboden, of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce, is here in the interest of the great Inter National Soil-Products Exposition to be held in El Paso October 14 to 24th inclusive. Said he: "Yours is the best fair I ever say outside of a large city, and from a standpoint of livestock, cattle especially, there is no exception. Fort Worth never had a better cattle exhibit. I don't believe Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, or any other city in the United States ever had a better exhibit, considering the limitations of your show, and El Paso is immensely pleased to know she is going to get a large number of Midland cattle for her great exposition. Your fair is simply great, and in its every detail. I do earnestly appreciate your hard-working secretary, Mr. W. B. Starr. Midland owes him a lot for his untiring efforts. I know, too, that his is ordinarily a thankless job."

George Clements, a special newspaper reporter, was sent out from El Paso by the Times and the Herald to cover the Ft. Worth to El Paso highway meeting, and he visited our fair. His praise of it was unstinted. Mentioning the fair in his report to his papers he said: "The Midland County fair this year is the best fair held by the association since its organization, and is being liberally patronized. The livestock show is particularly good, exhibits coming as far away as Kansas City. The amusement program is extensive and clean, and has served to attract the largest attendance at the fair in the history of the institution. All hotels are crowded to capacity and sleeping room is at a premium. Decorations of streets are elaborate. Colored electric lights at night and gaily colored banners in the daytime, give the city a holiday appearance, which is very pleasing."

P. B. Rogers, of Fort Worth, and T. & P. official, is another of the enthusiasts, so is Jno. K. Rosson, and many other distinguished visitors. Next week we shall give expressions from a number of them, as well as from a number of our distinguished townspeople.

It is a great fair, a wonderful fair. All persons from away who are interested, concessionists, exhibitors, etc., have nothing but praise for every feature of it. Evidencing the splendor of our cattle exhibit, the great Jowell & Jowell bull, Hector, which was the grand

champion at the Amarillo fair two weeks ago, was defeated for this honor at Midland. The really wonderful bull, for which Jowell & Jowell paid Guggell & Simpson \$5000, splendid and seemingly perfect as he is, fell before the greater magnificence of Beau Homer, a Midland bull, bred, raised and owned by Henry, M. Half, of Midland. It was a splendid victory for Half and for Midland. Half, too, is many times a winner over C. M. Largent & Son, of Merkel, famous exhibitors in many of the greatest shows of the Southwest.

But it is not intended to give details in this issue of The Reporter. We the attempt made only partial returns of victories, winnings, could be given, so we feel that it is best to give all in our next issue, when all returns are complete.

Each day wonderful crowds are attendant. On the first day upwards of \$2000 were taken in as gate and grandstand receipts, and the second and third day's receipts were not far behind.

Today the great auction sale of registered Herefords will take place, and it is expected to attract unusual crowds, especially stockmen.

On the first day an exciting game of polo was played between the U. S. army officers and Midland teams. Midland won by 13 points to nothing for the visiting team.

Laddie Laird, the young aviator, is a sensation. He pulls all the stunts he was advertised for, and then some. His flights are thrilling beyond expression. Miss Flat, of the Midland Light Company, was the brave young Midland lady to fly with him Wednesday. Their flight was a spectacular one, they ascended to a height of 1500 feet, and traveling, at times, at the rate of 60 miles an hour. It was the young lady's first flight, and she enjoyed it so much that she would be glad to go again.

The carnival attractions are all fine. The booths are all wonderfully attractive. Each day's program is full of thrills, and there is never a dull moment. Tomorrow is the last day and it and today are expected to be the best of the fair. We urge everybody to attend. You will miss a lot if you stay away.

We promise for next week a full report of all the fair proceedings. Watch for it.

Lost—A purse at fair grounds. Had one \$5 and one \$10 bill and some small change in it, also a trunk key and a suit case key in it. Return to this office. Liberal reward. adv pd.

Drs. Harkey & Avary, veterinarians, will be in Midland from October 9th to 15th. Make surgery a specialty. Bring in your ridglings, string-halts, etc. We are registered with the Livestock Sanitary Commission of Fort Worth, both holding permanent state certificates. Will be at C. A. Taylor & Son's drug store. 51-2tp.

Keep cool at Cloverdale. adv.33-1f.

MADE 'EM GO SOME OUT IN ARIZONA

Hon. A. S. Hawkins Made Characteristic Candidacy for Judge of The Supreme Court



Our former townsman, Hon. A. S. Hawkins has been with us this week, an interested visitor to our fair, and has paid it many nice compliments. He is a citizen whom Midland has many times regretted to have lost, and Phoenix, Ariz., has gained wonderfully in acquiring him. They know him out there, now, and perhaps they think they know him very well. But they don't know like they will, should he stay there longer. They'll never know all about Hawkins, because he is never still, never passive; he is ever alert, watchful—militant.

However, as the years go by the people of Phoenix and Maricopa County will know more and more about this new citizen, and as they know they will hold him in greater and yet greater esteem. They will find him an indefatigable fighter for the right things in both private and public life; that he will gird about himself an armor of righteousness and is ready for any fray in safe-guarding a public trust or in defense of a clientele that has justice or mercy on its side—and to Hawkins none others need apply.

Yes, they are learning something about Hawkins out there. He has recently closed a campaign as a candidate for judge of the superior court of Maricopa County. He was up against a "ring," and downed the whole outfit, though himself falling in defeat. The Messenger, published daily at Phoenix, makes the following comment about this former townsman, of which Midland will always be proud:

"While awaiting the arrival of Col. Bryan there was a sort of love feast or get together meeting addressed by Mrs. Pauline M. O'Neill, nominee for the legislature, Wiley E. Jones, attorney general; Sam F. Webb for county treasurer. W. T. Webb, manager for Mr. Olney during the primaries, Judge A. S. Hawkins, the man who had made a speech on Monday night which had jarred the county court house and had driven nepotism from the land as if by magic.

"Everybody wanted to hear Hawkins and he was called by the audi-

MAYOR GILMORE TO APPOINT MISS MIDLAND

Mayor Gilmore has been invited by Dr. B. K. Hanaford, director-general of the International Soil Products Exposition to be held in El Paso Oct. 14-24, to appoint one of Midland's beautiful young ladies to be known as "Miss Midland," to represent this city at El Paso. Mayor Tom Lea, of El Paso, has appointed a "Miss El Paso," who will entertain her sister queens the night of October 19th with a grand ball. Misses Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Phoenix, Amarillo, San Antonio, Los Angeles, and San Francisco will also be the guests of Miss El Paso, as will be Misses Midland, San Angelo, Roswell, Carlsbad, Pecos and Fort Stockton.

T. A. Fannin, of the City Drug Store, returned last Sunday from Dallas and other points east where he purchased his holiday stock. Mr. Fannin has had years of experience in buying and no doubt this Yuletide stock will exceed any previous one in quality, variety and volume.

I have started a coal and wood yard at Midland and will appreciate your trade. Prices right. R. E. Nutt phone 306. adv51 4tp.

ence. He made a pleasing address as did Judge W. L. Barnum, who had been the leading speaker for Governor Hunt."

And in another column another comment appears, which follows:

"The county ticket nominated was somewhat of a surprise, but both winners and losers agree that it was not Rescue club but rather the sentiment which caused its organization that put the bottom rails on top. This sentiment was carried to the people by the speeches made by Judge A. S. Hawkins who courteously but gloriously assailed nepotism and who demanded rotation in office, calling of a grand jury, reduced county expense budget and other reforms. So actively did he press these ideas that but two men in the court house escaped, Vernon Vaughn for recorder, who was not opposed by Mr. Hawkins and J. T. Bone, assessor, who seems to have a margin on the face of the returns.

"While Judge Hawkins landed every passenger on board of his ship, the gallant captain seems to have been defeated by Judge Frank H. Lyman, the present incumbent of the office. Judge Lyman was appointed less than two years ago and he is a popular man, a good Democrat and a just judge, against whom even his opponent offered no severe criticism. But Judge Hawkins, in defeat is the hero of the hour—having been opposed by all the powers, including the press. The Messenger alone excepted. This paper never supported Judge Hawkins but he was treated with fairness, which has characterized the course of the paper toward all men."

Out in Phoenix they have defeated Hawkins, in the first round, but he won't stay licked; not any. They are bound to hear from him some more.

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FT. WORTH TO EL PASO HIGHWAY DELEGATES HERE

Meetings in Midland Tuesday Attended by More Than 600 and Organization Perfected

We believe there were more than 600 good roads enthusiasts who crowded the court house at Midland last Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, responding to the wide call for delegates to promote a highway between Fort Worth and El Paso. Judge Adrian Pool, of El Paso, called the meeting to order, and the following counties were represented by booster delegates: El Paso, Culberson, Reeves, Ector, Jones, Martin, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Taylor, Callahan, Crane, Eastland, Palo Pinto, Parker, Tarrant, Stevens, Shackelford and Midland.

Attorney J. M. Caldwell, Midland, was made temporary chairman of the meeting, and Thos. F. Hodges, of Sweetwater, temporary secretary. A committee on credentials was made up of B. D. Green, Eastland; P. C. Coleman, Colorado; and Seth B. Orndorff, while M. F. Burns, Midland, and Jesse Brown, Fort Worth, composed the committee on permanent organization.

Interested and active visitors were E. J. Hernon, assistant director of general national highways, Washington, and D. E. Colp, secretary of Good Roads Association of Texas, San Antonio, who advised delegates as to best methods to be followed in the matter of forming a permanent organization which will be effective in bringing about a realization of the dreams of those who hope to see East and West Texas linked by a road that will be pleasantly passable in all kinds of weather.

Mr. Colp explained the necessity of securing legislation at Austin this winter which will result in establishing a state highway department, without which the state cannot hope to get any part of the \$85,000,000 which the national government has voted in aid of states, which want to improve roads. He urged all present to take steps, and to encourage representatives of both houses of the state legislature to work for a bill which will be introduced in the first session of the law-making body next winter, providing for the creation of a state highway department, with the hope that it will be passed in time to enable it to get proportion of government road fund for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1917.

The meeting in the afternoon was even more enthusiastic, and the highway association was actually born, with S. A. Penix, of Big Spring, as president, and W. B. Starr, of Midland, as secretary. Vice-presidents were named as follows:

For the district embracing El Paso, Culberson and Reeves counties, Judge Hunter, of Culberson County.

For the district embracing Ward, Ector, Crane, Midland, Martin and Eastland counties, M. F. Burns, of Midland County.

For the district embracing Mitchell, Nolan, Taylor, Callahan and East-

land counties, C. H. Earnest, of Mitchell County.

For the district embracing Stephens, Shackelford, Palo Pinto, Parker and Tarrant counties, Dr. Eastland, of Palo Pinto County.

An executive committee was named as follows:

El Paso County—Seth B. Orndorff. Culberson County—R. Durrill. Reeves County—F. W. Johnson. Ward County—Buck Carson. Ector County—E. V. Graham. Midland County—J. M. Caldwell. Martin County—F. G. Schell. Howard County—A. C. Murray. Mitchell County—J. H. Bullock. Nolan County—P. T. Quast. Taylor County—E. M. Oversheimer. Callahan County—B. L. Russell. Palo Pinto County—Joe Johnson. Parker County—G. A. Holland. Tarrant County—W. G. Turner. Stephens County—W. H. Green. Shackelford County—J. A. King. Eastland County—E. A. Hill.

While the meeting at times showed signs of becoming heated, in the end harmony prevailed and it was voted by those who have been attending good roads meetings in Texas ever since good roads became the vogue as the most harmonious and successful meeting of its kind held in the state.

Judge Adrian Pool, who has had much to do with getting the meeting together, could have had the presidency of the organized association for the asking but he steadfastly refused to be considered in the light of a candidate for the place and even after the committee on nominations reported there were many delegates took the floor determined to make the El Paso man the head of the association, whether he wanted to take the place or not. This movement was led by T. F. Hodges, of Sweetwater, who had acted as secretary of the meeting and he was ably seconded by a score of delegates, but Pool remained obdurate and the presidency went to Mr. Penix, now of Big Spring, but who has had much good roads experience as president of the Puget Sound Good Roads Association before coming to Texas.

The committee appointed to draft by-laws for the new association reported that it had learned that all local good roads associations must have by-laws in strict conformity with the by-laws of the State Good Roads Association and it recommended that the by-laws of the Texas State Association be adopted without change and the report was adopted.

Resolutions were adopted urging that the next state legislature be urged to create a State highway commission and urging the passage of a law empowering the commissioners courts of all counties in the State to levy an assessment of 50 cents per horse power upon all automobiles in use in the county, the proceeds to be devoted to road construction or re-

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That's what usually brings us the sale. For performance is the car's middle name. She's got amazing acceleration—so lively and full of spunk.

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And, best of all, she handles so easily. She's as obedient as any creature man ever made.

Once you try her you, too, will understand the "run" on her. It's a thing difficult to explain, but three editions of a car in a year's time is something to ponder over.

We have it direct by telegraph that Chalmers will continue to make these 3400 r. p. m.'s next season. There's no time limit set. As soon as these last 20,000 are built and out of the way there will probably be more.

So you're dead safe in getting a model of a car that has in no way reached its peak of popularity.

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MIDLAND CATTLE TO SHOW IN EL PASO

There will be upon exhibition at the International Soil Products Exposition from Midland some 80 head of cattle, as follows:

- G. F. Cowden & Son, 50 head Angus.
- Henry M. Half 10 head Herefords.
- B. N. Aycock, 20 head Herefords.
- These breeders informed D. C. Imboden, special representative of the exposition, who was here today, of their intention to exhibit at El Paso.

C. F. Jenkins, of Ellis County, is here this week attending our fair and visiting his old friend, Geo. Wolcott. This is the first time the two friends have met in 35 years. Mr. Jenkins ordered The Reporter.

W. C. Stephens, of Noodle, Texas, is here this week attending the fair with a bunch of registered Duroc Jersey hogs. He ordered The Reporter.

We regret that Col. W. H. Pepper continues quite ill. His condition remains unimproved.

AT THE UNIQUE THEATRE THIS WEEK

Despite the bad weather last Friday night, a good crowd gathered to see Marguerite Clark in "Mice and Men" and they were not disappointed, for the play itself was exceptionally good and Miss Clark interpreted the role of "Peggy" charmingly.

The extra comedy feature which was put on in honor of Fair Week, Monday night was a big success and the very name of Frank Daniels will draw a large crowd in Midland at any time in the future. He will long be laughingly remembered as "Crooky."

Pauline Frederick made her second appearance here last Tuesday in "The Spider," another one of her great screen triumphs. She played a dual role which brought out her wonderful ability to an excellent advantage.

Everyone who knows what a good comedian Carter DeHaven is, will be glad to hear that he will appear next Monday night in "From Broadway to a Throne."

The widely read story and popular play, "Tennessee's Pardner," will be shown next Tuesday, starring Fannie Ward who became so universally popular here after appearing in "The Cheat." As "Tennessee," a waif of the plains, she portrays an entirely different role.

Next Friday night the picturization of Mark Twain's famous work, "Puddinghead Wilson," is booked. This features Theodore Roberts, America's leading screen character star.

Mary Pickford is to be here tonight in "Poor Little Peppina." Little Mary always pleases.

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WHETHER OWNER WANTS TO BORROW OR NOT, HE SHOULD HOUSE HIS COTTON.

CORSICANA, Texas.—On invitation of the Texas Economic League, J. A. Thompson, banker of this city, has written his views for publication on the financing of cotton by the country bankers. On account of his activities along this line Mr. Thompson's views were desired by the League for the purpose of encouraging other bankers throughout Texas to co-operate with the farmers in marketing their cotton crop. The following is the substance of Mr. Thompson's communication:

When we consider the vast damage done to the cotton crop by exposure, the mode of handling it before it is marketed, I cannot see how any reasoning man can combat the warehouse system which will decrease such damage to a large extent if not eliminate it entirely. Especially, when such warehouse system carries with it a plan, making the cotton receipts easily available as security should owner desire to borrow, the necessity for such warehouse is all the more pertinent. And I go further and state that should it not become necessary for the farmer to ever borrow a dollar on his cotton, those who work their families—wives and children—in the cotton patch, and after the cotton is ginned put it out in an open yard, and in most cases, a mudhole, commit a crime that is almost unpardonable, whereas, if they would warehouse their cotton, they could save enough country damage, in most instances, to pay for the picking.

Banks Can't Lend at Six Per Cent.

I have shown my faith in this proposition, by becoming interested, personally, in five different warehouses in my county. I have also published letters to the farmers generally, telling them that warehouse receipts were not only good as security for money in the banks I am interested in, but were also good as security for the extension of their notes. I have used the warehouse receipts as such in times of low prices for cotton, until the market recuperated, and our customers sold at a reasonable profit.

However, I cannot adopt the view that country banks generally, under conditions which prevail, should be expected to lend money on cotton at six per cent. I only wish conditions were such in this country now, as to warrant the banks to lend money at six per cent and make a reasonable profit. If this were the case, I should really advocate that rate. That time will come, as our country progresses, and the country banks in this country has large deposits the year round and at such time they would be glad to reduce the rate and even make more profit than they now make, as most country banks, who were willing to help the cotton situation, borrowed money in 1914, and paid as high as six per cent for it, in order to help their customers.

Bankers Are Doing Their Share.

Bankers are as necessary to the marketing of cotton as any other factor I know of. It seems to me that to advocate that banks should voluntarily and without profit, contribute more than their share to the cotton commerce, would be to advocate a failure of such banks and of such commerce; because it is just as unreasonable to expect farmers to raise cotton voluntarily, at a loss, as it is to expect banks to loan money at a loss and remain in business. It is my opinion, belief and experience that most banks do more than their share towards helping propositions of this kind.

A large number of our country banks have small capital and worst of all, small deposits, and are only able to take care of the farmers of their community at the present prevailing interest rates. The expense accounts of most of these small banks absorb six per cent, and to lend at that rate would be destructive to their business. Only banks with large capital and large deposits can make money at such a low rate, and I know of none outside of the reserve cities that can do so and prosper, and to advocate six per cent is to advocate the idea that all small country banks shall go out of existence, turn over to the larger banks their business, and drive farmers back to the old credit system with the high priced country merchants, and this idea I am not willing to advocate.

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In Society



And Events Most Talked About
(By M. T.)

Miss Gladys Little, who has been the guest of Mrs. J. M. Rankin and Mrs. Joe Youngblood, has returned to her home in Palestine.

Miss Ola Epley is home from a pleasant visit in Abilene.

Mrs. Blackburn, Misses Mary Barron and Alice Cunningham and Mr. Elliott Barron attended the Sandifer-Comper wedding in Abilene Saturday evening.

Mr. Robert Currie and Miss Marie Alexander, from Eunice, N. M., were married by Rev. J. M. Perry on last evening at the Methodist parsonage. They were driving through in a car and went on to their home in Eden, Texas.

Miss Mary Jane Carr is attending the Presbyterian college at Milford.

Misses Esther and Theresa Klapproth left Tuesday afternoon for Dallas to enter S. M. U. for the coming year.

Midland is well represented in C. I. A. this year by the following young ladies: Miss Lula Elkin, Bula Trammell, Carabel Elkin and Tennie Florey.

Miss Pearl McCall left Wednesday to enter Simmons College in Abilene. This is her second year in that institution.

Large 500 Party

Last Saturday afternoon Mrs. Joe Youngblood and Miss Lois Patterson entertained the young ladies of the F. S. M. Club and a number of other friends with 500, honoring Miss Gladys Little, of Palestine. Upon arrival the guests were served delicious punch by Misses Annie Mae Patterson and Hallie Rhea Jewell.

Dainty score cards in bird designs aided the guests in securing partners for the series of interesting games, at the conclusion of which Miss Fay Cowden was given the club pin, having made a perfect score for the afternoon. Misses Eddie Taylor and Bee Atkinson delighted every one with several piano selections.

When the tables had been laid with handsome hand-made luncheon cloths a delicious salad course was served. Those who were fortunate enough to attend this charming party besides the club members were: Mesdames Chas. Bell, Marvin Ulmer, B. C. Girdley, Addison Wadley, Ray Hyatt, Henry M. Half, Ellis Cowden, J. M. DeArmond, J. E. Shumate, Misses Harris, Tanner, Atkinson and Mrs. Chas. Goldsmith.

Pleasant Dances at the Llano

On Friday evening the young men of Midland gave a very pleasant dance at the Llano Hotel. The San Angelo band which had been here to furnish the music for the Country Club Opening played during the evening. The crowd was a large one and the same jollity and merriment which had prevailed throughout the day continued far into the night.

Again on Monday evening a number of the young people gathered for a few dances and tarried until the wee sma' hours.

Delightful Picnic Supper

Miss J. B. Platt and Mrs. Grace Landerford very charmingly entertained about twenty friends on Tuesday evening with a picnic supper. The crowd went in cars to a nearby grassy tank where the spread was enjoyed, and surely it was a spread. There was enough and to spare, and everything was so good. The chicken was browned just right, the cream was frozen just hard enough, the sandwiches were seasoned exactly to a queen's taste.

After all had fully enjoyed the good "eats," the crowd gathered in the cosy home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bell and indulged in "42" and "500" until a late hour.

Pagant of the Planets

The first evening of the Midland Fair and Inter-State Stock Show was devoted to the presentation of an elaborate pagant under the direction of Jack Harkrider, of Fort Worth. The ideas for the pagant were splendid, the costumes gorgeous, the individual numbers were all well rendered and some of them received their full measure of prolonged applause. Rerring the fact that all the stage settings had not been arranged before the beginning of the pagant, everything moved along well for such a



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mammoth production.

Her Royal Highness, Miss Fay Cowden, was surrounded by a court composed of beautiful women, some from Midland, some from out of town and gallant men.

On a grassy stage before the royal throne the subjects danced or marched to do homage to the fair queen.

Misses Essie Cowden, Minnie Jones, Eddie Taylor, Margaret Leahy, of Ft. Worth, Susie Graves, Thelma White and Gladys Holt were introduced in classic dances and poses in which it was difficult to decide just exactly which was the most graceful and daintiest, all did so well.

After the show, the royal court and a number of the young people of Midland and near by towns went to Cloverdale and enjoyed an informal dance until 3 a. m.

The names of those who had individual parts follow:

Princes—Messrs. Charley Bell, Elliott Barron, Fred Parnell, Rorie Cowden, Frank Crowley, Harry Nebbett, Roy Sharp, Win Hamilton, Kyle Coats, Lee Hanson and Dr. C. C. Jones.

Princesses—Misses Irene Crowley, Fort Worth; Maude Powell, El Paso; Kathlyn King, San Angelo; Fay Davis, Cisco; Mary Louise Sandefer, Abilene; Lucy Pickard, Weatherford; Ethel Brown, Big Spring; Hattie Miller, Ballinger; Lilla Gates, Odessa; Kathlyn Boystamm, Baird, and Bess Cowden, Midland.

Duchesses—Duchess Burton, of the house of Brown.

Duchess Berrie, of the house of Cowden.

Duchess William, of the house of Wallace.

Prime Minister—Donald Hutt.

Crown Bearer—Guy Cowden.

Her Royal Highness—Queen Fay.

Train Bearer—Mann Elliott and John Ellis.

Donald Clayton—Sun.

Essie Cowden—Light.

Frank Cowden—Moon.

Minnie Jones—Darkness.

Venus, Goddess of Love and Beauty—Eddie Taylor.

John Scharbauer—Mars.

J. Wiley Taylor—Neptune, God of the Sea.

Marguerite Leahy—Saturn, Goddess of Harvest.

The World: Egypt—Mozelle Cowden.

Persia—Sultan—Mr. Nobles.

Dancer—Miss Thelma White, assisted by the Harem.

Greece—Oliver Luther and Mamie Moran.

Caesar—Percy Mims.

Carthage—Dee McCormick.

Spain—Susie Graves.

Japan—Cordelia Taylor.

England—Mrs. J. M. DeArmond.

Kaiser—W. W. Lackey.

France—Models I.—Everybody's.

Models II.—Wadley-Patterson Co.

Models III.—The Mercantile.

Switzerland—Misses Graves.

Peace—Gladys Holt.

Preparedness—Boy Scouts.

Liberty—Mrs. Rorie Cowden.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harwell of Ballinger, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Elliott for the fair.

Mrs. Lella F. Clark, of Weatherford, has been here this week, mingling with former friends and enjoying the fair.

Miss Mary Louise Sandifer, of Abilene, visited Miss Alice Cunningham the first part of the week.

Miss Moore, of Stamford, is the guest of her cousins, Misses Lorraine and Elizabeth Davis.

Old Fiddlers' Contest

The Fair management, anxious to secure the best attractions and varied ones, arranged an old fiddler's contest for Wednesday evening, which made up in quality all it lacked in members. There were only three contestants, but each was a prize winner. Brooks Lee, a local fiddler of no mean ability, was master of ceremonies, and entertained the crowd by his quaint introductions and quaint announcements.

Each participant played three selections. At the close of the contest the judges awarded Mr. J. Bonner, of Weatherford, first prize, Polk Harris, second place and Jesse Roberts, of Springtown, third place.

All these gentlemen are Confederate veterans of three score and ten years and have taken part in numerous contests in Texas and Oklahoma.

Captain Bonner is the proud possessor of a real old Steiner violin, made in 1636, for which he has refused an offer of \$500, made by a Chicago firm. For more than fifty years he has wielded the bow across its strings and declares that it shall remain in the Bonner family.

Secretary Starr says this Old Fiddler's Contest was the best feature of the evening's entertainment.

Dance at Cloverdale

On Wednesday evening at the large open pavilion at Cloverdale, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half, who are always extremely kind and courteous to out of town guests, entertained a large crowd of friends with an extremely pleasant dance, honoring the United States army officers from Ft. Bliss who are here playing polo against the local team this week.

The evening was one of those delightful ones that participants always recall with fondest remembrances.

During the evening delicious refreshments of punch and ices were served. The merry making went on until a late hour and even then, the guests were loathe to depart, but must needs get a few winks of sleep to prepare for the next day's festivities at the Fair.

Miss McMillan Married

Addressed to her former art students in Midland the following pretty invitation was received from Miss Myrtle McMillan:

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMillan announce the marriage of their daughter Myrtle

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Mr. Lloyd L. Atchison
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Sherman, Texas

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Sept. 20th
Sherman, Texas

Many in Midland remember Miss McMillan with a great deal of pleasure. She was the art teacher at Midland College year before last. The Reporter wishes to join members of her art class and other of her friends in an expression of good wishes. She is a lovely character and her husband is indeed a fortunate man.

Smoker at the Yeakel

Last evening the lobby, dining room and parlor of the Yeakel Hotel were crowded with a hilarious crowd when the Midland cattlemen tendered the visiting buyers and exhibitors a "smoker," which was a success, in every sense of the word.

Good fellowship, renewal of friendships, talking over former experiences on the range, relating incidents in connection with such reunions in the past; all these helped to make the evening too short.

The performance was concluded by a first-class boxing match which was

staged by two local celebrities of dusky hue in a near by garage where excitement ran high.

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11 a. m., sermon. Subject "Wearing Wooden Stocks."

7 p. m., B. Y. P. U.

7:45 p. m., "What Fort Worth's Election Result Means to the State."

Let every "booze fighter" get on the "water wagon" right away.

A cordial welcome is extended to all visitors and strangers to worship with us.

Ernest Quick, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

Leader—Ethel Johnson.
Subject—The Consecration of the School Life.

Song.

Prayer—Mr. Hunter.

Bible lesson by the leader and Mr. Massey.

Song.

Five two minute talks:

"The Joys of School Life"—Louise Jones.

"What is the Value of Christian Example in School?"—Mary Wilhite.

"Why Should Endeavors be Out-and-Out Christians in School?"—Stella Morrow.

Vocal duet—Myrtle and Mittie Ing-ham.

"How Can We Protect Ourselves from Wrong Influences in School?"—Grace Moore.

"How Consecration Helps us Over-come Temptations"—Mr. Morgan.

Thoughts on the lesson.

Sentence prayers.

Song.

Roll call, each answering with Bible verse.

Talk by leader.

Business and benediction.

(Visitors cordially invited.)

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We are glad, indeed, to note the return of G. H. Coyle and family. They spent the summer in the north.

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HIGH COMPLIMENT TO THE REPORTER

We are Profoundly Appreciative Though Doubt That We Merit the Unstinted Praise

The Reporter's special edition last week called forth more encouraging compliments than anything we have done in some time...

Mr. Chas. C. Watson, My Dear Sir: I find it in my heart to say this word about your "Booster Number" of last week.

It is the finest ever. I have been, first and last, on the editorial staff of four papers. We got out illustrated numbers of two or three for "booster" purposes...

For a year now I have been reading your paper, and I say to you in all candor that I do not know of a better weekly being published by any one who has to gather all his matter "de novo" for each issue.

A word that we appreciate, too, comes from the Texas-Oklahoma Phonograph Company. Acknowledging receipt of a copy from C. A. Taylor & Son, A. H. Curry, general manager at Dallas, writes:

"We are in receipt of a copy of The Midland Reporter issued to cover your annual fair, and we wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your remembering us with this paper."

"We wish to say just a word in connection with our delight upon receiving this paper, for it is indeed a splendidly gotten up affair, and one that you and your citizens should be very proud of, as it shows considerable work and editorial knowledge on the part of its publisher."

Now, how many more of our people think well of this edition? We have about 1700 copies yet on hand. They sell at 10 cents per copy. If you care for your friends back east to know of Midland, our advantages, attractions, etc., you might send them copies.

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Ft. Worth to El Paso Highway Delegates Here

(Continued from page 1) pair. These resolutions were passed without a dissenting vote.

During the debate upon the question as to whether or not the association should designate the route to be followed by the El Paso-Ft. Worth Highway some difference of opinion arose between the delegates of Shackelford and Stephens counties and those of Callahan and Eastland counties...

This suggestion was finally adopted but not until the champions of the respective routes had had quite a bit to say, some of it not calculated to create good feeling...

The matter of paving or planking the sands in the region east and west of Monahans, in Ward and Ector counties, or going around them by way of Grandfalls, was after a spirited debate left to the vice president and executive committee...

When the good roads meeting adjourned sine die 4 o'clock most of the delegates went to the fair grounds for a hurried look at the exhibits. The display of agricultural products is particularly good...

Judge Pool and County Commissioners Orndorff and Pindell, who represented El Paso in the good roads meeting, left on a late train for Dallas. George H. Clements who came to Midland as a representative of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce...

And thus the first steps in the most important good roads movement ever promoted in the western part of the State have been concluded. There is now but the matter of keeping the movement alive and interesting, to keep it ever present in the minds of our law-makers, and we shall know the results at the conclusion of our next legislature.

NWS NOTES FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE

Students of The Institution Have Been Interested Participants in Proceedings of Our Fair

Tuesday the opening day of the fair was observed as a holiday by the college. The students enjoyed the cattle exhibit, the polo games, the aeroplane flight and other amusements.

The college booth contains china in beautiful designs and paintings by Miss Darter, teacher of painting and drawing in the college, and dainty and skillfully wrought fabrics by Miss Lay, teacher of domestic arts and science.

Many visitors to the fair have also visited the college during the week. One of these visitors was Mr. Noble, of Weatherford, and old Confederate soldier, and winner of the old fiddler's contest at the fair Wednesday evening.

The special Pre-Fair Edition of The Reporter is much in demand among the students, as they regard it as the best possible concrete description of the Midland Country. They find a personal interest in reading it themselves and they desire to send it home to give the home folk an idea of what the plains are like.

School is going forward in all departments with good results. The special departments are coming into their own. Piano, voice, expression, painting and drawing, the domestic arts, and the commercial branches have good classes.

Cool off with a plunge in "Cloverdale."

INDUSTRY IS SUFFERING FROM LEGAL BLACKMAIL

GOVERNMENT HARKING BACK TO TORTURE-RACK METHODS

Legal Trusts Have Texas By the Throat.

(Editor's Note.—The following is the fourth of a series of articles by J. S. Cullinan, Chairman of the Texas Economic League, on the Administration of Justice, to which subject the League is now addressing itself.)

By J. S. Cullinan.

There is scarcely a business of any proportion in Texas that has not felt the blight of legal blackmail in one of its many forms. Many good citizens as ever lived in this or any other State have plead guilty to business crimes and paid fines. Most of these citizens were as honest as the members of the Legislature who placed the laws upon the statute books...

The methods of torturing people into a confession of guilt were tried out in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth centuries, when the thumb-screw and pillory were instruments of law, and the records of that day show that almost every one whose flesh was peeled or whose bones were bent by these legal influences confessed to nearly any crime demanded, and no public official in the Fourteenth Century advanced as a reason why he should retain office, that he had wrung nine thousand confessions from as many suspects.

These legal implements, reinforced by the torch, were used in a limited way in this country until prohibited by Congress in 1839. They have been condemned as unfair, inhuman and criminal, and ought not to be revived either through ignorance, accident or design in any disguised form today.

A Citizen's Duty. Texas never faced a more serious situation. There is no escaping the conclusion that either the business fabric of this State is rotten, legal counsel immoral, or government is tyrannical. It is for the people to determine where the evil lies.

I fully realize that a large per cent of the leading business men of Texas stand before the world today confessed outlaws, and a few of them justly so, for the per cent of delinquents in business is no less than that of any other class, but I do not believe it is any greater. It is not my purpose to pass upon the guilt or innocence of business convicts; those who prefer to wear stripes have my permission to do so.

Myers Strange Industry. In my opinion the business interests of this State have been victimized by a ring of corporation attorneys and politicians. To be more specific, some of the leading corporation lawyers have Texas by the throat, and are strangling the life out of industry and of government, and menacing the liberties of the people.

It is not the corporations or the business men, but dishonest and ambitious lawyers who are throwing society into convulsions and threatening the life of the nation. In this conclusion, I am sure I have the endorsement of the worthy members of the bar who feel keenly the reproach brought upon their profession by the immoral conduct of their disreputable brethren.

In a future article I shall endeavor to expose some of the methods which these powerful law firms employ in their dealings with their clients, the people and with government.

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Vice President Marshall
ON INDIVIDUAL'S RESPONSIBILITY TO GOVERNMENT.



It cannot be said that it is the system of government which is wrong. It is the unjust use of the system. It has not been the use, but the misuse, of the powers of government which has produced the discontent in the minds of men.

Equitable enforcement of the laws can never be made to rest upon the office-holders of the land. It must rest upon the individual. The people's rule does not depend necessarily upon the system of government under which they vote. Good or bad government must go back to good or bad citizenship, to intelligent or ignorant, to honest or dishonest electors. American democracy was intended to mean, and I believe does mean, something more than selecting officers.

The individualism of Thomas Jefferson is not dead. It has not moldered back to dust in the grave at Monticello. It walks the earth this day knocking at the door of rich and poor, of wise and ignorant alike, calling upon all men to make this age the millennium of statecraft, wherein no one shall claim to be master, and all shall be glad to be the servants of the Republic.

America has no right to be unless she stands for man and for the rights of men. Evils are abroad in the land, now as always. Notwithstanding our boast, our government is not of and by and for the people. Yet I make bold to say that it is still a representative democracy. Our co-ordinate system of government was formulated by Thomas Jefferson, and many a man wholly ignorant of Jefferson's theory of government is now proclaiming himself a Jeffersonian Democrat. Public speakers and the public press have been giving voice for twenty years to the fact that this is not a people's government. It has been shouted that the bosses are in control from ocean to ocean; that their machines have taken over the politics and legislation of the country; that they have prevented the people from crystallizing our ideals into enforceable laws. To be sure, we have had bosses and we have had machine politics in America. We have had legislation which, in enactment and construction, has not tended to promote the ideal of equality and the opportunity for honest success. But it has also been loudly proclaimed that the people, if they could only get a chance to express themselves, would declare in unmistakable terms their belief that this system was vicious; that they would smash the machines, banish the bosses and select officials who would always stand four-square with the theories of the fathers of the republic.

As a matter of fact, opportunity has been given us during the last three or four years to agonize over conditions and correct them; revealing to us what we should have known all along, what, indeed, we had known, but had been allowed to forget; this is a government, not of stocks and bonds and mortgages, not of factories, and mines, but a government of men—men who will neglect the common good in looking after their own welfare, unless they are touched with the weight of that responsibility which rests upon them as individual citizens.

FIRST SPIKE IN ROAD IS DRIVEN

An Impressive Ceremony Marks The Beginning of Track Laying of Midland & N. W.

As one of the features of the Midland Fair and Inter-State Stock Show, the first spike in the Midland & Northwestern railroad was driven Tuesday afternoon with much ceremony. The spike was driven by S. J. Isaacks, district judge of Midland County; Cullen F. Thomas, of Dallas, who was in the city as the principal speaker at the formal opening of the Midland Fair; T. J. O'Donnell, president of the Midland & Northwestern railroad, and B. C. Girdley, president of the Midland Fair Association.

The road, which will connect Midland with Seminole in the plains country, will be 65 miles in length and will open up one of the best farming sections of Texas. Grading has been done on over half the distance between the two towns and 65 teams are still at work with the hope that the grade can be finished by December 1st next.

The new road will make direct connections with the Texas & Pacific and in Midland will use the terminals, including the passenger depot of the Texas & Pacific. At Seminole connections will be made with Lubbock-Seminole line of the Santa Fe road, which is now under construction to the north, which has long been desired.

THE UNCERTAINTY OF JUSTICE

ADEQUATE BARRATRY LAW NEEDED.

Appointment of Judges Should Be Taken Out of Politics.

By Ben B. Cain.

The increasing criticism of our courts ought to alarm and distress every patriotic citizen. There is something wrong with the Administration of Justice. What is it? A leading lawyer asserts the trouble to be our jury system. I think the misarrangement of Justice through ignorant or corrupt juries has done much to bring our judicial system into disrepute. But that is not the sole cause—juries are merely part of the judicial machinery. The bench and bar perform an equally important part. We should inspect the entire machinery to determine the trouble.

It is a common saying heard about the court house, "nobody can tell what a jury will do." Jury trials are regarded with distrust. Men rarely predict the result without regard to the facts. It is notorious that lawyers call for juries when they have cases without merit, and strive to select men whom they believe have some bias in their favor or prejudice against the other side. In such instances the effort is not to attain justice, but the contrary. After a jury is thus selected the real contest begins. Both sides seek by every means to distort or destroy any proposition that tends to sustain the adverse contention. If truth is thus uncovered it is an accident. It must be remembered that the judge is not permitted to assist the jury in passing upon the case. He is positively prohibited from doing so. Under our system, the jury is exclusive judge of the weight of the evidence and credibility of the witness. The Court must be careful not to invade this province of the jury. He must not comment on the evidence nor intimate his opinion. If the jury returns a verdict contrary to the preponderance of evidence, he has the power to set the verdict aside, but generally our trial judges "side-step" this responsibility. It goes to the higher courts and these courts decline to review the action of the jury, but will review the ruling of the judge on questions of law.

To an outsider it would look as though the system is so arranged as that the act of the unlearned and incompetent functionary is beyond review, while the act of the learned may be reviewed. Such a procedure is not far short of barbarism, and ought to be abolished. Jury trials ought to be confined to criminal cases. Rights of property should be decided by men learned in the law.

In addition to this, the selection of judges ought to be removed from the domain of politics. Our judges should either be appointed, or else elected for a long term of years, subject in either case to recall by the voters.

Lastly, the practice of law should be so regulated by statute as to make it impracticable, if not impossible, for attorneys to stir up litigation. The contingent fee and the lack of an adequate barratry law are responsible for much of the discredit brought on the courts, and much of the passion and prejudice so often manifest in the verdicts of juries. Lawyers should not be prohibited from taking contingent fees, but in certain litigation, notably personal injury cases, should be prohibited from fixing such fees. Whenever such a case is taken on contingent fee, the power to fix compensation should be left with the courts. In fixing such fees the court should be required to consider the character and amount of service performed, together with the amount recovered.

We should have an effective law defining and punishing barratry. The act of employing a person to solicit claims for unliquidated damages, or agreeing to pay the expenses or costs of collecting or enforcing such claims, by attorneys or others in their behalf, ought to be specifically prohibited. Our present law is a mere sham. Any person can instigate, maintain or encourage litigation in which he has no interest, provided it be done without the willful intent of distressing or harassing the defendant. The question of intent is one too difficult to establish before the ordinary jury, hence the law is practically of no effect.

There should be an effective law prohibiting the solicitation of personal injury claims by or for attorneys, and prohibiting agreements by which attorneys may directly or indirectly pay any part of the costs or expense of litigation except expenses actually incurred in the preparation or trial of a case. The growing discontent with the Administration of Justice admonishes that this most important part of governmental machinery is in a bad way. A country whose courts are not respected is on the road to anarchy. Let us eliminate from these institutions everything that makes unrighteous judgment a possibility, or would submit them to public reproach. An honored judiciary stands at the summit of enlightened society. It is the refuge of the weak, and guide to the strong. It is the fountain of Justice, of which it has been said, "Truth is its handmaid, freedom its child; peace is its companion, safety walks in its steps, victory follows in its train; it is the brightest emanation from the gospel; it is the attribute of God."

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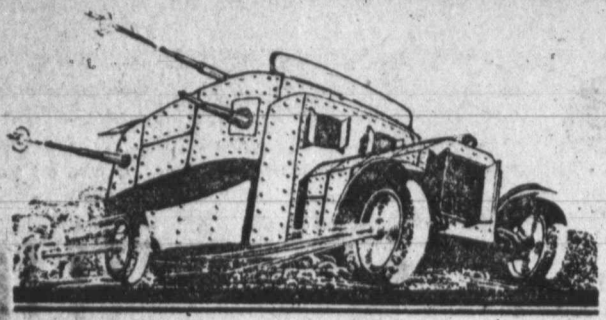
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PROBLEM OF SUPPLY DEMANDS MORE ATTENTION.

By J. S. Cullinan.

(Editor's Note.—The following is the third of a series of articles by J. S. Cullinan, Chairman of the Texas Economic League, on the Conservation of Our Natural Resources, to which subject the League is now addressing itself.)

All nations depend largely upon the United States for petroleum supplies in the form of fuel oil, lubricants or gasoline. Petroleum is going to be as much a factor in determining naval battles as vessels and armament, and this point should not be overlooked by the opponents of preparedness in giving off-hand opinions about this Nation enforcing the Monroe Doctrine, or maintaining other relations, with the Central and South American Republics, which are now recognized as the source of future petroleum supplies after the oil pools of the United States have been exhausted. The Nation that controls the oil fields will have a superior navy, if indeed it does not render obsolete the battleships of other nations, for fuels is as necessary as steel in fighting battles at sea.

Nature Will Not Replenish Fields.

We had as well dismiss from discussion any hope that nature will replenish the supply of petroleum during the life of the present oil fields. Scientists tell us that it is probable that the hydro-carbons, of which fuel is composed, may be restored by the processes of nature every 25,000 years, during which period we are told the position of the earth in relation to the North and South poles may be completely reversed, and fuel will be again created in the land portion of the earth's surface, but there is no speculator in all sufficiently bold to deal in futures quite that far away, and certainly the present generation need not consider it.

It is known that many of the foreign naval liquid fuel contracts made in the United States up to the last few months were made on a basis of less than \$1 per barrel. This product is manufactured under rigid specifications, and is of very high grade. In talking with Dr. Rittman a few months ago, he stated that under his process it is possible to obtain from 40 to 50 per cent motor spirits, or gasoline, from this grade of fuel oil, representing from fifteen to twenty gallons of a product now selling at from 20c to 25c per gallon, thus indicating that as a Nation we are now receiving from 25 to 33 per cent of the value that would be obtained after converting under the Burton or Rittman processes. What applies to naval supplies is also applicable to a considerable portion of the railroad and industrial consumption.

Consideration by Congress Necessary.

There would seem to be no possible solution except by Federal control. Congress has the power, but there may be some hesitancy in exercising it in the face of legal, business, political and other obstacles. The objects sought to be accomplished by such legislation should be: Conserving supplies of petroleum for future use of the army and navy, minimizing waste, insuring fair value for petroleum and its products exported in exchange for products imported, and establishing a reasonable price between consumers, royalty owners, producers, transporters, manufacturers and distributors for domestic consumption.

To my mind, there are only two plans by which these results can best be accomplished:

First, the National Government securing congressional approval to exercise the right of eminent domain covering all petroleum deposits within the United States, to be leased in whole or in part to present owners, or others, under uniform regulations covering development, production, transportation and sale, or, second, the National Government to condemn and acquire all pipe lines doing an interstate business, obtaining authority to fix and regulate pipe line, rail and water rates on all petroleum or petroleum products intended for use between the States and foreign countries.

In making these suggestions it seems certain that within the near future, certainly within the next five years, the question of our petroleum resources must receive thorough congressional consideration when fixed lines of future national policy will be adopted.

The production, distribution and marketing of natural gas may be separated from oil production. The transportation and distribution of this product, like the telephone, falls into the class of natural monopoly, and should be regulated by law.

Announcement!

After October First we will run our entire business on a **CASH BASIS**. This means everything Cleaning and Pressing Included We will mail out Price Lists to Everyone. If you don't get yours call for it at our store. Our service will be better if it is possible to improve it. We will have two steam pressing machines, which will enable us to put out your work on time, at all times.

Yours for Better Service



OUR SERVICE

Has been tried out thoroughly this week, and in only a few instances have we failed to get your clothes back on time. We have strived very hard to give the people what they have asked for. If, however, we have failed to give you satisfaction to its fullest meaning, we want to know about it and will make every effort to rectify the error. If, however, we have given you satisfaction, tell your friends about us. We are here to stay, and appreciate your business.



TO ALL PARTIES CONCERNED

Some time ago I found a coat in my car and announced my finding in The Reporter. Mr. Kirby Nutt feels that it was "knocking" on him and his place of business. I did not intend so to do. If I did injure him or any one connected with his place of business I am truly sorry and hereby apologise. I am sure he is a gentleman and that he is in no way responsible for my unfortunate article.

Respectfully,
Henry O. Moore.

DRESSMAKING
and all kinds of Sewing
Work Guaranteed. Call on me over City Drug Store or phone 387
Mrs. E. C. Stead

A DOCTOR'S REMEDY FOR COUGHS

As a cure for coughs and colds Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey combines these remedies in just the right proportion to do the most good for summer coughs or colds. A trial will prove the value of this splendid cough medicine. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey soothes the irritation, stops your cough, kills the cold germs and does you a world of good. A 25c bottle will more than convince you—it will stop your cough. All druggists.
adv. No. 3.

Constipation the Father of Many Ills
Of the numerous ills that affect humanity a large share start with constipation. Keep your bowels regular and they may be avoided. When a laxative is needed take Chamberlain's Tablets. They not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. Obtainable everywhere.
adv 47-1mt

If you have anything you wish to buy, sell or trade, you should make it known through these columns.

We keep absolutely up with the market in furnishing things to eat. Nothing that's good escapes us. Call and see. Warnock Cafe. adv 21-tf

For Sale—Four room house, 6 lots, well, 30 foot water, pump, in business section of town. Price \$750. Easy terms. Apply to A. R. Toby, Midland, Texas. adv 33tf

Are you a subscriber for the Reporter?

Read the Reporter Ads.

Are You Looking Old?

Old age comes quick enough without inviting it. Some look old at forty. That is because they neglect their liver and bowels. Keep your bowels regular and your liver healthy and you will not only feel younger but look younger. When troubled with constipation or biliousness take Chamberlain's Tablets. They are intended especially for these ailments and are excellent. Easy to take and most agreeable in effect Obtainable everywhere adv 47-1mt.

Those wishing Franco-American Hygienic goods, call Mrs. I. M. Odell, Phone 375. adv 4t

Make 193 your quick service. Call and save. The Broken \$ Store, 46-tf.

How to Give Good Advice

The best way to give good advice is to set a good example. When others see how quickly you get over your cold by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy they are likely to follow your example. This remedy has been in use for many years and enjoys an excellent reputation. Obtainable everywhere. adv. 47-1mt.

DR. LEONARD PEMBERTON
Dentist
(with Dr. C. H. Tigner)
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Gary & Burns Building

Again Below Par

If your heart is below par, you need building up with HEMO, the food for "Above Par" Health. HEMO is a delicious Malted Food, containing all the elements of Malted Milk and more—the juice of beef and natural iron to aid in making rich, red blood. HEMO has great nutritive force. Especially for nervous women, rickety children, over-worked business men, convalescents and the aged. A delicious food beverage for everyone. Makes a delicious food drink by simply adding water. We suggest that you try a 50c package with our guarantee of satisfaction.

Fair Ground Service—I shall be located at Basham, Shepherd & Company's, Phone 135, all next week, and will give automobile service to and from the Fair Grounds. J. A. Eichberger. adv

Dress Making—Can do all kinds of sewing work and satisfaction guaranteed. Am here to stay. Would appreciate your work. See me at my home, known as the Cottage Home, phone 132. Mrs. G. M. Cautner. adv 48 4tpd.

Brighten Up the Farm

Get rid of the oil lamps that are a constant fire menace, and put in electric lights. You can have them just as steady and just as safe as in any city. No matches; no lamps to upset; no danger of any kind.

One of these simple outfits will provide you just such light at little cost. It will give power to run your pump, feed grinder, and some of the other light machinery on the place. And it will enable your wife to have an electric iron, an electric vacuum cleaner, a washing machine, and to save much of her household work. No experience is necessary to run the

Western Electric Farm Lighting Plant

Here's the whole outfit—generator, storage batteries and switchboard. It can be placed anywhere that is convenient for hitching up to your gas engine. Run your engine a few hours twice a week, and it will generate and store up in the batteries all the electricity you need. Costs little or nothing to maintain, except for engine fuel. No trouble. No danger. Guaranteed by the makers of the Bell telephones.

Demonstration of a complete Farm Lighting outfit will be given at the Midland Fair and Stock Show.

CALL AND SEE IT.

THE MIDLAND LIGHT CO.

Automobile Races

Midland Lake & Country Club

Saturday, Sept. 30, 2 p. m., also Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 2 and 3.

FAST CARS and NOTED DRIVERS promise THRILLING afternoons.

MIDLAND LAKE AND COUNTRY CLUB
Two Miles East of Town

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Our
Opening
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There's something particularly fascinating about the styles this season and you'll find stunning examples of the various types included in this display. Whether you are looking for a very dressy chapeau or one of those saucy tailored models, you'll find it here and reasonably priced. Call up your best friend now and make arrangements to come with her.

THE LADIES' STORE

Maggie McCormick

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

The firm known as the Midland Auto Company, heretofore consisting of Will Manning, R. D. Healy and J. A. Eichelberger has been dissolved by the sale of the interest of J. A. Eichelberger to R. L. Parks. The firm will continue business under the old name and will consist of Will Manning, R. D. Healy and R. L. Parks. The new firm assumes all debts and takes over all assets of the old firm, releasing J. A. Eichelberger who retires.

J. A. Eichelberger,
R. L. Parks,
Will Manning
R. D. Healy.

Tires of various sizes. They are seconds, but the price is the thing, and will interest you. Will Manning, at The Ford Agency adv 29-tf.

THINKS MIDLAND HAS FINE PRINTING OFFICE

C. E. McMullen, superintendent of the Rio Grande division of the T. & P. Ry., spent two days taking in the Midland Fair. Mr. McMullen was very much impressed with Midland's way of doing things and spoke highly of the creditable showing made by the cattlemen as well as other exhibitors. Mr. McMullen called at the office of The Reporter in company with Pres. O'Donnell of the Midland & Northwestern Railway, but found Editor Watson out. His first exclamation on viewing The Reporter plant was "Some print shop, sure." Viewing our various machinery and equipment, he was otherwise very complimentary.

A SUMMER LAXATIVE AND LIVER REGULATOR

Po-Do-Lax is a liquid laxative—mild and effective. It arouses the liver, increases the bile, does not gripe and acts as a general tonic to the whole system. Aids nature to clear and purify the blood—as a laxative tonic for summer Po-Do-Lax has no equal. "What was good enough for my father is good enough for me" never applied with more force than the use of Po-Do-Lax for the liver. An old time tried remedy. Get a bottle, take a dose tonight and see how much better you feel. At all drug-gists.

Family reunions during the Fair, perhaps the first or last, will surely suggest a family group photograph. Miller's Studio. adv 49-2t

UNIQUE THEATRE

Advanced program for week ending Oct. 7th.

Monday, Oct 2nd—Carter DeHaven, the great laugh producer in "From Broadway to a Throne."

Tuesday, Oct. 3rd—(Special Feature Night)—Fannie Ward, in "Tennessee's Pardner," a great Paramount production. Admission 20c and 40c.

Wednesday, Oct. 4th—An LKO comedy, "Where is My Husband," in 2 reels. A Big U, "A Man's Hardest Fight." A one reeler, title not yet announced.

Thursday, Oct. 5th—The 18th episode of "Graft." The 13th episode of "Peg o' the Ring." A Victor comedy, "When the Minstrels Came to Town."

Friday, Oct. 6th—(Special Feature Night)—Theodore Roberts in Mark Twain's funny book, "Puddinghead Wilson," some comedy. Also a Nestor comedy, "Beer, Must Go Down." Admission 20c and 10c.

Saturday, Oct 7th—A Big U, "The Captain of the Typhoon." An LKO comedy, "The Youngest of the Family." A one reeler, title not yet announced.

Dr. Buchanan, practice limited to diseases of eye, ear, nose and throat, and fitting of glasses. Office over Basham, Shepherd & Company's music store. Here 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. adv 3-tf

On this occasion, when The Reporter should be full of news, there is yet a lack of it. The editor could not forego the pleasures of our great fair, and the office has been taxed to its utmost capacity, supplying the fair management with various printed materials.

For Sale—One "Flying Mercury" bicycle, man's size, in good condition, fine for riding to school. Price with lamp, pump and tool bag \$15. See Henry Moore, at Presbyterian mans. adv 47-tf.

Giant snake, 34 feet long, alive. Kills live turkeys, pigs, chickens, swallowing them whole. Saturday night, 8 o'clock at the carnival. adv

For Sale—18 mules and 25 horses, two past; 15 yearlings past; 25 mares and colts, 15 dries; on ranch in Andrews County. See me at Midland during Fair, or write me at Clyde. C. W. Logsdon. adv 40-2t

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

R. B. Adams, of Knox City is in Midland, prospecting for a location.

Do you need glasses? See Prof. J. D. Shaw, phone 434. adv 49-tf

H. B. Parker, manager of the Fish Tail ranch in Pecos country, was here this week.

We deliver. Phone 193, Broken \$ Store. adv 46-tf

Mrs. R. D. Morley and children, of Abilene, are visiting with Mrs. T. J. O'Donnell this week.

Phone 193 and get it for less. The Broken \$ Store. adv 46-tf

Ed Simpson, bookkeeper for the First State Bank, of Lamesa, was a fair visitor this week.

Try the regular dinners at the War-nock Cafe. adv 21-tf

W. A. Thomason, from the Panhandle, shipped 80 cows to Fort Worth from here this week.

You save on every purchase at the Broken \$ Store. Phone 193. adv 46-tf

D. A. Goolsby, prospector from Greenville, is here this week looking over conditions of the Midland County.

Nice furnished room for rent, close in, free access to bath. Phone 119. adv 45-tf.

Mrs. M. A. Ulmer has purchased the Harry Ramsay 10-acre tract, located one mile north, and has moved on to same.

Pure fresh water every day at Cloverdale. Come out and cool off. adv. 33-tf.

C. B. McGonagill and wife came down this week from their ranch near Lovington, N. M., to visit old friends and the fair.

Prize-winning, registered Duroc-Jersey boar for service. S. H. Gwyn, south of Uncle Willis Holloway. 19-tf

Feeding giant snake on live prey, Saturday evening. More interesting than bull fighting. Animal Show carnival on fair grounds. adv

Andrews and Gaines counties were well represented at the Midland Fair. All seemed to be pleased and were well satisfied with the hospitality of the Midland people.

Good sound sawed oak wood for sale for cash. W. W. Wimberly, telephone 264. adv. 46-tf

Only giant gorilla on exhibition in all America. You've got to go to Africa to see one if you miss seeing this one now in Animal Show, carnival at fair grounds. adv

Dan Daugherty, an old-time Midland boy, now sheriff of Culberson County, was a fair visitor. He was amazed. He had not been in Midland before in ten years.

Saturday night, feeding giant gorilla and all snakes on chickens, pigs, turkeys. Price of admission the same of all exhibitions, at fair ground carnival. adv

Wanted to trade or buy truck auto or one that I can use. Must be cheap. See L. C. Sharp. adv 48-2t

T. W. Wheeler, county commissioner of Nolan County, was here this week attending the good roads meeting and otherwise taking in our fair. This was his first visit in 31 years.

For Sale—700-acre farm, half mile of Midland, Texas. For prices and terms address R. A. Roberson, Box 1236, Fort Worth, Texas. adv 51-4t

Geo. Hays, sheep and cowman from near Fort Stockton, is here this week taking in our fair festivities. Reports that he sold 3000 ewes at \$6.50 around recently. He ordered The Reporter.

Monuments—Newest designs, best quality, for less money. Broken \$ Store agents for Alex Rawlins. 46-tf

W. A. Smith and G. J. Mitchell, of Weatherford, are here and will remain until the fair closes. Both express themselves as being well pleased with the exhibits.

Room For Rent—Furnished and convenient to business portions of town. Call phone No. 2.—Adv.

J. T. Pemberton, wife and daughter, Miss Clara Mae, and son, J. T., from Fort Worth, came in Sunday in their car. They made the trip in less than two days without accident.

For Sale—18 lots near W. H. Tucker's. Will trade for house that I can move. I sell East India medicine and liniment. Lost, a pocket knife, three blades, piece broken off the handle. See L. C. Sharp. adv 44-8t

P. G. Hodges, of the immigration department of the T. & P. Ry., was a Fair visitor Tuesday and expects to spend Friday and Saturday, the closing days of the Fair, with us.

Don't overlook having the children photographed during the Fair. Miller's Studio. adv 49-2t

Judge M. C. Lindsey, of Lamesa, with a party of friends, were visitors to the Midland Fair. Like all visitors to Midland, he was surprised at Midland's growth and magnitude of Midland's Fair.

For Sale—Small kitchen cabinet, in fairly good condition. Will sell cheap. Address Box 272, phone No. 84. adv 48-tf

W. O. Cox and wife brought in their 6-year-old son from Upton County this week for medical treatment. A dynamite cap that the little fellow was playing with exploded, taking off a part of his thumb and fore finger. Mr. Cox ordered The Reporter.

To trade for horses, one 45-horsepower Case automobile, 6-passenger. R. B. McEntire, Colorado, Texas. adv 49-3t

When you need any veterinary or dental work done, you will find me located at the livery stable south of the railroad, phone No. 69, Dr. J. A. McBee, Veterinary Surgeon adv 51-tf

School Children's Day, Midland Fair on Saturday Sept 30th. School children will be admitted free on Saturday, when accompanied by parents, teachers or guardians. adv

P. L. Wimberly, of Abernathy, is a guest of his brother, W. W. Wimberly, and sister, Mrs. T. B. Wadley, this week. He ordered The Reporter. A. C. Wimberly, another brother, was also a guest of the above mentioned townspeople. He comes from Whitefield, Texas, and also ordered The Reporter.

Wanted—Rooms furnished for light housekeeping, close in for man, wife and two small children. Address "Roomer" at Reporter office.

Business Notice—I have purchased the dairy cows and business known as the Midland Dairy, from Mrs. R. A. Dykstra and son. Will serve all customers regularly morning and evening. Our chief aim will be to give entire satisfaction by delivering milk and other dairy products in a sanitary condition. Your patronage solicited and will be appreciated. Phone orders to No. 394, Midland Dairy, H. R. Houston. adv

ran. Study with definite aim. The highest standards maintained. Thoroughness the slogan. Open for the term 1916-17. Chicago, Ill., now has her Standard and American Conservatory, of London Conservatory, Dallas, Texas. of the most eminent instructors who has been a Piano Student. NOSTRA LIDIA SSIM

A LAXATIVE COLD CLEANSER

Don't put off taking a treatment of Po-Do-Lax. Your system needs a cleanser and tonic—nothing like Po-Do-Lax to purify the blood, gently move the bowels and stimulate the liver to healthy action. The first dose releases the accumulated poisons. It is a laxative tonic for young, adult and aged. Its mild non-gripping action commends it to delicate women. Guaranteed—a trial will convince you. Get a bottle today. adv No. 1

Wanted—School, public or private. Would take position as governess. Address Mrs. Mae Jackson, Tolar, Texas. adv 48-3t

DOES SLOAN'S LINIMENT HELP RHEUMATISM?

Ask the man who uses it, he knows. "To think I suffered all these years when one 25-cent bottle of Sloan's Liniment cured me" writes one grateful user. If you have rheumatism or suffer from neuralgia, backache, soreness and stiffness, don't put off getting a bottle of Sloan's. It will give you such welcome relief. It warms and soothes the sore, stiff painful places and you feel so much better. Buy it at any drug store, only 25 cents. adv No. 1

SHOULD SLOAN'S LINIMENT GO ALONG

Of course it should! For after a strenuous day when your muscles have been exercised to the limit an application of Sloan's Liniment will take the soreness and stiffness away and get you in fine shape for the morrow. You should also use it for a sudden attack of toothache, stiff neck, backache, stings, bites and the many accidents that are incidental to a vacation. "We would as soon leave our baggage as go on a vacation or camp out without Sloan's Liniment," writes one vacationist. "We use it for everything from cramps to toothache." Put a bottle in your bag, be prepared and have no regrets. adv No. 2

Residence for Sale—My home on West Wall Street. One of the best neighborhoods and locations in the city. Quarter block of ground. W. D. Ellis, Phone 208. adv 45-tf

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Wm. G. McAdoo

ON PREPAREDNESS AND OUR MERCHANT MARINE.



There is one feature of preparedness with which I am more familiar than with any other, and that is the necessity for the creation of an auxiliary merchant marine, or, in other words, a merchant marine that will serve as an auxiliary for our navy in time of war and that will give our commerce a fleet of ships in time of peace. This is economic as well as military preparedness.

We cannot with safety rely upon our ability to purchase or charter suitable naval auxiliaries when a crisis appears. The very essence of preparedness for the Navy is to have these vessels of suitable types and construction where we can put our hands on them quickly. To prove this I need only tell you what happened when war with Spain broke out in 1898. We had no naval auxiliaries—no Army transports. We were utterly unprepared. We had to go into the market and buy immediately any and every kind of boat that could be hastily adapted to our purposes, and, of course, we paid fabulous prices for them. When a man or a government has to have something the other fellow has got, and that fellow knows that this something can't be gotten from anybody but himself, he exacts the highest possible price and gets it. This is human nature. The Navy alone bought at that time 102 vessels as naval auxiliaries and paid in round numbers the fabulous sum of \$18,000,000 for them. There is no officer of the navy who knows about these purchases who won't admit that most of these vessels were junk.

The Navy Department sold 25, or one-fourth of them, since the war for the paltry sum of \$1,167,638.

There were seven vessels, bought hastily for naval auxiliaries, at a total cost of \$1,736,922. They were sold for \$353,786.04, making a total loss to the government of \$1,383,136.96, or 80 per cent of the original investment. Isn't this a monument to American intelligence? But we had to take anything we could get and pay any price the shipowner or broker asked, in order to send our fleet just a little way from home—to Cuba. This is the penalty we paid for our failure to create a real naval auxiliary. Unhappily we have learned nothing from that painful lesson and are in worse condition today than we were in 1898, so far as merchant marine naval auxiliaries are concerned, because our Navy is much larger and its requirements more exacting.

In addition to the \$18,000,000 spent by the Navy, the War Department spent millions for vessels to transport troops. If we build a real and efficient naval auxiliary, we shall have the right kind of vessels to supply the Army with transports when it needs them.

We have not today under the American flag sufficient vessels to give our Navy, in case of war, the support and assistance which is indispensable to its efficiency.

FRIDAY September 29

Grand Aviation Flight Tonight

LADDIE LAIRD will make his only night flight for the week tonight ---Friday, Sept. 29th. This will be the greatest attraction of the entire week.

The Fair Management went to great expense in securing Laddie Laird for this week. To assist in covering this expense

50c Will Be Charged for General Admission

tonight to see this wonderful night flight.

The large magnesium lights will make Laddie Laird appear as a human rocket as he twists and turns and loops-the-loop far up above the earth.

WHEN YOU HAVE A COLD

Give it attention, avoid exposure, be regular and careful of your diet, also commence taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It contains Pine-Tar, antiseptic oils and balsams. Is slightly laxative. Dr. King's New-Discovery eases your cough, soothes your throat and bronchial tubes, checks your cold, starts to clear your head. In a short time you know your cold is better. Its use over 40 years. Get a bottle at once. Keep it in the house as a cold insurance. Sold at your drug-gist. adv No. 3.

LOOK GOOD—FEEL GOOD

No one can either feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, dragging, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box today; take one or two pills tonight. In the morning that stuffed, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c at your drug-gist. adv No. 2.

Wanted—Two roomers and a few table boarders. Opposite Midland Mercantile Co., phone 410. adv 47-tf

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HEATLY & EICHELBERGER, Proprietors

Phone 64

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The time to do a thing is when the spirit is upon us--when it makes a sharp, clean-cut impression upon us--We have this one suggestion to offer--

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THE PROFESSION OF HOME-MAKING

An Interesting Paper by Miss Ivy Lay, One of the Teachers at Midland College

The article following, by Miss Ivy Lay, of Midland College, should have appeared in our last issue. This being a special edition and the paper more suited to a regular issue, we deferred publication until now:

"We need only to have our mothers tell of the conditions of their girlhood to understand something of the rapid industrial changes that have taken place during the last generation, and our grandmothers can recall us to a totally different world, so present day home-making must necessarily be a new 'new' profession.

"To call any work a profession implies the existence of a certain body of related facts, principles, or precepts--the inheritance of the ages--but when we begin to examine the province of the profession of home-making, we are at once struck with the immensity of the field. As the home is the unit of society, so home-making relates to all human activities. Leaving a little for the other profession, however, it relates primarily to the life and health of the family.

Laws of Life

"The study of life brings us to the great natural laws relating to life--that is, chemistry and physics. I mean the chemistry of living, of everyday life, of the substances met with about the home in cooking, cleaning and care of the home.

"The body itself is only a chemical and physical engine and when these forces stop life ceases. The home-maker surely needs to know some of the fundamental principles of chemistry. Such as that matter cannot be created nor destroyed, but only transformed. For instance, in making sour milk biscuits, if more soda is added to the sour milk than the acid present will unite with, then the excess of soda is left in the biscuits. The home-maker needs to realize that with the same materials under exactly the same conditions, results are

identical, so success in cooking depends on the art of the cook and not on 'good luck.'

"The whole study of life is called biology, but that part of the subject termed 'bacteriology' is especially important to the home-maker for it is the fundamental science in sanitation.

"The home-maker needs to know that the few germs that are disease producing are specialists in their work, and that only one kind is responsible for each disease, such as tuberculosis, typhoid, diphtheria, etc., that these disease germs do not develop spontaneously under even the most filthy conditions, as is popularly supposed, but that every case of an infectious or contagious disease comes from some previous case, near or remote; and is the result of some one's criminal carelessness or ignorance. Further, that disease germs with few exceptions, multiply only in the human body or in that of some of the lower animals. They may live under various conditions, but cleanliness and sunshine kills them all. The home-maker should know how these agents of death gain access to the body and what a fortress the body is against their attack if we will but man the defence.

"We might take up Home Sanitation, Food Problems, Personal Health, Home-Keeping, The Profession of Motherhood, The Home-Maker of Today and The Home-Maker of Tomorrow.

"There is no profession that compares with the profession of home-making in the possibilities for improvement of the race--physical, mental, moral.

"Your husband has a money value of from \$50,000 to \$500,000 or more capitalizing his earning capacity at five per cent interest. Your child is worth all that you have and you would willingly give it. You have the chief care of the life, the health, the happiness of these valuable beings.

"Isn't it worth while to take the precautionary standpoint alone? Worth while to know the ounce of prevention--which only you can apply--more valuable than pounds of cure."

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

W. A. Hanger

ON OUR COMPLICATED LEGAL SYSTEM.



The simplification of court procedure is an object which has always been sought and desired to be obtained by law-respecting and abiding men, and will continue to be, until the result is reached that litigants may have their rights vindicated and their wrongs redressed without delay. There can be no controversy about what we want to do, but the question to decide is how to do it.

When in the absence of legislative enactments the vigilantes administered what they believed to be justice between man and man, it was not encumbered by any political speech-making from the bench, or by any complicated machinery of appeal and delay. This is not an argument for a return to those primitive and forceful methods, but is employed as a preface to the statement that in Texas

we are burdened with a legal machinery which contributes to the endless chain of judicial contradictions rendering it impossible for the layman and uncertain for the lawyer to have an exact knowledge of the law, or of the trend of judicial construction.

We have in this State eighty-three district courts, nine courts of civil appeals, one court of criminal appeals, and one supreme court. All appeals in civil cases from the district courts go first to the Court of Civil Appeals, and from that court on applications for writs of error, to the Supreme Court. All appeals in criminal cases go direct to the Court of Criminal Appeals, which is the court of last resort in such cases. And it is significant that the Court of Criminal Appeals is up with its work, while the Supreme Court, working just as laboriously and diligently, is far behind with its work. In this connection it may well be observed that when the present arrangement about the Courts of Civil Appeals was instituted under the constitutional amendment of 1891, only three Courts of Civil Appeals were provided for, and the task imposed upon the Supreme Court of harmonizing their conflicts was a small one compared with that which now exists when there are nine Courts of Civil Appeals. Surely no just complaint will be made against the Supreme Court for being behind with its work, but rather against the complicated system which we have.

However, in my opinion, the chief cause of the trouble has not yet been stated. The greater part of it does not, in my judgment, lie in the appellate courts, but in the trial courts. We must improve conditions there. The salary paid to district judges should be made such as to induce men of ability and capacity to seek those positions. Of course, many of our district judges now are men of ability. I hope I may be permitted to say, with entire respect, that many of them are not. Whenever the personnel of the trial judges of this State is so elevated that the men who occupy them will be above employing their positions for political preferment, yielding to the clamor of one faction or another in the community, or of doing anything else except to fearlessly administer justice, then and not 'till then will the well-founded complaints which exist against the laws' delays cease.

MIDLAND TESTIMONY

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