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A MASONIC AFFAIR OF MUCH BRILLIANCE

Yeakel Hotel The Scene of Second Annual Banquet of Midland Scottish Rite Club

The second annual banquet of the Midland Scottish Rite Club was held at the Yeakel hotel on the evening of Jan. 4th. While the Midland Scottish Rite Club has been in existence for a number of years, the plan of having an annual banquet, attended by those only who are 32nd and 33rd degree Masons, was only adopted a year ago when Joseph Martin Caldwell, 32nd degree, and Woods Walker Lynch, 32nd degree, tendered the club a banquet on January 3rd. That occasion was so enjoyable that it was decided by the officers and members of the club to make this banquet an annual affair.

Handsome engraved invitations were sent out to all members of the Midland Scottish Rite Club and to many other prominent Scottish Rite Masons in Texas in due season, and on the evening of January 4th, a large number of members of the club assembled at 9 o'clock in the evening in the dining room of the Yeakel hotel. The table was arranged in the form of the emblem of the 32nd degree and the banquet spread is indicated by the following menu:

Oyster Cocktail
Cream-Tomato Soup
Stuffed Olives
Loin of Young Beef Roasted
Champagne Sauce
Milk Fed Chicken-Fried
Potatoes a la Creme
Asparagus Tips
Fruit Salad
Brick Cream
Swiss Cheese
Crackers
Salted Almonds
Cafe Noir
Cigarettes

Mr. and Mrs. Yeakel had the dinner served in a manner which was entirely adequate and in keeping with the menu above, and the occasion will be long remembered by those present for its purely culinary characteristics.

The following members of the club were present: Allen Tolbert, D. H. Roettger, J. Wiley Taylor, M. F. Burns, S. B. Carr, Jno. M. Cowden, Claude F. Cowden, Elisha H. Estes, J. M. Gilmore, M. R. Hill, W. A. Holloway, W. W. Lynch, Edwin S. Martin, Percy J. Mims, J. M. Perry, Ernest Quick, Jno. O. Reynolds, Jno. B. Thomas, E. E. Hender, C. S. Karklits, Dr. Traylor, Ted Wallace.

After dinner the president of the club, Joseph Martin Caldwell, 32nd degree, announced that no set program of after-dinner speeches and toasts had been prepared, but that he desired to hear from all members of the club, and every member of the club present responded. Without making a special mention of all the talks, it is well to mention especially that of Rev. J. M. Perry, formerly of Midland, but now of San Angelo, who came all the way from San Angelo to Midland on the evening of the 4th to be present on this occasion. Bro. Perry's address was greatly enjoyed, especially the verse composed by him for this occasion. Dr. W. K. Curtis 33rd degree, gave a very interesting history of the organization of the Midland Scottish Rite Club, and Bro. Jno. M. Cowden, 32nd degree, gave an interesting account of his visits to lodges in Constantinople and Damascus some years ago when he was abroad. Rev. Ernest Quick delivered a most earnest and feeling address upon the principles of Scottish Rite Masonry. All of the talks were especially enjoyed.

It was with great regret the following members were unable to be present: Edwin Ruthven Bryan, 33rd degree Hon., who is in Austin in attendance upon the legislature; Brother W. A.

BRIEF NOTES FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE

All Back to Routine of Duties—Company of New Matriculates a Pleasant Feature

The holiday season has come and gone and once again the work here is in full swing. New students have entered, new additions been made to the library and laboratory equipment and everything out this way has its head up.

Foster Averitt, one of our seniors and a most efficient student, has accepted a position in an abstract office at Seminole, and withdrawn from school.

Among the new matriculates at the college are Doyle Wilson, of Princeton, Dick Jones, of Lubbock, L. Llewellyn Rose and Misses Elizabeth Chaffin, of Coleman, Eunice McGuffin, of Loxley, McKissick, of Midland.

Mrs. Jones, wife of our efficient president, is ill at this writing.

Misses Eddie Taylor, Alma Brunson, Thelma White and Lois Patterson, of the city, visited our college and attended chapel exercises Wednesday.

McK. Hartgrove spent Monday with Foy Proctor on his ranch south of town. The basketball team have organized, electing C. C. Pate, of Knox City, manager, and Morrow Boynton, of Anson, captain. The team is fast rounding into condition and will be ready to stage some matched games soon. Massey, of last year's squad, is sure for a place, and Perry, Jones, Haley, Morgan and Goode are likely looking candidates. The basketball girls, as yet, have not organized, but are training faithfully. Some very promising material is out. Both of the teams have training tables and are doing real athletic training.

We feel like the greatest event in the history of Midland College for some time, is the coming of Rev. J. T. McKissick to our city. Bro. McKissick is a man thoroughly schooled and well trained and who has a wide influence for good. He will take charge of one of the Bible work here and has been elected to the deanship of the Bible department of our school.

King, who was detained at home on account of illness, and Brother E. J. Mumford, who is perhaps one of the best posted Scottish Rite Masons upon the roster of the club. Other members absent unavoidably were W. P. Rhodes, Elliott F. Cowden, G. F. McVaden, W. P. Dalmont, Sanders W. Estes, R. R. Hill, Homer R. Henderson, S. R. McKinney, C. H. Price, H. M. Ramsay, G. W. Wolcott, Claude Williams and Thomas P. Jones. Telegrams of congratulations and regrets were received from Sam P. Cochran, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Texas, and from the officers of the Dallas Consistory No. 2 in co-ordinate bodies, and from J. W. Stephens, 33rd degree Hon., secretary at Dallas, and a letter of regret was received from Jno. K. Donnan, 33rd degree Hon., of Austin, and the expressions therein contained were greatly enjoyed by the brethren.

GOOD ATTRACTION COMING WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17th

Press and public are unanimous in declaring that "Montana," that beautiful romance of the western plains which appears at Midland opera house on Wednesday, Jan. 17th, is an attraction far above the average and one well worth the support of community. The managers, Messrs. Bankson and Morris, are gentlemen of wide theatrical experience, and know a good play when they see it, and they assure us that "Montana" is one of the very best plays that has ever come under their observation, and they are congratulating themselves in being fortunate enough in securing it. This play will be under the auspices of the Library Association.

FAIR ASSOCIATION MAKES STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

As was noted in last week's issue of The Reporter, we asked for space in which to make a full report of the condition of the affairs of the Midland Fair and Interstate Stock Show. The paper being filled it was necessary to postpone the statement until this week.

In referring to this the editor of The Reporter stated that the management of the fair had hardly had sufficient time in which to prepare and present this report. This explanation, though undoubtedly made with true intent, is incorrect. The proper explanation for the delay is this: Within ten days after the close of the 1916 fair the books and records were posted and complete. Shortly thereafter a call was made for a meeting of the directors in order that the business of the fair would have prompt attention. A quorum was not obtainable at that call. Another call was made a few days following, with the same results.

After having been in close touch with the business of the fair for three years, during which time the burden from every department have constantly been passed up to only two or three of us, I thought I could see that the many obstacles continually confronting us could never be properly handled without the co-operation of the substantial people of this community in general. I further thought I could see that some unusual line of procedure must be followed by which to excite these people to action. That is the way I saw it. I therefore decided to take any further action of my own accord or until some spirit of co-operation was shown.

In due time these came numerous requests from the public for information relative to the condition of the fair, etc., and believing that some further concerted action could then be had I addressed a letter to each of the fair-directors with the results that a meeting was had, followed shortly by another. At these meetings the books and accounts were thoroughly gone over and discussed from most every angle and from the general good cheer that existed I felt sure of substantial results. We have been disappointed, however, inasmuch as there has been no reports from committees appointed nor any visitate results of any nature.

Taking the above facts into consideration and after talking the situation over with several, I now take this method to advise the public of the exact condition of affairs.

Below follows three statements of resources and liabilities of the fair for the years which they are dated:

STATEMENT CLOSE OF 1914 FAIR

RESOURCES
Grounds, buildings, equip. \$7,314.48
Cash in bank 16.20
Total \$7,330.68

LIABILITIES
Capital stock paid in \$4,510.00
Checks outstanding 585.76
Bills payable 550.00
Surplus from operation 1,744.92
Total \$7,330.68

STATEMENT CLOSE OF 1915 FAIR

RESOURCES
Grounds, buildings, equip. \$11,846.28
Bills payable 19.76
Deficit from operation 1,229.06
Total \$13,394.00

LIABILITIES
Capital stock paid in \$6,212.50
Bills payable 7,955.00
Checks outstanding 6.50
Total \$13,394.00

STATEMENT CLOSE OF 1916 FAIR

RESOURCES
Grounds, buildings, equip. \$16,307.41
Accounts receivable 569.00
Deficit from operation 1,663.88
Total \$21,740.29

LIABILITIES
Capital stock paid in \$6,637.50
Overdraft at bank 7.30
Total \$6,644.80

Bills payable 7,750.00
Checks outstanding 6.50
Accounts payable 1,987.99
Premiums payable 2,332.30
Total \$12,716.79

By comparison of the three statements above a very good general idea can be had of the comparative progress of the different departments of the fair. For example, at the close of the 1914 fair, stock to the amount of \$2,210.00 had been sold and an expenditure of \$7,314.48 had been made for permanent improvements. Up to the present time the stock sales have only been increased by \$2,127.50 and it has become necessary to spend an additional amount of \$9,192.93 for permanent improvements.

Every one remembers the extremely rainy week of September, 1915, which marked the second fair and left us with bills payable of \$7,075.00; \$4,000 of this was borrowed in the outside market upon a note signed by Dr. W. Brunson, Geo. D. Elliott, R. E. H. Morgan, H. M. Ramsay, Jno. Scharbauer, F. F. Elkin, Henry M. Half, S. W. Estes, and B. C. Girdley, and the remainder was handled locally.

This was the beginning of our handicap in the face of which the 1916 fair was launched and carried through on a larger scale than ever.

The gate and grand stand receipts during the 1914 fair were \$2,998.30, 1915, \$2,998.10, 1916, \$5,983.32.

Naturally, with the enormous growth of the enterprise the expense of operation increased accordingly. The general expense during 1916 was \$3,310.22, which includes all cost for operating every department of the fair. An unduly large proportion of this expense was necessary to provide protection against trespassing due to the very open nature of the grounds.

Below we show a trial balance taken from the books of the 1916 fair which shows the receipts and expenditures.

TRIAL BALANCE MIDLAND FAIR & INTERSTATE STOCK SHOW, DECEMBER 31st, 1916

DEBITS
Treasury stock \$352.50
Grounds, buildings, equip. 16,307.41
Operating acct. 1915 fair 1428.06
Advertising 198.46
Interest 332.60
General expense 3310.22
Premiums account 1917.50
Entertainment 1754.45
Racing dept. 1924.85
Booths and stalls 242.30
Polo game 500.00
Baby Beef Clubs Encamp. 186.83
Accounts Receivable 569.00
Total \$32,179.58

CREDITS

Capital Stock \$10,000.00
Midland National Bank 7.30
Bills payable 7750.00
Checks out 1916 fair 828.00
Donations 112.20
Pigskin 135.47
Cot fund 148.55
Receipts 613.32
Poultry department 11.75
Association car tickets 12.45
Booths and stalls 242.30
Street light fund 255.80
Concessions 337.00
Accounts payable 4986.99
Premiums payable 2352.60
Total \$32,179.58

We could fill this entire issue with details which are unnecessary; however, the books are open to the public and have been kept in a complete detailed and comprehensive manner and will be found any time at the old commercial club rooms. We invite any one interested to go in and look over the accounts. A list of the stock holders appears at the conclusion of this statement.

The list does not include a small number of people who have made cash donations to the fair with the stipulation that such stock should be issued them on account of the personal liability arising therefrom. A correct account of these sums has been kept.

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WELCOME TO NEW CHRISTIAN PASTOR

Christian Church Was Crowded Sunday Night to Give Welcome to Rev. J. T. McKissick

Sunday evening, last, was a memorable hour at the Christian church. It was then the Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian and Christian churches united their congregations in formal welcome to Rev. J. T. McKissick, the incoming pastor of the Christian church. The audience filled the spacious auditorium and manifested hearty appreciation of the entire program. It was an hour when the spirit of Christian brotherhood ruled in every heart. The following program was rendered:

Doxology and another song by the congregation.

Prayer by Rev. Ernest Quick, containing a special petition for Bro. Cooley, of our city, and his aged father elsewhere, both critically ill. A fine violin solo by Ned Watson, accompanied by his sister, Miss Lydia G. Watson.

Song by the congregation followed by an excellent vocal solo from Miss Pritchett.

Sermon by Rev. J. T. McKissick on "Temptations of Jesus."

These regular services were followed by a program of welcome in charge of Rev. J. W. Cowan, who had made the first suggestion of such a service. His conduct of the exercises was in a happy mood and kept the interest high throughout. He extended hearty welcome to the Methodist church, congratulating the new pastor upon the wealth, the business courtesy, the religious progressiveness and the educational advantages of the city.

Rev. Ernest Quick then spoke for the Baptist church, complimenting Bro. McKissick upon the splendid effort of the evening and assuring him of his support in every movement for the moral and spiritual uplift of the community.

Dr. J. H. Clark was then called upon in behalf of the Presbyterian church, and he referred to the cordial relations that had hitherto existed between his church and that to which the new pastor had been called, voicing the hope that the future would see no change in this happy condition. C. S. Karkalits, E. F. Elkin and Phil Scharbauer then spoke for their respective Sunday Schools, promising co-operation in all matters affecting these departments of the churches. Mr. Scharbauer stated that he had come to Midland fifteen years ago to remain five years, but had then decided to stay longer and that now expected to live and die here. He congratulated Bro. McKissick on the fine quality of the people he had come to live among.

J. H. Barron was then asked to speak for the official board of the Baptist church, which he did in a happy manner, telling of the erection by the Baptists of the first church in Midland, of the universal support given by the citizens in this movement, of the joint use of the house by other communities, and of the spirit of fraternity that then exhibited. He expressed his love for neighborliness among Christian people.

F. G. Jones closed the addresses of welcome by only a few words felicitating the various speakers on their utterances and assuring them of his appreciation of all that had been said and done in honor of the new pastor.

Bro. McKissick responded to the addresses in a few words, expressing his heart-felt gratitude for the big-hearted Western welcome that had been accorded him and promising his cordial words of his brother ministers and recalled the happy hours he had spent in his last charge at Harriman, Tenn., counseling and communing with other pastors and the ministerial association. He voiced the strong desire

HIGHEST HONORS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Forty-one Pupils Win Distinction in Report of Fourth Month in Our High School

Following are the names of those pupils in the high school who won distinction in the work of the fourth month, which closed Jan. 4th, 1917. These are divided into three groups. Those who averaged 90 or more in scholarship for the month won the distinction of "Summa Cum Laude," (90 or more); those who averaged 85 or more won the distinction of "Magna Cum Laude," (85 to 90); and those who averaged 80 or more won the distinction of "Cum Laude," (80 to 85). The numbers after the names indicate the number of courses carried:

Eleventh Grade

"Summa Cum Laude," (90 or more)—Lee Terry, 5.
"Magna Cum Laude," (85 to 90)—Ruth Clark, 5; Leona McCormick, 4; Annie Mae Patterson, 5; Ernest McCall, 5; Mary Lee Finney, 5; Naomi Mahry, 5.

"Cum Laude," (80 to 85)—Essie Cowden, 5; Joe Caldwell, 4; Lula Mae Brunson, 5.

Tenth Grade

"Summa Cum Laude," (90 or more)—Clella Denton, 5.

"Magna Cum Laude," (85 to 90)—Miriam Crossett, 5.

"Cum Laude," (80 to 85)—Lena Kate Baker, 5; Mittie Ingham, 4.

Ninth Grade

"Summa Cum Laude," (90 or more)—Duncan Garner, 5; Ruby Willis, 5; Thelma Estes, 5; Ruth Terry, 5; Hazel Hillingsworth, 5; Franklin Whitefield, 5.

"Magna Cum Laude," (85 to 90)—Henry Flenor, 5; Birdie Brown, 5; Sidney Quick, 5.

"Cum Laude," (80 to 85)—Roxie Nugent, 5; Lucile Arent, 5; Melrose Florey, 5; Lula B. Brannerman, 5; Helena Henson, 5; Naomi Lee, 5; Clara Wright, 5.

Eighth Grade—Section A

"Summa Cum Laude," (90 or more)—Carolyn Caldwell, 5; Wilfrid Curtis, 5; Grace Terry, 5; Ola Dublin, 4; Fay Taylor, 5.

"Magna Cum Laude," (85 to 90)—None.

"Cum Laude," (80 to 85)—Elizabeth Lynch, 5; Evetts Hays, 5; Davie Brown, 5.

Eighth Grade—Section B

"Summa Cum Laude," (90 or more)—Richard Cain, 5; Laura Smith, 5.

"Magna Cum Laude," (85 to 90)—Daisy Dupery, 4.

"Cum Laude," (80 to 85)—None.

Editor's Note—The regular monthly report of the schools will appear in next week's issue.

that his experience might be repeated in Midland.

A previous account has been given in The Reporter of educational and professional preparation. Bro. McKissick has had for the work he has undertaken. He is a scholar, a fine pastor, a good evangelist and a capable leader, and the entire community is to be congratulated on the addition he makes to the educational and spiritual forces of the city.

ACCOUNTS OF DEATHS IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Carroll and two sad news items intended for this issue of The Reporter are reserved for next week; these are the death of Joseph Curry Skeen, brother of Mrs. Geo. T. McKissick, which occurred on January 3rd, and the death of Joe E. Johnston, son of C. C. Johnston, which occurred, as a result of heart failure, on January 9th.

Found—A number of registration papers for Hereford Cattle. Owner may recover at this office by paying 25 cents for this notice.

MEN'S AND BOYS WEAR

ON SPECIAL SALE

We are offering on SPECIAL SALE, our Men's Winter Underwear

MEN'S UNDERWEAR		WORK SHIRTS		SWEATER COATS	
\$1.00 Unions	85c	Men's Wool Shirts \$1.25, now	85c	Men's and Boys Sweater Coats 65c, now	40c
\$1.50 Unions	\$1.15	" " " 1.50, now	\$1.10	" " " " " 1.50, now	\$1.00
\$2.00	\$1.40	" " " 2.25, now	1.50	" " " " " 2.50, now	1.50
\$2.50 Unions	\$1.95	" " " 2.50, now	1.65	" " " " " 4.00, now	2.50
Job lot Men's Novelty Hats in Black, Gray and Brown, all good colors, for Special, only \$1.00.		We have in this SPECIAL SALE Men's and Boys OVERCOATS 50 per cent off.		" " " " " 5.00, now	3.00
				" " " " " 7.00, now	4.50

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men," said the mayor. "Those in favor will say 'aye.'"

And councilmen and townspeople alike thundered their approval.

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"BE A BOOSTER"

Boost your country, boost your friend,
Boost the lodge that you attend;
Boost the town in which you're
dwelling;
Boost the goods that you are selling,
Boost the people round about you,
Possibly they can do without you;
But success will quicker find them,
If they know that you're behind them.

Boost for every forward movement,
Boost for every new improvement;
Boost the stranger and the neighbor,
Boost the man for whom you labor.
Cease to be a chronic knocker,
Cease to be a progress knocker,
And if you'd have your home town
better,
Boost it, boost it to the final letter.

For Sale—One Emerson typewriter,
second hand, good as new. Cost with
case, \$55. Can be bought for half
price. If interested, call at this of-
fice. adv 51f

Mrs. H. C. Kate, of Morgan, Texas,
is a guest of her sister, Mrs. J. H.
Williamson.

Hon. A. S. Hawkins, of Phoenix,
Ariz, was here Tuesday and Wednes-
day on business.

Notice of Estray—A red male hog,
about one year old, strayed to my
place at the cemetery. Owner may
recover same by paying for this no-
tice and feed for the hog. J. T. Bruce.
adv. 11-11

In Society



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

C. W. B. M. Society

Mrs. Sam Preston, assisted by Mes-
sames Will Roller, Geo. Leach and O.
P. Buchanan, entertained the C. W.
B. M. society at her home on Thurs-
day, Jan. 4th. An excellent and help-
ful review of the third chapter of
"World Missions and World Peace"
was given by Mrs. H. M. Horton and
an interesting paper on "Old Spain
and New America" was read by Mr.
Will Graves, while Mrs. T. A. Sacra
briefly outlined the "Work in Mex-
ico." A pleasant and enjoyable so-
cial hour followed when delicious re-
freshments of sandwiches and coffee
were served.

Moment Musical Club

The Moment Musical Club met in
regular session Wednesday after-
noon at the studio of Miss Lydie G.
Watson. The following program was
very creditably rendered, each num-
ber being played from memory:

"The Sandman" (Krogmann)—Hazel Foster.

"The Village Fair" (Frany)—Ger-
tie Toby.

"Bird's Echo" (Spaulding)—Mary Allen.

"Hedge Roses" (Pink)—Minnie Foster.

"Carnation March"—Fay Rogers.

"Traumeri" (Schumann)—Hazel Wimberly.

"Nymphs of the Rhine" (Goerd-
ler)—Gayrite Garner.

After an interesting study in mus-
ical biography, the following officers
were elected:

Miss Gayrite Garner, president.

Miss Ora Mae Terry, vice president.

Miss Alma Cowan, secretary.
Miss Nannie Lou Tidwell, treasurer.
Miss Hallie Rhea Jowell, critic.

Lynch—Murphy

Last week we mentioned briefly the
marriage of Mr. C. O. Lynch, an at-
tache of The Reporter, to Miss Cogee
Murphy, of Abilene. The affair was
too late in the week for more than a
welcome to the bride and an expres-
sion of good wishes. In last Sun-
day's issue of the Abilene Reporter
an account of the marriage appears
and we reproduce it. It follows:

On Thursday afternoon January the
4th, the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S.
Murphy on Cypress street was the
scene of a pretty wedding, when their
daughter, Miss Cogee Murphy became
the bride of Mr. C. O. Lynch, of Mid-
land.

The home was beautifully decorated
throughout, with vases of pink and
white roses, with the mantles and
piano banked with ferns with lighted
tapers placed here and there.

Miss Floy Reeves sweetly sang "A
Dream," accompanied by Miss Yvonne
Murphy, sister of the bride. The mu-
sic drifted into strains of Mendel-
sohn's wedding march, also played
by Miss Yvonne Murphy. Beneath
an artistic arch made of smilax, lil-
ies of the valley, and white ribbon,
with a background of masses of ferns
from which was suspended a white
wedding bell, Rev. M. A. Jenkins,
pastor of the First Baptist church,
awaited the bridal party. Miss Vir-
ginia Virden was maid of honor. She
wore a becoming dark blue silk, with
white hat, gloves, and shoes. The
bride wore an exquisite gown away
suit of brown cloth, with a beautiful
spring hat, and other accessories to
correspond. She carried an arm
bouquet of bride's roses and lilies.
She entered with her maid of honor.
The room was attended by Mr. Ir-
ving Comper, cousin of the bride, as
best man. Rev. Jenkins spoke the
sweetly solemn words of the marriage
service, using the ring ceremony.

The bride is a young lady of accom-
plishments, and her sweet personal-
ity, and charming traits of character
has endeared herself to a large cir-
cle of friends. Mr. Lynch is a young
man of fine character, and is at pre-
sent an employee of the Midland Re-
porter. At one time he made Abilene
his home, and has a number of
friends here.

After the ceremony there was an
informal reception and friends and
relatives gathered around Mr. and
Mrs. Lynch to express loving good
wishes and to congratulate one who
had won so sweet a bride. The many
beautiful gifts were admired.

The dining room which was attrac-
tively adorned with ferns, white
Christmas bells, and green burning
candles, the beautiful bride's cake was
cut. The bride cut the button, Rev.
Jenkins the needle, Mr. Irving Com-
per the ring, Miss Mattie Murphy
the thimble, and Miss Lela Cowden
the dime. The bride threw her bou-
quet which was caught by Miss
Reeves. During the excitement, the
bride and groom slipped away to the
home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Couch
where a lovely dinner was served the
bridal party. Mr. and Mrs. Lynch left
for their home in Midland.

Out of town guests attending were
Mrs. Lynch, of Arlington, mother of
the groom; Mrs. Dye, of Merkel, sis-
ter of the bride, and Miss Annie Mur-
phy, of Hubbard, sister of the bride.

Ninety-Nine Club

The program of the Ninety-nine
Club which was rendered on Tuesday
afternoon proved to be one of the
most helpful of the series. Mrs. W.
H. Brunson, in the absence of Mrs.
C. M. Goldsmith, very ably conducted
the lesson on Chili.

Mrs. W. A. Dawson read a splen-
did paper on "The Greatness of Chili
Since 1873." The entire club was de-
lighted with the vocal selection by
Mrs. J. T. White.

Mrs. Marie J. Riggs was hostess
and gave every one a cordial greet-
ing.

F. S. M. Club

Miss Fay Cowden was hostess for a
very enjoyable meeting of the F. S.
M. Club on Wednesday afternoon. A
large crowd, who entered enthusias-
tically into the games of "500," re-
sponded to the invitations of
Miss Ola Epley won the pin. During
a short business session Misses
Lorena Edwards and Alma Brunson

were asked to become members of the
club. A delicious salad course was
served by Miss Cowden. Besides the
club members, the guests were Miss
Elliston, of Hot Springs, Ark., Mes-
sames Frank Bush and Mike Rankin.

Priscilla Club

The last regular meeting of the
Priscilla Club was held with Mrs.
Marie Riggs. Some time was spent
in discussing plans for the future of
the club, then the fancy work was
taken up and enjoyed for an hour or
two. Then the guests were invited
into the dining room where an excel-
lent dinner awaited them. Mrs. Pey-
ton Mitchell and Mrs. James Flan-
igan were guests at this meeting.

We are glad to know that Mrs. W.
S. Hill is recovering to such an extent
that she has been brought home. The
family arrived on the night train.

Robert, the little son of Mr. and
Mrs. Lee Battle is improving.

News comes from the Davis Moun-
tains of the birth of a little son to
Mr. and Mrs. Otis Means. He has
been given his grandfather's name,
Gene Cowden.

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Regular \$1.50 to \$3.00

Madam Lyra Back Lace Corsets

at closing out prices

Frosalet Corsets

(Front lace)

All odd sizes at reduced prices

ROYAL SOCIETY AND BUCILLA PACKAGE PIECES
on sale as follows:

\$1.50 for	\$1.10
1.25 for	95c
85c and 75c for	60c
65c and 50c for	40c
25c for	15c

Stamped Linen Towels, larger size,
regular 75c, now 55c

Baby Turkish Bath Sets of 3 pieces,
regular \$1.50 set, now \$1.10

Silkateen thread, regular 5c spool; 3
spools for 10c

Just the thing for Comfort tacking

Stamped Linen Dinner Sets of 13
pieces, regular \$2.00 set, now \$1.50

Patch Work Bed Room Set, consisting
of Bed Cover and Bolster piece,
regular \$4.00 set, now \$3.20

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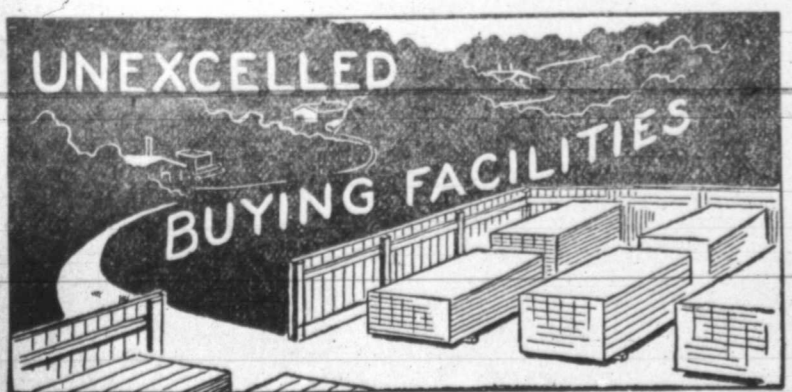
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ant parts of your running it. No car can
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To the People of Texas and their Legislature Elect:

This is a paid advertisement intended to give reasons why the present law of Texas relating to the incorporation of oil companies should be amended so as to allow Texas corporations like those of other states to pursue all of the several branches of this single business.

The Texas Company is engaged in purchasing, refining and marketing petroleum, and as a part of its business owns and operates a system of pipe lines. It is incorporated under the laws of Texas and is handicapped seriously by the inadequacy of its charter powers. It has no direct power to prospect for and produce crude oil. And as the law now stands it can obtain this power only by reorganizing and taking out a charter in some other state, thus becoming a corporation of that state and ceasing to be a corporation of Texas.

Heretofore the stockholders, by a separate producing organization, have borne the burden of obtaining the necessary crude supplies; and but for this arrangement the company could not have succeeded. This was workable when the organization was small and operations were on a narrow scale. But with the growth of the business and with varying and shifting stock ownership it has become subject to too many complications. The company is now manufacturing in Texas and marketing in nearly every country in the world the various finished products of Texas crude oil. It now has more than 10,000 employees, and its stockholders number about 4,000 including approximately 2,000 employees.

The competitors of this company are engaged in all branches of the business. Two of its principal competitors in Texas operate as limited partnerships or joint stock associations and therefore may pursue any business that an individual might pursue, the only restriction being such stipulations as the shareholders see fit to make among themselves. Another principal competitor is organized as a holding company, incorporated under the laws of another state, and owns the stock of three Texas corporations, one engaged in producing oil, another in refining and marketing, and a third in operating pipe lines, so that on the whole the stockholders have the benefit of an organization which covers all branches of the business.

The statement just made is not in criticism. The plan of including all branches of a single business is logical. Moreover, as applied to the oil business it is universal in all of the oil producing states and in foreign countries. In practically every state of the Union, except Texas, a corporation of this kind has the charter power to produce oil.

And it may not be inappropriate to say further in this connection that the limitations which the laws of Texas place on the charter powers of The Texas Company do not stop at the boundaries of the state; they follow the company wherever it goes; they follow it into other states and foreign countries where its competitors carry on all branches of the business and where the state of Texas can not prevent them from doing so. If anywhere on the Globe this company should do an act in excess of its powers as defined by the laws of Texas its charter would be subject to forfeiture.

No one would think of precluding a company engaged in the lumber business from going directly to the natural source of supply, taking timber leases or buying standing timber, and in that way acquiring its raw material. There as in the oil business the manufacturing merchant takes the raw or crude material and turns it into finished products. In each case the supply is limited as regards both locality and extent and the matter of obtaining supplies of the particular kinds needed and obtaining them at the times when needed and in the places where needed is of supreme importance. The same thought may be applied to mining or any industry where the operator must lay out large sums in plant and marketing facilities and is not warranted in doing so unless he is to have a free hand in obtaining the raw material. He must be allowed to protect his investment, otherwise he is at the mercy of hostile forces and can be destroyed at their will or upon an event of chance. To exclude an oil company from taking leases and producing oil, and thereby require it to buy from those who may happen to have wells and produce some oil, would mean to any concern operating on a large scale precisely the same that it would mean to the owner of a sawmill if he should be prohibited from acquiring standing timber and required to buy his logs at retail. And furthermore, as previously indicated, it is not a question of what might be ideal if we were at the inception of this industry; the business has pitched itself along certain lines; and these lines are universal and world-wide.

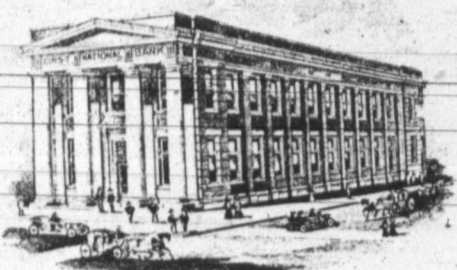
The position of The Texas Company was fully explained to the last legislature, but there was opposition to the bill introduced for its relief, and the matter was delayed, and finally crowded out near adjournment. The company did not then, and it does not now, ask any special favors, or for the enactment of a law which would not apply to all similarly situated, or for any change in the settled policies of the state; but it did desire and it still desires some fair and suitable relief; such legislation as will remove the handicap and accord it those lawful corporate rights that are enjoyed by companies organized in such states as California, Oklahoma or Louisiana. It will present the matter to the Thirty-fifth Legislature.

THE TEXAS COMPANY

ORGANIZED EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

First National Bank

MIDLAND, TEXAS



Condition on Dec. 27, 1916

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits

\$227,680.03

Deposits

\$704,491.90

Total Resources

\$957,171.93

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To W. M. Proctor, his heirs and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described real estate—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 24th day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1407 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against W. M. Proctor, and the unknown owners of the hereinafter described real estate, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owner of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To W. M. Proctor, his heirs or the unknown owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

For the year 1915, Lots 13 to 18, Block 143, S. A., for the year 1916, Lots 13 to 24, Block No. 143, S. A. to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$3.86 for State taxes, and \$1.35 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District Court of Midland County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

known owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

For the year 1915, Lots 13 to 18, Block 143, S. A., for the year 1916, Lots 13 to 24, Block No. 143, S. A. to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$3.86 for State taxes, and \$1.35 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District Court of Midland County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

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

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THE FORD AGENCY

WILL MANNING

Proprietor

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To R. J. Grimes, W. A. Conner, Mrs. Fannie Counts and unknown owners—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1391 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against R. J. Grimes, W. A. Conner, Mrs. Fannie Counts and unknown owners, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To R. J. Grimes, W. A. Conner, Mrs. Fannie Counts and unknown owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 4, Block No. 73, S. A. to the city of Midland, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$2.97 for State taxes, and \$1.07 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District Court of Midland County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To S. B. Tillous, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described real estate—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1392 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against S. B. Tillous, and the unknown owners of the hereinafter described real estate, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To S. B. Tillous, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 4, Block No. 73, S. A. to the city of Midland, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$2.97 for State taxes, and \$1.07 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District Court of Midland County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To Louis Schuff, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described real estate—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 24th day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1408 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against Louis Schuff, and the unknown owners of the hereinafter described real estate, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To Louis Schuff, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

Abstract No. 100, Certificate No. 2655, Survey No. 23, Midland County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$7.98 for State taxes, and \$2.97 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To John H. Cole, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described real estate—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1400 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against John H. Cole, and the unknown owners of the hereinafter described real estate, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To John H. Cole, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 3, Block No. 73, S. A. to the city of Midland, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$1.97 for State taxes, and \$0.96 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District Court of Midland County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To Claude McCauley, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described real estate—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 24th day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1401 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against Claude McCauley, and the unknown owners of the hereinafter described real estate, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To Claude McCauley, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

Abstract No. 45, being 640 acres of land, Midland County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$7.46 for State taxes, and \$2.69 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District Court of Midland County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To Louis Schuff, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described real estate—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 24th day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1408 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against Louis Schuff, and the unknown owners of the hereinafter described real estate, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To Louis Schuff, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

Abstract No. 100, Certificate No. 2655, Survey No. 23, Midland County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$7.98 for State taxes, and \$2.97 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.



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County of Midland, Texas, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To Walter Moore, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described real estate—GREETING:

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF TEXAS, through its County Attorney, did on the 24th day of November, A. D. 1916, file in the District Court of Midland County, in the State of Texas, its petition in Suit No. 1402 on the Civil Docket of said Court being suit brought by the said STATE OF TEXAS, as Plaintiff, against Walter Moore, and the unknown owners of the hereinafter described real estate, as Defendants, and the nature of the Plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for reported sold to the State) for the taxes due thereon for the years 1915 and 1916; and, whereas, the names of said owners are unknown, and upon the affidavit of B. Frank Haag, having been made, setting forth that said owner (or owners) are unknown to the Plaintiff, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, and after inquiry, not ascertained.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND.

To Walter Moore, his heirs, and the unknown owner or owners and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Midland, for taxes, to-wit:

Abstract No. 92, Cert. No. 3039, Survey No. 41, situated in Midland County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$5.51 for State taxes, and \$1.91 for county taxes; and you are hereby notified that said land has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the February term of the District Court of Midland County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon Mrs. E. A. Strickland by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Seventeenth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Seventeenth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the February court of Midland County, to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

by plaintiff to defendant on open account at defendant's instance and request and defendant received said goods. Said check for \$16.25, in payment for these goods was not paid, payment being refused.

Plaintiff says that said goods were sold at the reasonable market value, and that said account is past due and unpaid, and also that said checks are still unpaid, and that defendant, though often requested, has failed and refused to pay said checks, and that plaintiff is entitled to recover the sum of \$82.25, together with \$2.25 interest on said checks, which were not paid, payment being refused.

You are further commanded to do so upon such defendant, and to serve this citation by making publication of this citation in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, but if there be no newspaper published in said county, then in any newspaper published in the Seventeenth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Seventeenth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the February court of Midland County, to be held at the Court House thereof, at Midland, Texas, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots), and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

Given under my hand, this 10th day of January, A. D. 1917.

R. E. CROWLEY,
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. One, Midland County, Texas.

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WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL At my office in Midland, Texas, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1916.

W. J. SPARKS,
District Clerk, Midland County, Texas.

Given under my hand, this 10th day of January, A. D. 1917.

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 OF MIDLAND

IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY KIDNEYS

Midland Readers Should Learn to Keep Their Kidneys Well

Th kidneys have a big work to do. All the blood in the body is coursing through the kidneys constantly to be freed of poisonous matter. It is a heavy enough task when the kidneys are well, but a cold, chill, fever or some thoughtless exposure is likely to irritate, inflame and congest the kidneys and interrupt the purifying work.

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THESE ARE THEREFORE, To cite all interested parties and to make parties Defendant by notice in the name of THE STATE OF TEXAS, and the County of Midland, directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND:

To W. M. Proctor, his heirs or the un-

Mr. Glenn had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 12-27

PAY TAXES NOW AND AVOID THE RUSH

The sheriff's office is a busy place. It will be more so toward the close of the month. Pay your taxes now and avoid the rush of the last days. You know, the penalty goes on Feb. 1st. Do it now!

Dr. L. B. REMBERTON

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We keep absolutely up with the market in furnishing things to eat. Nothing that's good escapes us. Call and see. Warnock Cafe. adv 21-17

For Sale—The Texas Colonel, registered Duroc Jersey boar, weight about 650 pounds. See H. M. Ramsay. adv 9-17

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NOTICE

To Ford Owners:

In the future we are compelled to request all buyers of parts and accessories to pay cash. We cannot handle our large assortment on a credit basis.

We Must Have The Cash

Remember, please, our supply department will be kept full in all lines, but please do not ask us to book any more of these purchases.

THE FORD AGENCY

WILL MANNING Proprietor.

WITH THE CHURCHES

The Ministers of the City are Cordially Invited to Use this Column as They Care

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m.
 Junior Endeavor at 4 p. m.
 Senior Endeavor at 6:15 p. m.
 Prayermeeting next Wednesday at 7:15 p. m., conducted by H. A. Leaverton.

This will be one of the series of prayer services being held in preparation for our evangelistic services beginning Jan. 29th. Sincere supplication to God through Jesus Christ will bring salvation to lost souls and strengthen His kingdom.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Usual services on Lord's day by the regular minister. Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. E. F. Elkin, supt. Hours of service, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m., Junior C. E. meets at 2 p. m. and the senior at 6:30 p. m.
 Jas T. McKissick, Minister.

BAPTIST CHURCH

9:45 a. m., Bible school. All parents are asked to help in securing attendance of scholars at the school.
 11 a. m., preaching. Subject one of great importance to all. Ordinances of Lord's supper.
 6:30 p. m., B. Y. P. U. "How we know the Bible to be the Word of God."
 7:30 p. m., sermon. Subject "Three Men."

Strangers and visitors are cordially invited, and all persons are asked to make special effort to be present. This being Jan. 12th, we are to sit down to supper and hear reports of years' back. The prayermeeting is growing in interest and intensity, and all who wish a holy revival, come and join with us. Dr. Geo. Truett comes Feb. 6th.
 Ernest Quick, Pastor.

JUNIOR ENDEAVOR

Subject, "Thinking About God's Laws."
 Leader—Kittabelle Wolcott.
 Song No. 13.
 Prayer.
 Bible Lesson, Psal. 1:2; Phil. 4:6.
 "The Boy in the Shop"—Seth Ing-

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

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Reserved seats for "Romeo and Juliet" will be placed on sale at Taylor & Son's drug store next Tuesday. Prices, adults 50c, children 25c. Make your reservations early. adv

Dr. C. H. Tigner has been unable to be at his office this week on account of an attack of the grip.

If you want a bargain in a Little Six Buick, see us at once. Spaulding Bros. adv

Jno. A. Yates was here Wednesday from his ranch near Grandfalls, and reports the sale to W. R. Browning, 160 goods cows from \$50 to \$55 around.

"Romeo and Juliet"—Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne, at the Unique, Monday, Jan. 22nd, auspices of the Midland Library Association.

Mrs. J. H. Caudle, of Haskell, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. C. P. Benedict, this week.

If you expect to buy a light six Buick, don't fail to see us about it. Spaulding Bros. adv

J. T. Hannum, of Christoval, was here this week with a bunch of horses, which he shipped east.

Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne are coming Monday, Jan. 22, in "Romeo and Juliet." At the Unique Theater for the benefit of the library Association. adv

The Reporter extends sympathy to "Uncle Willis" Holloway, in the recent death of his sister, Mrs. Louisa Culberson, who died at her home in Snyder. "Uncle Willis" attended the funeral.

For Sale—Extra good milch cow with heifer calf; giving three gallons; gentle and easily handled. See H. R. Cain at the Mercantile. adv-pd

M. M. Bludworth sold to Claude Hearrell this week 200 good calves at private terms.

"Romeo and Juliet" is a gorgeously staged picture and no better talent than Bushman and Bayne could be found. At the Unique, Monday, Jan. 22nd. adv

W. T. Anderson and family, of Bell County, are new comers to Midland.

For Sale—Beautiful residence in Paso. An increasing number of men, and others, are purchasing in El Paso. We have an exceptionally beautiful residence now for sale in El Paso. The house is built on a large lot, has a full bath, heating and cooling system, and is a fine home. For full description, address Hillis (or 119 Martin Bldg., El Paso, Texas), adv14-4t

Frank Haag, of Denton County, known to be in the market for the State of Texas, not ascertained.

THESE ARE all interested Miller's studio. See the Defendant. adv

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