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## WITH JUDGE GIBBS ON THE BENCH

### District Court Will Convene in Midland Next Monday For a Three Weeks' Session

There aren't any in Midland who for a moment doubt the dignity with which Judge Chas. Gibbs probably presides over his court, though few of us, as yet, have seen him in the discharge of his new duties as judge of the 70th Judicial District. We have heard of him, though, and thus early—he assumed the judgeship January 1st—he bids most promisingly to become a general favorite.

We anticipate that a large crowd will fill the court room next Monday morning when he opens his first session of district court. This young jurist has long since found a certain, unmistakable place in the hearts of Midland people, and they will watch with renewed interest the progress of his career during the next few years.

The docket in district court this term, as is usual in Midland County, is very light, and there are no cases to be tried that may be considered of unusual interest. As has been the custom of the past the first week will be taken up with the disposition of non-jury cases and with the deliberations of the grand jury, and in the following we publish a list of the several juries, as summoned by Sheriff Bradford and his deputies:

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| <b>Grand Jurors</b>            | <b>Petit Jurors—Second Week</b> |
| B. N. Aycock                   | R. A. Henson                    |
| D. W. Brunson                  | Henry M. Half                   |
| Sam Cole                       | Roy E. Johnson                  |
| W. R. Chancellor               | J. L. Veazey                    |
| Chas. Edwards                  | J. P. Collins                   |
| C. A. Goldsmith                | R. M. Driver                    |
| M. F. Burns                    | H. B. Dunagan                   |
|                                | R. J. Allison                   |
|                                | M. H. Spaulding                 |
|                                | Paul Brown                      |
|                                | R. O. Brooks                    |
|                                | W. O. Reynolds                  |
|                                | W. O. Price                     |
|                                | J. C. Armstrong                 |
|                                | W. W. Devaney                   |
|                                | T. O. Midkiff                   |
|                                | A. W. Stanley                   |
|                                | Leonard Proctor                 |
|                                |                                 |
| <b>Petit Jurors—Third Week</b> |                                 |
| O. P. Buchanan                 | J. F. Hill                      |
| J. M. Emison                   | L. A. Johnson                   |
| L. L. Butler                   | J. L. Barber                    |
| J. L. Barber                   | W. D. Pitt                      |
| H. P. Estes                    | Geo. D. Elliott                 |
| Ben. Anthony                   | Jax M. Cowden                   |
| T. A. Sacco                    | S. H. Basham                    |
| Wm. E. Wallace                 | R. C. Cauble                    |
| A. C. Francis                  | Burton Brown                    |
| J. A. Nance                    | Walter Jerden                   |
| J. E. Mabry                    |                                 |

## CAME NEAR BEING SERIOUS ACCIDENT

While Mrs. Will Roller was driving an automobile late Monday evening, and was just turning the corner at the express office, a freight train was switching and obstructed the crossing as she was about to cross. She at once threw on the brake, but it failed to work very well and the car ran into the train. One of the brakemen, seeing the predicament the car and driver were in, gave the signal and the engineer at once stopped the train. One wheel of the car was broken off, but other than a shock to the body and damage to the auto, no harm resulted from what might have been a very serious accident.

## ICE CREAM MADE IN OLD BREWERIES

### Property Values Not Hurt by Operation of Dry Law in West Virginia

A number of years ago, 17 years ago to be exact, when local option was first proposed in Midland, the anti-declared destruction, confiscation of property. But Midland survived, prospered under the regime of the pros. Since that time we have watched results elsewhere. The arguments are the same—calamity howlers howl the same howl; and, yet, prosperity never-failing comes rapidly in the wake of prohibition, whether it be local option, State-wide or what not. So it is over in West Virginia. Here is an excerpt taken from a recent issue of the *Wellsburg*, W. Va., *Panhandle News*, handed us the other day by our townsman, Dr. W. K. Curtis:

"There was during the State-wide campaign considerable discussion as to what would become of the money and property invested in the liquor business in this state, and the statement was made that money invested in breweries would be absolutely lost, and that on account of the great number of buildings being released on account of the citizens going out of business rental values would very materially suffer, and that the price of real estate would necessarily depreciate in value. This has proved absolutely untrue. Most of the buildings occupied by saloons were contacted for before the saloons were vacated at a very much increased rental. Breweries of this state are being or have been converted into lines of legitimate enterprise, and so far as we are able to learn are producing as much profit as they did when they were being operated as breweries. For instance:

"The Kanawha Brewing Company at Charleston has been converted into a cold storage plant, and is now being used for that purpose by the Bingi Fruit & Produce Company, a large wholesale concern in the city of Charleston.

"The brewery at Bluefield was turned into an ice cream factory, and the ice plant which was connected with the brewery is used for making ice and both departments seem to be doing well. They seem to have a big wholesale trade in ice cream. They also use part of their building for cold storage.

"The Fairmount Brewing Company has been converted into an ice cream factory and bottling works, employing a good many men.

"The Kenton brewery has been converted into a large meat packing establishment and now employs four hundred men and will give a local market for sheep, cattle, hogs, etc.

"The Parkersburg brewery is now being utilized as an ice cream factory, both for wholesale and retail trade.

"The Keyman Brewing at Wheeling, one of the former largest breweries in the state, has been converted into a large meat packing plant, employing many more men than it did when a brewery.

"The Benwood brewery is now being operated as a chemical plant where certain chemicals are made from tobacco stems.

"In fact, the only effect prohibition in this state had on business was to make the betterment so noticeable that the old argument that it would hurt business in this state is now not even mentioned."

Of course it isn't. If ever in history there was a proven fallacy it is the old-stock argument that prohibition will hurt business. A thousand times it has been proven; still, in a number of states and in many communities, the balance of power lies with the credulous. It was so in the last local option election involving Ft. Worth, and the anti was by a narrow margin. It was so in the last Texas state-wide election, and the anti won meagerly. A prohibitionist is a pro for righteousness' sake,

## TRAINS TO BE RUNNING WITHIN TWO MONTHS

### Midland & Northwestern Is Now Backed By Man Who Does Not Lack Funds and Is Anxious to Hurry Completion of Road

To many in Midland it is not news for us to state that the Midland & Northwestern railroad, which has so long dragged in the process of construction, is now in the hands of Mr. David Faskin, the Toronto, Canada, capitalist and owner of the great "C" ranch property. Some three or four weeks ago the statement might have been more of news value, but, for purposes of expediency those who have been most interested in the new road have desired that Mr. Faskin's name be withheld temporarily, and we have not had authority for this publicity sooner.

President T. J. O'Donnell and Mr. Faskin made a trip this week to New Orleans and Dallas to confer with T. & P. officials with further reference to rolling stock, steel, etc., for the M. & N. W., and the result of the trip, according to Mr. O'Donnell, was highly satisfactory. They have the assurance of the T. & P. officials that their part or interest in the new road will be delayed no longer than possible to prevent that the steel will probably be on the ground here as soon as the ties, bolts, spikes, etc., arrive, and these, Mr. O'Donnell assures, are already in transit.

It may be further encouraging to those who have waited so long and anxiously for definite news of the M. & N. W., to know that at least 50 miles of the grade out from Midland, has already been completed and is now ready for the track-laying, and Mr. O'Donnell is confidently of the opinion that trains will be running on the road for at least thirty miles out within the next 45 to 50 days. Mr. Faskin, we understand, is a man who does not like delay, and it pleases him to see things move. He is evidently deeply interested. Since coming to the Midland Country he seems to have acquired more interest than the mere ownership of the property that goes to make up the great "C" ranch. It even looks somewhat as though he may definitely decide to locate with us, and permanently. Anyway his activities are now devoted to hurrying the construction of the Midland & Northwestern, and if there is now anything to retard the progress thereof it is not spoken of and is not of sufficient moment to worry any one.

It is usual with men of large affairs not to permit trifles to interfere with their plans. It is so with Mr. Faskin, and the aspect of the Midland & Northwestern is now so presented as to leave little doubt that the road will be hurried to completion.

For humanity's sake, and for the sake of sane business, commercial and governmental procedure; an anti is an anti—as a rule—regardless of proof, regardless of argument, and despite the pitfalls and human misery that threatens and is visited upon countless thousands. Anti leaders—as a rule—never nursed a sentiment of altruism, their god is gold and to it no blood sacrifice, however wrung from hearts anguished and pitilessly beaten, is too great. Sins petty, sans mercy, sans any sentiment prompted by humanity's weal or woe, the anti's creed is Gain, and all else is as naught.

The hoary argument about "business suicide," and the like, is a poor dodge. In truth it is hardly longer a dodge and the day has come when the anti is now out in the open, without a peg to stand upon, other than that "I am an anti!" Despite the fallacies of all anti argument of the past, I am an anti; without regard that my advocacy crosses every principle of righteousness, of morality, and of social uplift, I am an anti; taking a sporting chance that my home will escape and with careless disregard for the damnation of my neighbors. I am an anti; with stifled conscience and deaf to pleadings and prayers whatsoever, I am an anti; shorn of fine feathers, stripped of blarney, and bared to its true ugliness, my principle stands out a travesty upon life and its ideals, but I am an anti—not for a moment am I my brother's keeper; I am an anti!

In the language of the foreman of The Reporter's mechanical department one day recently, "whiskey and the saloon are good for one single thing, just one; to make you drunk." The veriest school boy knows this.

## HALFF FARMING ON A LARGE SCALE

### Several Irrigation Plants Now in Full Operation While Dry Farming Plans are Elaborate

Wednesday forenoon the editor of The Reporter was pleased to accompany Henry M. Halff and J. H. Ramsay out to several of the farms that Mr. Halff is now preparing for 1917 cultivation. The objective point was Cloverdale, which is leased by Mr. Ramsay. There, as at one or two other places, irrigation is now under full headway, and there is a business-like air all about.

Incidentally, it may be remarked, Cloverdale is rapidly growing into an ideal stockfarm. Under the management of Mr. Ramsay last year it was no insignificant success. This is evidenced by the immense stacks of feed still untouched that stand about in barbed wire enclosures, while it is an inspiring sight to see about the place fine flocks of poultry, pigs, etc.

However the best thing we saw at Cloverdale was a herd of 36 head of registered Hereford heifer calves, coming yearlings. They are being fed and cared for there, and they would set off most admirably any picture or representation of prosperity, and with this small herd alone to show up quality at Cloverdale, a stranger, to say nothing of a home man, could not fail to be favorably impressed.

At Cloverdale, Mr. Ramsay informs us, there will be this season 76 acres under irrigation, 36 acres of which are already well seeded to alfalfa. The other 40 acres are planted or will be planted, to various other crops, among which there are five acres of sweet clover and two acres of onions already seeded and growing. The Cloverdale irrigation well is calculated to supply moisture to considerably more than 76 acres, but Messrs. Halff and Ramsay have an abiding faith in dry farming methods, as applied to soil there, so 130 acres will be planted and cultivated in this way, while there will be a superabundance of water for the lesser number of acres.

Last year, as stated above, Cloverdale was no mean success as a farming venture. Amongst products of the place last season there were some 60-odd head of hogs marketed. There were, too, \$1200 worth of cane alone—20,000 bundles which readily sold at 6 cents per bundle—and cane was but one of several crops. The maize and kafir crops were no less large and abundant, while a fair crop was realized.

And, yet, nothing has been said of the truck grown at Cloverdale. Last season Mr. Ramsay practically supplied the town with canteloupes, which never a better or more delightfully flavored grew at Rockyford. It would seem that Midland soil is especially adapted to the production of fine melons and last year was not the first season that Cloverdale has made much of the fact. Mr. Ramsay spoke also of having realized a little better than \$175 per acre from onions, marketed right here at home. While other truck netted some very satisfactory returns, to say nothing of the large quantities of vegetables preserved and canned.

So much for Cloverdale. Out there it is only four miles east of Midland—they raise anything and everything that's good from a beanut to a registered Hereford bull of the prized-winning sort. And what we have said of Cloverdale is no more than may sometime be said of dozens, even hundreds, of stockfarms in and around Midland.

It was an inspiring sight Wednesday morning to see so many evidences of agricultural industry in the neighborhood of Cloverdale. Halff is so the only one here out there. As far as the eye could reach by one or two miles the stubble was being turned under, half a dozen plowmen being at one time in sight.

At Red Top, too, another of Mr. Halff's irrigation projects, there is

## MIDLAND IN LINE FOR FEDERAL BLDG.

### Postoffice Receipts For Past Two Fiscal Years Have Been More Than Required Amount

When the postoffice receipts of a town amount to \$10,000 per year or more, that town, under the federal law, is in line for a federal building. However being in line does not signify that you will always get it. To secure federal favors the citizenship of a town must work. You've got to do more than merely indicate that you would be pleased to accept.

In the past a town whose postoffice receipts amounted to \$10,000 in one year was in line for a federal building. There is now in congress, however, a bill pending that provides that the receipts must be \$10,000 yearly for three successive years, and it is probable that this may become a law before Midland can get any action.

Even this is not likely to hurt Midland's chances. At the close of the fiscal years March 31st, 1915 and 1916, the receipts at Midland did not fall as low as \$11,000. In 1916 the receipts were to the rise of \$13,000.

This week we had conversation with Postmaster J. Wiley Taylor, and he is confident that the receipts at the close of this fiscal year, March 31st, 1917, will not fall below the required sum. Should they not then Midland is well in line for federal favor, and it will be up to our people to move toward this end. In this The Reporter will be able to help but little, as the paper is in no position to ask favors of our present congressman, in whom reposes the power to dispense such favors.

We repeat, however, that Midland may be well in line after March 31st, and to promote interest in the matter a strong commercial organization would be of much influence. A hint to the wise.

plenty of activity. Here there will be 80 or more acres under irrigation, together with a goodly acreage dry farmed.

Amongst other prominent farmers of the Midland Country with whom we have recently had conversation are C. C. Bailly, W. H. Montgomery, Floyd Counts, D. T. Parr, and others, all of whom have had past successes and are going in on no less and some much larger scales than ever before. Best of all with them, though, is the fact that they are all light when it comes to a consideration of cotton. Feed stuff is where they are long with livestock to feed it to.

The stockfarming idea dominates and in it, as The Reporter has often predicted, there is promise of greater prosperity in the future than the Midland Country has ever known in the past.

## SCHARBAUER & EIDSON BOUGHT BULLS OF

The Reporter has not mentioned anything of activities by Scharbauer & Eidson, lately, not because they have made no sales, but for the reason that we did not learn of them. The famous Lone Star herd of Herefords supply a great many range bulls for ranchmen throughout the south-west, there being raised and sold from this herd each year about 1200 head of bulls, including both registered and unregistered. Their latest sale was made to J. B. Pope, who ranches in Ford County. Mr. Pope was here this week and bought of Scharbauer & Eidson 50 of coming 2-year-old bulls, all pure-bred, and the same are to be shipped to Mr. Pope's ranch within the next two weeks.

Will Sholte and wife were here from Big Spring Sunday, to spend the day with the young man's mother. Will, a former Midland boy, now conducts a T. & P. local between Big Spring and Sweetwater.

# SPRING 1917 SPRING

We are showing some of the New Suits and New Coats for Spring. These are in the newest cloths and shades. See them first for they are beautiful.

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## PREMIUM LIST OF FAT STOCK SHOW

### BIT OF INFORMATION FEW OF US KNOW

It is just a century since men began reckoning the hours as we reckon them today, notes E. H. Guitard in La Nature. Before that, men counted twelve hours between sunrise and sunset and twelve hours between sunset and sunrise. Thus in summer the day hours were far longer than the night hours, and in winter the night hours were far longer than those of the day.

This made it difficult to keep the clocks right. They had long had clocks run by weights, and they used to have to regulate them every morning and every evening.

It was the ambition of every clock maker to devise a clock that would automatically keep time by the sun at all seasons of the year, and it was only in 1806 that Lepaute, of Paris, succeeded in doing this. His clock, which was crowned by a special exhibition, did it by moving its dial. In this he had valuable assistance from the great astronomer, La Astronomie, that he gave it because he was in love with his wife. Of course this clock kept the time only for the meridian of Paris.

Finally, in 1816, the equinoctial hour was adopted and every hour was of the same length.

In this country and many others we still stick to the ancient twelve-hour day and twelve-hour night system, although Italy and France have been using the twenty-four-hour day for some time, and the Canadian Pacific Railroad has long used it in all its time tables.

The invention takes us back to ancient Egypt. Among primitive people time was counted in vague terms borrowed from meteorology and religion. Dawn the hour of sacrifice, noon, sunset, etc. Egypt gave us the twelve hour day and twelve hour night, which the Greeks adopted and made them divinites. The hour opened and closed the doors of Olympus, harnessed the celestial courses, danced in chorus about Aphrodite, presided at the births and marriages of the gods. The Romans received the hours from the Greeks, but militarized them; they divided day and night into twice four parts of three hours each, corresponding to the watches of their sentinels. The trihora of the night were the first, second, third and fourth watches; those of the day were called after the hours with which they began; prime, tierce, sexte and none.

The twenty-four hour day is almost sure to become universal, but will it be final? A learned Toulouse, J. de Pey-Palade, suggested in 1893 that the day be divided into 100 ces, each of which would be equal to 14 minutes, 24 seconds, and each ces be divided into decies, centies and millesims (14 = 10 decies, 14 = 100 centies, 14 = 1,000 millesims, respectively.) This decimal division of the day was much discussed in Europe before the war turned men's minds to other matters.

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## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

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

Whereas 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 Seventieth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Seventieth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the February court of Midland County, to be held at the court house thereof, in Midland, on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1917, the same being the 5th day of February, A. D. 1917, thereon to answer a petition filed in said court on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1917, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 117, wherein F. C. Dyer, a feme sole is plaintiff, and Mrs. E. A. Strickland is defendant, and said petition alleges that defendant is asserting some character of claim to the title of said property by virtue of a certain deed appearing of record in Book 4, on page 5 of the deed records of Midland County, Texas, which said deed and said claim casts a cloud upon plaintiff's title to the said property to her great damage. That if the defendant ever had any lawful right or title in any way to the property, the same has long since become barred by the five years statute of limitations, because of her negligence and failure to sue and hold the quiet and peaceable possession of said property for a period of more than five years, holding the same under a deed duly recorded and paying the taxes of every kind thereon, said possession during the said period being adverse to any claim of the defendant herein.

That plaintiff has had and held the quiet and peaceable possession of the above described property, adverse to any claim or demand of the defendant for a period of more than ten years; and that if the defendant ever had any lawful right or title to the said property, the same has long since become barred by the five years statute of limitations. Wherefore, premises considered, plaintiff prays that the defendant be served with citation by publication to appear and answer this suit, and that on final hearing hereof she have judgment removing any cloud cast upon her title to the said property by reason of the above mentioned deed to defendant, and that the title to said property be vested and quiet in the plaintiff, for the costs of suit, and for ad other and further relief, general and special, to which she may be entitled, either in law or equity.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Midland, Texas, this 9th day of January, A. D. 1917.  
District Court, Midland County, Texas.  
adv. 14-4t.

## Notice for County Depository Bids

Notice is hereby given that the honorable commissioners' court of Midland County, Texas, will on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1917, as the law directs, receive sealed bids for the depository of the funds of Midland County, Texas, for the period of two years from and after February 11th, 1917. Said bids will be received from any banking corporation, association, or individual banker in Midland County, Texas, offering the highest bid of interest on the daily balances to the credit of said county during said period said bid to be accompanied by a certified check from such bidder, for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder and that if his bid should be accepted, he will enter into the bond as is required by law; and upon the failure of the banking corporation, association or individual banker, that may be selected as such depository, to give the bond required by law, the amount of such certified check shall go to the county as liquidated damages and the county judge shall re-advertise for bids.

Witness my hand and official seal at Midland, Texas, this 18th day of January, A. D. 1917.

J. M. DeArmond,  
County Judge, Midland County, Tex.  
adv 15-3t.

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date the crowds and they were standing, packed and jammed in the lobby of the theatre awaiting the second show. Naturally, the \$15,000 gown worn by Miss Burke attracted the feminine population of our city, and the beauty, grace and charm delighted both sexes. The play started off in an elaborate and highly interesting manner and will be shown every Monday night.

On Tuesday night Clara Kimble Young made her initial appearance in Midland in a World "Brady-made" picture. This beautiful actress heretofore has only been seen in the cities and she was hailed with delight in "The Feast of Life," taking the character of a poor Cuban girl. The comedy LKo afterpiece was one solid round of merriment and as a laugh-provoker and dyspepsia cure well it proved to be more beneficial than a week at the sea-shore.

Helen Holmes in the "Lass of the Lumberland Lands," is a constant whirl of thrills, chills and unthought-of escapades by this darling little lady of "The Girl and the Game" fame. No more so however, than Marie Walcamp in "Liberty." This latter little actress is proving herself to be a modern Joan-of-Arc in the "Liberty" serial, and the way she made the greasers sit up and take notice in the last two episodes was a sight for sore eyes.

These great serials and features are fast crowding out the regular programs, but all for the better, for it is pleasing the people and that is the soul ambition of the management.

Tonight, Friday, you will have the privilege of seeing yet another Triangle production. Come early and see the first show, and you won't be compelled to wait on the outside for

## ACCEPTS POSITION IN PECOS POSTOFFICE

Basil Mims left Midland last Saturday for Pecos, where he has accepted an appointment as clerk in the postoffice, a place made vacant by the resignation of a Mr. Word. This young Midland man had stood the civil service examination and was in line for the federal position proffered.

## MISS LYDIE G. WATSON

who has been a Piano Student of the most eminent instructors of Galloway, Searcy, Ark., Landon Conservatory, Dallas, and American Conservatory, of Chicago, Ill., now has her studio open for the term 1916-17. The highest standards maintained. Thoroughness the slogan. Study with definite aim

## SALES DATES AT THE BIG FT. WORTH SHOW

Texas cowmen will have an opportunity to rehabilitate their herds via the auction block at the twenty-first National Feeders and Breeders' Show, opening in Fort Worth, March 10th. Three cattle breeders' associations have asked for sales dates at their requests have been granted by the Fat Stock Show management. The sales have been responsible for attracting a larger number of entries than have exhibited at any previous show.

Frank Scofield, of Hillsboro, one of the prominent Shorthorn cattle breeders of the Southwest, will be in charge of the Shorthorn sale. The date of the auction, has been set for Wednesday, March 14th, and the show management has requested that all breeders and exhibitors make selling block arrangements with Mr. Scofield.

The Hereford cattle sale will take place on the same date of the Shorthorn sale. John P. Lee, secretary-treasurer of the Texas Hereford Association at San Angelo, has charge of the Hereford sale.

Jersey breeders will offer their stock from the auction block on Friday, March 16. E. N. Evans, of College Station, secretary of the Texas Jersey Cattle Club, and D. E. Lyons, of Sherman, president of the club, are looking after the interests of the dairy cattlemen.

In addition to the cattle sales the Duroc Jersey hog men will hold a sale on Wednesday, March 14th. J. McLain, of Anna, Texas, and Geo. P. Lillard, of Seguin, will direct the sale.

## BROTHER OF OUR TOWNSMAN DEAD

Dr. Hezekiah D. McClintie, died at his home near Butler, Mo., on Jan. 25th, 1917, just a few days after having celebrated his 80th birthday. He was born in Bath County, Virginia, Jan. 19th, 1837. Deceased was a brother of our esteemed townsman, Geo. T. McClintie, also a brother of "Uncle Henry" McClintie, who died in Midland in 1908, and was a grandfather of Mrs. H. H. Hooper, also of this city. Dr. McClintie was known to a number of our people, he having visited here some years ago, and The Reporter joins a number of friends in extending sympathy to those who are bereaved by his death.

Jas Christensen, traveling freight agent and claim adjuster for the T. & P., was a business visitor to Midland for a day or two this week.

J. H. Ratliff, a feed-merchant of Odessa, was a visitor to Midland Tuesday, and a guest of his daughter, Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass, and family.

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### TWO S. M. U. MINISTERS PREACHED HERE SUNDAY

Revs. Drs. Holt and Wright, representing the Southern Methodist University, of Dallas, preached in Midland last Sunday morning and even-

ing respectively. These gentlemen are both highly cultivated ministers and their sermons were enjoyed by large congregations. This was also the quarterly meeting occasion and the various reports showed the Midland church to be in the very best condition financially.

## REDEEM THE WASTE PLACES, AND MEN

An Exchange Suggests What Appeals as an Excellent Remedy for the High Cost of Living

One great, supreme question is confronting the American people today, a question that overshadows all others of the moment, and that is the much discussed one of how to reduce the cost of living.

There is but one answer: We must redeem the waste places of our country—and the waste men.

Food speculators are responsible for much of it, but waste places and waste men are responsible for even more.

Is it a matter of wonder that food supplies are held at almost famine prices when we are confronted with the spectacle of hundreds of thousands of men tramping the streets of cities and towns doing nothing, while within a few hours' walk of any of them lie broad acres of land that are idle because there is none to cultivate them?

Let us stop hanging the high cost of living onto the war. It may have had something to do with skyrocketing rises, but very little, because we are exporting less than heretofore, a hundred million dollars' worth less in 1916 than in 1915.

We can twist and squirm and wriggle all we please but we can not escape the fact that the law of supply and demand will regulate the cost of that which we consume.

And, equally, we can not escape the fact that millions of acres of land are idle because hundreds of thousands of men would rather go hungry than live on the fat of the land on a farm—would rather beg at the back doors of city dwellers than to ride in their own automobiles on country roads.

Harsh words, but true!

We read of congress appointing committees to investigate the high cost of living but about the only investigating that is done is to see just how much money can be extracted from the public till, in the shape of committee expenses.

If you want to know why you are paying so dearly for the supplying of your table just step into a car and spend one day in driving around to the farms of this township. Question the farmers and see how many would like to employ more help—if they could get it.

Then go home and use your own brains instead of allowing others to do your thinking for you.

If every idle man in this State could be put to work on a farm during the coming summer the increase in the yield of foodstuffs for the State would be so staggering as to be almost beyond belief.

And yet we sit around and blame politics, and the poor overburdened war, and every other thing except the right thing!

We repeat, food speculators are partly responsible, and they would be in jail if we had the energy and courage to put them there. But we have neither.

The middle man is a hog and should be kicked into the pen with his brothers. But we are too indifferent to do the kicking.

The commission man will rob you blind even if you have no eyes! And we turn the empty sockets for another gouge.

The railroad demands its pound of flesh and takes two. And all we do is to groan.

These things all have their bearings, but they are small as compared with the law of supply and demand.

Thousands and thousands of men and women and children are living in squalor and want in the cities of our immediate section of the country.

They are strong men, capable of enduring any hardship on the farm. But they are not on the farm and probably no one has ever mentioned farm to them.

Why can't the farmers of this section at least get together and devise ways and means of bringing these half-starved people to the country where they can be put to work tilling the soil—where they can live instead of merely existing?

It might cost a few dollars to get them here, but the waste places would be cultivated and the waste men would be converted into useful citizens.

Talk it—shout it—let it ring from every housetop. Our land must be cultivated and made to produce more! It is the only solution.

For years we have been robbing the farm to feed the city, and the farm has just about reached the point where it can no longer be robbed.

It is time for our leaders to get together and outline a plan whereby we may rob the cities and feed the farm with men.

Everybody would be the gainer—the farmer most of all.

### SAYS CONDITIONS FINE OUT IN DAWSON COUNTY

J. T. Poole visited one of his ranches out in Dawson County recently, returning home the first of the week. He says prospects so far were never better in that section. The range is good and cattle in fine condition. During the recent heavy snow out there 25 calves were dropped and no losses. The prospects for a calf crop, he says, were never more promising.

### SMALL BUNCH OF CALVES AT TWENTY-FIVE

Will Brannan, who ranches south of Midland some thirty miles, was in town this week for a day or two on business. Reports the recent sale to our young twinsman, W. W. Brunson, of a small string of calves. The price was \$25 an around.

### Pretty Familiar

Professor Fudge—"What do you mean, Mr. Jones, by sneaking of Dick Wagner, Ludie Beethoven, Charlie Gounod and Fred Handel?"  
Jones—"Well, you told me to get familiar with the great composers."  
Musical America.



"I Want You to Win Over That Dawson Girl to Our Side."

## A LASS OF THE LUMBERLANDS

by E. ALEXANDER POWELL

NOVELIZED FROM THE MOTION PICTURE SERIAL OF THE SAME NAME PRODUCED BY THE SIGNAL FILM CORP.

### SYNOPSIS.

Rupert Holmes, a lumberman of the North Woods, disappointed at becoming the father of a daughter instead of a son, abandons his wife and child to the log-jammed river. Thinking them dead, he allies himself with the lumber trust head, whose daughter he marries. But the deserted wife and baby are picked up and cared for by one Dave Dawson. Twenty years later Rupert Holmes is the lumber magnate, fighting the independents around him. His daughter, Helen, unknown to him, has brought herself to his attention by several heroic acts about the camps. She takes up a fight against the trust and leads the independents in their defense against the great Amalgamated, which seeks to absorb their hard-earned properties. In this Helen is assisted by Tom Dawson, a young engineer, and her foster father, Dave Dawson. Helen discovers that the trust is not living up to its name and she proceeds against them. The village council resigns to talk her out, but she helps elect another. Rupert Holmes meets his abandoned wife, Virginia, when he has thought dead and learns that his own daughter is fighting him. In an attempt to kill Virginia he renders her an invalid, but she tells the truth about Holmes to Little Bear, the Indian boy, the Amalgamated's favorite strike among the independent camps. In a riot the buildings are burned. Holmes next releases a car of explosive against the independent lumber trust, but it is stopped by the heroic act of Helen.

### EIGHTH EPISODE

Even the shrewdest and ablest men are occasionally guilty of astounding lapses of judgment. At least that is the only plausible explanation of Rupert Holmes' decision to send his son Stephen to Dawsonville as an emissary to Helen Dawson, whose friendship and co-operation the president of the Amalgamated was desirous of securing.

He sent for Stephen, who, since his graduation from college, had been employed in the company's head office in Seattle.

"Carruthers writes me that he needs another timekeeper on the railway construction work at Dawsonville," Holmes abruptly began. "How would you like to go down there for a few weeks?"

"Great!" Stephen exclaimed enthusiastically. "I'm dead sick of office work, Dawsonville, eh? Isn't that the place where Miss Dawson lives—the girl who saved my life when the Marathon was wrecked, you know?"

"To tell the truth," said Holmes, "the real reason I am sending you there is because I want to win over that Dawson girl to our side. You might offer her a position in the Seattle offices, for I'd like to get her away from Dawsonville. What do you think about it?"

"I'd like nothing better, dad," replied the young man. "She's a mighty fine girl and I feel certain that I can win her over to our side."

The experiment ended precisely as Rupert Holmes ought to have foreseen that it would end. Before Stephen had been in Dawsonville a day he had re-introduced himself to Helen; within a fortnight he was a regular and welcome caller at the Dawson home, before a month had passed he found himself desperately in love with Helen Dawson. And she, though not in the least in love with him, liked him for the clean-minded, nice-mannered boy that he was. With the coming of the holidays Stephen reluctantly started for Seattle to spend them with his parents. One evening, as he and his father were seated alone in the library of the great house in Seattle, Stephen, made confidential by the shaded lights and the crackling fire, suddenly decided to take the plunge.

"Dad," he began somewhat hesitatingly, "I've decided to get married."  
"Yes," said Holmes carelessly, "and who is the young woman you have de-

ided to honor with your affections?"

"Helen Dawson" was the reply.

"Impossible," he said hoarsely, "such a thing is utterly out of the question, Stephen."

"But why is it out of the question, dad?" the boy persisted.

"It's out of the question," Holmes repeated. "There's no use in discussing it. It isn't a suitable match."

"But, dad—," his son pleaded.

"I don't want to hear another word about it," snapped Holmes, losing his temper. "I was a fool to send you to Dawsonville—I ought to have foreseen what would come of it. You are not to return there after the holidays. Your mother has set her heart on a trip to Japan next month, but I can't get away, so I want you to go with her. By the time you get back perhaps you'll have forgotten this nonsense."

As the boy flung himself from the room, Holmes dropped heavily into his chair and stared moodily into the fire. Bitterly he reproached himself. The worst of it was he couldn't give his son the true reason for his objection.

One evening, a fortnight after the departure of his wife and son for the Orient, Holmes was seated alone in his library when the butler ushered into the room a tall, lean young man, built wiry as a panther, whose copper-colored skin and straight black hair showed unmistakably that he was an Indian.

"My name is Little Bear," he began, staring at the lumber magnate with disconcerting intentness. "I have come from Dawsonville to tell you that your wife is dead. She died yesterday."

"My wife?" echoed Holmes. "My wife is on her way to Japan."

"I don't mean the woman that you call your wife," said the Indian emphatically. "I mean the woman whom you married many years ago—Virginia Holmes, the woman whom you treated so brutally that she had to run away from you."

"You're drunk or crazy. I don't know which," said Holmes roughly. "Where did you hear this cock-and-bull story?"

"I heard it from your wife," was the reply. "I reached her just after the accident. Before she lost consciousness, she told me everything. She told me that you are Helen Dawson's father. She told me that it was you who murdered Chief Sleepy Dog, years ago, on the Calapooia, after cheating him out of his land."

"Who else heard this conversation?" asked Holmes.

"No one," was the answer. "We were alone."

"Well, what is it you want of me? I presume that you have not come here merely to break the news."

"I have come to learn what you intend to do for your daughter," said Little Bear quietly, "and what you intend to do for me."

"How does it concern you?" sneered Holmes.

"I am the son of Chief Sleepy Dog, whom you murdered," was the stern answer. "The lands which you stole from him belong to me."

"And the woman who told these fairy tales is dead?" laughed Holmes. "Well, unless you want to find yourself in the hands of the police for blackmail, you'd better make yourself scarce."

The young Indian, stung by the insolence of Holmes' tone and momentarily overcome by passion, gathered himself as though about to spring at the lumber magnate. But Holmes,

sensing the danger in which he stood, jerked out the drawer of the table beside which he stood. The next instant he had the Indian covered with an automatic.

"If you're not out of this house in thirty seconds I'll put a bullet into you," he snarled. "Damn your impudence, thinking you could blackmail me under my own roof. Out of here now, before I send for the police."

The Indian, as regardless of the pistol as though it did not exist, picked up his hat and moved slowly toward the door. At the door he turned.

"You cheated my father of his land and murdered him," he said. "I shall not forget."

As the door closed behind him, Holmes sank back in his chair and wiped the perspiration from his forehead for years of easy living had sapped his courage. So Virginia was dead. Thank heaven for that! But was his secret safe? It would have been wiser, perhaps, if instead of angering the Indian, he had bought his silence.

One evening not long after Little Bear's return from his unsuccessful interview with Rupert Holmes, a man knocked at Dave Dawson's door and whined an appeal for food.

"Sure," said Dave. "Come in. I reckon mother here can find something for you."

The man, a furtive, bleak-eyed fellow, whose clothes were in rags, sat like a famished wolf. At last he pushed back his chair with a sigh of content.

"Any chance of my gettin' a job 'round here?" he asked.

"You might go over and see Mike Morrissey in the morning," Dave suggested. "Perhaps he can do something for you. Ordinarily you wouldn't have any trouble getting work, but the Holmes crowd have been making a heap of trouble lately for the independents, and they've been laying off men instead of hiring 'em."

"That ain't Rupert Holmes, by any chance, is it?" asked the stranger.

"Him that used to have a camp on the Calapooia."

"The same man," said Dawson. "Do you know him?"

"Do I know him?" the man repeated with a bitter oath. "I've worn stripes for twenty years, thanks to him—blast his soul! But never you fear—I'll get even with him some day. He's a bad actor, is Dolin Holmes. I knew him when he was called 'the River Pirate,' and the name fitted him, too. There was nothing that he would stick at to get what he wanted. The timber lands over on the Calapooia that gave him his start in life he got by cheating Chief Sleepy Dog."

"What do you know about Chief Sleepy Dog?" interrupted Little Bear, who had been listening to the conversation.

"I know a lot about how Holmes cheated him out of his land," said the stranger mysteriously.

"Sleepy Dog was my father," Little Bear quietly remarked.

"Well, I'll be a—d—" the man exclaimed. "So you're the papoose I used to see Sleepy Dog's squaw toting 'round the camp? He lapsed into silence. After a little time he roused himself from the reverie into which he had fallen.

"You've treated me white," he said, addressing himself to Dawson, "and I'm going to tell you something that may interest you. I take it from your talk that you don't like Rupert Holmes any better'n I do—and, God knows, I've got reason enough to hate him. My name is Dill—Jake Dill. Twenty-four years ago I was over on the Calapooia—hore-legging. One day Holmes caught me sellin' whisky in his camp. He gave me the choice of goin' to jail or of shippin' up to the camp of the Klamath Indians, which was up the river a piece, an' gettin' 'em drunk. It ain't hard for you to guess which I chose. The chief, Sleepy Dog, as was at the time, an' Holmes' scheme was to get the Indians drunk so's he could buy their land. It all worked out just as he planned. Holmes had the transfer papers ready and he paid the bucks fifty-dollars apiece to sign 'em. I was one of the witnesses, and Holmes' Scotch foreman was the other. And when Sleepy Dog came back to find his land gone, Holmes pushed him over the edge of the cliff."

"And what did Holmes do for you, Mr. Dill?" asked Helen, who had listened with breathless attention to the vagrant's story.

"He double-crossed me, that's what he done," the man answered bitterly. "He trumped up some charges against me and railroaded me to prison."

"My uncle, Mr. Dawson, will see that you get work of some sort and that you are taken care of," said Helen. "In return, I wonder if tomorrow you would be willing to make an affidavit to what you have just told us? We have a little score ourselves to settle with Rupert Holmes."

"I don't know's I'd mind," said Dill, "not if it would make things hot for Dollar Holmes."

The next day, Helen having telephoned to Big Falls for Clay, the young lawyer who represented the independent owners, Dill's affidavit was duly drawn up in proper form, signed and sworn to. With this evidence in his possession, Little Bear started the next day for Washington to tell his story to the Indian commissioner and to plead for the restoration of the tribal lands. A fortnight later Helen received a wire, signed by Clay, from Washington.

"As result of investigation by bureau of Indian affairs," it read, "Holmes' purchase of Klamath lands has been found illegal and the commissioner has ordered them restored to Little Bear and surviving members of tribe."

(END OF EIGHTH EPISODE)

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MIDLAND BREEDERS SHOULD HAVE BETTER PRICES

Usually The Reporter is very well satisfied with the livestock situation in the Midland Country and our comment upon it more often than not tends to a boastful exploitation of the splendid breedings of Midland herds. At the same time we have never lost sight of the fact that the livestock situation here is not just what it should be. Midland stockmen have bred, seemingly, to the very highest degree of purity. Not infrequently have feeders from our herds gone to the northern feed lots and when marketed topped off the highest prices of the season and more than once have established precedents. But how about the price received by our stockmen? Have they received that which was their due? We seriously doubt it. We have too little competition among buyers, and too readily have our stockmen accepted the price offered. It would seem that but a few old stand-bys visit the Midland Country from season to season, and they take our offerings practically at their own figure. These men have grown wealthy off their Midland speculations, and in a way this is right and proper; but, there is a questionable feature connected therewith which should be of more than passing interest to the thoughtful. We especially need competition among buyers. The few buyers that come to Midland are easily supplied, and it is not infrequent that there are left-overs that are marketed for slaughter in Fort Worth when they should have gone to the corn belts as feeders. We don't think we are in error in this statement, and we are very sure of the reason why the condition exists. Frankly, it is a lack of exploitation. It is only within a few years, a very few years, that Midland stockmen have ever done anything in particular to attract buyers and what has been done has been almost, if not quite, forced upon them. Of course it doesn't take much of a guess to understand that we have reference to the Midland Fair and Inter State Stock Show. Midland stockmen have no other asset, aside from their stock, which is worth so much to them. And we don't mean alone the breeders of pure-bred and registered stock. We mean, comparatively, the fellow who has less than 100 head of mother cows and who is breeding alone for beef purposes on up to the fellow who has 5000 or more. We mean that in the exploitation of our livestock lies the means whereby we may attract buyers and bring them into our midst in competitive numbers, and we shall have done a good work if we can impress upon the minds of every stockman, however small or large, that he is benefited comparatively by the coming of every additional buyer who is seeking either feeders or breeding stock. Competition is sharp in other sections and it has been brought about by judicious exploitation. In the years gone by there seems to have been a sort of tentative code of ethics among Midland stockmen that has kept them passive in the matter of advertising. It is a false modesty and a damaging pride. Some other sections have outstripped Midland, and some Midland stockmen know it. Those who do know are taking a lively interest in our annual fair, and recognize in it a tangible value to them, the loss of which would be irreparable. The fair has already become known far and wide. Exhibitors are almost as equally proud to win at Midland as at the National show at Ft. Worth, and each year the throng of visiting stockmen grows larger and larger and more and more interested. What this means to Midland stockmen ought to be easily recognized, and how they should be boosters and supporters of the Midland Fair and Inter State Stock Show is easily obvious.

HIS FIRST VIEW

Editor J. W. Campbell, of the Fort Davis Post, is practically a new comer to his section, but he is an enthusiast already. Usually all who come to the west are, but not all have souls so ready and so inspired to burst into songs of western beatitudes as in Editor Campbell. For instance, in his last issue under the caption, "Our First View," he gives his readers a pretty good idea that he is going to be a cheerful and conscientious booster for the Ft. Davis section. He writes: "Reared in the lower altitude, and only a citizen of this mountainous country a short while, we have not had a chance before this recent fall of snow to see the sublime beauties of this section as shown by the snowy mantle covering valleys and canyons and rocks and peaks. It was a beautiful sight to see the pure flakes falling through the air as if each bore a message of purity from realms above and they came so thick and fast that they seemed to draw a misty curtain about the rugged mountains and for the time being shut them from view. For several hours the air was filled with the flakes and a peculiar stillness passed the outer world. Early in the afternoon the snow ceased falling and as the clouds drifted away they revealed the mountains in white robe-studded giant boulders, bringing out an effect the brush of the artist could not duplicate. Far away in the purple distance the clouds hung as a halo about the summits of towering peaks and the grandeur of it all surpassed description." Sing on, Bro. Campbell. You've got the best class of people in the world to sing to, and they'll enjoy and appreciate your prose songs, and reward you by making you substantially one of them.

THE GREAT VALUE OF ADVERTISING

Kansas Stockman Who Refused \$20,000 For Grand Champion Hereford Practical Man

We note the following editorial comment in the last issue of the Breeders' Gazette:

"The refusal of Mr. Hazlett to accept an offer of \$20,000 for the season's grand champion Hereford bull Bocaldo 6th, emphasizes anew the abiding faith of breeders of top-class whitefaces in the permanency of the demand. It is significant of the keen interest which a successful breeder takes in his accomplishments. A number of men whose interest has been more or less founded on the enthusiasm of the amateur have refused lofty bids for animals which they have produced, but when so hard-headed and practical a business man as this Kansas breeder turns down such an offer, something more than mere pride of production and ownership lies below the surface. Evidently a cold business calculation dictated the action. It was certainly just this motive which actuated the Enochs Farm in Mississippi to tender the astonishingly big bid. A large number of business men are animated at present by a desire to own the best of breeding stocks, at almost any price, than at any time in the history of stock breeding. This applies to almost all breeds. The offer of \$20,000 for the grand champion Hereford bull is equivalent to a sale, so far as the campaigning value of high prices go, but it would astonish no one in close touch with the trade to see such a price bid and accepted."

The ordinary comment upon the offer and refusal of \$20,000 for the above mentioned animal would be that two fools had met, he who made the offer and he who refused it. Had the Enochs Farm succeeded in making a purchase of Bocaldo 6th it would have pulled off an advertising stunt that would have forever established its owners in the eyes of the livestock world, and vice versa the refusal of Mr. Hazlett. This bull is undoubtedly a wonderful animal, but how much better, suppose you, than some in the Midland Country? For instance that the one sold at the Midland Fair and Inter State Stock Show last September by Henry M. Half at public auction and purchased by B. N. Aycock & Sons for \$3500? Some better, possibly, but surely not intrinsically \$16,500 better. But the advertising, that's the thing. We are of the opinion that in this bull Mr. Hazlett has \$5000 in actual bull and \$15,000 in intangible value—advertising. But a good lesson is taught Midland and all other stockmen in this offer and refusal for the animal. The comment of the Breeders' Gazette sets forth plainly how fruitful the returns from advertising, and it is a lesson that Midland stockmen, as a whole, have yet to learn. Three years of the Midland Fair and Inter State Stock Show have gone far toward teaching it, a splendid beginning has been made, and to maintain the institution is to promote not only cultural methods in breeding and a most valuable rivalry among local breeders, but it will finally bring Midland stockmen and Midland stock into prominence as being almost the foremost of the livestock world.

PROMINENT MEN TO DISCUSS SUBJECT

What Causes the High Cost of Living Will be Featured in Home Economics Week

What causes the high cost of living and what can be done to alleviate the present conditions? This is the big general question that will be answered in the Home Economics Week to be held at the University of Texas February 12-16. To answer the question four of the most interesting and prominent lecturers to be found in America or Europe will be gathered at the meeting. The specialists of the University faculty will also contribute to the solution of the biggest problem now confronting the American people.

"We want to give the woman of Texas, upon whom the brunt of this problem falls, an intelligent knowledge of the present high cost of living," said Miss Mary E. Gearing, head of the School of Home Economics at the University of Texas, and director of the week. "We hope to point out how these conditions can be alleviated by intelligent buying on the housekeeper. All the high prices are not accounted for by the present war and the cost can be reduced by substitutions." In order that these experts may have local data upon which to work, exhibits have been asked from all the schools in the State in which Home Economics is taught. The students of Home Economics in the University are conducting experiments in the substitution of foods on the basis of nutritive values. The chief problem is to secure a cheap menu which will have sufficient variety. Exact information as to the rise in price is being figured out by means of charts, diaries, and menus prepared by students prior to the war and the present high prices. All this information is then applied to family budgets comes ranging from \$1200 to \$2400 per year, and expressed in terms of "family budgets." Concerning these "budgets" Miss Gearing said: "It is a fact that our restriction of budgets to a minimum of \$1200 incomes excludes large numbers of families, perhaps close on to the majority. It is also true that those are the families that most need help. Nevertheless, it has become apparent that incomes less than \$1200 present too great a problem for any application of scientific arrangements of outlays to advantage."

In Society



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

Lyceum Course

The last number of the lyceum course under the auspices of the Mothers' Club, will be given this evening in the Christian church at 8:30.

The Warwick Male Quartette comes with the highest recommendations and will give a program of instrumental and vocal music interspersed with excellent readings. The management makes the following announcement concerning their work:

In the Warwick Male Quartette, Elias Day offers to lyceum patrons a highly competent group of young men with voices of beauty and volume, and with musical understanding and sufficient variety to please the most exacting audiences. This quartette firmly has established itself as one that renders excellent programs of vocal music with instrumental features of rare brilliancy.

It is doubtful if any combination in music so nearly meets with popular approval as a male chorus of well blended voices. In syncopated songs, popular ballads, or divine sacred harmonies, the sound of such music is irresistible. Churches offering competent male quartettes experience no difficulty in filling their pews, while no popular musical festival is complete without them.

Priscilla Club

There was a large attendance of the Priscilla Club this week when Mrs. Peyton Mitchell entertained. Several new patterns in choquet were studied out, so that the time passed very quickly. Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass was made a member of the club. A delicious two course luncheon was served as a conclusion to a pleasant afternoon. Mrs. W. E. Bradford was a visitor at this meeting.

Wednesday Club

Mrs. Henry M. Half was hostess for the regular Wednesday Club meeting this week. Mrs. J. M. DeArmond led the lesson on the life of Abraham Lincoln, being assisted by Mesdames Jno. Haley, W. L. Holmesley and Henry M. Half. This was quite a splendid feature of the year's work. A general discussion on the Gary School, of Gary, Ind., was very lively. Many interesting features were brought out.

A Trip to Chicago

Miss Thelma White left Wednesday afternoon to join Mr. Boydston and his daughter in a trip to St. Louis, Kansas City and Chicago. Miss Boydston and Miss White were school mates in Kidd-Ke, so, no doubt, this trip together will prove doubly pleasant. They will be away about three weeks.

WACO SELECTED AS NEXT MEETING PLACE

Supt. W. W. Lackey Attended Meeting of Educational Executive Committee in Austin

Supt. W. W. Lackey, of the Midland city schools, returned the first of this week from Austin, where he attended a meeting of State executive committee on education, of which he is a distinguished member. He is much pleased with the probable results accomplished. The committee selected Waco as the next annual meeting place of the teachers' association, which will take place during Thanksgiving week, opening Nov. 29 and continuing three days.

The members of the executive committee in a body called on Governor Ferguson and discussed with him the educational program adopted by the association. Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University, Waco, acted as spokesman for the members of the committee, and stated that while there are numerous matters included in the program, the committee was aggressively pushing only one at this time, that being the bill providing that county superintendents should be elected by the county board of trustees. Dr. Brooks took occasion to congratulate the administration on the progress made along educational lines during the last two years, particularly mentioning the aid given rural schools. He expressed the hope that the work would continue.

Governor Ferguson said that no indorsement to the county superintendent's bill, saying that if it was passed by the legislature it would be approved and signed by him. Governor Ferguson said that no government can succeed unless it has good school facilities. He referred to Mexico.

"General Carranza sometime ago told me that the foundation for all Mexico's troubles was illiteracy," said the governor. "Not until Mexico properly educates her people, will she be able to enjoy good government."

The educational program of the State Teachers' Association contains ten subjects, which have been printed. Supt. Lackey stated that he and others of the committee called upon our townsman and representative from this district, Judge E. R. Bryan, and was assured of his co-operation in such educational matters as the committee had proposed. Mr. Lackey stated that Judge Bryan was re-elected in Austin as one of the very distinguished and strong members of the legislature, and his co-operation will mean a great deal toward the success of the plans, or program, proposed by the executive committee of the State Teachers' Association.

WITH THE CHURCHES

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

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock hour, Dr. Lee R. Scarborough, former pastor at Abilene will preach. At the evening hour Presidents Brooks and Sandefer will speak. These are some of the great preachers of Texas and a great time is expected.

Bible school at 9:45 a. m., and the re-organization of the B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. All the young people are urged to be present.

Dr. Geo. W. Truett Coming Dr. Truett will arrive in Midland next Tuesday morning and will begin a series of special meetings. The services will be held in the Baptist church from 10 to 11 a. m. and begin each night at 7:45. Dr. Truett will be here only for a short time and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody. An invitation is extended to all who can sing to come into the choir. The singing will be congregational and we are anxious that everybody get as much as they can and put into this meeting all they can for the spiritual uplift of Midland and for the regeneration of the lost.

Ernest Quick, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH

The usual services will be held on Sunday. The sacrament of the Lord's supper will be administered at the close of the morning sermon. Church conference at close of evening sermon. J. W. Cowan, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Services as usual both morning and evening Sunday. A special rally service will be held at the Sunday School at 10 o'clock. The pastor will preach at Prairie Lee in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited to all of these services.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Leader—Freddie Bradford. Subject, "Great Home Missions." Song No. 32. Scripture lesson, Luke 10:1-20. Sentence prayers. Piano solo—Cecil Peyton. "The Man that said 'No'" (Jonah 1:1-17)—Alice Haley. "A Shepherd Missionary" (Amos 7:17)—Hattie Mae Trammel. "Philip" (Acts 8:26-40)—Viola Pucket. "Peter" (Acts 10:9-20; 44-48)—Bettie Trammel. "A Nameless Woman" (John 4:27-42)—Myrtle Whitmore. Song No. 109. Roll call and response with reference word, "Help." Announcements and benediction.

JUNIOR ENDEAVOR

Subject, "Praying with the Whole Heart." Leader—Oriell Horton. Bible lesson, Ps. 119:145; Matt. 15:8. Song, "Keep the Heart Singing." "True Heart," (Heb. 10:22)—Homer Ingham. "Serve with Whole Heart" (1 Sam. 12:24)—Geneva Shaw. "Love Him with all your Heart" (Luke 10:27)—Francis Ratliff. Sentence prayers. Memory work, Ps. 8. Recitation—Inabeth Whitefield. Consecration service. Mission study. The member contest. Prayer and mizpah.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

Leader—Hal H. Hunter. Subject, "Visions and Tasks." (Jas. 2:18-29; 2 Chron. 34:1-7). Scripture reading in concert (Jas. 2:28-29)—Mabel Shaw, Louise Jones and Thurman Morgan. Scripture reading in concert (2 Chron. 34:1-7)—Van Camp, Leslie Bush, Anna Mae Ingham. Two songs and sentence prayers. Short talk by the leader. "What Claim has Jesus on Us?"



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REV. GEO. W. TRUETT HERE NEXT WEEK

The Baptist church has again secured Rev. Geo. W. Truett, of Dallas, for a series of meetings which will begin next Tuesday night, when Bro. Truett will arrive. Bro. Truett needs no introduction to Midland, as he has held two or three meetings here in the past. He is recognized as one of the great preachers of the South and his success is always assured wherever he goes. Some of the greatest revivals ever held in Midland have been under his able preaching and we all await his coming with anticipation and pleasant expectancy.

PRESBYTERIAN MEETING BEING WELL ATTENDED

Rev. Fairley, of El Paso, has been preaching a series of sermons at the Presbyterian church this week afternoon and night, and the crowds have increased at every service. Rev. Fairley is an able, practical speaker and his earnestness and forceful delivery have impressed all who have attended the services. This gentleman held a meeting in this city some fifteen years ago, just when he first started in the ministry, and many remember him. One of the features of the night meetings has been special music rendered by local musicians, and the meeting is constantly increasing in interest. We have not learned just how long the meeting will continue, but suppose it will close Sunday night.

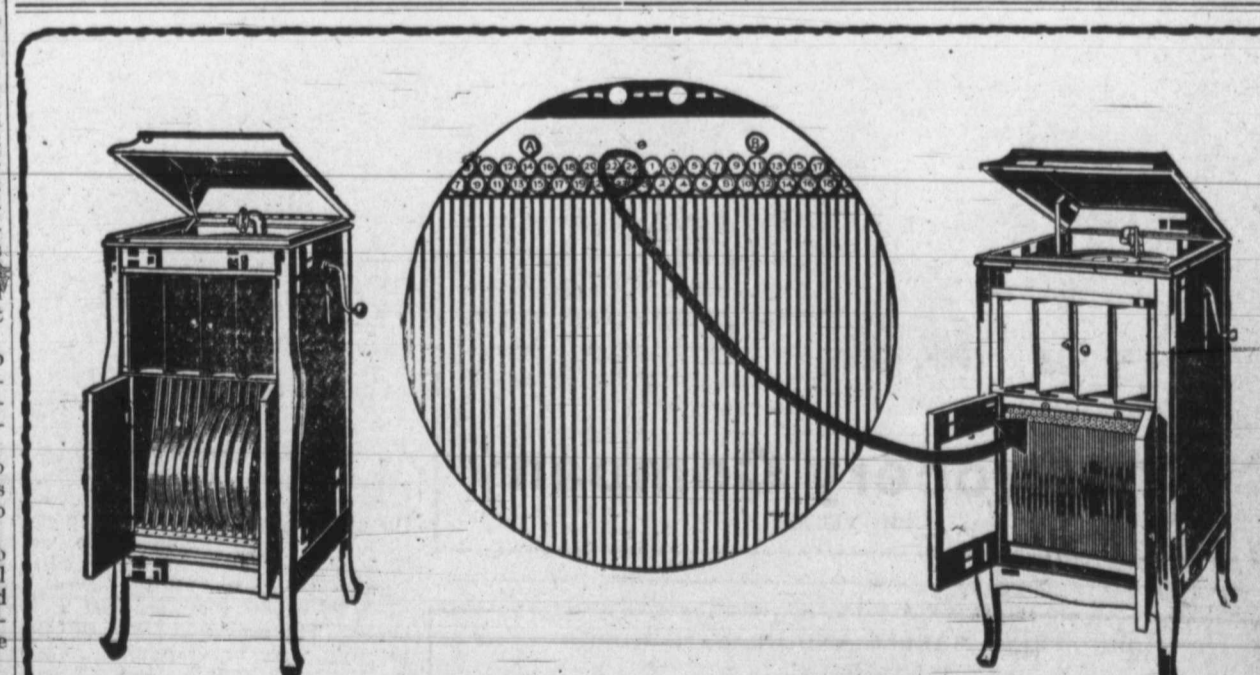
LAST NUMBER OF LYCEUM TONIGHT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The last number of the lyceum will be held tonight at the Christian church. This is said to be about the best of the course, in the way of music. It is the Warwick Male Quartette, and these four musicians not only sing the very highest class selections but play upon the corn, violin, cello and piano. They are all versatile in their different lines and a most enjoyable evening is promised to all who love music of the highest class.

FT. WORTH TO EL PASO HIGHWAY NOTES

J. M. Caldwell, Director Midland County: J. D. Meriwether, engineer for our association, has been employed the last week in Martin and Callahan counties, both of which are preparing for work on the highway. Your secretary, among other places, visited Abilene last week, and found that the Taylor County people are anxious to see an early completion of the Ft. Worth-El Paso Highway and will do their part of the work on this great highway across West Texas.

Unless called to Austin on business connected with the highway bill, Capt. J. D. Fauntleroy, district engineer, accompanied by Engineer Meriwether, will inspect the line of the highway from Fort Worth to Big Spring this week, and will complete the trip over the balance of the route the fore part of next week or at an early date. There is no other highway association in the State as active as our association. We have in time past all talked and preached co-operation, now let us all line up for this great undertaking. There will be work and glory enough for all. W. B. Starr, Secy.



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R. E. Nutt has bought the street sprinkling business heretofore conducted by L. L. Wagner and G. B. Killough. Mr. Nutt will appreciate the continued patronage of our business men, and promises the very best service possible.

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Rates, five cents per line each insertion. No ad accepted for less than 25 cents. Cash in advance is required of those not having a regular account with this paper.

### FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—Two lots next to the square. Very desirable for residence, close in. Phone 132. adv 24-1t

FOR SALE OR LEASE—Sec. 17, blk. 38, township 3 south, upon which there is a small house, barn, well, etc. Address Mrs. Laura Koppe, 405 Kiam Bldg., Houston, Texas. adv15-4tp

FOR SALE—Beautiful residence in El Paso. An increasing number of cattlemen, and others, are purchasing homes in El Paso. We have an especially beautiful residence now for sale of ten rooms, tile bath, heating plant, laundry, garage. For full description and price, address Hillis-Glasgow, 619 Martin Bldg., El Paso, Texas. adv14-4t

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### FOR SALE—LIVE STOCK

FOR SALE—The Texas Colonel, registered Duroc Jersey boar, weight about 650 pounds. See H. M. Ramsay 9-4t

FOR SALE—One sorrel Percheron stallion, 2-year-old past, in fine flesh, weight 1140 pounds. J. H. Ratliff 17-2t

FOR SALE—500 mares, including 66 fine mules, 130 half Percheron colts, and 100 half Percheron two-year-olds. Want \$45 around, or will cut out any portion at \$45. Two registered jacks, \$1000; three registered stallions at \$1000. E. W. Alston, Carlsbad, N. M. 9-10t-p

### FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Some second hand furniture. Apply at Warnock Cafe. 1t

BARGAINS—In second hand automobiles, any make you want. Will trade for houses and lots, or mules and mares. See D. W. Freeman for further information. 1tpd.

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WOOD—Good, sound sawed oak wood for sale for cash. F. A. Smith, phone 251. 17-4t

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### FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Nice front room, furnished. Prefer two men to occupy. Two blocks south of depot, Main St., phone 92. 1t

### LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Pocket account book which is of no use to any one but the owner. Will pay \$10.00 reward for return of same to the undersigned or to The Reporter office. C. M. J. Stringer. 1tp

### WANTED TO BUY

JUNK WANTED—I want to buy all sorts of junk, especially old brass, rubber, etc. I buy bones, and pay the highest market price. W. B. Fullen 17-4t

### FINANCIAL

MONEY LOANED—On choice improved Midland town properties. 5 years. Describe your property fully, addressing J. F. Wellington, Fort Worth, Texas. 15-4t

### SALESMEN WANTED

STOCK SALESMAN WANTED—To sell limited amount of stock in good substantial business proposition. Good commission paid. The strictest investigation invited. Call or write, D. D. Doyle & Co., 826 Wilson Bldg., Dallas, Texas. 17-2t

### LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE—This is to certify that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my family while at Midland. Respt., L. M. Wright 17-4tpd.

### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Midland, Texas, January 22, 1917. To Whom it May Concern: The firm of Half & Ramsay has been dissolved. Henry M. Half purchasing the interest of J. H. Ramsay. Any one having claims against the firm and any one owing the firm will kindly make settlement at once with Mr. Half. HENRY M. HALFF, J. H. RAMSAY.

### BUSINESS NOTICES

PIANO TUNING—J. T. Cullins, the piano tuner, will be in Midland in a few days and requests all who have pianos to be tuned to save same until he arrives. 1t

# Announcement

We wish to announce that we are representing the Delco Light Company of Dayton, Ohio, who build and STAND BEHIND the Electric Light Plants for country homes, which you will have an opportunity of seeing at our office in the Willard Storage Battery station---one door north of Post Office.

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NOTICE—I have bought the Powell feed yards and transfer business. Phone 197. L. L. Wagner 16-4t

Do you need glasses? See Prof. J. D. Shaw, phone 434. adv 49-1t

SOLD TWOS AT FORTY DOLLARS AROUND

Our young friend, Bob Allison, who ranches at Slaughter, ten miles east of Midland, was in town this week and called at our office to renew a subscription to The Reporter for another year. This was nice of him. There are several hundred stockmen and others in and around Midland of whom we should like to apply this term, "nice," but a lot of them don't seem to care for it. Incidentally we learn, too, that Mr. Allison has lately made a couple of sales that are of interest, both to R. C. Harris, of Lamesa. The sales include 40 head of two-year-old steers at \$40 around and 15 head of old cows at \$25.

Herman Philipps left last Thursday for a business trip to Lorraine.

HAULING—Phone me now at Bell & Tolbert's, No. 150, when you wish light hauling or deliveries of any kind. N. W. Bigham. 16-2t

I am paying 17 cents for green and 30 cents for dry hides, and you will find me at the same old stand, always paying the highest market price. C. M. J. Stringer, phone 408. 10-15t

We keep absolutely up with the market in furnishing things to eat. Nothing that's good escapes us. Call and see. Warnock Cafe. adv 21-1t

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E. R. Crews, an Andrews County stockman, was a business visitor this week. He reports a continuation of fine range conditions, with practically no losses up to date.

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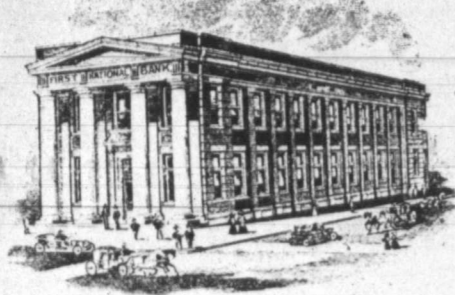
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### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

**THE STATE OF TEXAS.**  
To the Sheriff of any Comitable of Midland County—GREETING:  
You are hereby commanded to summon G. O. Hoffman, whose residence is unknown, to appear at the February 1917 term of the Justice Court of Midland County, Texas, Precinct No. 1, to be held at the office of H. H. Gibbs, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, Midland, Midland County, Texas, on the last Monday in February, A. D. 1917, being the 26th day of February, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a suit filed in said court on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1917, in a suit numbered 1317 on the docket thereof, wherein H. H. Gibbs, doing business under the firm name of the Rule Produce Company, of Rule, Texas, is plaintiff, and G. O. Hoffman is defendant; the cause of action being alleged as follows:  
That heretofore to-wit, on or about December 15th, 1916, plaintiff sold to the defendant 123 pounds of turkeys, amounting to \$216.88, also three cases of eggs, amounting to \$33.00, that said goods were sold to defendant at defendant's instance and request, that said goods were bought upon an open account, and the defendant received said goods and has failed and refused to pay for the same.  
Also heretofore to-wit, on or about December 16th, 1916, said defendant delivered to said plaintiff his check for \$3.32 in payment for certain goods, wares and merchandise which were theretofore sold by plaintiff to defendant on open account at defendant's instance and request, and defendant received said goods. Said check for \$3.32 in payment for these goods was not paid, payment being refused.  
Also heretofore to-wit, on or about December 20th, 1916, said defendant delivered to said plaintiff his check for \$16.25 in payment for certain goods, wares and

merchandise which were theretofore sold 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 that defendant, though often requested, has failed and refused and still fails and refuses to pay the same or any part thereof to the plaintiff's damage in the sum of \$82.25, together with \$2.35 protest fees on said checks, which were not paid, payment being refused.  
You are further commanded to so summon such defendant, and to serve this citation by making publication of this citation once 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 this the 26th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the judicial district nearest to said district.  
Herein, fail not, but have you before said court, on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1917, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.  
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.  
adv 14-1t.  
Good sound sawed oak wood for sale for cash. W. W. Wimberly, telephone 264. adv. 46-tf

### SPRING STYLES FOR SOUTHERN WEAR

They Forecast What will be Worn in the Spring—Colors and Materials

Although New York is still in the grip of winter, thoughts of lighter clothes to be worn under sunny skies begin to be forced on our attention, writes our New York fashion correspondent. Immediately after the holiday season the shops begin to show a tempting array of thin dresses and light suits, for it is now that the exodus to warmer climes begins to take place. Those of us who either from choice or necessity must see the winter through in the cold regions, may still contemplate the styles that are offered for Southern wear, for they are a pretty accurate forecast of what will be worn when spring comes.



Blouse of Chiffon with Oyster-White Tassar Skirt

The delicate lingerie dress this season is of Georgette, chiffon cloth or net—these for the more formal dresses, while for other purposes there are dainty, muslin, voile, and new printed, woven or embroidered designs in the most attractive colorings imaginable. Net dresses are finely embroidered and trimmed with lace, while those of chiffon and Georgette are adorned with the ubiquitous embroidery in cross-stitch, beads or darning-stitch.

### The New Colors

Green is one of the most fashionable colors for the coming season. It has already been launched by Paris with great success; furthermore, it is the true color of spring and for that reason most appropriate for this season of the year. There is a delicate canary yellow used both for afternoon and evening gowns which is quite new and promises to be very much favored. Yellow in any shade seems to meet with approval. The deep mustard and citron shades are considered especially smart for sports clothes.

We have not been able to get away from dark blue, for, in spite of many people being tired of it, fashion considers it correct for the tailored suit and dress, and it is much too practical a color to be discarded.

### Blouses of Chiffon

The sketch illustrates a blouse of chiffon made to be worn outside the skirt, a style which increases in popularity at the time goes on. The neck line, going straight across the front and back from shoulder to shoulder, is also proving very popular. This line is not so hard when the material is softly shirred and an additional piece of plain chiffon is placed over the shoulder. Shirred pockets at the edge of the bodice, and the ribbon decoration ending in loops below the belt, which is finished with a prim, tailored bow directly in front, are special style features worthy of consideration, for they appear in many of the new models, varying according to the nature of the design.

Blouses of satin and silk are also making their way among the very sheer materials which are now being used.

The tailored skirt with large pockets placed over the inverted pleats at the sides is one of the newest modes in separate skirts. The skirt is of oyster-white tussur.

Tussur and pongee have few rivals among the materials for suits and dresses. With splashes of bright colors in huge dots or squares against a white or natural background, they make the most fascinating sports suits. The striped and dotted designs are very striking and introduce an entirely new note. Some of the designs are distinctly Oriental in effect. Silk and wool jersey are other important fabrics which in spite of having been used over and over again are still counted among fashionable materials.

### For the Boudoir

A negligee with angel sleeves is one of the latest offerings for the woman who loves to be daintily and becomingly attired in her boudoir. A sketch is shown here. The negligee is of crepe de Chine, with fine lace edging around the collar and pockets, and sleeves of deep lace flouncing. The pockets and sleeves are weighted with silk tassels.

Boudoir caps of net, chiffon and lace trimmed with ribbon are still seen in great numbers. A very pretty cap of blue chiffon with a pleated net ruffle and long streamers of blue ribbon is a recent importation from Paris. A large pearl ornament was placed in front. Another cap of cream net was trimmed with narrow blue ribbon in lattice effect around the edge. Tiny pink rosebuds held down the lattice where the ribbon crossed itself. A ribbon bow on the crown

## LOOK AT THESE TEN ARTISTS! What Are They Doing?



Margaret Matzenauer



Jacques Urlus



Thomas Chalmers



Christine Miller



Ida Gardner



Arthur Middleton



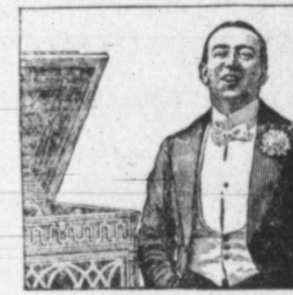
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Guido Ciccolini



Helen Clark



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# Unique Theatre

Program For The Week Ending Saturday, February 10th

MONDAY, FEB. 5th  
**Billie Burke Night**  
 The second episode of "GLORIA'S ROMANCE," with Billie Burk.  
 An Imp production in 2 reels, "THE EEL."  
 A Powers Cartoon Comedy, "SAMMY JOHNSIN AT THE SEA SIDE."

TUESDAY, FEB. 6th  
 A World "Brady-made" picture featuring Arthur Ashley and Frances Nelson, entitled "THE REVOLT"  
 An LKO Komedy, "EAT AND GROW HUNGRY."

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7th  
**Helen Holmes Night**  
 The 8th episode of the thrilling chapter play, "A LASS OF THE LUMBERLANDS."  
 A Goldseal 3-reel feature, "ASHES OF REMEMBRANCE."

THURSDAY, FEB. 8th  
**Marie Walcamp Night**  
 The 16th episode of the wonderful Universal serial "LIBERTY."  
 A Nestor Comedy with Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran, "PASS THE PRUNES."  
 Two one-reelers, titles not yet announced.

FRIDAY, FEB. 9th  
 A Triangle Play  
 "HOODOO ANN," with Mae Marsh and Robt. Harron.  
 A 2-reel Keystone All-Star Comedy, "BY STORK DELIVERY," with Mack Swain.

SATURDAY, FEB. 10th  
 A 101 Bison Feature, "THE GREATER POWER."  
 A Rex Drama, "THE SLAVE."  
 A Powers Cartoon Comedy, "SAMMY JOHNSIN IN MEXICO."

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Jno. W. Smith came down from the C. M. Armstrong ranch this week, to receive 30 head of bulls, which he will trail through to Mr. Armstrong's ranch in Gaines County. Cashier W. R. Chancellor, of the First National Bank, spent last week at Alpine, Marfa, Fort Davis and other points in that section, on business.

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Drs. Rea Bros. well known throughout the United States. Their idea in extending this plan of free medical treatment is to secure in each community some evidence of their good work so as to benefit them in securing more patients. The sick and those interested in the sick are invited to call. Married women must come with their husbands and children with their parents or guardians.

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### Citation by Publication

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

You are commanded to summon Chas. C. Craver 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 Seventieth Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the Justice's Court of Precinct No. 1, Midland County, to be held at Midland in said Midland county, on the 28th day of February, A. D., 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 2nd day of December, A. D., 1917, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1310, wherein J. V. Smith is Plaintiff, and Chas. C. Craver is defendant, and said petition alleges that the defendant is indebted to the plaintiff in the sum of sixty-three dollars and seventy-five cents (\$63.75) for groceries purchased during the months of November and December, A. D., 1916, as evidenced by the sworn itemized account.

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

Given under my official signature, at office in Midland, this 26th day of January, A. D., 1917.

R. E. Crowley, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, Midland County, Texas. adv 17-4t

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### CAMBRIDGE PLATES PLEASSED A REPRESENTATIVE CROWD

The Cambridge Players, of the White Lyceum Bureau, gave their entertainment in Midland on last Saturday night in the opera house under the auspices of the Mothers' Club, to a pretty good sized audience. The entertainment was very good, in fact it was superior to anything of its character ever given in our city. The program was opened up with an amusing sketch by two members of the company, entitled "Matrimonial Troubles." This was followed by a few special character impersonations and vocal selections which pleased the crowd very much. The feature of the program was a tableau taken from the play "As You Like It," by Shakespeare, in which the entire company were featured, some taking dual roles. It was not only entertaining but highly educational and cultivating. The Cambridge Players have played in Midland before, and have won the hearts of all who saw them. We will welcome them if they should ever visit again.

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More than \$22,000 in cash and several thousand dollars in trophies will be distributed among the cattle breeders of the Southwest at the National Feeders and Breeders Show to be held in Fort Worth from March 10th to 17th, inclusive. The prize lists have been prepared and are now ready for distribution among the breeders and stockmen who desire to show animals.

Not since the initial performance of the National Feeders and Breeders Show, has such preparation been made for staging the big and wonderful show. The cattlemen have enjoyed a prosperous year, the farmers have been prosperous and the city people have profited and from every nook and cranny of the Southwest comes word that the people are deeply interested in the March show and are simply biding time between now and the opening night.

The National Feeders and Breeders Show is attracting attention all over the country, and is suitably fenced for the convenient handling of the number of cattle usually run on a ranch of this size. The ranch house is very modern, being fixed up for a real home, and has all the conveniences and comforts possible in ranch life. We congratulate the new owners, and wish for them full returns from their handsome investment.

### PRES. SANDEFER DELIVERS ADDRESS

Distinguished Educator and College President Discusses Elements of Success Before High School

President J. D. Sandefer, of Simmons College, at Abilene, who is not only one of the greatest educators and college presidents in the South, but who is also an orator of no mean ability, a platform lecturer of wide reputation, and a statesman of recognized ability, visited our high school on last Monday morning and delivered one of the greatest addresses ever heard by the high school. Dr. Sandefer is perhaps sought after as much as any other public speaker in Texas for commencement addresses, lay sermons and other public occasions, and he never seemed more at his best than on last Monday before the high school. He spoke for about fifty minutes, during which time he was frequently and enthusiastically applauded by the students. His address, which sparkled with original wit and humor and which was replete with interesting stories and apt illustrations, was also very thoughtful and inspirational. As he spoke of the elements of success; a good physique, character, and optimism, every boy and girl was thrilled with an ambition to make the most of himself and to be able to render the maximum service to mankind. The students were told that that man was happiest who could think the most interesting and the most beautiful thoughts. Purity of body, of mind and of life were presented in a manner peculiar only to an orator of such rare ability. The Doctor's address will long be remembered and will be bearing fruit many years to come.

Praises High School In his address, President Sandefer took occasion to congratulate the high school on the excellent work it was doing and on the fine spirit it manifested. He said that he had visited high schools in Seattle, Chicago, St. Louis, Oklahoma, New York, and in many of the other largest cities of America, but that our high school was the best.

Funeral of Grandma Sinclair Yesterday While Remains of Grandpa Ellis Shipped to Beville

Had Grandma Sinclair lived on next Sunday she would have been years of age. She didn't. She died at about 5 o'clock Wednesday, her death being principally but the result of years. She was the mother of esteemed townsmen, Chas. L. and W. K. Sinclair, and their sister, M. Kate. Another son, Attorney B. Lett Sinclair, lives in Idaho. Grand Sinclair had been a Christian all his long life, and a member of the Methodist church, and her passage to glory was as but falling to sleep in the arms of the Gentle Savior. Her pastor, Rev. J. W. Cowan, yesterday afternoon preached the funeral and paid sweet tribute to the sainted soul that had winged its flight to an everlasting home with the angels. To the

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### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

T. L. Owens was a visitor last Tuesday from Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Martin spent the most of last week, visiting friends in Odessa.

W. W. Lemert, a buyer from Kansas, was here last Tuesday, in the market for steers.

A. C. Letcher, of Scurry County, was a business visitor to Midland for a day or two this week.

Twenty per cent off on cabinet photos—A special sale on color type photos, until Feb 10th. Miller's Studio.

We regret to report the illness of our esteemed old townsman, J. V. Ellis. The doctors pronounce his condition very serious.

Sam Brown and son, Teddy, came in this week from their ranch near Grandfalls. They report weeds coming nicely, and even the grass has started, and the prospects for a calf crop very fair indeed.

Jno. R. Johnston, whose ranch is in Upton County, was in town this week for a few days, visiting his family. He reports cattle standing the winter in good shape and that the prospects for a good calf crop are fair.

T. J. Williams and W. R. Jester were here this week from Lamesa, prospecting for investment. They expressed themselves as quite pleased with the looks of things here, especially liking our abundant shallow water supply.

A. J. Kerr, a ranchman whose place is south of Odessa, was a visitor to Midland this week. The Reporter tenders sympathy to him in the loss of his wife, who died in Odessa last week of fever, and of age of 62 years.

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### Blouse of Cotton to The Reporter for

The delicatman, L. F. Heard, has son is of Ge' of the community in net—these fowweek, of both a sister sees, while fMrs. J. D. McMaster of are dainty, and Miss McRae of printed, woficard attended both fu signs in the McRae was a trained rags imagin college mate of Dr. W. finely embrothis city.

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

Good sound sawed oak wood for sale for cash. W. W. Wimberly, telephone 264. adv. 46-1f

### MIDLAND BUYERS OFF TO NORTHERN MARKETS

The first of the Midland buyers to leave for northern markets for spring and summer purchases was Miss Maggie McCormick, proprietor of the Ladies Store. She left last Saturday and goes to St. Louis, Chicago, and other points, promising her patrons to look the markets over thoroughly for all that is best and most beautiful in millinery.

Elliott F. Barron, buyer for "Everybody's," J. H. Barron & Son, left Monday. He goes, too, to St. Louis and Chicago, where he will buy for his popular establishment, and promises the season's best in all lines.

Addison Wadley, for the Wadley-Patterson Company, left Tuesday evening. He goes on to New York, and he, too, can be depended upon to let nothing that's good escape him.

Messrs. Dawson and Smith, for the Midland Mercantile Company, leave this evening for the several markets north and east. None doubt that with them in the markets the reputation of The Mercantile is in safe hands.

All will be back in the course of two weeks, and the results of their buying may be looked for in these columns, in special announcements.

### J. T. WHITE BOUGHT RANCH IN GAINES

We congratulate our esteemed townsman, J. Tom White, upon having recently secured a splendid ranch property in Gaines County, near Seminole. We did not learn considerations, though there are three patented sections and 30-odd under lease. It is said to be one of the best improved places in Gaines County and is in the very heart of that splendid agricultural section. Mr. White is up there this week, having trailed through some 15 head of young Hereford bulls bought of J. R. Dublin several weeks ago. Mr. White will, of course, maintain his large holdings in New Mexico, out beyond Knowles.

### WELLS FARGO EXPRESS OFFICE TO BE REMODELED

A distinguished visitor of the week was J. A. Hyde, of Dallas, superintendent of Wells Fargo Express Co. Mr. Hyde was here Monday and conferred with R. N. Taft, the local agent, with reference to remodeling the Midland office. Plans were decided upon, and it is expected that the work will be started within a week or ten days. When the work of remodeling is finished the Midland office, it is claimed, will be quite modern in its appointments and will present quite a citified air. Mr. Hyde was well pleased with the year's receipts at Midland, and looks forward to a material increase in 1917.

What is "color type?" It is that special \$8 per dozen photos for only \$6 per dozen, until Feb. 10th, at Miller's Studio.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—GREETING: You are hereby commanded to summon G. O. Hoffman, whose residence is unknown, to appear at the February 1917 term of the Justice Court of Midland County, Texas, Precinct No. 1, to be held at the office of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, Midland, Midland County, Texas, on the last Monday in February, A. D. 1917, being the 26th day of February, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a suit filed in the said court on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1917, in a suit numbered 1317 on the docket thereof, wherein H. H. Gibbs, doing business under the firm name of the Rule Produce Company, of Rule, Texas, is plaintiff, and G. O. Hoffman is defendant; the cause of action being alleged as follows:

That heretofore to-wit, on or about December 15th, 1916, plaintiff sold to the defendant 128 pounds of turkeys, amounting to \$216.88, also three cases of eggs, amounting to \$39.00, that said goods were sold to defendant at defendant's instance and request, that said goods were bought upon an open account and the defendant received said goods and has failed and refused to pay for the same.

Also heretofore to-wit, on or about December 16th, 1916, said defendant delivered to said plaintiff his check for \$8.32 in payment for certain goods, wares and merchandise which were theretofore sold by plaintiff to defendant on open account at defendant's instance and request, and defendant received said goods, said check for \$8.32 in payment for these goods was not paid, payment being refused.

Also heretofore to-wit, on or about December 20th, 1916, said defendant delivered to said plaintiff his check for \$16.25 in payment for certain goods, wares and

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TELEPHONE 135

Tom Jones, Jr., is here this week from near Gustine, Comanche County, and is prospecting with a view to locating with us.

Wade Johnston and wife were in this week from their ranch west of Odessa. Mr. Johnston gave a very satisfactory report of range conditions generally.

## OUR NEW SPRING GOODS ARE COMING IN

Red Seal Gingham at 15c. Utilities at 12 1-2c  
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Our Buyer is in the Markets Buying and Shipping New Things in "Ready-to-Wear"

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