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## THE CATTLE CAR SHORTAGE RELIEVED

Midland County Council of Defense in Receipt of Letter From Mr. Hurdleston

Among its activities, the Midland County Council of Defense some time ago, through its chairman, Attorney J. M. Caldwell, took up with the railroad commission the matter of cattle car shortage on the T. & P., which for many weeks past, has worked such a hardship on the stockmen of the Midland Country and all along the T. & P. and other West Texas roads. The letter following hereafter from Commissioner C. H. Hurdleston fully explains action that has been taken. He writes: "Mr. J. F. Carl, secretary of the Texas State Council of Defense, of San Antonio, has referred to this Commission copy of your letter to him under date of September 5th, wherein you refer to conditions on the Texas & Pacific Railway with respect to stock car shortage during the spring and summer of 1917; which letter has been very carefully considered by us. "Replying we will state that not until some ten days ago was the seriousness of the stock car situation, on the Texas & Pacific and other lines in your territory, called to the attention of this commission, but it at once concentrated its efforts upon same, taking it up with the National Board of Defense, the National Commission on Car Service, and others, with the result that we are now advised that 2400 stock cars are being rushed to the Texas & Pacific and the K. C. & O. Ry. This movement started August 27th, and previous to this date said cars were beginning to reach said line.

"This, we hope, has relieved the situation to which you refer. At least, since about the date of your letter to Mr. Carl, no further complaints of shortage have come to this commission."

The Midland County Council of Defense acts under like organizations for the State and Nation, and it is therefore relatively important. Its recommendations to the State organization will carry weight, and it has power to relieve many situations that may, in the future, handicap our people, and thereby the government in its military preparations.

The matter of car shortage is among the council's first activities, but it contemplates others, which, with the co-operation of the people, may work much good to all sections of the west, and this community in particular. The council has a wide field of activities, and is calculated to accomplish many things that might otherwise provoke our people, handicap their operations, and thereby impede the progress of the government in its establishments for relief measures and general efficiency in this time of war.

## LEE HEARD BOUGHT "GOOD EATS" CAFE

It all happened last week and the Reporter was compelled to leave mention until this week, on account of being behind with our typesetting. Anyway Lee Heard has bought the "Good Eats" Cafe and moved his grocery store into the same place. In his own words, then, he is able to serve the stuff to you cooked or raw, just as you want it. He has a nice place and urges his friends to give him a trial. Also we are neglecting Mr. Heard again this week. His advertisement ought to have been changed to the Good Eats Cafe and Grocery. The advertisement got in our first run before the writer knew it. No such difference, however. It is still Lee Heard's Grocery, with the "Good Eats" Cafe combined. Give him a call.

Dick Lee this week sold 125 cows to Alabama parties. Considerations private.

## STOCKMEN WIRE SENATOR CULBERSON

Urging Importance of Leaving Experienced Cow Hands on Ranches During Time of Drouth

The following telegram, sent last Tuesday, is fully self-explanatory. Senator Charles A. Culberson, Washington, D. C.: "The selective military draft threatens to seriously jeopardize the cattle industry of West Texas; thereby the nation's food supply. First: We are in the midst of extreme drouth. Not in the history of the industry have we so needed experienced cow hands; they are imperative. A farmer boy was never more needed on the farm than is the experienced cowboy, now, on the ranch. Taking these boys away from the employ of the stockman is irreparable hurt to the industry in a time of drouth, such as this, when cattle need the most careful, experienced handling and management."

Second. Hundreds of our young men have invested heavily in cattle, borrowing large sums of money on their holdings. Called to military service, their interests must be abandoned, sacrificed at a time when loss to them means loss to the nation's food supply. As contemplated by the selective draft law, the product of the ranch is as necessary to the maintenance of our nation's military establishment as is the product of the farm. We understand the President has full power in designating necessary industrial exemptions. We urge, then, that you use your influence diligently, to induce the President to recognize the cattle industry as not less essential than other branches of agriculture and to so certify to district exemption boards for observance, bearing in mind that West Texas is the greatest cattle producing region within our nation.

Signed,  
D. W. Brunson,  
J. M. Jemison,  
C. C. Railey,  
Clarence Scharbauer,  
J. A. Nave,  
C. A. Goldsmith,  
E. P. Cowden,  
W. H. Brunson,  
Chris Scharbauer,  
J. H. Epley,  
J. C. Roberts,  
H. N. Garrett,  
Chas. L. Sinclair,  
S. W. Estes,  
E. M. Clayton, Jr.,  
W. R. Chancellor,  
Jax M. Cowden,  
W. H. Cowden,  
F. F. Elkin,  
O. B. Holt,  
B. N. Aycock,  
Martin Bros.

## EXCURSION SUNDAY ON THE M. & N. W. RAILWAY

The M. & N. W. Ry. will run an excursion, Sunday, Sept. 16th to Florey. The people of the Florey community and the citizens of Seminole will meet the train at Florey and get together and get acquainted meeting will be held. In the Florey community the Florey people want to show the citizens of Midland a couple of thousand acres of good corn that has been raised this year in spite of the drouth. Bring your lunch basket and forget your troubles for a day. Come and have a good time. Ladies and children especially invited.

For the round trip, 75¢ children, round trip, 40¢. Train will leave Midland at 9 a. m., arriving at Florey at 12 noon, returning, leave Florey at 3 p. m., arriving at Midland, 6 p. m. Tickets may be purchased at City Drug Store or general offices at any time, will also be on sale at the new station of the M. & N. W. on the 16th.

## COWDENS' ANGUS CATTLE IN TOPEKA

Show Herd of Thirteen Head in Competition with Other Herds of National Fame

On account of the illness of the head of the firm, G. F. Cowden & Son, we were unable to secure such data last week as would enable us to intelligently comment on the firm's shipment of their show cattle to Topeka, Kans., there, this week, to enter competition with such stuff as will be shown in the nation's greatest fairs and stock shows this fall.

The Cowdens' herd left Midland for Topeka last week, on the 5th, and there are 13 head, including 1 cow, 2 two-year-old heifers, 1 senior yearling heifer, 2 seniors and 1 junior heifer calf, 1 two-year-old bull—Prizemere—3 bull calves, and 1 baby beef.

Two of this show herd are daughters of the Cowdens' show cow, Myra of Topeka, Kan., one of them was born at Topeka, Kan., Sept. 6th, 1915, the night before the mother was made grand champion Angus cow, and at the National Breeders and Feeders Show at Fort Worth last spring defeated her mother.

Messrs. Cowden expect to show this fall at Topeka and Hutchinson, Kan.; Kansas City, Mo.; Oklahoma City and Muskogee, Okla., and Dallas, Texas.

G. F. Cowden & Son are the most prominent breeders of registered Angus cattle in the Midland Country, or this section of the west, and their past winnings have placed them high in the esteem of the nation. Young Mr. Cowden, Elliott, especially is a close student of breedings, and, time after time, he has looked the north over for choice stock, buying the best regardless of price. Their show herd is thus choice and ranked among an exclusive few, the nation-wide, and this, of course, means the world-wide. It was expected that the cattle would be judged at Topeka Wednesday, and that a telegram may acquaint us with the winnings of Messrs. Cowden. If so we may be enabled to add a foot-note to this comment, or to insert a paragraph elsewhere in these columns to that effect.

We confidently expect this herd of Angus stuff to make a brilliant showing in all the above-named shows.

## DR. CLARK GOES TO CAMP PIKE, ARKANSAS

It will be remembered by readers of The Reporter that Dr. J. F. Clark, dentist, volunteered into the United States service two or three months ago, and was accepted in the officers' reserve corps, medical department, as a lieutenant. Since then he has been awaiting orders. Wednesday night he was ordered, by wire, to report at Camp Pike, Little Rock, Ark. The wire came at 11 o'clock p. m., and he left at 4:20 a. m., a bit over 5 hours after receipt of the summons. His wife left with him, going to Waco to visit her sister. She will remain there for a short time until the doctor arranges for her to join him in Little Rock.

## RETURNS FROM ARIZONA; BRINGS GOOD REPORT

Lum Daugherty came in from his ranch Monday night and says while it is very dry out there, still he ran into a big rain when he struck the south camp on the "C" ranch. It rained so hard and long that he was compelled to leave his outfit and come on to town, returning for it the next day. Lum recently returned from Arizona and Deming, N. M., and gives favorable reports of that country.

Our old friend, J. S. Coleman, a former citizen of Midland, was here this week from his place near Knowles, N. M. Says his cattle are in fair shape for the winter and grass is pretty good.

## THIRTEEN CALLED FOR NEXT FRIDAY

Squad will Entrain on No. 6 Sept. 21 and Will be in Charge of Capt. L. Bowles

Midland's second increment of recruits, resulting from the selective draft law, will be entrained on No. 6 next Friday, Sept. 21st. Orders to that effect were received by the local board yesterday, and the increment, as per a previous order, had already been selected. They are: Morgan E. Cole, Jr., Marian C. Morrow, Thos. L. Beauchamp, Daniel T. Ratliff, Kenton S. Boone, Jas. H. Norred, Jas. H. Truelove, George Hulen King, Lawrence R. Bowles, Aaron Patton, Neal B. Staton, Jesse W. Nixon, and Walter (Bob) Preston.

This squad will be in charge of Capt. Bowles from Midland to Camp Travis, San Antonio. The Reporter here suggests that the city of Midland should give our soldier-boys-to-be a nice send-off; a nice barbecue, picnic, or other social event. Many of the boys have already gone and we regret that they were not recipients of some suitable public demonstration that would tend to recognize their patriotism and be an expression of appreciation therefor.

## THREE HERDS BEING SHOWN BY HALFF

Three Head to be in Kansas City Royal and The Balance in Other Shows

Despite the drouth and other adverse conditions—principally among the latter that we are to have no fair at Midland this fall—our stockmen are going to do themselves proud this year at other famous shows, ranging from the Amarillo fair to the Kansas City Royal. Principal among Midland exhibitors will be Henry M. Halff, who will have three herds in the several cattle shows. These three herds number 38 head and two of them were shipped to the north last Saturday, and the third herd will be shipped tomorrow to Oklahoma City. From there it will come back to the Amarillo. This last herd is another crack-jack, and Halff and other Midland exhibitors will show all comers that Midland is still producing the highest type of the Hereford, that when they want the very best they will have to come to Midland.

Another of Midland's prominent exhibiting firms is that of Mrs. H. M. Pegues & Son. Yesterday they shipped their famous herd of Anxiety show cattle, or twelve head of them, to Oklahoma City. They will come back to the Amarillo and Dallas fairs. The Pegues herd has among its numbers one animal for which they paid \$7,000, an Anxiety bull, and they'll all have to go some to be in his class.

Henry Pegues, junior member of the firm, will be in charge of this exhibition, while Mr. Halff also left yesterday evening to join his herds that have been shipped to Hutchinson, Kan. Besides the 38 show cattle, Mr. Halff is taking 15 head of fine animals up there to sell.

We mention in another column the show cattle, registered Angus, that have been shipped to the fairs by G. F. Cowden & Son.

## GALBRAITH NEW MANAGER AT THE LIGHT PLANT

R. B. Galbraith has recently been put in charge of the Midland Light Company's plant. He comes from Sweetwater, where he was employed by the Texas Power and Light Company, and is recommended not only as an expert electrical man, but as a first class fellow, all around. We welcome him and wish him good luck.

## THE GHORAL CLUB RESUMED WORK

Society of 45 Members Re-Organize for Year and Sing Some Famous Selections

On last Tuesday evening forty-five of our best singers met at the high school building to resume the work of the Midland Choral Club for the year. The re-organization of the club was effected by the re-election of the following officers: J. E. Nelson, president; M. F. Armstrong, vice president; Miss Elma Graves, secretary and treasurer; W. W. Lackey, director; Miss Frank Luther, pianist; Miss Eddie Taylor, assistant pianist; N. Y. Henry, librarian.

Thursday evening at 7:30 was decided upon as the day and the hour of the regular weekly meetings. An annual membership fee of 50 cents was decided upon for each member with no monthly dues. It was also decided to invite subscribers to the choral club for the year, the amount subscribed and the membership fees to go toward defraying the expenses of music and of printing for the year. It is the plan of the organization to give two or three free concerts during the year. The organization being perfected, the club engaged in an hour's rehearsal of a few famous choruses. Among these were the following: Unfold Ye Portals, from The Redemption, Benedictus, from St. Cecilia; To Thee, O Country, a national anthem, and the beautiful Forget-Me-Not, by Giesepa, Op. 270.

The Midland Choral Society is beginning its fourth year's work with the largest enrollment it has ever had, and this promises to be a very successful and profitable year with it.

Following is a list of those enrolled as members of the club Tuesday evening. Mrs. Chas. B. Herrman, Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer, Miss Beulah Graves, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. McCarter, Mrs. J. W. Cowan, Miss Gladys Little, Miss Frank Luther, pianist; Miss Viola Reynolds, Miss Susie Brunson, Miss Lula Mae Brunson, Miss Elizabeth Davis, Miss Elma Graves, Miss Lucile Horton, Miss Lorene Edwards, Miss Lotta Williams, Miss Margaret Jones, Miss Katherine Raley, Miss Arnie Smith, Miss Myrtle Tanner, Miss Alma Cowan, Miss Maggie McCormick, Miss Pearl McCormick, Mr. Wm. P. Goar, Miss Thelma Wolfgen, Miss Ora Mae Terry, Miss Elizabeth White, Miss Alma Williams, Miss Kathryn Welborn, Miss Cammie Sue Green, Miss Beulah Talley, M. F. Armstrong, Hugh Wight, N. Y. Henry, J. E. Nelson, W. W. Lackey, Miss Eddie Taylor.

Others present, but not joining, due to their going away to school soon, were: Misses Nadine Pollard, Leona McCormick and Mary Jane Carr. In addition to these mentioned above, the following, with many others will become members: J. M. Gilmore, Fred Parnell, Misses Gladys Holt, Hallie Rhea Jewell, Lena Kate Baker, Hazel Exadrick, Florence McKissick, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Foster and Rev. J. W. Cowan being present invited the club to sing at the Methodist church in the near future.

## HALFF SOLD REGISTERED HEREFORDS TO COWDEN

One of the best registered cattle sales we have heard of in some time was made this week by Henry M. Halff, when he contracted to W. F. Cowden 20 head of 1917 bull calves. Mr. Cowden, heretofore, has gone to the north, usually, for his h. i. bulls, but he finds it no longer necessary when our breeders have as good as can be found anywhere.

C. M. Armstrong is another subscriber to The Reporter, a new one. He was here this week from Andrews County, and reports not only some pretty fair local showers, but the recent sale of 500 calves to Chas. Lyons, of Cochran County. Terms private.

## DEISEL ENGINES FOR LIGHT CO.

Twin Machines of 120 Horsepower Expected to be Here Within Thirty Days

Within the past sixty days the Midland Light Company has been most unfortunate. To start their streak of ill luck, the crank shaft of the big engine broke some two months ago, and to put it again in running order entailed an expense of some \$2500, including new parts, substitute engines, extra help, etc., but not including an immense amount of nerve-racking worry on the part of the management. Naturally, during these trying times, the service of the light plant has not been up to standard. Hardly had the big engine been repaired, when an error on the part of one of the night operators caused another almost equally serious break-down. It is actually surprising that the company has been able to give any service at all, under such handicaps, and would not had it not been for the Herculean efforts on the part of the local management. Instead of complaint, our people should really bestow upon the manager, Mr. Gaston, and Mr. Mitchell, the general engineer, a vote of thanks for their sleepless nights and untiring efforts which have resulted in keeping things moving.

But these troubles are soon to be things of the past. Last Tuesday O. L. Alexander, Dallas, supervising engineer for the Southern Ice and Utilities Company, was in Midland, on his return from Nogales, Ariz. He informs us that at Nogales he contracted for two 120-horsepower Deisel engines and two 100-kw. generators to be shipped to Midland at once, under a guarantee that they are to arrive here within thirty days. When you say Deisel you speak of the highest efficiency in oil-burning engines, and when we are assured of two of these engines, either of which is equal, even superior, to both the engines now in use, we are given a liberal guarantee that the future lighting and power system of our city will be equal to any emergency whatsoever.

Again The Reporter urges that, rather than complain at our city, its people, should vote thanks to Mr. Gaston, the local manager of the company, and his associates for their never-failing efforts, sleepless, tireless efforts to keep things moving, and to the company itself upon a manifest spirit to spare no expense in putting in a new equipment, one that will be adequate to all purposes in Midland for many years to come.

The large engine now in use at the plant is expected to be again in operation in a day or two. So soon as it is proven, the smaller engine will be removed and a foundation put in for one of the Deisels, and when the latter is installed the present large engine will be taken out and the other Deisel installed, and it is confidently expected that the first Deisel engine will be in operation in less than sixty days.

## ANGUS BULLS SOLD TO AN EL PASO BUYER

G. F. Cowden & Son are this week again credited with a nice sale of Angus breeding bulls, having sold 20 head to J. P. Powell, of El Paso, which were shipped to Van Horn, and 2 head to B. H. Turner, to be sent to Hobbs, N. M. They will go as far as Fasken, via the M. & N. W. The bulls are unregistered, but purebred, and a fine lot of young stuff.

## GOLDSMITH SOLD FIVE HUNDRED COWS AND CALVES

C. A. Goldsmith this week lighten ed up his holdings for the winter, by selling 500 cows and calves to Campbell & McElroy, of Canyon, Texas. The delivery was made this week and shipment made.

### The Discriminating Housewives

Buy their Groceries at this Store because for years this firm has rendered a continuous satisfactory service in delivering standard, nationally known brands and final-low-cost foods, together with fruits and vegetables in season in greater variety than elsewhere.

**TEST US**

"The Most of the Best for the Price" at all times

**OUR PRICES ARE AS LOW AS THE LOWEST----Trade Where YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD**

PHONES: Grocery, No. 6; Dry Goods, 284

## THE MERCANTILE

"The Store that Saves You Money"

### The Famous "PALMER" Garment

In Ladies' Coats and Coat Suits will please the most fastidious. Come in and look them over. Our ready-to-wear department is now well stocked with the best the market affords in Ladies' Ready-to-Wear. Prices are reasonable, considering the QUALITY.

We are always glad to show you, whether you want to buy or not.

# We Have With Us Today--Autumn

And there's a touch of crispness in the evening and early morning air that reminds us that Summer is almost spent, and at the approach of the new season, our minds instinctively turn to the

## New Fall Styles

We are very glad to announce that much more satisfactory than at any previous season, this store is prepared to show you the Really New Fall Styles and Fabrics.

## The New Coats

of Pom Pom, Velours, Bolivia Cloths, Plushes and Broadcloths that have arrived the past few days are exact duplicates of what you would see in the best of the City Stores in the whole Southwest, while

## The New Suits

of Gaberdine, Broadcloth, Burella, Serges, Silver tones and Wool Poptins, are tailored after the leading style authorities of the country.

Especially in Suits do you note the tendency toward plain tailored effects that characterize the ultra fashionable modes of the season, and still, in the splendid assortment of styles that is accumulating in our cases, you will find "snap and life" enough to satisfy your desire for the novelty.

## Serge Dresses

Promise to be one of the big features of the season, and our showing of these popular garments is being added to by almost every express.

## Silk Dresses

This season, will be made almost exclusively of Satins and Charmeuse with Georgette combinations, and in both the Serge and the Silk Dresses, gold and silver metallic and bright silk embroidery work is brought out in beautiful effects.

## Colorings

This season has brought us the New Pekin Blue and the Beet Root, the two new novelty shades, while Browns and Taupe promise to prove among the most popular shades of the season. Navy, Burgandy and Russian Green will be good and black will be seen more than usual, especially in the broadcloths and satins.

## Trimmings

For Coats and Suits, the new Karami Fur Fabric will prove the choicest trimming for Collars, Cuffs and Bands and Military Braid will be used on the more plainly tailored styles.

Fur and Buttons will be used extensively for trimming, while some velvet will be seen.

## Skirts and Waists

Skirts will be of Satins, Silk Poptins and plain cloths, such as Serges, Gabardines and Wool Poptins, with some novelty plaids and stripes.

Georgette and Crepe de Chine will be the most favored material for Waists, and they will be seen in white, flesh and suit shades.

## The Price

This is one of the extraordinary features of our wonderful showing of Ready-to-Wear this season, and you will be pleasantly surprised to find prices more reasonable than you expect.

Suits begin at \$16.50 and are priced at \$18.75, \$19.50, \$21.50, \$22.75, \$24.50, \$26.75 and up to \$49.50.

Coats are priced at \$11.75, \$13.50, \$15.00, \$16.75 and by easy stages up to \$47.50.

Serge Dresses begin at \$10.00 and up to as high as \$29.50, while the Silk Dresses begin at \$14.75 and up to \$45.00.

Skirts at \$4.85 to \$16.75.

Waists at \$2.85 to \$9.85.

By our system of doing business we know that we will save you from \$2.50 to \$12.50 on your Suit or Coat, and proportionately as much on every item in this store.

## Special

At \$7.85 we offer some wonderful values in all-wool Novelty Sport Coats, for school and early fall wear. These were bought at a bargain, and are really worth \$12.50. Choice \$7.85

# Wadley-Patterson Co.

One Price--the Lowest--for Cash Only

### ANOTHER ROAD BOND ISSUE IS PROBABLE

Here is a recent editorial comment by the Dallas News: "The people of Tom Green county have done a wise thing, it seems to The News, in deciding to begin immediately \$200,000 of road construction work that had been resolved on, but set for some time in the future. The explanation is given in a brief dispatch appearing in The News the other day. To furnish employment for drought-stricken farmers and to keep intact the population of Tom Green county, the county will spend \$250,000 in the construction of good roads. Bonds to that amount will be issued immediately."

The labor cost will be less than it would have been at this time last year, and less than it will be at this time next year, in every likelihood. Farmers who have been forced into idleness by the drought will get a chance to earn money that they sorely need, and moreover, be enabled to stay in Tom Green county, whereas, without the employment that will thus be given them, they would be compelled to emigrate. Here are three highly beneficial effects of this decision, which commend it as a business proposition, as a philanthropic one and as an industrial one affecting the whole county. The Reporter reproduces the above from the Dallas News as a thought to consider when Midland county may propose another road bond issue, which

is likely in the interests of the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway, figures on which we give in another column. HOME ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR FEW DAYS Frank Dyer, who enlisted in the aviation corps and went to San Antonio some days ago to enter into practice, is home on leave of absence for a few days. Mrs. Dyer and the children are visiting friends and relatives in San Antonio. Don Clayton and wife returned the first of the week from their ranch in Andrews county and report pretty fair rains. Mr. Clayton renewed his subscription to The Reporter.

## THE FORT WORTH EL PASO HIGHWAY

Cost Estimates Offered by Geo. A. Duren, State Highway Engineer, Indicate \$1,025,241

The State Highway Commission recently inspected the El Paso-Mineral Wells division of the proposed Texarkana-El Paso State highway, that portion between Mineral Wells and Dallas previously having been inspected by George A. Duren, State Highway Engineer. In commenting upon the present condition of this road and improvements he recommended, Mr. Duren said:

We found the highway in El Paso County in excellent condition. Beginning at the New Mexico line north of El Paso, the highway is an excellent sample of concrete road, eighteen feet wide, running some twenty miles to El Paso, where it joins with well paved streets of that city. East of El Paso the highway is in good condition and is constructed, for the most part, I understand, of asphaltic macadam. El Paso and El Paso County have progressed wonderfully and have excellent paved ways and are now ready without any State or Federal aid, for the State to connect up highway No. 1 with their modern system of highways.

Hudspeth County--The highway in Hudspeth County has been recently improved by grading and construction of pipe culverts and wooden bridges. The road in general parallels the Texas & Pacific Railway, but frequently it cuts across country in order to avoid the detours made by the railway to secure easy grades. The road through this county is in part surfaced with rock, gravel and calache. The road crosses many small arroyos tributary to the Rio Grande and winds in and out of the foothills of the Finley and Quitman Mountains.

Culberson County--The road through this county is roughly graded and "washboard" sections where road building materials are abundant. At Van Horn, the county seat of Culberson County, Mr. Wells, engineer for the district engineer's office of the United States Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering; J. D. Merriweather, highway engineer, have inspected the road running north to Orange, N. M. This road is a state route and on it federal aid can be granted. The east and west road is typical of a large portion of the entire line west of Big Spring, in that it is not a post road; practically all of the post roads are roads running at right angles to this line leading out from the railroad stations.

Suffers from Cloudbursts The road running north from Van Horn to Orange, N. M., crosses the divide between Baylor and Sierra Diablo Mountains and descends again into the Van Horn Valley, west of the Delta Mountains. Good road building gravel is found in abundance over the entire route within a haul of not to exceed two miles. The principal difficulty encountered will be that of drainage. There is little rainfall, but cloudbursts are frequent and the water will descend over extensive slopes of the mountain in such a way that it is exceedingly difficult to prevent the destruction of a road from this cause.

Reeves County--The road across Reeves County is in good shape and can be put in first class condition at small expense for surfacing and at a not great expense for bridges and culverts.

Ward County--Ward County is sandy, but a sufficient amount of clay is mixed with it to furnish fairly good subgrade near the Pecos River, but it gradually becomes more sandy toward the east to about Byrde. From there to Abilene sand is not deep and a good subgrade may be secured by removing surface sand down to the hard pan. Just east of Abilene the Monahans sands begin, so that all highway traffic has heretofore stopped.

Between Monahans and a point just east of Judkins, in Ector County, there are impassable sands where one sand dune follows another in peaks and ridges like the waves of the sea. The Texas & Pacific Railway has maintained a track through this area of sand by surfacing the railway embankments with cinders, calache and other materials not affected by the highway through these sands it will be necessary to establish a subgrade by making sand fill across holes made by the wind, using flat easy slopes to the sides of excavations and embankments, on which slopes calache, which is to be had in abundance near Monahans and Judkins, will be spread.

As a temporary measure, prior to spreading calache, the sand may be held in place by the use of shimmery, grease wood and bushes or small weed-like growth of oak sprouts, found abundantly in this area. Calache will be used in thick layer of about ten inches thick for width of fifteen feet to carry traffic. Instead of calache, if clay can be secured at a low cost, it may be used in surfacing the slopes and in the lower course of the road surfacing.

Ector County--About six miles of the twenty miles of the sands just referred to is in Ector County, after leaving which the road is usually a good road for automobiles, but somewhat sandy in spots. There is some gravel available, but calache will probably have to be used for surfacing.

Midland County--Through Midland and Martin counties, and, in fact throughout this highway west of Sweetwater, automobile roads are separated from wagon roads, the wagon roads being graded roads that become bad in wet weather. The automobile roads traverse pastures and at fence lines cross cattle guards. The road is across undisturbed ground and consists merely of wide, shallow ruts made by automobile wheels and they are maintained by dragging or left entirely undisturbed.

Howard County--The road is better graded throughout Howard County and for the most part surfaced with a good gravel, which is found at various points along the road.

Mitchell County--The road through

We are Now Selling the **Brownwood Cake Flour** Its the Best we can get. Fine time to buy your **Fall Stock.** **SMITH BROTHERS** Phone No. 3 Midland, Texas

**KEEP IN MIND** The Fact That **LEE HEARD** Can fill your orders from a clean, fresh stock of groceries. Our fruits and vegetables can't be beat. Try us for quick delivery. Our motto is "Quantity, Quality and Quick Delivery." **PHONE 157**

**THE CASH MARKET** ANDREWS & BOSLEY, Props. **PHONES 300 and 71** Midland people especially know the senior member of this firm, John Andrews. They know he will furnish the best meats to be had. Mr. Bosley, too, is an expert cutter, and to trade at **The Cash Market** means absolute satisfaction. We guarantee it. Prompt Delivery of Phone Calls

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Mitchell County for the most part is of a sand-clay nature. Nolan County--The road through Nolan County is graded, but in need of extensive improvement. Road Surfaced with Oil Taylor County--The road through Taylor County throughout most of its length is a fine gravel road, part of which has been surfaced with an asphaltic oil with excellent results. Judge E. M. Overstine informed me that as a maintenance measure Taylor County is preparing to treat most its principal gravel highways in this manner, and, although the work heretofore done was made with an asphalt.

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**AMERICA'S PROPOSED SECOND LIBERTY LOAN**

It is contemplated that the Second Liberty Loan campaign will close on the first of November, next, and that the active campaign will begin not later than October 1st.

The details of the loan cannot be given out until the Congress has acted upon the bond bill now pending. As soon as the new law has been passed announcement of the details of the loan will be made. Obviously no subscriptions will be received to the new loan until the Congress has acted upon the pending measure and announcement of the issue made.

"I earnestly hope," said Secretary McAdoo, "that all Liberty Loan committees already existing will perfect their organizations immediately and get themselves in readiness for the next Liberty Loan campaign, and that new organizations will be effected wherever possible throughout the country for furthering this great service to the Nation."

As in the previous loan, the general direction of the campaign in each Federal Reserve District will be under the supervision of the Federal Reserve Bank of that District as the fiscal agent of the Government, and all Liberty Loan committees are urged to get in

touch with the Federal Reserve Bank of their District and actively engaged in the preliminary work of preparing for the next campaign.

**CATTLE AND RANCH DEALS MADE LAST WEEK**

Cox & Heard sold their ranch, located 20 miles west of Seminole, also all cattle, to Blodworth Cattle Company, of Midland.

Cox & Heard sold 500 heifer yearlings belonging to C. M. Armstrong to C. J. Lyne, of near Bronco.

Cox & Heard sold 300 heifer and steer yearlings belonging to Tom Ross to Chas. Donald, of Hereford.

C. B. Richards sold six sections of land belonging to J. A. Eichelberger, of Midland, to Geo. T. McClintic, of Midland. This ranch formerly belonged to J. W. Childers.

W. R. Slaton sold his ranch 10 miles east of Seminole consisting of 7-1-2 sections, together with 43 leased sections, to Proctor Bros., of Midland—Seminole Sentinel.

**THIRTY-FIVE HEAD CATTLE KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK**

R. E. Van Huss returned Wednesday of last week from Kansas, where day of last week from Kansas, where he had been with several carloads of cattle. He reports that his train was in a wreck and 35 head of cattle were killed and crippled.



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tic oil of more than 85 per cent, that they are contemplating for convenience in application the use of a 55 per cent asphaltic oil.

Shackelford County—From Abilene we went to Albany over a road passing through large pastures and not improved. However, the county is now at work fencing the right of way and grading the road to Albany. At Albany our party received a most enthusiastic reception by a large delegation of citizens with a brass band. They have recently voted a bond issue sufficient for their present needs.

Stephens County—The road across Stephens County shows little improvement, but we were informed that a county bond issue would be carried for improving their highways.

Palo Pinto County—Palo Pinto County roads are well graded and to a large extent have been surfaced with gravel, under the direction of James C. Travilla.

Our inspection ended at Mineral Wells on this trip. On a previous trip on June 25th, the writer inspected the road between Fort Worth and Mineral Wells. In Parker County, on each side of Weatherford, the road is fairly well improved, but for the most part is in need of considerable amount of grading and surfacing. Through Tarrant County the road is in excellent condition and surfaced in part with a first class asphaltic macadam. In Dallas County the road is surfaced, but in part is badly worn and in urgent need of maintenance.

Road building materials abound in El Paso, Hudspeth and Culberson counties. The road traverses oils of quarternary formation, where Uvalde and Reynosa gravels and sands, and clay deposits are found. This is in part hilly and mountainous country, with rock hills abounding in gravel, granites, limestones, sand stones and quartz sites are easily accessible. Some of the road building materials found are rhyolite of the Carrizo Mountains, basalt and strongly metamorphosed limestone of the Cox Mountain; limestone cliffs of Sierra Diablo, very hard conglomerate of igneous and metamorphic rocks cemented by iron oxide, lime and silica, near Eagle Flat and Carrizo Stations; quartzitic material in sharp, angular fragments covering slopes and summits of the Sierra Blanca Mountain groups; metamorphic sandstone and limestone in the Quitman Pass in Quitman Mountains, and hard limestone near Eagle Flat Station; strongly micaceous granite, breaking through micaceous schists in spur of the Van Horn Mountains; gravel in the rugged hills along Glenn Creek loosely cemented by silica. The hills are very and wide ravines and mesalike elevations along southern slopes of Eagle Mountain and Quitman Mountain; conglomerate and breccia southwest of Grayson; metamorphosed limestone in foothills on northwest side of Eagle Mountain; porphyries southwest of Dalberg; granites, porphyries and basalt north of the Quitman Mountains; various igneous and metamorphic rocks near Van Horn; granite of great strength and durability in Hueco Mountains; granite and rhyolite near Sierra Blanca; limestone and limestone conglomerate in dome of Finlay Mountains, diabase, or trap rock, in the Franklin Mountains; and rhyolite porphyry hills in Rio Grande southwest of the Franklin Mountains; syenite porphyry near El Paso; granite in quite a number of locations in El Paso and Hudspeth counties; rhyolite porphyry in the central part of Franklin Mountains; numerous gravel deposits near El Paso.

A large cement plant at El Paso has inexhaustible supply of limestone and shale. There are several large gravel and sand pits about El Paso, and there is also a sand and gravel screening plant at El Paso.

In Culberson County, in the Chispa and Wiley Mountains, is found vesicular lavas and also granite, andesite and basalt. In the Van Horn Mountains are found diabase, basalt and andesite; also in the ravines west of Van Horn are found granite and crystalline schists. Five or six miles southwest of Van Horn diabase, or trap rock, is found, a prominent ridge of which is more than two miles long. Limestone and sandstone are found in the Horse Shoe Draw of the Rustler Hills and also on the Gogue trail, about eighteen miles south of Guadalupe Point. This is on the post road running north from Van Horn to Orange, N. M. There is found, in fact, all along this highway in Reeves County gravel of iron ore and ferruginous sandstone. In the Pecos Valley of Reeves County the road crosses a strip of the Permian formation, composed mainly of caliche. Between Barstow and Colorado the line traverses more or less sandy soil of a later cenozoic, undivided, formation common to the Panhandle section of Texas, being composed of sand, clays and gravel, where ground water can usually be secured at shallow depths. Just east of Big Spring Mountain overlooks the plains, following which are the breaks of the Colorado River.

Between Colorado and Albany the line traverses the Permian formation composed of limestone, dolomite, red clays, conglomerate, gypsum and salt beds. Caliche and gravel deposits are found at frequent intervals in this section.

Between Albany and Weatherford the land is of the Pennsylvania formation abounding in sandstone, shales, limestones, conglomerate and cherts, found along this route.

Between Weatherford and Handley the formation is Comanches, crystalline, composed mainly of limestone, marly clays, sandstones and conglomerates.

Between Handley and Dallas is the upper cretaceous formation, composed mainly of marly clay, chalk, sandstone and Navorro marls.

The highway between Fort Worth and Dallas is, as mentioned above, in a partial state of improvement, and in order to secure a highway of substantial nature acceptable to the State Highway Department, further im-

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Improvement will be necessary, at a cost of not less than the tabulated estimates as follows:

Summary of construction cost of the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway:

County—	Grading	Surfacing	Bridges & Culv'ts	Eng. & Supt.	Totals	Miles
Tarrant	\$ 650	\$ 4,497	\$ 255	\$ 1,080	\$ 6,482	14
Parker	17,500	65,500	21,000	5,200	109,200	35
Palo Pinto	8,900	90,975	9,600	10,940	120,415	45.13
Eastland	19,950	69,200	33,320	12,530	125,000	35
Callahan	20,150	61,776	16,769	9,577	108,272	36
Taylor	1,140	15,860	—	—	17,000	30
Nolan	17,300	12,500	19,230	4,900	53,930	31
Mitchell	3,000	15,000	2,000	2,000	22,000	31
Howard	12,175	16,716	6,925	3,582	39,398	32
Martin	4,100	2,200	1,100	740	8,140	13
Midland	10,140	1,410	776	1,282	13,588	26.5
Ector	6,910	19,796	2,560	2,837	31,203	31.5
Ward	20,880	47,250	3,850	5,000	76,980	44
Reeves	9,250	600	17,106	3,044	30,000	45
Culberson	22,350	12,000	12,950	5,000	52,300	50
El Paso	10,000	35,000	2,000	3,000	50,000	120
Totals	\$182,415	\$461,282	\$149,442	\$72,102	\$865,241	635
Stephens	—	—	—	—	80,000	33
Stephens	—	—	—	—	80,000	42
					\$1,025,241	

In explanation of some of the low costs of surfacing set forth in this estimate, I beg to state that in many cases road surfacing of poor quality is contemplated in some sections of the West, since it is deemed permissible to use materials in the dry and arid climate with satisfactory results that would not be permissible in parts of the State subject to greater rainfall. The annual average precipitation at El Paso is less than one-third of the precipitation at Dallas and that evaporation takes place at a much greater rate than precipitation, so that the air is dry, and this dryness inhibits chemical decomposition so that limestone, gypsum and caliche can be used to a far greater extent for road building purposes here than in wetter climates.

**Importance of Highway**

The importance of this highway to Texas cannot be overestimated. El Paso and its wonderful resources is connected with New Mexico with excellently improved highways, but is cut off from the rest of Texas by the Monahans sands, rugged hills and mountains lying south and southwest of same, so that El Paso is practically, in a commercial sense, a New Mexico city. This highway would serve Texas, and that part of the United States as the great gateway to New Mexico between Texas and the Pacific ocean. It would furnish an open highway to tourists all the year round, one that would not be closed during parts of the year by ice and snow, such as happens on transcontinental routes through the more northern States.

**SECOND BOND ISSUE TO START OCTOBER FIRST**

Secretary McAdoo of the Treasury has issued a statement that the campaign to sell the second issue of Liberty Loan Bonds will close on the first of November, 1917, and the active campaign will begin not later than a month before that date.

The Secretary explains that details of the second loan cannot be given out until final action has been taken by Congress upon the war bond bill now pending, but announces that as soon as a new law has been passed the details will be given out.

The Secretary expresses a hope that all existing Liberty Loan committees will perfect their organizations and new organizations be effected in readiness for the next campaign.

As in the first campaign, the campaign in each Federal Reserve District will be under the supervision of the Federal Reserve Bank, which will act as the fiscal agent of the government.

W. C. Creed, a cowman from Hunt County, was in Midland recently, in the market for from 1900 to 3000 steers. He ordered The Reporter.

G. B. Grubbs was a business visitor from El Paso last Saturday.

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Social Affairs

By L. G. W., Phone 88

Cowden-Adams

A wedding of the week which is of wide interest was that of Miss Bernice Cowden and Mr. G. W. Adams, of Van Horn. The marriage was solemnized Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at the bride's home. Rev. J. W. Cowan, of the Methodist church, the officiating minister. It was a beautiful home wedding, with only the family and a wide circle of intimate friends being present, but the effect of the whole seemed to create an atmosphere symbolizing sacredness, beauty and happiness.

Miss Frank Luther very effectively played "The Perfect Day" as a pre-nuptial solo and Mendelssohn's Wedding March as a processional. The bridal party entered in the following order: First, little Susan and Jax Cowden, Jr., who drew the maline ribbons to form the path for the bridal party. The officiating minister came next, followed by Mr. Jax Cowden, groomsmen; Mrs. Jax Day, of Cuero, matron of honor, brother and sister of the bride. Then came Miss Annie Lee Cowden, maid of honor, with Mr. Oliver Adams, brother of the groom, as best man. They were followed by Annie Boyd Spaulding, Dorothy Cowden, who looked like veritable tiny fairy Cupids dressed in little pink maline frocks, and scattering perfumed rose petals from their elfin baskets in the pathway of the bride and groom. The bridal party formed what might be termed a classic group in the wide doorway and stood directly beneath a beautiful shower decoration of white flowers, with a green foliage background, tied with airy loops of pink maline.

The ring ceremony was used, the service being read in a beautifully impressive manner by Bro. Cowan. The bride was becomingly attired in a handsome gown of oyster grey broadcloth and mole-skin with a hat of mole-skin and silver lace, gloves and shoes harmonizing. She carried a bouquet of bride's roses. Mrs. Day, the matron of honor, wore a beautiful creation of green messalin and broadcloth and carried a bouquet of pink asters.

Miss Annie Lee Cowden, the honor maid, was handsomely gowned in a lavender broadcloth model with a bouquet of purple asters. The groom and his attendants were attired in the conventional black.

After the most loving felicitations had been extended the newly wedded couple, brick tea cream and cake were served by Misses Hallie Rhea Jewell, Lena Kate Baker, Annie Mae Patterson, Jera Edwards and Mary Francis Cowden.

The house was decorated with artistic effect by Mesdames W. C. Cochran, Chas. Edwards and Horie Cowden. The dining room was particularly a bower of loveliness. Centering the table was a wonderfully beautiful wedding cake decorated in natural sprays of roses. This cake which would have graced any function or table, was also the creation of the deft fingers of Mesdames Cochran and Edwards. The cutting of the cake was the occasion of much merriment. The bride cut the dime, Miss Gladys Holt the ring, Mr. Oliver Adams the button and Miss Jera Edwards the thimble.

Mrs. Adams, who has been reared in Midland and is a member of one of our most prominent families, has also been prominent in all social activities. She is the possessor of a rarely loving and lovable nature and the many beautiful wedding gifts which she received attests her popularity. She is much traveled, having spent some months abroad and has studied in Cincinnati, Washington City and at other minor institutions.

Mr. Adams at one time lived in Midland, hence is remembered very pleasantly by a large number of friends. He is now connected with the railroad in Van Horn, where he is prominent in business circles.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams departed on No. 5 amid a shower of rice and loving wishes for a ten-day trip to the Grand Canyon in Colorado before returning to their home in Van Horn.

The out of town guests were Mr. John Adams, of Stephenville; Mrs. Otis Means, of Valentine, and Mrs. Fanny Hart, of Oklahoma City.

Surprise Birthday Party  
Mrs. E. E. Ramsey, whose activity and charm of manner refutes the mere thought of age, was the honoree of a surprise party last Tuesday evening. The party was planned and beautifully carried out in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Ramsay, in honor of their mother's 74th birthday. It was a lovely thought to thus cast this gleam of sunshine across the twilight days of one whose life's been a living sermon.

Of hope and gentle facts  
A text for human nature,  
That's found in loving acts.

The personal of this delightful affair was composed of Mesdames Beard and Watts, Mrs. J. H. Barrow, Miss Mary Barrow, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ramsey, Mesdames B. W. Lee and Louis Byers.

Kitchens-Cowan  
The little love god continues to weave his web around the destinies of our young people, both at home and abroad, as was evinced by the tidings which Rev. and Mrs. John W. Cowan received Sunday of the marriage of their son, John, to Miss Ethel Kitchens, of Mineola. Mr. Cowan will be pleasantly remembered as a holiday guest of his parents when he was quite a favorite in our local society. A young man of attractive personality, and of strong, sterling character, we wish for him and his charming bride, that the path of their future progress may ever be lined with glory, success, happiness and all those virtues which tend toward the fulfillment of a life worthy lived.

All Day Sewing Party  
The ladies of the Methodist Home Mission Society combined pleasure with a "labor of love" on Wednesday when they carried lunches and spent the day with Mrs. W. H. Brunson to sew for the little orphan which they have adopted. They had a good time—cheerily talking while plying their needles and made many pretty garments which will bring joy to a lonely little girl's heart.

Mr. Cowden Continues Very Ill  
Many sympathizing friends will be interested in the sad fact that Mr. G. F. Cowden continues critically ill. Everything that can possibly be done for his comfort is being faithfully attended by family physician, nurses and friends, and the past few days they feel that his condition is beginning to yield to treatment. We hope that he may soon have a speedy and complete recovery.

Miss Essie Cowden left Saturday for Waco to enter Baylor University.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Poole returned this week from a pleasant visit to their old home in Waco.

Miss Mozelle Cowden left Wednesday afternoon for Nashville, Tenn., to enter Ward-Belmont.

Miss Loraine Davis was called to Abilene Thursday to attend the funeral of a friend, and she returned on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howard and baby, who have been in the city for several days, left Tuesday for their home in Pecos.

Mrs. Fannie Hart, who has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Cowden, left Wednesday for her home in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Scruggs and daughters, Misses Josephine and Evelyn, left Saturday for Houston, where they will make their future home.

Miss Pearl McCall left last Wednesday for Abilene, where she will enter Simmons College for the 1917-18 term.

Miss Winnifred Clayton, of Big Spring, is a charming young Midland visitor, a guest in the home of her brother, R. M. Clayton.

Messrs. Merl Jowell, George and Guy Cowden left Tuesday for Roswell, where they will enter New Mexico Military Institute during the present school term.

Mesdames W. D. Ellis and W. E. Wallace went to San Angelo Thursday of last week, returning to accompany Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Slayton, whose little child died from the effects of a rattlesnake bite last Wednesday.

Mr. Wilber Wimberly left Tuesday morning for Abilene to enter Simmons College. This is Wilber's second term in Simmons, and his friends are very much pleased with the good record he is making.

Miss Willard Staten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Staten, is a student in the Sealey hospital at Galveston, studying to become a nurse. Last week she visited home folks and friends in Midland, returning to Galveston last Monday.

Mrs. Henry M. Half and young son, Mayer, left yesterday for San Antonio, where the young man will enter a military academy. Mrs. Half will visit there while Mr. Half is away, attending northern shows with his fine registered cattle.

Miss Hazel Frederick, of Sherman, who has been a much esteemed and charming summer visitor to Midland, will prolong her visit indefinitely. She is an accomplished stenographer and has accepted a position at the Midland National Bank.

Miss Mary Wadley, one of our home girls who was a graduate of Oak Cliff High School last June, left Wednesday for Houston, where she will continue her education in a business college in that city. While in Houston she will live with her brother, Mr. Allen Wadley, who has also made a success with a prominent firm of that city.

Mrs. R. E. Truly and little daughters, arrived from Ballinger Tuesday night to make their home in Midland. Mrs. Truly is a cousin of Mrs. N. W. Bigham, and incidentally the wife of an important member of The Reporter force. We trust that Mr. and Mrs. Truly will find much peace and happiness in our midst.

WITH THE CHURCHES

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

Presbyterian Church  
"What kind of a church would our church be,  
If every member were just like me?"  
These lines rhyme well. They jingle in our minds. Such a church ought to please me. Wonder if it will please the head of my church? What kind of prayermeeting would we have? "Every member just like me." How about our Sunday School. "Every member just like me." How about our church treasurer? How much money would we have?

The usual services on the coming Sabbath at this church, with the exception of the evening hour of worship, at 8 instead of 8.15.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
Morning worship at 11 o'clock. The subject of sermon, "The Unifying Power of Life and Society."

Evening worship at 8 o'clock.  
Prayermeeting at 8 p. m. on Wednesday. The book of Amos, the prophet, will be the subject. Wm. H. Foster.

Epworth League Rally Day  
(Sunday, Sept. 16)  
Services conducted by the president. Hymn No. 222—Onward Christian Soldiers.

Prayer—Rev. J. W. Cowan.  
Hymn No. 8—A Call for Loyal Soldiers.

Scripture lesson, Acts 1:1-8—Ruth Terry.  
Special music by Mr. Ned and Miss Lydie G. Watson.

Reading—Alma Cowan.  
A Christian's Power—N. Y. Henry.  
Vocal solo—Reba Nugent.

The Possibilities of an Epworth League—Chas. Klapproth.  
Hymn No. 36—Where He Leads I will Follow.

Roll call, announcements benediction.

Junior League  
Leader—Bessie Johnson.  
Subject—Work.

Reference word—Work.  
Scripture lesson, John 9:1-7.  
Reference text, 1 Cor. 3:9.

Solo—Viola Puckett.  
Song No. 295.  
Prayer—Leader.

Scripture lesson read by leader.  
Reference text read by Jim Flanagan.

Song No. 19.  
Roll call and response with reference word—Work.

Talks on the lesson.  
Song No. 2.  
Benediction.

B. Y. P. U.  
Leader—Bob Scruggs.  
Scripture lesson.

State Missions in the City (Matt. 9:1-3)—Hallie Rhea Jowell.

State Missions in the Country (Matt. 12:1-8)—Annie W. Wall.

State Missions by the Seashore (Matt. 4:18-22)—Irene Mabry.

State Missions in the Mountains (Matt. 9:2-8)—James Harrison.

Talk: The Call of Country and Call of Christ—Naomi Mabry.  
Vocal solo—Lula Mae Brunson.  
Talk: Religious Work Among our Soldiers—Mr. Kerr.

Will Meet With Mrs. Ellis  
The Ladies' Bible Study Class and Prayermeeting will meet with Mrs. Newmie Ellis next Wednesday at 3 o'clock. The subject will be "Work." A cordial invitation is extended to all who wish to take part.

Christian Church  
Bible school rally at 9:30 a. m.  
Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m., by the regular minister.

Junior Endeavor at 2 p. m. and Senior at 7:30 p. m.  
All cordially invited.  
J. T. McKissick.

A. Y. Bradley, of Llano, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Ligon.

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C. C. Ralley last Saturday sold 5 head of unbroken mules at \$800.

Jno Brown, whose place is east of us about 10 miles, reports the sale of 150 cows to J. E. Scott, of Lubbock. The price was \$52.50 around.

W. D. Parker, one of the cattle buyers from Mississippi, as mentioned elsewhere in this issue, is a new subscriber to The Reporter.

I. L. Skeen, of Big Spring, was here this week. He is agent for the Chevrolet and reports the sale of one to our townsman, Dr. C. H. Tigner.

C. E. Martin, a ranchman from near Lamesa, was here the first of the week. Reports some pretty fair rain, also the purchase of 200 cows at \$50.

Dick Arnett returned Wednesday from a business trip to Fort Worth. Reports rain all the way from Fort Worth to Big Spring.

Our townsman, J. H. Epley, this week sold to Mississippi parties 200 cows and calves. We did not learn prices.

Lewis Beyers and Young Lee came up from Rankin the first of the week. They report an immense rain between the Pearl Rankin and John Garner ranches.

W. T. Cryer returned yesterday from Abilene, ten miles from which city he has an extensive farm. He says conditions in that section are much improved.

Quincy Cooper was in from Odessa Tuesday and said they did not get any of the rain that fell in that vicinity Monday afternoon. It rained at Warfield, however.

Geo. T. McClintic & Sons are this week shipping 280 head of cattle to the ranch they have recently bought in Gaines County. They go via the M. & N. W.

An interesting sale of which we could learn no particulars, was the purchase by Clayton Bros. of the O. B. Holt 1917 calf crop. All considerations private.

Chas. Witcher came in from Gaines county this week and reports good rains and cattle doing well.

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THE PROGRAM FOR THE MOTHERS' CLUB

We are publishing, by request, the first three programs of the group study course in Home Economics, offered by the University of Texas, which The Mother's Club of Midland will study this year. All reference books necessary for the preparation of these programs will be found at the Library.

Program One  
Home Economics, September 21st; Mrs. J. A. Haley, leader.

Address (15 minutes)—Mrs. O. B. Holt: "The Significance of Home Economics in the Present National Crisis."

Paper—Mrs. Horton: "The Family: Its Origin and Development."

Program Two  
The Economic Function of Women, October 5th; Mrs. Majors, leader.

Paper—Mrs. John Edwards: "Woman's Place in Economics; From Savagism to the 20th Century."

Discussion—Mrs. Caldwell: "Is the Return of the Domestic Industries to the Home Desirable or Practical?"

Program Three  
The Modern Household, October 19th; Mrs. Chas. Edwards, leader.

Papers—"The Inter-Relation of the Home and the Community."  
1st. "The Municipality," Mrs. W. K. Curtis.

2nd. "Educations," Mrs. Sam Preston.

3rd. "Social and Recreational Life," Mrs. Bennett.

Discussion of the papers.

PROMINENT MISSISSIPPIANS IN MIDLAND LAST WEEK

I. W. Carpenter, of the Mississippi A. & M. College. R. T. Arnold and J. S. Wood, of Sardis, Miss., and W. D. Parker, of Moorehead, Miss., were in Midland last week. We understand that these gentlemen were here to buy cattle.

FORMER MIDLAND YOUNG MAN VISITOR IN TOWN

Austin Altizer, who was a salesman for T. S. Patterson in this city a few years ago, was here Sunday from El Paso. He is now in the U. S. army.

Chas. Witcher came in from Gaines county this week and reports good rains and cattle doing well.



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A new lot of charming models came in this week. We ask every lady to make it a point to get in early and see these models. Surely you will enjoy seeing these hats, and whether or not you contemplate an immediate purchase, we want you to call.



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Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hale are the proud parents of a 10-pound boy. The Reporter offers congratulations.

Gib Crenshaw came in from his place near Jal, N. M., the first of the week, and reports rains spotted.

I. E. Lasseter, an oil man from Colorado City, was here the latter part of last week.

Bevo advertisement featuring a bottle of Bevo and a plate of food. Text: "Bevo With a Cold Supper. Try this delicious combination of dainty food and appetizing drink: Cold salmon on lettuce leaves—mayonnaise dressing—cottage cheese—Bevo. Every one of the foregoing foods will give you an added enjoyment if you sip Bevo as you eat. But while thinking of Bevo as the ideal beverage, do not overlook its goodness as a refresher at all times. Unusual and unusually good. Bevo—the all-year-'round soft drink. Sold in bottles only and bottled exclusively by ANHEUSER-BUSCH—ST. LOUIS"

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## BELL & TOLBERT

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PHONE 150

### AUTOMOBILE DEMOLISHED BY FREIGHT TRAIN

While driving his car across the T. & P. tracks last Sunday afternoon Fred Collins came near happening to a serious accident. Just as he was crossing the track, near the oil house, a freight train came up. He did not see the train, on account of some freight cars obstructing the view, until he was between the tracks. Seeing that he would not have time to get the automobile off the track, he jumped just as the train struck the car, thus saving himself from serious, if not fatal injury.

### LEG BROKEN AS RESULT OF FALL FROM HORSE

W. M. Henton was brought in last Saturday from Andrews for treatment. He is suffering from a broken leg resulting from a fall from a horse.

### A CITIZEN OF MIDLAND WHO IS HIGHLY ESTEEMED

Hon. W. A. King, of Midland, came in Wednesday morning for a few days' visit with his daughter, Mrs. Monroe Kerr. There are few men better known along the T. & P. railway from Toyah to Baird and none more beloved, and his visits to Pecos are always welcomed. Mr. King dropped one and one-half dollars in The Enterprise till to advance his subscription dates for a year.—Pecos Enterprise Times.

### SHIPPED THREE CARS BLACK MULEYS TO OKLA.

J. R. Davis last Saturday shipped three cars of black muleys to Drumright, Okla. Mr. Davis purchased these cattle from Barber Bros. at private terms.

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

### FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

OREGON & CALIFORNIA RAILROAD CO. GRANT LANDS—Legal fight over land at last ended. Title revested in United States. Land, by Act of Congress, ordered to be opened under home-lead laws for settlement and sale. Two million three hundred thousands acres. Containing some of the best timber and agricultural lands left in United States. Large copyrighted map showing land by townships and sections, laws covering same and description of soil, climate, rainfall, elevations, temperature, etc., postpaid one dollar. Grant Lands Locating Co., Portland, Oregon. 41-12t.

### FOR SALE—LIVE STOCK

FOR SALE—Registered Berkshire pigs out of prize-winning stock, either sex, at \$25 each. Henry M. Half, Box 306, Midland, Texas. 29-1f

HOGS WANTED—I want to buy a bunch of hogs, suitable for shipment. M. M. Griffin, phone 293.

FOR SALE—Registered Poland China pigs. No. better in State. Males only at \$25 each. Henry M. Half, Box 306, Midland, Texas. 30-1f

### FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—Sweetest toned player-piano we have ever seen; in perfect condition. It will pay you to investigate, whether you want to buy or not. City Drug Store. 47-1f

WOOD—See W. L. Clark or phone 285 for wood. 40-1f

FOR SALE—S. C. R. I. "Reds that are Red," Phone 202.

FOR SALE—Fine Jersey cow. Telephone No. 41. 49-1f

FOR SALE—1 Chevrolet and 1 Ford, both touring cars; also fresh cow and heifer calf, both Jersey. G. W. Thaxter, "C" ranch headquarters.

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GRASS AND WATER TO LET—After October 1st we will take from 400 to 600 head of cattle for the winter and turn ranch headquarters over to right party. See Alex Shipley at Clovis, N. M. 49-2t

NOTICE—We are located in the garage, first building north of the Teakel Hotel. If your car is in need of repair, call on us. Wells & Eason. 48-2t-pd.

### FURNISHED ROOMS

ROOMS—For light housekeeping. Bath, electric lights, telephone, etc., only 1-2 block east of Llano Hotel on Wall Street. Mrs. Jemison, phone 224. 41-1f

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WANTED—Six hundred head of stock cattle to winter on the shares. Plenty of good feed and water. If interested, communicate with Phil Breedlove, Abilene, Texas. 47-5t

### LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Small No. 12 Elgin watch; crystal broken, has H. T. S. on back lid. Finder return to Tom Sharp and receive reward. 1t-pd

### AN EXCELLENT

## Opportunity

To buy a tract of land for less than half of its real value, and very suitable for stock ranch.

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and it is the only thing to do. It is the only fair mode of procedure in business, at a time like this, especially. It is the only method whereby a business establishment can at all times treat all its customers exactly alike and give, uniformly, the lowest possible price.

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### OPEN RANGE FOR THE GLAD HAND FOLKS

You and all the kids, and all the folks are coming to the Panhandle State Fair, because it's your fair, the round-up of all us neighbors who live on these big plains because we love them.

### PICK THE PONIES

\$4,000 in prizes for the fast ones. And feature circus acts in the race stadium between heats. Slow mule race. Races Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday.

### OLD SETTLERS AND FIDDLERS

They both come together on Wednesday, the most of the old-timers and the tunefullest of the old fiddlers. Hon. Thos. F. Turner, president of the Old Settlers' Association, is ready with the official register for the greatest gathering yet of the Quarter Century Club. Every old fiddler in the Panhandle, Western Oklahoma and Eastern New Mexico, is invited to compete for prizes, and the Panhandle Fair Association will see that you get to the fair if you can fiddle.

### PIONEERS AND PIONEER STORIES

Col. Chas. Goodnight, of Goodnight; Capt. G. W. Arrington, Canadian; Col. R. P. Smythe, Plainview, are helping gather articles of historic interest.

### DE KREKKO'S EXPOSITION CIRCUS

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- Green Wilson, Plainview, Texas
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- Judge Lancaster, Plainview, Texas
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- A. B. Eakles, Matador, Texas
- A. B. Robinson, Slaton, Texas
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- J. I. Walker, Hereford, Texas
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A Gold Rooster play in five parts  
Will be the first Pathe presentation under our new contract. This will be shown  
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A Gold Rooster play in 5 parts, featuring Wm. Courtney, will be shown  
Friday Night, September 21st

### "When Baby Forgot"

With Baby Marie Osborne in the leading role, will be the bill for  
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Featuring Gladys Leslie  
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These are all high class productions, as good as we can procure and are sure to please you. Come and get acquainted with the Pathe way.

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the great serial, featuring Mrs. Vernon Castle, on Wednesday nights, with two reels of best comedy.

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- SAGAMORE H., First in Class, Oklahoma City, 1917.

### GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT INTERESTING

Advances in Price Make Up to Producer Such Shortages as May Occur

A summary of the September crop report for the States of Texas and Oklahoma and for the United States, as compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates (and transmitted through the Weather Bureau), U. S. Department of Agriculture, is as follows:

Corn—Texas: September 1 forecast, 82,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 131,100,000 bushels. Oklahoma: September 1 forecast, 36,300,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 53,325,000. United States: September 1 forecast, 3,250,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 2,583,241,000 bushels.

All Wheat—Texas: September 1 forecast, 15,300,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 13,200,000 bushels. Oklahoma: September 1 forecast, 31,700,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 29,585,000 bushels. United States: September 1 forecast, 668,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 639,886,000.

Oats—Texas: September 1 forecast, 35,300,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 42,750,000 bushels. Oklahoma: September 1 forecast, 28,300,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 15,080,000 bushels. United States: September 1 forecast, 1,590,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 1,251,992,000 bushels.

Rice—Texas: September 1 forecast, 5,900,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 10,575,000 bushels. United States: September 1 forecast, 32,200,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 40,702,000 bushels.

Potatoes—Texas: September 1 forecast, 2,950,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 2,000,000 bushels. Oklahoma: September 1 forecast, 2,240,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 1,802,000 bushels. United States: September 1 forecast, 462,000,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 285,437,000 bushels.

Sweet Potatoes—Texas: September 1 forecast, 6,460,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 7,120,000 bushels. Oklahoma: September 1 forecast, 1,261,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 762,000 bushels. United States: September 1 forecast, 88,200,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 70,955,000 bushels.

All Hay—Texas: Preliminary estimate, 543,000 tons; production last year (December estimate), 838,000 tons. Oklahoma: Preliminary estimate, 1,060,000 tons; production last year (December estimate), 1,470,000 tons. United States: Preliminary estimate, 92,000,000 tons; production last year (December estimate), 109,786,000 tons.

Apples (Agricultural Crop)—Oklahoma: September 1 forecast, 541,000 barrels of 3 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 275,000 barrels. United States: September 1 forecast, 59,100,000 barrels; production last year (December estimate), 67,415,000 barrels.

Peaches—Estimated production 1917 2,350,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 2,860,000 bushels. Oklahoma: Estimated production, 1917, 1,150,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 230,000 bushels. United States: Estimated production 1917, 42,600,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 36,989,000 bushels.

Cotton—Texas: August 25 forecast, 3,140,000 bales; production last year (census), 3,725,700 bales. Oklahoma: August 25 forecast, 1,202,000 bales; production last year (census), 823,528 bales. United States: July 25 forecast, 12,500,000 bales; production last year (census), 11,449,930 bales.

Kafrs—Texas: September 1 forecast, 25,100,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 24,000,000 bushels. Oklahoma: September 1 forecast, 32,830,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 8,000,000 bushels. United States (6 states): September 1 forecast, 102,900,000 bushels; production last year (December estimate), 50,340,000 bushels.

Prices—The first price given below

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**\$802,495.32**

Total Resources

**\$1,040,389.62**

CAPITAL ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

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is the average on September 1 this year, and the second the average on September 1 last year.

Texas. Wheat, \$2.11 and \$1.37 per bushel; corn, \$1.90 and .78; oats, .37 and .47; potatoes \$2.23 and \$1.32; hay, \$15.20 and \$8.60 per ton. Cotton 23.4 and 14.7 cents per pound; eggs, 25 and 18 cents per dozen. Oklahoma: Wheat \$2.29 and \$1.36 per bushel; corn \$1.73 and .76; oats, .74 and .46; potatoes, \$2.15 and \$1.24; hay, \$12.80 and \$6.40 per ton; cotton, 23.8 and 13.8 cents per pound; eggs, 26 and 15 cents per dozen. United States: Wheat, 209.7 and 131.2 cents per bushel; corn, 175.5 and 83.6 cents; oats, 61.7 and 43.1 cents; potatoes, 139.1 and 109.3 cents; hay, \$13.68 and \$10.42 per ton.

STOPPED OFF FOR DAY ON WAY TO FT. WORTH

Jack Isaacks, son of Judge and Mrs. S. J. Isaacks, formerly of Midland, but now living in El Paso, stopped off for a day last Monday to visit friends in the city. Jack left Tuesday morning for Fort Worth, where he will be a student in T. C. U.

Walter Good, of Alpine, was here Saturday and Sunday.

Sydney C. Lackland, agent for Facklen and "O" ranch properties, was in town Saturday.

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Wm. Dochery, a capitalist of Lawrence, Kansas, was a business visitor to Midland the latter part of last week and a guest at the Yeakel hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Collin Garrett and Mrs. W. E. Traylor were visitors to Midland last week from Carlsbad, N. M.

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NO PLACE FOR THE KAISER IN HELL

Big sparks flew from old Satan's eyes. "What's this I hear?" said he. "They say that when the Kaiser dies, he'll be consigned to me! Old Hell to me is mighty dear, the place is very fine; but if they send that guy down here, believe me, I'll resign! I'll stand for murderers and crooks, and I will not disown that I have now here on my books the worst thugs ever known. But my boys would get sore, I fear; I know they would rebel. The Kaiser cannot enter here, for he would corrupt Hell. Our sulphur is too clean for him, our brimstone lakes too pure; and if in one he took a swim, he'd ruin it, I'm sure. Our company is not so swell, vile beasts we won't reject; but keep the Kaiser out of Hell, we have SOME self respect."

VISITED FRIEND IN ABILENE SUNDAY

Paul Barron visited Eugene Burkett in Abilene last Sunday. Eugene is a son of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Burkett, of that city, and he is at home on furlough from the naval academy at Annapolis.

G. H. Mansfield, representing the El Paso Union Stock Yards Company, was here on business Saturday.

### Any Doctor

will tell you a fellow's constitution won't last forever, and in these strenuous times it needs a good overhauling occasionally.

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PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURT

Docket Pretty Well Cleaned Up Last Week - Proceedings Up to Tuesday

District court convened in Midland last Monday morning a week ago, with Judge Chas. B. Gibbs presiding, and the court was pretty busy most of last week cleaning up the docket.

Following are the cases that have been disposed of:

On Monday, the 7th, Garrett & Brown vs. Midland Mercantile Co., dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

On the 4th, Leonard Taylor vs. W. J. Moran, et al, trustee's sale, set aside. Judgment for plaintiff.

Sept. 3, T. J. Miles vs. W. E. Ratliff, dismissed at plaintiff's request and at plaintiff's cost.

Sept. 5th, Martin Davis vs. John Davis, divorce; decree granted.

On the same date, N. E. Staten, vs. G. N. Staten, divorce; decree granted with division of property.

K. S. Jesson vs. Abe Jesson, divorce; decree granted.

W. E. Connell vs. W. J. Wooten, et al, judgment by default.

Sept. 3, Cole Motor Car Co. vs. Ben Dublin, dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

Sept. 4, Elnora Scarbrough vs. Hollis Scarbrough, divorce; decree granted.

Sept. 7, M. G. Damron and G. W. Damron vs. W. B. Davis, et al, judgment for plaintiffs.

First National Bank vs. T. L. Perryman, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

B. C. Richardson vs. A. Lieb, judgment for plaintiff.

Wilton Brannon vs. I. N. Johnson, Jr., judgment for plaintiff.

Sept. 6, Mrs. Kate Jordan vs. J. T. Jordan, divorce; decree granted.

Sept. 7, C. C. Ellis vs. John Hix, et al, judgment by agreement.

There are other cases pending and these will be published next week.

UNIQUE AIRDOME

Just as the crowd was beginning to become deeply interested in the great serial, The Great Secret, Monday night, the lights went out and did not come on again for nearly two hours. Of course the crowd had to go home disappointed, not only for the reason that they did not get to see the popular serial, but also they missed seeing the L-2KO Comedy scream featuring the great comedian, Billie Richie. The serial was shown again, however on Tuesday night together with a highly entertaining Paramount feature.

Last Friday night Miss Vivian Martin was seen in a Paramount and once again made herself a general favorite. The management is making some changes in his programs, especially featuring the Pathe film service production. Some may be inclined to criticize this move, as many always do when a change from services either in feature or regular programs occur, but when you read the advertisement found elsewhere in this issue, and see the great productions presented by still greater artists of the screen, you will undoubtedly change your mind. For the releases that we are assured will be something unique and something never before seen in our fair city. Mr. Bosley is coming in for a series of advertisements in The Reporter, and we would call your very special attention to the one this week. In it you will see what we are writing about and why we keep referring to future programs. See them and become convinced.

HERE FROM NEW HOME IN ROSWELL

Cal Massey, who moved his family to Roswell, N. M., a month or so ago, was here this week. Mr. Massey says that he likes his new home and conditions out there are the very best.

W. T. Caldwell was in from his father's ranch, 20 miles northeast of town, this week, and reports good rains.

Why Suffer?

Mrs. J. A. Cox, of Alderson, W. Va., writes: "My daughter... suffered terribly. She could not turn in bed... the doctors gave her up, and we brought her home to die. She had suffered so much at... time. Having heard of Cardui, we got it for her."

CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

"In a few days, she began to improve," Mrs. Cox continues, "and had no trouble at... Cardui cured her, and we sing its praises everywhere. We receive many thousands of similar letters every year, telling of the good Cardui has done for women who suffer from complaints so common to their sex. It should do you good, too. Try Cardui. E-77"

SLAUGHTER

PIANO

SALE



"Frederick Mathushek was probably the best known piano manufacturer in this country." -New York Sun

"He designed and built one of the largest Grand pianos ever constructed, which was used at Gilmore's musical festival in Boston." -New York Tribune.

"Frederick Mathushek's piano improvements are in general use all over the world. Although his inventions would have made him enormously rich, had he patented them, he gave them to the world." -New York World.

Last Fall we bought quite a large stock of Pianos and Player Pianos. For reasons beyond our control we still have four upright pianos, four player pianos and one grand piano that were bought at that time. Some have just arrived and are still in the depot. We must close them out. We also have a number of slightly used pianos that must be sold. To do this as quickly as possible we are offering them for sale at unheard of bargain prices. If you, your church, or lodge, are in need of a piano or player piano, better call, write or phone us at once.

Just think of the prices we are making on these Standard High Grade New Pianos and Player Pianos

One new Prescottt Player Piano, very latest style, mahogany finish, worth \$550.00, this sale... \$350.00

One very latest style Schaff Bros. Player Piano, regular price \$700.00, this sale... \$500.00

Two latest style Kohler & Campbell Player Pianos, perfectly plain cases, mahogany finish, standard actions, in every respect strictly high grade, good value at \$750, but in this sale only... \$550.00

One very latest style Kohler & Campbell Piano, plain case, mahogany finish, regular price \$400.00, now... \$280.00

One new Mathushek Piano, regular price \$500.00, a rare bargain at the price we are asking... \$375.00

One new Mathushek Parlor Grand, must be heard to be appreciated. The tone and action of this piano is very unusual. Regular price \$950.00, only... \$700.00

One slightly used Bush & Lane Piano, looks and sounds like new, was \$450.00, now only... \$250.00 A Rare Bargain at the price.

One slightly used Crown Piano, was \$450.00, but it can now be had for only... \$200.00

One oak case Kohler & Campbell Piano, in splendid condition, very suitable for church or lodge, was \$375.00, this sale only... \$150.00

Basham, Shepherd & Co.

F. M. DENTON, Mgr. Piano Department.

MIDLAND, TEXAS

Citation by Publication THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County-Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Mrs. E. A. Strickland by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county...

That the plaintiff has had and held the quiet and peaceable possession of the above described premises and property, adverse to any claim or demand of the defendant for a period of more than ten years...

records of Midland County, Texas, which said deed and said claim casts a cloud upon plaintiff's title to said property, to her great damage.

That if the defendant ever had any lawful right or title in and to the said property, the same has long since become barred by the five years statute of limitations, because plaintiff alleges that she has had and held the quiet and peaceable possession of said property for a period of more than five years...

That plaintiff has had and held the quiet and peaceable possession of the above described premises and property, adverse to any claim or demand of the defendant for a period of more than ten years...

relief, general and special, to which she may be entitled, either in law or in 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 executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Midland, Texas, this 7th day of September A. D., 1918.

W. J. Sparks, Clerk, District Court, Midland County, Texas adv. 49-4t

SHERIFF'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain judgment issued in the Justice's Court of Midland County, on the 27th day of August, 1917, in a certain cause wherein Basham, Shepherd & Co., plaintiff, and W. W. Grider, defendant, in which cause a judgment was rendered on the 27th day of August, 1917, in favor of the said plaintiff, Basham, Shepherd & Co., against said defendant, W. W. Grider, for the sum of Ninety and no-100 Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per centum per annum from date of judgment, together with all costs of suit, I have levied upon, and will, on the fourth week in September, 1917, being the 28th day of said month, at the court house door in the town...

of Midland, Texas, within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of W. W. Grider in and to the following described personal property, levied upon as the property of Basham, Shepherd & Co., to-wit: One Marwood sewing machine No. 123399 M, one dining table and chairs, one kitchen cabinet, one cook stove, one dresser, one mattress and springs.

The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for Ninety and no-100 Dollars in favor of Basham, Shepherd & Co., together with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof.

W. E. BRADFORD, 49-2 Sheriff Midland County, Texas.

REPORTS CATTLE FINE IN OLD MEXICO

J. M. Hitt, a cowman from the state of Tamaulipas, Old Mexico, is here this week, a guest of J. S. Wisdom and family. Mr. Hitt reports cattle and range conditions very fine in Old Mexico.

J. H. Guryton, a ranchman from near Colorado City, was in town this week and reports that country still pretty dry.

John Ahers, of Olanegan, was a visitor to our city last week.

# FOLLOW

the example of the Ball Player--- he always works for HOME. In planning the repairs on your HOME or the building of a NEW HOME, remember, we invite you to use our facilities.

We have plans for all kinds of HOMES and can give helpful suggestions and otherwise assist you

## ROCKWELL BROS. & CO.

(Midland Lumber Company)

### IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY KIDNEYS

Midland Readers Should Learn to Keep the Kidneys Well

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

Then the aching frequently begins and is often accompanied by some irregularity of the urine--too frequent passages, sediment or retention.

Thousands testify to the wonderful merit of Doan's Kidney Pills, a remedy for the kidneys only, that has been used in kidney troubles 50 years. You will make no mistake in following this Midland citizen's advice.

W. J. Glenn, retired blacksmith, Lorraine St., Midland, says, "I used Doan's Kidney Pills several years ago and from the good results obtained, I think they are a fine medicine. They helped me at that time and I gladly advise anyone to get a box at the City drug store, if troubled by weak kidneys."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy--get Doan's Kidney Pills--the same that Mr. Glenn had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 48-2t

## Next Time Buy at Home



### When You Buy At Home

You see what you buy "BEFORE" you pay out your money.

You are sure of getting "RELIABLE" brands of goods.

You have no "FREIGHT" to pay.

And we are here 365 days out of the year to "MAKE GOOD" on what we say and sell.

Buy at home--but only because you can buy for less.

Our Cash System gives "A SQUARE DEAL TO ALL"

### Midland Hardware Company

PHONE 36

### FINISHED TWO GROUND TANKS IN ANDREWS

K. Johnson and son came in this week from Andrews county, where they have just finished two ground tanks 50x100 feet for Will Gates and Tom Gunnard.

A. L. Neal, who ranches northeast of Seminole, was in this week and reports very good rains.

G. W. Ballentine, a cow buyer from Mississippi, was here this week looking over stock conditions.

## Cattlemen

It will be to your interest to consult us before arranging your cattle loan

Because--

the officers and directors of this company are experienced handlers of cattle, and are, therefore, able to render the best possible service.

### Guaranty Cattle Loan Company

B. N. AYCOCK, JAX M. COWDEN, President Manager

## LETTERS FROM OUR BOYS IN CAMP

Interesting Details of Camp Life-Drill and Training Programs and Other Features

Following is an interesting letter received this week by Mrs. J. M. Flanigan, this city, from her brother, Frank G. Hindman, who is now at Camp Travis, San Antonio.

"Arrived in camp this a. m. (September 7th.) We were met at the train and brought right out in the big army trucks. Had an examination on skin disease, and placed in our quarters.

"We have the nicest kind of single beds, with mattress and two blankets; about six big men in our room.

"This camp is 'some' big place, and will accommodate 46,000 men by October 19th.

"Everything here is new and every building is as convenient as can be made.

"Our bath house is fine and is right by my window.

"We will have our final examination and be assigned to our company by noon tomorrow; then we will be ready for business.

"I know I am going to like down here, and have a good time," etc., etc.

What the Boys are Doing

We suppose the boys at Camp Travis are doing about the same thing as those of Camp Funston, Leon Springs, though the latter is an officers' training camp. Among the Midland boys at Camp Funston is our young friend, Elliott Barron. This week his parents, J. H. Barron and wife, received a letter from him, and the following is an excerpt therefrom:

"We start out every morning at 6 o'clock, have physical 'torture' exercises 10 minutes, then breakfast; clean up and have inspection of quarters at 7 o'clock. Everything must be just according to regulations, blankets folded a certain way, etc.

"Then we fall out with light packs, belts and guns; we never go without this equipment. We generally march out to our drill grounds and have 30 minutes more of physical 'torture'--setting up exercises--then we signal semaphores (send messages with flag signals) and it isn't easy to learn, either.

"Usually, after this, we have company drill for an hour and a half; then musketry drill, which lasts an hour.

"This consists of practice in setting sights and loading and aiming drill.

"I left out the hardest and most important drill, bayonet drill. We practice the newest methods of fighting, using dummies for Germans. We charge over trenches and stick them right along.

"We have from 12 to 1:15 for lunch, then hike out and have conferences, and more practice until 3:45; then we have until 6 to clean up, clean our guns and equipment; then supper; after supper manual of arms, then after inspection of arms and clothing, we march over to the mess hall, and study for two hours. Then 30 minutes until taps, and nothing to do but sleep till 5:45.

"On Saturday we started out at 7:15, with a pack and equipment weighing 48 pounds and marched for about seven miles. We came back and had three double time flights.

"Capt. Morris is known as 'Double-Time Morris,' and the San Antonio papers had quite a write-up about Company 6 and their double-timing.

"I am enjoying this fine, but we have quite a hard time passing the military part of the work," etc.

### INMAN & MIMS' GO ON A CASH-BASIS

Elsewhere in The Reporter appears the quarter page advertisement of Inman & Mims, who announce that on the first of October they will close their books to all credit accounts. No more of it. Thus are our merchants gradually coming to the no credit idea, and we think it one that will work out well for the people generally.

### SAM PRESTON MADE NUMBER OF RECENT SALES

Sam Preston is at home this week from his ranch 25 miles south, and reports some pretty good recent showers. He has lately been engaged in number of cattle deals, also; among them, he bought of H. L. Houston 600 cows, and made the following sales. To C. C. Railey 103 cows, to Proctor Bros. 500 cows, and to a Mr. Crews, ranchman near Seminole, 350 steer yearlings. Considerations in these deals were not given.

George Cowden came in the first of the week from the Cowdens' Pecos River ranch. Reports that he drove in water for 50 miles, coming up. A portion of the ranch got a pretty fair rain.

W. L. Mann is here this week from Garden City, buying empty sacks for which he pays 4 1/2 cents. We were very glad to add his name to our subscription list.

A. N. Marchman, of Lovington, N. M., was here Wednesday, to meet his sister, Mrs. P. P. Wood, of Greenville. Mrs. Wood will spend the winter in West Texas.

R. L. Braselton, horse and mule buyer for the army, was here this week from Weatherford. He secured two cars and shipped them to Fort Worth.

We take pleasure in announcing our new line of fall and holiday styles. Miller Studio. adv 2t

W. A. Myrick was a business visitor from Lubbock last Tuesday. Mr. Myrick is an old friend of our townsmen, O. P. Buchanan and Geo. Leach.

PIANO TUNING--Now is a good time to have your piano tuned. The best tuner is none too good. Tuning \$5, repairing, tone and action regulation done at reasonable prices. Perfect satisfaction. Phone 359. F. M. Denton.

We are showing the Newest Styles and Colors in

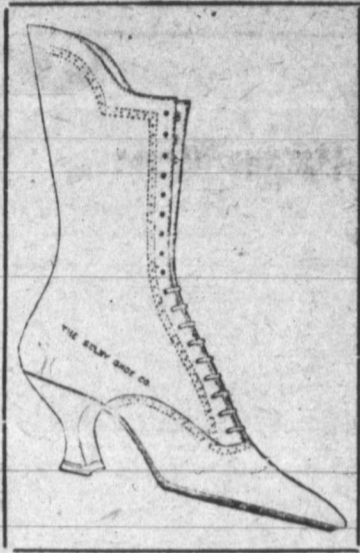
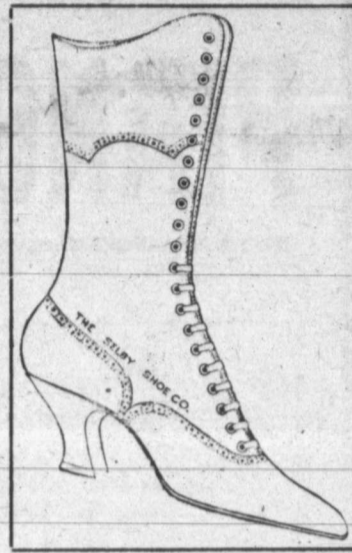
## Ladies and Misses Boots and

### Shoes

We can fit You

We carry the right lasts, narrow or wide, low heels or high heels.

See our Early Showing of Fall Coats, Suits and Dresses, they're the latest styles.



Don't Forget that Our Store is Your Store and we

want you to feel at home when in town.

Our window is full of Bargains in Boys' School Suits. See us before you buy, we Save you Money



# EVERYBODY'S

Midland's Quality Store

### TRIBUTE TO THE PIANO BY GROVER CLEVELAND

"In many a humble home throughout our land the piano has gathered about it the most sacred and tender associations: For it the daughters of the household longed by day and prayed in dreams at night. For it fond parents saved and economized at every point, and planned in loving secrecy. For it, a certain Christmas Day on which the arrival of the piano gave a grand surprise, was marked as a red-

letter day in the annals of the household. With its music and with simple song, each daughter in her turn touched with love the heart of her future husband, with it the sacred hymn and the family prayer are joined in chastened memory. When the family circle is broken and its members are scattered, happy is the son or daughter who can place among his, or her household gods, the old piano.

In this connection The Reporter calls attention to the large advertisement of Basham, Shepherd & Com-

pany, who are inaugurating an extensive piano sale.

### CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank the good people of Midland who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our dear wife and sister. We assure you that these acts of kindness will always be remembered with gratitude by us J. R. Mann, Mrs. Averitt.

SEE OUR

# New Hats

Some beautiful creations in Millinery, Fall and Winter Styles, and it is our pleasure to show them whether you buy or not. Come and look through our stock. It will interest you.

Some lovely ginghams and piece goods, and of a variety that will be sure to please. We ask you to come and see.

### MANY NEW THINGS

This place is living well up to the significance of its name--Midland Variety Store. As the season advances we are getting a lot of new goods, new in style and novelty, and we feel that if there is a place in town that may interest you, it is here.

Come Every Day---Every Day is a Bargain Day

## MIDLAND VARIETY STORE

Mrs. T. J. O'Donnel, Prop. Phone 453 Midland, Texas

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