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BANKS ASSISTED BY BOY SCOUTS

Ladies' Committee Help Materially in Making Liberty Loan Campaign Success

Both the Midland banks, the First National and the Midland National, worked earnestly during the last days of the Liberty Loan Campaign, urging the sale of Liberty Loan bonds, and they had wonderful allies in the Boy Scouts of Midland and in the Ladies' Committee.

There is to the credit of the Boy Scouts the sale of somewhat more than \$10,000 of the bonds, while we were unable to secure figures showing the results of the Ladies' Committee.

We have a fuller report from the First National Bank than from the Midland National. Cashier W. R. Chancellor went to considerable trouble in getting us this information, and we find that through this institution \$39,100 of the bonds passed in purchase. This includes \$5000 subscribed by the bank, and \$7,500 secured by the Scouts, and altogether there were subscribers who transacted their purchases through the First National.

It may be mentioned, too, that in the first Liberty Loan campaign, 91 subscribers negotiated their purchases through the First National. In this, too, the Boy Scouts and Postmaster J. Willey Taylor and other postal employees were able assistants, and the total amount passing through this institution was \$30,000, including \$10,000 subscribed by the bank. The bank then, took \$10,000 of the first and \$5,000 of the second loan, and it will thus be noted that the people took \$5,100 more of the second than of the first loan.

As stated above we haven't detailed figures from the Midland National. However \$10,700 of the bonds passed through that institution, bringing the total up to \$40,800.

Summing up the facts, it would not seem that Midland has subscribed very liberally to Liberty Loans; and yet she has. It must be understood that the Midland Country, all the west in fact, is suffering of an unprecedented drought, and it has been the poorest year in history to have called upon the people here for an outside investment. Midland people are patriotic enough, all right, and in normal times could have expected and easily have gotten from \$100,000 to \$200,000 subscribed. That somewhat more than \$80,000 were subscribed in the two issues, at a time like this, speaks volumes for the big, fond hearts of Midland people, and we are still proud of them, proud to be of them, and proud to thus speak to the world of how great and good these people are.

BOY SCOUT LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN SUCCESS

The boy scouts of Midland worked incessantly until midnight, Oct. 27th, to complete their "bit" for Uncle Sam. The boys stand as follows:

- Everett Haley, 1st
 - Page Shumate, 2nd
 - Robert Crigler, 3rd
 - James Harrison, 4th
 - Arthur Vest, 5th
 - W. H. Rohlfing, 6th
 - Herman Klapproth, 7th
- The largest amounts in bonds were sold by Everett Haley, 1st; James Harrison, 2nd and Page Shumate 3rd.
- There were sold in all by the troop 78 bonds amounting to \$10,150. The scouts thank the subscribers who helped them to get in line for the war service medal.

Giles Connell, merchant and stockman, was a business visitor from Judkins this week. Reports business fair.

DEAL AGGREGATES MILLION DOLLARS

Geo. D. Elliott and Associates Purchase Great Ranching Property Near Tucson, Ariz.

The Reporter mentioned briefly, last week, that our townsman, Geo. D. Elliott, contemplated moving, sometime in the near future, to Tucson, Ariz., where he and two other parties had purchased a very large ranch property. At that writing no particulars of Mr. Elliott's latest investment were known to this paper, and our comment was, of necessity, brief as it was.

Mr. Elliott's associates are F. C. Kinney, of Tucson, and Banker Lilley, vice president of the Merchants' National Bank, of St. Paul, Minn., and the investment they have undertaken is a gigantic one, representing, approximately, a million dollars. The ranch lies 45 miles out from Tucson, and comprises some 500 sections of land that stretches away to the Mexican border. The proposition, as first contemplated, aggregated \$700,000, but since the original deal some smaller properties have been taken over, together with 1800 head additional cattle, thus bringing the grand total up to a million, and of this Mr. Elliott owns 65 per cent, Mr. Kinney 25, and Mr. Lilley 10 per cent.

The big concern will have offices in Tucson, where they will not only conduct the affairs of their own holdings, but will do a general brokerage business, pertaining strictly to the cattle business.

Within the past few days Mr. Elliott has shipped out from Midland, or from his Midland Country holdings, 40 car loads of cattle, all consigned to the Arizona project, and he will gradually wind up his affairs here until they are reduced to at least a mere minimum. It is likely, however, that he will be unable to move his family to Tucson before next spring or summer, though he himself will spend much of his time in that city and on the new ranch.

In our interview with Mr. Elliott, he seemed much pleased with the way his investment is closing up. He has visited his new holdings a number of times and it is his judgment that he has landed in a magnificent cattle country, and that he has associated himself with men who are calculated to put into the big project as much shrewd energy as he is himself. The writer had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Kinney a short time ago, in Fort Worth, and was much favorably impressed by him.

The Reporter tenders the investors warm congratulations upon acquiring such a splendid property, wishing them every degree of success they anticipate, at the same time expressing deepest regret that we are to lose Mr. Elliott and his estimable family.

AN ERROR IN CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

In our classified advertisement column appeared last week, and it appears again this week, the advertisement of a Washington, D. C. party which would indicate that there is to be a vacancy of the postmastership at Midland and that the citizen making the best showing in civil service examination on Nov. 14th would be awarded the place. The advertisement is in error and altogether misleading. There is to be no vacancy at Midland. It is true that there is to be a civil service examination at Midland on Nov. 14th, but it is for Pecos, and all applicants for the position must be citizens of Pecos and patrons of the Pecos postoffice.

Ray Smith and family returned the first of the week from a visit to Grand Prairie. While away they enjoyed a visit to the State Fair at Dallas.

BACKING UP-UNCLE SAM'S PROMISES

He is Big and Strong and Fine But it Takes His Subjects to Make Him So

To all Active Workers—Family Enrollment Campaign:

Uncle Sam is mighty big and strong but he is not so big and strong that he can afford to break a promise. There is not a real American in this country who would not fight to make good—of Uncle Sam's promises. When Uncle Sam says anything, that means that all his loyal sons and daughters have said it. The honor and the interest of this nation are in the keeping of our splendid citizenry. Here is the proposition: We have promised to "grub-stake" the Allies. We said: "You need not farm—you fight!"

Winter is coming on. There were few for the sowing and there are fewer now for the harvest. The pinch has come. In France they are looking across the sea and saying:

"How about that 'grub-stake,' Uncle Sam; how about that 'grub-stake'?"

They are not whimpering, the Frenchmen, they are not that kind, but if we fail them with our "grub-stake" they will S-T-A-R-V-E! Thousands of them—men, women and little children.

Gnawing at a mere empty promise will not help them. Nothing will help them but food.

It is food that will win the war! How are we going to get it? We are going to save it—save it to save our pals, because that's what the Allies are in this fight.

We are going to make good on Uncle Sam's promise that he would furnish the "grub-stake" for this war.

The Allies need more wheat, more meat, more sugar. It is either wheatless and meatless days for us or wheatless and meatless months for them.

And we are going to help—every one of us. There is no mistake about that. We will make good on the "grub-stake" promise for the sake of the folks who trusted us and for the sake of our soldiers as well. Just remember that they are bound for France—the land where we are sending our "grub-stake."

We want no regrets after this war. We have had ample warning of the condition which awaits us, unless every American citizen responds to the call of duty. You and I want to

FIFTY DOLLARS AROUND FOR CALVES

Sounds Big and it is Big But They are a Very Wonderful Bunch of Calves

Fifty dollars around for calves, beef calves, and over 600 head of them. Pheew! Going some, isn't it? All the same that is the price paid last week by the Scharbauer Cattle Company to Frank Norwood for this year's calf crop, a fair cut back being allowed.

The exact number, we believe, was 623 head. We'd heard of the sale last week, but the price was so high that we doubted the authenticity thereof, and when we got it verified it was too late for publication.

Interviewing Phil Scharbauer, a member of the Scharbauer Cattle Company, he said: "Yes, that is the price paid. Sounds high, but you should see that bunch of stuff. They are the best I ever saw and I consider them worth the money. We are shipping them to our alfalfa farm, near Phoenix, Ariz., to be finished."

This is a great send-off for the Norwood cattle. However it is in keeping with the very excellent reputation they have sustained for some years past, as one of the very best herds of the beef type in all the west. They are Herefords and Mr. Norwood has exercised the greatest care for years in grading them to such a degree of excellence.

It is another example of how it pays to look well to your choice in your herd bulls.

Reporter readers will remember some months ago our account of the purchase by the Scharbauer Cattle Company of an alfalfa farm near Phoenix. It is said to be one of the best in the famous Salt River valley, and is located only a few miles out from Phoenix. The company will use it as a finishing station and as a distributing point for their product in herd bulls, about 1200 of which they raise and sell to breeders each year.

When the regiments of our boys return from the battlefields of Europe, some of them possibly broken, but all victorious, that we have done our part, even to the last detail, and we may not have to lay upon our own consciences the loss, through our neglect, of a single American.

Very truly yours,
U. S. Food Administration.

SOLD REGISTERED HERD BY TELEGRAPH

G. F. Cowden & Son Dispose of Herd of Angus Cattle at \$312.50 Around

G. F. Cowden & Son are no longer breeders of registered Angus cattle, though they have one of the best purebred beef herds in the State. Recently their show herd has been making the rounds of Kansas and Missouri fairs, and so famed were they that they created a desire of possession in the hearts of northern stockmen, and Escher & Ryan, of Irwin, Iowa, bought the whole lot of registered stuff, 80 head, for \$25,000, or \$312.50 around.

Our interview with young Mr. Cowden, Elliott, was about as follows: "Yes, we have sold our show herd and registered stuff, selling to Escher & Ryan, at the figures you have learned."

"There were 12 head of show cattle, including 7 calves and 5 older cattle. The balance of the registered herd consists of 45 cows and 23 yearling heifers, and were shipped to the purchasers from Odessa on the 15th of October. These cattle, except the show herd, were just in good range shape, and were sold by wire, over the Western Union.

"We believe this is the most money ever paid for this number of cattle in one private sale in Texas, and they were sold only for the reason that I have lost two of my partners. The business was too much for me to look after alone, and look after it as it should be. It is with deepest regret that I have had this necessity forced upon me."

"Our winnings in the show rings of Oklahoma City and Kansas City were very satisfactory, and intensified my regret at parting with this stuff."

We have Mr. Cowden's record of winnings in the following:

Oklahoma City
Nine out of 12 first prizes, 75 per cent.
Three out of 6 championships, 50 per cent, or equal to all competitors combined.

We sold our steer calf for \$125.
Kansas City
In Kansas City, at the American Royal, the Cowdens were in competition with the Caldwell herd of Missouri and the Battles herd of Washington, the two best in the world, and many others. They had 12 head in competition and every one of them was in the money.

Among their winnings here were:

First on Prizemore.
First on Myra of Topeka.
First of produce of cow.
Three firsts out of 12, or 25 per cent.

Second on junior yearling bull—Texas raised.
Second on two-year-old heifer.
The others were in the money in third, fourth and fifth classes.

It is not strange that young Mr. Cowden parts with this splendid herd with regret of the deepest sort. In speaking of the loss of his two partners, he refers to the accidental death of his brother who was killed while hunting some three months ago, the shock of which, together with failing health, has reduced his father's physical condition to an extent that it cannot be hoped that he will again be active in the business procedure of the firm. It is a pleasure, however, to know the elder Mr. Cowden is gradually growing stronger.

Another and later sale by Messrs. Cowden was of 165 head of Angus cattle that they have had on past ure in Oklahoma, near Muskogee, since spring. This was the remainder of 300 head shipped up there last June, all of which were sold there, at private terms.

NEW DEISEL ENGINE FOR LIGHT PLANT

Arrived This Week and is Being Unloaded Preparatory to Installation in New Building

Since last Monday excavations have been going on on the lot north of and adjoining the plant building of the Midland Light Company, for the erection of another building and foundation, preparatory to the installation of the new Deisel engine which had been ordered for some time—J. M. Morgan & Bro., who have built the magnificent G. W. Wolcott home, have this contract, also, and will hurry it to completion. This building is to be but an addition to the present one that houses the two engines now in use.

Manager G. F. Gason called in at our office last Tuesday morning, with the remark: "Watson, do you want to see a Deisel engine?"

"Of course, of course! Has it arrived?"

It had. It was on a siding just east of the depot, and we had our first peep at a Deisel engine, and the same is now being unloaded. It is a massive and weighty thing, and it is expected that it will take something like 40 days to install and get it in operation. It will take some 30 days to complete the building and foundations.

The arrival of this new engine, which is the last word in oil burning power, will bring the Midland Light Company up to a standard equal to the needs of Midland when it is a much larger town than now; especially so when a companion engine, exactly like the one that arrived this week, has been ordered and will take the place of the two engines now in use.

Of all who rejoice over this improvement, none are more pleased than Manager Gaston and his associates, who have had to work day and night, at times during the past few months, in order to give Midland the service she has had. There have been occasions during his time of the most nerve-racking character, there have been sleepless nights on account of these old engines, and complaints of the most aggravating sort, and now that these troubles are soon to be of the past, it is not to be wondered at that Manager Gaston is all smiles and energy, that Engineer Galbraith is hustling to beat the band, and that all is hustle and bustle and whistling and merry down at the plant, anticipatory of the smooth running and freedom from worry that is expected to materialize within the next 40 days.

All of Midland is pleased too, but no part of it more so than The Reporter and its working force, who are liberal users of electrical power.

COL. W. H. PEPPER BACK FROM CALIFORNIA

We are glad, indeed, to have Col. W. H. Pepper with us again, after an extensive sojourn in California, where he went some months ago for the benefit of his health. He spent the time at Long Beach, and had for companionship our esteemed former townsman, S. H. Holloway, and family and it is especially pleasing that the Colonel's health is so much improved. He arrived last Saturday night, and he, too, has fallen a victim to the charms of California. He proclaims it a fine place to be, whether you be sick or well, and he thoroughly enjoyed his visit, though is glad to be home again, amongst life-long friends.

Misses Mariam Pemberton and Esther Klapproth were visitors to the Dallas Fair last week, returning last Monday morning. While away they visited friends and relatives in Fort Worth.

PIANO TUNING

On or about Nov. 15th, I shall leave Midland for a month's tuning trip to Roswell, N. M. Parties desiring to have pianos tuned or repaired before I go, will please call me at Basham, Shepherd's or at my residence.

F. M. DENTON
Midland, Texas
PHONE 359

Special Sale Extraordinary

Last week we requested you to "Watch this Space Next Week," now we are referring you to **Page 7 of this Issue.** Ladies, the sale we are inaugurating, to open tomorrow morning, is extraordinary indeed. The quality of goods we are offering is away up at the top, while **Prices Speak for Themselves.** We want you to study the prices we are quoting, over on page 7 of this issue of The Reporter. We know what we are talking about. It's quality merchandise with the price Down! Down!! Down!!!

DON'T FORGET OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT

THE MERCANTILE

Phone: Grocery 6, Dry Goods 284

We Thank You

To each and every customer we wish to express our appreciation for the nice business you have given us.

In the face of adverse conditions, you have helped us to

Break all Records

for the month just ended has shown the largest volume of business we have ever done in any one month, and this business has been done at the smallest cost we have ever known.

The Reason

There is a reason for this and it is not hard to find. The extra value this store, with its ONE PRICE TO ALL, CASH ONLY system of doing business, offers, appeals to your better business judgment and just at this time when it behooves each and every one to practice economy, you will find that by helping us lower the cost of doing business, you help yourself, by enabling us to sell GOOD MERCHANDISE FOR LESS MONEY.

We want Your Business, and--

ask for it on a basis of better merchandise at less cost to you.

Boys' Knee Pants \$1.00

A special lot of four dozen pairs, of good serviceable school pants, a shipment over which we have had some contention with the factory and they have finally made the price concession we ask. These are in sizes from 8 to 16 and very special values, at the pair \$1.00

Extra Woolnap Blankets \$3.85

Seeing what the stores in Dallas are getting for this same blanket, we do not hesitate to say that this extra value, 66x80 Plaid Woolnap number that we are offering you at \$3.85 the pair, is from a dollar fifty to two fifty less than it could be bought elsewhere. While they last, the pair.... \$3.85

Boys' Corduroy Suits \$5.75

The best service suit you can give a rough and tumble boy and they are warm too. This one is in a good quality brown corduroy, Pinchback, Norfolk model in sizes 8 to 17, the suit..... \$5.75

Boys' Mackinaws \$5.75

A belated shipment of extra good numbers in boys' Mackinaws just in. These are in sizes 6 to 16, in heavy all-wool numbers, in a good belted model and the price is no more than a year ago, in fact, we believe this is a better value than we offered last year, each..... \$5.75

Men's Mackinaws

In mens' winter clothing of all kinds, our stock is exceptionally strong and we particularly emphasize the fact that the prices are less than you expect. Mackinaws from \$6.50 to \$12.50; Corduroy suits at \$12.50; Corduroy pants at \$3.50; Moleskin pants at \$2.25 and \$2.85; Mens' Sweaters at 65c, \$1.25, and \$2.50, in fact all of these goods was bought early and we are selling them for less than we could buy them at wholesale today.

New Shoes

Almost every week brings us new numbers in both ladies' and childrens as well and mens' shoes. We mention this, for we want you to know that we try to keep a stock of GOOD SHOES at all times and we give special attention to properly fitting. On a basis of better values, we ask for your shoe business.

It's Not too Early

for you to begin your Xmas planning and we are beginning now to get in so many dainty, pretty things that will help you. Fancy Ribbon, Dainty Slipper Soles, Novelty Laces, etc., for making up. Let us get what you want, if we haven't it. We will be glad to do so.

Underwear

So that you won't forget that it is not to be had elsewhere, we mention that this is the only store in Midland where you can buy MUNSINGWEAR. Ladies Unions \$1.25 and \$1.50 Mens' Unions \$1.25, \$2.00 and \$2.50 Boys' Unions, extra values, the suit..... 75c Childrens' Unions, the suit..... 75c Ladies' Vests and Pants at 65c and 75c each.

Send the Children Here

When you send your child to this store, you may know that they receive the same attention and get the same price, that you, or any one else, rich or poor, would receive. We have but one price and that is marked on the goods. That price has never been cut to favor any one, and NEVER WILL.

Wadley-Patterson Company

One Price—the Lowest—For Cash Only

SEVERAL MIDLANDITES ATTEND GRAND OPERA

Several Midland people attended grand opera in Fort Worth recently and witnessed Gounod's "Faust," produced by the Chicago Grand Opera Company, and Donizetti's "Lucia Di Lammermoor." All are enthused over the recitals of these two great masterpieces produced by the world's greatest stars of the grand opera. In giving account of the two foremost singer's work, Nell Flanigan in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, in part has the following to say about Mme. Nellie Melba and Amelita Galli-Curci:

"Mme. Nellie Melba, in the star role of "Marguerite," reached the climax of her brilliant career when she sang before an audience of 4,500 persons after suffering painful injuries from a stage accident, in which she narrowly escaped death. Just at the end of the first act when the vision of Marguerite was to be presented to Faust, a wire holding a piece of scenery parted and the heavy strip of wood with canvass, fell upon the great diva and rendered her unconscious, injuring her severely on the shoulder, the back, hips and hand. Her pain was intense, but she would not disappoint an audience and did not delay the curtain five minutes. She rallied and sang with such clarient sweetness in her notes as never told of pain. Her beautiful mellow tones poured out in dulcet cadence like richest golden honey. And her high notes were as fresh and pure as the shriven soul of Marguerite when she ascended with the heavenly choir in the great climatic prison scene.

"Such was Nellie Melba's heroic artistry!

"Amelita Galli-Curci, the greatest coloratura soprano in the world, stood behind the scenes at the Coliseum on Thursday night just after she had her big conquest of her first Texas audience in grand opera. She was as fresh and glowing as a rose in spring. "The great Italian diva was girlishly happy over the affectionate reception by Texas folks. "The people in Texas are very warm," she spoke in her clear musical English. "They are sympathetic and love music. Music is beautiful. Music is good for the soul and the brain. It develops the spirit."

These two great singers can be heard right here in Midland, at any time on the Victrola at the store of Basham, Shepherd & Company, who are the exclusive agents for the Victrola and records.

UNIQUE THEATRE

The crowds have been rather small this week on account of the cold snap, but nevertheless those who have been brave enough to face the cold have found a warm, comfortable house at this theatre and also good shows. By some mishap the regular program failed to arrive last Friday night and they had to resort to emergency reels again, but they proved to be "go-gitters" and the crowd went away pleased. Two of the reels featured Carter DeHaven in one of the Timothy Dobbs, That's Me, pictures, entitled "The Sody Clerk." This had been showed here before but it was one that bore repetition.

A two act L-KO Comedy featuring Phil Dunham and a rollicking cast of fun makers last Monday night, fairly made the fans howl. It was a rural comedy entitled "Blackboards and Blackmail" and if there was any other deficiency in the show, this comedy made it up and with interest. You should have seen the cute little fat girl. She caught the cakes on the fork every time and never a miss. The Bluebird feature on Tuesday night with sweet little Ella Hall in the lead was, as always is, when this favorite little actress is flashed on the screen, a production worthy of only the highest criticism. The movie goers are delighted that Miss Hall is being shown frequently now and when her lithos are shown in front of the theatre it guarantees an appreciative audience.

We are soon to have some war pictures; pictures actually made on the battle field and we can look forward to some interesting scenes in the near future.

HAVE YOU A BAD BACK?

Awaken to the Danger and Aid the Weakened Kidneys

Kidney sickness often runs you down to the verge of collapse before you know the cause. When you seem unable to pin your mind to any task, your back aches and you cannot do an ordinary day's work, it is time to ask yourself this question: "Are my kidneys working right?" The answer may be easily found.

Weak kidneys slacken their filtering work and the uric acid circulates with the blood, in many cases, attacking brain, nerves, muscles and vital organs. Don't wait for the serious trouble—begin using Doan's Kidney Pills when you feel the first backache or first notice urinary disorders. This remedy has given new life and strength to thousands.

Proof of merit in a Midland citizen's statement

Frank Clark, carpenter, Wall St. Midland, says: "My kidneys troubled me for about four years. I had a tired feeling in my back and it was weak and often ached. If I bent over I found it hard to straighten. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage and highly colored. Nothing seemed to do me any good until finally a friend recommended Doan's Kidney Pills. I got a box at the City Drug Store, and they cured me of the complaint."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Dr. Clark had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N.Y. adv 4-2t

H. O. Nations is here from Menard visiting his sister, Mrs. Will Crier.



Your Grocer will deliver



You've enjoyed it at restaurants and other places—now you want your family and your guests to join you in the same pleasure. That's one of the joys of serving Bevo—to hear your guests say how good it is—then to listen to their arguments as to just what it is. If they haven't seen the bottle they'll all agree that it is something else—if they have seen the bottle each will have a different explanation for its goodness.

Bevo is nutritive—pure through pasteurization and sterilization—non-intoxicating, wholesome and thoroughly refreshing. Note—Bevo should be served cold.

Bevo—the all-year-round soft drink

Get Bevo at lums, restaurants, groceries, department and drug stores, picnic grounds, baseball parks, soda fountains, dining cars, steamships, and other places where refreshing beverages are sold. Guard against substitutes—have the bottle opened in front of you.

Bevo is sold in bottles only—and is bottled exclusively by

ANHEUSER-BUSCH—ST. LOUIS

WALKER-SMITH CO.

Dealers MIDLAND, TEXAS

MIDLAND SAILOR BOY AT HOME ON FURLOUGH

Homer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hampton, who is a sailor in the U. S. navy of the Pacific fleet, came home the latter part of last week on furlough. Homer makes quite an interesting looking character in his sailor uniform and his conversation is still more interesting. We are glad to state that the young man has made good in the navy.

EPWORTH LEAGUE BUYS A LIBERTY BOND

As mentioned in last week's Report-

ter, the high school and the north ward, each purchased a \$50 Liberty Bond, and as they set such a noble example, it was announced last Sunday evening at the Epworth League devotional service by President Matt Armstrong that he had purchased a \$50 Liberty Bond for the League. The League at once agreed to pay for the same.

F. C. Norwood came in Monday from his ranch 32 miles north of city and reports that he has received to Arizona parties 3 cars of cows which were shipped to the Fort Worth market.

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

Good Eats Cafe & Grocery

L.B.E. HEARD, Prop.

Phone 157 A nice line of Staple and Fancy Groceries, delivered promptly to any part of the city.

GOOD EATS CAFE

It is first class in every respect and we serve you efficiently.

GIVE US A CALL

On A Cash Basis

On and after Nov. 1st all work turned on by the Pliska Shop will be strictly cash when the work is done. The prevailing high price materials and extraordinary conditions brought about by the drought, render this move necessary as a measure of self protection. We trust our friends will remember this and not ask us to charge anything. Respectfully,

J. V. PLISKA

CLOSE ESTIMATES

OUR SPECIALTY



Nothing gives us more satisfaction than the chance to figure with you on the cost of your building material.

In planning the construction of anything you want to build our experience in this line is freely at your service. Bring in your specifications.

We will tell you whether or not they are right and we will figure the cost as low as we can.

THE PLACE TO BUY—
Burton-Lingo Company
WHEN YOU WANT TO BUILD

Kidnaping of Bobby Burton

(An original story, written by Carolyn Caldwell and read before Hal-Rhea Jewell's section of the High School Literary Society. The Reporter publishes it by request and for the reason that it is worthy, as coming from one of the high school students.)

Long, long ago when our country was yet quite young and Santa Fe was just emerging into the light of history, John P. Burton, a young and inexperienced fellow from the east, committed a great wrong against the Big Chief of a neighboring tribe of Indians. Big Chief swore vengeance and Burton knowing only too well the customs of the Indians, returned immediately to his eastern home.

Big Chief died unavenged. This caused a great deal of talk at the time but was quickly forgotten by the people. Nevertheless Big Chief had not died without planning for the carrying out of his oath for he had planned deep in the heart of his son the strong resentment against Burton and the determination for revenge. But many years passed in peace, until there was left in the scattered and broken tribe of Big Chief only one descendant—his grandson.

Toward the first of the summer of 1916 Joseph S. Burton, grandson of John P. Burton, accepted a government position in Santa Fe, and immediately moved there with his wife and only child, a boy of six. Soon after this occurred we went to Santa Fe on a visit and almost the first news that reached our ears was of the disappearance of little Bobbie Burton.

Soon after our arrival we took the trip to the canyon of the Frijoles, located near Santa Fe. We went as far as Buckman by train but there we took up the trip in a wobbly, rattling wagon with an Indian as driver and guide. I wondered how it would feel for our guide to turn out to be treacherous and lead us into all sorts of real adventures, but, remembering the civilization of the present day, I gave up my fond dreams with a sigh and devoted my attention to the surrounding scenery. We first crossed the Rio Grande and started up the three mile hill. We went steadily upward for three whole miles, winding round and round with a great gulf, increasing in depth at every mile, on one side, and a solid wall of rock and shrubbery on the other. Upon gaining the top we started almost immediately down into a deep canyon. This was repeated many times before we reached the top of an extremely high mountain where the Indian, without a word, stopped the wagon and started unhitching the horses. I did feel rather funny, perhaps my heart did beat a little faster but I bravely asked him if we had reached our destination. He grunted, but only said, "The trail is too steep. You will have to walk." We all started down a steep narrow trail. I was feeling rather disappointed, although greatly relieved, but the scene which was soon presented to my eyes drove all other thoughts from my mind; for below us, some 500 feet was stretched the most beautiful canyon I had ever beheld. Through the middle a small river flowed, bordered on either side with a thick growth of trees and shrubbery. The farther side of the canyon rose almost perpendicular and was also covered with trees. Nestled down on the far side of the river was a long low house surrounded by a great many small white tents. The side of the canyon on which we were descending was made of sand stone, containing many holes which had been dug by the cliff dwelling Indians many hundred years before and used as their homes. It did not take long to reach the bottom where we were heartily greeted by Mrs. Abbott, who kept the inn, as it was called. We retired early in our little tent rooms, the big house only contained the dining room and kitchen, which were furnished as a real room would be.

Immediately after breakfast we started out to see the sights with Judge Abbott as guide. Our course lay up the canyon. It was all very interesting, the ancient paintings still visible on the cliffs, certain small rooms cut into the rocks where all kinds of Indian relics had been found and the huge ceremonial cave, located nearly 450 feet above the floor of the canyon. We climbed ladders to this cave which we found to be cut out in the form of a half circle with a diameter of almost 25 feet. After our visit to the cave all returned to the house to rest except me, for I was far too interested to rest, so I started out to seek adventure for myself. After some time spent in exploring many of the small caves, I came to the sight of an opening about as high as my head from the ground, which seemed to open into a large room. I scrambled into this opening, using the small water worn crevices in the side of the cliff as foot holds. When inside I discovered to my surprise that it was not a large room but that it would scarcely hold me. I paused for breath, and, in doing so, leaned heavily against the wall. I had hardly taken my second breath when the wall behind me gave way and I fell down. I don't know how far, into a dark room, which was so small that I could touch the walls by extending both hands. The sides were very smooth, making it impossible to climb out as I had come in. Feeling my way about I found that it extended in only one other direction. I started out to follow it and trusted to luck as to where it should lead me. After what seemed to be many hours I came to a flight of rude steps cut in the stone. I ascended these steps and at the top found what seemed to be a trap door of decaying wood. I pushed upon this with all my might and, to my great relief, it yielded and I saw a crack of light. I was delighted, for by this time I wanted to get out pretty badly and leave the adventure to some one else. When I had succeeded in raising the door and scrambling up I found myself in a moderately large room which was dimly lighted by small windows near the ceiling. The walls were hung with blankets and



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other Indian ornaments. In the farther corner was a heap of blankets upon which a small boy was sleeping. Something about the boy's face reminded me of the picture of Bobbie Burton that I had seen in the newspapers. This put a thought into my head so I ran quickly to the child and shook him vigorously. He awoke with a start and I demanded, "What is your name, little boy?" He was almost crying, but managed to say, "Bobbie." "Bobbie Burton?" I exclaimed. "Then why are you here?" "I don't know," he answered. "A big red man took me from my mamma and I want to go home." He burst into tears. Like a flash the meaning came to me. Bobbie had been kidnaped. Kidnaped by a real Indian. It did indeed seem strange considering the complete absence of adventure which I had found in life. Realizing that we had no time to lose, I begged him to keep quiet and listen. He apparently knew nothing of how he had come for he said they had covered his eyes. I shuddered at the very thought of entering the dark cavern from which I had come, and, as there was no door visible I started a complete examination of the walls. Underneath one of the blankets I found a small opening barely large enough for a man to crawl through. I told Bobbie to keep quiet and do as I told him and we would soon go back to his mother. He was very happy, so we started, both feeling pretty good. Outside of the opening we found ourselves in a rudely fashioned hall with small irregular holes, they could hardly be called windows, on one side which admitted a little light. We had not been walking long when the hall took a sudden turn and I beheld our former Indian guide scarcely twenty feet away. I grabbed Bobbie's hand and quickly retreated behind the bench in the hall. We hastily retraced our steps but the sound of distant footsteps soon told me that we were being followed. I stopped short. It would not do to go back to the place from which we had come for I knew no way of escape from there. I glanced quickly around me. The first thing that caught my eye was one of

the rude windows, larger and lower than any of the rest. I ran to this and looked out as best I could. Directly below the window I discovered a narrow ledge of perhaps three or four feet in width. I was not sure that the Indian had seen us and, considering the slowness of his approach, I judged that he had not. If we could only get to this ledge and hide there until the Indian passed. I decided to try it and helped Bobbie up, and, whispering careful directions to him, allowed him to drop. Making sure that he had landed safely, I clambered up and trying to make as little noise as possible, squeezed through the narrow opening. When I was almost through I glanced back into my late prison and squarely met the eyes of the Indian. I quickly let myself down and joined Bobbie. The ledge was almost at the top of the cliff and looking downward it seemed miles to the bottom. Resolutely taking the child's hand, and commanding him to keep his eyes on the path, I hurried along the ledge, hoping that the Indian would not follow. But one glance backward destroyed my hope for he was following and our path was just about to play out. The rock was crumbling at places and sometimes we had to step across small gaps. I realized the danger into which I was leading the boy but glancing backward and seeing that the Indian was gaining upon us I determined not to be caught. Bobbie seemed equally determined and he was so brave and daring that I decided to keep on. Just then we came around a great projection and before us across a gulf of perhaps two feet lay the floor of the ceremonial cave. It was a welcome sight indeed, but as I approached the space which lay between me and safety, the rock beneath my feet began to crumble and become less steady. I cautioned Bobbie, and when we had come to the edge, took both his hands in mine and, steadying myself against the wall, swung him across the gulf to the steady floor of the cave. The extra weight of his body as I lifted him, although small, made the rock crumble under my feet and I almost

lost my balance. Gathering together all my remaining courage I took one step backward and then jumped from the unsteady ledge onto the cave floor. Greatly relieved I glanced backward. The Indian had been close upon us and just as I turned, he gained the end of the ledge. The ground had given a great deal more with my jump and as he stepped upon it, it gave way completely and the Indian fell head over heels into the canyon below.

It did not take long for Bobbie and I to descend the ladders from the cave and but a little longer to tell our whole adventure to those at the house. We returned immediately to Santa Fe where I learned the story of John Q. Burton and Big Chief, which made me understand my adventure more fully. I suppose it is needless to say that the Indian, whom we found to be the last of the tribe of Big Chief, did not survive his fall and that from then on Bobbie had no trouble in staying at home.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH BUYS \$1,000 LIBERTY BOND

President Jones, of Midland College, gave one of his noted patriotic talks at the morning service in the Christian church Sunday to a very enthusiastic audience. At the close of the service it was announced that a \$1,000 Liberty Bond had been purchased for this church and it was up to the members to pay for it. In short order the sum was raised and the church can now have this patriotic and noble investment to their credit. We think this is very commendable and other denominations should have done likewise.

JONES BROS. LEASE GEM BARBER SHOP

Claud and Joe Jones, who have been running a barber shop in the pool have closed that business last Monday and took out a six months' lease from Sam Cole, for the Gem Barber Shop. Mr. Cole will return to Port Arthur, where he has another shop.

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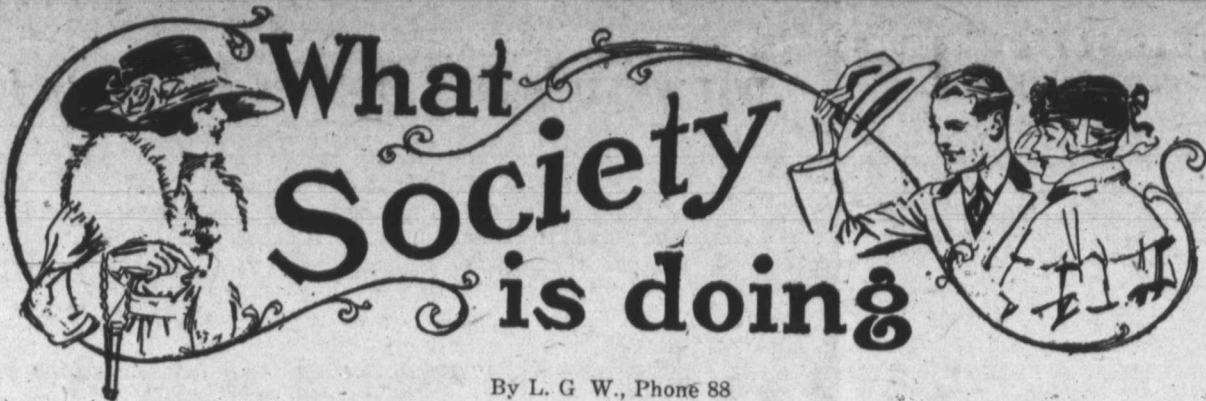
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LIFE IN ST. HELENA TRAINING STATION

Young Misses Lena and Pyrie Bradshaw, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bradshaw, have received some lines from their brother, M. C. Bradshaw, U. S. Navy, "Life in the St. Helena Training Station, Norfolk, Va.," They send them to The Reporter for publication. The young man seems quite poetically inclined, and we publish his last verses, as follows:

The peep of day, the showing of a leg,
 Up shoots a "rook" for the makings to beg,
 The sound of a bugle, the noise of a drum,
 "Up, all hands," and the day is begun.

Getting into uniform, with words of cuss;
 Lashing up kammocks, with lots of fuss;
 Cussing everybody, the whole reservation
 Two old enemies quarreling over clothes;
 A black eye and a broken nose,
 An upturned table and a bloody floor,
 And the roaring noise of "Roxie" Moore;

A roll of a cigarette—"darn it, it broke!"
 Another one made, and a light and we smoke.
 The pleading words, "old pal, pay day's not far off,
 How's chances for a chew of that jolly tar?"
 Tobacco is scarce and shipmates are few;
 Liberty tomorrow and no money in view.

So we "soak" our treasures and buy a pie,
 And feed our faces with a mournful sigh.
 There is a bag inspection and dress parade,
 An hour's drill by "Roxie's" brigade:
 It's "boats under oars" or "boats under sail,"
 "Signals" or "rigging loft," then the mail.

The call of the bugle, the smell of stew;
 "Fall in, everybody, it's time to chew."
 "Shoot the light house," shipmates on the "meat,"
 When a man pulls an oar he wants to eat.

Drilling and working, our poor backs breaking;
 Catching signals till our poor heads aching.
 Standing guard certainly has no charm;
 We never did that on the dear old farm.
 Washing and scrubbing, happy as a lark;
 Working and drilling from dawn until dark;

'Tis the same old drills, day in and day out;
 They say it is healthy and makes us stout.

In; right dress, front, count off;
 Squads right."
 Near these commands from morn until night;
 Yelling and rousing of Smith and Bucks,
 Six o'clock and all work is done—
 Comes at last with the set of the sun.

'Tis a nice dark night, no guards around, hence,
 Take chances on jumping the fence.
 'Tis the life of the new recruit,
 'Tis better known as "Rubber Boots."

Under the weather, warm, cold or lamp,
 The same routine in the training camp—
 Working and fighting or swapping tales,
 And smoking until the night two bells.
 "Tattoo," then "Taps," and two guns roar,
 "Lights out," "pipes down," and the day is o'er.

ARTS RECITAL AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

Saturday night at 8:30, the Fine Arts department of Midland College, in the department of piano, voice and oratory, will give a recital in the auditorium. A splendid program has been arranged, and the public cordially invited to attend.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Docson sustained a badly scalded foot Tuesday when he stepped into a tub of boiling water. The little fellow is getting along nicely at this time, Wednesday.

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We have on hand \$300 worth of ammunition. We are compelled to sacrifice our profit in order to get rid of it, and are selling at cost price.

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The boys in khaki, are of course, the central figures in all of our hearts during these present momentous days so we copy a little tribute to these soldier boys written by a friend of Mrs. R. W. Cowden:

Soldier of Mine
 (To the tune of Mother McChree)
 There's a spot in my heart, no civilian may own,
 And a feeling of reverence in my heart is sown,
 There's the deepest respect that is for you alone—
 You soldier of fortune—your valor is known.

Oh, I love the brown khaki so proudly you wear,
 And I covet the cross you are destined to bear,
 I love the brave spirit that surely is thine,
 Oh, God bless you, and keep you, Soldier of mine.

You Americans brave, a free path you will pave,
 "For Humanity's Cause"—this your banner you name—
 When you're over in France, so far over the sea,
 Your watch word is "Courage"—the end Victory!
 —Ruth Thurman.

Meeks—Hardin
 We are in receipt of the appended invitation, which will be of interest to a wide circle of friends in Midland:

Boon Hardin and Vallye Meeks Married
 Thursday, October twenty-fifth nineteen hundred and seventeen Roswell, New Mexico
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Miss Meeks was a resident of Midland for many years and will be remembered very pleasantly as a young lady possessing many charming attributes of mind and character.
 Mr. Hardin is a young cattleman and owns a ranch near Knowles, N. M., where they will live. The Reporter wishes for them that all their dreams of future prosperity and happiness may be fully realized many times over.

Epworth League Party
 In spite of the war, drouth and kindred pestilence we must have some pleasure—so Tuesday night Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Clark did much towards rolling the social ball down the road of fun and frolic by entertaining the Epworth League with a genuine old fashioned Halloween party. The house was elaborately decorated in a most weird, ghostly fashion. Bats, owls, cats and all sorts of creepy things made of the otherwise cozy little home a veritable land of gloom. Of course there was a witch who was the chief attraction. Sheeted ghosts and spirited goblins were also fittingly conspicuous about. Old time games and Halloween tricks were played with great zest. The "witch's broth," served from a big black kettle, seemed almost like nectar—the fabled drink of the gods—even though it was in such a gruesome receptacle. Music by the Edison was also an enjoyable attractive feature to those who were musically inclined. A big crowd of young people enjoyed this hospitality, so cordially extended by Mr. and Mrs. Clark.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

Reporters.
 Carolyn Caldwell, High School. Margaret Caldwell, Central Ward. Jessie Ramsay, South Ward.
 The following new pupils have enrolled this month: Roy Walker, L. Z. Walker and Maggie Houston. This makes our enrollment for this year 620.
 The High School Literary Society met last Friday afternoon to elect new officers. The following were elected: Virgil Shaw, president; Henry Brunson, vice-president; Ellen White, secretary; Oron Collins, treasurer; Alma Cowan, sergeant-at-arms; Ora Mae Terry, critic and Carolyn Caldwell, reporter.

On Monday morning we had short talks from the following: Brookie Lea, Thelma Estes, and Lula B. Bannerman who had just returned from visits to grand opera and the Dallas fair. They gave very interesting reports of what they had seen and heard.
 Both Oron Collins and Sam Hendricks' sections of the society met on Tuesday morning and elected new officers for the coming term.
 The girls' section of the society held brief meetings Thursday. Four good programs are in preparation for Friday, Nov. 9.

The highest average in the high school for this month was made by Carolyn Caldwell, her average being 97.3-5; the second highest was made by Ruby Willis, her average being 95.3-5.

Mrs. R. L. Parks, Miss Roberta Heatly and Mr. L. C. Bell visited Central Ward this week.
 The seventh grade of Central Ward enjoyed a feast last Wednesday.
 The two highest averages for the past month in Central Ward are as

Class in Surgical Dressing

It is indeed very gratifying that the class in surgical dressing, so ably conducted by Mrs. Mike Rankin is meeting with such splendid results. Mrs. Rankin has received a certificate of proficiency from Washington in this department of patriotic service, and it is very gratifying that the ladies are co-operating with her so zealously. She has both a day and night class, which meets twice a week at the residence of Mrs. W. W. Brunson. These bandages are a necessity, not a luxury, and the cause should strike a responsive chord in each and every one of our hearts. Mrs. Rankin will be glad to confer with everyone who is interested in this great vital work and who is willing to do her bit.

Halloween Parties

The entire week has almost been replete with social gayeties and all of a Halloween nature. One of the most charming of these was given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church at the manse Tuesday evening. The house was decorated in a most every fashion, with all the symbols of the season very much in evidence. Ghosts and a witch were fittingly about and added much to the zest and fun of the occasion. Dainty and elaborate refreshments consisting of gingerbread and butter milk were served. A large crowd was present and a free will offering for missions was taken up, thus making it a financial as well as social success, and an all Halloween eve party in the truest sense.

Miss Winnie Holloway, Hostess

Miss Holloway extended the pupils in expression a pretty courtesy last Saturday evening when she entertained them with a forty-two party in the parlors of Midland College. Each student was allowed to invite a guest, so there was quite an assemblage of merry young folks. At the conclusion of the games a salad plate was served. The piano solos by Miss Hallie Rhea Jewell were also an attractive feature of the entertainment.

99 Club
 The 99 Club met in regular session Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. E. R. Thomas as hostess. A pleasant and profitable hour was spent in studying Henry V, after which plans were discussed for the creating of funds for patriotic purposes. Nothing definite was arranged, though we shall expect to hear from this admirable club in the very near future.

Mrs. George Gray, who is now domiciled at the Llano Hotel for the winter, is being graciously received by a large circle of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Gray were among our most prominent citizens, both in the business and social world, prior to their removal to El Paso a few years ago, hence we extend them a warm welcome, even though they may be here only for a season.

Mrs. Eugene Cowden left Tuesday for Valentine to visit her daughter, Mrs. Otis Means, and incidentally to renew her acquaintance with the young grandson, Master Eugene Means.

Mrs. Dudley Wilson and son, Mr. Hunter Lynch, of Dallas, were in Midland Saturday and Sunday enroute to El Paso. They were making the trip across country in Hunter's new car.

Results of the contest for the following: First, Lenora Whitmire, 96.5-6 per cent; second, Elsie Barron, 95 per cent. The banner was won by Miss Graves' room with 11 points. Ms. Goar's room ranked second with 32 points.

The South Ward has raised the money for their Liberty Bond.

Mrs. H. J. Cobb, Mrs. J. D. Cobb, Mrs. J. V. Walker, Miss Jessie Mae Crossman and Miss Lizzie Rediff were visitors to the South Ward this week. Florence Manning made the highest average this month at South Ward, her average being 92.5-6. Glendora Crosssett was second with an average of 92.2-3.

Miss Hillis' room was the banner room of the South Ward this month and Miss Smith's room was second.

Mrs. W. F. Anderson and children returned home from Rogers, Texas, the latter part of last week where they attended the funeral of husband and father, as mentioned in last week's Reporter. Our entire community extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved.

Mesdames Jim Dublin and Doc Coats were visitors to the Dallas fair last week, returning this week.

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Mrs. S. W. Estes and Miss Ted Scott returned this week from a several days' visit to Monahans, the guests of Mrs. Aldridge Estes. They had a delightful visit to a round-up at Mr. Earl Estes' ranch, also.

We are sorry to report Miss Susie Graves as having been quite ill but glad to say that she is somewhat improved.

We regret to say that Mrs. C. L. Sterling continues ill, though her condition is somewhat improved.

Mrs. John Edwards returned Monday from Fort Worth and left again Tuesday for the ranch.

Mrs. Annie S. Boone left Tuesday afternoon for a business trip to Fort Worth.

Mrs. C. A. Goldsmith spent a day or two on the ranch this week.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Christian Church
 Bible school rally at 9:30 a. m., E. F. Elkin, supt. Preaching at both hours by the regular minister. The morning service will be largely devoted to Convention echoes as the minister has just spent a week attending the National Convention at Kansas City. Subject at night, "Why I Believe that Jesus was the Christ." College Endeavor meets at 6:30 p. m. Special music.
 J. T. McKissick.

Presbyterian Church
 Morning worship at 11 o'clock. The subject will be "Family Religion." Evening worship at 7:30. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Prayermeeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.
 Choir practice, Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
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 Poem—"If We Only Understood"—Hallie Rhea Jewell.

Ladies' Prayermeeting
 The ladies' prayermeeting and Bible study will meet with Mrs. Theo. Ray next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The study for the afternoon will be the 91st Psalm. All are cordially invited.

South Side Ladies' Prayermeeting
 The ladies' prayermeeting of the South Side, will meet with Mrs. Mc Carter next Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A large attendance is desired.

F. M. Denton made a business trip to Pecos last week, returning Sunday.

T. A. SACRA IN BIG DEAL WITH SCARBOROUGH

One of the big deals of recent date involves a sale by T. A. Sacra to W. F. Scarborough. Only meagre details are given to The Reporter for publication. The property involved is 5000 acres of land off the west part of Mr. Sacra's ranch near Shafter Lake and a lease for three years on the balance, somewhat more than 10,000 acres. Also there was included in the deal some 700 head of calves, but in none of the big trade have we been given considerations. Mr. Sacra has leased or purchased ranch property out from Roswell, N. M., a way, and will move his cattle there, at least until the three-year lease terminates.

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2. Where does the fly live? In every kind of filth.
3. Is anything healthy for the fly to eat? No.
4. (A) Where does he go when he leaves the surface closet and manure pile and spits? Into the kitchen and dining room.
5. Does the fly visit the patient sick with typhoid fever, consumption and cholera infantum? He does—and he may call on you next.
6. Is the fly dangerous? He is man's worst pest, and more dangerous than wild beasts or rattlesnakes.
7. What disease does the fly carry? He carries typhoid fever, consumption and summer complaint.
8. Does he ever kill anyone? He killed more American soldiers during the Spanish-American war than did the bullets of the Spaniards.
9. Where are the most flies? Where there is the most filth.
10. Why should we kill the fly? Because he may kill us.
11. When shall we kill the fly? Kill him before he gets wings—kill him when he is a maggot in the manure pile—kill him when he is in the egg state.
12. How? Keep the stables dry and clean, don't allow any manure to stay on the premises longer than one week. Have all other filth and trash accumulating on your premises removed or burned at least once a week.
13. If your neighbor fails to comply with these rules and allows flies to breed on his premises to visit you, screen your doors and windows and keep them out.
Now, at the approach of winter, is a good time to start war on the pest and be rid of him next spring.

We have arranged for a series of six interesting articles, "War Talks, by Uncle Dan," written by Mr. Howard H. Gross, president of the Universal Military Training League, of which this is the first. They tell in a graphic way why military training is of value, both to the nation and to the individual, and our readers will find them of unusual interest.

WAR TALKS By UNCLE DAN Number One

America Must Fight Hard or Germany May Win—Necessity for Military Training.

"Now, Billie," said his mother, "your Uncle Dan is coming tomorrow to spend a week with us on the farm, and if you want to know about the war, here's your opportunity. Uncle Dan is probably one of the best-informed men in the country." Billie clapped his hands and gave such a whoop that he wakened the baby, but what could you expect of a fifteen-year-old boy who is a living interrogation point and wants to know about war?
Uncle Dan arrived in due time and Billie watched for an opportunity. It came that evening after dinner when Uncle Dan had lighted a cigar and taken a seat on the porch.
"I'm mighty glad you came, Uncle Dan. I want to talk to you about the war. We have just put military training in our township high school, but we had a hard time to do it. The Joneses and the Greggs objected. They said the war wouldn't come over here. Grandma Jones said: 'They ain't no use to worry, it will soon blow over.' Well, we put the training in just the same. You ever heard Judge Brownell, the president of the school board, do the slackers up. He said unless we take off our coats and go to it, Germany may yet win, and if she does, she will take over the great British fleet as a war trophy and compel us to do what ever she wants to; that she could make us pay all the cost of the war; the kaiser could tax us as he pleased and that we couldn't help ourselves. He could make every one pay over a part of what he earns; that he could make the farmers pay rent for their own farms, etc. Now, Uncle, what do you think of that?"
"Your mother's right," said Uncle Dan, "and that is to adopt permanent universal military training, apply it to every young man who is physically fit, say in his nineteenth or twentieth year. The training can be carried forward in the United States training camps that are now being established for training men called by the selective draft. As soon as these men vacate these stations, they should be filled by younger men, and this should be made the permanent policy of the country."

Billie's mother, Mrs. Graham, had overheard the conversation. She came out and said: "Really, Brother Dan, are you serious as to the dangers of our country? If it is as bad as that, it is high time for us to wake up and do something about it."
"Exactly," replied Uncle Dan. "It is better to wake up now than to be rudely awakened later. We may as well understand, sister, that this is our war and we must win it or God help America. Everything that we have or hope to have—our liberties, our blessings, our opportunities are all involved in the great issue before us. Nothing must stand between us and winning this war. It is a question whether the people's right or the kaiser's might shall dominate the world. If there ever was a holy war, this is it. We are fighting for world liberty. We are fighting for the freedom of humanity. We are fighting for the right of men to govern themselves instead of being governed against their will by a war-mad overlord. Perilous times are ahead of us. We must be prepared to make any sacrifice, to perform any service that may be required of us."

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FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE
FOR SALE—At a bargain, residence in south part of town. See me at once and save agent's commission. A. Stark, phone 80. 2tf
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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-tf
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ROOMS WANTED—For light house-keeping. See C. D. Adams, at the office of the Midland Light Company.
ONE FURNISHED ROOM—With electric lights, and phone and bath accessible. One block west and four blocks north of Rhea Cottage. Phone 258. Mrs. J. T. Ragsdale. 51-tf
ROOMS—For light housekeeping. Bath, electric lights, telephone, etc. only 1 1/2 block east of Llano Hotel on Wall Street. Mrs. Jemison, phone 224.
WANTED TO RENT
WANTED TO RENT—4 or 5-room house, with electric lights and water. Will want same for at least six months; if satisfactory, maybe longer. Frank Dyer, at Elite Confectionery No. 2. 51-tf
BUSINESS NOTICES
CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION—for postmaster, at Midland, November 14th. Examination open to all citizens and appointment to competitor making highest mark. Complete course of instruction and sample examination papers obtainable from J. C. Leonard, (former Civil Service Examiner) Kansas Bldg., Washington, D. C. 3-2t-pd

Y.M.C.A. KEEPS THE HOME FIRES BURNING

THIS COUNTY WILL TAKE PART IN STATE CAMPAIGN FOR \$400,000 WAR WORK FUND.
Texas War Work Council Organized. Will Send Executive Secretary Here for Campaign.
To keep the home fires burning in the hearts of the 100,000 American troops in France during the long, cold winter that faces them in the trenches and to preserve the high moral and social life of the 1,700,000 men under the colors at home, the Young Men's Christian Association of America are raising a national war work fund of \$35,000,000.
This County to Aid.
Texas has agreed to give \$400,000 to this amount, and this county has been asked to do its part in the campaign.
At an organization meeting of the Texas War Work Council in Dallas recently, at which practically every county in the state was represented, the following men were named as members, with Rhodes S. Baker as chairman, and L. A. Coulter of Dallas, as state campaign director: H. E. Simmons, Midland; R. E. Bart, Houston; E. R. Brown, Dallas; W. C. Paige, Houston; W. S. Meaher, Dallas; C. A. Nichols, Georgetown; James Kapp, San Antonio, and J. P. Millican, Fort Worth.

A district executive secretary will be sent to this county in the latter end of the campaign which will start Nov. 11 and continue through Nov. 18.
Keep Home Fires Burning.
Millions of soldiers each month thank God for the friendly Y. M. C. centers as a relief from the hard cold life of the camps and trenches. But it takes millions of dollars to continue and to extend this vital home touch—to keep these home ties from breaking.
\$35,000,000 Apportioned.
It is proposed to distribute the \$35,000,000 to be raised as follows: For work with U. S. army and navy men in this country, \$11,120,000; for work with U. S. army and navy men overseas, \$11,994,000; for Y. M. C. A. work in the Russian army, \$2,905,000; for Y. M. C. A. work in the French army, \$2,649,000; for Y. M. C. A. work in the Italian army, \$1,500,000; for work among prisoners of war, \$1,000,000; for extension work, \$3,932,000.
Rev. Weaver, of Llano, preached at the Baptist church twice last Sunday to large audiences.

HALLOWEEN STUNT THAT WAS SHAMEFUL

The Reporter loves to see our young people enjoy themselves innocently. There are many innocent, yet lively and amusing stunts that can be pulled off them. Halloween is an occasion for them. But we despise the viciously inclined. The boy who finds pleasure in being destructive and in inflicting pain, mental or physical, upon others, is just rotten at heart and despicable. We have in mind the "joke" that was played, Halloween night, on our friend and townsman, W. G. Pemberton. Some festive youngsters took it upon themselves to steal out of his harness and hang parts of it on gates of the neighborhood, and then went back for his buggy. It took Mr. Pemberton all of the forenoon to gather up the harness and he spent most of the day hunting for his buggy. At last he found it, utterly destroyed. Evidently it had been hitched on behind an automobile and dragged until broken to pieces. Boys, Mr. Pemberton is a poor man and a cripple. This vehicle, not much of one, was his sole method of getting about. In it he carried his little girls to school of cold, winter mornings. He is hardly able to buy another. Now, if you are not dead to conscience, if you have a spark of real manhood in you, you will replace this buggy with an even better one. You have caused him mental anguish which should shame you so long as memory lasts, and the least you can do is to amend by restitution. If you haven't the money, tell your father or fathers about it. We know they'll help you to make good. Mayhap this prank resulted in an accident. The results are the same. Make good your impishness, boys, and you'll feel and be the better for it.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM LOSSES TO PECOS 23 TO 5

(From The Antelope)
The Midland College girls lost their first basketball game of the season at Pecos on October 20th by the score of 23 to 5. The game was called at 3 o'clock and as the whistle blew ten girls took their places, determined to win if possible. During the first part of the first half the two teams seemed to be evenly matched except for the fact that the Pecos forwards had many more chances at goal than their opponents. Hope ran high in the Midland camp as again and again the Pecos goal-tossers made unavailing shots. But even at this stage of the game the splendid team work of the Pecos quintet and their swift hard passes showed up to good advantage. The score remained unchanged until the last of the half, when one of the opposing forwards tipped the scales by throwing first goal. This goal seemed to upset the calculations of the college team and the score against them piled up rapidly. The quarter ended just as the college made their first point by a foul goal.
The second half found the two teams equally determined. Again the Pecos girls threw goals with unerring accuracy. The college girls rallied a few minutes before time was out and threw two goals, but the long lead which their opponents had built up made it impossible to beat them. The game ended with the score 23 to 5. From a Pecos standpoint the game was a victory for a team which, after four years of work, has acquired that teamwork and a system of passes which has made of them a mechanical machine. From a Midland standpoint, also, the game was a success, for the girls played under several disadvantages. First, the ground was unfamiliar to them; second, one of those typical sandstorms for which Pecos is noted was blowing; third, our girls are unused to playing together. Thus the game is not altogether unsatisfactory to either team. Midland is consoled in the belief that the next game will tell a different story.

W. T. Blakeway returned Sunday from a trip to north Texas points, where he took a car of mules which he sold at satisfactory prices.

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OUR MARKET REPORT FROM KANSAS CITY

Kansas City Stock Yards, Oct. 29, 1917.—Cattle receipts were 20000 head, steers weak to 10 lower, best here \$13, cows strong, stockers and feeders strong to 25 higher. Hogs today 6000, market 10 to 20 higher, top \$16.60. Sheep and lambs today 7000, market steady, lambs \$16.90.
Beef Cattle.
Beef cattle advanced steadily last week, closing 50 cents higher for the week, cow sales up 75 cents frequently, a string of 14 cars of cows arriving from New Mexico late Saturday selling in the afternoon of that day at \$5.50 for canners and \$7.50 for good cows. Ordinarily these would have been held for today.—Some Kansas grazed steers sold at \$13, others downwards to \$9.50, a good many cattle back at noon. No good natives were included in the early arrivals. Colorado beef steers sell at \$9 to \$11, cows \$7.25 to \$9.00. Buyers demanded concessions on steers today because receipts at other markets were heavy. A drove of Panhandle canners sold at \$5.85 medium cows at \$6.75, bulls in this shipment, \$7, good panhandle cows worth \$8, best native cows \$10, veal calves \$10 to \$13.50.
Stockers and Feeders.
In spite of the embargo against shipping stockers and feeders a good many of these classes arrived, and there was a good market for them. Panhandle yearlings sold around \$9.50, plain native yearlings \$7.85. Fourteen loads of Herefords of not a very good kind weighing 700 lbs. brought \$8.25, and good Herefords weighing 875 lbs. brought \$10.25. Panhandle yearlings sold Saturday at \$9.75, 650-lb. average. Illinois and Iowa want weighty steers to consume soft corn, and paid up to \$12 last week.
Hogs
Light hogs sold 20 higher frequently, and the top was 10 higher, both medium and heavy weights selling at up to \$16.00, best light weights \$16.25, bulk of sales \$15.50 to \$16.50, pigs \$14.25 to \$15. There appears to be good strength for the moment, but lower prices are expected as receipts increase, and some shippers are content to talk about hogs at 12 cents after the first of the year. However, the run is tight at all points today, and there was no material increase in supplies anywhere last week.
Sheep and Lambs
Five cars of Colorado lambs sold at \$16.90 to killers, the best here, other Westerns at \$16.75, plain natives \$16.35, a steady market. Feeding lambs sell at \$16.50 to \$16.75 in most cases, choice Westerns worth around \$17. Breeding ewes are in fair supply, are much lower than a fair time ago, and it is a good chance to buy. Useful aged ewes sell at \$10.50 to \$12, ewes three to five years old up to \$14, choice yearling ewes not much lower than formerly, up to \$17.
J. A. Rickart, Market Correspondent.

RETURN SHIPMENT OF CATTLE FROM NEBRASKA

B. N. Aycock & Sons, last Monday, received a return shipment of cattle from Nebraska which will be placed on one of their ranches near Midland. The shipment comprised 20 car loads and were shipped from Midland to Nebraska for grass some months ago. The Aycock ranges have wonderfully improved in late weeks, and the firm feels that they will be able, now, to winter their stuff safely and in very good shape.
GIRL SCOUTS WILL HIKE SATURDAY AFTERNOON
The whole troop of Midland Girl Scouts will please meet at the hall at 3 o'clock tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon. A picnic lunch will be served at the end-of-the-hike. Ethel Moore, Captain.

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MADE CONTRACT FOR CHURCH AT BARSTOW

Contractor W. K. Sinclair returned the latter part of last week from Barstow, where he closed a contract for the erection of a church and several other houses in that town.

OLD RAWLINS BARN BURNED SATURDAY NIGHT

The old Rawlins barn that was located in the north part of town, was destroyed by fire last Saturday night at about 10:30, origin unknown.

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ABOUT THE WAR AND WHEN IT WILL END

The Poetry May be Punk But The Soldierly Philosophy Following It Is All Right

B. C. Girdley hands in the following, author unknown: Absolute knowledge I have none But my aunt's washerwoman's son, Heard a policeman on his beat, Say to a laborer on the street, That he had a letter just last week Written in terms of finest Greek, From a Chinese coolie in Timbuctoo, Who said the niggers in Cuba knew, Of a colored man in a Texas town, Who got it straight from a circus clown.

That a man in Klondike heard the news From a gang of South American Jews, About somebody in Borneo, Who heard a man who claimed to know, Of a swell society female rake Whose mother-in-law will undertake To prove that her seventh husband's sister's niece

Has stated in a printed piece, That she has a son who has a friend, Who knows when the war is going to end.

The above may be, is really, punk poetry, but below we are publishing a bit of logic that is all right, and connects up well with the doubtful duration of the war. The wonderful spirit of the men at the front, in spite of terrors and strains unheard of until now, is delightfully embodied in this bit of soldierly philosophy that a French soldier sent to some friend in the United States. The piece has been printed and circulated all along the front, and has become exceedingly popular among the French soldiers. No one knows its origin. Thus it runs:

"You have two alternatives; either you are mobilized, or you are not. If not, you have nothing to worry about. If you are mobilized, you have two alternatives—you are in camp or at the front. If you are in camp you have nothing to worry about; if you are at the front, you have two alternatives,—either you are in reserve or on the fighting line. If you are in reserve you have nothing to worry about; if you are on the fighting line you have two alternatives,—either you fight or you don't. If you don't you have nothing to worry about; if you do you have two alternatives,—either you get hurt or you don't. If you don't, you have nothing to worry about; if you get hurt, you have two alternatives,—either you get slightly hurt or you get badly hurt. If slightly, you have nothing to worry about; if badly you have two alternatives,—either you recover, or you don't. If you recover, you have nothing to worry about, and if you don't, you can't worry if you want to, so what's the use?"

SAVES BUFFALO NICKELS BUYS LIBERTY BOND

Here's one more way of buying a Liberty Bond. One thousand Buffalo nickels, otherwise designated as \$50, equals one bond.

This is what Mrs. Charles Glenk, of 1317 South Jennings Avenue did—saved Buffalo nickels for six months and Wednesday afternoon turned them over to Uncle Sam to help win the war.

"It's an easy way to help our country and one scarcely misses the amount, when it is saved that way," Mrs. Glenk said in discussing her saving.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The above lady is a sister of our townsman, J. H. Shepherd. Mr. Shepherd also informed us that his son, Driff, who volunteered his services to Uncle Sam at the beginning of the war, and who is now located in California, has purchased two Liberty Bonds of like amount.

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STYLE OF NEW FIRM**

It will come as a bit of news, and pleasing news, to many of their friends to learn that Tom T. Garrard, Jr., and H. A. Leaverton, two of Midland's brilliant young lawyers, have formed a partnership. We congratulate them, right heartily. Both are young men, both splendidly talented, and already each is rather distinguished for their legal ability in the law fraternity of West Texas. Mr. Garrard as attorney for the 70th judicial district and Mr. Leaverton especially for the wonderfully fine record he made in his examination a year or two ago when he was admitted to the bar. Mr. Leaverton is also mayor of the city

of Midland. The new firm will occupy the office suite already occupied by Mr. Leaverton, second floor of the Llano Hotel building, and which was formerly occupied by Judge Chas. Gibbs, who sold his business to Mr. Leaverton when the former accepted the judgeship of the 70th judicial district. Again we offer congratulations to these young attorneys and predict for them a full measure of success.

Byron Robinson, who left Midland some months ago, was with us again this week. He has located in New Mexico, near Estancia, and likes that country very much.

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**ABOUT THE V
LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

John Hix returned Tuesday from an extended visit to eastern points.

Miss Maggie McCormick has news that is money saving for the ladies this week. Look up her ad elsewhere.

J. M. Chapprell and wife, of Roscoe, are here this week visiting relatives.

Marshall Drinkard, of Eunice, N. M., transacted business in Midland the latter part of last week.

J. H. Atkins, of St. Louis, Mo., has been a guest of his sister-in-law, Mrs. C. H. Tigner, this week.

C. E. Morgan was here from the east county line this week and reports conditions very bad.

Miss Bonnie Ervitt was in town Saturday from school district No. 2, where she is teaching.

H. W. Montgomery and Melvin Price shipped 1 car of cows to the Fort Worth market this week.

Mrs. T. B. Roberts and sons sold to J. N. Medlin a bunch of young cows this week at private terms.

J. T. Cobb, of Waco, was in the city this week on his way to Seminole, to visit his son, F. W. Cobb.

Grandma Wisdom was seriously injured last Saturday when she lost her balance and fell breaking two ribs.

J. A. Karkalits, of Cisco, came in Tuesday for a few days' visit to his son, C. S. Karkalits, and family.

Arthur Johnson returned home last Tuesday from a business visit to Dallas and incidentally taking in the fair.

Mrs. D. C. McCormick returned on No. 5 Tuesday from Dallas, where she successfully underwent a surgical operation.

Miss Annie Lee King, daughter of Jno. King, was quite painfully hurt last Saturday by a fall from an automobile.

T. C. Barnsley was here this week from his ranch in Pecos County and reports that he has not fed anything yet and has had no losses.

D. M. Taylor, merchant and county commissioner, and County Judge H. B. Griffith, of Upton County, were in town this week on business.

A train load of soldiers from Des Moines, Iowa, passed through Midland en route to Deming, N. M. Landlord J. W. Yeakel served them with coffee.

C. P. Wakefield, who has been employed in the Gem Barber Shop, has accepted a position in the Llano Barber Shop and will start to work Monday, next.

Dr. Hall was in this week from his ranch in the south part of the county and says that he sold 150 cows to Albert Wulfjin, of Kent, at private terms.

A. J. Kerr was here a few days this week from his ranch 30 miles north of Odessa. Reports that he recently shipped 8 cars of cows to the Fort Worth market.

All are cordially invited out to the patriotic services of the Methodist Sunday School next Sunday morning at 10:45. An interesting and inspiring program is being prepared.

J. V. Stokes brought a train load of fine cattle from near Sedalia, Mo., this week, where for the past few months he has kept them. He shipped them to grass near Van Horn.

As stated above, Messrs. Cowden retain a splendid herd of pure bred Angus cattle on their ranch a few miles northwest from Odessa.

**SOME BRIEF ITEMS
FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE**

The first issue of the Antelope by the students of the college, as appreciated by the school and its friends at home and over the State. Messrs. Boughton and Perry are proving their fitness in making a literary and a financial success of the college paper.

Pres. F. G. Jones left his morning for Sweetwater to confer with Clifford S. Wilson, State secretary of the education commission of the Christian church. The last State convention asked the churches of the State to contribute \$25,000 for the three schools under their auspices, viz. Texas Christian University, Midland College and Carr-Burdett College. Pres. Jones will probably assist Mr. Weaver in visiting the churches in the interest of the college.

Midland College is trying to do her part in the war against irresponsible autocracy Joe Camp of the 1916 class is in the Y. M. C. A. service of the army; Garrison Heavenhill is second lieutenant at Leon Springs; Foster Averitt of 1917 class has been promoted to midshipman at Annapolis, Maryland; Thurman Morgan, junior of last year, is in the artillery service at Waco.

On Sunday at lunch, upon the request of several students and teachers, an appeal was made for the college to take a Liberty Bond of \$50. When the subscriptions were totaled, it was found that they reached \$100, hence the bond was over-subscribed.

J. T. McKissick returned from Kansas City on Thursday morning. He had been attending the national convention of the Disciples for the week preceding. He reports an attendance of 10,000 delegates and a great convention. The Men and Millions Movement, representatives of which visited Midland in September 1914, report \$4,300,000 raised on \$5,300,000, necessary to secure the \$1,000,000 gift of J. L. Long, multimillionaire of Kansas City, making \$6,300,000 as the objective of the 5 years campaign to close June 1st, 1918. Midland College is a beneficiary of this movement.

More regular and earnest work is being done by the students of Midland College than ever before. The junior class is composed almost entirely of graduates from the Texas high schools. There are six graduates of our Midland high school in attendance and each of these six is an excellent student and fine character.

The Halloween party given to the

students of the college on Wednesday evening was a delightful entertainment. The young ladies of the faculty, consisting of Misses Heavenhill, Agnew, Wilhite, Perry, Boone, Holway and Baldwin, planned the program and served at the dinner which formed a feature of the evening. The students were arrayed in "spook" costumes, disguising their identities. The masks were not removed until the march through the halls and the room of horrors, terminated in the dining

room. Miss Cora Castellaw has been elected editor and Thomas Osburn business manager of the College Annual, the Sand Storm. This will be No. 2, as the first number was issued last year by C. C. Pate and Van Camp, assisted by the department editors. Active work on the Sand Storm will begin at once.

At 4 o'clock today (Friday) a football game is being played between the college team and a town team of former

mer football players, some of them from Midland College teams of previous years. The proceeds to go to the Red Cross. The game is being played on the college grounds. The next game of the college team will be home with Big Spring, Saturday, September 10th. The team has played two games this season before to one with Big Spring resulting in a score of 7-0 in favor of Big Spring the other with Pecos, showing a score of 37-0 in Midland's favor.

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