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## HEAVY SNOWS OVER VAST STRETCHES OF THE WEST

The Reporter, last week, suggested the need, for Midland, of a commercial organization, with a live man in charge, who would look out for and take advantage of a multitude of opportunities that are sure to present themselves now that the world is again at peace, or that peace is under way, and in the dawning of a new prosperity that must come with a substantial breaking up of the prolonged drouth. Our comment was not ill-timed, and succeeding conditions, or visitations, of the week strengthen this need many fold.

Throughout all West Texas a vast snow fell the first of the week, fell upon a moisture already in the ground that is unusual at this time of the year, and a condition of favor now presents itself that all but makes us forget the financial hardships we have all endured for so many months.

According to the best information obtainable the snow early in the week ranged all over this country to a depth of from two to six inches. Yesterday most of it had melted. This morning, about 8 o'clock, it commenced to snow again, and has kept it up steadily and at 1 o'clock today is snowing heavier than ever, with no prospect of an early let-up.

Indeed, it is fine. It means a fine weed crop for the early spring, and, with later moisture, early grass, and crop prospects unprecedented in the West. It means renewed prosperity for the energetic and resourceful. It means, to the prepared, that opportunities will be presented, in the course of world reconstruction, such as have not been known in the present age. Even to the neglectful it means a meed of undeserved ease, and if Midland can be satisfied with but the overflow of the prosperity of her neighbors, then the necessity for wakeful and far-sighted commercial activity does not exist. We have deplored our hard portion throughout the duration of the drouth and the grilling demands imposed by war, have prayed that the bitter cup be taken away. Prayers are answered commensurately to our own fortification and effort.

Let us be ready. Let us prepare for the dawning of the West's greatest prosperity.

Later—At 2:30 this afternoon the snow is more than three inches deep, with no sign yet of ceasing. It and the snow of the first of the week are what we designate as warm snows, and cattle do not suffer materially thereby.

## CHAIRMAN HAAG SUBMITS A REPORT

### Show Midland County Substantially Over Her Quota in United War Work Campaign.

Midland County, since the Second Liberty Loan, has gone substantially "over the top" in every fund that has been submitted to her, whether in Liberty Loans, Red Cross funds, Y. M. C. A., etc., and it is a source of much satisfaction to all, and especially to County Chairman B. F. Haag, that a like record was made in the United War Work Campaign recently closed.

Chairman Haag has just submitted his report in detail to headquarters in Dallas, and, substantially, it is as follows:

Men contributed \$3,460, pledged nothing, paid cash \$3,460.  
Women contributed \$722, pledged \$54, paid cash \$668.  
Girls — 194 — contributed \$317, pledged \$181.65, paid cash \$135.35.  
Boys — 81 — contributed \$212.75, pledged \$170, paid cash \$42.75.  
Negroes — 10 — contributed \$16, pledged nothing, paid cash \$16.  
Total contributions, \$4,727.75.  
Total pledges, \$405.65.  
Total cash paid, \$4,322.10.  
Expense of campaign, \$59.85.  
Check remitted for United War Work Fund, \$4,137.25.  
Check remitted designated especially for the Y. M. C. A., \$100.  
Check remitted designated especially for National Catholic War Council Fund, \$25.  
Total amount of checks remitted, \$4,262.25.  
Total amount remitted to all funds exceeding \$2,500 quota, \$1,762.25.

Mr. Haag's report is indeed very satisfactory, and, as a number of the Midland County War Work Committee have expressed it, it is a great satisfaction to work among people whose hearts may be touched to a liberal response when the cause is shown to be a good one. When our boys come home we shall be enabled to look them in the eye and say, "We backed you, boys, to the limit. Our hearts were with you and our dollars were no object, as compared with the sacrifice you were willing to make." That is, some of us can say that, and enough can say it that Midland's name will still be fair. We wish all could say it, that our reputation be the greater. Get down now, to redeeming your W. S. S. pledges. The time grows short, and the money is badly needed.

## PREACHERS GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. CHILTON

The preachers of our town and their families were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Chilton at a splendid Thanksgiving dinner at the Yeakel Hotel. All were present except Bro. Foster, who is ill. A splendid time was reported by all, as is usual when such occasions are arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Yenkel. Mr. and Mrs. Chilton, too, proved their willingness to be a member of the splendid hosts and hostesses of our little city.

**TO GET THE M. & N. W. UNDER FEDERAL CONTROL**  
At a special meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Midland & Northwestern Railway, held at the offices of the company in Midland last Tuesday, it was determined to take such steps as were necessary to place the line under federal control. President O'Donnell and Vice President Black will make a trip to Washington, and it is confidently hoped that great good will result therefrom. It was also determined to get better motive power and place the line in good shape to handle its business.

## R. M. YARBROUGH DIED LAST SATURDAY

### Had Been in Ill Health For Two Years and Suffered Much of Heart Trouble

We deeply regret to chronicle the death of our esteemed old friend and townsman, Robt. M. Yarbrough, who passed away last Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mr. Yarbrough was another of Midland's old-timers, he and his family having lived here for fifteen years past. He was, too, a veteran of the old type, and knew West Texas and her history from an early date.

Mr. Yarbrough leaves an invalid wife and two sons, Trafton and Robert, all of Midland, and a host of friends here and elsewhere are deeply grieved and sympathize most profoundly with those who are bereaved.

The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, and conducted by Rev. J. T. McKissick, of the Christian church. Though the day was cold and gloomy, many friends followed the remains to the last resting place, and the words of the minister and memories of the good man and his blameless life caused tears to flow from many eyes.

Mr. Yarbrough had been suffering of heart trouble for two years past, and during all the time was unable to lie in bed. He had to sleep in a reclining chair, and often passed the night in wakefulness and suffering. He was 71 years of age, and he had realized for many months that the end was inevitable and soon. Doubtless it was his choice that the time should be short, that he could be freed from suffering, and go on to the home beyond. Nor could one begrudge him the peace and ease of his sleep in Jesus. And therein is rich consolation to the aged wife and to the sons who tenderly care for her; and who cared for him in his declining days.

**LIVE STOCK SHIPMENTS BY THE M. & N. W. RY.**  
The Midland & Northwestern Railway Company, according to President O'Donnell, has handled over 200 cars of cattle during the present month, and has handled, all told, 473 cars since the first of September.

## C. C. ELLIS DIED MONDAY MORNING

### Young Man Suffered a Relapse of Influenza and He Died in Beeville

The latter part of last week a message came to W. D. Ellis, stating that his younger brother, C. C. Ellis, was critically ill at his home in Beeville, and not expected to live. Mr. Ellis and his wife immediately left Midland for the bedside of the sufferer, and, we judge, arrived before the end came.

C. C. Ellis lived in Midland, off and on, for a year or two, he having left here soon after the death of his father, which occurred somewhat more than a year ago. He, therefore, had many friends and acquaintances who will greatly regret this sad news.

He leaves, too, a young wife and a lovely little daughter, and The Reporter joins other friends in tendering to them the deepest sympathy. The brothers, too, were deeply fond of each other, and our sympathy is also extended to the surviving one, our townsman, W. D. Ellis. The latter had recently suffered an attack of influenza, and was not at all well when he left Midland. We trust he suffered no ill effects from the long trip to Beeville.

The deceased was buried at Beeville, the old home of the family, and in the family burying ground in that little city.

## SUCCUMBED TUESDAY TO MAJOR OPERATION

Ol. S. Matthews, of Rankin, was brought to Midland last week, suffering of appendicitis. He was operated on early in the week and Tuesday he died. Mr. Matthews was 41 years of age, and leaves a wife and one child, a little daughter. Mrs. Matthews had her father with her at this time of trial, also the child; while Midland friends offered every kindness and sympathetic attention possible. The Reporter joins friends in an expression of condolence. The deceased was highly esteemed by those who knew him, and his death is much deplored. He was buried in the Midland cemetery at 10:30 Wednesday morning.

## NEWEST OIL PROPOSITION SUBMITTED TO MIDLAND

Representing Homer P. Lee, of Abilene, our townsmen, J. M. Jemison and Chas. L. Sinclair, have lately been authorized to acquire extensive mineral and oil leases in Midland and Glasscock counties, 300 sections in each county, and the price offered is \$100 per section per annum for five years. On the face of it, it appears rather good. Fifteen cents per acre in times past was an unheard of price, almost, even to graze cattle on — was ten or fifteen years ago — and to get that much without disturbing the cattle industry, or farming, makes a strong appeal to most of us in this time when we are barely beginning to realize some relief from the prolonged drouth.

The promoters of this proposition are perfectly fair in their proposal. The lease money is offered in advance, and will be so paid each year. Their lease contract is plain enough, as is the proposition as presented by our townsmen. Every third section is desired, and the lease proposal is so limited. No promise is made that now or ever will the lessees make any effort to develop oil on their holdings. They frankly state that they are leasing for speculative purposes, and, naturally, the chance they take is vastly uncertain. They may spend their money and never get a dollar of it back, \$30,000 per year in each of the two counties.

We like this frankness on the part of all concerned, for it leaves the matter open for a fair consideration. There can hardly be an ulterior motive, nothing hidden, but, as are all financial and speculative projects, there are objectionable features involved.

In the first place, no man may succeed in leasing more than one out of every three sections. This reduces the lease price to five cents per acre. Fifteen cents, to be sure, on that which is leased, but only one-third leased, and to this extent the flattering feature of the proposal is reduced.

Second, and vastly more important, should any association of persons succeed in checker-boarding these counties in such a manner, it will reduce our chances for oil development vastly. It is precedent that persons induced to develop oil prospects in any territory require, first off, a sufficiently large acreage in a body that, in the event their tests are successful, their interests and further prospects may be protected. In the face of a checkered condition, such as proposed in the project under discussion, it would be manifestly impossible to secure such acreage in Midland or Glasscock counties, except through such terms as might be given by the lessees of the sections involved, and, inasmuch as they are admittedly speculating, such terms would likely be well nigh prohibitive, except they be submitted at a time

of wildly speculative excitement. The agents of the prospective lessees frankly admit this, but offset the argument with the statement that if the States Oil Corporation do not bind their leases with a recorded drilling contract within a few days, the "cake is all dough," anyway, and the landowners might just as well have this money. The States Oil Corporation is the association of persons at whose head is the Mr. McCaskey who visited Midland some weeks since and secured a leased acreage south. This company is thoroughly reliable, financially and otherwise, but we doubt as we understand, this company is made up of producers, altogether. They never lease for speculative purposes, and operate only in proven fields, or in localities that, by circumstance, are at least removed from the realm of "wild-cattin'" and the mere fact that they have interested themselves in Midland at all, in the face of their vast new interests in the "great oil belt," however large Midland is assuredly in the path of their operations may be, there is bound to be some limit, and should they fail to operate in this section, nothing will be proven detrimental to our oil prospects thereby.

There is much else that could be said opposite Midland's newest oil proposition, but it is not at all our purpose to antagonize those who are promoting it. We have merely suggested a line of thought to be considered, ere it is too late; that this, as all speculative plans, should be duly considered, that the facts on either side should be weighed against each other, lest we fail to choose wisely and well.

## A CHEAP POISON FOR PRAIRIE DOGS

### Government Recipe Tried Out With Much Success By Stockmen in Many States.

Midland stockmen know that the winter is the best time in which to wage war on prairie dogs, and equally well that these little pests are calculated to be a handicap to the prosperity that usually follows good seasons in the West. Grass is too valuable to be thus wasted.

Under the direction of the Bureau of biological survey one man poisoned approximately 2,000 prairie dogs in a single day on a 320-acre field in northern Arizona, 1,541 of the animals being counted in the open, while it was estimated the balance died in their holes. The total expense of this 10-hour campaign against crop despoilers amounted to \$9.72.

Illustrative of the scope of the work more than 2,500,000 acres of government land have been freed recently of prairie dogs by similar practices, the destruction being conducted by field parties and through the assistance of farmers and stockmen in New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Montana, and North Dakota.

The department of agriculture recommends the following mixture as poison for prairie dogs: Mix one ounce of powdered strychnine (alkaloid) and one ounce of common baking soda. Dissolve one heaping tablespoon of dry laundry starch in a little cold water and add to it three-fourths pint of boiling water. Boil and stir until a thin, clear paste is formed. Slowly sift the mixture of strychnine and soda into the starch paste, stirring constantly until it forms a smooth, creamy mass. Add one-fourth pint of heavy corn syrup and a tablespoon of glycerine and stir. Pour this mixture, while hot over 13 quarts of oats and mix until all the grain is coated. Each quart of the grain is sufficient to treat about 50 prairie dog burrows. Scatter the grain on clean, hard ground near the mounds or burrows, never in loose ground nor in the holes. With reasonable care sheep and other live stock will not be endangered. The poison is effective at any season when prairie dogs are active, but is better during drouth or when the grass is not green. Winter treatment is the time. The cost should not be more than a few cents per acre.

## DISTINGUISHED FORMER TOWNSMAN HERE

Chas. F. O'Neill stopped off in Midland yesterday morning, on his return to his home at San Diego, Calif., after a visit to Chicago, Dallas and other points. He stopped only for the day to shake hands with old friends, he having lived in Midland some years ago. Since leaving Midland Mr. O'Neill has distinguished himself as a Californian, he having served as mayor of San Diego more than one term, and so efficiently that once he was flatteringly spoken of and strongly urged to become a democratic candidate for governor of California. Midland friends were very glad, indeed, to have him visit us again.

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*There is still time to make special orders for anything you cannot find and we will be glad to attend to this for you*

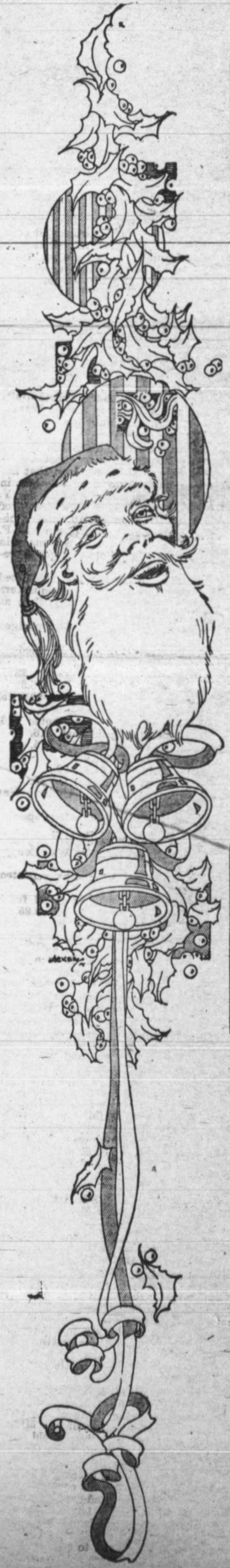
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W.S.S. DOLLAR MARK YOUR PLEDGE W.S.S. PAY THE PRESIDENT

ISSUE THE ANTELOPE FOR THANKSGIVING

Midland College Paper Revived in One Issue in a Unique and Interesting Form

"The Antelope," the paper that for years has been issued by the student body of Midland College, was not revived at the beginning of the present term. This for the reason that West Texas had so suffered of drought and in furtherance of plans of patriotic economy. Now that the war is over, however, an attempt to revive it is being made, and for Thanksgiving an issue was gotten out in "long hand," which was quite unique and interesting, only a single copy being gotten out.

On the first page of this "issue" one of the art students had drawn a magnificent Thanksgiving turkey, and this, together with the title, date, etc., and the President's proclamation comprised the first page. The other five pages were made up of real interesting college news matter, much of which we publish in the following:

We Must Economize—Necessity For Economy Still Urgent.

The spirit of economy, which is the dominant spirit of the age, has been manifested in Midland College by her students and teachers. Each one made his pledge to the War Work campaign with the determination to earn the money by work and by denying himself some things that he otherwise would have.

An Ode to Thanksgiving (Wood Carson)

It has not been so long ago, During Colonial days, As you all know. II The people of Plymouth, Who at that time were living, Decided to partake of A grand Thanksgiving. III They met in the meadow One bright winter's day To pay respects to the savior Who had led them this way. IV Who had freed them from crime And the wrong way of living, And this is the reason That they offered Thanksgiving. V Those dear, respected pilgrims, Who were living that day, From far and from near, Each and every one came. VI The leader of Plymouth, The noblest in rank, Offered heavenly thanks. VII Then straightway the maidens That were dressed up so nice Unrolled the good lunces Of cakes and pumpkin pies. VIII The stalwart young men That had been found o'er here, Fell in love with the Puritans; They brought turkeys and deer. IX The Pilgrim fathers that day, To the festival did yield The golden grain which they raised In their flourishing fields. X The good times which they had Are always to be remembered; For, from that time until this, Thanksgiving has been continued. (Be thankful for what we have, if we do have). So tomorrow while we are eating dinner, Let us think of the past, and that Job's turkey was thinner.

Midland College Organizes Football Team

About September 17 the boys at Midland College started in to have a football team in spite of the shortage of manpower, and it being so late in the season. There were only nine boys out for practice the first evening, so in a few days we got some of the high school boys to play on the team, also Mr. Pitzer to coach us. We selected three of the high school boys, Crossett, Willingham and Ragsdale, and on September 27 the Midland College team of 1918 was organized with S. Pitzer, captain, and Pollard as manager. All of the boys were raw recruits except Pitzer, so it was somewhat of a job to make a team out of a bunch of boys who had never played before, but by hard practicing we were in pretty good shape before very long and a game was matched with Big Spring for October 12, the game to be played on foreign soil.

Herefords Lose First Game of Season

to Big Spring.

Oct. 12, 1918.—The Midland boys went down in defeat in their first game of the season this afternoon on the Big Spring grounds. The contest was a hot one from start to finish, but our opponents had us outclassed in two ways, and only two—they had practiced long enough together to have a little team work, eight of them were old heads at the game, having played on the team two or three years previously, and they outweighed us several pounds to the man.

Our fullback was sick the morning we started to Big Spring, so that changed our lineup a great deal. Therefore, we never knew there was such a thing as team work in that game. There was one way in which M. C. had her opponents bested, and that was in tackling, but that will not win a game by itself. There was never better tackling done by an amateur team than was done by the Midland boys. Several times Big Spring man would get the ball and have what looked to be a clear field to goal when all of a sudden Pitzer, Rhodes or Ragsdale would take down the field after him and he would have to stop in a very short while. There was only one forward pass completed during the game and that was by M. C.'s captain. He caught one of the Big Spring passes and brought it back forty yards before he could be stopped. Carson at half and Rhodes at right half made several good line plunges. Willingham at center played well all through the game. Goodwin and Curtis were always in the game and did their part of the tackling. In short, there was not a man on the team who did not do as well as could be expected in such circumstances.

The game ended with four touchdowns to the credit of Big Spring and none to the credit of Midland. It was a pretty bad defeat for the Herefords but it far from discouraged any of us, for we were more determined than ever to put old B. S. where she rightfully belongs.

Big Football Game—Big Spring, 7; Midland College, 0.

Nov. 9, 1918.—The second game M. C. played this year was also with Big Spring, this time on the College grounds. We were handicapped again this time by not getting to practice but a week from the first game to the last one. But we haven't much excuse, because B. S. was in about the same predicament.

The game started with B. S. kicking to M. C. Our boys got started off just right and went down the field so fast it looked as though we would score in the first quarter, but just as we got to Big Spring's five yard line the ball was fumbled and B. S. covered it. B. S. was unable to gain a thing by line plunges or end runs and the ball was kept in the vicinity of B. S.' goal all the time. Everybody could see that we had B. S. outplayed all through the game, and had it not been for a fake forward pass by B. S. the game would have ended quite differently. Big Spring made the touchdown in the third quarter and it seemed as though our boys lost their morale for we didn't have the "pep" from then on as we did in the first half. We had to congratulate B. S. on playing a fake that just astonished the whole team, but they had to admit that we sure had them scared up. L. Pitzer, a new man on the team, but not new at football, was one of the stars of the game. He just literally tore up the B. S. line. S. Pitzer was invincible, as usual, and Allen spread terror through the B. S. team with his line plunging. If there was a man among the Herefords who failed to come up to his standard there was not anything said about it. Our star left tackle, Ragsdale, was out of the game on account of sickness but Curtis played his place well. There was a good deal of change made in the lineup in this game and it seemed to work pretty well. Anyhow, there is a lot of difference between 26 to 0 and 7 to 0.

Midland's lineup was as follows: S. Pitzer, quarter back; Carson, right half; Curtis, left tackle; Crossett, left half; Rhodes, left end; Allen, full back; Pollard, right end; Willingham, center; Alexander, left guard; Goodwin, right guard; L. Pitzer, right tackle; Hill and Raney, substitutes.

Society

(Hallie Rhea Jewell) Candy Pull.—One of the most enjoyable evenings the boarding students have spent was on Saturday night at an old-fashioned candy pulling. The guests first spent an hour or so in the parlor playing such games as "ring-on-the-string" and "spin-the-plate." Then they were called into the kitchen to pull candy. Wood Carson was awarded the prize for having the whitest candy.

Oyster Fry.—One of the tables of the College grew tired of the same old "seven and six," so they decided to have a picnic that night. They went just as far as they could without getting off the campus and fried oysters by a camp-fire. After their meal was over they came tramping back to the college singing all the way. They serenaded the sick ones who could not enjoy this frolic with them, and expressed to each other their delightful time and a fond good-night. Those who enjoyed this outing were: Misses Golda and Mary Wilhite, Winifred Holloway, Jewell Gilbreath, and Messrs. Carson, Goodwin and Raney.

About the jolliest time any one has had this year was at the Village School, given in the parlor of M. C. All the students came dressed as children of seven years. Miss Heavenhill excellently acted her part as the country school "marm." Those who arrived late were made to write their names on the board. The faculty social committee had nice little lunches for each of the students. After dinner the usual Friday program was given in the following manner: Vocal duet, Mary and Golda Wilhite; Reading, reading, Hattie Sue Hartgrove; essay, Russell Tandy; reading, Wood Carson and Mabel Baldwin; vocal duet, Wood Carson and Creath

Goodwin; piano solos, Elizabeth Oldham and Lena Holland. The visitors made interesting talks, then school was dismissed.

Locals and Personals (Rhodes)

The girls are as crazy about fashion as ever. Several of them now have the "flu."

The dog-house boys were released from the campus Saturday. They seem to think that the most galling penalty they have ever suffered.

Mr. R. V. Raney resolved to kick everything that crossed his path. A post was the first obstruction. He is now suffering from his bold resolution.

Several of the boys were observed gathering a supply of kindling wood—a sure sign of cold weather.

Miss Heavenhill is making a good nurse and the "flu" patients are better.

Captain Jones, in compliance with orders from headquarters, disbanded the dish-washer's brigade.

Mr. Jones seems to have lost some sleep over the boys last week. They appreciate your interest.

For the last week or two quite a number of the students have been seen on the tennis court a lot. Every one seems interested in the tournament, which is to be held between the members of the Wilsonian and Pershing societies next month.

The third floor girls have "doubled up" this week. This was necessary in order for them to keep warm.

All members of the faculty and student body have shown their willingness to "do their bit" by helping in the kitchen when there was no help.

Antics of the Antelope (Miss Mary Wilhite)

Jewell G. (on her way to the oyster fry)—"Oh, I wish I had my 60 cents back. I don't like oysters, anyway." (On her way home)—"My, My! Miss Holloway, why didn't you get more oysters? I simply couldn't have lloyd any of those two dozen when I didn't have enough myself."

C. Hoffer to the garden did go To gather flowers for his teacher's studio.

When he returned with the air of a tease, All he had were peach tree leaves.

Poor Thelma never has her lessons, and it's all on account of her numerous correspondents, Clyde, Otis, Orbid and King. But she shortened her list of correspondents on account of the high cost of stamps and envelopes.

ANNUAL REPORT OF MIDLAND RED CROSS

Local Chapter Makes Comprehensive Report For The Year Ending This Month.

Miss Fannie Bess Taylor has handed in, for publication, the following report of Midland Chapter Red Cross for the year ending November, 1918:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Membership (\$873.46), Donations (2,012.92), Supplies (2,454.40), Incidentals (361.65), War Fund (2,201.65), Cash on Hand (1,124.75), Midland (34.66), Odessa (473.37), Seminole (140), Odessa (134), Andrews (36), Midland (1,068), Report from Sewing Room (2,188), Hospital garments (511), Refugee garments (313), Socks, pairs (173), Mufflers (94), Wristlets (66), Hel'mets (44), Odd clothing, pounds (1,000).

Report From Junior Red Cross

Members 432, Amount collected \$108.00, Expenses 40.60, Cash turned in to main Chap. 67.40. The Juniors made and filled over 50 comfort kits and several hundred gun wipes; collected salvage, and have been very useful to the Chapter in general.

Report From Surgical Dressings Room

Classes of instruction 8, Pupils certificates issued 47, Instructors' certificates issued 8, Articles Shipped—Midland 17,518, Odessa 1,340.

At a meeting of the executive committee last Friday, Mrs. J. A. Haley, chairman; Mrs. J. T. White, secretary, and Mrs. S. O. Richardson, treasurer, were unanimously re-elected to fill the same offices they held for the coming year.

DO IT NOW!

Midland People Should Not Wait Until It is Too Late.

The appalling death rate from kidney disease is due largely to the fact that the little kidney troubles are usually neglected until they become serious. The slight symptoms often give place to chronic disorders and the sufferer may slip gradually into some serious form of kidney complaint.

If you suffer from backache, headaches, dizzy spells; if the kidney secretions are irregular of passage and unnatural, do not delay. Help the kidneys at once.

Doan's Kidney Pills are especially for kidney disorders—they act where others fail. Over one hundred thousand people have recommended them. Here's a case at home:

Mrs. W. P. Nugent, Main St., Midland, says: "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills off and on for several years. I have procured them at Taylor & Son's Drug Store, and they have done me more good than anything else I ever got. My back has always given

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me the most pain. At times it has ached and been so stiff I could hardly bend one way or the other. My kidneys acted too frequently, which greatly annoyed me. I had headaches and dizzy spells and black spots floated before my eyes. Whenever I feel this way, I use Doan's Kidney Pills and a box or two cures the attack." Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—Get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Nugent had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. Adv. 7-2t.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Andrews. By virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Andrews County on the 29th day of October, 1918, by Dora Douglas, clerk of said court, against J. R. Bell, for the sum of Eighty Dollars and costs of suit, in case No. 173 in said court, styled J. D. Clewis vs. J. R. Bell, and placed in my hands for service, I, W. R. Rhodes, as sheriff of Andrews County, Texas, did, on the 29th day of October, 1918, levy on certain real estate, situated in Andrews County, described as follows, to-wit:

Three hundred and twenty acres of land in said county, and being a part of League No. 815, described by field notes made by W. B. Wynne, C. E., October 28, 1908, as follows: Beg. at S. W. cor. League No. 315; thence E. 75d 49m N. 2640 ft. to a stk for cor.; thence N. 10d E. 5280 ft. to a stk for cor.; thence W. 75d 49m S. 2640 ft. to a stk for cor. in W. line of League No. 135; thence S. 10d W. 2580 ft. to the place of beginning, containing 320 acres of land, and levied upon as the property of said J. R. Bell.

And on Tuesday, the 3rd day of December, 1918, at the court house door of Andrews County, in the town of Andrews, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., I will sell said real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. R. Bell, by virtue of said levy and said order of sale.

Witness my hand this 29th day of October, A. D. 1918.

W. R. RHODES, Sheriff Andrews County, Tex.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Do not imagine that because other cough medicines failed to give you relief that it will be the same with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Bear in mind that from a small beginning this remedy has gained a world-wide reputation and immense sale. A medicine must have exceptional merit to win esteem wherever it is known. For sale by C. A. Taylor & Son. (Nov)

Pay The President

See that new picture moulding in national colors, the very thing to frame your soldier boy's pictures. Satisfaction guaranteed. Basham, Shepherd & Company's. adv 50tf

When the Huns Run The Lid Comes Off. The Government now permits you to build buildings not exceeding \$10,000 in cost without a permit. But bear this in mind: Almost the entire world is starting to build, and there is no great surplus of building material. England, France, Belgium, Italy, and Russia need lumber that will have to be made in the United States, which insures its quality. We have that quality. BUILD YOU A COMFORTABLE HOME.

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W. W. WIMBERLY, Mgr.  
Manufacturers of All kinds of  
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All kinds of Plumbing  
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room Fixtures, Pipe it-  
tings, etc., in stock.  
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Will do your Paper  
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MIDLAND, TEXAS

**About Croup.**  
If your children are subject to croup,  
or if you have reason to fear their be-  
ing attacked by that disease, you  
should procure a bottle of Chamber-  
lain's Cough Remedy and study the  
directions for use, so that in case of  
an attack you will know exactly what  
course to pursue. This is a favorite  
and very successful remedy to  
and it is important that you observe  
the directions carefully. For sale by  
C. A. Taylor & Son. (Nov)

Greatly Benefited by Chamberlain's  
Tablets.  
"I am thankful for the good I have  
received by using Chamberlain's  
Tablets. About two years ago when  
I began taking them I was suffering a  
great deal from distress after eating,  
and from headache and a tired, languid  
feeling due to indigestion and torpid  
liver. Chamberlain's Tablets  
corrected these disorders in a short  
time, and since taking two bottles of  
them my health has been good." writes  
Mrs. M. P. Harwood, Auburn, N. Y.  
For sale by C. A. Taylor & Son. (Nov)

**Do That Cheering  
When You Have  
Bought W.S.S.**



The boys have kept their pledge. They have won the war.  
Have you kept your War Savings Stamp Pledge? Have you won the right to call yourself an American and meet these boys when they come home?  
Don't spend your time in cheering. Build up the number of War Savings Stamps you have.  
Don't wear the flag, or just wave it. Serve it by paying off that War Savings Stamp Pledge of yours.  
Don't take out your gratitude for victory in talking. Show it by hitting the line hard with your dollars and making it possible for the Government to pay the \$50,000,000 it will cost every day for months to come to take care of these soldier boys and sailor laddies.  
If you are an American of the right sort, now is the time to prove it by the right sort of Americanism. Help your Government take care of its fighters by lending your money in War Savings Stamps.

**MUST CONTINUE TO  
BUY W.S.S. TO TAKE  
CARE OF FIGHTERS**

If the public has an idea that the coming of peace has eliminated the expenses of the Government and that there no longer exists the necessity to save and economize and lend money to the Government by investing in War Savings Stamps, then the public is mistaken, it is pointed out by the Government in an official statement.  
Whether or not another gun is fired, the Government will be at an expense of about \$50,000,000 every day, or \$1,500,000,000 every month, to take care of its 3,764,000 men in France, Russia, Italy and in training camps. This expense will last for many months.  
It will take a year at the least to demobilize the army, Secretary of War Baker points out, and United States soldiers and sailors will probably remain for months on necessary police duty in Europe.  
The following figures are given by the Government to show just a tiny part of the expense it must bear in just taking care of American soldiers:  
The cost of bread alone for the army for one month amounts to \$5,646,900.  
Subsistence for the army for just five days costs \$7,528,000.  
Bacon alone for one month amounts to \$8,410,000.  
Clothing, including blankets, adds \$712,000 to the list. This does not include the cost of shoes, which comes to \$127,140,260.  
These are just a few of the items, all of them absolutely necessary for the soldiers, which have to come out of that \$50,000,000 a day.  
The Government must have the money to take care of these men. They gave up everything to go to France to fight and risk their lives to gain peace. They have won peace. Are the people of Texas going to let these soldiers go hungry, cold and without clothing now?

That War Savings Stamp Pledge is a binding obligation. Every unpaid War Savings Pledge, bearing the signed agreement of the pledger, is held for collection by a designated agent of the United States Treasury Department.  
All necessary steps to bring about the liquidation of these pledges will be taken, but in addition to paying their pledges, the Government points out that it requires the assistance of all to meet the heavy expenses that are upon it and everyone is urged to buy War Savings Stamps regularly and as often as possible, and in addition to those already pledged.  
War Savings Stamps now mean food and clothing for United States soldiers. They must have these things.  
Stop! Look! Loosen! Buy those U. S. Government War Savings Stamps you pledged yourself to get.

**W.S.S. FUND FOR  
EVERY FIGHTER**

Every soldier, sailor and marine who returns home from the service should find a "fighting fund" waiting for him. Every home should commence building up this fund now by investing in United States War Savings Stamps and laying them aside to be given to the fighter upon his return.

If relatives and friends of the men who have achieved victory want to show their appreciation they will now commence putting aside War Savings Stamps to be presented to them on their return.

By doing this, it is pointed out by the Government, not only will there be a number of first-class Treasury securities paying good interest, to assist every fighter when he returns to civilian life, but the money invested in these War Savings Stamps will enable the Government to feed and clothe the soldier, sailor or marine until he is discharged. To properly care for its men until demobilization is made, the Government must spend in the neighborhood of \$50,000,000 every day and, it is further pointed out, it will be approximately a year before the army can be demobilized and the fighters returned home.

Start that fund for that fighter now by investing in War Savings Stamps for him.  
Show him that you appreciate what he has done.

**GOVERNMENT IS  
CALLING FOR W.S.S.  
PLEDGE PAYMENTS**

The official call for the payment of War Savings Stamp Pledges due on or before November 30 has been issued by the Government. All persons who have pledged themselves to buy War Savings Stamps are advised that the November portion of their pledge is payable at once, and that the Government desires the December portion paid now if possible. Wherever possible a reminder card calling attention to this fact will be sent to pledged persons at the direction of the Government, but the non-receipt of a reminder card does not indicate that the pledge is not due and that the Government is not expecting prompt payment.

The signing of the armistice does not affect the validity of War Savings Stamp Pledges. These pledges, it is pointed out, are binding obligations made by the individual, they bear his name and are held for payment by authorized agents of the United States Treasury Department.

Nor does peace relieve the Government of its expenses or all loyal Americans of the duty of being economical and investing as heavily as possible in War Savings Stamps in addition to the amount already pledged and recorded by the Government. For the next year the Government's expenses will average approximately \$50,000,000 every twenty-four hours. This represents taking care of United States soldiers in Europe and camp and meeting obligations incurred during the period of hostilities. Every person will be required by patriotic duty and the needs of the time to observe the same rules of personal economy and saving that were practiced during the period of actual fighting.

**EXPRESS THANKS IN  
W.S.S. THANKSGIVING**

If every person in Texas shows his appreciation of victory and the way the American soldiers have kept their fighting pledge by investing in a War Savings Stamp Thanksgiving Day, the Government will be lent \$22,500,000, or nearly half the amount the Government is required to spend every day to take care of the boys in France and meet current expenses.  
The investment in a Thrift Stamp Thanksgiving Day by every person in the State will pay the Government's expenses for a little over four hours.

How are you going to express your appreciation of peace on Thanksgiving? The purchase of a War Savings Stamp is the best way.

The coming of peace does not relieve one from meeting his War Savings Stamp Pledge. All necessary steps to assure their payment will be taken.

**BAKER AND CROWDER  
ISSUE STATEMENTS**

The following statements, showing the necessity for everyone to continue investing in War Savings Stamps and lending to the Government, have just been issued:

Secretary of War Baker says: "I think all Americans now recognize the fine record of our army, but we must not fail to appraise the work it has yet to do. Following the exhilaration of combat comes the tedium of peace, but the tasks of peace are infinitely important and we must uphold our sons as they perform them."

Provost Marshal General Crowder declares: "Our boys will remain in the service for many weary months. New governments are not formed in a day. The period of reorganization and rehabilitation has to be gone through with. During this time the Allied soldiers will have to be the policemen of the world; they will be doing as valued services in the interest of world peace as they have done as world soldiers."

Both Secretary Baker and General Crowder point out the need of continued activity upon the part of every one in the interest of the Government. War Savings Stamp Pledges are binding obligations and are to be met as such, and at the same time, it is shown, every man and woman is expected to continue to be economical and invest as often and as much in War Savings Stamps as possible in addition to the amount already pledged.

**W. S. S. PLEDGES  
MUST BE MET**

Peace does not abrogate or affect in any way pledges made to the Treasury Department to invest in War Savings Stamps and the Government considers every War Savings Stamp Pledge a binding obligation upon the person who made it, expecting its full liquidation on or before the date on which the pledge matures, it is pointed out in an official notice from the War Savings section of the Treasury Department.

War Savings Stamp Pledges were personally signed by the persons who executed them and they are held for collection by designated agents of the Treasury Department. While it is desirable that War Savings Stamps be purchased through the Treasury agent who holds the pledge card, they may be purchased from any sales agency and will be credited upon the pledge.

The Government is now calling for the liquidation of all War Savings Pledges.

**GIVE W. S. S. FOR  
XMAS PRESENTS**

"Give War Savings Stamps for presents this Christmas instead of the kind of presents that you usually give," is Uncle Sam's request this year. He further asks that Christmas shopping for War Savings Stamps be done early.

Every War Savings Stamp given as a Christmas present this year helps the Government to feed and clothe American soldiers in Europe and the person who receives the gift becomes the owner of a valuable Government bond.

"Figure up how much you can allow for a gift for each person and then give the amount in Thrift Stamps or War Savings Stamps," Uncle Sam says. "I need your help to assist me in meeting these expenses of \$50,000,000 I will have to pay every day for many months in taking care of our boys."

W. S. S. has always stood for "Wilhelm Shall Surrender" and that was what War Savings Stamps made him do. Buy War Savings Stamps now to help Uncle Sam take care of the Victory boys. These bonds pay four per cent interest, compounded quarterly.

War Savings Stamps bear four per cent interest, compounded quarterly. They are the best securities ever issued by the Government. Be sure you make adequate arrangements to meet your War Savings Pledge.

Remember, That W. S. S. Pledge is due, or it soon will be. Get read to take care of it.

Pay that pledge now. Get those W.S.S. you pledged today.

**WAR SAVINGS STAMPS HAVE  
BROUGHT HOME THE BOON**



**Save for the day your Boy  
Comes Home**  
Buy W.S.S. Stamps

**A Xmas gift that's worth more  
every day you keep it**



**We are thankful for  
our land - that it  
is kept from the Hun**



The price of paper continues to advance. Likely THE REPORTER also will have to meet advances. Pay now for 1919, at the old price, \$1.50 the year.

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FOR SALE—A good surrey at a bargain. Apply to Mrs. W. B. Elkin, phone 115. 3f

WANTED—I am back home, now, and again buying hides and furs, paying the highest market price. C. M. J. Stringer, phone 123. 6-1f

NOTICE—I will, from December 1st, deliver milk only once a day through the winter months, in the evening in the residence portion of the city, and to the business houses in the morning. T. A. Pritchett.

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One of the most common causes of insomnia and restlessness is indigestion. Take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and see if you do not rest better. They only cost a quarter. For sale by C. A. Taylor & Son. (Nov)

Attention, W. O. W. Members.

You are requested to attend the regular meeting Tuesday night, Dec. 3rd. Annual election of officers. B. G. PEMBERTON, Clerk.



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## HUN PROPAGANDA IN AMERICAN LINES

Literature Dropped Over Lines By Hun Aeroplanes Afforded Our Boys Only Amusement

Our townsman, E. F. Ward, yesterday received a letter from his son, Delaney, who is in France, and who was in much of the hot American fighting. Delaney sent his father some of the Hun literature that had recently been dropped by enemy planes; and here is a sample of it:

"Think it Over!"  
"You have had music to march to, flags waving to cheer you on and words of praise, and you have left behind you all that is dear to you and come to France to fight the Germans. Until the English wanted you for cannon food you never knew that the Germans were your enemies, but no sooner did England realize that she couldn't beat the Germans even with the help of nearly all the rest of the savage and civilized world than she persuaded you that the Germans were 'Huns' and your deadly foes."

"Now, you have had time to think a little bit and some of you have begun to wish that you had never given ear to the flattery of the English press agents; to wish that you had thought about the matter a little more carefully. Were you right? Are you sure that you want to die fighting for the English Empire? If you have made a mistake what is the best thing to do? Turn about, regain the right road, before it is too late to turn back."

"The soil of France is already soaked with good American blood. Why should you, too, have to shed your blood? Are there not American graves enough already?"

"They tell you that the Germans murder their prisoners. This is not true. All American prisoners in German hands are treated humanely and fair. You know the reason why they tell you such lies. They would rather you died than that the war should end. Every day that the war lasts, Morgan and Charley Schwab and McAdoo are getting richer and if the war lasts long enough they will all be billionaires. But what will you have provided for you, even if you get home alive? Taxes and more taxes and a higher cost of living. That will be your reward."

"The only way you can stop the war and stop the destruction of your own country is to stop fighting."

"The above sort of stuff affected the American boys generally just about as it did Delaney, and here is what he had to say about it:  
"Nov. 4, 1918.—Dear Papa: Will send you one of the papers that Fritz drops over our lines. This is hot stuff, just from Berlin, dropped by one of the aeroplanes."

"If you people don't believe that we American soldiers are giving them all that is coming to them, just read what they are trying to make us believe. This is only the start of the howl that they are going to let out when the yanks once cut loose, and the big howl is going to be heard all over the world."

"We have them up a tree, away out on a small limb, and the first time frost comes we are going to shake the limb and get the harvest."  
"DELANEY."

Pay The President  
"NO CIVILIZATION EVER RISES ABOVE LEVEL OF ITS HOMES"—and no home rises above the level of its reading. The Youth's Companion introduces the whole family to the best writers of the day—those who contribute the things that make better minds and happier homes. "No other publication would appeal to me at this time," tells the exact story of the hopefulness and entertainment and information and suggestion and economy that the Companion gives each week in the year. Every age is liberally provided for, every wholesome interest encouraged. Serials, short stories, rare articles, digest of the war news, special pages and exceptional editorials. It is true that the Youth's Companion is the home of the coming year. They deserve it with all its help. It takes the place of many papers, so great is its variety—and at the price of one. Still \$2.00 a year, 52 issues.

Don't miss Grace Richmond's great serial, Anne Exeter, 10 chapters, beginning December 12.

The following special offer is made to new subscribers:  
1. The Youth's Companion—52 issues of 1919.  
2. All the remaining weekly issues of 1918.  
3. The Companion Home Calendar for 1919.  
All the above for only \$2.00, or you may include—  
4. McCall's Magazine—12 fashion numbers—all for only \$2.50. The two magazines may be sent to separate addresses if desired.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, Commonwealth Ave. & St. Paul St., Boston, Mass.

New subscriptions received at this office.

### INFANT OF MR. AND MRS. NANCE DIED

We regret very much to know of the death of the infant of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nance, which died last Friday and was buried Saturday forenoon. This has been a home of much suffering during several weeks past, all having suffered seriously of influenza, and Mrs. Nance has been at the point of death for several days. It is a pleasure, however, to learn that her condition is now somewhat improved, and that the balance of the family are about well. Many friends in Midland deeply sympathize with them in all their suffering, and especially in the loss of the infant.  
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America's Great Military Critic will attend the Peace Conference to inform our readers on the 'real' military meaning in the unfolding of the European Tangle. Ask the man who has read Simonds. He will tell you.

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## Keep Well

Do not allow the poisons of undigested food to accumulate in your bowels, where they are absorbed into your system. Indigestion, constipation, headache, bad blood, and numerous other troubles are bound to follow. Keep your system clean, as thousands of others do, by taking an occasional dose of the old, reliable, vegetable, family liver medicine.

### Theford's Black-Draught

Mrs. W. F. Pickle, of Rising Fawn, Ga., writes: "We have used Theford's Black-Draught as a family medicine. My mother-in-law could not take calomel as it seemed too strong for her, so she used Black-Draught as a mild laxative and liver regulator. We use it in the family and believe it is the best medicine for the liver made." Try it. Insist on the genuine—Theford's. 25c a package. E-75

## DEVILS "DUPLICATE"

The Kaiser alone in his palace one night. Received "Devil Number One" with manners polite, Who with air diplomatic begged leave to enquire If he could grant any wish, fill some secret desire. I am yours to counsel, your Helming adviser, I am yours to command, O, wise and mighty Kaiser.

In my heart, said the Kaiser, I do greatly desire To conquer the world, yes, to set it on fire. Can you make me to rival Alexander the Great? That conqueror of worlds, that master of fate! I would have all my foes at my feet to kneel— I would crush out their lives with a turn of my heel.

Good as done, said Satan, in exchange for your soul, A bargain quite fair, I think, on the whole. First, your majesty I advise that you begin to instill Diabolism atrocious in all soldiers who drill, Teach them your Kultur, your prayer of dire hate, That will wipe out all pity for an enemy's fate.

The two met quite often and drew many a plan Of tortures and horrors unheard of by man. Years passed but their job was never neglected; The storing of munitions went on as expected. The well-fed dogs of war became a horde efficient, The war lords drilled thousands not one was deficient.

The Kaiser grew impatient waiting for a striking chance; Satan said, you must be ready, when you strike a blow at France. As for your main objective, Great Britain, I know, Is quite unprepared and notoriously slow. Don't worry about the Yankees across the Western Sea, They can never get to us, leave the "money grabbers" to me.

The years of preparation rolled around and brought the day. When an Arch-Duke was murdered, and the Devil was to pay, This gave the Kaiser his cue, Number One said, now to France! Neither had discretion to reckon on the yanks. As all who read doth know, the Kaiser's army met defeat; 'Tis a history writ in rapine and blood, the world can never repeat.

As the deadly conflict raged, Bill with manners less charming, Reproached his "counselor" in language and tone alarming: You see, the yanks did come; subs or no, they got across. Don't you hear my troops retreating, and that with frightful loss? And their damned old tugs they called their fleet Are sinking my subs whenever they meet.

I won't stand for failure, said Satan, a minute, You shouldn't have dragged those anarchists in it. In fact, Brother William, you must have been drunk. When without my advice the Lusitania was sunk. That most unwise of our diabolical schemes Waked up the U. S. A. from her peaceful dreams.

His speech he continued with a flick of his tail, "Best laid plans of mice and men" and of devils often fail. The pie that you ordered, I am bound to confess, Is too much for my stomach, too stinking a mess. And to prove it, though Satan, I'm still on the square, I'll turn it over to you, Bill, not asking a share.

I wish to, but can't take you with your job undone, For I haven't room in hell for even one more Hun. I am giving to your officers an extra hot hell roast, Basting them with tears of French girls, as they toast. Not forgetting a comrade, a friend of the old true blue, I have your victims' blood as a soothing drink for you.

When exiled and friendless, without a crown or throne, Don't sit on the stool of repentance, you can never atone. Au revoir, Master Devil, you have your hell on earth. It will be of no use cursing the day of your ill-fated birth. I will call, Mr. Hohenzollern, on some future day After your soul, not worth a sou, but I must collect my pay.

—Mrs. W. C. Cochran, Midland, Texas.

give place to chronic disorders and the sufferer may slip gradually into some serious form of kidney complaint.

If you suffer from backache, headaches, dizzy spells; if the kidney secretions are irregular of passage and unnatural, do not delay. Help the kidneys at once.

Doan's Kidney Pills are especially for kidney disorders—they act where others fail. Over one hundred thousand people have recommended them. Here's a case at home:

Mrs. W. P. Nugent, Main St., Midland, says: "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills off and on for several years. I have procured them at Taylor & Son's Drug Store, and they have done me more good than anything else I ever got. My back has always given me the most pain. At times it has ached and been so stiff I could hardly bend one way or the other. My kidneys acted too frequently, which greatly annoyed me. I had headaches and dizzy spells and black spots floated before my eyes. Whenever I feel this way, I use Doan's Kidney Pills and a box or two cures the attack."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—Get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Nugent had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. Adv. 7-2t. Pay The President

The Y. W. A. of the Baptist church had a very delightful meeting with Mrs. Hull on last Friday afternoon. There was a large attendance and the hours were very pleasantly beguiled with quilting, after which during the social hours refreshments of much interest were served.

The B. Y. P. U. will be entertained tonight at the beautiful residence of Mrs. Ella Youngblood.

Wednesday afternoon Prof. Jones, of Midland College, Supt. W. W. Lackey, Principal J. E. Nelson, together with Misses Henkel, Davis and Carlton, of the public schools, left for Dallas to attend the Texas State Teachers' Association convening in that city this week.

Mrs. Ralph Barron returned Saturday from Terrell, where she was called to attend the funeral of her sister, who died of influenza. Much sympathy is extended Mrs. Barron by Midland friends in her great bereavement, the losing of a dear sister.

Mrs. Ed Crowley, of Fort Worth, arrived the early part of the week to attend her daughter, Mrs. Ed Callaway, who has been very ill of pneumonia. Many friends and relatives rejoice that Mrs. Callaway's condition is now very much improved.

Mrs. Reeves Barron left recently for Waco, where she will spend the winter with her daughter.  
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HERE TO ATTEND MEETING OF MIDLAND & NORTHWESTERN  
J. H. Black, of Toronto, Ont., first vice president of the Midland & Northwestern Railway, came in Monday from Toronto and attended the special meeting of the M. & N. W. directors. Mr. Black reports conditions in Canada good and everybody pleased at the successful termination of the war. Mr. Black also reports that he saw his first winter weather in Midland.  
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DO IT NOW!  
Midland People Should Not Wait Until it is Too Late.

The appalling death rate from kidney disease is due largely to the fact that the little kidney troubles are usually neglected until they become serious. The slight symptoms often

### SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Baptist Church  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., Jno. M. Cowden, superintendent.  
Preaching at both the morning and evening hours by the pastor. Morning service begins at 11 a. m. and the evening worship at 7 p. m.

Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m., Miss Susie Brunson, president.  
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is."—Heb. 10:25.  
"I was glad when they said, let us go into the house of the Lord." David.  
The building will be thoroughly ventilated and made comfortable for all these services. We owe it to ourselves, to our brethren, and most of all, to our God, to meet in his sanctuary on his Holy Day for worship. Your presence will be such an encouragement.

First Christian Church  
Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Special C. W. B. M. services at 11 and usual evening services. All cordially invited.  
Pay The President

RECEIVED NEWS OF DEATH OF AN INFANT  
"Mrs. N. W. Bigham last Wednesday received a message from her sister, Mrs. J. L. Randolph, of Dalhart, that her baby had been buried the day before, it having died of pneumonia. Mr. Randolph died of influenza about six weeks ago, an account of which appeared in The Reporter at the time.