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Annual Wednesday Club Party.

The outstanding event of the holiday social calendar was the dinner party Tuesday evening with which the Wednesday Club ladies honored their husbands. This event has become an established custom with this popular club, and is always looked forward to with the keenest appreciation by the honor guests. The festivity this year was in the nature of a dinner party, and again was given in the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scharbauer. This exquisitely lovely house needs no embellishment other than its own rich appointments, but upon this joyous evening it was glowing with cheery Christmas-time beauty and hospitality. The dining table, with its handsome linen, china, cut glass, and silver, brought forth many exclamations of delight and the dinner was of such delicious goodness that joy, real, effervescent, sparkling joy, filled every cup to the brim and ran over. The first course consisted of the famed Honey-dew melons and cherries, followed by the dinner proper—turkey, with all its good accompaniments—and lastly, a wonderful plum pudding and coffee. One very attractive diversion was after the main course, when little packages containing some article of wearing apparel were handed each guest and they were to put whatever they drew on and wear it the remainder of the evening. The effect in some instances was startling. Mr. Half looked sweet and a veritable cherub with his bib on which was daintily embroidered "Our Darling." Mr. Caldwell's beauteous style of beauty was greatly enhanced by a life-size (not pin-feathers) pair of red wings. Mr. DeArmond looked coy as well as domestic in a most becoming dust-cap. Mr. Gibbs' wise and dignified dome was surmounted by a festive dunce-cap, etc., ad infinitum. After dinner the remainder of the evening was joyously beguiled by games and that merry persiflage in which congenial friends so like to indulge.

Miss Leone Young Becomes Bride of Mr. Merle Jowell.

Affairs among the young people were somewhat augmented the past week by the wedding of pretty Miss Leone Young and Mr. Merle Jowell. The affair was solemnized Monday evening at the Baptist parsonage, Rev. O. J. Hall reading the sacred service that made the twin one. Both young people have been reared in Midland and attended our public schools, hence they have a wide circle of friends who are deeply interested in this happy culmination of their pretty romance. The bride is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Young, and is charming both in mind and character. Mr. Jowell is the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Spence Jowell, one of the old and prominent families of the West. He, himself, though young in years, rapidly forging to the front as a successful stockman. The happy groom and his winsome young bride are now receiving the felicitations of their families and friends, but after the holiday season is past they will be established in Mr. Jowell's ranch home, where we hope their fondest dreams of earthly bliss will be much more than realized.

Congenial Dinner Party.

A charming Christmas hospitality, and one which brought together a happy crowd of friends in a jolly reunion, was the dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. Luther Tidwell on last Saturday evening. The dinner was sumptuous and so Christmas-y that Hoover himself could not but have found it excusable at this season of giving and receiving. The real honor guest was little Miss Doris May Tid-

well, the two months' old daughter of the home. Others were Misses Christine and Eunice Allen, Laura Johnson, Nannie Terry, Messames J. A. Tidwell and Edgar Lawrence; Messrs. Stacy Allen, Frank Prothro, Lee Terry, Leonard and J. A. Tidwell.

Old Settlers' Ball Success.

The annual Old Settlers' Ball, given Wednesday evening, was a most pleasing success, and all those in attendance report a wonderfully good time. The Virginia Reel, and all the old square dances were participated in by the "old timers," and for folks who have been promoted to this staid and dignified class—well, they had mighty animated feet. Mr. Sam Preston, in bugle-like tones, called the figures, and Messrs. Jo Jones, Ed Ratliff and Henson with their wailing, frisky fiddles, furnished enlivening music, thus making once again the Old Settlers' Ball a veritable round-up of cheer, fun and frolic.

New Year's Eve Dance.

One of the very prettiest and most enjoyable of the holiday dances was given New Year's eve when Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cowden entertained with a parlor dance complementing their son, Mr. Guy Cowden, a student of the New Mexico Military Institute. Sharing the honors with Mr. and Mrs. Cowden were the chaperones, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Means of Silver City, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Gib Cowden and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cowden. The Cowden home is so spacious and beautifully adapted to this delightful form of entertainment, and upon this auspicious occasion, the pretty rooms were aglow with bright, happy boys and girls as with fleet, airy step they danced the old year out and the new one in, to the lilting music of the Edison. About twenty couples were in attendance, and during the evening a delicious salad course was served.

Hill-Curthburth.

On Christmas day, at Sheffield, Tex.

HAPPY AS CAN BE IN THE NEW YEAR

Air of the Midland Country Evidences That All Hope For Much 1919 Prosperity.

Despite a multitude of petty annoyances that have come up in getting our bearings and starting in the New Year, The Reporter and all that have to do with it are just as happy and full of optimism as can be. Capping the climax of these several annoyances, this morning our gasoline pressure tank attached to the linotype went to the bad, and the paper is not only delayed, but reduced in size, and the news of the week largely left out. All the same, the country was never in a more promising condition, there was never a better season in the ground, and, though some of us may have to almost start over, 1919 presents a rosy hue as we gaze as far into the future as we may.

Stockmen tell us that the severe weather we have already had has done no particular damage. The cold and damp have drawn the cattle to a greater or less degree, but there have been practically no losses, and cattle are in better shape to stand extremes than they have been in years. This is to say, native cattle. Some poor stuff was shipped here for grass, too late in the fall to get fat, and there may be losses among these, though not alarming. Then, too, the stockman will not incur the enormous feet bills of the past few years, and it is practically assured that grass will make an early appearance in the spring.

Taking it altogether, the perspective is immensely pleasing, and The Reporter joins the constantly swelling band of hopefuls and plans to do some newspaper stunts this year that will please its readers mightily. To say the least, we are going to get back soon into such form of news production as once characterized this little publication as "The best country newspaper I ever saw."

Mr. Harry Hill was happily married to Miss Frieda Curthburth, the principal of the Rankin school. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hill went to San Angelo for a few days' honeymoon and then went to their ranch home about thirty miles from Midland. Mr. Hill is one of our successful and prominent young ranchmen, and has many friends in and around Midland who, with The Reporter, wish for him and his fair young bride all possible happiness and prosperity.

Senator Hawkins Has Son in Who He is Well Pleased.

Albert Ashton, is the very pretty and euphonious name of the baby boy which arrived at the home of Senator and Mrs. A. S. Hawkins, of Phoenix, Arizona, on December 29th. Many Midland friends will rejoice with Mr. Hawkins over this his first heir, and fondly hope that the young man will ever be a comfort and joy to his distinguished father, whose honorable name he will now perpetuate.

Miss Alia Beauchamp spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Beauchamp, and among her many friends in Midland. While here she visited her sister, Mrs. S. H. Anderson, of Odessa. She reported a delightful visit altogether and returned to her nest of duty, with the Niss-

BRIEF HISTORY BY CHAPTER HISTORIAN

National Society of the Daughters of The American Revolution of Midland, Texas

Under circumstances incident to life in a ranch town, the Benjamin Liddon Chapter of the D. A. R. was organized in 1912, with twelve members, by Mrs. Wm. H. Cowden, who, by viva voce, was made regent, and Mrs. Callie Jowell Edwards, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. C. L. Sterling, historian. Mrs. Cowden has held the office to date and has represented the Chapter in many notable assemblies of the order.

For the first five years the meetings were infrequent, so many living on ranches made it difficult to assemble a quorum. But the annual dues were paid, dues of the National Board collected, and this branch of the order kept alive.

The charter members were: Messdames Mary S. Cowden, Hallie Day, Callie Edwards, Lily R. Cowden, Kate Crowley, Nancy Cochran, Mackie Callaway, C. L. Sterling; Misses Bernice Cowden, Ida Lee Cowden, Kittle C. Cowden, Mary Kate Cowden.

Joined at different times: Messdames Katie Jelks, Una Ellis, Hettie Puckett, Lily Staten, Roberta Claggett, Talulah Edwards, Mayme Jowett, Leta Young, Archie Bird, Annie

Creemery Co. of Fort Worth, last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Bryan Harrison, of the Naval Training Station, San Diego, California, has been a good looking sailor boy on our streets this week, and who came as a most delightful Christmas surprise to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Harrison. Bryan was only on furlough and left on the Sunshine Special Thursday morning for San Diego.

Miss Ethel Shepherd, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shepherd, is in the city from Fort Worth during the holidays. She expects to return tomorrow to resume her pleasant duties at Price's Studio, Main street, Fort Worth.

We are very sorry that Mrs. J. H. Shepherd continues ill, having been confined to her bed for two months. It is expected that she will soon be taken to a sanitarium in Ft. Worth, where an operation may be necessary.

Miss Mary Frances Cowden, an attractive college girl, has been home for the holidays, but will return to National Park Seminary, Washington, for the next term.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Rowe moved this week and are now pleasantly domiciled at the Van Huss place in the northwest part of town.

S. H. Anderson and wife, of Odessa, spent part of the holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Beauchamp, of Midland.

Mrs. Chas. Werntz arrived Thursday morning from Waynesville, Ohio, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Chas. B. Herrmann.

Mr. R. T. Blackburn, of Killeen, has been a Christmas guest of his sister, Mrs. W. E. Bradford, and niece little Miss Margaret Bradford.

What Our Boys Fought For

They fought to STOP DESTRUCTION—They paid in AGONY the price of CONSTRUCTION. Their minds are bewildered with the sights of RUIN and DEVASTATION, and unless they can SEE and FEEL and KNOW that all such is of the PAST, they will feel that they have fought in vain.

PROVE THAT THEIR FIGHTING WAS WORTH WHILE

BURTON-LINGO CO.

Lee Crowley, E. Bradford, Frances Hart, Misses Gladys Holt, Annie Lee Cowden.

On the application blank is found the historic data and credentials which confer the right to join. The records are in the archives of State in Wilmington and Raleigh, N. C.

Benjamin Liddon was a soldier in the War for American Independence, serving within the precincts of his state. He was born in Wilmington, N. C., and died near Murfreesboro.

1815—For military service named Special, was awarded two tracts of land in North Carolina, which land, when the state's lines were settled, was found to be in Ruth-erford County, Tenn. About the year 1792-3 he married a widow with two children, Sarah Rutledge Ivey, her husband also a soldier of the Revolution, as were many of her people, the Rutledges of North and South Carolina. From this union were born Wm. Abram Liddon, Sarah Jane and Benjamin Franklin. A short sketch of the life of W. A. Liddon is to be found in "Notable Men of Alabama," published by the Southern Historical Association of Atlanta, Ga., in 1892-4. There was a large emigration of families from North Carolina southward at the close of the 18th century and the early part of the 19th. Many of them settled in Middle Tennessee and other parts. The Liddon land was on Stone's river, six miles from Murfreesboro. On the land was a famous spring called "Camp Fox Spring," to which was attached an Indian legend. The name was later changed to Liddon Spring and has been so called over a hundred years. Near this spring Benjamin Liddon died and was buried 1815. Under the auspices of the Midland Chapter of the D. A. R. there will soon be placed to mark the spot a bronze memorial tablet.

The Midland Chapter has several non-resident members. They are members-at-large, and can affiliate with the order anywhere in the United States.

The aims and work of the order is along historic, patriotic and benedict lines. In the late war it is on record as having done an important part for the Allied Cause, and is now engaged in carrying out benedict schemes for the restoration of the war-swept, desolated countries in the

war zone. Any woman 18 years of age and upward, of good character and moral life, who can prove service of ancestors in the cause of American Independence, is eligible for membership, and can hold the same as long as they sustain the principles of the order and pay the chapter dues.

The benefits conferred by the order are manifold, and are manifest in the consciousness of aiding to perpetuate the memory and the history of the great struggle for American Independence; for the liberty necessary to the welfare and happiness of all peoples; for a place among the nations of the world and a voice in affairs, and last, but not least, a pride and satisfaction in the privilege of belonging to such a noble, wise and benedict body as the D. A. R. We welcome the worthy to our ranks and hope for a larger membership in the near future.

Valuable assistance in tracing history of ancestry can be given by Mrs. Callie Edwards.

MRS. C. L. STERLING, Chapter Historian, Member of National Historical Board, Washington, D. C. Midland, Texas, December, 1918.

MRS. RENA MAY BUZBEE BURIED THIS MORNING

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dublin, former citizens of Midland, deeply sympathize with them and other relatives upon the death of their eldest daughter, Mrs. Rena May Buzbee, who died in Albuquerque, N. M., last Sunday. The remains, accompanied by the husband, father and mother, arrived in Midland yesterday evening, and the funeral, conducted by Rev. J. T. McKissick, took place at 10:30 this morning.

The young wife—she was but 27 years old—lived most of her life, all of her girlhood, in Midland, and many of her friends and relatives and relatives of her parents accompanied the remains to the cemetery and there paid a final tribute of love to her memory. The friends, without number, join The Reporter in a profound expression of sympathy to the bereaved husband, father, mother, sisters, brothers, and other relatives.

TWO MORE SOLDIER BOYS RETURNED THIS WEEK

Newnie W. Ellis was the first of the soldier boys to return to Midland this week. He was in the radio department of the navy, stationed at Gulfport, Miss., and his broad smile was sufficient evidence of his delight in getting home again. No less pleased was George Wein, who returned yesterday. George made an immediate break for home, where his parents were delightedly surprised, and an hour later he appeared on the streets, in civilian clothing, tired to death of soldier garb. George had been employed in the north, running a Diesel engine in a munitions plant.

The Reporter hopes to mention the return of all the boys, and we beg parents, friends, or the boys themselves to let us know, so that none may be overlooked.

GLAD TIDINGS FOR J. C. ROBERTS AND WIFE

Some months ago Frank, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Roberts, was reported on the casualty list as seriously wounded. Soon thereafter a letter was received stating that the wound was in the right arm. The letter was dictated by Frank to a nurse, and it encouraged his parents and friends to believe he would be all right soon. However, another letter came, still through dictation, and then silence. Weeks have grown into months and the parents were terribly uneasy, when yesterday a telegram came stating that he had landed in New York. This was great news, and, we suppose, he may be expected home now, almost any day.

Highway Taxes Due.

Those persons who owe State Highway taxes are requested to call at my office and pay up before the 15th of this month, and avoid the rush of regular taxes the latter part of the month. All taxes must be paid before February 1st.

W. E. BRADFORD, Tax Collector.

1919

As we enter into the New Year of 1919, we have determined that no pains will be spared in our efforts to serve our customers and merit their further consideration, patronage and confidence.

We Want Your Business in 1919

For the next two weeks you will find many bargains in our Dry Goods department. Come in and look over our BARGAIN COUNTERS. We want to close out all odds and ends prior to taking inventory.

Our Grocery Department

is at your service. We expect to make it to your interest more than ever to give us your grocery business in 1919. We thank you for the many favors you have shown us in the year just past.

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One Price

This little business is built on the only fair, sound business foundation--ONE PRICE TO ALL. Your child can buy just as safely here as the most astute shopper. We have never cut a price in favor of any one. We never shall.

The New Year

We wish every one a prosperous New Year. Your prosperity means our prosperity. Ours cannot be without yours.

Resolved

That we will strive harder to serve you better this 1919.

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you. W. A. Little, rural mail carrier, Lorain street, says: "I wouldn't be without Doan's Kidney Pills, for I think they are the best of kidney medicines. I have used them off and on for a long time for weak back and other kidney troubles. They have never failed to relieve me, and anyone who is troubled in that way should get some at the City Drug Store." Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy--get Doan's Kidney Pills--the same that Mr. Little had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. 18-2t

Miss Leta Heard, teacher in the public schools at Pecos, returned Friday of last week, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Heard.

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SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Christian Church
Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. and preaching at the usual hours by the regular minister. Morning subject, "A New Year's Message." Special music at both services. J. T. McKISSICK, Minister.

At the Baptist Church.
What do you say? Let's begin the New Year right by attending Sunday school and church Sunday. Isn't it true that some of us haven't treated the Lord's service as we should have during the past year? If it is, let's start right this first Sunday and be in all the services of the day. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. to 12. Evening service begins promptly at 6 o'clock. Good singing at all the services by a choir that makes preparation. All services according to new time.

Presbyterian Church
This first Sunday in the New Year should be the occasion of showing at least one good resolution--that of going to church this year. It is a resolution that can be easily kept, if you want to, and will demonstrate more

faithfulness in things that are vital. There's plenty of room for improvement, all right, for some folks.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning service of worship at 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon by the pastor, "Behind and Before." Evening service at 7 o'clock (new time, of course). Subject of sermon, "Paul the Convert." Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. W. H. FOSTER, Pastor.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
Before using this preparation for a cough or cold, you may wish to know what it has done for others. Mrs. O. Cook, Macon, Ill., writes, "I have found it gives the quickest relief of any cough remedy I have ever used." Mrs. James A. Knott, Chillicothe, Mo., says, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cannot be beat for coughs and colds." H. J. Moore, Oval, Pa., says, "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on several occasions when I was suffering with a settled cold upon the chest and it has always brought about a cure." Jan.

Frank Heard, with the U. S. navy, stationed at Paris Island, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Heard, returning Friday of last week.

U. S. Civil Service Examinations.

An open competitive examination under the rules of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, for the position of post office clerk in the post office at Midland, will be held on January 11, 1919, commencing at 9 o'clock a. m. Applications for this examination must be made on the prescribed form, which, with necessary instructions, may be obtained from the Commission's local representative, Local Secretary, at the Midland post office, or from the undersigned.

All persons wishing to take this examination should secure blanks and file their applications at once in order to allow time for any necessary corrections and to arrange for the examination. Secretary, Tenth U. S. Civil Service District, New Orleans, La.

ATTENTION, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. O. B. Holt invites the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church to meet in her home Monday, January 6, 1919, at 3 o'clock. A short program will be rendered, after which the officers-elect for the year will be installed by the pastor. A full attendance is desired. ETHEL MOORE, Sec'y.

Miss Mittie Carter, who is teaching at Monahans, spent the Christmas holidays with Lee Heard and family.



Revised Prices

The assurance of material for quantity production of Buick cars enables the Buick Motor Company to establish the following prices on the various Buick models, effective January first, 1919.

These prices will not be changed during our present dealers' selling agreements.

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- Seven Passenger Open Model H-Six-49 - 1785
- Seven Passenger Closed Model H-Six-50 - 2585

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Second—The Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company lease contains five acres, which is more than twice the amount of acreage controlled by the majority of the largest dividend-paying companies in this wonderful field; thus controlling land for future drilling.

Third—In addition to the gusher sand, at less than 1700 feet depth, several shallow sands of great promise have been located in this portion of the Burkburnett Pool. The company drilling a short distance northeast of the Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company lease penetrated at the depth of 320 feet a shallow sand estimated at 20 barrels daily, and the "Twenty to One Oil Company", joining the Cleo Oil Company lease at the southwest corner, while drilling their deep well, encountered rich shallow sands at approximately 320, 425, and 800 feet depth. These sands could be cheaply developed, thereby giving additional dividends to the company. The chief source of income will, of course, be the deep gusher well.

Fourth—The small capitalization of the Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company (\$50,000.00) should give better returns to the investor than some of the other good companies in this wonderful field which are capitalized for larger amounts and yet pay rich dividends.

Fifth—The Burkburnett-Midland Oil Co. has an experienced, practical oil management to direct the development of their property to the very best advantage.

Sixth—The Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company will be controlled by the small investor and has no connection or combination with any dominating large oil interests, every dollar of the net returns from the sale of shares will be used for judicious and speedy development and when production is secured, every stockholder will be notified in ample time to attend the shareholders' meeting in order to form a permanent organization and adopt a general policy for future operations, thus making every shareholder an active participant in the future progress of the company.

It is a conceded fact that in the oil world the only man or woman who loses in the oil business is the one who lacks the nerve to play the game. Stop talking about the other fellow's luck—Get in and win and let the other fellow tell of yours.

Miss Opportunity is said to knock on the door at least once in a lifetime—she is working overtime at this period of our lives, particularly in this field, and this is your opportunity.

The only LITTLE man's BIG field. The field that has turned want into wealth, poverty into prosperity, and gameness into gold; the field where "The Half Has Never Yet Been Told", the field that is the safe and sane sensation of oildom.

The "wonder field", that has proven to be better than 98 per cent sure; the field where opportunity knocks—pounds—on your door every morning.

"When in doubt, follow the crowd." Do you know of any one who has played the Burkburnett field without making money?

Below is an estimate of about what profit it is possible to make on each \$200 you invest in the Burkburnett Oil Stock:

- \$200 in a company producing 500 barrels daily, 1 well about \$100; 4 wells, \$400 per month.
 - \$200 in a company producing 1000 barrels daily, 1 well about 200; 4 wells, \$800 per month.
 - \$200 in a company producing 2000 barrels daily, 1 well about \$200; 4 wells, \$800 per month.
 - \$200 in a company producing 5000 barrels daily, 1 well about \$1,000; 4 wells, \$4,000 per month.
- These estimates are based on oil at present price of \$2.40 a barrel, and oil is steadily going up.

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Col. S. L. McDonald, the organizer of the Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company, is one of the best known oil men in North Texas. His experience in the oil fields and oil business is such that will result in promoting a company that is sure to bring dividends to the stockholders. A practical oil man, he knows the real value of leases, and the best methods of drilling, therefore he is in a position to save the stockholders' money.

Invest in a company headed by a practical oil man.

APPROXIMATE VALUE OF OIL WELLS

We have these figures from oil men who know—they are taken as a basis in many large deals made. A well is estimated at \$1,250 for each barrel per day production. For instance—

- A 500-barrel well earns per year....\$ 342,187.50
 - A 1,000-barrel well earns per year.... 684,375.00
 - A 2,000-barrel well earns per year.... 1,368,750.00
 - A 5,000-barrel well earns per year.... 3,421,875.00
- Above estimates are figured at \$2 per barrel.

How many times have we heard the following statement, or one of the same nature? "He sure is lucky—cleared \$500 or \$1,000 on a \$100 investment in the past few months," or "He has made \$50,000 to \$100,000 in the past few months." We all know dozens of such cases, but none can be attributed to LUCK. It is NERVE only, that nerve to risk the capital necessary and nerve to again risk the profits.

The remarkable record of stability in the development of the Burkburnett Pool is without a parallel in the oil business, as with hundreds of companies operating in the field. Not a dry hole has been drilled; not a failure recorded; not a fake company organized; not a share of stock sold below par; not a poor investment has been made.

Nowhere in the United States, or anywhere else that we know of, is there the opportunity to make the tremendous profit on a \$200 investment that you have at your door. Here 50, 100, even 200 per cent profit and better are common occurrences. By buying stock in a company like ours, small capitalization, operating in proven territory, managed by business men who stake their money and reputation, you should do even better, perhaps make yourself independent for life.

Thousands of poor men and women have profited in varying amounts from their small investments at par value as the many companies organized and placed their shares on the market.

December 16th, 1918.

The Burkburnett Pool, which was discovered last spring, when the "Fowler Well" was brought in as a 2000-barrel gusher, at 1,689 feet depth, has developed more rapidly than other fields of record. Within six months more wealth has been produced from the Burkburnett Pool than in any other section of the Mid-Continent Field.

APPLICATION FOR STOCK

Mr. Sam Preston, Secretary-Treasurer Burkburnett-Midland Oil Co., Midland, Texas.
Dear Sir:

Please enclosed find check for \$..... for which reserve.....shares of stock in the Burkburnett-Midland Oil Company for me. The par value of this stock is \$100 per share, fully paid and non-assessable.

Name.....

Address.....

The Wichita Daily Tribune of October 30th, 1918, contained a most interesting resume of the first few months' development made in the Burkburnett oil field. The opening paragraph of this editorial is as true to facts as it is euphoniously poetical:

"Burkburnett is the brightest star in Texas' oil firmament just now. There are many and great rivals to the south, but none of them shine with such brilliancy as the great pool of Wichita County."

The above statement is especially true for the small investor, as the "wonderful rich deposits" of high grade oil in the Burkburnett Pool are not controlled by the large oil companies. All other rich oil fields are being either largely developed or dominated by the big oil interests.

While this, the richest of all pools in the West Texas oil fields, was discovered, but a few months ago, thousands of small investors have laid the foundation for fortunes by purchasing from \$100 to \$500 of shares at par value, as the numerous small companies were organized and their shares offered for sale.

Of the several hundred companies formed and operating in the Burkburnett oil field, not one company has been floated by the large oil interests; the millions of values from this phenomenal field realized in the past six months has been produced by the small capitalist.

Up to date, numerous wells have been brought in producing thousands of barrels of oil daily, dozens more are on top of sand and the casing being set, preparatory to being "drilled in." With scores of rigs drilling towards the sands at the present time and the townsite completely covered with derricks, new development is rapidly bringing in wells close to, but outside, the "usual town limits." A number of big wells have been brought in east, north, west, and south of the townsite. Some of the shrewdest oil men in the business have diverted their operations to the lower end of this field, and a string of holes are driving south along the well defined anticline.

In the minds of many there is a well formed idea that the biggest deposit is yet to be encountered, and most any day the announcement of "the biggest gusher" may add new luster to this record-making field.

Thousands are being added to these shares daily, through oil produced and dividends paid and enhancement of shares through development.

IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE FACTS

the conservative investor desiring to put a portion of his surplus at work to the best advantage for quick, profitable returns, and with the element of risk practically eliminated, should give this proposition earnest consideration, and have the courage to back his judgment by purchasing a few shares of the BURKBURNETT-MIDLAND OIL COMPANY before the opportunity to do so has passed.

The BURKBURNETT-MIDLAND OIL COMPANY is an unincorporated Oil Association; with a capital stock of fifty thousand dollars, divided into 500 fully paid and non-assessable shares of the par value of \$100 each.

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would go for three weeks
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My husband went to Dr.
for Cardui . . .
After taking about two
bottles I began going
around and when I took
three bottles I could do
all my work." E-80

BEAUTIFUL THOUGHTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

I would be true, for there are those
that trust me;
I would be pure, for there are those
who care;
I would be strong, for there is much
to suffer;
I would be brave, for there is much
to dare;
I would be friend of all—the foe—the
friendly;
I would be giving, and forget the
gift;
I would be humble, for I know my
weakness;
I would look up—and laugh—and
love—and lift.
—Harold Arnold Walters, in Dallas
News.

LIEUT. EPLEY LANDED FROM OVERSEAS

We understand our townsman, J. H.
Epley this week received news that
his son, Lieut. Homer Epley, had land-
ed in New York from overseas. Lieut.
Epley barely landed in France when
the armistice was signed, but we im-
agine he will have some thrilling
tales to tell, nevertheless, and we are
glad that he may soon be home again.

THEIR FATHER SERIOUSLY ILL AT FLATONIA, TEXAS

Frank and John Pliska were called
to Flatonia the first of the week, by
wire stating the serious illness of
their father. The sufferer is quite
aged and the brothers did not have
great hopes of his recovery. Both
left Monday evening.

Chamberlain's Tablets
When you are troubled with indi-
gestion or constipation, take Cham-
berlain's Tablets. They strengthen
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its functions naturally. Indigestion
is usually accompanied by constipa-
tion and is aggravated by it. Cham-
berlain's Tablets cause a gentle move-
ment of the bowels, relieving the con-
stipated condition. Jan.

President T. J. O'Donnell of the
Midland & Northwestern returned
this morning from a business trip to
St. Louis. He, we understand, is soon
to promote another railroad. News
of this will be given later.

MIDLAND COLLEGE TO RESUME WORK JANUARY 3

Members of Midland College facul-
ty report prospects are fine for the
rest of the school year. At least a
half dozen new pupils have given notice
they are coming and others will
doubtless take advantage of the
splendid courses offered at the col-
lege. School resumes work Jan. 3rd.

Paul Brown is here this week from
Eastland. We understand they will
soon have their steam laundry in op-
eration, the one moved from Midland.

Mrs. Adams, saleslady at Wadley-
Patterson's, resigned her position this
week and left for her home at Fra. It
is rumored that she may be expected
back in Midland soon. Rumor has it
—but, wait.

Her many friends regret the de-
parture of Miss Susie Macgruder, for
so long employed by Wadley-Patterson.
She left for Dallas to join her
mother and other relatives.

See W. P. Nugent for coal and call
him, over phone 216, for all sorts of
transfer business. 13-1f

Nugent's phone is 216. Call him
for transfer service or your coal sup-
ply. 13-1f

LOST—One male fox terrier, black
and tan ears, round black spot on
back, bob-tail. Notify J. T. Pool for
reward.

Town Pasture For Rent or Lease
Forty acres in South Midland, near
school building. Has been used by
D. M. Trammel, who wishes it no
longer. Write us at once, for we are
going to rent it. DRS. PARKER,
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moved to Mattoon, I was a great suf-
ferer from indigestion and constipa-
tion," writes Mrs. Robert Allison,
Mattoon, Ill. "I had frequent head-
aches and dizzy spells, and there was
a feeling like a heavy weight pressing
on my stomach and chest all the time.
I felt miserable. Every morsel of
food distressed me. I could not rest
at night and felt tired and worn out
all the time. One bottle of Cham-
berlain's Tablets cured me and I have
since felt like a different person." Jan

Notice.
The annual meeting of the stock-
holders of the Midland & Northwest-
ern Railway Company will be held at
the general office of the company in
Midland, Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m.
Wednesday, January 16th, 1919, for
the purpose of electing a board of di-
rectors and the transaction of such
other business as may come before
the meeting. Immediately after ad-
journment of the stockholders' meet-
ing, a meeting of the board of di-
rectors will be held for the purpose
of electing a president, vice president,
secretary and treasurer of the com-
pany.
T. J. O'DONNELL, President.
Attest: B. C. GIRDLEY, Sec'y.
Midland & Northwestern Railway Co.
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some newspaper published in your
county, to appear at the next regu-
lar term of the Justice Court of Pre-
cinct No. 1, Midland County, to be
held at the court house thereof in
Midland, Texas, on the last Monday
in December, A. D. 1918, the same
being the 30th day of December, A.
D. 1918, then and there to answer a
petition filed in said court on the 3rd
day of December, A. D. 1918, in a
suit numbered on the docket of said
court No. 1405, wherein Kirby E. Nutt
is plaintiff and R. E. H. Morgan is
defendant, and said petition alleging
that during the years 1917 and 1918
the defendant was the owner of the
north one-half and the southwest one-
fourth of Section No. thirty-six and
Block No. 40, Township One North,
Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. Survey, and
was bound and liable to pay the state
and county taxes regularly and legal-
ly assessed thereon for said years;
that the defendant permitted the tax-
es thereon for the year 1917 to be-
come delinquent, and that the taxes
for the year 1918 became due and
payable on October 1, 1918, and that
defendant failed and refused to pay
the same for either of said years, the
taxes for said year 1917, including
principal, penalty and interest,
amounting to \$76.98, and for the year
1918, the sum of \$24.28. That plain-
tiff acquired title to said land about
the 5th day of November, 1918, and
was compelled to pay said taxes,
which created a lien on said land.
Plaintiff sues for judgment for the
sum of \$101.26, and costs of suit.
Herein fail not, but have before
said court, at its aforesaid next regu-
lar term, this writ with your return
thereon, showing how you have ex-
ecuted the same.
Given under my hand, at office in
Midland, Texas, this 3rd day of
December, A. D. 1918.
R. E. CROWLEY,
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1,
Midland County, Texas. 9-4t

Memories

As you grow older you find your
thoughts turning more to the past;
an ever increasing part is played in
your life by memories.

A subtle perfume perhaps; what
memories it can bring! Or the first
hint of coldness in the morning air
late in summer; how it brings
back autumn days long past!

But it is in music the richest memories lie. Melodies of the
past; how they thrill you, how they bring back scenes you had
thought were gone forever! Happy times of long ago you will
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are just a little bit afraid. But you want to hear it; you want
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