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POSSIBLE, ACTUAL CORRUPTION, GRAFT

"GOD, BUT IT IS TERRIBLE!"
WRITES EDITOR OF TEXAS
COMMERCIAL NEWS

The above quotation is the caption of an editorial comment last week by the editor of the Texas Commercial News. It suggests strong feeling in the heart of this versatile writer, as he contemplates the possibility, nay the actuality of graft by, whom he is pleased to designate, our "public bosses."

Editor Adams writes: As we read the callous, revolting story of C. B. Forbes, written by that intrepid and fearless writer, Will Irvin, we are reminded that the American public has let the spectacular influence them too much when they come to select their public servants—did we say "public servants?" Then let us change that; for the days of Jefferson have passed and we no longer choose public servants; we choose public bosses, who flay those who brook their displeasure; it is no longer a case of finding out what the public wants, and doing it; it is a case of eternally bulleting the public that the public may know the "boss's" will, and do it.

We have long felt that no man who had transgressed the moral, social and industrial laws of our land should be placed in charge of a public trust. We believe in helping a man to fight up to manhood, but we believe in helping him in his labors in the private ranks; never as a public official.

We have seen, time after time in Texas politics, some fellow get up out of the mire, with the filth of his moral living still dripping from his form, turn an appealing face to the decent element of society, and say, "I am going to quit; I want to fight back; give me this office that I may show you that I am reformed, and that there still remains in me those higher sentiments which should guide man in his conduct here on earth," and a sniveling society would wipe a tear from its eye and elect him to office.

What society ought to say is, "All right, William, we are with you; but the place for you to prove that you are a man is in private life, with just your own responsibilities resting on you; we can't afford to use a public trust in such a venture."

It doesn't matter whether you accept the Bible as the divine work of God; or, whether you think it fallible or infallible; whether you are for evolution or against it—there are certain truths and right judgments in that old book that no nation can afford to ignore.

The first lesson a President should learn—and the people should have learned it and made it their own before they elected the president—and that is the lesson Jethro taught Moses, when he visited his son-in-law, down in the wilderness.

The old priest and seer of Egypt found the young, self-willed, and self-centered Moses sitting in the midst of his people from early morning to late evening, judging in their disputes. Both large and small troubles were brought before the young governor and emigration promoter.

The old seer observed conditions awhile, and then took Moses to one side and said, "Moses, you can't do this thing. It will wear you away, and your people who are with you; you are not able to perform this alone."

"Hearken to my voice, I will give you counsel, and God shall be with you."

"Provide out of all the people (not from among just the few of the elect, but from among all the people, mind you,) able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and make them rulers under you."

Our Presidents and Governors have been careful to select according to the first four cardinal virtues that every public servant should possess: they are able, but how devoid are they of truth, integrity, honesty and righteousness, and how they do covet the things of the earth too often!

It looks like we must demand of our public officials the oath of poverty, even as the ancients did of their priests; that it shall be unlawful for them to own or enjoy the fat of the land.

We felt that our hastening to build memorials to our recent president, and all our boasted sorrow—it all

SNOW PUTS RANGE IN FINE CONDITION

COVERS MIDLAND COUNTRY
ALMOST EQUAL TO ONE OF
YEAR AGO

It snowed pretty much all day last Sunday, and far into the night. The fall was quite heavy and almost if not quite equaled that of a little more than one year ago. Some of our people don't seem to remember the big snow that fell here on Sunday, February 4, 1923, but it came, all right, and was a good one.

In speaking of it in our issue of Friday, February 9, 1923, The Reporter made this statement:

"At this season of the year The Reporter management, in 24 years of service to this section, cannot remember when conditions for both stockmen and farmers were brighter, from a physical standpoint throughout the whole Midland Country. The snow the first of the week is reported heavy from all sections, it being conservatively estimated six inches deep at Midland, and ranging to eight, ten, and twelve inches in other neighborhoods, as far out as Midland interests lie.

"The snow puts a climax to conditions that were almost ideal previously, the whole country having been visited by light showers from time to time.

"Of course the cold weather of the first of the week was severe on cattle, drew them considerably, and occasioned some heavier feeding, but losses are reported as almost negligible. Stockmen are jubilant and farmers are going forward with their plans, encouraged by a fair hope of greater results than have been known in the West before."

Conditions at this time are almost identical with that of a year ago, only the situation is rather better. The late rains of last fall left a good season in the ground, only a short way beneath the surface, and rains prior to the snow last Sunday had caused the moisture to meet. A good spring weed crop is therefore assured, and stock will be "filling up" on them after but a few days of warm sunshine.

The snow last Sunday has been variously estimated at from 4 to 8 inches. One citizen seemed to have the best measurement. He had his wagon in the open. The side-boards were on and the ends closed, and there was no chance for the snow to either drift in or out. He measured it in the wagon bed the next morning, and said there was just eight inches of it.

All sections of the country seem to have been covered, and farm conditions are simply ideal, thus far. The promise for 1924 is bright, indeed. Much new land has been put in cultivation, and if the seasons are only average it is not hard to fancy a lifting of the gloom of depression which has shadowed the financial horizon of our people for so long.

Impressed us as did the Pharisee who stood on the street corner and prayed—it was the house-top sort of sorrow—and now we find his picture heralded through the papers sandwiched in between Old Black Jack Forbes!

God, but it must be nauseating to the man who loves honor and truth and virtue and decency!

Our fathers in building our organic law, provided that "no person holding any office of profit or trust under them shall, without the consent of the Congress, accept of any present, emolument, office or title of any kind whatever, from any king, prince, or foreign state."

It looks like that we must place in that same organic law this amendment: "Nor shall he receive any material favors from any citizen of this country or any other country; nor shall he bestow any financial privileges!"

No constitution, however; no law; no official vigilance, can make the dishonest man's acts honest, or prevent his doing harm to society, if he is placed in a position of trust; therefore, let us not forget Jethro's advice; let us choose from among all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness!

Only this will avail, and Texas sorely needs that today.

While we are standing with real or feigned amazement at the exposures at Washington, our own State capital is exposed to the same possibilities of corruption and graft; please God, may it not be true with us; but where millions flow graft and waste grow.

MIDLAND STOCKMEN TO EXHIBIT IN SHOW

HEAVIEST REPRESENTATION IN
HISTORY OF GREAT FT.
WORTH EVENT

Entries received at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Ft. Worth in March make a total of eleven States entered in the live stock competition. This is the heaviest representation of States in the history of the show.

All exhibit space has been sold in the new \$25,000 exhibit hall. The new poultry show annex will be filled to capacity, C. C. Miller, poultry show superintendent, said.

Secretary-Manager Ed R. Henry was notified that the Waco Young Business League will send a delegation to the exposition on a special train. The Wacoans will stop at Hillsboro and several other cities en route to Ft. Worth, where they will stage parades boosting Waco.

Latest entries in the live stock section include: William Hampton, Crowley, hogs; Ellis Bros., Mexico, Mo., sheep; E. N. Aycock & Sons, Midland, Herefords; Frazier Gawton, Cranfills Gap, Herefords; Reginald Gaston, Cranfills Gap, Hereford; Roy S. Sticks, Ft. Worth, Jerseys; Carl Hampton, Crowley, Jerseys; Oklahoma A. & M., Stillwater, Okla., Percherons, Herefords and Shorthorns; Harry and Clyde Sikes, Graford, Herefords; L. L. Johnson, Meridian, Angus, Shorthorns and Herefords; Texas A. & M. College, Percherons and Morgans; Elbert C. Hampton, Crowley, Jerseys; William Tyler, Fair, Herefords; John M. Gist & Son, Midland and Odessa, Herefords; J. W. Gladney, Gainesville, Shorthorns; Venus Jersey Farm, Venus, Jerseys; J. W. Mann, Waco, Red Polled, Jack and Jennets; Holtex Farms, Inc., Dallas, Holsteins; Annie Oden, Brownwood, Shorthorns; George Bullem, Salina, Okla., Herefords; Vernon Cayel, Brownwood, Herefords; Renner

C. OF C. SECRETARY HERE BY THE TENTH

MAY ARRIVE NEXT WEEK WHEN
HE WILL IMMEDIATELY
BEGIN DUTIES

The meeting of the directors of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce in the Llano Hotel last Monday evening resulted in the employment of a secretary, Paul T. Vickers, now city editor of one of the daily papers at Amarillo. Mr. Vickers, too, has accepted the position and notified President W. E. Chancellor by wire yesterday that he would be here not later than March 10th, and probably will get here by the 7th, which will be next Friday.

Our Chamber of Commerce has had many applicants for this position, and the directors have taken considerable time to weigh the qualifications of a number of them, and the delay in employing a secretary has thus resulted. They feel, therefore, that no mistake has been made.

Mr. Vickers comes to Midland recommended in the highest sense, in all those ways that are essential to the requirements we will make of him. He is morally upright and blameless in character; he has an university education, and is especially a publicity expert.

Mr. Vickers has had no direct experience as a chamber of commerce secretary, but he has served in many responsible publicity positions, acceptably, and comes to Midland with the highest testimonials to this effect. He may be with us now before The Reporter is again published, or on the next day of publication, anyway.

Stock Farm, Hartford City, Indiana; Heiko Janssen, Thornton, Iowa, Herefords; J. J. Kelleher, Patterson, Iowa, Herefords; D. J. Murphy, Norwalk, Iowa, Herefords; Fritz Kerbs, Ottis, Kan., Herefords; L. E. Griffing & Sons, Burleson, Jerseys.

CITY SCHOOLS TO CLOSE MONTH EARLIER WILL LOSE HARD-WON UNITS OF AFFILIATION

A CONCERT THAT
WILL PLEASE
EVERYBODY

On Sunday afternoon, March 9th, in the Methodist church from 3 to 4 o'clock, the Community Orchestra will render a program that is certain to please all who attend.

While this concert will appeal to every lover of good music, still there will be nothing rendered which will not be thoroughly appreciated by the most unmusical ear. Many of the old favorite masterpieces will be played in a most conscientious way, every member of the orchestra working strictly for interpretation, intonation and technique.

Aside from the classical numbers the orchestra will render some lighter numbers that are being played by the great concert bands and symphony orchestras throughout the nation.

The classics will consist of the famous "Poet and Peasant Overture" by Suppe; the "Spring Song" by Mendelssohn; "Melody in F" by Rubenstein together with the semi-classics such as "Melody of Love," by Engelmann; "Love and Roses," etc.

As specialties for this occasion a cornet solo, "Elsie Polka" by Mackie-Beyer with orchestra accompaniment will be played. This is a bright, snappy number. "The Whistler and His Dog," a characteristic march, imitating a little boy whistling to his dog. This will be rendered with pleasing effect by the orchestra. "The Rosary" will be played upon a hand-saw. The tone that this saw sends out will surprise you. Two Hawaiian numbers played upon two violins, piano and Hawaiian guitar. A string trio, "The Two Roses," by Wenrich, played upon two violins and cello with piano accompaniment.

The program will not last over an hour and all are cordially invited. No admission will be charged; no collection will be taken—just an afternoon spent listening to good music. This is the first of a series of Sunday afternoon community concerts that will be given by local talent, to create a co-operative spirit for good music in our community, so show your appreciation by giving the initial number a large crowd. Here's hoping.

Healy & Yarbrough Sell Ford Agency

A business transaction of quite a lot of interest took place this week, when Healy & Yarbrough went into contract with Jax M. Cowden and M. C. Ulmer for the sale of the Ford agency, the trade being contingent upon Healy & Yarbrough being able to deliver the Ford agency.

It is anticipated that this contingency will entail no difficulty. Trafton Yarbrough, manager for Healy & Yarbrough, left Wednesday for Dallas to see about the transfer, Mr. Ulmer following on yesterday evening.

In case no trouble comes up in the transfer of the Ford agency it is expected that the new owners will take charge next Monday. The matter of invoicing the stock was closed up on Wednesday evening.

No special details of the trade have been made public. Supposedly, however, it will aggregate somewhat more than \$25,000.

Judge J. P. Stinson Is Banquet Speaker

The Baptist men of Midland, Big Spring, and Stanton, will meet in the banquet hall of the local Masonic lodge next Friday night, March 7th, where they will be entertained with a banquet and short program. A male chorus and the Community Orchestra will provide the music. The principal speaker for the occasion will be Judge J. P. Stinson, of Abilene.

M. C. Ulmer, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, left yesterday evening for Dallas, on business in connection with his and Jax M. Cowden's purchase of the Healy & Yarbrough Ford Sales and Service business. Trafton Yarbrough went to Dallas Wednesday. The recent sale is contingent upon Healy & Yarbrough being able to transfer the Ford agency.

CIVIC LEAGUE, CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE, AMERICAN LEG-
ION MEET TONIGHT

Last week in district court the board of directors of our city schools lost the election contest which had been filed therein by Dr. J. B. Hall, T. S. Patterson, and J. A. Haley, the first school fund election last year, in which the cause was lost, being held as valid.

This week, yesterday, the school board met, canvassed the finances of our public schools, and found it imperative to reduce our school term to eight months, instead of the usual nine months.

This signifies: It is doubtful that there can be any graduations this year, although there is one of the largest graduating classes in the school's history.

The school will lose its magnificent though hard-won units of affiliation, and the only way one of the prospective graduates this year could enter college at all would be by standing the rigid examinations required.

We lose our splendid reputation for school advantages. A prospective home-seeker investigates the schools above all things, and this wonderful asset, Midland's greatest, will be lost to us.

The city schools of Midland have won 27 units of affiliation, just as many as it can attain with the number of teachers employed, and we are in the A1 class of public schools of the State.

To cut our school term to eight months causes a loss of these units of affiliation with our colleges and universities and we drop back to a school of the 3rd class.

These are only a few of the near-tragedies, which are not pleasant to contemplate. There are others.

The directors of the Midland Civic Club, the Midland County Chamber of Commerce, and American Legion, together with any interested citizens and patrons are called upon by the school board to meet in the court house tonight to discuss the matter. If you are concerned about the welfare of our educational institutions, about Midland's civic pride, and about our whole community and her purposeful future, you are urged to be present at this meeting tonight.

Former Citizens Visit Friends Here

Our old friends and former townspeople, Lod Calohan and wife, arrived in Midland Wednesday to visit old friends for a day or two. They are on their return to their home in Kansas City, after having been touring in California for some weeks. Their stay in Midland was made necessarily brief by reason that they had become delayed and were ten days behind their schedule. Lod is in the employ of the Panhandle & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, and has been since 1892. They return home by way of San Antonio, where Lod has some further business to transact.

Joe Jones Passed Away Last Night

Joe Jones died last night at the home of his father, J. K. Jones, after a lingering illness, a victim of tuberculosis. Joe made a heroic fight for life but at last the grim reaper, that we all sooner or later must face, claimed him and the frail body body succumbed.

Joe has innumerable friends in and around Midland who mourn his passing. He leaves a wife and three children, two boys and a girl, a father, several brothers and sisters and other relatives to whom The Reporter extends heartfelt condolence. We have known Joe for many years and can truthfully say that he was a friend to all who knew him, always kind, considerate and charitable.

The funeral services will be conducted at the cemetery this afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. L. U. Spellman, of the Methodist church, officiating, in the absence of deceased's pastor, Rev. W. S. Garnett, of the Baptist church, who is in Ft. Worth.

Bill Van Huse was in town Wednesday from his ranch. The young man gave a fair range report.

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MIDLAND, TEXAS

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CAPITAL	\$100,000
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Your banking business will be handled by this bank in a modernly efficient, yet conservative and safe manner.

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U. B. Phifty



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We have special arrangements for mail service—a service you will appreciate.

Midland National Bank

Slogan—

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**IT COULD HAPPEN
IN MIDLAND COUNTY**

WRITER TELLS HOW HALE COUNTY FARMERS WORKED OUT INDEPENDENCE

The Reporter lately has been publishing some suggestions with reference to the possibility of the poultry industry on a large scale in the Midland Country, some of them taken from the several farm publications that come to our desk. In the event that farming—stock farming preferably—should take the place of the one single industry upon which Midland has existed in the past, and it seems that this is almost certain, then diversification must surely be the mode of procedure if a full measure of success attends our efforts.

"Phebe K. Warner" is a noted feature writer for the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, and recently she told how Hale Center farmers worked out their independence, and the method is wholly adaptable to conditions in the Midland Country. Besides the plan would work out beautifully with the poultry industry as a companion industry. The writer says:

About six months ago a few of the farmers got together one day by re-

quest of one of the leaders in the community to talk over their educational and financial problems. "Now, this is the fix I am in," said one of the best men in the country. "Last spring, my crop looked pretty favorable. Everything was growing fine until it got so dry. Later on a hail hit me. And for the last two months it has been raining all the time. I'm having to buy our groceries on credit all the time or go to the bank and borrow the money to pay for them. The merchants can't afford to carry all us farmers through the year. They have to pay their bills whether we pay ours or not, and I don't want to be the cause of another man's failure even if I do fail myself. And if things get much tighter the banks will be forced to shut down on us. Then what are we going to do? And suppose at the end of the year our crops are a failure, what will we do for next year? And there is another thing that is bothering me as much or more than these business conditions. I'm paying taxes on several hundred acres here in this school district but I have to keep my children out of school to help me make a living for them and myself. And I do not think that is fair to my children. Besides, when we live along this way the whole year it takes nearly everything my crop brings to pay up my back bills and my borrowed money

and I get nowhere in the end. "Now, I believe there is a better way for us farmers to live and I wanted a few of us to get together and talk it over and see what we can plan to do to keep up our weekly expenses, put the children in school and have something left after the taxes are paid. Bill Jones, what do you say?"

"Well, I feel about like you do, Mr. Smith. I'm in the same fix exactly. Fact is, I believe nearly every farmer in Texas is in this same condition.

Living off the merchants and the bankers through the whole year, keeping the children out of school to raise a crop that he can market only once a year and then paying out his whole crop when he does get it marketed to pay the bills that never ought to have been made. And another drawback is when a feller is in a pinch all the time he just has to take the other feller's price for something he does have for sale. Besides it is sort of discouraging and humiliating sometimes. Do you men realize that our women-folks have found a better marketing system for their farm products, than we men have? They organized a Turkey Association about a year ago and the other day when the Hale County Turkey Association brought their turkeys to market and were offered only 5 cents a pound for toms and 11 cents for their hens, they simply said, 'Go to thunder with your markets, we will drive our turkeys back home and can them and save the meat bills.' And the next week they got a bid of 22 cents (wasn't it) for a carload of turkeys. But they are organized. Now, I have eight or ten pretty good milk cows on my place and I've been wondering if we men might not get together and organize a Hale Center Dairy Association and create a better market for the cream and milk that is going to waste on every farm in this part of the county."

"Has anybody else a word to say?"

"That's what we are here for; to express our mind on this problem of a better farming program for Hale Center." Whereupon Mr. Brown stretched himself and said: "I'm in on this plan for a dairy association for Hale Center. I have a pretty good bunch of dairy cows. And there is this advantage in an old cow. You can harvest her crop twice a day for 365 days a year instead of once a year like we do with our cotton and wheat. She works Sundays the same as week days. She works all night the same as all day. She is the only farm hand I know that makes money for the farmer while she rests. It is the only farm product that we can market every week instead of once or twice a year. And the milk and cream crop is the only crop I know that neither drouth, hail, wind nor water can completely wipe out. You can work a year on a cotton crop and lose it all in an hour. And I believe if every one of us had a few good dairy cows our boys could get up early and milk them before school time, and come home after school and do the milking and our girls could run the separators and do all the work about the milk house and get off to school on time every morning. And I believe the money we would collect 52 times a year in cream checks would amount to as much as the money our children earn in the cotton patch, and we could face the merchants every week with the cash, get better bargains and not have to call on our merchants and bankers to feed us and clothe us a year in advance. Certainly that would be a good thing for us and for our town and for our school and our children. And we men would all feel more like decent, self-respecting fathers and farmers and neighbors. I believe we can have a dairy association right here among ourselves and I'm for it."

Hale Center's Dairy Association is about the liveliest thing in Hale County, so it is said. We quite believe Midland County could have inestimable benefits through a combination Dairy and Poultry Association.

Employees Must Stay Out of Politics

R. M. Hubbard, chairman of the Texas State Highway Department, has sent out the following notice to all persons employed by or connected with this department:

All persons employed by or connected with the State Highway Department are warned not to take a partisan part in any political campaign for any public office, State or local. Evidence that any person so connected with the Highway Department has taken or is taking a partisan part in any State or local political campaign will be a sufficient reason for discharge.

The highway department is not a political organization. Its purpose is to serve the people, and the Highway Commission earnestly desires that this organization be removed from politics as far as possible in order that its work can progress without handicap.



**WON'T YOU COME SEE
THE NEW THINGS?**

You will agree that this Store has outdone itself this season.

We believe that the showing of New Spring Merchandise that we have bought this season will compare favorably with that of any city of ten thousand in the State. St. Louis, Chicago, Cleveland and New York City have all contributed to the showing of New Things that you will find here, and we are anxious to have you see these new things as they arrive.

IT'S A PLEASURE TO SHOW MERCHANDISE

We don't want you to feel that you are under the slightest obligation to buy, for it is a pleasure to show the wonderful new spring merchandise that is arriving daily.

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Fashion, New York

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Bijou, New York

Dresses from

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Booth, New York

Fedora, New York

Coats and Suits from

Sterling, Cleveland

Haft, New York

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The assortment of Spring Dry Goods is by far the most comprehensive we have ever had the pleasure of showing.

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Next Sunday is your hour at the Baptist Church.

"CHRIST AND WOMEN"

will be the subject of the sermon

Women have ever been Christ's best friends, and to know when Christ was to be born into the world, Christ is woman's best friend.

"Joys and Perils of the Ministry"

will be the subject for Sunday morning

SPECIAL MUSIC AT EVERY SERVICE

A CORDIAL INVITATION TO ALL

W. S. GARNETT, Pastor.

(Watch this space each week)

PRES. COOLIDGE AND TEAPOT DOME SCANDAL

NATION'S HEAD HAS MADE NO EFFORT TO BRING TO LIGHT SHAMEFUL FACTS

Although the Teapot Dome Naval Oil leases made by former Secretary of the Interior Fall to Doheny and Sinclair, respectively, have constituted an open scandal for nearly two years, no administration Republican has assisted by word or act to bring to light any of the shameful and humiliating facts that have shocked the nation in connection with this disgraceful transaction.

It required a Democratic resolution in the Senate to reveal the fact that these leases had been secretly made, and after the resolution was offered the Interior Department refused to confirm to the press the report that such secret leases had been made.

Every day that President Coolidge keeps Secretary of the Navy Denby and Attorney General Daugherty in his cabinet he further weakens confidence in his administration and lessens public expectation that all the parties to this scandalous transaction shall be punished.

After first pleading ignorance in the matter, Secretary Denby became defiant. Whatever further culpability may be established in his case, he has thoroughly demonstrated his unfitness to be in charge of the United States Navy.

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Summer Tourists' Rates To Alpine

For the summer of 1924 summer tourists' rates of one and one-third fare have been granted by the Southern Pacific and Orient Systems from all points on their lines in Texas to Alpine.

All people desiring to visit Alpine during the summer of 1924 should apply to their local agent for a round trip ticket.

Tourists contemplating a visit to Cloudercroft, N. M., during the summer may purchase a round trip ticket over the Southern Pacific lines to this famous summer resort with stop-over privileges at San Antonio and Alpine, provided they purchase a ticket on dates of sale specified above and provided they reach the station where they purchased this ticket not later than October 31st.

Students attending Sul Ross State Teachers College will be given a 10 per cent discount at the Lodge, the leading hotel in Cloudercroft, at any time during the season.

EXPERIMENTS IN USE OF ELECTRICITY ON FARMS

Near Red Wing, Minn., the first completely electrified rural community has been established as a part of a survey of the possibilities of farm electrification. This survey is being made by a joint committee composed of representatives of the American Farm Bureau Federation, The American Society of Agricultural Engineers, United States Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior, and National Electric Light Association.

In Alabama experiments covering a three year period are being made by the Alabama Polytechnic Institute and the Alabama Power Company. Research work is being done at Auburn and several farms in various parts of Alabama are being used for electrical farming experiments.

More than 100 uses for electricity on the farms have been listed. The committee on relations of electricity to agriculture will make other tests in the various parts of the country. Interest in farm communities of the more progressive type is increasing in these applications of electricity to farm problems.

Wonderful Man

They were on their honeymoon, and she regarded him as the most wonderful being in the whole world. They strolled along the seashore. Suddenly he stopped and, in a fine poetic frenzy, declared: "Roll on, thou deep and mighty ocean, roll!" "Oh, George!" she cried in ecstasy. "It's doing it!"

Above his bier

The mourners kneel He was holding his cutie Instead of the wheel. —Macon, Telegraph.

Two pints, one quart, Two quarts, one fight, One fight, two cops, Two cops, one Judge, One Judge, thirty days—Ex.

Printed Without Warning

Actual Conversation Recently Overheard Between Two Prominent Midland Ladies

Upon returning from a meeting of a certain local woman's organization last week, two prominent Midland ladies met down town and the following conversation ensued.

First Lady—"My husband promised me this morning that he would put a set of those good tires on our car."

Second Lady—"Oh! Isn't that splendid? They are wonderful. We have some on our car and they show very little wear after several months' hard service."

First Lady—"And they add so much to the appearance of a car. Everyone talks about those good tires. I'll be so happy when I get mine."

These ladies were discussing SEIBERLING TIRES although "those good tires" was the way they were characterized in their minds. The second lady's husband bought the SEIBERLINGS referred to last August.

Just as the name, EVER-READY, is symbolic of quality and service, so are Seiberling All-Treads referred to as "THOSE GOOD TIRES."

Ever-Ready Filling Station

Notice of Sale Under Mechanics Lien

All persons interested will take notice that on Saturday March 22nd, 1924, at 10 o'clock in the morning, I will offer for sale at public outcry before the court house door at Midland, Texas, one five passenger Ford car, engine No. 4649028, license No. 57449, sold as the property of C. W. Branch for a bill for repairs made by me thereon, amounting to \$37.76 and storage of \$15, total \$52.76, plus costs, claimed by me against said car on which I claim a mechanics lien under Article 5665 of the Statutes of the State of Texas, this sale being made under Article 5667 and 5668, the residence of the said C. W. Branch being to me unknown.

R. D. SCRUGGS, adv 22-3t

Citation by Publication of Final Account

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

V. D. Ingle, Administrator of the estate of Dick Arthur, having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the estate of said Dick Arthur, numbered 200, on the Probate Docket of Midland County, together with an application to be discharged from said Administration, you are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a newspaper printed in the county of Midland, Texas, you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on or before the March term, 1924, of said County Court, commencing and to be held at the court house of said county, in the town of Midland, Texas, on the tenth day of March, 1924, in Midland, Texas, wherein said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

Given under my hand and Seal of said Court, at my office in Midland, Texas, this 5th day of February, A. D., 1924.

C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk, County Court, Midland Co., Texas. (SEAL) adv 19-4t

Team Work is the Thing That Builds Good Communities

In the old days—that are not so far behind us but that some of us can remember them—one daily task was to get in wood for the fires. Another task was to fill the kerosene lamps and trim their wicks and polish the lamp chimneys. Plans were made for long lonesome evenings. There was no telephoning to neighbors. The roads were bad all winter long.

Organization and thrift have improved the situation. For instance in the matter of Electricity for instant service is at hand to be used as you desire. The cost of this service is so low that compared with the old way it is not worth considering. Its efficiency is so much greater than the old was as to make all the difference between comfort and hardship.

The full development of this community is possible only through the service of the Midland Light Company. And this company recognizes its responsibility as a part of the community in helping it to grow and develop. But this company also recognizes that only as the community grows the company can grow.

Midland Light Co. W. H. WILLIAMS, Mgr.

Old Folks' Ailments

"I began taking Black-Draught over fifty years ago and my experience with it stretches over a good long time," says Mr. Joe A. Blake-more, a Civil War veteran and former Virginian, who is now a prominent citizen of Floyd, Texas. "It is the best laxative I know of for old people. . . A good many years ago, in Virginia, I used to get bilious and I found that

Theford's

BLACK-DRAUGHT

was the best and quickest relief I could get. Since I came to Texas I have these bilious attacks every now and then—a man will get bilious anywhere, you know—and I find that a little Black-Draught soon straightens me out. After a few doses, in little or no time I'm all right again." Theford's Black-Draught is a purely vegetable liver medicine, used in America for over eighty years. It acts on the stomach, liver and bowels in a gentle, natural way, assisting digestion and relieving constipation. Sold everywhere.

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Louisiana Man To Speak in Midland

Dr. E. R. Crutcher, of Shreveport, La., will speak at the Baptist church next Wednesday night at 7:30. Dr. Crutcher is a teacher in the Bible Institute of Shreveport, and has been a leader in the Baptist work in Louisiana for several years. He will stop at Midland on his way to New Mexico, where he is going to fill some speaking engagements. Everyone is invited to hear him next Wednesday night.

WHY GUN BARRELS ARE GENERALLY BLUE STEEL

Generally the author of a story that has a gun man in it refers to the blue barrel of the gun that the gun man carries.

Gun barrels are made of blue steel because they resist rust better than polished steel does. Also the dull finish does not reflect the light as bright surfaces do, and the blue barrels are more popular with burglars and peace officers alike for this reason.

The bluing of gun barrels is done by a heating process that requires careful control of the temperature at all times. Gas is used in the heating machines having been adopted after a long series of tests as the best fuel for this purpose.

Citation by Publication

State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once a week for ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county which has been continuously and regularly published in said county for a period of not less than one year, the following notice:

To all persons interested in the estate of M. J. Allen, a person of unsound mind. You are hereby notified that Nancy Jane Allen has filed in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, an application for guardianship upon the person and estate of said M. J. Allen, a person of unsound mind, which will be heard at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the second Monday in March, A. D., 1924, the same being the tenth day of March, A. D., 1924, at the court house thereof in Midland, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and contest said application if they so desire.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court on the first day of the next term thereof showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand seal of said court at office in Midland, Texas, this 28th day of February, A. D., 1924.

C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk, County Court, Midland Co., Texas. (SEAL) 22-3t

Another phase of the recent White House activity to which attention is called is found in the fact that the President has consulted only Republican senate leaders in addition to other Republican party leaders and had not until January 31st, the day of the passage of the Walsh resolution, summoned or conferred with any of the Democrats in or out of the Senate who alone have developed and laid bare the facts in the Teapot Dome oil scandal.

Republican leaders in the Senate have attempted to weaken the Walsh resolution declaring these leases to be illegal by amending it so as to leave the question of illegality in doubt, but fortunately they have not succeeded. The resolution finally passed the Senate in its original form by a unanimous vote.

All of the efforts to force the President to act in this matter have been resisted by the Republican partisan press, which has editorially protested against what it calls haste, denouncing the methods employed to bring about action for the cancellation of the leases and the prosecution of whoever may be guilty of "lynch law" methods.

When it is remembered that the Teapot Dome scandal has been before the Senate and discussed in the public prints since April, 1922, without action of any kind except obstruction on the part of any Republican administration official the charges of attempting to force the administration to undue haste are without justification except as a Republican pol-

Advertisement for P. D. ELLER, "The Sign Painter". Features large stylized letters 'S', 'I', 'N', 'S' and question marks arranged in a grid pattern.

**Have You A
FLASH LIGHT**

If so you know how useful it is. No danger in handling around your car, about your kerosine oil or gasoline tank, and so handy to give light wherever light is needed. If you have none we would be pleased to demonstrate our

French Ray-O-Lite

line to you. A complete line of Flash Lights, Batteries and Bulbs just received.

P. S.—Wait For April 24, 25 and 26

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The Rexall Store

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C. C. WATSON, Editor and Prop.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1924

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The announcements given below are for Democratic preferment in the July primaries. Candidates will be required to pay in advance, and at the following rates:

District and County \$15.00
Precinct Offices 7.50

For County Judge:
CHAS. L. KLAPPROTH
(Re-election)

For District and County Clerk:
C. B. DUNAGAN
(Re-election)

J. M. GILMORE

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
A. C. FRANCIS
(Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:
NEWNIE W. ELLIS
(Re-election)

W. C. COCHRAN
ED. DOZIER

For County Treasurer:
B. W. LEE
(Re-election)

W. G. PEMBERTON
MRS. LIZZIE QUINN

ECTOR COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Tax Assessor:
C. H. COMBS



EDITORIAL

"How far is it?" is the first question the prospective buyer asks of the real estate man who wants to show him a suburban home or a farm.

He doesn't want to know how far it is in miles, however. He wants to know in minutes or hours. "It is 30

**VISIT THE OPTOMETRIST AS A
"PATIENT"**

He is not a seller of spectacles. His chief benefit to you will be to determine precisely what your eyes require to make them as nearly as possible normal. This he does with instruments that are exact to the smallest imaginable degree. He has a service for sale, not merchandise. So we repeat, visit him as a patient, not as a customer. Glad to number YOU among our patients.

J. P. INMAN
Jeweler and Optometrist

minutes from the corner of Main and State Streets" tells the story. "It is seven miles out" does not. For "seven miles" may mean seventy minutes, if the road is poor, whereas, "thirty minutes" is definite.

A man has only so much time to spend. He can not add to the number of minutes in a day, or the number of days in his life. Therefore, he wants to use as few of his minutes in non-productive, unnecessary, and unprofitable effort as possible.

It is for this reason he wants to know the distance from his new home and his office or business in terms of time. And it is for this reason he wants to locate on a good road, for only the good road can cut down his time, without increasing his cost!

The railroad can serve only a limited number of suburban towns on any one line, and its trains can run only so often. He must waste time waiting for them, going to and from them at both ends suit his convenience to the schedule. With the good road he makes his own schedule, often beats the train as to speed, and always beats it in convenience, and getting out at or close to his place of business.

The good road—plus the motor—is translated in terms of time, and not distance, because it is time we have to spend, and time in which we have to live; it is only the amount of time consumed which counts, and not the mere number of feet or miles traveled in that time.

**PENNSYLVANIA R. R.
EXPLAINS TRUCK USE**

Explanation of the new policy of the Pennsylvania Railroad of using motor trucks instead of "pedler freight trains" where possible, is made by Robert C. Wright, general traffic manager of the Pennsylvania System. He says:

"It is evident that a freight train can not compare with a light vehicle able to move at high speed. Local freight service handling small packages has become an increasing burden. Just how big a territory this plan should include, economically speaking, I am unable to say off-hand, but probably it would extend twenty-five miles from any large city.

"The tonnage of this class handled by the trucks has been constantly growing and ours going down, but we have been compelled to operate the same number of trains and crews, to bear all the costs of operation, taxation, and a dozen other things. So we decided to select three busy sections of road and see what we could do with a combined service. Results have been even better than anticipated, but it is a little early to reach conclusions. If the plan proves practicable in every way, it may be the forerunner of a motorized service for all our small local shipments. The public is not affected in any way.

"There are many economies which do not appear at first sight. If a woman in Philadelphia wants to ship her piano down to a station on the

Wilmington lines, she must first buy a packing case worth \$12, and then the piano is handled eight times. But she can telephone a trucking company, throw an old quilt or two over the piano, and have it moved to its destination. She makes a considerable personal saving, and a large economic loss is avoided.

"We have no intention of going into the trucking business. We wish the trucking companies would take all of this small business. There is no prospect of such an arrangement for a long time to come, however, because it is not probable that we could be relieved of our responsibility as carriers at this stage of development. Yet it is beyond question that a house-to-house delivery by truck of small parcels in congested territory is a better plan than shipment by railroad, or rail and truck, with additional truck deliveries made necessary at either end."

**WANTS GOVERNMENT
TO TAKE OVER ROAD**

Statistics gathered from State Highway Commissioners, chambers of commerce, automobile clubs, and others, have been compiled by Bankhead National Highway officials as ammunition in the campaign to have the road taken over by the nation, to build its less improved portions and maintain it in perpetuity.

The Bankhead National Highway Association, which has gathered the data, states that a committee of leading citizens from each of the 13 States the highway traverses will go to Washington and urge the passage of the measure.

The Bankhead National Highway has been recognized by the Federal government. The board of officers who accompanied the Trans-Continental Military Convoy which traversed the road from Washington to San Diego across the continent, stated it was the most feasible military route across the country. Beginning at the zero milestone at Washington the road goes through 13 states—Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California, ending at San Diego.

Officials estimate that more than 1,600,000 people traveled over the road last year.

**Texas is Sixty to
Eighty Per Cent Dry**

There was a map recently in one of the daily papers, Dallas News, we believe, which classified the various states of the union, and showing how dry they are, under the Volstead act. Texas is given as 60 to 80 per cent dry. Following is the standing as outlined by this map:

Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa and Tennessee, 90 to 95 per cent dry.

Nevada, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Arkansas, Alabama, Ohio, and Maine, 80 to 90 per cent dry.

Texas, Missouri, Wisconsin, Indiana, West Virginia and Virginia, 60 to 80 per cent dry.

Washington, Oregon, Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, Michigan, and Kentucky, 50 per cent dry.

California, Louisiana, Mississippi, Illinois, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Vermont, 5 to 40 per cent dry.

Only immigrants of an "intellectual capacity superior to the American average" and of higher physical standard than most aliens who have been admitted, should be allowed to enter this country, the committee on selective immigration urge in a report.

T. B. Whitehall, of Sweetwater, was in Midland Sunday on business.

E. H. Morris was here this week on business, from Pyote.

Roy Parks was in town Thursday from his ranch west of Midland.

Mrs. S. M. Wilkinson, of Stanton, was shopping in Midland this week.

Mrs. J. E. Millholland was a shopper from Stanton the first of this week.

Bill Meadows was a visitor from Odessa this week.

Mrs. George Webb was in the city this week from Odessa.

Tom Harris, of Odessa, was in Midland the first of this week on business.

L. E. Johnson and son, Van, were in Midland on business, Thursday from Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wyche were in Midland Thursday from Odessa.

Mrs. B. C. Hendricks was a shopper in Midland this week from Odessa.

**MIDLAND BOY AGAIN
WINS DISTINCTION**

J. EVETTS HALEY, ELECTED EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF ANNUAL, WRITES POEM

It is a matter for congratulation to the parents and his many friends in Midland that J. Evetts Haley has recently been elected editor-in-chief of "Le Mirage," the annual year book of the West Texas State Teachers' College at Canyon. This is a distinction worthy of the highest ability and ambition, and we congratulate our young townsman, his family and friends here upon this well-merited recognition of his ability and training. Evetts is now business manager of the "Prairie," the weekly publication of the college, a considerable honor in itself. Evetts' picture appeared in the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram last Sunday, with the following comment:

Texas has been elected to succeed Jeff D. Smith, as editor-in-chief of "Le Mirage," annual year-book of the West Texas State Teachers' College at Canyon. Haley is a junior and a member of the Lloyd G. Allen Scholarship society.

The following parody on "Turn Backward, O Time, in Your Flight," was written by Evetts and read before the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society. It appeared in a recent issue of The Prairie, and would do credit to a poet of recognized ability. We are pleased to publish it, with congratulations to the young man.

Paul T. Vickers, our newly elected Commercial secretary, heard Evetts talk, together with this poem, and said the young man was cheered to the echo:

Backward, turn backward, oh time on yon wheels,
Airplanes, wagons, and automobiles,
Dress me once more in a sombrero that flaps;
Spurs, a flannel shirt, slicker and chaps.
Give me a six-shooter or two in my hand,
And show me a steer to rope and brand.
Out where the sagebrush is dusty and gray,
Make me a cowboy again for a day.

Give me a bronc that knows how to dance,
Buckskin of color, and wicked of glance.
New to the feeling of bridle and bits;
Give me a quirt that will sting where it hits;
Strap on poncho behind in roll,
And pass me the lariat so dear to my soul.
Then over the trail let me lope far away,
Make me a cowboy again for a day.

Thunder of hoofs over range as we ride,
Hissing of iron, and smoking of hide,
Bellow of cattle and snort of cayuse,
Longhorns from Texas as wild as the deuce;
Midnight stampedes and milling of herds,
Yells from the cowmen, too angry for words;
Right in the midst of it all I would stay
Make me a cowboy again for a day.

Under the star-studded canopy vast,
Camp-fire coffee, and comfort at last,
Tales of the ranchmen, and rustlers retold,
Over the pipes as the embers grow cold.
These are the tunes that old memories play,
Make me a cowboy again for a day.

It will be recalled that Evetts was graduated from our high school in the class of 1920 with distinction and with 17 full courses and units of affiliation, and this institution, as well as his class-mates, will rejoice to learn of his good success. After graduation from the high school, he entered Midland College where he was a leader in athletics and in all student activities. When the College was moved to Cisco, he entered the Teachers' College, where he has been giving a good account of himself ever since. We again congratulate Evetts and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haley, upon the splendid record he is making, and we predict for him a successful career in life.

Clyde Cowden was in town this week from the ranch west of here.

Citation on Application for Letters of Administration To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Midland County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas,
To all persons interested in the

NEVER BEFORE

Since the Worlds War Inflated the Price of Leather, and Leather Goods has the people of this community been offered High Grade HARNESS COLLARS and LEATHER GOODS at the Low Price I am now offering

**DORSEY BOOTS
DORSEY HARNESS
Coggshall Saddles
are first in class. See me before buying.**

H. B. DORSEY
Midland, Texas

Estate of Willis A. Holloway, deceased, Martha A. Holloway has filed in the County Court of Midland County, an application for Letters of Administration with the will annexed upon the Estate of said Willis A. Holloway, deceased, wherein she asks the pronate of the will of said Willis A. Holloway and the issuance of letters of administration, with the will annexed, to her which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the second Monday in March, A. D., 1924, the same being the 10th day of March, A. D., 1924, at the court house thereof, in Midland, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in Midland this 28th day of February, A. D., 1924.

C. B. DUNAGAN, Clerk,
County Court, Midland Co., Texas.
(SEAL) adv 22-3t

**J. I. Case
FARM IMPLEMENTS**

A Car Load Just Received

Almost anything you want in producing the prosperous crops of this year.

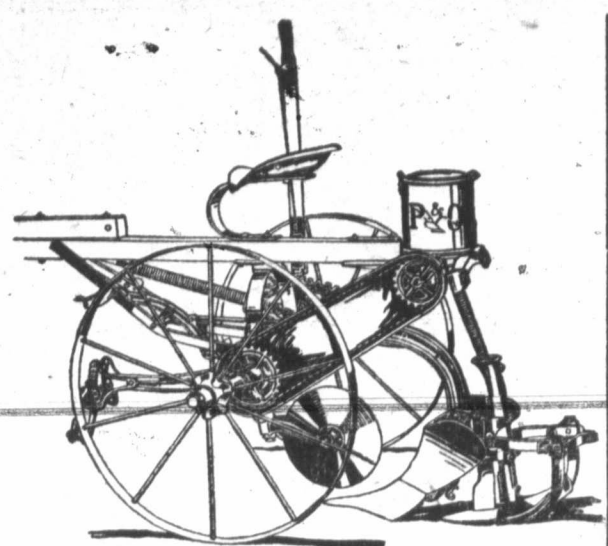
Do You Know the J. I. Case Implements?

Unquestionably they are world-standard and cover the whole range of farming.

PRICES RIGHT

We want only a legitimate profit, a "live and let live" profit, and we are asking you to compare our prices with others.

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P. & O. Lister Planters
Insure
A Sure Stand
Every User a Satisfied Customer.
 Several Styles and Sizes

THE GODS ARE SMILING

---On West Texas---

1-2 inch of rain---6 inches of snow
 (Week 16th to 23rd)

This, with the fine season already in the ground, and the high price of farm products, makes it look like

Prosperity for the Farmer



A New McCormick-Deering Cultivator

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Farmers who have seen it say it is

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McCormick-Deering Tractors---

P. & O. Tractor Plows and Lister Planters

They do more work in less time and cost of operation is less. They last longer

JUST RECEIVED---A Car Load of Implements

We carry several lines of Farm Tools and Equipment and render the best possible service on these lines at all times.

DO YOU KNOW---*That a bale of cotton will buy more farm machinery now than it would way back in the good old days before the war?*



We invite you to inspect our lines and compare our prices

Midland Hardware Co.

Midland, Texas



PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

High School
 S. W. Seale, Principal.
 Georgia Kirk Davis, Reporter.

Our high school graduates are making good in splendid fashion, whether in college or in the walks of life. A copy of the University Daily Texan shows that Jack Archer, '23,

has been appointed on a very important committee of the student body, he being on team No. 40 for the Texas Memorial Stadium Campaign, by no means a small honor. Evetts Haley, '20, has recently been elected editor-in-chief of the College Annual at Canyon, and has also recently written a poem which has received favorable comment. A more extended account of this appears in another column of The Reporter. Jim Flanagan, who is now in Southwestern University, has made the University glee club, and will make an extended tour with the club and director this spring. This is no small distinction, since the membership numbers only

21 out of a student body of five or six hundred, and since the glee clubs of Southwestern have always been among the best in this country. Jim writes his parents that the choruses they are working on are no better or more difficult than those he learned here in high school. The graduates of our high school have a way of making good.

The football gridiron was turned to greater advantage on Monday afternoon by several devotees of winter sports. The field, covered with an unbroken sheet of snow, offered an excellent surface for the skates and sleds. The sleds were attached to cars, which, with ever increasing speed and unexpected turns, added spills as well as thrills to the party. Several passengers could be carried on the largest sled and without warning be deposited gently on the snow banks. The real sport, however, was riding on one of the smaller sleds especially constructed for rapid and even locomotion. Only a few of the more daring attempted to manage this sled. Real grace and ease of movement were displayed by those who stood on this as it glided across the frozen field. These enthusiasts of winter frolic will welcome another heavy fall of snow.

On Friday, Feb. 22nd, section A of the eighth grade held a class meeting for the purpose of electing officers. The following were elected to office: Scharbauer Eidson, president; Stanton Brunson, vice president; Doris Wall, secretary and treasurer; Susan Cowden, reporter; Kenneth Johnson, sergeant at arms; Fred Girdley, critic.

We were glad to have Mr. and Mrs. George Ratliff, Mesdames Clarence Scharbauer, Homer Rowe, E. H. Blakeney, W. H. Williams, C. C. Watson, J. W. Taylor, Addison Wadley, Miss Mary Frances Norwood and Messrs. W. S. Garnett, George El-

liott and Clinton Myrick as visitors at the program that was rendered on Washington's birthday by the members of the literary society.

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Grammar School—Central Ward
 Miss Barbara Barzak, Principal.
 Margaret Francis, Reporter.

The basket ball has come and as soon as the weather permits the girls of the seventh grade will begin playing.

The George Washington program was efficiently rendered on last Friday.

The primary department was glad to have as visitors at its program on Washington's birthday: Mrs. A. Faskin and Helen, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Goggans, Miss Sophie Birge, Mrs. A. W. Stanley and Carol Stanley Holloway.

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Grammar School—South Ward
 L. L. Thomas, Principal.
 Miss Ruby Barham, Reporter.

With the passing of the epidemic of measles and the coming of fair weather, attendance is growing better every day. On account of the snow many could not return to school Monday as they had planned, to do. Monday we had 129 out of school, Tuesday 91, Wednesday 71 and Thursday 59. A large number was able to get back in time for tests Wednesday, but a large number is still out. We are hoping by the first of next week to have a full attendance again.

Snow fights were the order of the day Monday and Tuesday. Every one seemed to enjoy the snow, even the teachers.

We were glad to welcome the return of Miss Williams after an absence due to measles.

It is with genuine regret that we

note the leaving of two of our best loved pupils, Jennie and Bush Elkin, who left Thursday afternoon to be gone the remainder of the school term. They will probably be in school either in Plano or McKinney the rest of this session. They take the best wishes of the student body with them.

Thursday morning we listened with pleasure to a piano solo by Jennie Elkin, and a reading by Bush Elkin. These two talented young people have never failed to please. Their studiousness and earnestness have won the admiration of all with whom they have come in contact.

Six weeks quizzes are going according to schedule.

H. C. Carter, of El Paso, was a business visitor in the city this week.

Homer Epley was in Midland from Big Spring the first of this week on business.

A. E. Steadman, of Sweetwater, was here Tuesday on business.

J. T. Collins, of Abilene, was a business visitor here this week.

Oscar Smith was a business visitor in Midland the first of this week from Ft. Worth.

Geo. Kelly, of Ft. Worth, was in the city this week on business.

W. A. Hill was here Sunday from Big Spring.

Billy Rankin was visiting in Midland this week from his father's ranch near Rankin.

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The Texas Weekly Industrial Review

There is No Better Advertisement for Any Community, State or Nation, than a Record of Employment and Industrial Activity. Steady Payrolls Mean Contented People. Let Each of Us do Our Part to Maintain Such a Condition.

Dallas—Plans completed for construction of 22-story addition to Adolphus Hotel.
Vernon—\$83,865 contract awarded for construction of Vernop high school.
Lockhart—Local Masonic order to erect \$50,000 temple.
Beaumont—Contract totaling \$200,000 let for construction of new Baptist church.
Waco—Central Labor Council to erect \$40,000 temple.
The Treasury Department estimates total amount of tax-exempt securities in United States at \$14,670,000,000.
Robstown—\$90,000 cotton mill nearing completion, two carloads of machinery ready for installation.
Lufkin—Martin Wagon Company purchases 53-acre site for erection of homes for employees.
Port Arthur—Kewpie Ice Cream Company installing \$14,000 worth of new equipment.
Farmers were required to pay higher wages to male farm labor during 1923 than in the two preceding years, according to United States Department of Agriculture.
Houston—Exports from local port for January totaled \$12,407,564, exceeding exports for January, 1923, by \$5,199,273.
San Juan—J. K. Cain to erect bit cotton compress with capacity of 1200 bales per day.

Midland—10-section ranch north-west of Midland—10-section ranch west of city to be subdivided and placed on market.
Ft. Worth—Williamson-Dickie Manufacturing Company erecting \$80,000 factory.
Eastland—Contract awarded for repair work on Desdemona road.
A census of the railroads' rolling stock for all steam roads in United States shows, at close of 1923, 2,400,000 freight cars, 57,000 passenger cars and 68,000 locomotives of all types.
Canyon—Construction of brick plant on Roffey farm under consideration.
Corpus Christi—Sale of \$2,000,000 State aid bond issue assures completion of local deep water project.
Kerrville—\$78,000 bond issue approved for construction of new sewer system.
Corsicana—Production in local oil field estimated at approximately 90,000 bbls. per day.
Some 40,191,000 acres of winter wheat were sown in United States last fall, a cut of 5,759,000 acres, or 12.6 per cent from acreage sown in 1922.
Pharr—With cabbage selling at \$50 per ton, local farmers will receive approximately \$250,000 for the present crop.
Clairemont—O-O ranch consisting of 128,000 acres to be subdivided to provide homes for about 1,200 families.
Trenton—Material received for construction of electric line to White-wright.
Geological Survey gives production of petroleum in United States in 1923 at 735,000,000 bbls., an increase of 30 per cent over 1922 and nearly 40,000,000 bbls. more than world production in 1920.
Big Spring—Galbraith-Foxworth

Lumber Company seeking location for establishment of lumber yard.
El Paso—Texas & Pacific railroad to spend \$3,000,000 in 1924 for improvements and promotion of agricultural colonies.
Perryton—Cotton acreage throughout district for coming season expected to total 10,000 acres.
Dallas—Largest paving project in history of city launched, work to start on 90 streets in spring.
Coleman—Coleman Brick Company closed for past year to be re-opened and operated by new owners.
Brady—\$41,100 contract awarded for construction of road unit in southern part of county.
Lufkin—Citizens Guaranty State Bank to erect new \$40,500 home.
Llano—1,500 pecan trees of improved variety to be planted in district.
Abilene—Electric power companies of Eastland, Abilene, Wichita Falls, and Sweetwater to exchange electrical power through construction of high tension lines between these cities.
In the last 20 months 1,251,640 shares of stock issued by gas and electric utility companies of the country have been purchased by 227,170 persons, nearly all of them residents of the communities served by the companies.
"In power development we are at the threshold of one of the greatest advances in our history. We have increased our kilowatt consumption in twenty years from 60 to 500 per capita, and we are still only on the way."—Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce.
Who Does?
"Allus tell de 'truth, son," said Uncle Eben, "but don't git so anxious about it, dat you don't mind you own business."—Washington Star.

THE PASSING DAY

By Will H. Mayes, Department of Journalism, University of Texas

B. C. Forbes, financial writer for the Hearst papers, came all the way to Texas recently to get data for a series of articles about the resources of the State. He made a few business talks while here, the best thing that he said being that Texas should let the world know its wonderful resources. Texans have been told that by its newspapers and by its own public speakers thousands of times, but somehow we have gone along in the same old way, leaving the rest of the country to find out about us by discovery, just as the first Texans did. Then, when a man like Forbes comes along, he feels like he has just discovered a marvelous country before unknown, proceeds to tell us about it and perhaps to talk and write about it for awhile, and we lapse back into a state of "innocuous desuetude," apparently caring little what opinion the rest of the world may hold in regard to us.
Some Tyler citizen not long ago went deeper into the matter than Forbes did, perhaps because he has been here longer. He said that what Texas need most is to get acquainted with their own State. When once we come to know Texas as we should, we will become so enthused about it that we can't be kept from telling the rest of the world what we have here. We read about the fruits of California and get feverish to sell out and hike toward the Pacific, not knowing that there is not a fruit grown in California that cannot be raised just as well in Texas and at less cost, and forgetful that we are

two thousand miles closer to the best markets for the fruits. While we have made some progress, we have just played at fruit growing here, and should make a scientific study of cultivation and marketing. We can grow vegetables here in as great variety, with as great productivity, and of as fine quality, as any place in the world. Texas melons eclipse the Georgia and the Colorado products. We can grow—but why catalogue them? Know Texas first.
I saw somewhere a few days ago the statement that places do not improve themselves. Everybody knows that, but many communities seemingly act on the presumption that they will "just grow up." Topsy-like, or that they will secure the advantages and conveniences they need without effort. "Natural advantages" have killed more places than they have helped. Just because the public roads cross near you, it does not follow that you will have an ideal town or an ideal farm. The scenery or the water or the gas or something else may be ever so good, but they are aids only when they are rightly used by the people. It's the people of a place that really count. The desirability of a place as a home is not measured by the number of inhabitants. The human race it is quality and not quantity that counts. That is the test that everybody applies to your town, your village or your neighborhood.
Eight counties around Austin have organized a co-operative poultry growing and marketing association. Texas is such a big State that it is almost impossible to organize the whole State satisfactorily in any line, at least without group associations. This is becoming a great poultry growing State, but the poultry market often goes sadly to pieces for lack of co-operation. The same is true of almost everything else that is produced. Production and marketing are big problems that few are prepared to cope with single handed. Even co-operative groups, under the ablest management, sometimes fail to accomplish all they try to do, but they have multiplied chances to succeed as compared with the one-man effort. Group associations can co-operate in State-wide organizations in a way difficult for the individual to do.
Wrigley, the chewing gum man, has explained how he has built up his fortune of millions. He has done it by sticking to his one line of business and advertising it. He spends a million dollars a year in buying newspaper space to tell the world about 5 cent chewing gum. He has literally educated people to chew gum and to chew Wrigley's. He has struck the keynote of success in every business. Do what you are doing the best you can, study all the time to improve, and fairly shout your business into the minds of the people. Don't stop shouting as soon as you attract attention. Keep it up or the buyers will forget you. Whether yours is a 5 cent or a \$50,000 business, keep telling about it. Modern business fortunes are all built on modern methods.

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Those are heavy costs. But remember how they are divided—by 150,000 cars per year. They form but a trifle per car.

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Extras to our men
We pay the highest labor scale. Then we add extras to it.
Men who are with us five years or over get 10% of their year's wages in an anniversary check. Those anniversary checks last year cost us \$1,300,000.
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All this to keep men with us while they grow more and more efficient. To make them happy, so they do their best.
This is all paid by people who buy Studebaker cars. But we figure that each such dollar saves us five dollars. Don't you agree with us?

Don't Buy a Fine Car until you see the leaders

Studebakers hold the top place in the fine-car field today.
Last year, 145,167 people chose them against all rivals. They paid \$201,000,000 for them.
For 72 years the Studebaker name has stood for the utmost in quality. It will never stand for less.
Today there are assets of \$90,000,000 staked on the Studebaker cars.
Don't pay \$1,000 or more for a car without knowing what Studebaker offers. You will find here some scores of advantages. Learn what they mean to you.

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Our bodies are finished with 18 operations, including 15 coats of paint and varnish.
We use real leather upholstery. We could cut the price of our open models \$25.00 were we willing to use imitation instead of genuine leather.
We upholster our closed models in the finest Chase Mohair. Cotton or ordinary wool, or a combination of both, would enable us to reduce our price from \$100 to \$150 per car. But we would thus sacrifice Studebaker quality and reputation.

The utmost in car value

The object is to give you the utmost in car value. You will find we do that if you make comparisons. In any Studebaker model, you will find scores of ways in which it excels any rival car.
That is why, in the fine-car field, the Studebaker leads. The demand has almost trebled in the past three years. These cars have become the sensation of Motorodom. On some of these models we have never yet been able to meet the demand.
We spend money lavishly. We build without regard to cost. But, in our quantity production, we still bring costs to bottom.
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Electrical experts have been able to determine the market value of a first class bolt of lightning.

The prodigious power of a brilliant flash of lightning is actually worth about one dollar. Recently scientific calculations estimate the voltage of a lightning bolt at about fifty million and there is assumed to be an amperage of one thousand. These give a total of fifty million kilowatts. But the lightning flash lasts for less than one one-thousandth of one second. On this basis the total amount of electrical energy developed would be about ten kilowatt hours or approximately one dollar's worth, if the rate were as low as ten cents.

Willie's First Puff

"Willie, you naughty, naughty boy! You've been smoking. You'll be sick."

To which the polite child replied wanly: "Thank you, mother; I'm dying."—American Legion Weekly.

No Changes in State System of Highways

The Highway Commission at its February meeting decided that no future changes or new designations would be made in the designated system of State highways. The present system as now designated has been approved by the Federal government and the construction of many of the various highways now designated as State highways is well under way, so as to make it impractical and unsatisfactory to change the designations from their present locations. The Commission advises citizens of this State not to go to the expense of coming to Austin to urge changes in the present designations or to have new designations made. Every effort will be made to complete the present system of highways as rapidly as possible and to keep this system in serviceable condition for the traveling public.

HEED THE WARNING

Many Midland People Have Done So

When the kidneys are weak they give unmistakable warnings that that should not be ignored. By examining the urine and treating the kidneys upon the first sign of disorder, many days of suffering may be saved. Weak kidneys usually expel a dark, ill-smelling urine, full of "brickdust" sediment and painful in passage. Sluggish kidneys often cause a dull pain in the small of the back, headaches, dizzy spells, tired, languid feelings and frequent rheumatic twinges.

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Midland people endorse Doan's Kidney Pills. Ask your neighbor. Mrs. J. H. Shepherd, Baird St., Midland, says: "I had a great deal of trouble with my kidneys and back and at times my back felt so sore and lame, the least work was drudgery. I had headaches and on stooping, I got so dizzy everything in front of me turned black. My kidneys were irregular and I was all played out, with no ambition to do anything. I started taking Doan's Kidney Pills and they cured me entirely. I haven't been troubled since."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Shepherd had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

THE INCOME TAX IN A NUTSHELL

WHO? Single persons who had net income of \$1,000 or more or gross income of 5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of \$2,000 or more or gross income of \$5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN? The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE? Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW? Instructions on Form 1040A and Form 1049; also the law and regulations.

WHAT? Four per cent normal tax on the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surplus tax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over \$5,000 for the year 1923.

Tips For Taxpayers
No. 9

Deductions for contributions to corporations or organizations "organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes" no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private stockholder or individual" are deductible to the extent of 15 per cent of the taxpayer's net income for 1923, computed without the benefit of this deduction. Every church constitutes a religious corporation or organization for the purpose of this deduction. Donations to missionary funds, church buildings, pew rents, assessments, and dues paid to churches are deductible.

Deductions for contributions to political campaigns are not allowable.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate Under Execution

State of Texas: In the District Court of Midland County, Texas, A. T. Prendergast, plaintiff vs. J. O. Nobles and B. C. Girdley, Defendants.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the district court of Midland County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 5th day of February, A. D., 1924, in favor of the said A. T. Prendergast and against the said J. O. Nobles and B. C. Girdley, No. 1685, on the docket of said court, I did, on the 26th day of February, A. D., 1924, at 10 o'clock a. m. levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situate in the county of Midland, State of Texas, and belonging to the said B. C. Girdley, to-wit: All of Lot Four (4.) in Block sixty-one (61.) in the Original Town of Midland, Texas, as per map and plat of said town recorded in Book 3, Pages 232 and 233, Deed Records of Midland County, Texas, and on the first day of April, A. D., 1924, being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day at the court house door of said county, I did offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right, title and interest of said B. C. Girdley in and to said property. Dated at Midland, Texas, this 26th day of February, A. D., 1924.

A. C. FRANCIS, Sheriff, of Midland County, Texas. adv 23-2t

Oil Men Manage Coolidge Campaign

Two of the five managers of President Coolidge's campaign in California have been conspicuously identified with the oil industry and one of them—Mark L. Requa—was recently a vice president of the Sinclair Consolidated Oil Corporation, of which Harry F. Sinclair was at the same time president. Ralph Arnold, another of the President's five managers, is a geologist and engineer who was for a time in the employ of the Trinidad Lake Petroleum Company.

Requa and Arnold, along with the other three managers, were selected by William M. Butler, personal representative and director general of President Coolidge's campaign. Announcement of their selection was made through Frank W. Stearns, personal friend of the President and associate of Butler in the general management of Mr. Coolidge's campaign.

In making public the selection of the five managers, including the two experts in oil, Mr. Butler, speaking through Mr. Stearns, said:

"It is a great gratification to me to know that the wide-spread interest in the nomination of President Coolidge which exists in California has manifested itself in the selection of a committee to take charge of the Coolidge campaign there. I heartily approve the names suggested."

Arnold is chairman of the Los Angeles County Republican Committee and served in the U. S. Fuel Administration under Herbert Hoover during the world war. They and their associates on the Coolidge campaign committee were chosen only after a long and at times acrimonious controversy as to who should be named.

Bank Failures Due To G. O. P. Neglect

Reports that many banks in the northwest are on the verge of failure have reached Washington and are greatly disturbing Senators and Congressmen from that section of the country. One such report from Minneapolis has it that there is fear some 300 banks will be closed before the present depression has ended.

It is generally agreed that the failure of 400 banks in the northwest in the course of the last 15 months is attributable to the straits and poverty in which the farmers have been existing for the last three years. In addition to the ruinous prices at which the agricultural producers have had to sell their grain and livestock, they have been heavily in debt and unable to pay. Many banks which held the paper of these bankrupt farmers were unable to collect even the interest on the loans and were forced to suspend.

In many communities in the northwest in which there were formerly three and four banks there is none today, it is reported. They have been compelled to close their doors. The losses suffered by depositors, stockholders and creditors of the 400 banks which have failed in the Northwestern States, it is declared, aggregate millions of dollars.

President Coolidge's remedy for this condition in the vast agricultural region of the northwest, it is pointed out, is "diversification of crops."

Electricity Record Is Unparalleled

In commenting on the future of the electric industry, L. K. Thorne, president of Bonbright & Co., Inc., says: "When it is considered that forty years ago the world was virtually without the use of electricity and that the first central station was built in New York City in September, 1882, the record of electrical development in the United States is little short of marvelous."

Approximately \$5,600,000,000 is invested in electric power and light companies today and \$5,000,000,000 or over in electric railways.

"The electric industry is today studying ways and means to supply current to the farms and thus give rural communities the conveniences of electric light and power which have done so much to lighten the load of household work in the city. With electric power and light in the farm home and to operate a large part of the farmer's machinery, a direct incentive will be offered to remain on the farm instead of moving to the congested town and city districts."

Approximately \$250,000,000 of public utility securities were sold direct to customers in 1923, thus building up real public ownership of the companies serving various communities over this country.

Salesman (to woman who has annoyed everyone in the store for two hours without buying anything)—"Madam, are you shopping here?" Woman (surprised)—"Certainly, what else could I be doing?" Salesman (exasperated)—"Well, madam, I thought perhaps you might be taking inventory."

Fire--Fire--Fire

If your house catches at the bottom it will burn up; if it catches at the top it will burn down. Better have it insured before it's too late. We have been writing Fire Insurance in Midland for 18 years and have never had an unsatisfactory settlement.

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READ THIS LETTER

Fort Worth, Texas, February 11, 1924.

Brantley-Draughon College, 611 1-2 Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas. Gentlemen:

This is to advise that this company is in need of a young man who has finished training with you. As you know, we have used a number of students from your college, and they have seemed to have exceptional ability. The first young lady you sent us, Miss Vaughan, is now getting \$40 per week and is in line for greater advancement. If you remember, it has only been a few months ago since she started with us as stenographer, without any experience, whatever. If you send us the right kind of a young man, he will soon be getting \$50 or \$60 a week, and will grow into a superior position in a short time. Thanking you in advance, I remain, yours truly, (Signed) WILLIAM DICKIE MFG. CO.

The following letter is from the young man who secured the above position. He borrowed part of the money to pay his tuition and worked for his board and room while going to school. "Where there is a will there is a way."

Fort Worth, Texas, February 13, 1924

Brantley-Draughon College, Fort Worth, Texas. Dear Mr. Reed:

Just a word to express to you my highest regard and appreciation of the kind, courteous and patient assistance and the genuine service I found in your great school. A few months ago I stopped off in Fort Worth on my way west. Here I was apprised of the many advantages and opportunities in Fort Worth for a young man if he had the pluck progressive business men require, and was training for business. I was advised by business men to take the Brantley-Draughon Training, and as a result, I am now employed by one of the largest manufacturing companies of the city. Have a good place and an unlimited field for advancement. I would advise any young man who has a worthy dream of business success, to come to Fort Worth, take the practical intensive training Brantley-Draughon College offers, and make your dreams come true. Yours truly, (Signed) G. D. Morris.

If you are thinking of learning Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Banking, Accounting, Civil Service, Typewriting, Telegraphy, Radio, come to Fort Worth, where there are wonderful opportunities and attend an ACCREDITED School—member of the National Association of Accredited Commercial Schools. Four National Banks represented on their Directory Board. Address BRANTLEY-DRAUGHON BUSINESS COLLEGE, Fort Worth, Texas, for all information. adv

Citation by Publication The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Ector County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon L. J. Coble by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 70th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Ector County, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Odessa, Texas, on the 4th Monday in February, A. D., 1924, the same being the 25th day of February, A. D., 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of February, A. D., 1924, in a suit, num-

bered on the docket of said court No. 511, wherein J. M. Senter is plaintiff, and L. J. Coble is defendant, and said petition alleging that heretofore to-wit on or about the 1st day of December, 1919, defendant made, executed and delivered to plaintiff his promissory note in the sum of \$371 bearing date December 7, 1919, due on October, a. m., 1920, payable to the order of J. M. Senter, plaintiff, bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from date until paid, stipulating for ten per cent on the amount of principal and interest then due as attorneys' fees in case of suit is brought on same or if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

That said note was given in part for the purchase of the following described property and premises, situated in Ector County, Texas, as follows:

Being the West one-half of the Northwest one-fourth of Section eight, block B 15 of the public school land, containing 80 acres of land;

That said property was heretofore to-wit on the 8th day of December, 1919, conveyed by plaintiff to defendant, by his deed of writing of that date, in consideration, among other things, of the notes herein described, and that said deed of conveyance a lien was reserved thereon to secure the payment of said notes, that said note is past due and unpaid and defendant, though often requested, has failed and refused to pay the said note, or any part thereof, but the same remains still due and unpaid.

That said note has been placed in the hands of E. G. Senter, attorney of Dallas, Texas, for collection, and plaintiff has contracted to pay him the ten per cent attorney's fees stipulated thereon.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays that defendant shall be duly cited by publication to appear and answer this petition, and that on hearing before plaintiff shall have judgment against defendant for his debt, interest and attorney's fees, and costs of suit, and for foreclosure of his Vendor's Lien on the above described land and premises, that an order of sale shall be issued herein and said land sold thereunder in accordance with law, and that plaintiff shall have other and further relief, general and special as the facts shown may authorize or require, in law or in equity.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Odessa, Texas, on this 12th day of February, A. D., 1924.

CARL AKIN, Clerk. District Court Ector Co. Texas. (SEAL) adv 20-4t

To Get Action or Know Reason Why

Press dispatches from Berlin reporting progress being made by the committee appointed by the Allied Reparations Commission to investigate German finances, report an ultra-official dinner given by Ambassador Houghton at which all the important diplomats and officials gathered to meet the American commissioners—General Dawes, O. D. Young and Henry Robinson.

As a symbol of the democracy which this country stands for and the business-like procedure which it expects in settling the reparations controversy, General Dawes calmly lit up his old briar pipe just after the "fish course." In other words, pomp and ceremony mean nothing to Dawes. Neither are they part of this nation's calculation.

We want action looking toward real world peace, and Dawes and the American members on his committee mean to get action or know the reason why. Red-tape diplomacy, delays and evasion have been carried on for five years. Dawes, smoking his briar pipe at the end of the fish course, is typical of his abhorrence of useless delay such as has surrounded past negotiations.

Enemies of plans for settlement of reparations question can take their cue from Dawes and his pipe. His committee means business and there is no use trying to fool them.

Mrs. Roy Johnson is getting along very nicely. She sustained a major operation—the latter part of last week.

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Phone 88

Miss Lydie G. Watson, of Gallo-way College, Searcy, Ark.; Landon's Conservatory, Dallas, Texas, and the American Conservatory, Chicago, Ill., now has her studios open for 1923-24. Those wishing to study music, phone 88, South Side Studio at Mrs. Robt. Currie.

Miss Gladys Basham, principal of the Buena Vista school, spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Basham. She was accompanied by Miss Lena Mae Scott, also of Buena Vista, who visited her sister, Miss Allie Scott, who is one of the faculty of the Midland schools. They returned to Buena Vista Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Hill are rejoicing over the arrival of a dainty bit of pink and white femininity, to whom they have given the pretty name Winifred Jane. The little miss weighed seven and one-half pounds, and is a lovely specimen of infantile beauty.

Mrs. Frank F. Elkin and children, Miss Jennie and Master Bush, left yesterday afternoon for McKinney, where they will remain for two or three months.

Mrs. Will Elkin and daughter, Miss Lula, are at home from an extended visit to Lubbock and other points.

Lovely Party Tuesday Afternoon.

Conspicuous among the social events of the late winter season was the lovely bridge and forty-two party given Tuesday afternoon by Mesdames W. L. Holmesly, Jax Cowden and J. M. DeArmond. The spacious Cowden home where the party was given was attractively adorned with pink and white carnations. There were thirteen tables for the games, tables dainty in their appointments, and Mesdames Holt and Rowe won high score, each receiving a beautiful bouquet of the favored flowers. At the conclusion of the games an unustally lovely and delectable refreshment plate was served, creamed turkey in pastry shells, biscuits, olives, cranberries, coffee and the most delicious strawberry shortcake, which was like the first breath of spring time.

Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Garnett left Monday afternoon for a visit to Ft. Worth.

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gratulates these dear old friends, wishing that they may have many more years made rich with love, happiness and prosperity.

one son, Brooks, who made the su- Rev. O. W. Roberts and wife, of La-mesa, the only out-of-Midland children present, came over in their car. Mrs. Roberts was Miss Carrie Lee.

Mrs. O. B. Holt left yesterday for Denton to spend "parents' day" with her daughter, Miss Mabel of C. I. A. They will also attend grand opera together in Ft. Worth, and Mrs. Holt will visit the fat stock show before returning home.

Girls' Bridge Club Honored

Mrs. Andrew Fasken entertained the Girls' Bridge Club and a number of other guests on Wednesday afternoon of last week with a prettily appointed party. Bridge was the diversion, Miss Juliette Wolcott winning high score and Miss Pierce the consolation. At the conclusion of the games chicken salad, olives, coffee and chocolate cake with whipped cream were temptingly served.

Polly Anna Club Complimented with George Washington Party of Much Charm

The young girls of the Polly Anna Club and a number of invited guests composed the personnel of a very attractive party, given by Miss Maggie Snodgrass last Saturday afternoon. In dainty and attractive ways a patriotic motif was observed. Bunco was the diversion enjoyed in which Miss Junie Tucker received the high score club prize, a little figure of George Washington and Miss Georgia Mae Lumpkin the high score guest prize, a figure of Martha. Miss Willie Pearl Dockray won the boggy. Hot tea, sandwiches, potato chips, pickles and stuffed prunes, were served on the refreshment plate. The girls who enjoyed this charming little affair besides the Polly Annas were Misses Georgia Mae and Sallie Ruth Lumpkin, Jessie Mae Estes, Willie Pearl Dockray, Jennie B. Bluett, Ruth Norwood and Edna Ferrell.

Marian Wadley, Dorothy Cowden, B. C. Girdley, Newnie Ellis, Jr., Murray Fasken, Kittie Jane Ellis, Helen Fasken, Hallie Jene Cowden, Nancy Rankin, Bennie Sue Ratliff, Eplalia Whitefield, Jennie Elkin, Annie Laurie Hix, Margaret Francis, Lucile Thomas, and Dorothy Ratliff.

Miss Miraim Pemberton had as her guest last week Miss Dorothy Brown, of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Claudi Cowden left Wednesday night for Valentine, called by the critical illness of Mrs. Cowden's mother.

Golden Wedding Celebrated

Last Wednesday was the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Lee, and in honor of the auspicious occasion their children, who are in Midland, gave the dear old couple a surprise dinner party. Just at noon they all went over to the "home nest" and carried things to eat and when it was all assembled there was a beautiful turkey dinner with all the "fixings." It was a complete and a joyful surprise and what a beautiful tribute to pay to the father and mother who for fifty years have bravely shared life's sorrows and its joys, and now at evented their hearts are still lighted and kept young by the afterglow in the western sky, and by the conscientiousness of duty well performed.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee have had an interesting life and one made rich with varied experiences. They have lived in Midland 38 years. They have raised twelve children to be grown, one son, Brooks, who made the supreme sacrifice during the world war, and whose body was brought from Siberia and laid to rest in the homeland. Five of these children were present at the anniversary, the other six were unable to come on account of the distance. Mr. and Mrs. Lee are also the grandparents of 33 grandchildren. The Reporter congratulates them.

Ed Eriksen has recently purchased of Richard Mulkey, of Ft. Worth, a registered Jersey, Elizabeth's Richard No. 224155, sired by Imported Prince Oxford C. F. No. 171563. He can be found at the Eriksen farm one mile south of town. adv 22-4tpd.

Chas. Tom was over yesterday from Stanton, for a few hours on business. He reports lots of farming preparations in his part of the country.

A. Q. Cooper, the clever manager of the Odessa Telephone Company, was a business visitor to Midland yesterday.

The Middleton Tailor Shop now boasts a very handsome Ford delivery car, of the enclosed type. It is very nicely decorated with signs, telephone number, etc.

Capt. Wm. E. Wallace returned the first of the week from his visit to the Rio Grande valley. He visited Houston, Brownsville and several other points, and has been much impressed with the desirability of that section.

Rev. W. S. Garnett, our Baptist minister, accompanied by his wife and baby, left the first of the week for Ft. Worth. Brother Garnett is attending a meeting of the Baptist \$75,000,000 campaign, while Mrs. Garnett and baby went on to Gatesville to visit her parents. They will be here for the usual services in the Baptist church Sunday.

Henry Pegues, cashier of the Citizens National Bank of Odessa, was a business visitor to Midland yesterday.

Novelty Shop opens soon. Don't buy your Graduation Gifts until you see our dainty lingerie, novelty porch aprons, and many other pretty things. Time and place announced later. adv

J. H. Wilhite left yesterday on the evening train for Ft. Worth, where he will visit his daughters, Mrs. Ray M. Camp and Miss Golda Wilhite.

Mr. and Mrs. "Cotton" Waddell, of Odessa, were in Midland the first of this week visiting relatives.

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FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. J. H. Wilhite, phone 261. 21f

FOR SALE—Mesquite grubs. \$3 for two horse load in field, \$7 truck load delivered in Midland. Thos. McGuire, six miles south of Midland. 21-2t

FOR SALE—More than 100-bushels cotton seed, Terry County grown, and suitable for planting in this section. Apply to L. S. Webb, 7 miles southeast of Midland, in Prairie Lee community. 22-2t

FOR SALE—The best located business lot in Midland. Adjoins the postoffice on the north. Half interest in two brick walls. A snap for some one. Half cash, balance in one, two, and three years. See T. A. Fannin, at City Drug Store. 22-2t

GUARANTEED—Hemstitching and Picoting attachment. Fits any sewing machine. \$2.50 prepaid or c. o. d. Circulars free. La Flesh Hemstitching Co., Dept. 2, Sedalia, Mo. 22-2t

FOR SALE—Our household furniture. Apply to Mrs. Ed Rountree, phone No. 170. 22-2t

FOR RENT—Two south rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Mrs. L. A. Denton. 22-2t

Joe Stokes, of Colorado City, was a visitor to Midland this week, on his way to Upton County where he is pasturing a flock of sheep. The weed crop down in that section is great for sheep and we have no doubt that he found his stuff doing fine.

CHURCH NOTICES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass will be on every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. Beginning of mass at 10 a. m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

9:40 a. m., Children's song service. 9:45 a. m., Bible school. 10:40 a. m., Communion service. 3:30 p. m., Intermediate Endeavor. 6:15 p. m., Senior Endeavor. A cordial invitation to all.

BAPTIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach next Sunday morning on "The Joys and Perils of the Ministry."

The subject for the Sunday night sermon will be "Christ and Women." Woman is Christ's best friend. The only gifts he ever-praised were the gifts of two women, one very poor

and the other well to do. After Judas had betrayed Him and all the apostles fled, the women remained true. On the way to the cross they followed and bewailed and lamented him. John mentions the name of four women and one man who stood by Jesus on the cross. Matthew tells us that many women were there, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto Him. Luke says, "The women which had come with him out of Galilee, followed after and beheld the tomb and how His body was laid, and they returned and prepared spices and ointments. Women are given a special invitation to the service Sunday night. W. S. GARNETT, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30. A cordial welcome to visitors and strangers. L. U. SPELLMAN.

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