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## WONDERFUL WINNINGS BY MIDLAND STOCKMEN

### HAD LION'S SHARE OF PREMIUMS AT STOCK SHOW IN FT. WORTH LAST WEEK

The 1924 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, held at Ft. Worth, March 8th to 15th, set a new record for all livestock shows of the great Southwest and surpassed in magnitude of exhibits all of its own former records. There were 405 Herefords exhibited by 62 breeders from various states. Included in this number were some of the most noted show herds from Colorado, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, carrying a large number of the strongest winners at all the larger shows the past year.

The Hereford judging began at 9 a. m. Tuesday and took the whole of three mornings to complete. The awards were made by W. B. Mitchell, of Marfa, Texas, a well known producer of high grade Hereford feeder cattle as well as a breeder of registered Herefords. His work was closely watched by a large crowd of interested breeders and stockmen, and his placings were very favorably received by both the exhibitors and spectators.

When one considers the fact that the first 6 bull classes brought out 109 animals, some idea of the magnitude of this Hereford show can be had.

In view of these conditions, Midland received a lion's share of the honors. Considering the number of animals entered by the different exhibitors, Jno. M. Gist & Son made slightly the highest average over all competitors. Their exhibit consisted of 9 cattle showing in 13 classes including groups. Their total winnings were: 1 grand champion, 1 senior champion, 4 firsts, 1 second, 3 thirds, 1 fourth, 1 sixth, and 1 eighth.

Out of a possible 6 champions 4 stayed in Texas, 2 being won by Gist & Son and 2 by C. M. Largent & Sons. Out of a possible 18 blues, 8 were won by Texas breeders as follows: Gist 4, Largent 3, Fultz 1.

Besides the 2 champions and 4 blue ribbons won by Gist & Son, 2 other cattle bred by them were blue ribbon winners, one being the senior yearling bull, Model, shown by D. B. Fultz, of Barry, Texas, and the other a junior yearling steer shown by A. & M. College. Model is a half brother to the grand champion, Victor, and was a member of the winning "Get of Sire" group.

This grand champion ribbon should be especially prized because it was won in such extremely strong competition. Both the aged bull shown by Paul Hahnwald of Denver, Colorado, and the junior yearling bull shown by Wallace and E. C. Good, of Grandview, Mo., were great animals and many times champions in heavy competition. Both of these wonderful bulls had to be downed before Victor could claim this coveted prize.

For the second time in succession Midland cattle won the "Get of Sire" group, perhaps the most coveted prize of all. The get of Beau Mode 421136 was a favorite from start to finish, and the placing of the blue on this entry seemed to give as much pleasure to the ringside as it did to the owners themselves.

In commenting on this particular group, the Hereford Journal had the following to say:

"In selecting the Gist entry to lead this class the judge, like in nearly all classes, showed his preference for the large heavy-boned, smooth, rugged Hereford, a preference which might be good for the breed if persisted in by more judges of our shows."

In this class were 13 entries. Gist was first, Largent second, Hahnwald third, and Yost fourth with a get that was first at both the Royal and International last fall.

Sales at the stock show on the better grades of Herefords, were very satisfactory and indicated a stronger demand at stronger prices than prevailed last year. The supply of plain to common bulls in the pens, however, was greatly in excess of demand, and sales slow and at unsatisfactory prices. This only goes to prove again that if any profit to the breeder is to be had it must come from better cattle. Feeder cattle organization generally over the country have had a big influence in promoting the use of better sires, and the time is fast coming when the "scrub" bull, whether registered or not, will have but one market—the butchers.

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## MIDLAND CENTER OF POTASH DEPOSITS

### HUNT FOR THIS MINERAL NOW OF GREAT INTEREST IN CONGRESS

Core-drilling in a test for potash which has been in operation near Odessa for two years, or so, and which suspended upon the adverse action of congress some time ago, is still inoperative. However congress is again interested in the "hunt for potash," and there is hope that a bill may pass making suitable appropriations for this purpose. In that event the operations in Midland and Ector counties will likely be resumed.

Potash deposits in Texas, in commercial quantities, were first discovered in the Bryan test for oil, nine miles south from Midland, and since then geological experts sent out to this section of West Texas have determined that Midland is practically the center of these vast beds, and in the event that the government does start on this hunt, making the necessary appropriations, in all likelihood Midland will share very largely in these activities.

Anent this subject an editorial comment was given in the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram Wednesday. It is an interesting comment and we reproduce it as follows:

The lessons of the late war still fresh in the official mind at Washington, it is to be expected that congress will speedily pass the bill introduced in the senate by Senator Sheppard, of Texas, making an appropriation for a hunt for potash beds in the United States. Potash salts, and their twin nourisher of plant life, nitrates, figured largely in the discussions, and even in the conduct of the world war. The conflict that split the world in two left one side in possession of the nitrates as represented by the natural deposits of Chile, at that time practically the world's sole source of supply, and the other side in possession of the potash, as represented by the famous Stassfurt beds in Germany, then believed to be the only large supply of potash in the world. In the division, the Americans suffered most, as German chemists already had discovered and kept secret a process for taking nitrates out of the air. Potash prices rose to a point that prohibited their employment for needed purposes of fertilizing growing-crops. The United States, which imported from Germany 237,453 tons of potash annually, 28 per cent of the production, was especially hard hit. Productiveness fell off, and food prices went up.

Now, when it is indicated as possible that there exists within the borders of the United States an area of potash beds 650 miles long and 200 miles wide, from a few feet to 25 feet in thickness, it would appear to be poor economy for the federal government to refuse to spend a few thousand dollars to verify the information. Such a potash bed, it is believed, underlies at a depth of from 300 to 700 feet—a great region extending from Kansas south through Texas. The most profitable portion of these beds are believed to exist in West Texas, where core tests under private direction already have revealed the presence of the salts.

The possibility of such a find is enough to justify extraordinary attention from congress. Its importance to West Texas is no greater than its importance to the entire nation.

## GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE WILL SPEAK HERE

Judge Felix D. Robertson, candidate for Democratic nomination as governor of the State of Texas, will speak in Midland on the night of March 26th. This will be one speech of a campaigning tour which Judge Robertson is making en route to El Paso. The entire trip will consume about thirty days and the schedule provides for approximately that number of speeches to be made before he returns to his headquarters in Dallas.

On his first swing through North-east Texas Judge Robertson traveled more than 1200 miles and delivered more than sixty speeches in a period of approximately two weeks.

This candidate is campaigning the State in a Ford car and is making brief stops in all the smaller towns between those places in which he delivers night speeches.

## ANOTHER RABBIT DRIVE ON TODAY

### THAT LAST FRIDAY SPLENDID SUCCESS, 1500 TO 2000 BEING KILLED

Today again the business houses of Midland are going to close and all who can will join the farmers and others in another big rabbit drive, which will take place just south of the one pulled off last Friday. That of last Friday was a "humdinger," not the sort of "humdinger" defined by the young woman in the show the other night, but it was a splendid success, and it is estimated that between 1500 and 2000 rabbits were destroyed.

The barbecue also was a most enjoyable affair and fully 200 people participated in it. The barbecue today will be held at the old Joe Vezzey ranch headquarters, now owned by J. V. Stokes & Sons.

Again two fat young beves will be barbecued, and that expert over the barbecue pit, V. C. Ray, will superintend the cooking. It will be a treat you should not miss. Nor should you miss this drive. There will be lots of good shooting, and it is expected that the kill will mount up to 2000 or more.

This is getting rid of a lot of most troublesome pests, and it is to the interest of every citizen in this community to interest themselves in these drives. Use every means possible in destroying the rabbits. They are greatly destructive to crops and every one killed at this time of the year is especially effective for they multiply very rapidly in the spring-time and summer.

Shoot ravens, too. If a chance comes. It would be a fine thing if a lot of men would carry out a lot of poison on these occasions, and poison the carcasses of the rabbits killed. This would get the ravens by the hundreds, and perhaps a lot of coyotes. Remember, too, to destroy the nests of ravens. Not only on these occa-

## Choral Society in Splendid Rehearsal

The Midland Choral Club enjoyed one of its very best rehearsals in the history of the organization on last Thursday evening at the high school building. This musical organization has maintained continuous organization for the past ten or twelve years and has had some of the best voices in the district, but the voices this year are perhaps the best the club has ever had. Not only this, but the choruses are beautiful and artistic, including such as the "Miller's Wooing," a choral ballad by Fanning; "The Winter Song," by Ballard; "I Waited for the Lord," by Mendelssohn; "Who Shall Run Away the Stone," an Easter anthem by Morse, and the beautiful "Forget-Me-Not," by Giese. Two ladies choruses, a four-part arrangement of Schubert's Serenade, and "Summer Roses," a gavotte by Geibel, are two of the most artistic ever given in Midland. These, with a male chorus of 16 men and solos, duets, trios, and quartets, will make up the program which the club is planning to give under the auspices of the civic league some time this month.

Proprietor Bob Scruggs, of the City Garage, announces the sale this week of two more new Buick cars, both touring types. We congratulate the new owners, who are Chas. M. Goldsmith and Dick Cowden.

sions, but on all occasions when one is found. The ravens are almost as great pests as the rabbits.

Be on hand about 8 o'clock for the drives. The one today started at the Jno. M. King ranch, about three miles a little south of east from Midland. It is expected that from 150 to 200 guns will be handled by as many shooters, and they are having lots of sport. If you were unable to be with the hunters this morning, join them at noon have a good dinner, and take part in the drive this afternoon. You are sure to have a lot of good sport.

## WEED CROPS OF THE MIDLAND COUNTRY

### NEWS STORY BEING SENT OUT BY THE MIDLAND COUNTY C. OF C.

Since our new secretary has arrived, which he did last Monday, the Midland County Chamber of Commerce has commenced to function and some very nice publicity has already been obtained, all of which reflects splendidly upon the desirability of the Midland Country as a new land of promise to the insect- and other pest-burdened farmers of the east.

Among other stories sent out this week has been one relative to the weed-crop of the Midland Country. Different versions of it have been sent to the Dallas News, Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, Western Magazine, and Houston Chronicle. The one to the Chronicle we reproduce in the following:

Tell a farmer living in the Houston country you hoped for a good weed crop this year, and you might have him to fight, but that's what the land owners of the Midland Country hope for every year.

Weeds are a curse to East and South Texas farmers and stockmen, but are a blessing to farmers and stockmen of this country. It is true the weeds here are not of the obnoxious kind which choke fields in many sections.

Crab grass, hurrah grass, broom weeds, rag weeds and shoe-strings are unknown in the Midland cotton farming sections, and cockle burrs and sun flowers never bother here. Farmers who come here from East, South or Central Texas often plant the same acreage of cotton their first year here that they planted in their old home places, but they soon learn that they can farm 160 acres here with the same labor they farmed 40 acres back home, and gather just as much cotton in good years.

Filaree weeds with the cattlemen are the affilars, better known as filaree, and the tallow weed. Other varieties which are good for cattle pasturage are the wild pea, wild daisy, tobacco weed and buttercup. Filaree contains more protein than cultivated clover and is only slightly inferior to alfalfa as a fattener. Tallow weed is a hardy plant which flattens itself against the soil in cold weather and straightens up in warm weather, making it easy cropping for cattle.

These two weeds are not only nutritious enough to keep cattle going, but in good weed-years cattle can actually be fattened for market on the weed ranges without a pound of cake being fed.

Roy Parks, prominent young ranchman of the Midland Country, was recently offered the market price for a bunch of calves fattened on weeds. In good weed years, many ranchmen of the Panhandle ship their cattle into this country for the winter. Lee Bivins, one of the biggest ranchmen of the Panhandle, bought a ranch near here solely for the benefit of the winter weed crop.

Providence was kind to the cattlemen of Midland in shaping the life cycle of the weeds and grasses of this region.

Filaree, tallow weed, and tobacco weed spring up in the fall, usually in September, and are at their best in March and April, provided the usual winter rains come. In the spring, the wild daisies, wild peas and buttercups spring up. But these weeds kindly die out the latter part of May or early in June, when the grass starts growing.

Cattle not only do better, however, on the weeds, but actually prefer them, and that in face of the fact that Midland ranges are famous for their excellent grasses.

Wonders of Texas will never cease. Weeds are wanted in one part of the State and ruthlessly slain in another part.

Paul T. Vickers, our new chamber of Commerce secretary, is working temporarily in the offices of Sparks & Barron. Quarters are being arranged for him in the basement of the Llano, attractive, comfortable quarters, where he will be very glad to welcome all who may care to co-operate with this new active organization.

Mrs. L. A. Denton left Friday for an extended visit with relatives in California and Oregon.

## C. OF C. MEETING FOR NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

### ALL FRIENDS OF MIDLAND, MEN AND WOMEN, ARE URGED TO BE PRESENT

Short, snappy talks—all of them finished in an hour or an hour and a half—are promised at the general meeting of the Midland Chamber of Commerce to be held next Monday night at 7:30 in the district court room.

Every member of the chamber and friends of Midland are expected to be present. The program will include a brief review of the activities of the commercial organization by President W. R. Chancellor; three or four-minute talks by J. B. Wilkerson, chairman of the membership and finance committee; T. Paul Barron, chairman of the civic and entertainment committee; B. N. Aycock, chairman of the cattle and agriculture committee; B. Frank Haag, chairman of the highways committee, and Addison Wadley, chairman of the fairs and exposition committee.

The secretary, Paul T. Vickers, will make a short talk on the general line of activities to be undertaken and of the future development of Midland. Opportunity will be given for short extemporaneous talks by any member who may have something he would like to see the Chamber of Commerce do for the advancement of Midland and the Midland Country.

Women as well as men interested in the development of Midland are asked to attend the meeting Monday night, but members of the Chamber of Commerce will be expected to be present 100 per cent strong.

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce point out that now, or maybe never, is the time to boost for Midland. All America is looking toward West Texas as a land of opportunities, especially in an agricultural way, the directors say, and they believe now is the one great time to concentrate this wide attention on Midland and the Midland Country.

They point out that they themselves, no matter how efficient they might be, nor the secretary no matter whom he might be, can put Midland on the map without the help of the citizenship in general. Hence, their insistence that the meeting Monday night represent a full attendance of all members of the Chamber of Commerce as well as other persons interested in seeing Midland grow.

## Mistake Was Very Regrettable

Elsewhere in these columns our "show fan" has given the Original Brunk's Comedians a very nice, a most praiseworthy write-up of their efforts to please Midland people. Did not the management of The Reporter approve of this very complimentary comment we should, of course refuse its publicity. We do approve, but—

A most regrettable mistake occurred last Monday night, and had we no more evidence than a knowledge of who the Midland party to the affair is, it would be sufficient to our mind that the mistake was made by the young lady ticket seller.

When the curtain went down just before the last act, the "leading man" stepped before the audience to make the usual announcements, which he concluded with an accusation against one of our most highly esteemed townsmen, substantially branding him as a petty thief and a liar. Our townsman complained that the young lady had not given him the correct change, and an argument ensued. Judge Chas. Gibbs and wife, Mr. J. M. Flanigan and wife, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Whitefield, and others of our most reputable citizenship were immediate spectators to the whole affair, and their testimony was positive, unequivocal to effect that the young lady made the mistake. The leading man's affronted manner and his unjust accusation were therefore inexpedient, ill-timed, and did not enhance favor in the minds of our people toward himself or his organization.

We regret the affair exceedingly, and refer the reader again to the other comment appearing in these columns.

Miss Marie Scott is here this week from Fayette visiting her sister, Miss Allie V. Scott, who is a teacher in the public schools here.

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**Spring Time Silks**

By far the largest stock of Silks that this store has ever shown, including many beautiful fabrics of All-Silk and Silk Mixtures.

**40 INCH CANTON CREPE \$2.85**  
The quality is beautiful, all pure silk fabric that you will like. The colors are Cocoa, Brown, Navy, Black, Chinese Blue, the yard **\$2.85**

**40 INCH FLAT CREPE, \$2.75**  
A fabric of the same nature as Canton Crepe, but of a lighter, softer finish and weight. Drapes beautifully for dresses and pleats nicely. The color range includes many of the lighter shades, as Jade, Powder, Blue, Orchid, Flesh, White, as well as Black, Navy, Cocoa and Grey, the yard, **\$2.75**

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This is a splendid fabric, for dresses, although is not an all pure silk. The heavy thread is cotton and silk mixture. A splendid range of colors, the yard **\$2.35**

**PRINTED SILKS \$3.50**  
The range of printed silks that you will see is large, including printed Cantons, printed Rosineros and printed Crepe de Chine in the popular Chinese designs as well as many other new and striking patterns. These range in price from \$1.50 to **\$3.50**

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The assortment of Underwear Silks include Pussy Willow, Crepe de Chines and Radiums in such shades as Peach, Apricot, Orchid Flesh as well as White. These are priced at **\$1.85 to \$3.50**



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Every article we offer is standard and the saving is one that is effected by buying in large quantities.

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- 25c size Mavis Talcum, special 19c
  - 25c Size Mary Garden Talcum, special 19c
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  - 25c Williams Talcum, special 19c
  - 25c Love Me Talcum, special 19c
  - \$1.00 Size JUMBO Mavis, special 85c

**EXTRA SPECIAL--PALMOLIVE FANCHON FACE POWDER**

A regular 50c item put out by Palmolive and is one of the nicest, smoothest articles to be had in the 50c powders. Priced special, at, the box **29c**  
\$1.00 size Hines Honey and Almond Cream, priced special at this store, the bottle **79c**  
50c Hines Honey and Almond Cream, special 39c

- TOOTH PASTES**
- Listerine Tooth Paste, special, 50c tube 39c
  - Pepsodent Tooth Paste, 50c tube 39c
  - ZI-O-Dine Tooth Paste, one of the best made for tender gums, 50c tube 39c
  - 30c Kolynos Tooth Paste, tube 25c

**NEW SPRING NUMBERS IN BUCILLI EMBROIDERY PACKAGES**

A splendid assortment of the New Bucilli Embroidery packages of all kinds. These come complete with the threads and instructions for for completing and include many new ideas in Aprons, Bed Spreads, Towels, Scarfs, Laundry Bags, Underwear, etc. The stock of embroidery threads in BUCILLI boil proof colors is complete, the skein **5c**

**Special Offerings of Spring Coats**

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- \$65.00 Coats reduced to **\$44.75**
- \$45.00 Coats reduced to **\$32.50**
- \$39.00 Coats reduced to **\$29.75**
- \$27.50 Coats reduced to **\$19.85**
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**Dresses at \$24.50**

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Fashioned of Mallinsons Persians, Maggills, Pom Pom and half a dozen others of the season's most popular silks. Not a dress but worth the original price which was up to \$32.50. About twenty-five dresses in this particular lot, sizes 16 to 42.

Choice

**\$24.50**



**CORTLEY FOUR PIECE SPRING SUITS FOR BOYS**

Suit with extra pants and cap to match. Really almost like two suits, for the extra pants give almost twice the life to a suit while the SURE FITS caps, made of the same cloth, make a four piece suit that appeals to the boys and give the extra value. **\$20.50**

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The new Spring stocks are here and the patterns will please the boys and the sturdy fabrics will give service. Every pair lined throughout. Sizes 8 to 18, are priced at \$1.50, \$2.50 and **\$3.50**

**TOM SAWYER BLOUSES \$1.50**  
Tom Sawyer Blouses are every one fast color and the new Spring patterns are pleasing. They will laundry well and do not shrink. Cut full and well made. Blouses priced at **\$1.00 to \$1.50**

Tom Sawyer Shirts, made like the blouses, every one fast color; sizes 12 to 14 1-2, at **\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.85**

**SURE FIT CAPS \$3.00**  
The boys like Sure Fit Caps, for any cap fits any boy. The patented adjustable band makes this possible. The Spring styles and patterns are here and they are beauties. **\$1.00, \$1.50, up to \$3.00**

You cannot buy Sure Fit Caps elsewhere

**BOYS' SCHOOL SHOES \$2.25 to \$2.75**  
We have several new numbers in Boys' School Shoes that we are anxious to have you see. A Hi-Kicker with composition rubber sole that will out-wear any leather sole. Re-enforced canvas top like tennis shoes, except much better. Laced to the toe athletic style, the boys want. outwear three pairs of regular tennis shoes and the price is very little more.  
Little Boys' sizes **\$2.25**  
Medium Boys' sizes **\$2.40**  
Big Boys' sizes **\$2.75**

**Spring Time Fabrics**

NOT BEFORE HAS ANY SEASON EVER PRESENTED SUCH APPEALING FABRICS FOR HOME DRESS MAKING, AS THIS ONE. Too, the simple lines of the Spring styles make this much easier to accomplish desired results than ever before.

**LINENS, RATINES, EVER-FAST SUITINGS, VOILES.** The assortment is larger than ever before and in most cases the colors are warranted washable.

**DRESS LINENS, 85c**  
A very special value is the Marshall Field Quality Dress Linen, for this has been shrunk from 45 inches to 36 inches and the quality is beautiful; a regular dollar quality, this store offers at the yard **85c**

**YARD WIDE RATINE 75c**  
A splendid quality and the color range is complete and without doubt this will be one of the leading fabrics for Spring and Summer Dresses. No cloth lends itself more gracefully to home dress making than a good quality Ratine, such as this, that we offer at the yard **75c**

**WONDERFUL GINGHAMS \$39c**  
There is quiet a lot of this special value left and we have added several patterns from the regular stock. This, if you please, is a gingham that you would expect to pay 50c and more for and is a very special value **39c** even for this value giving store, at the yard

**32 INCH COLOR FAST GINGHAMS 25c**  
There is a saving of 10c the yard on this quality when purchased at this store, for we believe you will agree that most stores ask 35c the yard for the same quality. The colors are fast, it is 32 inches wide and the Spring patterns are pretty. We will be glad to send you samples if you cannot conveniently come to the store. The yard **25c**



**FAIRY FLOSS PILLOWS, 98c**  
Just a few of these left. Regular \$2.00 values that we are anxious to close out. Choice, to move quickly **\$98c**

**WATCH FOR THE RUG SALE**  
Some time soon this store is going to put on the biggest rug sale ever held in West Texas. Three Hundred Rugs will be offered for less than you ever expected to see them. This sale will be announced later.

- STAPLE MERCHANDISE**
- You are always assured of a saving of price on Staple Goods here.
  - 9-4 Bleached Pepperell Sheeting, full 81 inches wide, a special value at this store, the yard **53c**
  - 9-4 Unbleached Sheeting, same sheeting as above but unbleached; special value, the yard **50c**
  - 10-4 Bleached Pepperell; this width is used for making bed spreads, etc., 90 inches wide. Priced special at this store, the yard **58c**

**YARD WIDE BLEACHING 19c**  
A special value in a yard wide bleached domestic, good quality, no starch or filling, soft finish the yard **19c**

**UNBLEACHED 17 1/2c**  
Yard wide unbleached sheeting, of good plump quality and a special value at the yard **17 1/2c**

**MIXING BOWLS \$1.00**  
In sets of 5 are special values for Saturday morning. We are afraid from the requests we have had, that it will be necessary that we order more of these, but come early Saturday morning. Sets of 5 bowls, the set **\$1.00**

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**TEXAS WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL LOG**

If Industrial Activity Means Employment and Employment Means Steady Payrolls and Good Wages, What Interest Has any Sensible Person in Favoring Policies which Would Interfere with the Orderly Progress of Business?

Arthur—Atlantic Refinery Co. constructs special line from Naches Junction to shell road. 175 counties in State to pave highways; aggregate mileage 17,130.

Ennis—First Methodist Church purchases site for erection of new edifice.

Scandia—Main street to be paved during coming summer.

Houston—Houston Gas and Fuel Company secures 4-acre tract for erection of \$250,000 gas container.

Dallas—Sanitary sewer to be constructed from Turtle Creek pumping station to Union and Woodlawn hospitals.

Austin—Mc Corkle Pipeline Company, a \$10,000,000 concern, to construct 1,750 miles of pipelines from Duncan, Okla., to tap numerous Texas oil fields.

Junction—First National Bank increases capital stock from \$25,000 to \$40,000.

During the 4-year period of 1918-1921 no less than \$2,219,180 worth of Texas farm products went up in smoke, the great bulk—probably 90 per cent—of this being from causes strictly or partially preventable. The principal causes of the loss were, in order of prominence, defective chimneys, flues, petroleum and its products, spontaneous combustion, matches and smoking sparks on roofs. It will be noted that loss from any of these causes is almost wholly preventable by exercise of reasonable care.

Robstown—Contract to be let for construction of \$65,000 Methodist church.

Port Neches—100 houses and 24-room hotel being transported from Orange to relieve local housing shortage.

Dallas—Work on paving project calling for expenditure of about \$100,000 to start in 1924.

Wealth of Texas at end of 1923 was \$9,850,896,000, an increase of 56.4 per cent in ten years, while per capita wealth was \$2,101, increase of 30.4 per cent.

Houston—Contract awarded for construction of pier 13, and erection of grain carrier, on north side of Turning Basin.

Corpus Christi—Large cabbage shipments going to northern and western markets, Gerardi packing sheds add night force to handle increasing crop.

Three Rivers—New glass factory ships out first carload of milk bottles ever manufactured in Texas.

Texas has over 700 independent telephone companies operating nearly 250,000 telephones with 250,000 telephones additional operated by Bell Telephone system.

Dallas—Plans being made for construction of 34-story hotel on present site of Oriental hotel.

Ranger—\$190,000 issue of waterworks bonds approved by attorney general.

San Saba—San Saba County making definite plans for commercial peach orcharding.

Last year's Texas crops exceeded in value one billion dollars, with production of cotton and cotton seed worth over \$700,000,000.

Houston—Smith street bridge to be built at approximate cost of \$260,000.

Alic—Progress Oil Company brings in new oil well on Tinney tract, opening of valuable field predicted.

Sandia—Over 6,000 acres being planted to watermelons, largest acreage in history of district.

Corsicana—Contract awarded for construction of \$350,000 five-story hotel.

The world's cotton crop for 1923-24 is now estimated by United States department of agriculture at 19,125,000 bales of 478 pounds net; preliminary estimate for the United States is 10,081,000 bales.

Dallas—Contract let for erection of \$100,000 building at Harwood street and Pacific avenue.

Electra—Contract awarded for paving 60 blocks of streets.

Port Neches—Construction of \$15,000 theatre to be completed in 30 days.

San Antonio—Builders Exchange to start work on 9-story office building some time in April.

Wild horses in the vicinity of Bend, Oregon, have increased so rapidly that they are becoming a nuisance. Extremely low prices for horses resulted in the ranchers turning them out into the mountains to shift for themselves.

There is a shortage of between 800,000 and 1,000,000 houses in the United States.

**INTERESTING FACTS OF MEXICAN TEXAS**

CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION WILL REVEAL EVENTS RICHLY IMPORTANT

Because of the interest now being expressed in the proposed Centennial Exposition for Texas, particular attention has been directed to the interesting collection of Texas historical manuscripts and records in the University of Texas library. This collection has been recently enriched by the acquisition of a typewritten transcript of the Actas, or journals, of the legislature of Coahuila and Texas for August, 1824, to May, 1835. The originals, which were never published, were located by Dr. E. C. Barker, professor of history in the University, two years ago in the congressional archives at Saltillo. Prior to that time they were unknown to historians, and have not previously been used by historical students. The copies, if printed, would make four volumes of a thousand pages each.

"Historical importance of these manuscripts can hardly be over-estimated," said Professor Barker. "For three years (1824-27) the legislature set as constituent congress, framing the constitution of Coahuila and Texas, and at the same time passing the necessary legislation. For Texas, the most important law passed during this period was the colonization act under which Anglo-American immigrants settled the province. Later the various judiciary laws, the first homestead law, the laws regulating slavery and laws establishing local government in Texas. The journals contain summaries of debates and the right on many aspects of the history of Mexican Texas.

It is interesting to compare this first Texas legislature with that which will assemble in January, 1925, just a hundred years later. It consisted of five members, sitting in a single hall, as the congress of Coahuila did, and Texas at the beginning was allowed but one member. Its representation was increased to two members, and in 1826 to three. The first representative in Texas was the Baron de Bastrop, a serious Dutch nobleman who settled at San Antonio about 1804. He was much interested in the Anglo-American settlements in Texas, and worked ably for their advancement.

Eastland, Texas, and to Anna Mae Klapproth, Midland, Texas; and whereas the said Z. T. Brown, guardian, and the said Anna Mae Klapproth, owners of the above mentioned shares, have each failed and refused to pay the sum due by them, being \$1600 due by Z. T. Brown, guardian, and \$1300.00 due by Anna Mae Klapproth, said sums being the amounts due by them on the said assessment so levied by the Comptroller and by the shareholders of said bank; and whereas, it has become necessary to sell the shares belonging to each of the said parties to pay such assessment.

**WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS?**

Does the average church member ever pray?  
Does anything happen when he prays?  
Can praying accomplish anything that wouldn't happen anyway?  
If God knows our needs, won't He supply them whether we ask Him or not?  
Did a man ever pray without knowing it?  
What is prayer, anyway?  
A frank discussion of these questions at the Methodist church next Sunday morning.

George Washington was the first farm management demonstrator in American history. He said, "Keep an account book and enter there every farthing of your receipts and expenses." He kept account books on his farming operations.

More than \$3,000,000,000 worth of milk is produced in a single year in the United States.

**Notice of Sale**

State of Texas, County of Midland. Whereas, On the 29th day of March 1923, the Comptroller of the Currency at Washington, D. C., adjudged that the capital stock of the Midland National Bank of Midland, had been impaired to the amount of \$75,000.00, being 100 per cent on the capital stock of said bank, and on said date issued notice to the Midland National Bank, of Midland, to that effect; and made an assessment on the shareholders of said bank for the purpose of restoring the capital stock by assessment upon the shareholders pro rata for the amount of capital stock held by each. And whereas: Notice was on said date given said association to pay the said deficiency in the manner required by law; and whereas, in obedience to said notice of said assessment issued by the Comptroller, on the 28th day of April, a meeting of the shareholders of said bank was held at the office of said bank in Midland, Texas, for the purpose of considering and voting upon the question of paying the assessment; and whereas, said shareholders levied an assessment of \$75,000.00 against the shareholders of said bank, making good the deficiency; and whereas, due notice was given Z. T. Brown, guardian, Eastland, Texas, the holder of Certificate No. 93 for 16 shares, and to Anna Mae Klapproth, Midland, Texas, the holder of Certificate No. 144 for 13 shares, of the assessment levied by the Comptroller and of the assessment levied by the stockholders, which said notices were immediately sent to the said Z. T. Brown, guardian,

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A guarantee, written or verbal, is worth no more than the maker behind it. You want performance, not adjustments. We have never had to make an adjustment on a

**Seiberling Tires**

Every one still on the wheel running up mileage, twelve, fifteen, twenty thousand miles. Seiberling Tires carry the standard warranty and if defect should occur, we are allowed to make our own adjustments. Our reputation as well as that of Frank A. Seiberling, World's Foremost Tire Builder, is behind them. Priced to fit any pocketbook.

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**Ever-Ready Filling Station**

WE'D RATHER MAKE FRIENDS THAN EXCUSES

Fred Wemple LeRoy Whitson  
Knights of The Driveway

**A Matter Now of Serving Two Masters**

Notwithstanding the protestations for peace and outlawing of war, every government is bending every effort to invent deadlier devices, and Uncle Samuel is among the leaders. For instance, our government has perfected a bomb weighing 10 lbs. and to be carried by airplanes. This is ten times as big as the largest bomb used in the world war. It contains a ton of high explosives and makes a crater in the ground 57 feet deep and 150 feet across. Another American invention is an armored caterpillar tractor with a speed of 30 miles an hour. It goes up a 45-degree slope and can travel through water up to the drivers chin. The famous "French 75" gun is

eclipsed by a new American gun of the same caliber, but twice the range or shooting distance. Shoulder machine guns are taking the place of regular rifles. They fire bullets four times as heavy and send them three times as far as the Browning gun. Poison gases have been perfected since the Armistice, many times more deadly than the worst gases used during the world war. It is asserted that with a very few airships New York, Paris or London could be wiped off the face of the earth in a single night and coast fortifications annihilated in an hour. The people of the world should give serious thought to the fact that, while one faction of our leaders works to prevent another big war, another faction is toiling night and day to perfect more deadly devices of warfare.

**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

of April, 1924, at 2 o'clock p. m., the board of directors, acting through the president of said bank will sell the shares of the said parties, being the shares above described, for the purpose of meeting the deficiency required to be met by each of the said parties by virtue of the said parties being the owners of the above described shares. In making the sale, Certificate No. 93 held by Z. T. Brown, guardian, will be sold first, then Certificate No. 144 held by Anna Mae Klapproth. The sales will be made to the highest bidder for cash. This sale will be made at the office of the bank in the town of Midland in Midland County, Texas, on the 16th day of April, 1924, at 2 o'clock p. m. The notice of this sale will be posted in the office of this bank, and a notice published in The Midland Reporter, a newspaper published in the town of Midland, Texas, and notice of this sale will be sent to each of said parties at the addresses as given above. Witness our hands this 11th day of March, 1924. HENRY JAMES, President. J. B. WILKINSON. J. V. STOKES. R. M. BARRON. ROY PARKS. A FASKEN. Directors. adv 25-4t

**Delivering Fuel By Wire**

The modern miracle is the delivery of invisible fuel and water by wire. Some people do not fully realize this. But that is exactly what this and every other public utility in Texas is doing every hour of the day and night.

It requires millions of tons of coal or its equivalent in fuel oil and natural gas and millions of gallons of water to generate the electricity which provides light and power and carries the voice on the telephone and drives the street cars.

In hundreds of other ways the public utilities invisibly serve their customers more cheaply and better than they could serve themselves.

**Midland Light Co.**

W. H. WILLIAMS, Mgr.

## Ice Cream

If quality in ice cream is what you want, we can please you to the nth degree. We could get an inferior ice cream, and possibly make more money for a while, but would lose in the long run, which we would merit by such a course. Therefore we have concluded to stay with Shaw Brothers, of Fort Worth, Texas.

This cream once tasted, becomes a favorite ever afterward. It is absolutely pure, is made correctly and served properly. This ice cream is for sale in Midland by the City Drug Store only. It costs us more but you pay the same as you would for cream of poorer quality.

P. S.—Wait For April 24, 25 and 26

## City Drug Store

*The Rexall Store*

### FORMAL OPENING OF NEW LLANO HOTEL

INVITATION IS BROADCASTED TO PERSONS FAR AND NEAR TO ATTEND.

Formal opening of the new Llano Hotel will be held Tuesday night at 7 o'clock.

Every person in Midland and the Midland section, as well as former guests of the hotel within reasonable traveling distance are invited to attend the big opening.

The opening is to be featured by a dance and banquet. Everything is free to the people of Midland and the Midland section except the banquet. Covers at the banquet, which will start at 7 o'clock, will cost \$1 each. The dance will start at 8:30, immediately following the banquet, and is free to all comers.

Refreshments will be served to all visitors in the coffee room of the new lobby and dining room on the first floor. The banquet and dance will be held in the old dining room on the second floor.

Judge Charles Gibbs will be toastmaster at the banquet. The program will include music by the Community Orchestra and will also include impromptu talks. Only 200 covers will be laid and the first 200 persons who obtain tickets will be the only ones who can attend the banquet. The ticket sale will close Monday night.

Formal opening of the new Llano is held to celebrate completion of the new lobby and dining and coffee rooms. These improvements were made at a cost of \$30,000 to the new owners of the hotel who have such faith in Midland that they were willing to spend their money to further spread Midland's reputation as a good town to stop in.

This new lobby places the Llano in a class of hotels found only in cities of from 15,000 to 25,000 people, according to traveling men, and they add, will insure Midland's continued popularity as a good place to bide a bit in. The Llano is now considered the best hostelry between Ft. Worth and El Paso east and west, and Amarillo and San Angelo north and south.

The hotel was bought in May 1923, from the original builders by the Llano Hotel Company a corporation composed of Dr. Jno. B. Thomas, president; J. E. Hill, vice president; W. R. Chancellor, secretary-treasurer, and John and Clarence Scharbauer and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haley and W. B. Elkin.

The property was bought from W. H. and D. W. Brunson, W. B. and F. F. Elkin, Dr. W. K. Curtis and S. W. Estes. The building was erected in 1909-10 at a cost of \$160,000. To erect the building now would cost about \$300,000.

The hotel has 72 bed rooms, 13 offices, a ladies' parlor, and elevator. The present lobby and dining room will be cut into bed rooms and offices, as the demand necessitates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haley and their daughter, Miss Alice, are managers of the Llano. The hotel is already famous for its cuisine and accommodations, and with the new improvements, it will become still more widely known as a place famous for foods, according to Mrs. Haley.

The management plans to make the hostelry so attractive, as, indeed, it already is to a large extent, that traveling salesmen will come from a radius of 50 to 100 miles to spend their extra time in Midland, and it is also expected to get many of the oil field men located in Midland in order to get advantage of the Llano Hotel accommodations.

### Brunks' Comedians Highly Pleased

Every night the big tent has been crowded, and our people have been highly pleased with the performance of Brunks' Comedians. Every member of the company is versatile in his or her part and have fully sustained the reputation that the Brunks are enjoying, that of an organization that knows the art of entertainment. The plays have been clean, wholesome and entertaining. The music of the orchestra and band have come up to the standard of perfection. The specialties have been bright, snappy and new. The courteous treatment of the company to their audiences have been polite and considerate. What more could we ask?

The company will play again tonight, a matinee tomorrow afternoon and again tomorrow night, which will close their engagement here for this time, and all of Midland extend to them a hearty invitation to visit us again next year, for all are of one opinion that Brunks' Comedians is the best tented attraction that has ever visited our town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Barton were visitors in the city this week from Odessa.

### PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES — High School  
S. W. Seale, Principal.  
J. Wiley Taylor Jr., Reporter.

At a special meeting of the Literary Society last Friday morning, the following officers were elected: Georgia Kirk Davis, president; Clinton Dunagan, vice president; Louis Wraga, secretary; Louis Thomas, treasurer; J. Wiley Taylor, Jr., reporter; Willis Brookman, critic; Arthur Greenhill, sergeant-at-arms.

Miss Inabeth Whitefield, of C. I. A., and an honor graduate of the Midland high school, visited us last Friday morning and delighted the student body and faculty with a brief talk.

On Saturday March 15th, the Midland tennis squad, consisting of five members under Coach Seale, defeated the Pecos squad five out of seven matches. Midland took the first five matches in straight sets and lost the last two by a margin. The results are as follows: Dunagan and Taylor defeated Dean and Stine, 6-2, 6-4; Watson and Williams defeated Fitzgerald and Lily, 6-3, 6-1; Taylor defeated Stine, 6-4, 8-6; Dunagan defeated Collier, 6-4, 8-6; Watson defeated Lily, 6-1, 6-3; Fitzgerald (Pecos) defeated Williams, 9-7, 7-9, 6-4, and Dean (Pecos) defeated H. B. Dunagan, 6-1, 6-2.

The Interscholastic League meet for this district will be held in San Angelo, April 11th and 12th. Midland will very likely be there in full force.

Jim Flanigan and Earle Williams, of Southwestern University and Simmons College, respectively, visited the chapel exercises Wednesday morning and made brief talks. Jim has made the glee club of Southwestern. This consists of 25 members, picked from 500 students. This body will make a one month's tour of southeastern Texas, filling 15 engagements. Earle brings favorable reports of Abilene and Simmons College.

George Buchanan and Alec Brandon returned Sunday night from Ft. Worth where they attended the stock show. George participated in the track meet while there, winning fifth place in the broad jump. Only two places were ranked in the high jump and these two jumped over 5 ft. 6 in. George missed with several others at 5 ft. 6 in.

Many of the boys are filling out blanks to join the Citizens' Military Training Camp, which is to be held at San Antonio this summer. C. Hill, Charles Watson, H. B. Dunagan, Garvice Dockray, Thomas Inman, Wade Heath, Clyde Gwyn, and J. Wiley Taylor have expressed their desire to join. All of these are from the senior class.

O. B. Holt, Jr., of Southwestern University, came in Wednesday for a brief visit between terms. He, Jim Flanigan, Earl Williams, Ben Wall, and Holt Jowell, all graduates of the high school, were present at the assembly hour Thursday morning, and visited the senior English class and one domestic art class afterwards. We were glad to have these young men with us, and will be glad to see them again. They seemed to enjoy being with us.

Minnie Warren Pemberton and Gladys Inman, along with several other Midland people, attend the Midland District C. E. Convention at Pecos on the 14th, 15th and 16th. All Endeavor meeting were held in the Christian church. 136 out of town delegates attended this convention. Delegations came from Coahoma, Big Spring, Lamesa, Grandfalls, Toyah, Barstow, Ft. Stockton and Colorado. Friday night the opening address was given by Rev. George Ruth, of Big Spring. Saturday a fellowship luncheon was served to all Endeavorers by the Presbyterian ladies, and Saturday night a pageant was given by the Coahoma juniors. Sunday Rev. Johnson, of Pecos, preached on "The Spirit of Christian Endeavor." Austin D. Bryan, assistant field missionary, attended this convention. It was one of the largest conventions that the Midland District has ever held. Sunday night during the last session special music was given by the Toyah band. The Pecos people showed how hospitable they were throughout the convention by being so courteous and generous to all in attendance.

Coach Seale with several of the high school boys, began getting the base ball diamond ready this week, preparatory to spring practice.

Grammar School—Central Ward  
Miss Barbara Barkak, principal.

## FOR SALE

*The Henry M. Half Home consisting of 20 acres in the northwest part of the city. Large house, some furniture. All at a bargain and on good terms.*

**H. W. ROWE**  
Midland, Texas

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FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1924

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The announcements given below are for Democratic preference 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)  
J. WILEY TAYLOR
- 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. PETERSON  
MRS. LIZZIE QUINN

### ECTOR COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**For Tax Assessor:**  
C. H. COMBS

### Big Minstrel Coming To Midland March 28

Everybody loves the minstrel show. It is an attraction that appeals to every class—rich, poor, educated, uneducated—all alike. Midland is soon to have a great minstrel festival when Campbell's New Orleans Minstrels with 50 people, band and orchestra, sweet singers of the Sunny South, end men, a gorgeous first prat with a grand olio and spectacular finale, will appear here one night only, March 28th under canvas.

This is said to be the greatest singing and dancing show in America, traveling in two big railway Pullman cars. There will be an attractive noon-day street parade.

The New Orleans Minstrels is one of the oldest in America, and they work to please. Don't forget the date—Friday March 28th.

Although referred to as a prairie province, 75 per cent of Manitoba's total area is wooded.

## OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The Modern Hotel is now open for business under new management.

**ROOM and BOARD \$10 per week**  
**BEDS 50c up**

Nice clean rooms, good meals,  
Family Style

**John L. Love, Prop.**  
Phone 383

### A MIDLAND BOY WRITES GOOD LETTER

JM GAGE, HIGH SCHOOL CARTOONIST, WRITES FROM CALIFORNIA

(Left over from last week)

The following letter from Jim Gage, high school cartoonist of the class of '22, accurate center fielder on the base ball team for that year, and plucky end and center on the football team, will prove of interest to his classmates and many friends here and elsewhere. All will remember him as being very talented as a cartoonist, and blessed with an amiable, genial disposition. He was official cartoonist for the "High, Dry and Windy" for 1921-22, and we all congratulate him upon his success and prosperity and loyalty to our splendid high school. His letter contained some artistic lettering and a sketch of a Nash coupe, drawn by him, which can not be given here. His letter follows:

459 West 8th St.,  
Long Beach, Calif.  
3-5-24.

Dear Mr. Lackey:

Will just drop you a line to let you know that memories of dear old M. H. S. come back to me. I am still keeping up my illustrating work and I am now employed by one of the largest advertising companies in the west. I am going to make good.

I saw in The Midland Reporter of the schools having to close a month earlier there. I sure hate to hear of it, because we sure had the "rep," didn't we prof? Well you can just bet your life here's one that will stand by her warm side.

The class of '22 have certainly drifted, haven't they? Seems as though we were picked up and tossed about by the wind.

So give my best regards to the faculty and students of "Midland Hi." Wishing each and every one the best of luck.

As ever,  
GAGE.

### Basham-Shepherd To Local Townsmen

Dr. Jno. B. Thomas and an associate this week purchased the old Gary & Burns building, now and for many years past, occupied by Basham, Shepherd & Company. The building, 50 x 140 feet, with two stories and a basement, and of brick, was built twenty years ago, and is a magnificent property. It was bought some years ago by A. B. Wechsler, since deceased, and was bought by Dr. Thomas and associate of the A. B. Wechsler estate, the headquarters for which are located in New York.

Bob Bates, of Odessa, was in Midland Monday on business.

O. B. Holt, Jr., of Georgetown, arrived Wednesday to spend the week with his parents.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

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

**THE DEAF SHOE SHOP**—Opposite Eiland's garage. One door north of John, The Tailor. Appreciates all kinds of work, Gilbert Ragsdale. 15-1f

**FOR SALE**—Farming lands. Why rent, when you can own your home, keep your money and improve the place with it? Gaines, Andrews, and Midland Counties. See Joe Jay, Midland, Texas. 17f

**EGGS FOR HATCHING**—Single comb Rhode Island Reds. Twenty years of line breeding puts me right in the front ranks for superiority in good stock. I was one of the first in all Texas to breed Rhode Island Reds, and I have never allowed any other breed to be mixed in, and have always kept right up to now in supplying new blood. My flock should be seen to be appreciated. Eggs for hatching from as good stock as can be found anywhere, \$1.50 per 15. S. H. Basham, residence phone 95, office phone 135. 23f

**LOST**—A large hunting case Howard watch, on the streets of Midland last Monday. Liberal reward if delivered at The Reporter office. 24-3t

**EGGS**—Well bred barred rock eggs, 75 cents for 15. Also good Dodge 1919 commercial car \$450. Some terms. J. A. Dowdy. 24-4t

**EGGS FOR SALE**—\$1.50 per 15. I think I have the finest pen of White Wyandottes in town. Come and see. Every hen is a tested layer. If you get less than 10 chicks call for another setting at half price. Mrs. W. H. Brunson. 24-4tpd

**See—M. S. Hines** about this: Now is a good time to plant grapes, blackberries, evergreens, and all kinds of shrubbery.

The United States army bakes bread for 2 cents a loaf, superior to that sold the public for 9 and 11 cents.



## The Greatest Tribute to Buick

Wherever you go, people take Buick quality for granted. They accept it, like any established fact. There is an excellent reason for this. For twenty years Buick cars have given thoroughly dependable, satisfying and economical performance to Buick owners everywhere. Let us give you first hand knowledge of Buick quality by a demonstration in the model of your choice.

BUICK MOTOR CO., — FLINT, MICH.  
CITY GARAGE, R. D. Scruggs, Prop.  
When better automobiles are built, Buick will build them

**ONE SYMPTOM OF EYE STRAIN**

A person arises in the morning feeling fit and ready for anything. He starts to work with enthusiasm, but in two or three hours begins to lose his energy. This is particularly true of those who use their eyes for close work. If your eyes are a handicap to you, first we could convince you of the fact, then relieve you.

**J. P. INMAN**

**Jeweler and Optometrist**

**THE PASSING DAY**

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

So far the most important and significant undertaking that is now under consideration in Texas is the proposition to hold a monster Texas Centennial celebration within the next few years to appropriately celebrate the first 100 years of Texas progress and development. Unquestionably Texas has a history that appeals to the pride of every patriotic citizen and that, when properly understood, makes every one glad to share even in a remote degree the glorious heritage received by us from our forefathers, but it is not so much the victories of battlefields that we would celebrate; the greatest achievements of Texas have been those victories of peace and of progress that have made ours the richest State of the Union, a development achieved in the short period of a century. It is now proposed to show first to Texans and then to the entire world the beginnings and the progress of Texas history and development in such a way that every one may be properly impressed with the greatness and resourcefulness of the State.

In spite of the magnitude of this proposal for a proper Texas celebration, it is surprising that so little interest has yet been shown in the efforts being made to secure a committee or commission with a vision big enough to make the Centennial what it should be. We are so busily engaged in our personal affairs and in petty politics that we are likely to forget that on April 12th, conventions will be held in every county in the State to select delegates to senatorial district conventions that in turn will be expected to select the commissions from those districts to handle this great event. The exposition proposed, if it does justice to Texas, must be on a grand scale, equaling in extent any world exposition ever held, and if this is done the ablest citizens of the State must be enlisted. Brains and executive ability must be commandeered for this purpose, and every Texan should be interested in securing the best.

If one may judge from newspaper reports the practice of influence has become a great profession in this country, of such magnitude as to threaten our governmental system. Lawyers especially have flocked to Washington in recent years and have thrived, not so much because of their legal talent as because of their ability to influence government officials. One of the favorite fields of the "influence" is in securing the refund of

federal taxes. In 1923, 263,320 persons secured refunds from the treasury amounting to \$123,992,820.40 on claims of excessive taxation, according to a report made by the House Ways and Means Committee. The largest refund, amounting to \$9,368,648.00, was made to Whitney Payne and associates. Of course, no one would charge that the treasury is unduly influenced in making these refunds, but parties having such claims naturally prefer to have them presented by persons of recognized influence.

Mail order business is growing in this country at a tremendous rate, and especially are the small towns suffering from the encroachment of this kind of trade. The mail order houses send out attractive catalogs, quote close prices, and keep the buying public constantly reminded that they can buy through the mails as satisfactorily as in stores. The greatest efforts are made to secure the business of those places where the merchants do the least advertising, and the richest returns are reaped from such communities.

The mail order business would die in a few months if the mail order firms were not persistent in keeping their business and their prices before prospective buyers. They know that perpetual vigilance is needed to build and hold trade. They spend money as freely for advertising as for rent or clerk hire, and would no more try to do business without it than they would to run their places without capital or help. Local merchants who advertise liberally, persistently and intelligently have no reason to fear the mail order concerns. Those who do not, have only themselves to blame when the mail order people get the business and the profits that should stay at home.

The members of a church at McCoy, near Floydada, have rented 75 acres of land and are going to plant and cultivate it in cotton co-operatively, the money to be used to build a church. The plan should succeed, and it goes to show that where there is community effort and hearty co-operation almost anything can be accomplished. Any town, any community, can do almost anything it really wants to do. All that is needed is an all-together pull.

**STOP THAT ITCHING**

Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet. For sale by City Drug Store, Midland, Texas

**JUNIORETTE A FINE PUBLICATION**

SENIOR EXTRA UNIQUE FEATURE OF JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

(Left over from last week) The following humorous features of the "Juniorette," the senior extra, which appeared at the junior-senior banquet, will prove of interest to the many friends of the two classes: Commencement Exercises Held in the Llano Hotel A novel idea, indeed it was for the class of '24 to hold its graduation exercises in the Llano Hotel. Not only is this an unusual proceeding, but the attending circumstances lend pleasure and exclusiveness to the occasion. Certainly the conviviality of a banquet adds to the enjoyment of commencement.

The following program was given: Address of Welcome—Hon. Thalhert Thomas. Chorus—Choral Club. Reading—Maybe. Saxophone solo: It's Lonesome in Blue Bird Land—J. Wiley Taylor. Salutatory—Ina Faye Young. Vocal solo—Maggie Snodgrass. Valedictory—Carroll Hill. Song—Andy Gump. Class oration—Garvice Dockray. Address: Lecture on Art—Mary H. Herron. Conferring of medals and presentation of diplomas—W. W. Lackey.

Senior of '24 Best Graduating Class of M. H. S. All admit that the seniors of '24 are the best graduating class of any year. In fact they, with three other classes, constitute the whole high school. O, Caesar! When comes such another class?

Below are 24 reasons for the greatness of this class: Ruth Blakeney, Lois Brunson, A. C. Collins, Garvice Dockray, Gladys Draper, H. B. Duragan, Evelyn Estes, Clyde Gwyn, Leila Mary Heard, Wade Heath, Carroll Hill, Oriel Hutton, Tusque Hutchinson, Thomas Inman, Eulalie Jones, Louise Karkalitis, Izzetta Lee, Florence Manning, Lillie D. Midkiff, J. Wiley Taylor, Charles Watson, Agnes Willingham, Maurine Winbourne, and Ina Faye Young.

Juniorette—Senior Publication for Senior Class of Midland High School

Terms—Enough. Circulation—Improving. Editor—Mary H. Herron. Manager—Thalhert Thomas. Motto—Seniors-Juniors Forever.

Seniors You are a class That none surpass— Maybe! You've never been beat All others you defeat— Maybe! You're very smart, You've won our hearts— Maybe! And when you leave, O, how we'll grieve— Maybe!

I'd like to be an angel, But angels have to sing; So Ill just be a junior And never do a thing.

A Senior's Version of Kipling When the senior's last test has been taken, And the diplomas are signed and dried; When the oldest teacher stops grading And the youngest senior has cried— We shall rest—and faith we shall meet it, stop studying, For an aeon or two, Till the spouse of some poor student shall put him to work anew.

And those who studied shall be happy, And sit in a golden chair, And receive their coveted diplomas With many a grateful stare. They shall be considerate of everyone; Yes, Juniors and teachers, and all, They shall rejoice o'er their honors For they're passed through all the squalls.

Then only the seniors shall praise them, And only the seniors shall blame, No one will be called better, All shall be the same; But each for the joy of resting, And each in his separate star, Shall do just as he wishes— For the pleasure of themselves as they are.

The Imaja palm, growing in South America, has leaves reaching a length of fifty feet and are often ten feet wide. Another palm, a native of Ceylon, has leaves twenty feet long and eighteen feet broad, from which the natives make tents and shelters.

**Wonderful Winnings By Midland Stockmen**

(Continued from page one)

Gist & Son sold their entire show string with the exception of their first prize senior calf, which they kept as a starter on a new bunch. They sold 4 head through the Texas Hereford Association auction sale, two of which were the highest priced bulls of the entire lot. This makes the third time out of the last four annual sales that cattle bred by Gist have topped the sale. Evidently their show cattle are not ruined by improper feeding methods or over-fitting and are going out and making good in the hands of the new owners.

Gist & Son express themselves as extremely gratified that the grand champion Victor went to Scharbauer & Edison, one of the largest and most prominent Hereford breeders in Midland, and that he will be kept here to further assist in maintaining that high standard of cattle for which Midland is famous the world over. The price received for Victor was \$1750.00 which was nearly six times the average of the sale. Repeater Lad, junior yearling, and half brother to Victor, went to Wm. McNives, Menard, Texas, at \$725. This was second highest price of the sale and over twice the average of the sale which was \$294 on 53 head. Rex Domino, sixth prize junior calf, was too young to bring his real worth and sold to W. A. Blackwell, Jr., of Cuero, Texas, at \$250. Mariana 10th, a good thick kind of cow, but not in show condition, was third highest female of the sale and went to V. B. Latham, of Eden, Texas, at \$300. F. M. Richards, of Brady, Texas, who has been building up a herd of fancy cattle and who has bought more real good heifers the last two years than any other breeder in the State, took two show heifers, both safe in calf to Victor, at \$400 each. M. A. Dillard, of Midlothian, Texas, took two heifer calves at \$300.

B. N. Aycock & Son also made a showing on this occasion that was most gratifying, especially with their young Beau Blanchard. They won second place, too, with their oldest bull show, Donald Blanchard, a senior yearling, and were in the money on everything they had entered. Considering the large number of animals entered in the younger classes, they had every reason to be proud of their victories, and all of Midland is delighted with them.

Mr. Aycock said, also, that there was keen interest manifested on the part of visitors to the show, and that the sales were very good. They, the Aycocks, sold all their females, save one, at private sale, and that the prices received were very satisfactory. The Aycocks are old time winners at this show. It will be remembered that in the show of 1916 or 17, and perhaps in both these years, they too won the grand championship. This was done with their famous herd bull, then a youngster of two or three years. This bull, we understand, was never defeated. All in all we feel mighty proud of the victories of Midland stockmen. These winnings have been so fine in the past, and so numerous, that they have come to be expected, and should defeat ever come to us it would be a bitter disappointment indeed. It won't, and our reputation as the center of a vast breeding country where the most magnificent registered herds and purebreds and beef types are produced, will grow and grow, year by year, until we shall have become the envy of stockmen all over the country. It is no need in the stars of that galaxy established in the world of American championships where already Midland has set her gem to blaze among those of the first magnitude.

Only Circumstantial Following a dinner of savants, a certain professor of psychology said he would test a colored cloak attendant as to his memory. Although the professor pretended to have mislaid his check, the boy without hesitation handed him the right hat. "How do you know this one is mine?" asked the learned man. "Ah don't know dat, sub." "Then why do you give it to me?" "Cause you give it to me when you come in, sub."—The Forecast.

Poor Girl! Her eyes were read. Bloody, almost; But they were bold—fearless. She had not been weeping. Her mouth was a pitiful sight. One time, enticing, pretty. Poor girl! Courageous as she was one could but sympathize. You see, but she was just an absent-minded flapper Who had eye-penciled Her mouth and Lip-sticked her eyes. —New York Journal.

**Some Improvement In Cattle Market**

Chas. M. Pipkin, market correspondent, writing from Kansas City, of the several markets, notes that, cattle and lambs are higher, with hogs a bit lower. He continues: Cattle receipts were about in line with expectations, and while more eastern markets were slow, prices here were strong to higher. Heavy snows in Kansas and Nebraska will cut down loadings for the rest of this week. Hogs opened lower, and closed with a better tone and nearly steady with last week. Lambs were 10 cents higher, top \$15.90, a new high price for the season.

Receipts Monday were 10,000 cattle, 11,000 hogs and 5,000 sheep, compared with 13,000 cattle, 14,000 hogs, and 6,000 sheep a week ago, and 7,500 cattle, 14,175 hogs, and 6,525 sheep a year ago. Though more eastern markets quoted lower prices for cattle, the market here, under prospects for meager receipts the rest of this week, ruled higher with some sales up as much as 35 cents from last week's close. Reports from Kansas and Nebraska stated that the heavy snow of late Saturday and Sunday would delay loadings for several days. Most of the fat steers sold at strong prices, and cows and heifers were up 15 to 25 cents. There was an active demand. Handy weight yearlings and choice steers were scarce. Veal calves and bulls were steady.

Trade in stockers and feeders was restricted some by unfavorable weather conditions. However, demand was sufficient to absorb the offerings at last week's prices, and a good clearance was reported. Hog prices opened 10 cents lower, and after a rather indifferent trade became active and closed only 5 cents lower. The top price was \$7.10, and bulk of sales \$6.80 to \$7.10. Light lights sold at \$6.25 to \$6.65, packing sows \$6.25 to \$6.35, and pigs and stock hogs \$4.75 to \$5.50. Condition of country roads in much of Kansas and all of Nebraska is such that hog loadings the rest of this week will be light and there should be a rebound in prices.

Practically all the offerings in the sheep division were lambs that sold at \$15.25 to \$15.90, the highest prices of the season. The lambs that brought \$15.25, were Kansas fed, Texas grades and Colorado fed lambs sold at \$15.75 to \$15.90. Receipts of horses and mules remained light and prices held fully steady. Trade was fairly active.

**MOTORCADE TO START FROM MEMPHIS, TENN.**

One of the leading features incident to the eighth annual convention of the Bankhead National Highway Association to be held in Albuquerque, N. M., in conjunction with the United States Good Roads Association and the United States Good Roads Show, May 26th to 31st, according to Judge J. M. DeArmond, of Midland, State director of the Bankhead National Highway Association in Texas, are the plans now being made to start a motorcade at Memphis, Tenn., and traverse the Bankhead Highway from that city to Albuquerque, N. M., gathering momentum as it travels westward. The motorcade, says Judge DeArmond, will replace the old time cavalcades which were at one time so popular at conventions.

Chambers of commerce, automobile clubs and civic organizations interested in the great national highway will have decorated cars with the banners of the cities represented. The plan was stated last year by Col. J. A. Rountree, director general of the Bankhead National Highway Association, when with a few cars at points in the Mississippi Valley it was swelled to some 200 cars at Greenville, S. C., at which place the convention was held last year.

In addition to the party from Memphis, which is expected to have 100 cars by the time it reaches El Paso, and which will gain rapidly in numbers as it nears Albuquerque, there will be a like party started from cities in California and Arizona on the Bankhead Highway. With the Bankhead Highway ready for easy travel in every direction, it is an excellent chance to get tourists going in both directions to plan their summer trips at the time of the convention and make the journey in company with other enthusiasts. In addition to be a feature of enjoyment to the members of the party, Judge DeArmond says an excellent opportunity will be afforded to enterprising cities and towns to get a bit of good advertising and publicity.

W. O. Green was a visitor here on Monday from Pecos.

Earle Williams arrived Wednesday from Abilene to visit with his parents until after "exams."

**PRES. J. D. SANDIFER OF SIMMONS IS ILL**

OPERATION RESULTED IN HIS SPENDING BIRTHDAY IN SANITARIUM

Receiving almost 500 birthday greeting cards in one mail on his birthday was the experience recently of President J. D. Sandifer, of Simmons College, who is at present in the Baptist sanitarium at Dallas, following an operation some weeks ago. And other mails brought more cards from the students, faculty members and friends of "Prexy" Sandifer who celebrated his 57th birthday in the Dallas hospital on March 13th. President Sandifer had made plans to return to the college office for this anniversary, after a period of some eleven weeks spent in the sanitarium, during which time he underwent two operations, but an unexpected setback in his condition made it impossible for him to leave the hospital at the time. Students gathered in a chapel session of the college, voiced their keen disappointment when it became known that their much loved "Prexy" would be unable to be present for the birthday celebration of his home coming.

Almost simultaneously came the idea and plan for the sending of individual greeting cards to the absent president. Class officers took the matter in charge, and faculty members of the college joined in. Out of the student body of some 700, and faculty and officers of the school numbering about 40, more than 400 cards of good wishes and greetings were mailed on the same day.

"Prexy" received the cards on his anniversary, and spent all the morning and into the afternoon reading the greetings from Simmons students and faculty. His message of acknowledgment was read at the chapel exercises the following morning: "Birthday remembrances from faculty and students greatly inspired me. Am sorely disappointed not to be there on my birthday. Urge students to meet all exam requirements and return for spring quarter with increased enthusiasm for Simmons. Love to all. Prexy."

In addition to the birthday greetings, students and faculty and women of the Simmons Round Table, combined in a lovely gift to the president which will be presented upon his return to the college post.

**Public Schools In Parents' Week**

Our schools have long observed the custom, practiced now in both public schools and colleges, of setting apart days or a week to be observed as visitors' week, parents' day or parents' week. In keeping with this custom, next week has been set aside as "Parents or Visitors' Week," during which it is hoped that every parent, and any other citizens, ex-students and friends who may care to do so, will visit the different buildings, departments and class rooms of the schools. This does not mean that visitors are not welcome at any time, for they are, but it means that a special opportunity will be given the patrons and the public in general to visit their schools, thereby encouraging the pupils and the school authorities in the work which they are endeavoring to do.

Auto-Mania Here lies the body of Jim Lake. Tread softly all who pass; He thought his foot was on the brake. But it was on the gas. —Typo Graphic.

At sixty miles Drove Willie Smidder; He lost control, His wife's a widder. —Town and County, Painsburg, Pa.

Here lies what's left Of Henry Glenn; Match in gas tank— Up went Hen. —San Francisco Chronicle.

Here lies the remains Of Billy Horner; He didn't "hork" When he turned the corner.

N. N. Evans, of Edmond, Okla., was a business visitor in Midland this week.

For the first time in any week since Christmas, no new pupils entered South Ward last week.

The high school band, composed of twelve members, gave an interesting program at the chapel hour this morning. The band was assisted by Jim Flanigan who is improving on the cornet. A number of visitors was present, and the program was highly enjoyed by all.

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## Ice Cream

If quality in ice cream is what you want, we can please you to the nth degree. We could get an inferior ice cream and possibly make more money for a while, but would lose in the long run, which we would merit by such a course. Therefore we have concluded to stay with Shaw Brothers, of Fort Worth, Texas.

This cream once tasted, becomes a favorite ever afterward. It is absolutely pure, is made correctly and served properly. This ice cream is for sale in Midland by the City Drug Store only. It costs more but you pay the same as you would for cream of poorer quality.

P. S.—Wait For April 24, 25 and 26

## City Drug Store

The Rexall Store

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FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 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)

J. WILEY TAYLOR

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

#### Big Minstrel Coming To Midland March 28

Everybody loves the minstrel show. It is an attraction that appeals to every class—rich, poor, educated, uneducated—all alike. Midland is soon to have a great minstrel festival when Campbell's New Orleans Minstrels with 50 people, band and orchestra, sweet singers of the Sunny South, end men, a gorgeous first prat with a grand olio and spectacular finale, will appear here one night only, March 28th under canvas.

This is said to be the greatest singing and dancing show in America, traveling in two big railway Pullman cars. There will be an attractive noon-day street parade.

The New Orleans Minstrels is one of the oldest in America, and they work to please. Don't forget the date—Friday March 28th.

Although referred to as a prairie province, 75 per cent of Manitoba's total area is wooded.

## OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The Modern Hotel is now open for business under new management.

ROOM and BOARD \$10 per week  
BEDS 50c up

Nice clean rooms, good meals,  
Family Style

John L. Love, Prop.  
Phone 383

## FORMAL OPENING OF NEW LLANO HOTEL

INVITATION IS BROADCASTED TO PERSONS FAR AND NEAR TO ATTEND

Formal opening of the new Llano Hotel will be held Tuesday night at 7 o'clock.

Every person in Midland and the Midland section, as well as former guests of the hotel, within reasonable traveling distance are invited to attend the big opening.

The opening is to be featured by a dance and banquet. Everything is free to the people of Midland and the Midland section except the banquet. Covers at the banquet, which will start at 7 o'clock, will cost \$1 each. The dance will start at 8:30, immediately following the banquet, and is free to all comers.

Refreshments will be served to all visitors in the coffee room of the new lobby and dining room on the first floor. The banquet and dance will be held in the old dining room on the second-floor.

Judge Charles Gibbs will be toastmaster at the banquet. The program will include music by the Community Orchestra and will also include impromptu talks. Only 200 covers will be laid and the first 200 persons who obtain tickets will be the only ones who can attend the banquet. The ticket sale will close Monday night.

Formal opening of the new Llano is held to celebrate completion of the new lobby and dining and coffee rooms. These improvements were made at a cost of \$30,000 to the new owners of the hotel who have such faith in Midland that they were willing to spend their money to further spread Midland's reputation as a good town to stop in.

This new lobby places the Llano in a class of hotels found only in cities of from 15,000 to 25,000 people, according to traveling men, and they add, will insure Midland's continued popularity as a good place to bide a bit in. The Llano is now considered the best hostelry between Ft. Worth and El Paso east and west, and Amarillo and San Angelo north and south.

The hotel was bought in May 1923, from the original builders by the Llano Hotel Company a corporation composed of Dr. Jno. B. Thomas, president; J. E. Hill, vice president; W. R. Chancellor, secretary-treasurer, and John and Clarence Scharbauer and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haley and W. B. Elkin.

The property was bought from W. H. and D. W. Brunson, W. B. and F. F. Elkin, Dr. W. K. Curtis and S. W. Estes. The building was erected in 1909-10 at a cost of \$160,000. To erect the building now would cost about \$300,000.

The hotel has 72 bed rooms, 13 offices, a ladies' parlor, and elevator. The present lobby and dining room will be cut into bed rooms and offices, as the demand necessitates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haley and their daughter, Miss Alice, are managers of the Llano. The hotel is already famous for its cuisine and accommodations, and with the new improvements, it will become still more widely known as a place famous for foods, according to Mrs. Haley.

The management plans to make the hostelry so attractive, as, indeed, it already is to a large extent, that traveling salesmen will come from a radius of 50 to 100 miles to spend their extra time in Midland, and it is also expected to get many of the oil field men located in Midland in order to get advantage of the Llano Hotel accommodations.

### Brunks' Comedians Highly Pleased

Every night the big tent has been crowded, and our people have been highly pleased with the performance of Brunks' Comedians. Every member of the company is versatile in his or her part and have fully sustained the reputation that the Brunks are enjoying, that of an organization that knows the art of entertainment. The plays have been clean, wholesome and entertaining. The music of the orchestra and band have come up to the standard of perfection. The specialties have been bright, snappy and new. The courteous treatment of the company to their audiences have been polite and considerate. What more could we ask?

The company will play again tonight, a matinee tomorrow afternoon and again tomorrow night, which will close their engagement here for this time, and all of Midland extend to them a hearty invitation to visit us again next year, for all are of one opinion that Brunks' Comedians is the best tented attraction that has ever visited our town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Barton were visitors in the city this week from Odessa.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

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High School  
W. Seale, Principal.  
J. Wiley Taylor Jr., Reporter.

At a special meeting of the Literary Society last Friday morning, the following officers were elected: Georgia Kirk Davis, president; Clinton Dunagan, vice president; Louis Wraga, secretary; Louis Thomas, treasurer; J. Wiley Taylor, Jr., reporter; Willis Brookman, critic; Arthur Greenhill, sergeant-at-arms.

Miss Inabeth Whitefield, of C. I. A., and an honor graduate of the Midland high school, visited us last Friday morning and delighted the student body and faculty with a brief talk.

On Saturday March 15th, the Midland tennis squad, consisting of five members under Coach Seale, defeated the Pecos squad five out of seven matches. Midland took the first five matches in straight sets and lost the last two by a margin. The results are as follows: Dunagan and Taylor defeated Dean and Stine, 6-2, 6-4; Watson and Williams defeated Fitzgerald and Lily, 6-3, 6-1; Taylor defeated Stine, 6-4, 8-6; Dunagan defeated Collier, 6-4, 8-6; Watson defeated Lily, 6-1, 6-3; Fitzgerald (Pecos) defeated Williams, 9-7, 7-9, 6-4, and Dean (Pecos) defeated H. B. Dunagan, 6-1, 6-2.

The Interscholastic League meet for this district will be held in San Angelo, April 11th and 12th. Midland will very likely be there in full force.

Jim Flanigan and Earle Williams, of Southwestern University and Simmons College, respectively, visited the chapel exercises Wednesday morning and made brief talks. Jim has made the gleu club of Southwestern. This consists of 25 members, picked from 600 students. This body will make a one month's tour of southeastern Texas, filling 15 engagements. Earle brings favorable reports of Abilene and Simmons College.

George Buchanan and Alec Brandon returned Sunday night from Ft. Worth where they attended the stock show. George participated in the track meet while there, winning fifth place in the broad jump. Only two places were ranked in the high jump and these two jumped over 5 ft. 6 in. George missed with several others at 5 ft. 6 in.

Many of the boys are filling out blanks to join the Citizens' Military Training Camp, which is to be held at San Antonio this summer. C. Hill, Charles Watson, H. B. Dunagan, Garvice Dockray, Thomas Inman, Wade Heath, Clyde Gwyn, and J. Wiley Taylor have expressed their desire to join. All of these are from the senior class.

O. B. Holt, Jr., of Southwestern University, came in Wednesday for a brief visit between terms. He, Jim Flanigan, Earl Williams, Ben Wall, and Holt Jowell, all graduates of the high school, were present at the assembly hour Thursday morning, and visited the senior English class and one domestic art class afterwards. We were glad to have these young men with us, and will be glad to see them again. They seemed to enjoy being with us.

Minnie Warren Pemberton and Gladys Inman, along with several other Midland people, attend the Midland District C. E. Convention at Pecos on the 14th, 15th and 16th. All Endeavor meeting were held in the Christian church. 136 out of town delegates attended this convention. Delegations came from Coahoma, Big Spring, Lamesa, Grandfalls, Toyah, Barstow, Ft. Stockton and Colorado. Friday night the opening address was given by Rev. George Ruth, of Big Spring. Saturday a fellowship luncheon was served to all Endeavorers by the Presbyterian ladies, and Saturday night a pageant was given by the Coahoma juniors. Sunday Rev. Johnson, of Pecos, preached on "The Spirit of Christian Endeavor." Austin D. Bryan, assistant field missionary, attended this convention. It was one of the largest conventions that the Midland District has ever held. Sunday night during the last session special music was given by the Toyah band. The Pecos people showed how hospitable they were throughout the convention by being so courteous and generous to all in attendance.

Coach Seale with several of the high school boys, began getting the base ball diamond ready this week, preparatory to spring practice.

Grammar School—Central Ward  
Miss Barbara Barkak, principal.

## FOR SALE

The Henry M. Half Home consisting of 20 acres in the northwest part of the city. Large house, some furniture. All at a bargain and on good terms.

H. W. ROWE

Midland, Texas

Margaret Francis, Reporter.

The following boys and girls from the grammar school senior class have entered the declamation contest: Elmo Smith, Lelam Dameron, J. C. Scharbauer, Hayden Wilmoth, Thomas Barber, Witzel Whitmire, Dorothy Ratliff, and Katie Leverett. Each of the others is working on an individual declamation, and Miss Barzak is hearing about 15 each day. The contestants are working earnestly, and expect to make a good showing. They are also ready for the spelling lists, which will no doubt be here this week.

#### Grammar School—South Ward

L. L. Thomas, Principal.

Miss Barham, Reporter.

The daily attendance still continues below normal, because some still have measles and the weather has been too bad for others to return to school.

Last year marked a record in declamations, for the number of pupils entering the contest. The number taking special declamations this year with a view to entering the contest is even larger than last year. In Mr. Thomas' room 28 are preparing to enter the contest. This leaves only 2 for that room to take the common declamation. In Miss Williams' room 25 out of 28 are taking special declamations; in Miss Barham's room 35 out of 37; in Miss Ballard's room 11 out of 24, and in Mrs. Klapproth's room, 15 out of 32. 83 per cent of the pupils in South Ward between the ages of 10 and 14 are taking special declamations, and practically all of them have finished the memory work.

We are waiting for the spelling lists to come in order to begin work on Interscholastic League spelling.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

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

THE DEAF SHOE SHOP—Opposite Eliland's garage. One door north of John, The Tailor. Appreciates all kinds of work. Gilbert Ragsdale. 15-1f

FOR SALE—Farming lands. Why rent, when you can own your home, keep your money and improve the place with it? Gaines, Andrews, and Midland Counties. See Joe Jay, Midland, Texas. 17tf

EGGS FOR HATCHING—Single comb Rhode Island Reds. Twenty years of line breeding puts me right in the front ranks for superiority in good stock. I was one of the first in all Texas to breed Rhode Island Reds, and I have never allowed any other breed to be mixed in, and have always kept right up to now in supplying new blood. My flock should be seen to be appreciated. Eggs for hatching from as good stock as can be found anywhere, \$1.50 per 15. S. H. Basham, residence phone 98, office phone 135. 23tf

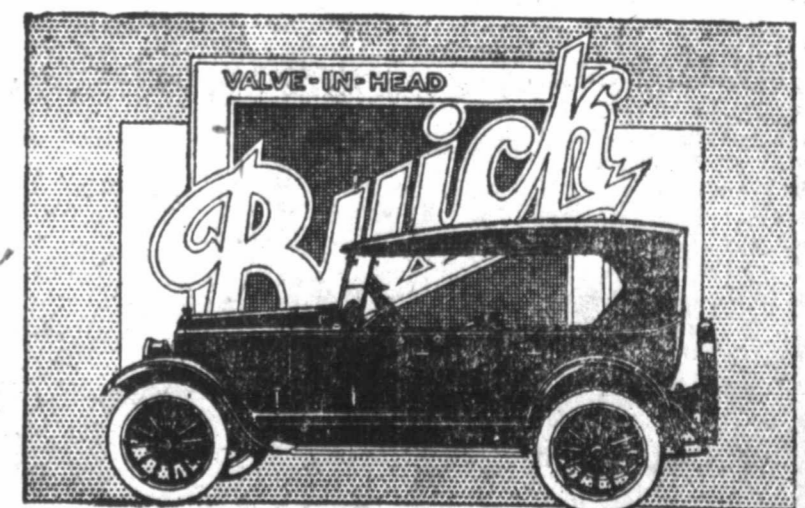
LOST—A large hunting case Howard watch, on the streets of Midland last Monday. Liberal reward if delivered at The Reporter office. 24-3t

EGGS—Well bred barred rock eggs, 75 cents for 15. Also good Dodge 1919 commercial car \$450. Some terms. J. A. Dowdy. 24-4t

EGGS FOR SALE—\$1.50 per 15. I think I have the finest pen of White Wyandottes in town. Come and see. Every hen is a tested layer. If you get less than 10 chicks call for another setting at half price. Mrs. W. H. Brunson. 24-4tpd

See—M. S. Hines about this: Now is a good time to plant grapevines, blackberries, evergreens, and all kinds of shrubbery.

The United States army bakes bread for 2 cents a loaf, superior to that sold the public for 9 and 11 cents.



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THE PASSING DAY

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

So far the most important and significant undertaking that is now under consideration in Texas is the proposition to hold a monster Texas Centennial celebration within the next few years to appropriately celebrate the first 100 years of Texas progress and development. Unquestionably Texas has a history that appeals to the pride of every patriotic citizen and that, when properly understood, makes every one glad to share even in a remote degree the glorious heritage received by us from our forefathers, but it is not so much the victories of battlefields that we would celebrate; the greatest achievements of Texas have been those victories of peace and of progress that have made ours the richest State of the Union, a development achieved in the short period of a century. It is now proposed to show first to Texans and then to the entire world the beginnings and the progress of Texas history and development in such a way that every one may be properly impressed with the greatness and resourcefulness of the State.

In spite of the magnitude of this proposal for a proper Texas celebration, it is surprising that so little interest has yet been shown in the efforts being made to secure a committee or commission with a vision big enough to make the Centennial what it should be. We are so busily engaged in our personal affairs and in petty politics that we are likely to forget that on April 12th, conventions will be held in every county in the State to select delegates to senatorial district conventions that in turn will be expected to select the commissions from those districts to handle this great event. The exposition proposed, if it does justice to Texas, must be on a grand scale, equaling in extent any world exposition ever held, and if this is done the ablest citizens of the State must be enlisted. Brains and executive ability must be commandeered for this purpose, and every Texan should be interested in securing the best.

If one may judge from newspaper reports the practice of influence has become a great profession in this country, of such magnitude as to threaten our governmental system. Lawyers especially have flocked to Washington in recent years and have thrived, not so much because of their legal talent as because of their ability to influence government officials. One of the favorite fields of the "influence" is in securing the refund of

federal taxes. In 1923, 263,320 persons secured refunds from the treasury amounting to \$123,992,820.40 on claims of excessive taxation, according to a report made by the House Ways and Means Committee. The largest refund, amounting to \$9,368,548.00, was made to Whitney Payne and associates. Of course, no one would charge that the treasury is unduly influenced in making these refunds, but parties having such claims naturally prefer to have them presented by persons of recognized influence.

Mail order business is growing in this country at a tremendous rate, and especially are the small towns suffering from the encroachment of this kind of trade. The mail order houses send out attractive catalogs, quote close prices, and keep the buying public constantly reminded that they can buy through the mails as satisfactorily as in stores. The greatest efforts are made to secure the business of those places where the merchants do the least advertising, and the richest returns are reaped from such communities.

The mail order business would die in a few months if the mail order firms were not persistent in keeping their business and their prices before prospective buyers. They know that perpetual vigilance is needed to build and hold trade. They spend money as freely for advertising as for rent or clerk hire, and would no more try to do business without it than they would to run their places without capital or help. Local merchants who advertise liberally, persistently and intelligently have no reason to fear the mail order concerns. Those who do not, have only themselves to blame when the mail order people get the business and the profits that should stay at home.

The members of a church at McCoy, near Floydada, have rented 75 acres of land and are going to plant and cultivate it in cotton co-operatively, the money to be used to build a church. The plan should succeed, and it goes to show that where there is community effort and hearty co-operation almost anything can be accomplished. Any town, any community, can do almost anything it really wants to do. All that is needed is an all-together pull.

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JUNIORETTE A FINE PUBLICATION

SENIOR EXTRA UNIQUE FEATURE OF JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

(Left over from last week) The following humorous features of the "Juniorette," the senior extra, which appeared at the junior-senior banquet, will prove of interest to the many friends of the two classes: Commencement Exercises Held in the Llano Hotel

A novel idea, indeed it was for the class of '24 to hold its graduation exercises in the Llano Hotel. Not only is this an unusual proceeding, but the attending circumstances lend pleasure and exclusiveness to the occasion. Certainly the conviviality of a banquet adds to the enjoyment of commencement.

The following program was given: Address of Welcome—Hon. Thalhert Thomas. Chorus—Choral Club. Reading—Maybe. Saxophone solo: It's Lonesome in Blue Bird Land—J. Wiley Taylor. Salutatory—Ina Faye Young. Vocal solo—Maggie Snodgrass. Valedictory—Carroll Hill. Song—Andy Gump. Class oration—Garvice Dockray. Address: Lecture on Art—Mary H. Herron.

Conferring of medals and presentation of diplomas—W. W. Lackey. Senior of '24 Best Graduating Class of M. H. S.

All admit that the seniors of '24 are the best graduating class of any year. In fact, they, with three other classes, constitute the whole high school. O, Caesar! When comes such another class?

Below are 24 reasons for the greatness of this class: Ruth Blakeney, Lois Brunson, A. C. Collins, Garvice Dockray, Gladys Draper, H. B. Dunagan, Evelyn Estes, Clyde Gwyn, Lela Mary Heard, Wade Heath, Carroll Hill, Oriol Horton, Tougue Hutchinson, Thomas Inman, Eulalie Jones, Louise Karkalits, Izetta Lee, Florence Manning, Lillie D. Midkiff, J. Wiley Taylor, Charles Watson, Agnes Willingham, Maurine Winbourne, and Ina Faye Young.

Juniorette—Senior Publication for Senior Class of Midland High School

Terms—Enough. Circulation—Improving. Editor—Mary H. Herron. Manager—Thalhert Thomas. Motto—Seniors—Juniors Forever.

Seniors

You are a class That none surpass— Maybe! You've ne'er been beat— All others you defeat— Maybe! You're very smart, You've won our hearts— Maybe! And when you leave, O, how we'll grieve— Maybe!

I'd like to be an angel, But angels have to sing; So I'll just be a junior And never do a thing.

A Senior's Version of Kipling

When the senior's last test has been taken, And the diplomas are signed and dried; When the oldest teacher stops grading And the youngest senior has cried— We shall rest—and faith we shall meet it, stop studying, For an aeon or two, Till the spouse of some poor student shall put him to work anew.

And those who studied shall be happy, And sit in a golden chair, And receive their coveted diplomas With many a grateful stare. They shall be considerate of every one; Yes, Juniors and teachers, and all, They shall rejoice o'er their honors For they're passed through all the squalls.

Then only the seniors shall praise them, And only the seniors shall blame, No one will be called better, All shall be the same; But each for the joy of resting, And each in his separate star, Shall do just as he wishes— For the pleasure of themselves as they are.

The Inaja palm, growing in South America, has leaves reaching a length of fifty feet and are often ten feet wide. Another palm, a native of Ceylon, has leaves twenty feet long and eighteen feet broad, from which the natives make tents and shelters.

Wonderful Winnings By Midland Stockmen

(Continued from page one)

Gist & Son sold their entire show string with the exception of their first prize senior calf, which they kept as a starter on a new bunch. They sold 4 head through the Texas Hereford Association auction sale, two of which were the highest priced bulls of the entire lot. This makes the third time out of the last four annual sales that cattle bred by Gist have topped the sale. Evidently their show cattle are not ruined by improper feeding methods or over-fitting and are going out and making good in the hands of the new owners.

Gist & Son express themselves as extremely gratified that the grand champion Victor went to Scharbauer & Eidson, one of the largest and most prominent Hereford breeders in Midland, and that he will be kept here to further assist in maintaining that high standard of cattle for which Midland is famous the world over. The price received for Victor was \$1750.00 which was nearly six times the average of the sale. Repeater Lad, junior yearling, and half brother to Victor, went to Wm. Menzies, Menard, Texas, at \$725. This was second highest price of the sale and over twice the average of the sale which was \$294 on 53 head. Rex Domino, sixth prize junior calf, was too young to bring his real worth and sold to W. A. Blackwell, Jr., of Cuero, Texas, at \$250. Mariana 10th, a good thick kind of cow, but not in show condition, was third highest female of the sale and went to V. B. Latham, of Eden, Texas, at \$300. F. M. Richards, of Brady, Texas, who has been building up a herd of fancy cattle and who has bought more real good heifers the last two years than any other breeder in the State, took two show heifers, both safe in calf to Victor, at \$400 each. M. A. Dillard, of Midlothian, Texas, took two heifer calves at \$300.

B. N. Aycock & Son also made a showing on this occasion that was most gratifying, especially with their young Beau Blanchard. They won second place, too, with their oldest bull shown, Donald Blanchard, a senior yearling, and were in the money on everything they had entered. Considering the large number of animals entered in the younger classes, they had every reason to be proud of their victories, and all of Midland is delighted with them.

Mr. Aycock said, also, that there was been interest manifested on the part of visitors to the show, and that the sales were very good. They, the Aycocks, sold all their females, save one, at private sale, and that the prices received were very satisfactory.

The Aycocks are old time winners at this show. It will be remembered that in the show of 1916 or 17, and perhaps in both these years, they too won the grand championship. This was done with their famous herd bull, then a youngster of two or three years. This bull, we understand, was never defeated.

All in all we feel mighty proud of the victories of Midland stockmen. These winnings have been so fine in the past, and so numerous, that they have come to be expected, and should defeat ever come to us it would be a bitter disappointment indeed. It won't, and our reputation as the center of a vast breeding country where the most magnificent registered herds and purebreds and beef types are produced, will grow and grow, year by year, until we shall have become the envy of stockmen all over the country. It is so read in the stars of that galaxy established in the world of American championships where already Midland has set her germ to blaze among those of the first magnitude.

Only Circumstantial Following a dinner of savants, a certain professor of psychology said he would test a colored clock attendant as to his memory. Although the professor pretended to have mislaid his check, the boy without hesitation handed him the right hat. "How do you know this one is mine?" asked the learned man. "Ah don't know dat, suh." "Then why do you give it to me?" "Cause you give it to me when you come in, suh."—The Forecast.

Poor Girl! Her eyes were read. Bloody, almost; But they were bold—fearless. She had not been weeping. Her mouth was a pitiful sight. One time, enticing, pretty. Poor girl! Courageous as she was one could but sympathize. You see, but she was just an absent-minded flapper Who had eye-penciled Her mouth and Lip-sticked her eyes. —New York Journal.

Some Improvement In Cattle Market

Chas. M. Pipkin, market correspondent, writing from Kansas City of the several markets, notes that cattle and lambs are higher, with hogs a bit lower. He continues: Cattle receipts were about in line with expectations, and while more eastern markets were slow, prices here were strong to higher. Heavy snows in Kansas and Nebraska will cut down loadings for the rest of this week. Hogs opened lower, and closed with a better tone and nearly steady with last week. Lambs were 10 cents higher, top \$15.90, a new high price for the season.

Receipts Monday were 10,000 cattle, 11,000 hogs and 5,000 sheep, compared with 13,000 cattle, 14,000 hogs, and 6,000 sheep a week ago, and 7,500 cattle, 14,175 hogs, and 6,525 sheep a year ago. Through more eastern markets quoted lower prices for cattle, the market here, under prospects for meager receipts the rest of this week, ruled higher, with some sales up as much as 35 cents from last week's close. Reports from Kansas and Nebraska stated that the heavy snow of late Saturday and Sunday would delay loadings for several days. Most of the fat steers sold at strong prices, and cows and heifers were up 15 to 25 cents. There was an active demand. Handy weight yearlings and choice steers were scarce. Veal calves and bulls were steady.

Trade in stockers and feeders was restricted some by unfavorable weather conditions. However, demand was sufficient to absorb the offerings at last week's prices, and a good clearance was reported. Hog prices opened 10 cents lower, and after a rather indifferent trade became active and closed only 5 cents lower. The top price was \$7.10, and bulk of sales \$6.80 to \$7.10. Light lights sold at \$6.25 to \$6.65, packing sows \$6.25 to \$6.35, and pigs and stock hogs \$4.75 to \$5.50. Condition of country roads in much of Kansas and all of Nebraska is such that hog loadings the rest of this week will be light and there should be a rebound in prices.

Practically all the offerings in the sheep division were lambs that sold at \$15.25 to \$15.90, the highest prices of the season. The lambs that brought \$15.25, were Kansas fed, Texas grades and Colorado fed lambs sold at \$15.75 to \$15.90. Receipts of horses and mules remained light and prices held fully steady. Trade was fairly active.

MOTORCADE TO START FROM MEMPHIS, TENN.

One of the leading features incident to the eighth annual convention of the Bankhead National Highway Association to be held in Albuquerque, N. M., in conjunction with the United States Good Roads Association and the United States Good Roads Show, May 26th to 31st, according to Judge J. M. DeArmond, of Midland, State director of the Bankhead National Highway Association in Texas, are the plans now being made to start a motorcade at Memphis, Tenn., and traverse the Bankhead Highway from that city to Albuquerque, N. M., gathering momentum as it travels westward. The motorcade, says Judge DeArmond, will replace the old time cavalcades which were at one time so popular at conventions.

Chambers of commerce, automobile clubs and civic organizations interested in the great national highway will have decorated cars with the banners of the cities represented. The plan was stated last year by Col. J. A. Rountree, director general of the Bankhead National Highway Association, when with a few cars at points in the Mississippi Valley it was swelled to some 200 cars at Greenville, S. C., at which place the convention was held last year.

In addition to the party from Memphis, which is expected to have 100 cars by the time it reaches El Paso, and which will gain rapidly in numbers as it nears Albuquerque, there will be a like party started from cities in California and Arizona on the Bankhead Highway. With the Bankhead Highway ready for easy travel in every direction, it is an excellent chance to get tourists going in both directions to plan their summer trips at the time of the convention and make the journey in company with other enthusiasts. In addition to be a feature of enjoyment to the members of the party, Judge DeArmond says an excellent opportunity will be afforded to enterprising cities and towns to get a bit of good advertising and publicity.

W. O. Green was a visitor here on Monday from Pecos.

Earle Williams arrived Wednesday from Abilene to visit with his parents until after "exams."

PRES. J. D. SANDIFER OF SIMMONS IS ILL

OPERATION RESULTED IN HIS SPENDING BIRTHDAY IN SANITARIUM

Receiving almost 500 birthday greeting cards in one mail on his birthday was the experience recently of President J. D. Sandifer, of Simmons College, who is at present in the Baptist sanitarium at Dallas, following an operation some weeks ago. And other mails brought more cards from the students, faculty members and friends of "Prexy" Sandifer who celebrated his 57th birthday in the Dallas hospital on March 13th. President Sandifer had made plans to return to the college office for this anniversary, after a period of some eleven weeks spent in the sanitarium, during which time he underwent two operations, but an unexpected setback in his condition made it impossible for him to leave the hospital at the time. Students gathered in chapel session of the college voiced their keen disappointment when it became known that their much loved "Prexy" would be unable to be present for the birthday celebration of his home coming.

Almost simultaneously came the idea and plan for the sending of individual greeting cards to the absent president. "Class" officers took the matter in charge, and faculty members of the college joined in. Out of the student body of some 700, and faculty and officers of the school numbering about 40, more than 400 cards of good wishes and greetings were mailed on the same day.

"Prexy" received the cards on his anniversary, and spent all the morning and into the afternoon reading the greetings from Simmons students and faculty. His message of acknowledgment was read at the chapel exercises the following morning: "Birthday remembrances from faculty and students greatly inspired me. Am sorely disappointed not to be there on my birthday. Urge students to meet all exam. requirements and return for spring quarter with increased enthusiasm for Simmons. Love to all. Prexy."

In addition to the birthday greetings, students and faculty and women of the Simmons Round Table, combined in a lovely gift to the president which will be presented upon his return to the college post.

Public Schools Parents' Week

Our schools have long observed the custom, practiced now in both public schools and colleges, of setting apart days or a week to be observed as visitors' week, parents' day or parents' week. In keeping with this custom, next week has been set aside as "Parents, or Visitors' Week," during which it is hoped that every parent, and any other citizens, ex-students and friends who may care to do so, will visit the different buildings, departments and class rooms of the schools. This does not mean that visitors are not welcome at any time, for they are, but it means that a special opportunity will be given the patrons and the public in general to visit their schools, thereby encouraging the pupils and the school authorities in the work which they are endeavoring to do.

Auto-Mania Here lies the body of Jim Lake, Tread softly all who pass; He thought his foot was on the brake, But it was on the gas. —Typo Graphic.

At sixty miles Drove Willie Smidder; He lost control, His wife's a widow. —Town and County, Painsburg, Pa.

Here lies what's left Of Henry Glenn; Match in gas tank— Up went Hen. —San Francisco Chronicle.

Here lies the remains Of Billy Horner; He didn't "honk" When he turned the corner.

N. N. Evans, of Edmond, Okla., was a business visitor in Midland this week.

For the first time in any week since Christmas, no new pupils entered South Ward last week.

The high school band, composed of twelve members, gave an interesting program at the chapel hour this morning. The band was assisted by Jim Flanigan who is improving on the cornet. A number of visitors was present, and the program was highly enjoyed by all.

## CELEBRATION OF TEXAS CENTENNIAL

WITH APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS PLANS WILL SOON MATERIALIZE

Machinery is in process for the formation of what is perhaps the most gigantic enterprise ever launched in the Southwestern world, it was announced recently by Cato Sells, of the Texas Centennial Celebration. Executive offices have been opened in Dallas from whence will be conducted a hard driving 35-day campaign as the first phase of the popular selection of 100 Texans who shall constitute the board of directors for the Texas Centennial. By mandate of a popular convention of Texas citizens held at Austin in the State capitol, Cato Sells, of Ft. Worth, as chairman and Lowry Martin, of Corsicana, as secretary, was authorized to proceed to execute a well defined plan for organization of a board of 100 directors, clothed with complete power to shape the destinies of a commemorative exposition designed to glorify the achievements of the Southwestern world and more particularly the dramatic story that Texas has contributed to the history of human accomplishments.

The plan agreed upon at Austin by the executive committee and ratified unanimously in the convention was drawn carefully, with the intention of drafting from all walks of Texas life 100 representative citizens to have complete charge of the celebration that shall call the mind of all humanity to the works that have been wrought by red-blooded, white-skinned men in Texas in 100 years.

**Choosing Centennial Directors**  
Briefly the program outlined for the choice by popular assemblies, in counties and senatorial districts, of 62 centennial directors, to be chosen two from each senatorial district. These 62 directors then shall be called together to name 29 directors at large without particular regard to district residence. To this personnel shall be added five directors to be nominated by Gov. Pat M. Neff; two to be nominated by Lieutenant Governor T. W. Davidson and two to be nominated by Speaker of the House of Representatives, R. E. Seigler.

When the complete board of 100 has been chosen, formal organization will be effected and the board will control its own affairs. Powers conferred under the terms of the Centennial resolution are broad. "This board shall have full powers to do all the things necessary in the direction and accomplishment of this undertaking including the selection of time and place of this Centennial Celebration, and also its character and scope," it is declared in the resolution.

The method of selecting delegates in counties and directors for senatorial districts in representative assemblies is defined in detail in the resolution under which organization is being effected. It is provided that in every county in Texas, popular meetings shall be held on April 12th, at which time delegates to a senatorial district convention will be chosen. Counties have the right to elect at least one delegate and if the population is large they have the right to select one delegate for each 10,000 inhabitants or major fraction thereof as shown by the federal census of 1920.

**Commissioners To Supervise**  
To preserve in complete integrity,

local control provision has been made for the selection of three election commissioners in each senatorial district. These election commissioners will have full supervision of the county and district conventions in which they reside.

On Saturday, April 19th, a week following the county conventions the district convention will be held in some centrally located point in the district to be determined by the commissioners. Without regard to population figures the senatorial district convention will select two directors for the Texas Centennial Celebration.

The matter of selecting the corps of 93 election commissioners already has been taken up and a plan is being worked out to call to that place of leadership outstanding men in the business and civic affairs of the districts, Chairman Sells said. No man is to be selected because of political prominence and politics of every degree is to be completely taboo in all of the operations of the Centennial organization plans, it was announced.

**No Discussion of Place**  
All plans that are concerned with the scope of the Centennial Celebration and its place of holding have been pushed into the background and no consideration will be given these matters until the complete directorate has been organized and begins to function.

"We have no other thought in mind now," Chairman Sells said, "than to call to leadership in this great enterprise the strongest personalities available." The program is defined to the minutest detail. The popular convention held at Austin last month manifested its enthusiasm for this great undertaking. Its mandate is our mandate. Those citizens—several hundred of them—adopted this declaration and on that we are proceeding.

"We, as citizens, representatives of all Texas, in the convention assembled, are of the opinion that the time is at hand when Texans shall commemorate the achievements of those who gave Texas transcendent glory. We give our endorsement to the painstaking work, that has been accomplished in preparing the stage for a great Commemorative Exposition, and by these presents we decree that there shall be held somewhere within the State of Texas, at a date as early as may be consistent with the magnitude of the task, a Texas Centennial Exposition, held enough to please the still hearts of Austin, Travis and Houston, and big enough to mirror the accomplishments of Texas to all of the sons and daughters of earth, to all of which we pledge our support."

## KAFFIR SEED HAS LONG LIFE

A sample of Glackhull kaffir seed seven years old has been tested for germination by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and found to contain 88 per cent of live seed capable of producing good plants. This seed has been in storage at the experiment station at Lubbock, where it was grown in connection with grain sorghum inheritance studies being made there. The seed was thoroughly cleaned and dried and placed in a paper container and the container stored in a box in the laboratory at the Lubbock station. These results would indicate that if grain sorghum is properly stored in sections where it is grown, that it will retain its viability for several years. It emphasizes the fact that properly stored seed, two, three or four years old, may be about as good for planting as fresh seed.

## WHAT I OWE TO THE MASONS OF TEXAS

BY ELIZABETH GILSON, TENTH GRADE, MASONIC HOME SCHOOL

(Editor's Note—Following is the prize winning essay on the subject under which it is written. The prize was in cash and was given by Hon. Wilmet Orrell. The author is a student of the Masonic Home at Fort Worth.)

Abraham Lincoln once said, "All that I am and all that I hope to be I owe to my mother." In like manner I may say, "All that I am and all that I hope to be I owe to you, Masons of Texas." You have given me a home. By this, I mean all that the word "home" typifies—the necessities of life; the pleasures of life; and kindness, good-fellowship and love. You are giving me an education—not just the ordinary courses taught in a public school, not just vocational courses, but an education received from the meeting, association with and knowing of good people. You have made it possible for me to learn of some of the best things of life. For all this I am indebted to you and, as a true Masonic daughter, it is my duty to try and repay you; for, as Emerson in his essay on "Compensation" says, "He is base—and that is the one base thing in the universe—to receive favors and render none." I realize that to pay in silver and gold would be very nearly impossible, because you have given me more than just material things. However, I can repay you and in something far better and more lasting than coin—good deeds.

While I am in school these deeds assume the form of my taking advantage of all opportunities that are offered me to fit myself physically, mentally and morally for my life after I leave school. By taking part in the athletics and by doing as I am told in regard to caring for my body, I fit myself physically for a useful life. By studying the lessons and performing the tasks assigned me, I learn not only what is set forth in so many words on the printed page, but also lessons of honesty, truthfulness, and determination. In learning through the sermons I hear and through the lessons taught by my teachers, all I can of Christ and His life, I fit myself for a true, upright and morally good life.

While I am in school my means of expressing my gratitude are limited but later I will be afforded numerous ways. By living a life that will be a joy and pride to my community, my friends and to you, my benefactors, I shall show that I really appreciate what you have done for me. By aiding others as I have been helped, I return payment to you. Christ taught that through our befriending our fellow men we befriend Him, so through helping others as I have been helped I repay you.

In conclusion let me say that I shall "County that day lost whose low descending sun Views from my hand no worthy action done."

As a result of their isolation the Hawaiian Islands have evolved 650 species of plant life found nowhere else in the world.

## Some Tax Facts You Can't Dodge

Every manufacturer must add his taxes to the selling price of his product.  
Every merchant must add his taxes to the selling price of his goods.  
Every farmer must add his taxes to the selling price of his produce.  
Every builder must add his taxes to the selling price of the building he constructs.  
Every railroad must add its taxes to the selling price of passenger tickets and freight charges.  
Every landlord must add his taxes to the rents of his houses.  
Every clothier must add his taxes to the selling price of his garments.  
It makes no difference whether it's labor, or materials, or service, that is sold, the taxes must be added and they are!  
Unless taxes are added to selling price, all industry, farming and business would have to cease.  
This is simply the operation of natural law!

W. F. Dixon, of Hillsboro, was in Midland Monday on business.

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We subject Studebaker cars to 30,000 inspections. That requires 1,200 men. All told over 70,000 machine and hand operations are performed in manufacture of a Studebaker car. In so many operations, though each one is small, there is a

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J. T. CROSS, County Judge,  
Ector County, Texas.  
adv 24-25

## EARLY HISTORY OF EDUCATION IN TEXAS

### HOW IT IS CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH THE EARLY DAYS OF MASONRY

Through the efforts of the committee on Masonic service and education, an article on the early history of education in Texas and the part Masonry had in founding same, which was written by Miss Laura McGee, of Marshall, has been secured and released for publication. Miss McGee is the daughter of H. W. McGee, a Mason of Marshall. The story follows:

The history of the Masonic Order in Texas and the history of Texas education are intimately connected says Miss McGee. In order to trace the growth of Masonry in Texas, we must go back to Mexico, where it was introduced by the old Spanish clerical aristocracy about 1806. However, this effort was short-lived. About 1809 or 1810 all traces were lost and we see no more of it until about 1825, when Masonry was re-introduced into Mexico by the Hon. Joel Roberts Poinsett, the United States minister to Mexico. Five lodges were organized as the Grand Lodge of Mexico. Again it was temporarily doomed. Political strife caused its demise in 1829-30.

In 1935-36 five Master Masons after various interviews and much deliberation, resolved to take measures to establish a lodge in Texas. These men, John H. Wharton, Asa Brigham, James A. E. Phelps, Alexander Rossell and Anson Jones, gathered in Brazoria at a very secluded spot, one morning in March, 1835, for their first formal meeting. A petition was drawn up and signed by them, which was forwarded to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana. After some delay the dispensation was granted and Holland Lodge, No. 36, U. D., was instituted and opened at Brazoria, December 27, 1835. The lodge was abandoned February, 1836 when Urrea and a detachment of the Mexican army took the place. Everything was destroyed. In the meantime the Grand Lodge of

Louisiana had issued the charter to Holland Lodge, No. 36. This charter and papers went through the battle of San Jacinto, and were finally taken to Brazoria. Meanwhile death had so decreased the number of members that no attempt was made to revive the lodge at Brazoria. In October, 1837, however, it was re-opened in Houston. Meanwhile Milam Lodge at Nacogdoches and McFarlane Lodge at San Augustine had been chartered. Delegates from these and Holland Lodge met in Houston in convention in the winter of 1837-38. By advice and direction, these three subordinate lodges transferred their allegiance from the Louisiana Grand Lodge and formed the Grand Lodge of Texas.

The first official evidence of the realization, by the Grand Lodge, of the importance and pressing need of education in Texas is found in the following statement of the committee on foreign correspondence in 1848. "The subject of education is one of peculiar interest to the fraternity. In several states efficient measures have been adopted for the establishment of schools and colleges under the patronage of their Grand Lodges, and in Kentucky and Missouri have been attended with distinguished success."

But it especially devolves upon the Masonic fraternity as a sacred duty growing out of the principles of their institutions to advance by every means in their power the cause of education and particularly to educating those of their own household. The Grand Master of Tennessee urges the adoption of some system of education that shall reach the wants of all poor and destitute children of Masons in the State, so that no Mason's child shall be reared in ignorance.

"We as Texans can be justly proud of the munificent provision made by our State for the future education of her children. It would be a noble rivalry for us to engage emulously with her in this noble enterprise."

The "munificent provision made by our State" referred to was the lands set apart for education by the congress of the republic in 1839 and 1840, and the clause of the constitution of 1845 which provides for a system of free schools by taxation. In spite of these provisions, however, nothing had been done by the state. The people of Texas had either not yet reached the stage of realizing the value of a public system of education, or were not in a position to work out the machinery of a general public school system.

As a result of discussion at the Eleven Annual Communication, held in Austin, January, 1848, a resolution was adopted which read as follows: "Resolved: That the M. W. Grand Master shall appoint some competent and worthy Master Mason to be styled Superintendent of Education, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, to hold appointment during good behavior and the pleasure of the Grand Lodge. To have: (1) cus-

tody and management of the Educational Fund, created by the constitution of this Grand Lodge; (2) to have general supervision of all education interests, and to report at each Communication the amount and interest and condition of this fund; (3) to recommend advisable treasures; (4) to perform other duties given by the Grand Lodge.

One of the first of these schools to be chartered was the Masonic Female Institute in Marshall, which was granted power to confer degrees in 1850. This school may be considered typical.

It was under the control of an executive board of managers, appointed by Marshall Lodge, No. 22. At the second session which began October 12, 1850, we find a faculty of five teachers, with the Rev. T. B. Wilson as president and Mrs. Emma Bonfrey, who had previously conducted a young ladies school, as vice principal.

The fact that interest in education was spreading among other lodges is witnessed by a newspaper notice in April, 1851. This article calls the attention of the Marshall "literati" to the fact that the Red Land Herald announces that the Red Land Lodge at San Augustine needed teachers. It goes on to say, "It will at least be interesting to the numerous Masons of this place to see Red Land Lodge following the example of the Marshall Lodge in establishing" and taking charge of an institution of learning.

Brenham also had one of these schools. The Hickory Grove School of North Branham was widely known. This school was built in 1840 from cedar logs cut by a whip saw. There was a punchon floor, benches but no desks. In 1848 it became the "Masonic Academy." It prospered to such an extent that in 1849 a new large school house was built of cedar. This school saw the fate of most of these Masonic schools. When public free schools opened its attendance rapidly declined, and in 1875 it closed, the Graham lodge presenting the property to the city of Brenham.

It is interesting to note that there was also a school in Ft. Worth—the city in which Masons established the Masonic Home and School. In 1857 Ft. Worth was a town of 300 souls. The Masonic building was the only pretentious one the town could boast of. It was a two-story brick building, and was used for school and workshop.

One of the last of these schools to be chartered was the Rusk Institute in Rusk, chartered March 4, 1873. Though they all continued for some time, henceforth they do not play such an important part. The educational system of the State was becoming organized. The mission of the Masonic school had been fulfilled.

- 1. Masonic Grand Lodge, Texas, April 26, 1846.
- 2. Masonic Female Institute, Marshall, December 2, 1850.
- 3. Milam Masonic Female Institute, Bowie, December 8, 1851.
- 4. Linden Male and Female Academy, Linden, December 15, 1853.
- 5. New Danville Female Academy, January 25, 1854.
- 6. Milam Masonic Institute, February 10, 1854.
- 7. San Augustine Masonic Female Institute, 1858.
- 8. Tennessee Colony Masonic Institute, 1858.
- 9. Texas Masonic Institute, Veal's Station, Parker County, January 2, 1860.
- 10. Prairie Lea Female Institute, Prairie Lea, January 31, 1860. (Formerly Masonic Female Institute.)
- 11. Masonic and Odd Fellows Academy, Navarro County, February 8, 1860.
- 12. Uphur Masonic College, Gilmer, February 9, 1860.
- 13. Lexington Male and Female Academy, Lexington, 1860.
- 14. San Saba Masonic College, San Saba, December 11, 1863.
- 15. Henderson Masonic Female Institute, Henderson, May 25, 1864.
- 16. Scyene Masonic Female Institute, Scyene, Dallas County, October 24, 1871.
- 17. Little River Academy, Harrisville, Bell County, May 17, 1873.
- 18. Hallville Masonic Institute, Hallville, Harrison County, May 17, 1873.
- 19. Bagdad Masonic Institute, 1871.
- 20. Grapevine Masonic Institute.
- 21. Greenwood Masonic Institute, 1870-72.
- 22. Moscow Masonic High School, Pouk County, 1873-83.
- 23. Masonic Female Institute, Bonham, 1883.
- 24. Tusculum Masonic Institute, Date?
- 25. Rusk Masonic Institute, Rusk, March 15, 1873.

Twenty-five convicts serving terms at Lansing, Kansas, penitentiary were granted 15-day Christmas paroles by Gov. Davis, of that State. They were on their honor to return at the expiration of the paroles and each man reported on time.

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your training now you will soon be making greater strides in business than you thought were ever possible. If you wait you put off the day when your progress begins. If your money is limited, here again Fort Worth offers you a great opportunity as a great many students go to school and work for their living expenses without losing any time from their studies, this keeps them from going in debt for their tuition, giving their notes as they spend their money for their education instead of spending it for board and room and eating it up. Beware of giving your note. When you sign a contract or a promissory note to schools located in small towns they most generally require you to pay much more for your tuition. Why not come to Fort Worth and earn this money, while going to school, save going in debt, but get your education just the same? If you are interested you should write for the catalog and all information just address Box 182, Fort Worth, Texas, or the Brantley-Draughon Business College. adv 24-25

## European Method of Killing Time

The Berkeley, California, Daily Gazette says: "General Dawes' inaugural address as chairman of the German inquiry committee, according to the Paris Mail, turned the oratorical customs and diplomatic prejudices of old Europe upside down. The Dawes idea was to hold three sessions of the committee, morning, afternoon and night, seven days in the week, until the job was done. 'Like a good American' remarks the Paris newspaper, he was unable to understand why what could be done today should be postponed until tomorrow. 'His plan was admirable. But he failed to take into account the impossibility of officials doing without their week-end rest and Saturday golfing; also the desire of every European expert to sit on every committee, thus preventing efficient distribution of tasks. As a result, the committee is getting done in a week what the American members consider about half a week's work. 'To an American mind, there can be no question about the value of the typical American trait of taking hold of a job in an emergency and sparing no effort until it is done. The Europeans on that committee do not seem to recognize an emergency. And that is one of the main troubles of Europe.'

Blankets netted the Navajo Indians \$150,000 for their weaving last year.

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Kidney sickness often runs you down to the verge of collapse before you know the cause. When you seem unable to pin your mind to any task, your back aches and you cannot do an ordinary day's work, it is time to ask yourself this question: "Are my kidneys working right?" The answer may be easily found. Weak kidneys slacken their filtering work and the uric acid circulates with the blood, in many cases attacking brain, nerves, muscles and vital organs. Don't wait for serious trouble—begin using Doan's Kidney Pills when you feel the first backache or first notice urinary disorders. This remedy has given new life and strength to thousands. Read the grateful testimony that follows: Mrs. M. A. Wooster, 507 Main St., Big Spring, Texas, says: "I can certainly recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, as I have used them off and on for several years. Sometimes after doing a lot of sweeping or other house-work, my kidneys got weak and I had backache. At such times I was bothered with my kidneys acting irregularly. I found I could depend on Doan's Kidney Pills to give me quick relief and I recommend them to all my friends." Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Wooster had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. adv 24-25

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Phone 88

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Arrington and little son, of Merkel, are the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Rankin were visitors to the Ft. Worth fat stock show last week.

Miss Ina Beth Whitefield returned to her school duties at C. I. A. Tuesday after a pleasant mid-term visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Whitefield.

Mrs. W. L. Holmesly left last Sunday for an extended visit to relatives and friends in Comanche, Waco and Mineral Wells.

Mrs. J. B. Wilkerson and little son, Jack, left Monday night for a visit to Abilene.

Mrs. Herbert Carlock and baby, of Pyote, spent last week in Midland with her sister, Mrs. Leonard Pemberton, who is convalescing from a recent operation for appendicitis.

**B. Y. P. U. Enjoy Party**  
The young people of the B. Y. P. U. were most charmingly entertained last Friday evening in the attractive home of Mrs. Lucy Girdley. Many entertaining games were provided for the pleasure of the guests and the hours passed happily by. At a late hour a most delicious refreshment plate was temptingly served.

Mrs. Myrtle Aycock, of Mineral Wells, will be one of the out of town guests at the formal opening of the Llano Hotel Tuesday evening.

Easter lilies are hard to get this year, so place your order early. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv 25-1f

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.

**EPWORTH LEAGUE**

Leader—Louis Thomas.  
Subject: "What the World Offers Me."

Song and prayer service.  
The Sacredness of Secular Service; the Center of the Program—Leader.  
Forbidden Vocations; Religious and Business—Lois Hutchison.  
Piano solo—Alta Mae Johnson.  
Follow Your Bent; Records of Service—Marion Allen.  
A Sense of Vocation—Noreen Halley.  
Announcements and Benediction.

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G. T. Harding is a new comer, arriving here this week from "back east." He is recently from Comanche County, Okla., is a farmer, and has located on some of the Taylor land, just north from Midland, a portion of which he will cultivate this year.

Mrs. B. C. Hendrick, of Odessa, was in the city Wednesday, shopping.

Cecil Wheat returned Thursday from Alpine where he has been in school at Sul Ross normal.

Mrs. W. E. Carter was shopping in Midland the first of this week from Odessa.

George D. Elliott and son, George D., Jr., returned Wednesday from an extended business trip to Lamesa and other points north of Midland.

Mrs. J. F. Murchison, of Odessa, was a shopper here this week.

Joe Veazey was in town from his ranch, Sunday. He gives a very satisfactory range report.

E. R. McDermott, of El Paso, was a business visitor in Midland the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Birge Holt, of Bartow, are visiting friends and attending to business here this week.

W. S. Wimberly, of Loraine, was a business visitor in the city this week.

Water Cowden was in Midland on Wednesday, visiting friends and relatives, and on business from Kermit.

**REGULAR MEETING LAST MONDAY NIGHT**

DIRECTORS M. C. C. OF C. IN EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH SECY VICKERS

Five committees to look after special work to be undertaken by the Midland County Chamber of Commerce were appointed by President W. R. Chancellor at the regular meeting Monday night.

Following are the committees: J. B. Wilkerson and Dr. J. B. Thomas, membership of finance; T. Paul Barron and H. W. Howe, civic and entertainment; B. N. Aycock and Ben F. Whitefield, cattle and agriculture; B. Frank Haag and J. E. Hill, highways; Addison Wadley and Roy Park, fairs and expositions.

The above committees were appointed from the Chamber of Commerce directorate, but additional men will be named on these committees at a general meeting of the membership of the chamber to be held next Monday night at 7:30 in the district court room.

Paul T. Vickers, the new secretary, will work with all committees and will pay special attention to publicity, immigration and trade extension. President Chancellor is an ex-officio member of all committees.

The Chamber of Commerce will have its offices on the first floor of the Llano Hotel with entrance on Wall Street and through the hotel lobby.

Signs will be placed on the stair landing leading to the office from Wall Street and also on the door leading to the office from the hotel lobby. The directors believed this the best available location to catch the attention of tourists and new comers.

Work has already been started on interesting possible settlers. New stationery has been printed, and information is being gathered for an illustrated folder setting forth the opportunities to be found in the Midland Country. The secretary is using the slogan: "Midland in Location, but First Land in West Texas in Present Opportunities."

The highways committee expects to begin work at once on getting a road through to Reagan County oil fields, and will later work on a proposition to open up the territory between Midland and Lamesa. It is the general plan of the Chamber of Commerce to have good roads leading into Midland for the accommodation of the vast farming territory contiguous to the city which it is believed will be settled thickly by farmers within a short time.

**Of Vital Interest to Midland Musicians**

The following notice we clip from the Pecos Times, which we think very interesting to young musicians just starting out in a musical career:  
A warning has been issued by Director Harp to the orchestra several times to the effect that if any music the orchestra is now playing is played for dancing purposes—!! You know the rest. The selections referred to, we believe, the beautiful concert waltzes in the Lake and Presser books, and, for that matter, the marches also. Never having tried dancing to a march, we couldn't say whether it could be done or not. However, the fact remains that Director Harp will not let this orchestra degenerate into a jazz bunch of ear-playing incompetents. At present, the orchestra plays good music, not always classical, but always good, and it must remain above the low-grade trash to stay good. A concert waltz is not low-grade by any means. Some of the greatest operas in the world contain waltz movements. Just as an example, look at the waltz movement in "King Lear" overture. Yet there is no one who would call that overture low-grade. But the point is this: To play this music for dancing is to drag it down, and when you drag its music down, you drag the orchestra down with it. It must not be done. Whatever one's personal opinion is concerning jazz, as long as he or she is connected with the Tri-City Symphony, they should leave jazz severely alone. If you want to play that class of stuff, get out of the orchestra and play it to your heart's content.

**NEW STUNT IN AUTOMOBILING**

Seven days and nights of constant driving, with chains binding him to the wheel of his Buick, is the unique "stunt" with which an enterprising individual known as "Daredevil" Haynes has been regaling the citizens of New Orleans. It is reported that Haynes' "sleepless" drive was made under the constant vigil of his wife, formerly a trained nurse. In the accomplishment of his purpose, Haynes claims a new record.

**Special Prices On All COATS, CAPES AND SUITS For Friday, Saturday and Next Week**

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**Millinery---**  
Every day brings beautiful Hats from the best of our Millinery Designers, and are priced most reasonably from \$5 up to \$25.00.  
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Arthur Walwyn Evans, the distinguished Welsh orator who is to lecture here on the evening of March 31st at the Methodist church, has mighty interesting and pointed things to say in his great lecture. He has absorbed a wider knowledge of men and affairs than the average person gets in a lifetime. He tells in this lecture, in plain, fearless terms, what is wrong with us here, and happily, optimistically and convincingly, he also tells us what is RIGHT with us here. The lecturer will stir your patriotism and you will go home prouder but not "chestier."  
"What Western Democracy Means to Me" has been a most popular lecture in this country on account of the unbarred view-point which is given to it by Mr. Evans. He is a brilliant star of the platform and one of the most popular lecturers in America today.  
Dr. Evans is under contract with the Affiliated Lyceum Bureaus to deliver at least 200 lectures a year up to and including the year 1928. This is said to be the most remarkable contract in many respects ever written, but it is a splendid testimonial to the worth of this remarkable young orator. It is an astounding fact that wherever Dr. Evans lectures, there is almost invariably an earnest request for a return date.

Mrs. Dick Bagley was shopping in Midland from Odessa this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Webb, of Odessa, were in Midland shopping the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Edwards were in Midland Thursday on business and shopping from Odessa.

F. E. Waddell was visiting here the first of this week from Odessa.

**WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

Will meet at 3 p. m. in the Methodist church March 24th, and the following program will be rendered:  
Subject: The New Spirit of Understanding in Race Relations.  
Leader—Mrs. Bratton.  
Devotional: "Christ and Our Possessions." (Chron. xxix: 10-16.) Hymn No. 654.  
The Supernatante Campaign; an Appeal—Mrs. Holmesly.  
Missionary News (Bulletin)—Mrs. E. N. Snodgrass.  
Observing New Attitudes—Mrs. B. Frank Haag.  
Observing New Activities—Mrs. D. Haley.  
Prayer.

Circle No. 1 of the Baptist Ladies Auxiliary met Monday, March 17th, with Mrs. R. M. Barron in the home of the latter. Mrs. D. W. Brunson led the devotional service, giving an interesting and helpful lesson. There were 19 present and after a short business session all were busy making and planning pretty and useful things for the "Practical Sale" and market on Saturday, March 29th. Hostesses served dainty sandwiches, cakes, tea and coffee, using the shamrock favors.  
—Reported.

Jim Flanigan arrived Wednesday from Southwestern University at Georgetown to spend a few days with his parents.

**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**  
9:30 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.

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Preaching services, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m., with class for every one.  
League, 6:30 p. m. An interesting program on "The Choice of a Career."  
L. U. SPELLMAN Pastor.

Easter lilies are hard to get this year, so place your order early. Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop. adv 25-1f  
Miss Ina Beth Whitefield is here this week visiting her parents. Miss Whitefield is a student in C. I. A. at Denton.

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