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## WHAT OUR C. OF C. HAS DONE IN SIX WEEKS

INTERESTING REPORT MADE AT GET-TOGETHER MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

Following is a report by Secretary Paul T. Vickers of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce, of the accomplishments of the organization since March 17th, exactly six weeks:

1. Outfitting and establishment of an office.
2. Open meetings held to generate enthusiasm locally.
3. Co-operated with Hereford Breeders Association and Fair Association in setting fair dates, and took over all responsibility for publicity, and pledged aid in all other possible ways.
4. Through J. E. Hill of highways committee, made tentative arrangements for a possible road to oil fields via Stiles.
5. Co-operated with Judge Charles Gibbs and his committee in plans for organization of \$50,000 company to operate Midland & Northwestern on recommendation of Dr. J. B. Thomas.
6. Appointed reception committee to welcome distinguished visitors and candidates for State offices, thereby proving our boasted western hospitality.
7. Drew up copy and plans for 5,000 illustrated folders of Midland.
8. Answered numerous inquiries about West Texas lands.
9. Arranged conference between local people and publicity and colonization men, resulting in at least Midland publicity in one national journal and the activities of one firm of colonization agents in the Midland territory.
10. B. Frank Haag, Hugh Goggans and George D. McCormick of highways committee spent day mapping out new road to farming settlements north of Midland, and J. E. Hill and Judge Charles Klapproth, also, of the highways committee today continued work on road to Reagan oil field.
11. Lined business men up to build hitching racks for farmers.
12. Obtained information for farmers on cotton seed germination.
13. Elected delegate to Texas Centennial district convention.
14. Obtained virtual promise of New York American to include Bankhead Highway on next map.
15. Obtained assurance from Santa Fe Railway Company that next "Canyon Route" folder would show Midland on map.
16. Obtained promise of Texas & Pacific to consider favorably the operation of a cotton educational special train through Midland and other towns along the route.
17. Obtained the attention and promise of favorable consideration of a request to operate a poultry car to Midland and other towns along the route of the Texas & Pacific.
18. Obtained promise of West Texas Chamber of Commerce traffic manager to take up matter of securing common point shipping rates for Midland as soon as present freight rate controversy is out of the way.
19. Inaugurated a campaign of publicity now appearing in The Midland Reporter seeking to curtail mail order business and trading away from home.
20. Arranged publicity and stimulated interest through the help of Homer W. Rowe, George D. McCormick for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention at Brownwood May 12-14.
21. Started today on sending out literature to 125 people seeking farming lands in West Texas.
22. Provided real estate men with names of home seekers.
23. Now co-operating with J. J. Hamlett, T. & P. agent, in obtaining a better water supply at the stock yards for cattle shippers.
24. Main parts of the work in publicity. Had to line up papers. Had to get two resignations, and permission from another local correspondent.

Publicity obtained in Dallas News, Star-Telegram, New York American, Philadelphia Inquirer, Texas Oil World, Abilene Reporter, Kansas City Drovers Telegram, American Hereford Journal, Western Weekly Magazine, Sweetwater Reporter, Ft. Worth Record, Eastland Oil Belt News, Amarillo Daily News, and the Dallas News.

Publicity of which we are morally sure appeared: El Paso Herald, Mineral Wells Index, Greenville Banner, Ranger Times, Four States Press.

## KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EASTER SERVICE

WAS BRILLIANT SUCCESS AND A LARGE CROWD WAS IN ATTENDANCE

Under almost any circumstances the annual Easter service given by the Knights Templar over the United States is a very interesting and inspiring ceremony, but it goes without saying that the Midland commandery having as its guests Big Spring commandery had a number of the boys of the order of DeMolay, put on the program as arranged for 1924 in a very beautiful and impressive manner. Nothing was left undone by those in charge to make it a most brilliant ceremonial.

Promptly on time the Community Orchestra, noted for its rendition of only the best in music, filled the auditorium of the Christian church with the dulcet tones of a classical overture as a prelude, after which the Sir Knights arrayed in conventional black uniforms and chapeaux resplendent with white plumes waving and the clanking of glistening swords, filed in while a choir of 100 of the best voices in Midland sang as a grand processional, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Then followed the program as arranged for the Sir Knights, interspersed by several beautiful and appropriate anthems, sung with a musical fervor and a rhythmic cadence that was soul inspiring.

The main feature of the elaborate program, however, was the Easter sermon which was delivered by Rev. Wallace B. Blount, pastor of the Christian church. It was a masterly effort and was thoroughly appreciated. As usual an offering was taken for charitable purposes while the orchestra rendered another appropriate selection. After the benediction after which the Sir Knights retired while the choir sang as a recessional, "God Be With You, Till We Meet Again," and the vast concourse of people dispersed feeling that they had witnessed one of the most brilliant and magnificent services that have ever been held in our city.

—Contributed.

## Midland Far Beyond Where West Begins

The following bit of pretty publicity, originating in our local Chamber of Commerce, appeared in Monday's issue of the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram:

Midland, April 27.—Midland is believed to be the only city in West Texas which lays no claim whatever to being the town: "Out Where the West Begins."

Midland is the only town in West Texas which claims to be far beyond "Out Where the West Begins." Midland is in the very heart of the big hospitable, generous, golden West, according to the doctrine of local boosters.

Contrary to the custom of many West Texas cities, Midland never sends out advertising literature carrying the slogan taken from Arthur Chapman's poem: "Out Where the West Begins."

It is always, without hesitation or embarrassment from false modesty, the boosters say, tells a "Westward-Ho" world that this town is 307 miles west than Ft. Worth, where the West really does begin, according to the Star-Telegram.

## Midland Heavy in Baseball Contests

Midland defeated Odessa 14 to 9 in the baseball game on the local diamond Sunday. Nolley and Ward were batteries for the locals. A fair sized crowd saw the game.

Manager Martin is working like a Trojan to get Midland some games with heavier teams in Midland's class. He believes that from now on he will have better luck in getting the bigger games, because some of the towns are just now organizing their teams.

## Midland County C. of C. Activities

On our first page is a report of the activities and accomplishments of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce. Read it. It is interesting. You may, also, want a seat in the "band wagon" in Midland's march cityward.

## Dallas Versus Midland

SLOGAN

Dallas—"The City of the hour." Midland—"Mid-land in location but first land in all West Texas in present opportunities."

POPULATION

Dallas—About 200,000 of whom 85 percent are Americans. Midland—About 2,500 of whom 99 percent are Americans.

SPACE

Dallas—Infinity above to build skyscrapers into. Midland—Miles of room to construct one-story buildings horizontally.

PUBLICITY

Dallas—Known as the leading city of the South. Midland—Known as the last place in America to get quality lands at cheap prices.

WATER

Dallas—The Trinity and Rock Creek. Midland—A great underground river 30 feet below the surface of the earth and 200 miles wide.

CATTLE

Dallas—Figurative bull which has heralded Dallas far and near as a great city. Midland—Literal bulls which have made Midland cattle-world-famous.

TRADE

Dallas—Dallas is provincial, she trades at home only. Midland—Midland is metropolitan, she trades at home and in Dallas, too.

LOCATION

Dallas—On the edge of "Out Where the West Begins." Midland—Far beyond "Out Where the West Begins." Right in the heart of the big, generous, Golden West.

NEEDS

Dallas—Needs Midland. Midland—Needs Dallas.

PEOPLE

Dallas—Just Folks. Midland—Just Folks.

W. E. Lasater, professional masseur and expert barber, is now associated with Frank Criswell in the latter's shop near Currie's restaurant. Mr. Lasater was recently with the Llano Barber Shop, adv 31-2tp

Miss Fannie Bess Taylor returned Sunday after a visit in Amarillo with Mrs. J. W. Yeakel. She also visited in Wichita Falls.

W. J. Moran and J. Wiley Taylor, realtors, made a business trip to Stanton and points in that neighborhood Tuesday.

E. V. Graham, of Odessa, was in town on business Tuesday.

## C. of C. Offers to Be Free Labor Bureau

Farmers or ranchmen in need of laborers or cowpunchers are asked to register their needs with the Chamber of Commerce. Several men seeking work have applied at the Chamber of Commerce office, basement of the Llano Hotel, this week. If farmers and ranchmen will leave requests for workers, the Chamber of Commerce can function as a kind of free labor bureau.

Miss Ora White and Miss Bernetta Ray were in town Saturday from the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Parker are receiving congratulations over the arrival of a 9 pound baby girl Tuesday morning.

## Why Buy Midland Railroad Stocks

The Chamber of Commerce sees the following reasons for Midland people buying stock in the \$50,000 company to be organized to operate the Midland & Northwestern railway:

1. Operation of the road means a vast new trade territory opened to Midland.

2. Operation of the road means a great impetus to the setting of the farming section lying between Midland and Seminole.

3. Operation of the road means State-wide publicity for Midland.

4. Expenditure of \$250,000 by the T. & P. in rehabilitating the road means Midland people, Andrews people and Seminole people will reap a big profit from money spent in this section. In other words, there is no chance to lose by buying stock. It's a dead cinch local people will come out ahead if the road operates, because of the \$250,000 the T. & P. will spend, and because of the wide publicity, rapid settlement and increased values to property all along the line and in the towns on the line.

5. Subscriptions to stock will act to prevent possible junking of the line. Unless local people show their interest in the Midland & Northwestern, the road is liable to be junked, which means Midland will forever lose the big trade territory to the northwest.

6. If Midland supports the proposed stock company, it will have the moral effect of showing our good faith and belief in our country not only to all Texas, to the T. & P. and to the Interstate Commerce Commission, but also to our neighbors of Andrews and Gaines counties, who very much want this road.

7. Finally, to summarize: Midland hasn't a chance to lose. If the road is merely rehabilitated and not operated at a profit for five years, the \$250,000 spent in rehabilitating it and the increased trade from Andrews and Gaines counties and eastern New Mexico will be worth vastly more than Midland's share of the \$50,000 raised to operate the road. The money, of course, will never be spent unless operation of the road is assured, which means, in addition to other avenues of profit named, that an incalculable impetus will be added to local business. This is Midland's big opportunity to do big things and make herself a district city, the next Abilene or Amarillo of West Texas.

The raising of \$50,000 in stock and cancellation of approximately \$225,000 in claims against the road is equivalent to a bonus of \$275,000 to the T. & P. The Chamber of Commerce already has assurance of the cancellation of most of these claims. The Faskens, owners of the C ranch, have already agreed to cancel \$200,000 in claims.

It stands to reason that the T. & P. is not spending \$250,000 in rehabilitating the road, if officials of the T. & P. do not feel assured the road will pay and will continue to operate permanently.

## C. OF C. MEETING WAS REAL FESTIVITY

LARGE CROWD ASSEMBLED AND FINE BOOSTING SPIRIT PREVAILED

Song, laughter, sandwiches, coffee, cigars and cigarettes were the pieces de resistance at the opening meeting for all members of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce in the Llano dining room Monday night.

The meeting started off with some snappy singing of popular songs, led by Rev. L. U. Spellman, pastor of the Methodist church. Bro. Spellman also led the business men in singing a stanza of "America" at the close.

W. R. Chancellor, toastmaster, introduced the various speakers, interlarding his introductions with humorous anecdotes and a running comment. The first speaker was the secretary, Paul T. Vickers, who forecast a brilliant future for Midland and exhorted the men to keep afloat their present boosting spirit in order that Midland may retain its lead as a district city. The secretary concluded his talk with a recitation of the achievements of the Chamber of Commerce during the six weeks he has been in office.

"I am a banker and am interested in other things, but I am a 100 per cent booster for the Chamber of Commerce," declared J. B. Wilkinson, as the men cheered their approval. Mr. Wilkinson foretold a great growth for the Midland County and urged the co-operation of every man in Midland in aiding Midland to maintain its lead. He said every man in Midland should be a member of the Chamber of Commerce and complimented Stokes & Proctor, grocers, for voluntarily joining. Alton Gault, farmer, another new member, was unable to be present.

Rev. W. O. Blount, pastor of the Christian church, was winner of first prize in the joke telling contest. He was awarded a red goose, donated by T. S. Patterson & Company, and a one dollar bill given by the Chamber of Commerce, and W. R. Chancellor received a defunct grape fruit, donated by the Midland Mercantile Company, as the consolation prize. The judges were T. A. Fannin, John Haley and Byron Gist. Much merriment and hot competition were engendered by the joke contest.

Hugh Goggans made a talk on good roads, giving concrete facts as to the plans of the Chamber of Commerce in building a road to Stiles and thence to the oil fields, and roads to the farming settlements north of Midland.

"Midland stands no chance to lose in buying stock in the \$50,000 corporation being organized to operate the Midland & Northwestern railway," declared T. Paul Barron in a speech pointing out the benefits to Midland to be derived from re-operation of the line. He said the publicity, rapid settlement of the territory along the line, added business from Seminole and intermediate points, and expenditure of \$250,000 by the T. & P. in rehabilitating the line would mean vastly more than \$50,000 to people of the three counties concerned.

This program, which the business men said was one of the most enjoyable Chamber of Commerce programs ever given in Midland, was in charge of Homer W. Rowe and T. Paul Barron.

## Midland To Aid In Railroad Plans

The following was carried as a special news item in the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram last Monday:

Midland, April 27.—Active work toward raising Midland County's quota of the \$50,000 to be used in operation of the Midland & Northwestern Railroad from this city to Seminole will be started within two weeks, Directors of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce definitely determined to enter the campaign to assist Andrews and Gaines counties in raising the fund, and Charles Gibbs and local committees are now at work.

A public mass meeting, to urge the buying of stock in the \$50,000 company will be held the night of May 9th, and committees will then go on the streets. It is hoped to start actual work on rehabilitating the road within 60 or 90 days.

Leslie Tompson, who has recently moved to Stanton, was a visitor to Midland Thursday.

## STORING PROSPERITY

The squirrel is smart enough to gather his winter's supply of food during months of plenty.

What the beast does by instinct, man has learned to do through experience.

Are you storing your dollars in a safe place for future needs?

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK**  
MIDLAND, TEXAS



W.B. Shifty



The fellow who has plenty of sand isn't afraid of slipping.  
We aren't afraid of "slipping" when we serve you.

**THE ABILITY TO SERVE  
AND THE WILL TO SERVE**

A happy combination and one that produces results at our institution.  
Nothing boastful about it. Just a matter of farseeing policy and conscientious performance of our duty.  
As we serve we prosper. We shall be content to abide by the fruits of our sincerity.

"There Is No Substitute For Safety"

**Midland National Bank**

"There Is No Substitute For Safety"

**THE PASSING DAY**

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

The Honey Grove Citizen calls attention to the fact that a recent murder trial cost Pannin County more than \$1,000. If the Citizen will make a closer study of the question it will find that the average cost of murder trials exceeds \$1,000. In the case referred to, doubtless the time of the court officers—district judge, attorney, clerk, sheriff and other court attendants—was not considered, nor was the expense of the grand jury and its officers. While allowance was made for jury and witness fees, the fees paid to jurors and witnesses in no way compensate them for the time given to such trials. It would be nearer correct to say that the average cost of a murder trial in Texas is \$2,000, which is but a small sum when compared with the industrial loss due to the murder. Texas pays too much for murder and too little for schools.

The West Texas Historical Association has been organized for the purpose of preserving the history of that part of the State. Most states consider themselves fortunate in having a state organization for that purpose, but Texas is so large and has so much history that these division associations can serve a most useful purpose. One of the benefits that will come from the proposed Texas Centennial Exposition will be an awakened interest in the history of the State. There is much of historic interest hidden away in attics that the Exposition should be the means of bringing to light.

Jasper County is numerically small and is not considered one of Texas' wealth counties, but that county held a fair last year that made a net profit of 80 per cent, that starts in this year with a nice cash balance, and that will be enlarged in every department. The citizens are showing much interest already in the preparation of exhibits. The county fairs throughout the State are developing a county spirit and pride that are sure to rebound to the good of every community where fairs are held.

The Texas Interscholastic League meets throughout the State, culminating in May in the final meet at the University of Texas, are doing much in the development of Texas young people. The contestants get acquainted with each other in a way that creates permanent friendships, and the various intellectual and athletic contests develop the best that is in youth. I heard several debates last week that would have been creditable to groups of leading lawyers and orators and showed an understanding of governmental questions hardly conceivable in such young students. The astonishing thing in connection with these debates was that the young girls were as well informed on the subject debated as the boys, and were even better in their presentation of the points involved. Our grandparents would have thought this impossible.

San Saba has organized a "Seventy and Over" club, composed of those who have reached seventy years of age. That is a good kind of a club provided it does not allow itself to grow too reminiscent. It does not pay to allow the mind to dwell overmuch in the past. While not forgetting the past, we should, as we grow older in years, live joyfully in the present, availing ourselves of the opportunities of the day, and looking hopefully toward better days yet to come. Much retrospection is likely to develop morbid introspection. So far as it is humanly possible the aged should try to keep in touch and sympathy with all that is young about them.

Texas is abloom now, and the whole State looks like a great flower garden. Nature has done wonders in supplying the most gorgeous flowers and in distributing them so that almost every one may get them in great abundance for the gathering. The bluebonnet, the Indian pink, the cactus—multiplied acres of them—are vying with dozens of other native plants in the effort to put on the most beautiful display imaginable. Get out in the great open and revel in the pictures painted for you and that may be enjoyed without cost.

To determine how much dust the average individual breathes, the government has detailed a weather-bureau expert to make an actual count of the particles in the air at the top of one of the buildings in Washington. Every day for the past year the test has continued. The grains are collected in a machine and then counted under a microscope, some being so small that they can scarcely be distinguished under the lens.

**High School Carnival  
A Great Success**

The high school carnival, which was held last Saturday afternoon and night in the American Legion hall, was a success in every way. There was plenty of "pop" on all sides and a "ripping" good time was had by all. The parade was very original and started things off with a bang. The high school ten-piece band led the parade and literally poured forth the noise, to be so small. The band gave two concerts in front of the hall, one in the afternoon and one at night. The booths were all decorated in class colors of the various classes and this formed a splendid background for the activities. The carnival was unique in that new and original ideas were used and there was not a dull moment for anyone. The prize for the most comical car in the parade went to the ninth grade. Their car set forth a boxing match between the two noted pugilists, "H. Wills" and "Jack Johnson." The prize for the second most comical car went to eight-A. Their car was very unique and brought many laughs. The prize for the best baby went to Miss Lucille Lee of the tenth grade. Her decorum as a baby was very becoming and fitted her nicely. The prize for the prettiest girl in the parade went to Miss Gladys Draper of the

senior class. This was a very good selection by the judges and she undoubtedly deserved this honor.

It has been decided to make this carnival an annual affair and so we all look forward to the coming of next spring with much interest.

**Highway to Connect  
Two County Seats**

As special to the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram the following appeared in that paper in its issue of last Monday: Midland, April 27.—Midland and Reagan counties are co-operating in a move to connect Midland, county seat of Midland County, and Stiles, county seat of Reagan County with a good road. The road between Stiles and Big Lake will also be improved in order to make a through highway from Midland to the Reagan County oil field. J. E. Hill, of the highway committee of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce, took up the matter of opening a new road between the two county seats with the county commissioners of Reagan County, and received tentative assurance of aid. This road will open a vast potential trade territory for each of the towns, those working on the proposition say.

Arthur Judkins was in from his ranch southeast Saturday.



In 1923  
**Buick sold  
218,286  
motor cars**  
for which  
the public paid  
**\$302,752,950.**  
not including  
war tax or freight

**BUICK MOTOR CO., — FLINT, MICH.**  
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When better automobiles are built, Buick will build them



**National  
GINGHAM WEEK**

CELEBRATING THIS NATIONAL OCCASION WITH  
THE MOST COMPLETE STOCK OF GINGHAMS OF  
ALL KINDS THIS STORE HAS EVER SHOWN.  
To make this a doubly attractive occasion, we are offering some special values for

**Saturday and One Week**

- AT 25c THE YARD**  
Is an assortment of gingham that are regularly priced up to 40c the yard, consisting of all the New Spring Designs in Checks and Plaids all 32 inches wide, all fast colors specially priced for National Gingham Week, the yard **25c**
- AT 39c THE YARD**  
Is about 25 pieces of regular 50c imported Zephyr Gingham, all 32 inches wide, all fast colors that has been selected to celebrate this National occasion, when every store in the country will be offering special values in gingham. Be sure to see these, at the yard **39c**
- AT 50c THE YARD**  
Is far the largest assortment of imported and domestic Zephyr Gingham west of Abilene, and among this lot is a great many that most stores ask 65c and 75c the yard for. At this store, Gingham Week, the yard **50c**
- AT 15c THE YARD**  
Is a number of pieces of 32 inch, fast color Gingham that are a special value, indeed, for these could not be bought for this price elsewhere, today, special, the yard **15c**
- AT 65c THE YARD**  
Is the very enticing display of ANDERSON'S PURITAN PRINTS, by far the daintiest and best wash fabric of the season, and it is really a wash fabric, for it positively will not fade from laundry, sun, or ironing. These made up with pieced organdie trimmings are beautiful. 32 inches wide, the yard **65c**
- WONDERFUL RATINES, 59c**  
Ratines are a second cousin to gingham, so we have added this splendid fabric to the specials offered for National Gingham Week. This is yard wide and comes in the following colors: Green, Navy, Brown, Blue, Orchid, Rose, Pink and Gold, and the values is a very special one even for this store. The yard **59c**
- WONDERFUL DOTTED VOILES**  
A truly wonderful assortment of this favored summer fabric; all 40 inches wide and splendid color combinations in Tans, Browns, Greens, Reds, Blues, Orchids, Black and White, Navy, etc. Values that this store is famous for the yd. 50c and **65c**
- TISSUES GINGHAMS**  
The assortment of these gingham at 35c, 50c and 75c is all that you would desire. Every one is of fast colors and range from 32 to 36 inches wide.
- PRINTED VOILES**  
More than fifty patterns of Printed Voiles, every one new and distinct, in every shade and design; all 40 inches wide and the price range reads as follows: 35c, 40c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c, and \$1.00 the yard.
- GENUINE EVERFAST SUITING**  
Is all the wanted shades, yard wide and the original positive fast color suiting; looks and launders like linen and is one of the season's most favored fabrics. This store is the exclusive sales place for the Genuine Ever Fast Suiting, the yard **50c**
- PURE LINEN SUITINGS**  
Every piece of our large stock of pure linen suiting has been shrunk from 45 inches to 36 inches wide. The colors are fast when properly laundered and the quality is a standard Marshall Field product, which means the very best. **\$1.00** the yard
- SAMPLES OF THE ABOVE OR ANY OTHER FABRIC WILL BE GLADLY SENT.** This store invites a comparison of values with any other source of supply and believes that we give you better value as well as better service.

**Wadley-Wilson Co.**

Midland, One Price, the Lowest for Cash Texas



# Want You To Know It!

We have just the **BEST COOK** in town

We serve just the best things we or anybody can get. Our culinary service is above reproach

Our desire to please is heartfelt and whole-somely sincere. We are just here to make friends and if we can't win you, you are hard—that's all.

## The Elite Cafe

J. D. McDURMON, Proprietor

### SUMMER SCHOOL AT SIMMONS MUCH REDUCED

To encourage summer school work and the using of vacation time in making of college credits and pursuing studies, officials of Simmons College are making special efforts to give the students registering for work in the Simmons summer session and Abilene summer normal their room, board, tuition, and books at the lowest possible figure. A substantial cut was recently announced by the college authorities for rooms and board in the two women's dormitories of the campus. According to their figures a student may attend the Abilene summer normal, conducted at Simmons, at a total cost of \$80. This includes tuition, room and board in the college halls, and books for the term of eight weeks. One hundred dollars has been given as the estimate for the whole cost of attendance on the Simmons summer school of ten weeks' duration.

Practically all the courses offered in the regular session of the college will be offered by a faculty of almost full strength. The heads of the various departments are without exception remaining to conduct the summer work, and credit and courses in any of the branches of college study may be obtained.

The Simmons summer bulletin is just off the press with full announcement of courses and faculty. This year's bulletin has a distinctive feature in the presenting of pictures of the college campus. A complete fine arts faculty will be maintained for students wishing to do special work in this field; and stress will be laid on the recreational side of the summer school. The swimming pool in Marston gymnasium will be open during the session, and campus tennis courts will be kept in first order. Courses in physical training under the supervision of members of the athletic staff of the college will be offered.

### Endowment Now Almost Finished

Southern Methodist University lacks just \$61,000 of having the second million dollars for its endowment fund, and this it is expected will be raised by the 15th of this month. Dallas has been allotted \$50,000. The other \$11,000 will be raised outside the city.

"Completion of this fund will remove all uncertainty as to the future of the University," President Charles C. Seelman said in announcing the appointment of Lynn T. Talley, chairman of the board of the Federal Reserve Bank, as chairman of one campaign committee that will endeavor to raise the Dallas allotment. "With this second million invested in interest bearing securities Southern Methodist University will take its place among the permanent higher institutions of learning."

The General Education Board of New York will give one-third of the million when the University raises the other two-thirds. The \$61,000 now being sought will complete the two-thirds. The campaign was started in 1920 but was suspended during 1921 on account of business depression. It was resumed last year with the election of Dr. Seelman to the presidency. All contributions must be in cash to comply with the terms of the gift of the General Education Board.

### Electric Power For Farming on The Way

Careful studies of the farming situation in Alabama with a view to the use of electric power on the farms is being made by M. L. Nichols, head of the department of agricultural engineering of the Alabama experiment station at Auburn in that State.

In conjunction with the investigational work which will be done at several points, representative of different types of Alabama agriculture, special research work will be done at the experiment station. The station will be electrified completely and the different departments will study possible uses of electricity in all lines of agriculture. Working in co-operation with Prof. Nichols and Mr. Easter, other experts will work out new and improved methods of using electricity on farms.

After being worked out on the experiment station, new methods will be put into practical use at points in the State where investigation is being made. From the beginning farmers who co-operate will use electricity for purposes known to be practical. New ideas will be tested at the experiment station, and, if found to have merit, they will be recommended to farmers.

Accurate records of all work will be kept and when sufficient progress is made farmers may know how and at what cost they may have electricity for whatever use they care to make of it.

### Will Mean Good To Every Citizen

Several Midland people have inquired lately what they have to do to join the Midland County Chamber of Commerce.

Join up, that's all. New members will be received on paying whatever amount per month they feel they should pay. Some members are now paying 50 cents a month, some are paying \$25 a month, many are paying various amounts lying between these sums.

The sole requirement for membership is monthly payment of any amount pledged to be paid. Any person in Midland County is eligible. Membership cards may be obtained at the Midland National Bank, the First National Bank, or the Chamber of Commerce office.

These men who are volunteering to join and are inquiring about requirements of membership are the class of citizens who don't want something for nothing. They realize that, even though they might not be directly aided in an immediate increase in business to any great extent, that activities of the Chamber of Commerce which work toward the upbuilding of the city and county will mean good to every citizen of the county.

### To Think of When You're Discouraged

When you are tempted to hoist the white flag and surrender to the enemy, just read this from the Praetorian Guard's little synopsis of the temporary defeats suffered by Lincoln after he had started on his public career:

"When Abraham Lincoln was a young man he ran for the legislature in Illinois, and was badly swamped. "He next entered business, failed, and spent seventeen years of his life paying up the debts of a worthless partner.

"He was in love with a beautiful young woman, to whom he became engaged—then she died.

"Later he married a woman who was a constant burden to him.

"Entering politics again, he ran for congress and again was badly defeated.

"He then tried to get an appointment to the United States Land Office, but failed.

"He became a candidate for the United States Senate, and was badly defeated.

"In 1856, he became a candidate for the vice presidency and was again defeated.

"In 1858 he was defeated by Douglas.

"One failure after another—bad failures—great setbacks. In the face of all of this, he eventually became one of the country's greatest men.

### SAFETY ON HIGHWAYS AND IN TOWNS SOUGHT

The traffic accidents on highways, as well as on crowded city streets are happening too often, and with too serious results, is the conclusion reached by automotive interests after careful study of the question.

To aid in clearing up a difficult situation and finding a remedy for the trouble, the traffic planning and safety committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce is enlisting the interest and support of newspapers all over the country, asking that in reporting motor accidents they endeavor to ascertain the cause and forward a weekly summary to the headquarters of the committee in New York.

Newspapers already render a public service in reporting highway catastrophes, but that service will be more constructive when facts are developed showing why accidents occur, so that the public may know where the weak spots are.

In a general way, motor accidents are caused by carelessness in driving, improper traffic regulation, jay walking, insufficient lighting of street or vehicles, physical obstructions to view, too little playground space for children, and so on, but to what degree these factors operate has yet to be determined for most communities.

In this connection, a recent statement by Thomas H. MacDonald said: "One of the big needs of the road system today is proper policing. Country roads must be as well policed as city streets. Sooner or later the States will see it. And eventually the more than 2,000,000 miles of feeder roads, now under the jurisdiction of local officials, should be put in charge of the State highway departments, whose officials know more about road building and road maintenance."

The codfish lays a million eggs, While the helpful hen lays one; But the codfish does not cackle To inform us what she's done. And so we scorn the codfish coy, But the helpful hen we prize; Which indicates a thoughtful mind That it pays to advertise.

### Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Midland.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable Special District Court of Dallas County, of the 2nd day of April, 1924, by John F. Culom, District Clerk of said Dallas County, for the sum of thirty-two thousand seven hundred thirty-seven and 30/100 Dollars, and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Southland Life Insurance Co., in a certain cause in said court, No. 49183-E and styled Southland Life Insurance Co. vs. Midland College et al., order of sale, placed in my hands for service, I, A. C. Francis, as sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did, on the 9th day of April, 1924, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Midland County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

- Block 7, Lots 7 to 12 inclusive block 8.
- Lots 7 to 12 inclusive block 9.
- Lots 7-11-12 inclusive block 10.
- Lots 7-8-9-12 inclusive block 11.
- Lots 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10 inclusive block 14.
- Lots 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10 inclusive block 15.
- Lots 1-10 inclusive block 16.
- Lots 1-10 inclusive block 17.
- Block 18-19-20.
- Lots 2-3-4-7-8-9-10 block 21.
- Lots 9-10-12, block 22.
- Blocks 27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37 and 38.

Also 15 acres of land out of the northeast quarter of section 4, block 39, township 2-south, T. & P. Ry. Co. grantee in Midland County Texas, the same being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a rock mound the NE corner of said section 4, block 39, township 2-south. Thence 15 degrees, 21' along the E. boundary line of said section 3, 246 feet to a point; thence S. 74 degrees 34' W. 2656 1-2 feet to a point in the west boundary of said NE 1-4 of Section 4; thence N. 15 degrees, 21' W. along said NE 1-4 of section 4, 246 feet to a point in the N. boundary of said section 4; thence N. 75 degrees, 35' E. along the N. boundary of said section 4, 2656 1-2 feet to a place of beginning, containing 15 acres of land more or less.

The above described property being situated in the Midland College Addition to the town of Midland in Midland County, Texas, as per map or plat or said addition, recorded in the deed records in Midland County, Texas, book 17, page 616, and levied upon as the property of Midland College, a corporation S. W. Estes, W. K. Curtis, F. F. Elkin, C. C. Johnston, and S. J. Isaacs, jointly and severally, and that on the first Tuesday in May, 1924, the same being the 6th day of said month, at the court house door, of Midland County, in the town of Midland Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Midland College, a corporation, S. W. Estes, W. K. Curtis, F. F. Elkin, C. C. Johnston and S. J. Isaacs.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in The Midland Reporter, a newspaper pub-

lished in Midland County. Witness my hand, this 9th day of April, 1924.

A. C. FRANCIS, Sheriff Midland County, Texas. adv 28-3t

### Citation by Publication

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Ector County, Texas—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Farmers Oil Company by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Ector County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof in Odessa, on the fourth Monday in September 1924, the same being the 22nd day of September, 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the first day of April, 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 514, wherein Edward J. Wall is plaintiff and Farmers Oil Company is defendant, said petition alleging that under a written contract between plaintiff and defendant, plaintiff opened and maintained a publicity bureau in Washington, D. C., in consideration of the defendant promising to pay him \$1,000.00 per month; that said payments have not been made for the months of January, February and the first half of March, 1924, because of which failure to pay defendant is indebted to plaintiff in the sum of \$2500.00 for which he sues.

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

Witness Carl Akin, Clerk District Court, Ector County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in the town of Odessa, this the first day of April, 1924.

CARL AKIN, Clerk, District Court Ector Co., Texas. Issued this 1st day of April, 1924.

CARL AKIN, Clerk, District Court Ector Co., Texas. (SEAL) adv 28-4t

A veritable "murder tree" called clusia—an ogre from the tropical forests of Brazil—is a new attraction at Kew Gardens, London, England. With aerial roots it strangles every tree near. Birds deposit the clusia seeds on branches of neighboring trees. From the seed, roots grow toward the earth, throwing out branches that envelop their victim.

Constructed of 120 pipes of native bamboo, an organ in the Philippine Islands has furnished music for more than 100 years. The hollow reeds had been so thoroughly dried, polished and seasoned that they have not been damaged by the tropical climate and have resisted the ravages of the wood-devouring insects.

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FRIDAY, MAY 2, 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  
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**For County Judge:**  
CHAS. L. KLAPPROTH (Re-election)  
J. WILEY TAYLOR  
J. G. HALL

**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:**  
E. W. LEE (Re-election)

**W. G. PEMBERTON**  
**MRS. LIZZIE QUINN**  
**For Justice of Peace Precinct No. 1**  
L. W. TOWERS

**ECTOR COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**CONCERT WAS HIGHLY PLEASING TO ALL**

REPRESENTATIVE CROWD IN ATTENDANCE DESPITE INCLEMENT WEATHER

The Civic League sponsored the program given by the Midland Choral Club and the Community Orchestra in the auditorium of the Christian church last Thursday evening. An appreciative crowd attended, despite the efforts of Jupiter Pluvius to add a discordant note.

Music lovers anticipate the annual program of the Choral Club with pleasure, and the offerings of the organization in the concert this year were of the usual high class. The club draws its membership from the best musical talent in the town, and shows in the rendition of each number excellent training.

The following program was given

Choral Ballad—"The Miller's Wooing" (Fanning)—The Choral Club, with Orchestra.

Soprano—(a) "Love, Here's My Heart, (Silesu) (b) "Memory's Garden" (Demli)—Miss Barbara Barzak.

"Winter Song" (Bullard)—The Choral Club with Orchestra.

Trio—"At Twilight" (Friml-Ambrose)—Misses Wall, Graves and Williams.

Men's Chorus—"Love Divine" (Zundel-Parks)—Select Men's Voices.

Soprano and Alto—"O Morning Land" (Phelps)—Mesdames Proctor and Flanagan.

Easter—"Who Shall Roll Away the Stone?" (Morse)—The Choral Club with Orchestra.

"A Hunting Scene" (descriptive) (Bucalossi)—The Community Orchestra.

Duet and Chorus—"I Waited for the Lard" (Mendelssohn)—The Choral Club with Orchestra.

Violin—(a) "Hungarian Mazurka" (Dorn) (b) "Last Rose of Summer" (tr. Auer)—Ned Watson.

Ladies' Chorus—(a) "Schubert's Serenade" (Schubert) (b) "Summer Roses" (Geibel)—Select Ladies Voices.

Soprano—(a) "Twilight" (Glen) (b) "Pale Moon" (an Indian love song—Logan) (c) "Lover's Wooing" (Indian blanket song—Troyer)—Mrs. Foy Proctor.

"Forget-me-not" (Geise-Page)—The Choral Club with Orchestra.

Each number was well received. Featured on the program were the special selections and accompaniments furnished by the Community Orchestra, an organization of attested worth in musical circles of Midland. A number of popular appeal, pleasingly interpreted, was "A Hunting Scene."

One of the high moments in the program was the chorus, "Who Shall Roll Away the Stone," by Morse. The ladies' chorus and the men's chorus furnished selections with finish and a measure of feeling.

The songs by the soloists, Miss Barzak and Mrs. Foy Proctor, disclosed unusual clearness and flexibility. One of the most enjoyable offerings was the "Lover's Wooing."

The personnel of the Choral Club is:

Sopranos—Adams, Mrs. R. B.; Aycock, Miss Minta; Barzak, Miss Barbara; Blakeney, Mrs. B. H.; Blakeney, Miss Ruth; Brunson, Miss Louise; Draper, Miss Gladys; Estes, Miss Evelyn; Fasken, Mrs. Andrew; Flanagan, Mrs. J. M.; Hale, Miss Virginia; Haley, Miss Alice; Heath, Miss Clifford; Horton, Miss Oriel; Hyatt, Mrs. W. A.; Inman, Miss Gladys; Lee, Miss Lucille; McCormick, Miss Leona; Midkiff, Miss Lillie D.; Moran, Miss Annie Merle; Pemberton, Miss Minnie Warren; Poole, Miss Crystal; Proctor, Mrs. Foy; Row, Mrs. H. W.; Scharbauer, Mrs. Clarence; Snodgrass, Miss Maggie; Spellman, Mrs. L. U.; Stokes, Mrs. S. D.; Tolbert, Mrs. Harry; Wadley, Mrs. Addison; Wall, Miss Annie; Wall, Miss Dora; Watson, Mrs. C. C.; White, Mrs. J. T.; Willingham, Miss Agnes Mae; Wolcott, Miss Kittie Belle; Young, Miss Ina Faye.

Altos—Cowden, Miss Geraldine; Davis, Miss Georgia Kirk; Graves, Miss Elma; Herron, Miss Mary H.; Holt, Mrs. O. B.; Karkalits, Miss Louise; Ligon, Mrs. Otis; Norwood, Miss Ruth; Prothro, Mrs. J. M.; Ratliff, Miss Frances; Tucker, Miss June; Williams, Miss Lillie B.; Williams, Miss Lotta.

Tenors—Baker, Cleve; Dockray, Garvice D.; Floyd, Clay; Hyatt, R. V.; Inman, Thomas; Johnson, M. D.; Mims, Percy J.; Thomas, L. L.; Wall, Ben S.; Watson, Charles C.; Wimberly, Wallace J.

Basses—Barron, T. P.; Blewett, J. W.; Coleman, A. B.; Coleman, Ray R.; Collins, R. C.; Gilmore, J. M.; Hill, M. C.; Karkalits, C. S.; Lackey, W. W.; Myrick, W. C.; Ross, L. S.; Seale, S. W.; Spellman, L. U.; Thomas, Thelbert R.

The members of the Community Orchestra are: Ned Watson, director, 1st violin; Bill Potter, contra violin; S. W. Seale, obligato violin; H. B. Dunagan, Jr., cornet; Nolan Williams, clarinet; Clinton Dunagan, trombone; Fred J. Middleton, bass; Miss Lydie G. Watson, piano.

H. C. Barnes and wife, and little son were visitors from Andrews this week, guests of Mrs. Barnes' sister, Mrs. E. R. Thomas. It was a pleasure to add Mr. Barnes' name to our nice list of readers at Andrews.

**PIONEERS PLAY LONG TOURNEY**

DOMINOE GAME RESUMED FROM DAY TO DAY AND MEMORIES PROVIDE TALK

Most of our people have seen the good picture of Midland's dominoe veterans, veteran Indian fighters, civil war vets, etc. They are reading from left to right, B. M. Smart, W. J. Glenn, and J. D. Wesson. The other day the Ft. Worth Record, through the Midland County Chamber of Commerce's publicity bureau, carried the following story about them:

Midland, Texas, April 26.—Three veteran Indian fighters of the early days of Texas, veteran cowmen of Texas and veterans of the Civil war, now living in Midland, have become veterans of a thrilling game of dominoes.

The three old cronies are octogenarians. J. D. Wesson is 81, W. J. Glenn is 80, and B. M. Smart is 81. These three vets meet regularly every afternoon at 1 o'clock in Lee Heard's confectionery store, put a good deal of tobacco in their jaws or clamp their teeth down on a trusty pipe stem and fight out a battle at dominoes.

**Long, Long Memory**

"Why, I kin recollect," said old man Smart, as he took his corn cob pipe from between his teeth and pointed at his interviewer, "young feller, when I first come to Texas 72 years ago, if anybody's a-said Williamson and Bell County would ever be a farming country, he'd a-been put in the insane asylum or somebody'd a thought he'd been a chewin' on loco weed."

Mr. Smart came to Texas from Missouri when he was 9 years old. He came to Midland 33 years ago and took part in a good many Indian fights. He was in Garno's brigade with the Thirtieth Texas cavalry during the Civil war.

"Yep, I've got a little ranch close to town," he said, "but I don't work at nothin' no more but dominoes."

Mr. Glenn was born on foreign soil, yet he was born in America and neither in Canada nor Mexico. He was born in the Republic of Texas in Cherokee County.

**Dodging Redskins**

"I outran a big bunch of Indians once when I was just a kid," the veteran said in response to a query as to whether he had ever been an Indian fighter. "Three hundred redskins chased me about five miles, but I dodged 'em and escaped."

Mr. Glenn was a cowpuncher in the early days. He used to drive cattle from South Texas near San Antonio to the closest railway through the old Indian Territory.

"I drove many a herd through what is now the fashionable residence section of Ft. Worth," he said.

Mr. Glenn was with Walker's division during the Civil war. Mr. Wesson lived in Ft. Worth in the early seventies when that city was only a village.

"We used to think Tarrant County never would be fit for anything but long-horn cattle. I've seen the time when you could put a 10-foot rail in dry weather cracks in the ground. Now look at Tarrant. It's one of the best cotton counties in North Texas."

**Hardships Recalled**

This old veteran is the heartiest of the three, despite the fact that he suffered three wounds in the Civil war while in Jackson's and Hill's commands.

"But none of these wounds hurt me as bad as losing my supper one day," he said. "I hadn't had anything to eat for three days, when suddenly while reconnoitering, I came upon a cabbage patch. It had about petered out, but I found one old worm-eaten head and I slipped up to a farm house and stole a crock to cook it in."

"About the time the water started to boil, the darn crock broke and spilt my cabbage in the fire. I grabbed it and ate it raw."

And so, these three old-timers meet time and again and play and play and play until the train come in, when they go get their mail and read awhile and fall asleep and dream about the old days till the following tomorrow when they meet again down at Lee's place and fight out another battle at dominoes, at the same time fighting over again those stirring days when Yank and Johnny Reb saw things in different lights.

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GROCERY PHONE NUMBER 6

DRY GOODS PHONE NUMBER 284

H. C. Barnes, cashier of the First State Bank, of Andrews, was in town this week.

Sheriff J. M. Speed and son-in-law, Roy Wilson, of Andrews, were visitors in town Tuesday.

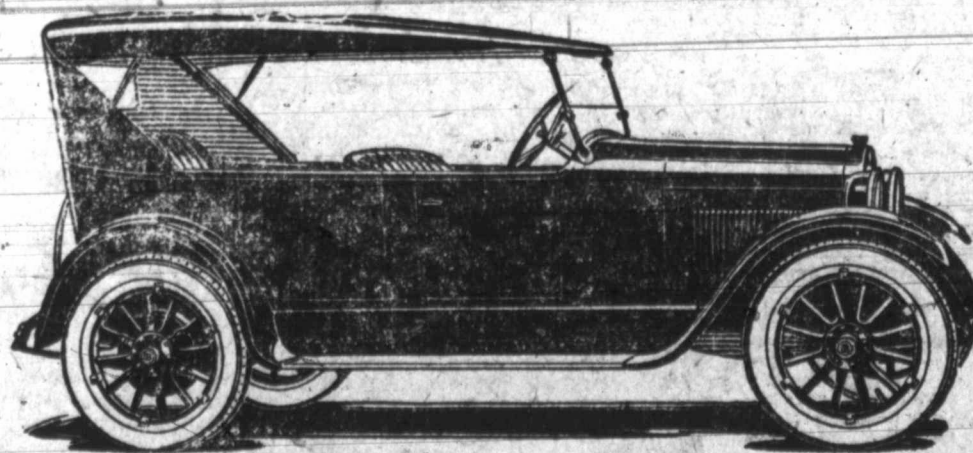
Miss Rebecca Underwood spent last week in Big Spring, the guest of Mrs. Glenn Lovelace.

Mrs. J. B. Rhea returned last Friday from Arizona, after a visit with her son, Col. Rhea.

Hayden Miles and family, of Andrews, spent the week end in Midland.

J. W. Jones and D. C. Hollan, of Garden City, Kans., were in Midland this week.

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### PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

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

George Buchanan, Carroll Hill, H. B. Dunagan, Jr., and J. Wiley Taylor, Jr., representing the San Angelo district in high jump, pole vault and tennis, respectively, left on Tuesday afternoon to attend the Interscholastic League meet at Austin. Each of the above has represented our district before and has received honorable mention at the State meet.

The M. H. S. base ball team held the town team to a five inning tie on Monday afternoon. The score was 10-10.

An inter-class base ball game between the Junior and Freshmen and the Seniors and Sophomores was played on Wednesday afternoon. The score was 12-8 in favor of the Juniors and Freshmen.

Supt. W. W. Lackey and Principal S. W. Seale, as chaperones for our representatives, left on Tuesday afternoon to attend the Interscholastic League meet at Austin.

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

We regret to report that Mrs. Allen is out of school on account of the death of her little niece. In her absence Mrs. J. T. Poole is acting as substitute.

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

Last Tuesday afternoon the Midland Grammar School base ball team defeated the Odessa Grammar School team, on the Odessa grounds, with a score of 12 to 11. C. S. Karkalitis, who pitched the last four innings allowed—only one run. Loyd Blount showed good form behind the bat. Midland played a mixed team from South and Central Ward Grammar schools. From South Ward the players were: C. S. Karkalitis, Archie Estes, Maurice Woody, Joe Wisdom, Andrew Guthrie, and Roy Parker. Those from Central Ward were, Loyd Blount, Thomas Aycock, Witzel and Harwell Whitmore. We expect to play Odessa on the home grounds soon.

Mrs. Paul Slaton, of Odessa, was shopping in Midland Wednesday.

Ernest Cody was in town Saturday from Odessa.

Will Snodgrass was in town from Odessa Thursday.

J. O. Currie was in town Friday from his ranch south.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldridge Estes and "Partner," of Monahans, are visiting Mrs. Estes' father, J. A. Johnson.

Will Elkin is in Brady this week on business.

Will Gates, of Andrews, was in town Thursday.

Warren Lynch, of Elmore, N. M., was in Midland Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Robert Shelton of Pueblo, Col., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. B. Thomas.

Miss Maude Price and Miss Winnie Runyan, who have been teaching school at Ocate, N. M., arrived home Friday.

Mrs. Cap Yates and children visited her sister, Miss Mary Ethel Hill, from their ranch near Rankin, this week.

### Not Much Change In Cattle Market

Chas. M. Pipkin, writing from Kansas City, notes a lower market for hogs and sheep, and a steady one for the other classes of cattle. He continues: Receipts of livestock Monday were liberal in all divisions and with the exception of good to choice fat cattle and best stockers and feeders prices were lower. About 100 carloads of South Texas grass cattle were included in the offerings. No finished native steers arrived, and some choice Colorado steers sold at \$11. Hog prices were 10 to 15 cents under the extreme high market of Saturday, and about the same as Friday. The bulk of the arrivals in the sheep division was from South Texas.

Receipts Monday were 16,000 cattle, 16,000 hogs, and 15,000 sheep, compared with 13,000 cattle, 13,000 hogs, and 4,000 sheep a week ago, and 10,800 cattle, 17,025 hogs, and 5,675 sheep a year ago.

Trade in fat cattle opened slowly, with the best kinds steady, and bids on others 15 to 25 cents lower. Later, however, the killers became active buyers of the medium classes at a 10 to 15 cents decline and the movement over the scales was liberal. The few loads of choice steers offered brought \$10.75 to \$11.50. Some Colorado steers sold at \$11. About 100 car loads of South Texas grass cattle brought \$5.75 to \$8.25, and the fair to good native fed steers sold at \$9 to \$10.70. Choice cows and heifers were scarce at steady prices, and the plain to good classes were 10 to 15 cents lower. Veal calves and bulls were steady.

Trade in stockers and feeders was active. Best classes brought strong prices and others were barely steady. There was a good demand from all sources. Some of today's arrivals were Southwest cattle on through billings to pastures.

The 10 to 15 cent advance that occurred in hog prices Saturday was wiped out today, and the general market fell back to the level of Friday. Other markets were lower with trade dull. The top price today was \$7.15, and the bulk of the offerings sold at \$7 to \$7.15. The top price for light weights was \$7.10. Packing sows sold at \$6.50 to \$6.60, or steady and pigs were 10 to 15 cents lower at \$6.40 to \$6.

Prices for woolled lambs were steady to 15 cents lower, the best selling up to \$15.85. Clipped lambs were 15 to 25 cents lower, at \$13 to \$13.50. The bulk of the sheep offered were fresh shorn grades from South Texas. Shorn Texas ewes sold at \$7 to \$7.75 and shorn wethers \$7.75 to \$8.25, or 35 to 50 lower.

There was no quotable change in prices for horses and mules. Receipts remained light and the offerings cleared readily.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Crawford came in from the W. F. Cowden ranch on Wednesday.

Tom Warren was in town from the Poole ranch Thursday.

Mrs. J. H. Hurt of Big Spring, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Thomas.

B. W. Floyd is in San Angelo this week on business.

Mrs. Geo. Carter and Mrs. Barnett, of Big Spring, were shopping in Midland Wednesday.

B. W. Wind, of San Angelo, divisional superintendent of Highway No. 1, was in Midland on business Wednesday.

C. W. Whittington was in Midland on business this week, from Amarillo.

O. B. Kruehr, of Ft. Worth, and A. F. Moursund, of San Angelo, were in Midland this week in the interest of the Bankhead Highway.

T. D. Love, of Sierra Blanca, was in town this week.

### NEWS INTERVIEWS JUDGE D'ARMOND

#### OUR TOWNSMAN IN DALLAS LAST WEEK AND TELLS OF MOTORCADE

Judge J. M. DeArmond's newly coined word, "Motorcade," is coming into general acceptance. A Dallas News reporter got hold of him a few days ago, and the News published the following interview in its issue Monday:

A motorcade to originate in the Mississippi Valley States and travel west over the Bankhead Highway to Albuquerque, N. M., will be one of the most interesting features of the eighth annual convention of the Bankhead National Highway Association to be held at Albuquerque, May 26th to 31st, according to Judge J. M. DeArmond, of Midland, who was in Dallas last week to arrange for the attendance of Dallas delegates. Judge DeArmond is State director of the association, and while in Dallas appointed Judge Arch C. Allen chairman for Dallas County.

"The convention of the Bankhead Highway Association will be held in conjunction with the United States Good Roads Association and the United States Good Roads show," Judge J. M. DeArmond said. "Plans now are being made to start a motorcade at Memphis, Tenn., and traverse the Bankhead Highway from that city to Albuquerque, gathering momentum as he travels westward. The motorcade will replace the old-time cavalcades, which were at one time so popular at conventions. Chambers of commerce, automobile groups and civic organizations interested in the great national highway will have decorated cars with the banners of the city represented.

**Second Year**  
"The plan was started last year 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 last convention of this association was held.

"In addition to the party from Memphis, Tenn., which is expected to have 100 cars or more 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 opportunity to demonstrate the feasibility of the route and give national publicity in its behalf. The idea has taken strong where it has been presented and assurances have been made that official cars carrying banners and literature advertising the respective cities and towns will join the motorcade, as well as additional cars carrying good road boosters appreciating the value of this great highway to the South."

Scores of school teachers and high school students are preparing to enter Brantley-Droughon College at Fort Worth, Texas, for summer work. The business world needs everyone. This college has a big demand for its graduates. Students may work for board and attend school. Write for catalog. Address Box 182, Fort Worth, Texas.

T. C. Heard, of Seminole, was in town on business this week.

Attorney Jno. B. Howard, of Pecos, was in Midland this week.

R. B. Long, of Commerce, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. John Hix.

John P. Moore and Charlie Rogevno, oil men from New York, were in Midland this week in the interest of the well on the Cowden ranch.

Frank Elkin returned this week from McKinney, after a visit with his wife.

Walter Cowden came in Thursday from his ranch north of Monahans.

Mrs. E. H. Happel, of Big Spring, was shopping in Midland Wednesday.

Mrs. A. I. Creek and Mrs. Arson, of Stanton, were shopping in town Thursday.

Mrs. Geo. Carter and Mrs. Barnett, of Odessa were shopping in Midland Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Poole and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ellis were visitors from Odessa Thursday.

Mrs. Carter, of Odessa, was a shopper Thursday.

Bobbie Yarbrough, of Barstow, was in town Monday.

E. H. Cooper, of Colorado, has accepted a position with Everybody's. We extend to the young man a cordial welcome to our city.

# SATURDAY--LAST DAY

## SPRING GLASSWARE SALE

	Per Set
Tumblers	30c to \$1.15
Goblets	85c to \$1.97
Ice Teas	60c to \$1.45
Ice Creams	\$1.98 to \$2.50
Water Sets	\$1.35 to \$7.50

# Midland Hardware Company

Quality Merchandise Priced Right

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### ORDER FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland.

Whereas on the 14th day of April, A. D. 1924, there was presented to the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Midland County, Texas, at its regular April session, sitting at Midland, Midland County, Texas, at the Court House, the following petition:

"Petition for Hog Election"

The State of Texas, County of Midland, To the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Midland County, Texas:

We, the undersigned freeholders of Midland County, Texas living in and residing in Commissioners' Voting Precinct No. Two, (2) of said Midland County, Texas, do hereby petition your honorable body to call an election in Midland County Voting Precinct No. Two (2) for a stock law to determine whether hogs shall be permitted to run at large in said Midland County Voting Precinct No. Two, (2) being bounded as follows and which appears on the official records of Midland County, Texas, at Midland, Texas, as at the County Clerk's office and now on file in his office: Beginning at the N. E. corner of Midland County, Texas, at the intersection of the line of Midland County to the intersection of said county line with the township line between townships Nos 2 and 3 south; thence westerly along said township line to the S. E. corner of Precinct No. One, same being the S. W. corner of section No. 43, W. T. Holcombe survey in block No. 37, Township No. 2 South for the S. W. corner of this precinct; thence northerly along the block line between blocks No. 31 and 38 to the north line of Midland County, for the N. W. corner of this precinct. Thence east along the north line of Midland County to the place of beginning.

We petition you to call said election as soon as possible in accordance with law.

W. R. Skeen, Mrs. M. H. Fisher, Mrs. M. E. Kress, K. S. Boone, Mrs. K. S. Boone, D. O. Bailey, Mrs. Bailey, A. B. Collier, Collier Collier, E. E. Eiland, Mrs. E. E. Eiland, H. L. McClintic, Mrs. H. T. Hale, C. B. Collier, L. M. Barnes, Annie Collier, Mrs. L. M. Barnes, B. T. Hagle, L. M. Estes, Mrs. L. M. Estes, J. J. Seif, H. C. Heat, J. A. Blankenship, Mrs. J. A. Blankenship, M. H. Fisher.

The Commissioners' Court passed the following order:

"It appearing to the court that said petition is regular and conforms with the Statutes of Texas, pertaining to elections for the restraining of hogs and other animals from running at large, said petition is hereby received, and an election is ordered to be held in Commissioners' Precinct No. Two, of Midland County, at the Stokes School House, in said Precinct No. Two, to determine whether hogs shall be restrained or permitted to run at large in said precinct, and notices shall be given in accordance with law, and J. M. King and E. E. Eiland and L. M. Estes are hereby appointed election judges for said election, and it is so ordered by this court that said election be held on Saturday, May 31st, A. D. 1924, during the hours prescribed by law.

Now therefore, I Chas. L. Klapproth, County Judge of Midland County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on Saturday, May 31st, 1924, during the hours from 8 a. m. until 7 p. m. at the Stokes School House in said Precinct No. Two, to determine whether the majority of the qualified voters of Precinct No. Two of Midland County, Texas, desire a law to prevent hogs from running at large in said precinct No. Two, bounded as described in said above named petition. J. M. King, E. E. Eiland and L. M. Estes are hereby appointed judges for said election.

Given under my hand and seal of office of Midland, Midland County, Texas, this 29th day of April, 1924.

CHAS. L. KLAPPROTH, County Judge of Midland County, Texas. ATTEST: C. B. DUNAGAN, County Clerk of Midland Co., Texas. (SEAL) adv 21-24

### Our Candidate Self-Made Town Builder

Under the caption, "Midland's Candidate For West Texas C. of C. Office a Self-Made Town Builder," the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram carried a double column leader article as a special to that paper about one of our Midland men who is being boosted for the vice presidency of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The article follows:

Midland, April 30.—W. R. Chancellor, of Midland, candidate for vice president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, was born in Texas, and made himself in West Texas. Not content with working out his own destiny, he helped to rear his brothers and sisters and took care of his aged parents.

Chancellor was one of the youngest bank cashiers of Texas when he became cashier of the First National Bank of Midland at the age of 17. He has been here about 10 years, and during that time has become known as one of the leading town builders of West Texas. He is now president of the Midland County Chamber of Commerce and is chairman of the Midland & Northwestern railway committee.

He was born in Navarro County, began clerking in a grocery at 17, worked in the bookkeeping department of a Ft. Worth wholesale house and attended school in Amarillo, Quanah and in Archer County. He started work at 27 as bookkeeper in a Fort Stockton grocery, and in two years organized a company, and bought the First National Bank of that town, becoming its cashier. The reputation he made there, obtained him the position here.

### W. H. Williams Buys The Rialto Theatre

W. H. Williams, manager of the Midland Light Company, last Saturday closed a deal, purchasing the Rialto Theatre from Manager Brown. Mr. Williams is in Dallas this week looking to the interest of this new enterprise, and calculates to make the Rialto a place worth while. While heretofore the theatre has been run in a most acceptable manner and Mr. Brown has made lasting friends in Midland, still Mr. Williams will make many needed adjustments which will be very acceptable to all lovers of the silent drama.

The Reporter congratulates the new management upon purchasing this new enterprise and predicts a successful future.

J. H. Nail, of Ft. Worth, was in Midland on business Saturday.

Matt Grisham, of Toyah, was a visitor to Midland last week.

### Midland Interests Missouri Minister

Midland is making a "hit" far beyond the borders of Texas. And this good impression made by this city and country is on no less a person than a doctor of divinity. Dr. James E. McDonald, pastor of the Methodist church at Jefferson City Mo., became interested in possibilities for young men in the Midland Country. After receiving literature and information from the Midland County Chamber of Commerce, he wrote the following:

"I received your very kind letter under date of April 12th. I was glad also to get the papers. I thank you very much for the information you gave me. I have read every word and have been very much interested. I think you have a wonderful country and that you are to be congratulated upon your beautiful little city. I am predicting for your town a wonderful future.

"I will place this information on file and I am hoping that some time in the not far distant future, to visit that section of the country. I shall be the much better prepared for it by reason of the information you have so kindly furnished me.

"Should I be able to come to Texas at any time I shall most assuredly come out and give that section a look over.

Thanking you very kindly and wishing for you and the cause and the country you represent every possible prosperity, I beg to remain," etc.

Geo. Pemberton, of Denver, Col., was in Midland this week buying cattle.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

THE DEAF SHOE SHOP—Opposite Eiland's garage. One door north of John, The Tailor. Appreciates all kinds of work. Gilbert Ragsdale. 15-17

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. 17-18

FOR SALE—640 acres of land, Section 5A 30, Gaines and Andrews counties. Good for cotton and corn. Price \$5 per acre bonus; \$1.75 due the State. A 75-foot well on same. No trade. We solicit your correspondence. Eugene Stevens, Box 487, Bisbee, Ariz. 29-54pd

FOR TRADE—Good piano for one or two good milk cows. Mrs. J. Wiley Taylor. 30-1

FOR SALE—McGee tomato plants; 50 cents per hundred. M. R. Hill. 31 21-pd

FOR RENT—Three room apartment. Well furnished, downstairs. See Bookkeeper at Midland Mercantile Company.

WANTED—Sewing of all kinds. Graduation dresses a specialty. Phone 252, Mrs. Joe Jay. adv pd

WANTED—Two men to sell Chevrolet automobiles. Experience not essential, but best of references required. Call Saturday and Monday at Western Auto Supply Co.



# STATUS OF MIDLAND AND NORTHWESTERN

## ACTIVITIES OF OUR C. OF C. AROUSE INTEREST IN REHABILITATION

Among many other good signs that are making their appearance over the prospect of rehabilitation and operation of the Midland & Northwestern railroad. Some time ago application was made to the United States Railroad Commission for a permit to junk this railroad, and immediately our local Commercial Club enlisted the aid of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and the Texas Railroad Commission with a view to preventing the line being junked, and through their efforts the scheme of junking the railroad has been abandoned, at least temporarily, and sentiment has been turned from that of junking to a plan of rehabilitation. Our local Chamber of Commerce deserves a great deal of credit for looking after the affairs of our town and country in this particular and in not only preventing the road from being dismantled, and hauled away but especially for turning the tide in a favorable direction.

### Meet in Ft. Worth

During the early spring a committee from our Chamber of Commerce composed of Judge Chas. L. Klapproth, W. R. Chancellor, Homer W. Rowe and Roy Parks, had a conference with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at Ft. Worth and J. L. Lancaster, receiver of the T. & P. Ry. Co. was present, at which the matter of junking the Midland & Northwestern line of railroad to Seminole was fully thrashed out and discussed and these gentlemen were at that time successful in getting a postponement of the efforts of the T. & P. Ry. Co. to junk this little road, and were further able to bring about a consideration of the rehabilitation of the road. This was followed up by much correspondence and pressure from various different angles and another conference was held between the Midland Chamber of Commerce and the chambers of commerce from Andrews and Seminole which was held at Midland during the month of March.

Mr. Lancaster and Dr. Splawn, of the Railroad Commission of Texas, were present at this conference in and thorough consideration was given to the rehabilitation of the road. The conference was held in the Llano Hotel at which numerous citizens were present constituting a mass meeting and Dr. Splawn made a speech in which he argued very vigorously in favor of the rehabilitation and operation of the road and suggested that he felt like the T. & P. Ry. Co. could well afford to rehabilitate the road and place it in operation and that the local people interested ought to organize a \$50,000 corporation for the purpose of taking the road over under a lease contract from the T. & P. Ry. Co. and operating same.

### Lancaster Speaks

After Dr. Splawn had spoken along the lines of the creation of an operating corporation by the people in this section of the country Mr. Lancaster entered into a rather lengthy discussion of his ideas of what could and should be done with the road. Of course, Mr. Lancaster was not and could not have been specific in his remarks as to any proposal, for various reasons. In the first place, his board of directors would have to be consulted and would have to approve any plan proposed, and in the second place there are so many contingencies that would have to be considered that it would be impracticable to foresee all of them and embody them in a proposal; however, he made it clear, as we interpreted his remarks, that it was his desire that the Midland & Northwestern line of railroad be rehabilitated and operated without delay. He also indicated that he would use his influence with his board of directors with a view to rehabilitating the road, and he also indicated that he believed that the executives of the T. & P. Railroad would be willing to rehabilitate the road with the expense of approximately \$250,000 and place the same in operation, provided some concern would take the road over and operate it. He also stated in his remarks that the charter of the T. & P. Railroad prohibits it from operating branch lines and that on account of this limitation in the charter it would be absolutely impossible for this branch line to be operated by the T. & P. Railroad system. He also stated in his speech, however, that the management of the T. & P. Railroad, considered this branch line a valuable asset to the main line.

### Hope to Cancel Claims

One of the main impediments of the road, as pointed out by Mr. Lancaster in his speech, is the fact that there are outstanding some \$225,000 of what is known as second lien

claims against the Midland & Northwestern. These second lien claims are held by citizens of Midland, Andrews and Gaines counties, the largest of these claims being held by Mr. David Fasken, and the other claims are of local business men and merchants of Midland, Andrews and Seminole.

Mr. Lancaster made it clear that as soon as the road was rehabilitated and placed in operation these second lien claimants would begin clamoring for their money and that he would not undertake under any condition the rehabilitation of this line of road with a view to having same operated until these claims were cancelled and released. As practically all of the second lien claim holders are vitally interested in the welfare of the country and will be greatly benefitted by the operation of the road the Midland County Chamber of Commerce is quite hopeful of being able to procure a release and cancellation of these second lien claims, which at present seems to be the greatest impediment to the operation and progress of the road. At present the second lien claims are absolutely worthless because of the fact that the first lien claims are far in excess of the present value of the road in its present condition, therefore, the second lien claims are absolutely worthless and can never have any value until the road is rehabilitated.

In fact, the second lien claims have caused the suspension of the operation of the road and rendered its future more or less hazardous. On the whole, those present at the mass meeting at Midland last above referred to came away rather hopeful and somewhat enthusiastic as to the possibility of the rehabilitation and operation of the railroad. Representatives from the Chambers of Commerce at Seminole, Andrews and Florey were present at this mass meeting and immediately after the speech was made by Mr. Lancaster a move was put on foot leading to the removal of some of the obstacles pointed out by Mr. Lancaster and placing in motion the machinery necessary to ultimately bring about the rehabilitation and operation of the road along the lines indicated by Mr. Lancaster.

### Gibbs Made Chairman

At this meeting Judge Chas. Gibbs was appointed chairman of a committee whose duty it was to take upon itself the responsibility of carrying out the wishes of Mr. Lancaster, as interpreted by those present, and procure the cancellation of these outstanding second lien claims and also the organization of a corporation with a capital stock of \$50,000 for the purpose of operating the line of railroad when rehabilitated under a lease contract from the T. & P. Railroad. Pursuant to this initial step the organization was further perfected by the appointment of W. R. Chancellor, Andrew Fasken, J. B. Wilkinson and Homer Rowe, of Midland; H. C. Barnes, Judge J. M. Speed, of Andrews; Senator Hill and J. A. Castleberry, of Fasken; B. B. Currie and W. A. Cox, of Seminole. At present these gentlemen constitute the personnel of the executive committee that is charged with the duty of directing the enterprise of raising funds with which to create an operating corporation. Recently a meeting of this executive committee was held at Seminole with a view to discussing ways and means of raising the funds with which to form a corporation and all members of the committee were present and all expressed themselves heartily in favor of the undertaking, and while there was not a great deal of enthusiasm and "hot air" manifested at the meeting still there was a general round table discussion in which each and every member was emphatic in his opinion that the rehabilitation of the road and the creation of the corporation were within the range of probabilities, and as a result of this meeting plans were made for a taking of subscriptions to the stock of the corporation and each and every member of the committee expressed his determination to go into the matter promptly and vigorously and press the issue among the people interested to the end that whatever may be done shall take place as speedily as possible.

### Must Raise \$50,000

As indicated above, Mr. Lancaster while at Midland did not specifically make any promise to the people in such definite terms as to bind himself, still those who heard him were all led to the same conclusion; that is, that he will try to induce his executive board to advance all necessary funds to rehabilitate the road and place it in operation if the people interested along the line will create a corporation of \$50,000 capital for the purpose of operating the road after he has completed the rehabilitation, and upon the further condition that the local people holding second lien claims against the old road will release or cancel same in some manner. If this is the correct interpretation of Mr. Lancaster's remarks it seems that he has done all

that could be asked of him. He has had estimates made and states that not less than \$250,000 will be required to reconstruct the road and place it in operation and he has asked nothing of the people interested in the operation of this line of railroad that is not within reason. In fact, he has proposed to do a great deal more than the people along the line have any right to ask of him.

This seems to be a great opportunity for the people of this section of the country, coming as it does just at a time when the country is in process of an awakening. The advertising that was disseminated from various points in Texas through the campaign last year for the Texas Tech. has gone out over the country and attracted the attention of the people to Western Texas. Through this advertising the people have learned of Western Texas in a manner that they never knew before. They are just now, through this advertising, discovering the real value of Western Texas, its protection against the boll weevil and other insects injurious to crops, and its ability to produce crops profitably even under unfavorable conditions, etc.; so with the tide turning to the West and people coming by the thousands to prospect in the Central West and with seasons that are promising for another crop this year, it seems that all we need now to procure an outstanding advertising point for the town of Midland and the country along the line of the Midland & Northwestern Railroad is to strike now with a view to the rehabilitation of the road and its operation, thus convincing those who have their eyes upon our country that we are still alive and active and looking forward hopefully.

### Now is the Time to Act

With the unprecedented development taking place throughout Western Texas, coupled with construction work on this little road this fall and the seasons that are promised us, the northwestern territory will be brought into notice more than any other section of the West and ought to experience a wave of prosperity such as it has never witnessed. Therefore, it seems the part of wisdom for our people to grasp this opportunity and make the most of it speedily. Fate seems to have dealt us a hand and we should play it for all it is worth and it should be done now.

### To Meet May 9th

The Chamber of Commerce has called a meeting of its members to be held at the court house on the night of May 9th with a view to bringing the facts home to our people relative to the opportunity that seems to be knocking at our door while we have been sleeping, and it is to be hoped that we will awaken from our slumbers and do what we can to avail ourselves of this opportunity and join hands with the people of Andrews and Gaines counties and make the most of the tentative offer that has been made by the Texas & Pacific railroad.

### The People Around us are alive

The people around us are alive and wide awake while we have been sleeping on our rights and have joked away whatever opportunities have passed before us, but in spite of our lethargy and lack of interest in our own country new people are moving in on us and new houses are being constructed all around us and new opportunities for construction and development are opening up before us, so it is high time that we arouse ourselves and join hands with the prospectors who are seeking investment in this section of the country and put every effort forward to make all our opportunities count and bring every family into Western Texas and into Midland's trade territory that it is possible to attract this way. Anything that will bring people into the country will enhance the value of our lands and business properties, so wake up, brother, and shake yourself and help us to cash in on our opportunities.

## CONCRETE SATISFIES AS ROAD MATERIAL

Concrete roads, properly made with good Portland cement, offer considerable choice of basic materials, according to the local market, and a satisfactory long wearing road when completed. For suburban and rural roads concrete is an ideal road material. Concrete consists of a mixture of water, cement, sand, and gravel or stone of many varieties. Engineers call the sand part the "fine aggregate," and the pebbles or rock the "coarse aggregate." Given clean aggregates and good cement and the road when finished will be durable, dustless, easily maintained and smooth.

The two disadvantages, cracking and breaking at the edges, can both be overcome. Cracking, a result of temperature changes, and stress does little or no harm if the crack is promptly filled. Proper shoulders at the edge of the road eliminate the dangerous depression caused by the earlier neglect of this part of the road building, before it was understood how water and weather wear away the edge-protecting earth.

The two general types of concrete pavement are known as one-course and two-course pavement. The former consists of one course of concrete, all of which is mixed in the same proportion and composed of the same kind of materials, while the latter consists of two courses, usually mixed in different kinds of aggregate. The one-course pavement is much simpler to construct than the two-course type.

In the two-course type of construction local coarse aggregate of average or low wearing qualities is used in the lower course and imported aggregate with high resistance to wear is used in the top course. If the only materials locally available for use as aggregate are of inferior quality, it is more economical to use them for aggregate in the lower course of a two-course pavement and import aggregate for the wearing course than to employ a one-course pavement and import all the aggregate.

## "HISTORIC HIGHWAY" PROPOSED FOR VIRGINIA

Virginia proposes the completion of what will be known as the "Historic Highway," to run from the Key Bridge, at Washington (so named because its capital city terminus is on the site of the house where lived Francis Scott Key, author of the Star-Spangled Banner,) through Arlington County to Leesburg, Berryville, Winchester, Strasburg, New Market, Harrisonburg, Staunton, Lexington, Roanoke, Bedford, Lynchburg, Appomattox, Petersburg, Richmond, Williamsburg, Yorktown, Fredericksburg, Mount Vernon, and Alexandria, back to Washington. There will be branch roads to old battlefields, homes of famous men, and ancient churches, which can now be reached in automobiles only with difficulty and to which places few people go.

Such a road completed by a State which has not so far been able to list itself among the typical "good roads" States would go far to put Virginia on the fine highway map. It will, when completed, bring hosts of travelers to the State and make available for the nation as a whole, playgrounds which are now but for the few, such as the famous Caverns of Luray and of New Market and Shenandoah; Harper's Ferry, scene of John Brown's raid, at the junction of Virginia, West Virginia, and Maryland, the Natural Bridge, the stupendous Masonic Memorial to George Washington at Alexandria, etc., etc.

In any plan for national highways, such a historic highway would hold a prominent place. When the United States government takes up the idea of building a main system of trunk-line highways, this road will undoubtedly be found upon the engineer's map.

If you find a nice fat legacy in the mail some fine day, Mr. Average Man, reflect on these facts before you start out to do your own investing: The average estate is dispersed within 9 years of the death of the creator; 9 out of 10 business men reach old age without a competence, and 19 out of 20 fail to provide for their families, which largely explains why eight million American women have to work for a living, and why every third widow is in actual want.—Collier's.

To prevent repenting in voting in San Juan, Porto Rico, each voter is shayed back of the right ear and is required to stick his finger in a pot of indelible ink. Formerly, the voter was treated with indelible ink alone but an enterprising voter obtained a quantity of ink eradicator which he distributed to others.

"I believe in evolution to this extent."  
"What?"  
"That it was a jawbone and not a sperrit that woman came from."

## MAN GETS SORE AT GROCER IN MIDLAND

### AS RESULT OF HIS FOOLISH ATTITUDE HIS KIDS ARE ALMOST FAMISHED

John Doe, of Midland, got into trouble the other day, but he says he learned a lesson that will cure him for life. He got sore at a Midland grocer. "That blame guy holds me up on every bill of groceries I buy," he remarked to a friend.

"Aw, John, I would'n't say that. Now, I've lived in six or seven different towns before I came to Midland, and I find the prices here about the same as anywhere else, and a lot cheaper than some towns I know about," replied John's friend.

"Well, if you want to keep on being robbed, it's o. k. with me, but I'm goin' to get me some of these cheap army groceries, the kind you know they're selling out cheap from army goods stores," retorted John Doe.

So, John got himself a catalogue, and ordered bacon, canned tomatoes, canned corn, three sacks of flour, some sugar and a few other items. He got these groceries, too, at a less price than he could buy bacon, tomatoes, corn and so on at any store in Midland.

After a delay of several days, just about the time the kids were crying for something to eat, John's cheap groceries came. The "bacon" was merely alleged bacon. It was almost pure fat. All right for cooking beans, making lard—but to eat, good-night, John's kids said, we'll do without meat, let's open some tomatoes and corn.

Well, Mrs. Doe opened the tomatoes. They were what is known to grocers as "swells," which means they were half rotten, and the cans were bulged. Same way with the corn.

"Gee whis, pa, ain't we gonna have nothin' fitten to eat?" complained little John Doe, Jr.

"I guess, your ma will have to make 'some bread, and maybe some sugar syrup," said John despondently.

Mrs. Doe found weevils in the flour and the "white granulated" sugar was an inferior brown sugar, but it was all the kids had to eat.

"Never again," John told his wife, "after this I'll buy from my home grocer. I know what I'm getting, and I know I can trust these Midland grocers to make good if they mistakenly sell me a bad article. It's a lot cheaper, anyhow, to get groceries you know are good."

It is easy for us to mail a letter or two. How about Uncle Sam's job of getting them all delivered? It is estimated that Uncle Sam handles approximately 32,000,000 letters daily. Quite a task when a day's mailing from all over the United States is combined. Of this large number of letters, around 50,000 are sent to the Dead Letter office daily. Why such a large number? Lack of any address at all, partially addressed, incorrectly addressed, illegibly addressed, etc., etc.

"Cuapinole" is a tree from which a new gum is taken in Mexico. It is reported to be of such quality that it may be used in making the finest varnishes.

### Sideache Backache

"I have been taking Cardui," says Mrs. Lillie Bolton, of Lake Providence, La. "I got down in bad health and lost in weight until I only weighed 120 pounds. I had bad pains in my sides and back and my legs hurt me until I couldn't walk. I stayed in bed half the time. I tried all kinds of medicine, but it did me no good. Finally I tried

## CARDUI

### The Woman's Tonic

"It seems like it did me good from the very first. After I had taken half a bottle I noticed an improvement. I continued its use and I got better and better. The pains in my legs and sides disappeared and I began to gain in weight until now I weigh 155 pounds and feel better than I ever did in my life. I am perfectly well and strong. I have given it to my girls, too."

Cardui has relieved many kinds of pains and distressing symptoms caused by female trouble. It should help you, too, in the same way. Why not give it a fair trial?

## Take Calotabs for the liver

Beware of imitations. Demand the genuine in 10c and 35c packages bearing above trade mark.

**Much in Demand**  
Smithers—"Mabel drives her car, so does her dad, aunt, mother, and two brothers."  
Withers—"Who has it most of the time?"  
Smithers—"The garage man."

**The Main Point**  
"You have only two or three buildings in this new town of yours."  
"I know," responded the enthusiastic realtor, "but look at the parking space!"

An order for 2,000 houseflies came from Boston recently to F. C. Baskopp, chief entomologist of the department of agriculture in Dallas. The flies are presumably to be used for scientific purposes.

**OLIVER W. FANNIN**  
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## Notice—Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Ector.

By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District of Palo Pinto County, on the 19th day of April, A. D., 1924, by the clerk thereof, in the case of W. H. Penix versus Hattie Kreps, Spencer and joined pro forma by her husband C. I. Spencer, No. 5995, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in June, A. D., 1924, it being the 3rd day of said month, before the court house door of said Ector County, in the town of Odessa, the following described property, to-wit:

- 640 acres, Sec. 40, Blk. 42, Twp. 4-S, Cert. 4184, Grantee T. & P. Ry. Co.
- 640 acres, Sec. 32, Blk. 42, Twp. 4-S, Cert. 4180, Grantee T. & P. Ry. Co.
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- 640 acres, Sec. 30, Blk. 42, Twp. 4-S, Cert. 4179, Grantee T. & P. Ry. Co.
- 640 acres, Sec. 30, Blk. 43, Twp. 4-S, Cert. 4314, Grantee T. & P. Ry. Co.
- 640 acres, Sec. 9-B-24, Public School, levied on as the property of Hattie Kreps—Spencer and husband, C. I. Spencer, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$34,112.00 in favor of W. H. Penix, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 21st day of April, A. D., 1924.

**REEDER WEBB, Sheriff.**  
Adv. 30-3b

## Election Order

The State of Texas, County of Midland.

On this the 9th day of April, 1924, the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, convened in regular session at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall, the following members thereof, to-wit:

T. PAUL BARRON, Mayor,  
J. I. GLMER, Alderman,  
JOHN P. HOWE, Alderman,  
M. R. HILL, Alderman,  
J. O. NOBLES, Alderman,  
LEE BRADSHAW, Alderman.

Being present, and among other proceedings had, was the following:

It was moved by Alderman M. C. Ulmer and seconded by Alderman John P. Howe, that there be submitted to the qualified voters of the said City, who are property taxpayers therein, the proposition for the issuance of the bonds of said City, in the following amount and for the following purpose, to-wit:

**SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$7,000.00)** for the purpose of the construction of WATER WORKS.

The above motion carried by the following vote:

M. C. Ulmer, John P. Howe, M. R. Hill, J. O. Nobles, and Lee Bradshaw voting "Aye," and none voting "No."

Thereupon the following Election Order was adopted:

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, deems it advisable to issue the bonds of said City, for the purpose hereinafter mentioned; therefore,

**BE IT ORDERED** by the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, that an election be held on the 21st day of May, 1924, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

"Shall the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of the City of Midland in the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$7,000.00) to become due and payable serially as follows, to-wit:

- One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) in the year 1932.
- Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) in the year 1937.
- Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) in the year 1942.
- Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) in the year 1947.

And bearing interest at the rate of Six Per Centum (6 per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of the construction of WATER WORKS, and to levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, as authorized by the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, particularly Chapter Nine of the General Laws passed by the Thirty-seventh Legislature, at its regular session in 1921."

The said election shall be held at the City Hall in the City of Midland, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, to-wit: J. A. Johnson, W. J. Sparks, C. P. Benedict and H. W. Rowe.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 1, Title 18, Revised Statutes, 1911, as amended, and the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and none but resident qualified property taxpayers shall be allowed to vote.

All voters who favor the proposition to issue the SEWER BONDS shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words: "For the Issuance of Sewer Bonds and the Levy of a Tax in Payment Thereof."

And those opposed to issuing the SEWER BONDS shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words: "Against the Issuance of Sewer Bonds and the Levy of a Tax in Payment Thereof."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas regulating general elections.

A copy of this order, signed by the Mayor of the City of Midland, attested by the City Secretary, shall serve as a proper notice of said election.

The Mayor is authorized and directed to cause notices of the election to be posted at three public places in the City of Midland, one of which shall be at the City Hall, the place herein designated for holding said election, for at least thirty days prior to the date of said election.

The Mayor is further authorized and directed to have said notice of election published in the Midland Reporter, which is a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Midland, and which notice shall be published once each week for four weeks, the date of the first publication being not less than full thirty days prior to the date of the election.

T. PAUL BARRON, Mayor, City of Midland, Texas.  
JNO. WINBORNE, City Secretary, adv 29-4t

## Notice of Election

The State of Texas, County of Midland, City of Midland.

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"SHALL the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of the City of Midland in the sum of SIXTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$68,000.00) to be due and payable serially as follows, to-wit:

- Five Thousand Dollars in the year 1929.
- Eight Thousand Dollars in the year 1934.
- Twelve Thousand Dollars in the year 1939.
- Fifteen Thousand Dollars in the year 1944.
- Twenty Thousand Dollars in the year 1949.
- Eight Thousand Dollars in the year 1954.

And bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed SIX PER CENTUM (6 per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of the construction of sewers and to levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, as authorized by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas, particularly Chapter Nine of the General Laws passed by the Thirty-seventh Legislature, at its regular session in 1921."

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## Gamblers Don't Want Prices Stabilized

The sun came out from behind the clouds the other day and knocked more than \$3 off the price of a bale of cotton. At least, that is what caused the decline, according to the market reporters, says Farm and Ranch. The comment continues: The cotton market is very sensitive. It is influenced by heat and cold, by rain and fair weather and by political conditions in Patagonia and other out-of-the-way places, that is, if one is to believe all the reasons or excuses given by brokers and reporters for the daily and uncalculated fluctuations of the market. There may be a slight excuse for an April weather report to influence prices in the future market on new crop months, but none at all for putting the price of spots either up or down at a time when the quantity of cotton available for the next five months is known almost to a bale.

Consumers of raw cotton and all the middlemen in the cotton business have known for months the size of the supply of raw material. They have been able to estimate approximately the probable consumption, and under these conditions, the price of spot cotton should have been fairly stable. But has it? The price of spot cotton has fluctuated over \$50 per bale during the past few months. First one excuse and then another has been given for price changes. In the meantime not one bale has been added to the supply and nothing can be known about what the new season will bring forth. The only possible influence the new crop can have on the market comes from a few bad guesses on the acreage to be planted. Fluctuations have been largely due to manipulation on the part of speculators who are adept at manufacturing excuses for bearing or bulling the market as the case may be.

Cotton is a staple article of production and consumption. The price should be controlled by the demand of today or tomorrow but the probable demand for the season. Speculators, however, out-numbered the men in legitimate trades who perform a service in the distribution of cotton, and in a large measure have rendered null and void, or at least inoperative, the law of trade which should control. The price of cotton will never be stabilized until the gamblers are put entirely out of business.

Stable prices in cotton, grain or other farm commodities is the last thing gamblers desire. They make or lose their money in betting on the probable course of the market. If fluctuations were few and narrow, the game would have about as much interest to them as tiddle-dy-winks would have to a confirmed poker player. What they crave is action, and to get action they bring to bear on the market every influence, real or imaginary, within their power. Such men are a real menace to both producers and consumers. Just why they are permitted to ply their trade in the so-called legitimate exchanges is beyond the comprehension of men who believe in a square deal.

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# THE PEDDY-MAYFIELD HEARING MAY 8TH

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Since all of the witnesses will have to be brought from Texas or great distances, the committee asked that care be used in the number subpoenaed, and the materiality of their testimony. It was indicated by Peddy's attorneys that probably fifty witnesses would be brought to Washington before the hearings are concluded, and for the present the matter of campaign expenditures would involve fifteen or twenty, a list of whom will be presented to Senator Spencer Tuesday morning by attorneys for the contestant, Peddy. Mr. Zumburrn stated that it might be possible no witnesses would be offered on behalf of Senator Mayfield, but that it would depend upon the character and the details of the testimony to be offered by Peddy, upon whom the burden of proof rests.

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itself. This was in the interest of time and expense, the attorney stated. Objection to the plan was offered by Mr. Zumburrn as affording no economy as to time, for it would still mean the bringing of the controverted law questions before the committee for decision, and would permit immaterial matters to get into the record and be a part of the history of the case. He alleged to the committee that there had been scant preservation of the sanctity of the ballots since they had been shipped from Texas in cigar boxes, short boxes, chewing gum cartons, and that 20 per cent of the boxes locked had keys attached which made it possible for the ballots to either be changed or removed, and that the approximate 5,600 precincts about 2,000 of them were missing in the recount.

"The committee is confronted with the necessity of determining what the sanctity of the ballot amounts to," said Mr. Zumburrn.

"Do you contend that any were tampered with?" asked Senator Spencer.

Question of Disfranchisement

"We do not," replied Mayfield's attorney and continued: "There are about 40,000 ballots which bear the name of the election judge in the handwriting of some other person, and the questions of law can determine whether these 40,000 voters are to be disfranchised."

The attorney continued that the contention of Peddy against the 180,000 ballots with Mayfield's name printed on them ought also to be determined. It was contended by Peddy, he said, that the notice to prosecute a writ of error to the supreme court of the State, which was never followed up, had the effect of continuing the lower court's injunction against the printing of Mayfield's name on the ballot.

Mr. Zumburrn added that "if Peddy's contentions as to the various alleged defects in the ballots are upheld by the committee that would end the case, and Mayfield would be out of the Senate. He added that Senator Mayfield was willing to rest his case upon the law points on the matter of the recount of the Texas ballots or upon the question of illegal expenditure of funds, or both of those issues. He charged that many of the contentions of Peddy in the contest could not be sustained, mentioning the claim that many ballots had been voted for Peddy, but really counted for Mayfield, which Mr. Zumburrn stated was not shown in a single instance by the recount.

Expenditures at Issue

Mr. Nickels, attorney for Peddy, replying, told the committee that the injunctive matter was only incidental to the main issue, which involved the authority of Mayfield to spend only \$8,000 in the primary election and \$2,000 additional in the runoff, a violation of which, Mr. Nickels added, denied Mayfield the right to have his name printed on the general election ballot. He contended that under the Texas practice the notice of a writ of error in the injunctive case had the effect of keeping the injunction alive until the case is passed upon by the supreme court. While this was incidental to the main issue, Mr. Nickels said, it gave weight to why all of the printed ballots should be held void.

Mr. Nickels alleged that "Mayfield's name was printed on about 160,000 ballots; 17,000 of the Mayfield ballots were prepared by other than the voter; 4,400 had the name of Mayfield stamped on and 315 were typewritten with Mayfield's name."

"Other defects found," he added, numbered more than 240,000, while there were only about 228,000 ballots, "explaining that some of them bore more than one defect. Mr. Nickels stated that Peddy charged fraud in the conduct of the election, but not that the ballot boxes had been stuffed, and that contrary to Mr. Zumburrn's statement, alleged that "ballots vot-

## Claim Corrupt Practices

Coming to the claim of corrupt practices, Mr. Nickels stated that sections 316 and 317 of the revised election law of Texas of 1913, made violations of the law a bar to the candidate's name appearing on the general election ballot, and in addition to which were penalties, one of which was making him ineligible to hold the office. The attorney stated that it had not been determined how much of this law had been repealed by the enactment of 1919 dealing with corrupt practices, but that the disqualification features had been carried forward by the latter law. Mr. Nickels stated that the moment the election was held the jurisdiction of the case passed from the Texas courts to the Senate.

It was stated Monday night at Senator Mayfield's office that W. A. Hanger and W. P. McLean, Jr., of Ft. Worth, attorneys for Senator Mayfield, would be here in time for the opening of the case. Mr. McLean was one of the attorneys for Mayfield in the Corsicans injunctive proceedings.

## It's Easy

The teacher in a San Francisco public school was trying to demonstrate a simple experiment in the generation of steam.

"What have I in my hand?" she asked.

"A tin can," came the answer.

"Very true. Is the can an animate or inanimate object?"

"Inanimate."

"Exactly. Now, can any little boy or girl tell me how, with this can, it is possible to generate a surprising amount of speed and power almost beyond control?"

One little boy, raised his hand.

"You may answer, Carter."

"Tie it to a dog's tail."



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April 23rd—Living like a king. Went skating on a slab of butter today. Played with the baby a while. Took a nap in the cookie jar.

April 25th—Had a narrow escape. Woke Mr. Jones from a nap by taking my daily exercise on the tip of his nose. Chased me all over the house with a swatter, but I got away.

April 29th—Out of luck! Mrs. Jones bought a new screen door and then chased me away. I'm starving to death. I HATE these good screen doors.

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#### In Memoriam

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Johnson are now passing through the valley of bitter waters, for last Tuesday evening they were called upon to give up their baby, their one little but of promise, Alvin, Jr., aged nine months.

The circumstances attending the little one's going were so inexpensively sad that all of Midland is sorrowing with the bereaved relatives.

The young parents last Monday drove to San Angelo to visit Mrs. Johnson's mother and that night the baby was taken ill. The next morning they called in a physician who assured them it was safe to return to Midland. Mrs. Corbin, a sister, accompanied them, and when just a few miles out of town the baby soul took flight to that "land that is fairer than day." The heart broken young father and mother finished the journey bearing the precious body of their beloved dead. Tuesday morning it was laid away where the low murmuring winds are breathing a requiem o'er his dreamless bed and angels are guarding the sacred mound, for now he "sleepeth well."

Rev. L. U. Spellman conducted the service and spoke sweet words of comfort to the sorrowing hearts. And now the bereaved parents in all the desolation of their breaking hearts call in vain for the soft touch of the baby fingers and no longer hears the prattle of the merry voice. But God is too good to afflict you wrongfully. Beneath the shadow of the cross a light divine will pierce your aching hearts and little Alvin will still hover around the home-nest and like a mighty voice of inspiration will draw you nearer to the Great White Throne.

#### W. A. Dawson, Jr., Honored

One of Midland's "littlest" citizens won a distinction this week of which he is very proud and for which he is receiving congratulations from many admiring friends. In the "Little Knights and Ladies Club" featured in the Dallas News, prizes were offered in the contest to finish "Jack and the Beanstalk," and out of 400 contestants W. A. was awarded the third prize. The Dallas News stated that "W. A., Jr., aged 6 years and 10 months, submitted his prize-winning story in his own hand-writing," and publishes the story. The young man has not yet gone to school, but is being taught by his mother at home, and reads, spells and writes fluently. The story follows:

"When Jack hurried down the beanstalk with the giant after him, of course, Mrs. Giant came along to see what happened. When Jack cut the beanstalk down and the giant was killed, Mrs. Giant fell on top of the giant and was not hurt at all. She lived with Jack and his mother, who were good to her because she had been good to Jack.—W. A. Dawson, Jr."

#### Library Benefit

Next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. O. B. Holt, the Wednesday Club will give an affair of much charm, and you and your friends are cordially invited to attend. The event will be in the nature of a tea, and a musical program and other things of interest will be provided for your entertainment. The ladies are giving this as a benefit for the library, and every woman should cooperate with the Club in making it the beautiful success for which they are planning. Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. J. B. Bhea returned last week from a most delightful visit with her distinguished son, Col. Jimmie Bhea, who is stationed at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.

Miss Venna Crowley, who is stenographer for the T. & P. railroad at Toyah, was the week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Caowley.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Kerr and Mrs. J. H. Williamson, left Tuesday for Dallas where Mesdames Williams and Kerr will both undergo operations in the Baptist sanitarium.

Mrs. John Winborne returned Sunday from El Paso where she had been to accompany her daughter, Miss Helen Winborne, who has been suffering from an ulcerated ear. Friends will be interested to learn that the young lady's trouble was not so serious as was at first feared, and she will be able to return to her school Monday.

Mrs. Andrew Fasken, who last Friday had her tonsils removed, is convalescing nicely.

Mrs. Tommie Wilson was hostess on Thursday afternoon of last week at a pleasant meeting of the Presbyterian Ladies Auxiliary. The regular program was dispensed with and Mrs. Caldwell gave a very interesting report of the Presbyterian convention in Big Spring, to which she was a delegate. The ladies were also very jubilant over the success of the Easter party the previous week, the proceeds amounting to \$75. At the conclusion of the business hour the hostess served the most delicious strawberries, angel food cake and ice tea.

#### Young Bride Showered

On Thursday afternoon, April 24th, Mrs. A. B. Tyner was hostess to a number of ladies of Fairview community, and also some from Midland, who honored Mrs. Gaines Klebold with a miscellaneous shower. Bowls of locust blossoms made the spacious rooms fragrant, and the ladies beguiled the time with animated conversation while awaiting the arrival of the dainty little bride.

After her arrival a short time was spent in making a bride book of advice and recipes, after which little Miss Coleman came in with a heavily laden express wagon, which she presented to Mrs. Klebold.

Many lovely gifts of aluminum and silver with some china and silver were received. After all had been opened and admired a delicious refreshment plate of angel food and lemonade was served, after which the ladies dispersed, wishing the lovely little bride many years of happiness. — Contributed.

Miss Fannie Bess Taylor returned last Sunday night from a pleasant visit to Amarillo where she was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Yeakel.

#### Midland's First Mah-Jong Party

Misses Fannie Bess and Cordelia Taylor entertained two tables at Mah-Jong Thursday night. Those who enjoyed this popular game were Misses Lotta Williams, Alma Brunson, Thelma White, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Grey, and Mr. D. H. Roettger. A delightful salad course was served. Miss Alma Brunson was winner by 1600 points and Miss Fannie Bess Taylor was low.

#### Girls' Bridge Club Entertained

Miss Juliett Wolcott was hostess last Tuesday evening at a party of dainty appointment, when she entertained in compliment to the Girls' Bridge Club. At an early hour the guests gathered around the six tables arranged for playing bridge in the spacious entertaining reception suite of the Wolcott home. Mrs. Harry Tolbert won high score guest prize, a linen tray doiley, Miss Alice Haley the high score club prize, a madora handkerchief. Mrs. Dewey Stokes won the booby, a set of window pulls.

An attractive refreshment plate, consisting of brick cream, angel food cake, pink and white mints and salted almonds was served to the following guests, besides the club members: Mesdames Harry Tolbert, Chas. Goldsmith, Frank Cowden, John Dublin, J. Wiley Taylor, Joe Youngblood, Lane Dupree, J. V. and Dewey Stokes, Misses Herron, Pickerrill and Barzak.

The festive event of next week is the benefit tea at the residence of Mrs. O. B. Holt next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Grey will have as their guest, this week-end, their sister, Mrs. J. B. Grey, of El Paso.

Mrs. Chas. Gibbs was hostess at a pleasant meeting of the Wednesday Club last week. Mrs. Holmes was leader and the study hour was devoted to "America Faces the Future." Mrs. Gibbs led the Current Events.

#### A Happy Fishing Party

A party of congenial friends responded to the lure of the spring weather last Tuesday afternoon and rode out to Anglin Lake, which seems to be the happy hunting grounds of the finny tribe, and enjoyed a delightful outing and caught plenty of fish. The personnel of the party was as follows: Rev. and Mrs. L. U. Spellman, Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Garnett, Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Allen, Mrs. M. J. Allen, Miss Gladys Draper, Messrs. Marion Allen and S. H. Basham.

Mrs. E. R. Thomas is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. Hugh Barnes, of Andrews, this week.

Frank's Barber Shop has nothing in stock but Service and Satisfaction. Free neck clip. — adv 31ft

Jack Ervin, of Odessa, has accepted a position with the firm of Cowden & Ulmer.

E. B. Dickson and mother, of Stanton, were in town shopping Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Scharbauer left Tuesday for Mineral Wells to be gone indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cowden were in town Friday from their ranch near Odessa.

Cleve Baker left Saturday for Ft. Worth where he will enter Brantley-Draughon Business College.

### MUSIC RECITAL

By Pupils of Miss Ann Wall, Tonight at Baptist Church Eight O'clock

- (a) "The Contented Bird" Rowe
- (b) "Song Without Words" Sieber
- Ruth Fernandes
- "Song of the Sea-Shell" Krogmann
- Mildred Guthrie
- (a) "Waltz of the Flower Fairies" Crosby
- (b) "The Paper Chase" Lawson
- Martha Louise Nobles
- "Echo Lullaby" Spencer
- Ruth Smith
- "For Remembrance" Roberts
- Mary Hobbs
- "Dancing Spirits" Bohm
- Marie Hill
- "Bavarderie" Durand
- Lucille Thomas
- Duet: "Polonaise-Militaire in A Major" Chopin
- Wallace Wimberly and Miss Wall
- "The Butterfly" Merkel
- Bernice Hill
- "Barchetta" Nevin
- Dora Wall
- "Crescendo" Lason
- Pearl Wimberly
- "Malia" Adams
- Louise Brunson
- (a) "Quartet" from "Rigoletto" (Verdi) arr. Spindler
- (b) "Prelude" Op. 28, No. 20 Chopin
- Wallace Wimberly

## Maytime Materials

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### Neblett Will Have 6 Kinds Ice Cream

Ice cream frozen so hard that a knife can't be stuck in it, and that without a pound of ice near it. This is what may be found in the new electric cream cabinet at Harry Neblett's Drug Store.

The wonderful Nelson cabinet installed yesterday by Mr. Neblett cost him \$560. Ice cream placed in the cabinet is kept frozen to any degree of temperature desired by a new freezing fluid circulating in coils. The saving in ice alone will amount to \$120 a month, Mr. Neblett says.

The cabinet contains six compartments, holding five gallons each. The Neblett store will carry four different flavors of ice cream, brick ice cream and Eskimo pies. With this apparatus, the drug store will be able always to have any design in fancy ice cream ready for parties and social affairs. Women may order ice cream a month in advance and it can be kept in the cabinet frozen solid and as good as the day it was made. Ice cream placed in the cabinet keeps indefinitely.

The cabinet is automatically operated by electricity. If it is desired to keep the temperature 4 degrees below zero; for instance, a dial is set and an electric motor caused the desired circulation of fluids in the coils which keep the temperature of ice cream constantly at 4 degrees below zero.

The cabinet was installed as a matter of economy and to insure patrons of the store a certain supply of any flavor of ice cream they may desire. — adv.

D. C. Braden was a visitor to Midland this week from Monahan.

Mrs. Albert Stell and baby returned to Houston last week after a visit with her mother, Mrs. D. W. Brunson.

Jack Mayfield returned Tuesday from a visit to Lamesa.

Miss Stella Marshall returned last week from Ft. Worth after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jemison. She also visited in Dallas, Abilene and other points.

Mrs. E. E. Eiland and daughter, Miss Lorena, of Stanton, were shopping in Midland Wednesday.

### 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

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Be on time, please. Communion, 11 a. m. Preaching 11:20 a. m. and 8 p. m. A welcome awaits all. Please report the sick.

W. B. BLOUNT, Pastor, Phone 133.

#### METHODIST CHURCH

The regular services will be conducted in the Methodist church Sunday, as per our regular schedule. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

L. U. SPELLMANN, Pastor.

Mrs. A. C. Rhotan and Mrs. D. A. Rhotan and daughters, Misses Lillian and Willie Delle of Big Spring, were shoppers in Midland Friday.

Troy Eiland left Tuesday for Ft. Worth where he has accepted a position with the post office.

### Notice

A mass convention of the Republicans of Midland County is hereby called to meet at the court house, on Wednesday, May 8th, at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the State convention and to attend to such other business as may legally be submitted to the convention.

W. A. HYATT, Chairman of the Republican County Executive Committee.

If you are thinking of going to business college and your money is limited, work for your board and room in refined, Christian home. By doing this the cost is small. Write for catalog. Brantley-Draughon College, Fort Worth, Texas. — adv

### Baseball Results

The El Paso Herald, which reaches Midland and vicinity early in the morning now includes the full major league baseball results of the games played the night before.

The Elite Confectionery and Floral Shop will be glad to serve you with the Herald each day at \$1 per month. Why not patronize a West Texas paper? In what other section are you interested? — adv 30-12c

R. M. Jones, of Gordon, was a visitor of Miss Mildred Blewett last week.

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