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OIL COMPANIES MAY OFFICE HERE

VICE PRES INTERVIEWED HEADS OF COMPANIES IN FORT WORTH

Big Oil companies with headquarters in Fort Worth are interested in the possibilities of Midland for the location of West Texas headquarters for operations in the Crane-Upton and other nearby fields.

While enroute home from Austin last week, the secretary of the Midland Chamber of Commerce visited all of the largest offices, distributing literature and pointing out to the chief executive officers the advantages Midland has to offer.

The president of one of the companies frankly declared his company expected to open an office within two months if development continued and said "Midland is the only place we can locate." When they were told of the new roads being built by local business men through efforts of Addison Wadley and Dr. J. B. Thomas they were strongly impressed by Midland's claims as the logical location for oil headquarters.

These personal interviews followed numerous letters sent out by the Chamber of Commerce to oil companies and oil well supply companies urging their consideration of Midland. W. R. Chancellor has also interviewed some of the largest concerns and given them the time card issued by the Midland Chamber.

Golfers Going To Pecos For Tournament

Midland will be represented in a golf tournament at Pecos Sunday, against Alpine, Fort Stockton and Pecos players.

The local men made good showing at Fort Stockton recently, it being the first tournament they had participated in.

Those who will represent Midland at Pecos Sunday are O. F. Wells, Ellis Cowden, Harry Neblett, Harry Tolbert, Clyde Cowden, Tom Jones, Victor Smith, and John Howe. Allen Tolbert also placed in the elimination contest, but will not be able to go Sunday.

A number of people have signified their intention of going along to see the meet.

Steel Sliver Lodged In Eye

Lester Beaucamp is in town this week from the Circle Bar ranch, suffering from the effects of having a small sliver of steel lodged in his left eye.

He was driving a nail, and a flying bit of steel from either the hammer or the nail flew up and hit his eye. The particle was removed, and the physician believes his eye will soon be all right.

Rainfall Reaches 5.46 Inches in 1926

The rainfall registered in Midland by the U. S. gauge in charge of S. H. Basham shows 5.46 inches for Midland up to Wednesday morning of this week.

The precipitation for January was 0.52; for February 0.22 inches; for March 1.86; and for April so far 2.86. The April rainfall was divided up as follows: April 14th 0.45 inches; April 19th, 0.61 inches; and April 20th, 1.80 inches.

This time a year ago, not a drop of rain was registered, according to Mr. Basham.

With the season already in the ground and the effect of the recent rains, Midland's grass and crop conditions should be better than have been seen in this country for years.

According to reports from various sections in the vicinity of Midland, the rainfall has been heavier than in the city itself.

E. W. Cowden, who returned the first of the week from a trip to the ranch, reports that the Westbrook well two miles from his place is still drilling night and day, and that they say they will bring it in or "bust a trace."

CANDIDATES COMING HERE DURING RACE

MOODY AND DAVIDSON WILL SPEAK HERE THIS SPRING

Dan Moody and Lynch Davidson will make an address in Midland in interest of their candidacy for Governor of Texas.

A letter received by Paul T. Vickers secretary of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, from Mr. Moody contained the following paragraphs:

"You may depend, however, that I will come to Midland during my campaign and I will make speeches in Midland, Big Spring and other towns in that section of the State. Your cordial invitation is something which I appreciate very much, and I want to assure you that I shall not neglect an opportunity to make a speech in your city and in other towns in that section of Texas."

Lynch Davidson is the second candidate for governor to agree to make an address in Midland. It is hoped that James E. Ferguson will also accept an invitation to come to Midland.

Mr. Davidson's letter follows:

"Thank you for your splendid letter of the 17th and I shall be very glad indeed to come to Midland. Am sending your letter to my campaign headquarters. They are keeping up with my speaking arrangements. If you can get us a good crowd out there I am sure they can arrange with you for date. Have asked them to correspond with you to that end."

"Thank you for your interest in the situation and with best personal regards, I am,

Sincerely your friend,
Lynch Davidson.

Lee Satterwhite, speaker of the House of Representatives, told Midland friends when he was here several days ago that he would be in Midland before the July primaries to make a speech for Moody. Efforts are being made to bring the gubernatorial candidates here purely in the interest of the Midland country—to keep things pepped up, so the people may be informed as to live issues in the race, to give Midland more publicity, and to bring people here to listen to the addresses, thereby stimulating business.

The Rain

In many pools and bogs
We hear the music of the frogs.
From their sleep awake again,
Singing the praise of our glorious rain.

And we join their refrain
Hoping we will have prosperity
once again.

A few years ago the business was very slow.
Cattle losses went high, and prices low.
Grass, Cotton and Feed Stuff, slow to grow,
But just in time we have abundant rain;

Everything is picking up again.
And we will soon be on the go.
Now the grass will surely grow,
Losses of cattle have been low,
And prices are on the upward go.

We rejoice to know the ranchmen will have a better show.
The farmers can plant and sow
With a prospect their cotton field will be white as snow;
And feed stuff will surely grow.

Now comes the business man with a smile
Hoping he will increase his pile.

And it is proper he should do so.
For we have got to diversify to make commerce go.

But we should not let selfish greed
Overlook the one that supplies our need.
For without his help, we could not survive.

He gives us the needs that keeps us alive.

J. W. BULLOCK.

Jim Shelburne returned yesterday from Dallas, where he has been for an examination by the U. S. Veteran's Bureau. He has experienced considerable trouble from wounds and gas received in the war recently.

CHANCELLOR GOES TO EL PASO BANK

BECOMES SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT OF BIG INSTITUTION THERE

W. R. Chancellor left Wednesday night for El Paso, where he will assume the position of second vice-president of the American Trust and Savings Bank.

This big institution is an established bank there, having formerly been owned by the packers. It was later bought by Jas. A. Borders and associates, and has experienced a wonderful growth. Mr. Borders is now president. Harry Henderson is first vice-president, and Mr. Chancellor will be third in authority.

Mr. Chancellor has bought stock in the bank. It has a capital stock of \$300,000, with deposits of about \$3,500,000.

Since his resignation as cashier of the First National Bank of Midland, Mr. Chancellor has been actively engaged in oil lease and royalty business, and has handled some large projects in the territory near Midland. His banking experience needs no introduction to the people of Midland, as he won great recognition for his successful bank management during years of depression as well as those of prosperity.

The El Paso institution is indeed fortunate in securing his services, and he goes there with the best wishes of his many Midland friends for a bright and prosperous future.

Ford Crenshaw Died Saturday

Ford Crenshaw, well known young cowboy of Midland, died at the Will Gates ranch near Shafter Lake last Saturday, his body having been found there the following day. He was alone at one of the camps when his death came.

Burial services were held at the local cemetery Tuesday morning, Rev. George F. Brown officiating. The deceased was a brother of Mrs. Will Manning and Mrs. Will V. Gates. Another sister, Mrs. Joe Leonard, lives in San Antonio. His two brothers, Yancy and Ross Crenshaw, also live in San Antonio.

The Crenshaw family lived in Midland for years, and were revered by all who knew them. Ford was a fine young man, a dependable fellow in whatever he undertook. His war record was one to be proud of, he having served in the Navy throughout the World War.

His friends here were many, and his sudden death came as a shock to the community. He was a member of the local Baptist Church.

Mrs. Collum Died In San Antonio

Just as we go to press, Judge E. R. Bryan conveys the news that Mrs. Jennie Collum, formerly of Midland, died last night in San Antonio, where she has been very ill for the past three months.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon, April 24, at the Midland Presbyterian Church, Rev. R. E. Owen of Big Spring officiating, assisted by Rev. L. U. Spellmann.

The body is expected to arrive on No. 5 Saturday.

Cattle Shipment Was Biggest Yet

An exceptionally heavy cattle shipment was made from Midland last week when 2,565 head of steer yearlings went from the Mabey Cattle Company ranch south of here to the Northern part of Oklahoma. These steers were bought by Ralph Graham, big rancher of that part of Oklahoma, and represented one of the biggest single cattle deals reported here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Lamar, formerly of Big Spring and Midland, visited friends and relatives here Sunday before moving to their new home in Abilene. Mr. Lamar will handle special lines for the Radford Grocery Co. He was a popular salesman throughout this territory.

TOEPPERWEIN IS BAND PREXY

DUNAGAN RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF ADVISORY BOARD; PHARR DIRECTOR

Burnett Pharr of Austin was re-elected director and manager of the Longhorn Band at its regular meeting Monday night. G. A. Toepperwein of Boerne was re-elected president and H. B. Dunagan of Midland was re-elected chairman of the advisory board. Other members of the advisory board elected were Fred Felder of Austin and Carl Olson of Cisco.

Pharr is a law student and his success as manager and president this year as well as in past years were commended at the meeting. He was unanimously elected to both offices.

Toepperwein, an engineering student, has served as president for two months, having been elected to that office on the resignation of S. W. Ruff.

H. B. Dunagan, a journalism student, has served as a member of the advisory board all this year and as chairman since the resignation of Toepperwein on being elected president. Dunagan was director of the freshman band last year and besides being a member of the advisory board is assistant director this year.

—Daily Texan.

Local People Off To District Meet

A number of contestants and their supporters left yesterday for San Angelo, where they will attend the District meet.

Boy debaters are Radney Ellison and Louis Thomas. Girl debaters are Miss Francis Ratliff and Miss Pearl Wimberley.

The senior declaimers are Miss Ruth Norwood and Clinton Dunagan. Junior declaimers are Dorothy Bess Stanley and Wright Cowden.

Those who will participate in field events are Earl Klebold, Kenneth Johnson, Lynch King, and Robert Caldwell.

Others who went to the meet are W. W. Lackey, Miss Lillie B. Williams, Miss Kittie Bell Wolcott, Mrs. J. P. Collins, Miss Elma Collins, Barron Wadley, Foster Brown, Mrs. A. W. Stanley, J. C. Roberts, D. H. Haley, Allen Cowden, Carroll Hill, George Buchanan, Miss Louise Brunson, Miss Ida Beth Cowden, Nolan Williams.

It is likely that a number of others went whose names were not obtained. At any rate Midland will be well represented at the meet, and it is hoped that as usual several contestants will get to attend the state meet at Austin.

Attended Medical Convention At Dallas

Dr. John B. Thomas returned yesterday from Dallas, where he attended the Convention of the American Medical Association. He reports a pleasant and instructive trip.

Baby Boy Born

On April 16, a fine eight pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Reader, and has been given the name of Charles Walter Reader. The young mother and the baby are reported to be doing fine.

Sheriff John Speed of Andrews and J. E. McAllister of Shafter Lake were here yesterday on business. They report good rains up that way. Mr. McAllister says that a fine rain fell as far northwest as Lovington, N. M.

A. C. Francis, M. C. Ulmer and Joe Youngblood returned Tuesday afternoon from a trip to Amarillo, Panhandle, and points in the Carson and Hutchinson County oil fields. They report it a real field.

Mrs. Bert Brinson, of Shreveport, La., is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Midkiff. She has been advised by her physician to spend a few months in West Texas, on account of her health.

MAMIE DALE WINS IN ESSAY CONTEST

GOT FIRST PRIZE OFFERED BY C. OF C. FOR ESSAY ON MIDLAND

Mamie Dale, seventh grade school girl, wins the \$5 in gold offered by the Midland Chamber of Commerce for the best grammar school essay on "Midland's Actualities and Potentialities."

Second place goes to Marie Hill, student in the high sixth grade and third place goes to Bush Elkin, seventh grade pupil. The three contestants were all close in the contest. Mamie got a grade of 94, Marie a grade of 92 2-3 and Bush a grade of 91 1-3.

All of the judges ranked the three winners practically on the same percentage, that is, Mamie was given first by all the judges, Marie second and Bush third.

The Revs. L. U. Spellmann, George F. Brown, and Paul T. Vickers were appointed judges of the essay contest by T. Paul Barron, president of the Chamber of Commerce. None of the judges knew the names of contestants till they had given their grades, strips of paper having been pasted over the names and each paper given a number by another person than the judges.

The Chamber of Commerce offered a \$5 prize for the best grammar grade essay and the best high school essay in order to propagate the Midland spirit and bring to the boys and girls minds the great potentialities of Midland and the Midland country. The winning essay appears elsewhere in this issue and is well worth reading.

Other students who wrote fine essays and whose papers were selected by their teachers in the first elimination were: Lucile Haynes, Ida Beth Cowden, Clint Irwin, Helen Margaret Ulmer, Martha Louise Noble, Ida Mae Houston, and Ruth Norton.

The prize was presented in chapel at the South Ward Thursday morning by the Chamber of Commerce secretary.

Clean-Up Week

The City Council instructs me to convey to the public, their sincere thanks for the hearty cooperation and assistance in the Clean Up Movement started this week. Owing to the heavy rains that have fallen, it has been impossible to make the headway that would have been made, had the weather been suitable, but much has been accomplished, despite this handicap it is the ardent wish of the Council that this good work be kept up all during the coming week, or until such a time as we can truthfully say that we live in a clean town.

Now let us all get busy, each one doing his or her part and we will be agreeably surprised as to what can be accomplished by an united effort to accomplish a common end.

When you shall have gathered your refuse, junk etc and placed it in the alley, phone the City Hall for a wagon to come and remove same. Kindly burn everything that can be burned, as this is the best method of disposing of such matter.

Don't be afraid to call us up and make any suggestions that you may have to offer, that you think will help us in the Clean Up Movement, for the City Council needs your advice, co-operation and assistance in this movement and cannot get anywhere without it, and remember that this is YOUR town and OUR town that is to be cleaned up and we are willing ready and anxious to help you do it.

Signed by the Mayor and the City Council.

J. M. Gilmore, City Secretary.

Judge Chas. Gibbs returned yesterday from El Paso and points in the Western part of the district, where he has been working in the interest of his candidacy. He reports very favorable conditions out that way.

Will Elkin of Lubbock was in Midland this week looking after business interests.

The Reporter office enjoyed a visit from Mr. Phil Scharbauer yesterday. He states that he is feeling fine these days.

NARROWLY ESCAPED DROWNING WEDNESDAY

MIDLAND PEOPLE CAUGHT IN BIG RISE OF DRAW SOUTH OF TOWN

Wednesday afternoon when Leon Bryant and his daughter, Madelaine, were going to their home south of town after school, they found the draw about five or six miles down the Fair Ground lane to have risen considerably as a result of the rains the night before.

Byron Bryant, returning from his ranch, had stopped his car on the opposite side of the draw, and neither one deemed it advisable to start through the deep water in a car, as the water stood something like 400 yards across in the lane.

L. R. Mills, who lives just this side of the draw, brought out his wagon and team of mules, and started to take Leon Bryant and Madelaine across to the south side, planning to bring Byron Bryant back, and they would exchange cars. Mr. Mills' small boy got in the wagon with them. Everything went well till they got well out toward the middle of the lake. Then one of the mules slipped over the side of the grade and went down. This pulled the other mule and the wagon from the road, and before the passengers could tell what had happened, they were carried to the East side of the lane. They cut the mules loose, and one of them was carried by the water clear over the fence.

The wagon was chained to the running gear and wheels, as it was already about to float clear. This precaution was probably what saved the four from drowning, as they were far out into the water and it had risen up into the wagon, which had two side boards on each side.

Byron Bryant, seeing the predicament of those in the wagon, got in his car and drove some horses from his horse pasture to the corrals, and in about ten minutes was back at the draw with a saddle horse. By swimming the animal to the wagon, the passengers were transported to the South side of the water, one by one. The horse had to make heroic struggles to get them out, according to Mr. Bryant.

This was the second rise the draw had made, and the water evidently flowed there from a distance of 25 or 30 miles. At Scharbauer No. 2, it is said to have run over the tops of pear trees in an orchard in the draw.

Married Last Friday

The wedding of Miss Irene Arnett and Mr. B. D. Rice, of Midland, was solemnized last Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. George F. Brown performing the ceremony.

Immediately after, they left for Colorado, where they spent a few days honeymoon.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Arnett, who moved to Midland two years ago from Big Spring. The groom is a prosperous young farmer who moved here about the same time from Colorado. They have been neighbors, living just north of Midland.

Both the bride and groom have made a large number of friends while here, all of whom extend their warmest congratulations.

Motorists Urged To Observe Law

Motorists must observe the law or accidents and theft of cars cannot be prevented.

All automobiles should have numbers on front and rear, showing the license plainly. Unless this is done car thieves have a good chance to escape by changing numbers or leaving them off.

Both lights should burn, and should be tested regularly, according to law. Officers here are cooperating with highway officers in seeing that all motorists should observe these regulations.

W. F. Cowden reports fine rains out on the M Bar ranch.

Will Rancier, highway officer, was in Midland last Tuesday.

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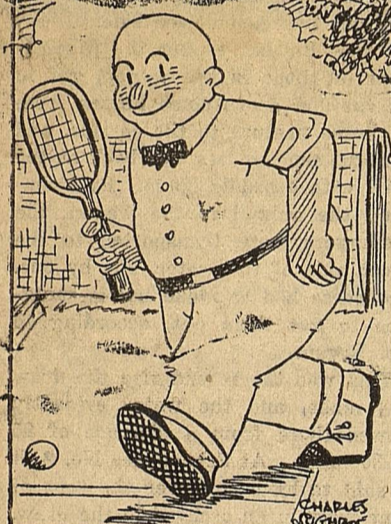
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Midland, Texas

BILL BOOSTER SAYS

ATLETICS HAVE THEIR PLACE IN OUR SCHOOL AND THEY SHOULD, FOR THEY STIMULATE HEALTHY COMPETITION, PROMOTE GOOD HEALTH AND BUILD UP A SCHOOL SPIRIT. BECAUSE THEY TAKE UP A LITTLE SCHOOL TIME OCCASIONALLY IS NOTHING AGAINST THEM. ALL WE LEARN DOES NOT COME FROM BOOKS



Chiropractic Adjustments, Phone 164

T. D. Jones, who has been "wintering" at Stanton, is back in Midland.

Valuable Help Given By County On Road

Grading work has been completed on the Old Fort Stockton or Cowden ranch road. Without the assistance given by the Midland County Commissioners Court much valuable time would have been lost in building this badly needed road, according to the committee in charge of the work. Addison Wadley, chairman of the committee, Dr. J. B. Thomas, one of the leaders in arranging for the work and all other citizens interested in having this road completed in order to help maintain Midland's pre-eminence as headquarters city for oil men; have expressed their appreciation to the commissioners court for their generous assistance.

Much Comment On Getting Ball Team

Fans are talking up organizing another fast ball team here, and many have volunteered their willingness to put up some money. Every day someone asks why a team is not organized. The only thing in the way is for someone to take hold of it. One meeting is all that would be necessary to start the ball to rolling, elect officers and directors, get a committee out to raise the money; and after that it would be short work to get some real ball players in here to try out. But if the team is to be organized, it must be done without more delay. The good ball players are signing up and Midland can't afford to sit back and take the left overs.

Odessa Will Have Weekly Newspaper

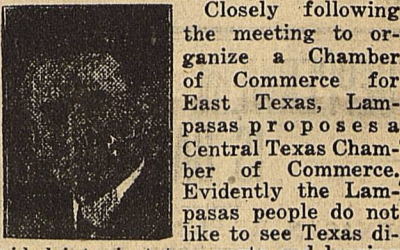
Odessa is to have a newspaper in the near future, according to an announcement by Barney Hubbs, managing editor of the Pecos Enterprise. The owner of the Pecos paper will move some machinery to Odessa, and will start the new weekly as soon as possible. They realize that Odessa is due for some real growth as a result of the oil play in this section, and are getting in on the ground floor. Messrs. Hubbs and Bell are putting out a fine paper at Pecos, and the citizens of Odessa are to be congratulated on having men of their calibre to put in the paper there.

C. W. Logsdon of Shafter Lake was in our midst last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Sarah Spoons of Lubbock visited Midland friends this week.

PASSING DAY

WILL H. MAYES
Former Dean
Department of Journalism
University of Texas



Closely following the meeting to organize a Chamber of Commerce for East Texas, Lampasas proposes a Central Texas Chamber of Commerce. Evidently the Lampasas people do not like to see Texas divided into just two parts and leaving every place free to decide in which division it belongs. The Jasper News-Boy is urging Jasper County to stay out of the East Texas body because it thinks Jasper is too far removed from the center of its activities, although Jasper County almost touches the East Texas boundary line. This is a reminder that somebody should divide Texas into its proper parts for sectional activities. Most of us thought Corpus Christi in East or Southeast Texas until it joined the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. How would you go about telling a stranger whether Dallas is in North, East, or Central Texas? Amarillo is in West Texas when it comes to entertaining the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, but we think of it as being in North Texas or perhaps as being in Northwest Texas. Certainly it has few commercial interests in common with Corpus Christi or Laredo. Texas territorial terminology is confusing and needs to be straightened out.

Serving Business Interests.
The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has proven by results obtained that it is a much needed business organization, but there is a growing feeling that it is expanding over too much territory for satisfactory detail work. Whether that is so remains to be seen. Certainly East Texas needs a body as active as that in the West. It should function as a separate organization, for its problems are altogether different from those in West Texas. The rapidly developing country South of San Antonio has distinct interests of a kind to indicate that it should have its own organization. The Plains country, commercially and industrially, has very little in common with the Hill country around Alpine and Kerrville.

Perhaps the best solution of the matter would be to have a number of sectional organizations, where interests are somewhat closely related, and a State Chamber of Commerce that would serve as a clearing house for all of them. Without something of the kind there is likely to be an overlapping of activities that may create harmful jealousies. Texas is large enough to justify several divisional organizations, but needs to keep up a united pull for the whole state.

Our Coast Resort.
It is reported that capitalists have paid a half million dollars for lands at Point Isabel, the southernmost point on the Texas Gulf Coast, and will build there a great ocean-side resort on a scale to attract nation-wide attention. It is to be something worth seeing and visiting at all seasons of the year, and in every way worthy of the Magic Valley of the lower Rio Grande. This will mean much to Brownsville, the commercial city through which will have to pass transportation will have to pass to get to Point Isabel.

It is said that ten thousand people are leaving Florida every day and that nine thousand of them are headed toward Texas. Being accustomed to coast life many of these will seek the Gulf Coast.

More Railroads Needed.
Texas needs largely increased railroad mileage, and Texans are hoping that congress will act favorably on the measure to permit existing lines to build extensions without recourse to the Interstate Commerce Commission. In fact Texans believe that the national government should dabble as little as possible in state affairs and that every state should decide for itself whether railroads should be built within its borders. Certainly the Southern Pacific, the Santa Fe, and other roads now desirous of extending their lines, have proven that they know how to look after their own finances and do not need the guardianship of any commission, and the roads with which they might possibly enter into competition are amply able to protect themselves in securing business.

City Lot Oil Boom.
Almost every day brings surprises in the discovery of new oil pools in Texas. San Antonio announces the latest surprise in the discovery of oil at a depth of 11 feet in a city back yard, and this has started the neighbors digging up their yards in the hope of getting oil. Not long ago an oil operator leased some land near Brownwood, put a rig to work and told the men to go a certain depth or until they struck oil. He left for his home in another part of the state, and on reaching there had a telegram, "Struck oil at 50 feet. What must we do next?"

Oil is not found everywhere at 11 or 50 feet, but in practically every county in Texas where persistent effort has been made it is obtained in paying quantities, and the development appears to be only fairly started.

Fashionable Hijackers.
"Week-end" robberies and burglaries are becoming quite common and apparently popular diversions in Texas. The fact that in many instances women have been taking prominent part in these week-end parties makes them partake somewhat of the nature of social functions. The women usually wait in cars at some convenient place and when the work is finished drive the hijackers to places of safety, where presumably the spoils are divided. The presence of women in speeding cars lessens suspicion and the chance of arrest.



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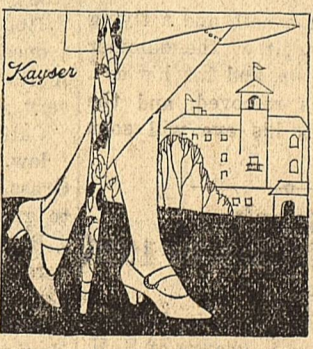


HEMSTITCHED LINGERIE VOILE

Eleven Pieces, Hemstitched Lingerie Voile in Pastel Shades, for underwear and dresses, Tan Green, Copen, Pink, Flesh, Peach, Honeydew and orchid, regular 65c value, special for one week the yard 39c

HUMMING BIRD GUARANTEED SILK STOCKINGS \$1.39

This pure thread silk stocking is one of the most satisfactory service silk hose made and there is a positive guarantee of satisfactory service or a new pair in exchange. Reinforced service foot, lisle tops, in all the wanted shades including Champagne, Boise de Rose, Nude, Parchment, Toast, Grain, Blonde Satin, Black and white, sizes 8½ to 10 Special the pair \$1.39



BLUE CRANE CHIFFON STOCKINGS, are made by the HUMMING BIRD MILLS and are sold under the same positive guarantee of satisfactory service, is a pure thread boot silk stocking in Chiffon weight in all the colors mentioned above, as well as woodland rose, and moonlight, sizes 8½ to 10 the pair \$1.95

This is the most wonderful hosiery business in West Texas and there is no wonder when you consider the fact that we sell the very best, nationally known and branded stockings made, Kayser, Cadet, Wayne Knit, Hummingbird each in its special class, the best that money can buy and too, you will find that we specialize on these and sell them under the usual price, for instance, our Special Kayser Pointex heel stocking at \$1.50 is advertised everywhere at \$1.65

Humming Bird stockings are sold everywhere at \$1.50, our price is \$1.39 Wayneknit No. 796 is sold almost everywhere at \$2.50, we specialize on this all pure threaded silk, all the way up, Chiffon hose at \$1.95 the pair.

HOLDOVERS FROM LAST WEEK
We will continue on sale, the special Table Damask advertised last week, at the yard 69c

AND what is left of the Porto Rican and Philippine Hand Made Gowns and Teds, at, each \$1.29

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
MIDLAND NATIONAL BANK

at Midland in the State of Texas, at the close of business in April 12th 1926

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts, sold with indorsement of this bank (except those shown in b and c)	\$272,165.00	
Acceptances of other bank discounted	12,830.00	
Total Loans		284,995.00
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	\$50,000.00	
All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any)	5,250.00	
Total		55,250.00
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc		3,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures		7,500.00
Real estate owned other than banking house		5,145.68
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		26,019.14
Cash in vault and amount due from National Banks		96,715.02
Amount due from State Banks, Bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in items 8, 9, 10,		1,096.49
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than item 12)		2,366.49
Total of items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	100,178.00	
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		2,500.00
Total		484,587.82

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$75,000.00	
Surplus Fund		25,000.00
Undivided Profits	19,640.06	
Reserved for	19,640.06	
Less Current expenses paid	5,197.45	14,442.61
Circulating notes outstanding		50,000.00
Amount Due to National Banks		32,277.28
Cashiers Checks Outstanding		14,593.48
Total items 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26	\$46,870.76	
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):		251,607.11
Individual deposits subject to check		
State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or survey bond		21,661.34
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	273,268.45	
Liabilities other than those above state		6.00
Total		\$484,587.82

State of Texas, County of Midland, ss:
I, R. M. Barron, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. M. BARRON, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of April, 1926.
(SEAL) Mrs. Lucille Barron, Notary Public.
Correct Attest:
J. B. Wilkinson,
Roy Parks
A. Fasken.—Director

West Texas News

Haskell—Many new buildings are under construction here including a new hotel, a two story Telephone office building, a \$12,500 brick residence and many other buildings are nearing completion.

Childress—This city will soon have an up to date fire proof modern hotel if present plans do not fail to go through. Present crop outlook for the year is reported to be the best in many years.

Wellington—The recent poultry show held here proves the fact that poultry business is worth while as there were hundreds of fine show birds in competition for prizes as well as many entries for the prizes for eggs were in competition.

San Saba—A large lobo wolf was trapped here in this county recently and ranchmen are very much relieved as many young livestock have been destroyed by this animal.

Del Rio—Much complaint has been received lately from ranchmen who have had many of their goats sheared with hand clippers by thieves who make the rounds by night through the pastures, catching the goats and clipping the mohair.

Mineral Wells—Much interest is now being shown here and the old time bustle of business is rapidly returning since the location of the Baker Hotel which will be under construction soon at a cost of \$500,000.00

Dalhart—This part of the plains is now assured of one of the best small grain crops in many years. The late rains and heavy snows have brought out the wheat and oat fields to their fullest capacity for production and the year 1926 bids fair to be the banner year of the Canadian river region.

Crowell—Every one here is looking forward to one of the most interesting District Convention meetings that has been held by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, May 11. Mr. Furgerson, president of the local chamber of commerce is leaving nothing undone to make each and every one visiting Crowell have a profitable day.

Chillicothe—The business men here are appreciating the good work for all west Texas by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and realizing the value of the Poultry, Hog and Seed selection campaign to the farmers of West Texas, came in strong in their renewals for 1926 membership, doubling their usual membership.

Ballinger—The chamber of commerce

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Midland's advantages as headquarters for oil men operating in Crane Upton, Ector and other counties in this territory are to be exploited all along the route of the Texas & Pacific Railway through the traffic department of the system.

On request of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, George D. Hunter general passenger agent of the T. & P. has agreed to distribute the time and advertising cards issued by the

Midland organization. An excerpt from Mr. Hunter's letter to the Midland Chamber follows:

"I have been requested by our vice president, Mr. Payne, in charge of traffic, to assure you that we will be very glad, indeed, to cooperate with you to the fullest extent possible in the upbuilding of your city, and to advise you that if you will please be good enough to forward us the card you desire distributed along our line, we will be very glad to arrange for the necessary distribution."

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TWENTY-TWO YEARS OF LEADERSHIP

of this city entertained the Commissioners Court with a luncheon recently and much interest was shown in the building and up-keep of the highways. The Ballinger Luncheon Club meets once every month and all directors are requested to be present that all matters of interest be discussed.

Roswell, N. M.—According to Claude Simpson, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce there will be a large delegation from Roswell to the annual West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention to be held in Amarillo June 21, 22, 23. New Mexico is but a continuation of Texas people and soil under another name.

Munday—The \$36,000 egg hatchery here has been running at full capacity since the opening season and to date manager Walter Beaver states that he is unable to take care of the custom trade and have been unable to supply the demand for baby chicks on this account.

Stamford—According to the last reports on hog shipments to different towns in West Texas there has been shipped and received to date more than 20 car loads of young immuned brood sows for the replenishing of hogs for West Texas.

**Local Stories In
Associated Press**

Midland now has a new avenue through which wide publicity will be obtained.

Arrangements have been made by the secretary of the Midland Chamber of Commerce to get Midland publicity into 68 daily newspapers of Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico free of charge.

This new field for publicity was opened when secretary Vickers ran across and old newspaper friend, Lewis Hart of Fort Worth, now head of the mail division of the Associated Press in Texas. Mr. Hart invited the Midland man to send him development and other news regularly, and promised to submit the Midland news along with his other copy to the 68 dailies. The stories will bear an Associated Press credit line.

R. V. Hyatt and family spent last week end in Abilene.

Mrs. Creola R. Vickers, president of the Big Spring Association of Baptist Missionary societies, attended the district meeting at Sweetwater this week and from there went to San Angelo to be with her pupils who take part in the interscholastic contests.

Have a BUTTER KISTWICH for lunch and avoid the inconvenience of making a fire these hot days. City Drug Store. 30-1t

Chiropractic Adjustments, Phone 164
J. Wiley Taylor and Will Manning were here the first of the week. They report Crossett still growing.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh.
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Charter No. 8169 Reserve District No. 11
**REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK**

at Odessa in the State of Texas, at the close of business on April 12, 1926.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts, sold with indorsement of this bank (except those shown in b and c)	\$144,598.00	
Total Loans		144,598.00
Overdrafts, unsecured, 104.88		104.88
U. S. Government securities owned:		
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	\$35,000.00	
Total		35,000.00
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.:		1,850.00
Banking house, \$6,000.00; Furniture and Fixtures \$2,000.00		8,000.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		14,446.22
Cash in vault and amount due from National Banks		73,511.23
Total of items 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	73,511.23	
Miscellaneous cash items	12.00	12.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		1,750.00
Total		\$279,272.33

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00	
Surplus fund		11,000.00
Undivided profits \$7,302.40		
Reserved for	7,302.40	
Less current expenses paid	2,285.85	5,016.55
Circulating notes outstanding		34,200.00
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):		110,103.00
Individual deposits subject to check		
State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond		68,952.83
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	179,055.83	
Total		\$279,272.33

State of Texas, County of Ector, ss:
I, Henry Pegues, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
HENRY PEGUES, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of April, 1926.
(SEAL) CARL AKIN, County Clerk, Ector County, Texas.
Correct Attest:
W. F. Bates
F. A. Henderson.
R. N. Henderson.
Directors.



**GLADDEN HER HEART
ON MOTHER'S DAY
MAY 9th**

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THE FALLACY OF

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Always it seems, there is a fresh crop of "suckers" in fact, rightly approached, there is few of us but will fall for the lure of "Something for Nothing."

During the past few months the whole country has been flooded with what is known as chain selling or coupon selling wherein it is shown in plausible words, how you can get something for nothing.

In plain English it works like this, you buy a coupon either direct, or from a friend, if you buy direct, you send in your cash for \$4.00, for which you will receive a Contract with three coupons attached. You get out and sell three friends these coupons for \$1.00 each, keeping the three dollars for your self, therefore you are out only one dollar for which you are led to believe that you will get five pairs of silk stockings, or something else. Now you have done your part, but do you get the stockings, or what ever it may happen to be that you are buying? YOU DO NOT, before getting anything these three friends must send in to the company, THREE DOLLARS EACH, for which they will get a contract, which entitles them to get out and gyp three more friends.

Now lets see just what this "something for nothing" company has received, your four dollars that you originally sent in, three dollars each from your three simple minded coupon and then you will get your \$2.95 worth of hose. Or if two of the friends fail to send in their three dollars, you have the privilege of

friends, which makes a total of \$13 that they have received in cash before they ship one penny worth of merchandise. Now if all three of your friends send in their three dollars each, then you will get your four or five pairs of silk hose, which are worth about 39c the pair, if "junk" with no value on earth built into them can be classed as worth anything, for which, remember, they have received THIRTEEN dollars in cash.

Now if one of these friends should fall down and not send in her \$3.00 then that ties up the whole works and nobody gets anything, EXCEPT (get this now) you can send in three dollars for the friend, and return the sending in \$6.00 and both the coupons that will make \$10 you will have sent OR better still, should all three friends fail to send in their three dollars you HAVE THE PRIVILEGE of sending in the three dollars apiece, \$9.00 and in as much as you have already sent in, \$4.00, makes the \$13.00 that they get in cash, before you get a thing, and then, for your \$13.00 you will get four or five pairs of hose that the least said about, the better.

There is being legislation enacted in the National Congress against this, the wildest dreams ever conceived not excepting the famous "Little Crater burner" of Midland fame, some fifteen years ago. Barnum said "there is one born every minute."

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Midland, Texas**

Water Shows

In Crane Test

Star Telegram April 21.—Magnolia Petroleum (formerly Church and Fields) No. 1 University, in the Hurdle district, Crane County pumped salt water Monday afternoon after pumping 7 1-2 barrels of oil in the first 15 minutes, according to reports from the field.

The source of the salt water is undetermined. The well has made several flows of pure oil, the last one being Friday night when it flowed 40 barrels of pure oil.

Swab Drilled Up

The swab, which was lost in the hole on completion, was drilled up. While some are of the opinion that the test, which was one foot in the pay at 3,029-30 feet, made no more hole while drilling up the swab, others are of the opinion that the well was deepened in the process. The test is one of the most prominent in the entire Hurdle district. Following its initial showing of oil a one sixth interest and 1,200 acres surrounding was purchased by the Magnolia from Church and Fields for \$200,000 in cash and \$250,000 in oil.

Later Simms Petroleum and Atlantic Oil Producing, in partnership purchased 1,280 acres from O'Keef and Collett et al. of Fort Worth for \$100,000 cash and \$400,000 in oil.

Log Ran Low

The initial showing of oil in the well was a general surprise in the district, since the test got both the top of the salt and the top of the lime in which the pay in the district is found very low. The top of the salt was obtained at an elevation of 1,461 feet, and the top of the lime at 361 feet below sea level—both considerably below other tests in the district.

Whether the salt water is later determined as coming from the bottom of the hole or from outside the casing the showing is not regarded as sounding the death knell of the locality, since the salt and lime levels may mean that it simply edged a high which will be determined by later drilling already contracted for near the University well.

Burleson Well Heads

Marland's No. 3 Burleson in Upton County (Hurdle district) flowed 60 barrels Monday from pay at 2,180,225 feet.

Marland's No. 1 Benton Land Company in Upton (section 1. J. Prater survey) is fishing for tools at 2,235 with a show of oil.

Further east in Upton County a half mile east of the Plateau No. 1 Union Land Company which made some heavy oil at pay levels. The Tidal Oil Company No. 1 Union Land Company (section 2. M. K. T. survey) topped the salt late Monday at 546 feet. Surface elevation is 2,543 which makes the salt in this test 1,997 feet above sea level. This is 19 feet higher than the Plateau well, which topped the salt at 1,978 feet above sea level.

Crane Wildcat Now Pumps Oil

Star Telegram, April 22.—After pumping about 60 barrels of salt water the No. 1 University of the Magnolia Petroleum Company (formerly Church and Fields), in Crane County, began pumping oil again and had made 145 barrels of oil at the end of the first 24 hours.

This well caused some uneasiness Tuesday with the report that it was pumping salt water after having made eight barrels of oil in the first quarter hour, through fear that it might have been deepened into water when drilling up a swab lost in the hole.

The water is now accounted for by the water which was in the hole at the time of its drilling into the pay. It made several flows off the top. The water is reported to have been entirely exhausted at the twenty fifth hour on the pump.

Zoch Well

In the same district, in Upton Co. the No. 1 Keith (Hughes) of F. P. Zoch and Marland Oil Company is rated a 75 barrel producer with a hole full of oil. It will not be shot as yet, according to reports from the field.

Marland No. 1 Benton Land Company is fishing for tools at a total depth of 2,235 feet with 50 feet of oil in the hole after standing three days. Marland No. 2 Sanger Bros. in the same area, has been shot with 200 quarts in lime at 2,182-2220 ft.

DROP in at the ELITE and look for your favorite magazine or newspaper. They are there. 35-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Weinstein and daughter, Dorothy, visited friends in Big Spring Sunday.

Miss Lillie D. Midkiff was in this week and reports her school doing fine work.

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30x3 1-2 Fabric	9.10	9.50
30x3 1-2 Cord	10.29	9.90
30x3 1-2 Cord Oversize	11.75	11.50
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CLASSIFIED ADS

WANTED—To buy Poultry and Second Hand Sacks. Terry Elkin Phone 113 49-tf

If you want a good home in Midland why not see H. A. Jesse or ring 85. H. A. JESSE, Midland. 17-tf

FOR SALE—Kitchen range, burns wood or coal, also hot water boiler, good condition.—R. V. Hyatt, phone 396 or 24. 21-tf

S. J. MCKENDLES, Midland, Texas. Any time—Any where.—Well Driller. 3mo pd

Two nicely furnished bedrooms for rent, on highway 4 blocks west of Main Street. See J. V. Stokes Jr. or phone 45. 24-tf

FOR SALE—Lots 7, 8, and 9, in Block 80, in Southland Addition to Midland, with five room house, water etc, good location, price \$1000.00 \$250.00 cash, balance \$25.00 per month, or might take good Ford car as first payment.

Write C. C. Hoffman, at Slaton, Texas, or see J. P. Collins Midland, Texas. 27-4tp

Will do plain sewing at the Terry place north of old High School. Mrs. C. B. Ponder. 28-4tp

FOR SALE CHEAP—one 60 H. P. Special Corliss Engine in first class condition. Tow 40 HP Boilers, Three pumps, One Heater, Header and 42 ft. of new stack. All in running order. Address J. S. Wade, Jacksboro Box 143. 29-2t

HELP WANTED—Salesman to canvass Martin and Midland Counties with famous Watkins Products. If you need to make a good living and are willing to work for it; are under 50 and have some money or responsible friends, write to the J. R. Watkins Company, Memphis Tennessee. Very truly, THE J. R. WATKINS COMPANY C. R. Burkhead, Manager. 29-2t

FOR SALE—1000 bundles of cane at 7c per bundle. Ulmer place. North East Midland—H. A. Lowe. 29-4tp

FOR SALE—Cedar Posts at wholesale cost. Buy direct and save the difference. Get your neighbor to make up car with you and order from WATKINS CEDAR CO. BURNET, TEXAS. Write us for prices. We have 100 cars to select from. 30-1tp

LOST—Roll of screen wire, between town and John King's farm east of town. Finder please leave same at Reporter office. 30-2tp

FOR SALE—Ten head of saddle horses, also seven head of mares and yearling mules. B. H. Blakney 30-1t

LOST—Black horse mule, about 14 1/2 hands high, weight about 900, six years old. Gone about two weeks. Reward offered for information leading to recovery. Notify H. A. Lowe Midland, Texas, Box 754. 30-4t

Piano Tuning, Pipe Organ Tuning, and all repairing by factory Piano Builder. Player Piano repairing also Leave orders at Llano Hotel Lobby or Hardware store, All work guaranteed or no money. Harry Mitchell. 30-2tp

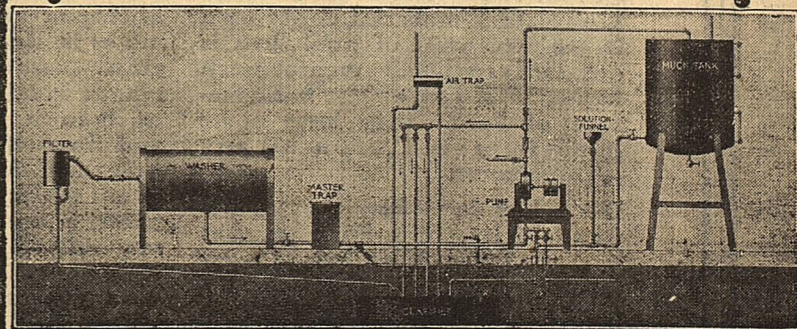
Mr. and Mrs. Holly Roberts returned Wednesday from a delightful honeymoon trip to New Mexico points.

Mrs. Calvin Nobles is here from Dallas, visiting W. L. Graves and family.

Kirby E. Nutt is out again after having a bad case of the mumps.

Byron Bryant attended the horse racing events in Juarez and saw Jack Dempsey in several bouts.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

District and County \$15.00
Precinct Officers \$ 7.50

For District and County Clerk:

C. B. DUNAGAN

(Re-Election)

J. M. (Jim) SHELBURNE

For Sheriff and Tax Collector

A. C. FRANCIS

(Re-Election)

For County Treasurer

MRS. MARY L. QUINN

(Second Term)

For Tax Assessor

ED DOZIER

(Second Term)

For County Judge

W. H. SPAULDING

M. R. HILL

For District Judge

CHAS. L. KLAPPROTH

B. FRANK HAAG

For District Attorney

HENRY RUSSELL

For Public Weigher

Precinct No. 1

A. B. COLE

W. E. (ELLIS) HOWELL

CLEM DAUGHTREY

LON ROBERTS

For Justice Of The Peace

Precinct No. 1

JIM FLANIGAN JR.

J. W. TOWERS

Re-Election

County Commissioner

Precinct No. 2

A. B. COLLIER

Midland's Actualities And Potentialities

(By Mamie Dale)

Midland, not the center of the West, but in the heart of the West, is the best place on earth to live in which to progress. Among the actualities we have a good healthful climate, the altitude being 2760 feet above the sea level. People come here from all parts of the United States for their health instead of moving away for their health. Good health is considered first by most everyone.

The schools of Midland rank with the best in Texas, the high school ranking with other cities of 20,000 in population, with 27 credits of affiliation with the State University. It is a grand thing to go off to school and have them ask you where you are from, and for them to tell you to go right on with the work of the school without further trouble. We hear lectures weekly from men all over the country. They say they have heard of Midland schools and have come here and found everything they had heard to be a fact. We have some people to migrate here for no other purpose than educational advantages. We have twenty teachers now and when we move into our new one hundred and fifty thousand dollar first class brick high school building there will be many more employed. We are one of a few in Texas who have chapel exercises and physical exercises each morning.

There are three fine brick church buildings in Midland and two others made of wood. They are Baptist, Methodist, Christian, Presbyterian and Catholic. There are church services twice a day and Sunday school every Sunday morning, besides the regular weekly program of each church. Midland people are a church going people because of the friendly feeling they have towards their neighbors after going. Every one is welcomed. The tourists are cordially invited by the pastors to attend services in their traveling clothes when in our city, and many of them accept the opportunity. The rich and the poor are treated the same.

Farming, the on-coming chief industry, is very successful here. The rainfall for Midland is 21.30 inches. Trirrigation has been proved very successful here. Water is found at a depth of 32 to 132 feet. One of the city's wells, which would supply a city of 150,000 people, is one of the deepest in Midland County. Land sells for \$15.00 to \$35.00 an acre, \$3 to \$5 down, balance easy payments, at seven per cent. One half million dollars worth of cotton is raised annually, and farmers make an average \$30.00 per acre on maize. One man made \$50.00 per acre on sorghum in 1925. The Eastern people are so well pleased with the farming land that one from Mississippi bought 1,280 acres of cotton land at Midland, and in four months had bought three more farms. The Midland county is absolutely free from boll-weevil, and crab grass. There are so few weeds some people seldom hoe their crops at all. Peaches, Grapes, Sweet Potatoes, Kershaws, Watermelons, all kinds of feed, cotton, cantalopes, and figs are raised in abundance. Many first prizes were won on some of the crops at the different fairs the past year. One man raised 57 varieties of fruits and vegetables in one year.

Ranching, the leading occupation for the past many years is still carried on here. Two million dollars worth of cattle were sold during the year 1925. One man bought forty

eight thousand head of cattle in Midland. He has bought from all over the world but declares Midland the best. Mr. B. N. Aycock, one of the foremost Hereford breeders of the United States won first prize on a group of registered Herefords at the Fat Stock Show in 1923. Water is plentiful for the cattle and very little, if any, winter feeding is necessary. The cattle never suffer from any kind of severe weather. Shipping is good to all parts of the country for market.

A few of the many other things Midland has, is a Bankhead highway, the leading highway of the United States, four daily trains, a light plant, which supplies two other County seats, one of the largest and best equipped hotels between Fort Worth and El Paso, a bathing pool near the city, first-class retail stores which receive orders from other neighboring towns, first class public library, ball park, fair grounds and a weekly newspaper.

Midland can have, and will have in the near future, many other improvements in their county and city. The development of the syrup industry will begin this year, and is sure to be proved successful.

Without a doubt this is to become the headquarters of Potash and oil.

The next thing to be improved is our streets. We will have paved streets and better lighted streets soon.

The county commissioners are improving the county roads and the highway is being made into a hard surfaced road. A highway to Garden City is expected some time soon.

Then why not move to Midland and stay? If you like genuine neighbors good schools, good churches, city conveniences, big yields from small investments on land or cotton, if you are a young man and ambitious to get ahead, if you are an old man and want to end your days in comfort, come on over to Midland, where you will be located in the heart of the big, hospitable, generous, Golden West.

A Trip To Hill County In 1880

(By W. C. Cochran)

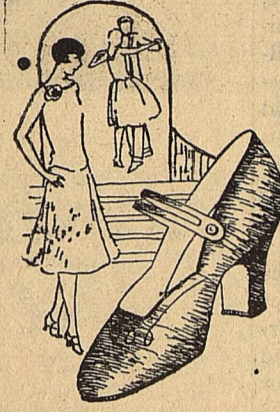
About the 10th of November 1880, W. H. Cowden and a man by the name of Davis started from Strawn, Texas, to the feed lots in Hill County with one hundred and forty Bush Whacker Steers. W. H. hired Jeff Cowden and me to go with them. I want to state here, that Jeff's right name is Booker. When he was about ten years old he took up with an old coon hunter by the name of Booker Mullins, so his father went to Uncle Peter Davidson, a Justice of the Peace and had his name changed to Booker. Everyone in Palo Pinto knows him as Booker, and not Jeff.

The first night after we started, we jumped on the Brazos River and penned our steers in Tom Nompers pens; it was a ten rail pen, staked and wadded. It was awfully cold and snowing; we had a big fire made of post oak logs, and we had just gone to bed when the steers stampeded. I took out one whole side of the pen. W. H. and I jumped on our horses bare back, without putting on our clothes and took after them. When we got back to the pen with the steers, Booker was still trying to saddle his horse. I asked old man Davis why in the H? he wasn't out there helping us pen those steers, and he said, "What is what I am paying you for?" We had not hardly gotten the steers penned and the fence put up, until they stampeded again. We had it with them the balance of the night.

From here, everything went well until we passed Weatherford. We camped on Bear Creek. It was still awfully cold and snowing. Booker and I were on last guard. We came in to breakfast and while we were eating old man Davis said, "It takes you fellows a long time to get away from camp." I said, "Mr. Davis, if it didn't take Booker so long to eat his molasses, we could get off a little sooner." Booker jumped up and kicked his plate over the fire and said "Mr. Davis, if you can't give me time to eat my molasses, you can pay me off, and I want you to make Walter Cochran keep his damn bill out of my business."

From this time on, everything went smooth for two or three days. In Johnson County we were passing an old farmers field. Booker was driving the chuck wagon that evening and I was on the right hand point of the herd. It was still awfully cold and not a stick of wood to be had, so I told Booker to get a few fence rails as he passed the field and he did. The old man was watching him put the rails in the wagon and when I passed the house the old man asked me whose herd that was. I told him it was Davis's herd; he got on his

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There is something altogether compelling about these pumps which makes them uncommonly hard to resist. The toes, the heels, the high arches, the leathers, the colors, the trims, all sharing equal prominence as they are variations, the like of which have never before been shown at prices so little.

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Beautiful Leathers—Shades Blond, White, Bois de Rose, Opal Gray, \$5.50 to \$8.50

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Live Stock Hints

If your cattle are infested with lice, get a brush and groom them with raw linseed oil, that is, paint them with it and see that they are thoroughly covered.

Young pigs must have exercise. Without it they are very apt to die of thumps—which takes its name from a jerkiness of the muscles accompanied by hiccoughs.

The prosperous farmers since the war have been hog producers, for a hog crop shows a quick turnover.

Hand-fed pigs are more likely to be overfed than underfed when it is understood that a sow has only about one quart of milk per day for a whole litter of pigs.

Disposition is an important factor in determining the number of pigs which a sow succeeds in raising. It should be mild and quiet rather than nervous, mean or cross.

Glass Sets Record On Life Applications

George W. Glass set a new record for his company, the Fidelity Union, this week, by writing twenty seven applications in one day. The previous record for the company was twenty five.

Mr. Wortham, special agent for the company, has been in Midland assisting him, and they have done some fast work.

The following telegram is from the home office to Mr. Glass:
Dallas, Texas,
April 21, 1926,
George W. Glass,
Midland, Texas.

Congratulations on writing twenty seven applications in one day. This breaks all records for applications in one day with the United Fidelity. Know you could do it all time, especially with Wortham there to assist you. Know you put in hard work and have been rewarded abundantly for your efforts. Kindest regards,
Bert J. Jones.

THE NEXT WEEK

Monday, April 26
Clothes Make The Pirate
Tuesday April, 27
New Lives For Old
Wednesday
The Spaniard
Thursday
The Golden Strain
One of the best pictures of the season.

AT THE
IDLEHOUR THEATER

Self-Feeder Convenient in Feeding Live Stock

The self-feeder is not only a convenience in feeding live stock, but has a sanitary value which should not be underestimated. This is especially so in the case of swine and poultry, because these animals, on account of their feeding habits, are particularly exposed to the danger of becoming infected by having their feed contaminated by the droppings of their kind. Feeding from the ground always is accompanied by this risk and this can be reduced by the use of the self-feeder. This utensil should be so constructed as to reduce the introduction of filth to a minimum and to make it impossible for the animals to contaminate the contents with their body wastes. For the same reason they periodically should be subjected to a thorough cleaning.

Llano Beauty Shoppe Specials Next Week

Monday and Tuesday
\$1.50 Electrical Facials \$1.25
Plain 85c
Wednesday and Thursday
Morning Manicures 50c
Afternoon Manicures 75c
Madame Louise Hair Dress \$1.00
Arches 35c

Regular prices on everything Friday and Saturday.
Make appointments early in the week.
Our permanent Wave machine will be here next week.

An Exclusive Dempster Feature

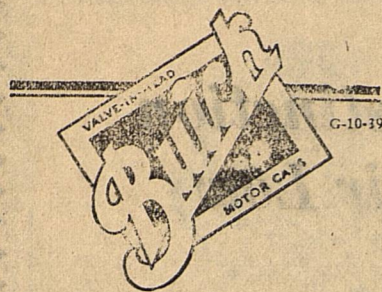
The Dempster No. 11 Windmill is the only Direct Stroke windmill on the market that has the handy and practical annu-oiled feature. Oil it only once a year. This is only one of the many Dempster features you should know all about. Write us for complete description of the



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Tom Flood
Proprietor

VICKERS REPORTS ON AUSTIN HIGHWAY TRIP

WAS MADE SECRETARY OF WEST TEXAS ROAD BODY LAST WEEK

Aid of any specific project in West Texas was not asked by the West Texans who met in Austin last week. On recommendation of R. Q. Lee, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor Williams of Cisco, the organization decided to urge highway aid in general and go after specific projects later, when Commissioner Cage makes his contemplated tour through West Texas. He will make this trip probably within the next two months.

The resolutions was drafted by the secretary of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, who was also made permanent secretary of West Texas road body as well as being made a member of the resolutions committee, were adopted without change. These resolutions merely pledged confidence in efforts of the highway commission to expend the funds at their command judiciously and promised the aid of West Texas in furnishing information as to the needs of West Texas roads.

This section of West Texas was well represented, M. H. Morrison of Big Spring also being a member of the resolutions committee. The Midland secretary was commissioned by Stanton and Odessa chamber of commerce officials to act for them. Eastland County, however, was the best represented, there being four or five delegates from that county present. Llano sent four delegates 100 miles by auto through the mud to Austin for the meeting.

Mr. Lee and other prominent West Texas leaders present declared the meeting accomplished a great deal of intangible good for West Texas, and they were gratified at the results. The whole committee was cordially received by the State Highway Commission.

No Trouble To Grow Broom Corn

Farmers who are hesitant about planting broom corn for fear they don't know how to handle it, need have no worry on that point, says T. A. Riddell, manager of the Midland Broom Factory. Mr. Riddell told J. B. Snider County Agent, that he would buy the broom corn in the field, would attend to the threshing himself and would personally look after the storing of the broom corn.

In other words all the farmer has to do is plant and cultivate the broom corn, Mr. Riddell will do the rest. Enough seed to plant one acre can be obtained for only 33 cents at the Chamber of Commerce office. One Midland farmer has already bought enough seed to plant three acres.

Application blanks for the Citizens Training Camp at Fort Sam Houston may be procured at the office of the Midland Chamber of Commerce. Several high school boys have already procured applications to enter the camp. Pamphlets telling about the camp are also on file for free distribution.

BECAUSE THEY SEE WE ARE TRYING

You find here a noticeable atmosphere of sincerity in both the personal contact and in the handling of any transaction, large or small.

Our efforts are concentrated on pleasing the patrons. That's why we are adding new ones daily.

That's why you, too, would like us.

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"There Is No Substitute For Safety"

Martin County Man To Grow Broom Corn

W. O. Berry of Martin County, living 18 miles northwest of Midland was here Saturday and ordered 50 pounds of broom corn seed through County Agent J. B. Snider. Mr. Berry says he will plant at least 20 acres. He will probably sell his broom corn to T. A. Riddell, manager of the Midland Broom Factory. Mr. Berry is an experienced broom corn raiser, having been in that business for years in East Texas. He says he expects to get about \$2.50 a ton for his broom corn and should produce a quarter of a ton per acre. Mr. Berry wanted to buy 10 pounds of seed from the county agent, but Mr. Snider is saving the few pounds left for local farmers.

Nineteen inquiries whose names were furnished by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to the Midland Chamber were sent Midland literature this week. Each inquirer was written a personal letter setting forth the advantages of Midland. The inquirers were scattered all over the U. S. from Yakima, Wash. to Miami Beach, Fla.

DON'T forget the good magazines at Elite. 35-17

Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Leggett returned to Abilene last Friday.

Mrs. Melvin Price and son, Jerry, are here this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Montgomery.

Free samples of chicken lice remover can be obtained by seeing the Midland County agent. The chemical is known as the Revenge Lice destroyer and is said to put chicken cooties to hasty flight. Anyone who asks will receive a free sample.

ST. LOUIS Post Dispatch, New York Times, Star Telegram, El Paso Herald, Midland Reporter, and good magazines at the Elite. 35-17

Louie Arrington and family are here this week from Merkel, visiting relatives.

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<p>GEORGE K. STAYTON Attorney-at-Law General Civil Practice Barstow, Texas</p>	<p>R. C. WINTERS & CO., INC. Audits and Systems—Income Tax Consultants—Oil Depletion Reports—Investigations Phone 318 Park Bldg. Abilene, Texas</p>
<p>C. W. (Dick) TATE Attorney-at-Law Room 201-3 Llano Hotel Building MIDLAND, TEXAS</p>	<p>DR. C. H. TIGNER DENTIST Office Over Midland Mercantile</p>
<p>J. B. Wilkinson returned the first of the week from a business trip to Abilene and Ovilla.</p> <p>J. Roland Dublin was here from Odessa Monday.</p>	<p>First Class Barber Work By Skillful, Courteous Barbers —AT— CLAUDE JONES BARBER SHOP East Side of Main Street</p>

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How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomeal compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomeal and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.
One or two Calotabs at bedtime with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.
Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

Wife and Husband Both Ill With Gas

"For years I have had gas on the stomach. The first dose of Adlerika helped. I now sleep well and all gas is gone." (signed) Mrs. B. Brinkley. ONE spoonful Adlerika removes gas and often brings astonishing relief to the stomach. Stops that full bloated feeling. Brings out old waste matter you never thought was in your system. This excellent intestinal evacuant is wonderful for constipation.
CITY DRUG STORE

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice, in the County of Midland, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for a period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof;
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To all persons interested in the estate of Carrie F. King, Deceased, Oliver King, has filed in the County Court of Midland County, an application for the Probate of the will and Testament of Carrie F. King, Deceased, filed with said application and for letters testamentary, which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing on the second Monday in May, A. D. 1926, the same being the 10th day of May, A. D. 1926 at the Court House thereof, in Midland, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.
Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Midland, Texas this 9th day of April, A. D. 1926.
C. B. Dunagan, Clerk
County Court, Midland County, Texas.

EXPOSES WILES OF FAKE STOCK SALESMEN AND PROMOTERS

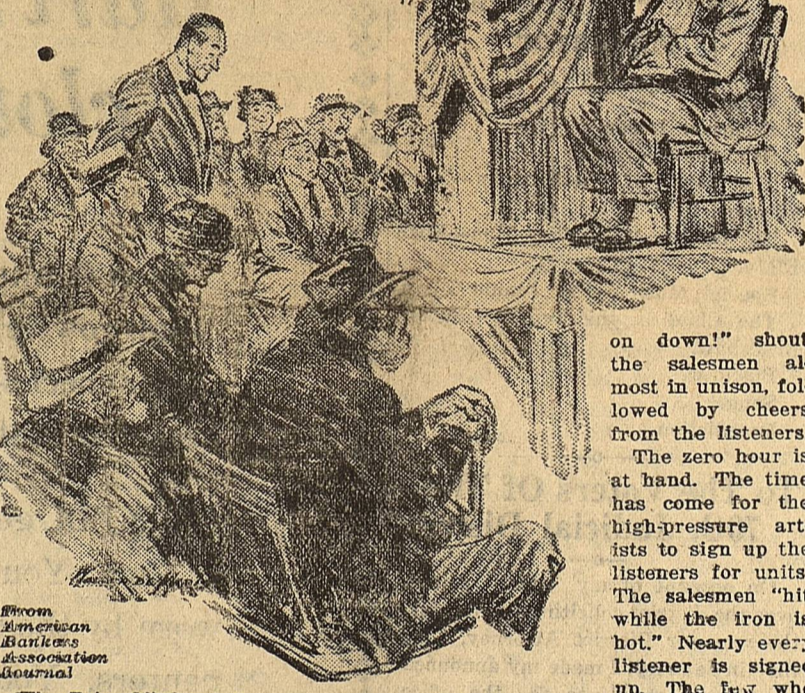
Latest Methods of Confidence Men Described by American Bankers Association Official—Declares That Shrewder Schemes Than Ever Before Are Taking Peoples' Savings.

By W. R. MOREHOUSE,
Public Relations Commission, American Bankers Association.

ARTICLE NO. 1

MUCH of the distress of many people in America today is due, not to the fact that they have not had an opportunity to earn and save money, but to the fact that they have lost their savings in fraudulent schemes of one kind or another. Many a widow is in financial difficulty not because she was left penniless by her husband but because she lost her inheritance by investing it in "gold bricks." Many a bank depositor who once carried a fine balance is penniless today not because he did not know how to save but because he did not know how to invest. Perhaps if I relate some wild-cat promotions that give an insight into the activities of investment sharks it will quicken a relentless determination to provide depositors with much needed advice in investment matters. I have come in personal contact with many cases, some of them almost unbelievable because of the very crookedness of the schemes to defraud, yet thousands of our hard-working savers have been led to invest their savings in these promotions. In giving the high lights of certain cases I am not drawing on my imagination in the least, nor am I relying on hearsay, but giving first-hand information.

Unbelievable but True
Many millions of dollars have been lost in oil. The sum is staggering. Into ever corner of the United States the mails carry high-powered sales talk of great riches to be made in oil. Carried away by these promises, depositors quietly withdraw funds from their banks and send them on to wild-cat speculators. Not one out of a hundred has ever recovered the money he invested. Still wild-cat promotions continue to flourish, with a new crop of victims coming up to take the place of those who are forced out of the



The 'Fake Oil' Stock Sale Was Opened With Prayer

rumming because they have already lost their savings.
"Listen to this one! It is a typical one. A tract of land, just ordinary land, making about it to indicate there is oil beneath the surface. Any oil rig, a few tools, half a dozen strings of pipe are done at hand. A large show boat filled with chairs that will seat several hundred people. It is 10 a. m. The sun is shining brightly, and it is a glorious day.
Presently several large busses drawn up loaded with people ranging in age from fifty years to eighty. A corps of high-pressure salesmen rush out to greet the arrivals and to assure them that they are most welcome to what will be the next great oil city of America. The aged and feeble-minded are tenderly conducted to comfortable chairs under the big tent in plain view of those seated as they peer out through the flap of the tent stands majestically the oil rig spattered with crude oil and nearby is the big oil sump also filled with oil. Through an ingenious circulating system oil from the sump flows into the well and back into the sump through a pipe in full view.
Religious Revival Methods
Presently the official lecturer calls the meeting to order. The impression he creates is that he is either a minister or has studied for the ministry. He opens the meeting with prayer for the success of the venture in oil. After prayer this sanctimonious gentleman tells how he has invested all of his own earnings and all of his children's savings in the venture, so confident is he that it is to be an oil gusher and all are to be made rich.
He charms his audience with his oratory. He impresses them with his honesty. He calls their attention to oil in plain view, intimating that it is from the well. And while he is talking before them, figuratively speaking, luxury and old age comforts if they invest in the "A-A" Oil Company, the foreman of the rig rushes in, his clothes spattered with crude oil. He is excited and almost out of breath as he reaches the sanctimonious lecturer. A few words are whispered. The lecturer's face registers at delight at the news. He turns to his audience, a smile of vic-

on down!" shout the salesmen almost in unison, followed by cheers from the listeners. The zero hour is at hand. The time has come for the high-pressure artists to sign up the listeners for units. The salesmen "hit while the iron is hot." Nearly every listener is signed up. The few who hesitate are forgotten only momentarily, for the tables are brought in and the big free lunch made ready. As all sit down at least one salesman is at every table. The work cut out for him is to sign up the few who escaped the first "pulling of the net," and you may take my word for it, few escape.
One by one these old people, under the spell of being rushed into the deal, pay over their cash, sign notes or turn over good securities for units in the "A-A" Oil Company.
This picture of an oil speculation may seem too crooked to be true, but it is a real story of how thousands of savings depositors, all past the age of fifty, lost over half a million dollars. This story is one of many hundreds that might be told, all of which have ended disastrously for millions of investors.
(Article II will reveal further fraudulent schemes for robbing workers of their savings.)
Truth and Advertising Have Made America Great
Truth in news columns and advertising is the foundation of America's prosperity. Melvin A. Traylor, Second Vice President American Bankers Association, recently said, adding: "Continuance of our prosperity rests chiefly upon continuation of the greatest of all causes for our present good times—truth in news columns, truth over the story counters and truth in advertising. World-wide acceptance of great discoveries and inventions has been due to the fact that the newspapers truthfully described them and the manufacturers truthfully advertised them. If Aspid had been the general rule, if the motto had been 'sell quick and let the buyer beware,' the new things I recall one particularly large firm which three years ago began advertising its wares falsely; it is today hopelessly bankrupt.
"Wise advertising costs nothing. You have only to increase the sale of your products to the point that covers the advertising charge to enjoy the enlarged business without cost. The natural saving in overhead is extra profit for dividend or for further expansion."

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Haag To Address Balmorrhea C. Of C.

B. Frank Haag of Midland will deliver an address at Balmorrhea tonight on Chamber of Commerce work. Mr. Haag was invited to make this speech as the annual address before the Balmorrhea Chamber. The Midland lawyer has had much experience in Chamber of Commerce work, having been the first president of the present Midland organization, and having served as a director for several years.

Hella Temple To Have Ceremonial

Saturday May 1 is the date for the spring ceremonial session of the Hella Shrine Temple, at Dallas, and according to J. M. Caldwell of Midland, personal representative in this territory of Potentate Z. E. Marvin, there will be lots of entertainment in store for those Shriners who attend.

A feature of the 1926 spring ceremonial will be the active participation of many past potentates of the Hella Temple. These prominent Masons will confer the ritualistic incident to the first and third sections, to be carried out at the Scottish Rite Cathedral.
Beginning at 7:30 P. M. in the great new fair park Auditorium, at the State Fair Grounds, will come the evening program, to be opened with a preliminary concert in which the several entertainment units and the three uniformed bodies of Hella will have a big part. The second section and initiation, in charge of director James E. Forrest, will open at 8:15 o'clock in the auditorium and will continue until later.
A big street parade is scheduled for 3:30 P. M. and it is promised that many new features will be seen therein.

It is expected that there will be a number of novices from the immediate territory who will make a pilgrimage to the Mecca of the Dallas, and that several of the nobles will accompany them.
Fred Stevens and Homer McNew, of Big Spring, were business visitors to Midland Tuesday.

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Don Davis and J. Homer Epley arrived the first of the week from Ft. Worth on oil business.

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Any physician will tell you that perfect Purification of the System is Nature's Foundation of Perfect Health. Why not rid yourself of chronic ailments that are undermining your vitality? Purify your entire system by taking a thorough course of Calotabs, once or twice a week for several weeks—and see how Nature rewards you with health. Calotabs are the greatest of all system purifiers. Get a family package, containing full directions. Only 35 cts. At any drug store. (Adv.)

Certified Pedigreed Mebane Cotton Seed

I still have a limited supply of the pure Blue Wagon Certified Seed. These seed are the 1924 crop, which makes them the more desirable. On account of the extended drouth in the cotton seed breeding district, there is very little 1925 certified seed available. Anticipate your wants as early as possible before this supply is exhausted.

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Church Of Christ

Bible study each Lord's day at 10 A. M.
 Preaching second and fourth Sundays and our summer meetings will be held July 23 to August second.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Social and Workers Council	9:30
Bible School	9:45
Communion	10:40
Junior C. E.	11:00
Senior C. E.	6:45

Carl Roberts returned Tuesday evening from a business trip to Abilene.

Delicious is the verdict of those who have tasted BUTTER KISTWICH sandwiches. 30-1t

Methodist Church

Preaching services at 11:00 A. M. and 8 P. M.
 Sunday School 9:45
 Epworth League 7 P. M.
 You are invited to meet with us.
 L. U. Spellmann.

Catholic Church

Mass on every first and third Sunday of the month.—Hours 8:00 and 10:00.
 Everybody welcome.
 Remember the Catholic Church teaches divine truth with authority. Stands for justice toward all, is the Church principally for the man in the overall.
 Rev. S. Kistner, O. M. I.

Gilmore Withdraws From Clerk's Race

An announcement was carried last week wherein J. M. Gilmore, candidate for the office of County and District Clerk made public his withdrawal from the race.

He is serving as city secretary, and the many duties of this office have been so capably handled by Mr. Gilmore that he agreed to retain the position when solicited to do so by city officials.

C. B. Dunagan and Jim Shelburne remain in the race for county clerk.

J. Eugene Cowden and family were in from the ranch Wednesday, and report good rain down that way.

Epworth League

Subject—Industrial Missions, The Place of Work in God's Plan.
 Leader—Olive Allen.
 Scripture—(Acts 18:3; 2 Thess. 3:7-13.)

Song.
 Prayer.
 Talk—To promote the idea of the Dignity of Labor, To advance normal Integrity and character—Mrs. Stacey Allen.

Talk—To Raise the Social Plane and Standard of living of the Community—Radney Ellison.

Talk—To enable needy students to support themselves while attending school, To provide an opening for Christian Teaching—John W. Crowley.

Talk—To make possible the self support of native churches, To avoid the gulf between laboring classes and the church—Leader.

Announcements.
 League Benediction.

Senior Christian Endeavor

How can we help to make our cities Christian?
 (Matt. 11:20-24, 28:30.)

Leader—Mrs. Charles Klapproth.
 Song.
 Sentence Prayers.
 Is it easier or harder for a young person to be a Christian in a city than in a small place.—Miss Euprye Pemberton.

What are some evils in cities that need to be wiped out? Mr. Wilhite.

Does social service help or hinder to Christianize Cities?—Jennie Elkin.

Are City Churches more friendly than Country Churches? Lucile Cole.

Business.
 Song.
 Benediction.

Junior Christian Endeavor

Song.
 Scripture lesson.
 Sentence Prayers.
 The Babe of Bethlehem—Mary Wisdom.

The Star and the Wise Men—Bush Elkin.

Special Music—Miss Jennie Elkin, The Child in the Temple—Burton Bradshaw.

Business.
 Song.
 Benediction.

To The Voters Of The 70th Judicial District

On account of my many friends over the district soliciting me to make the race for District Attorney, some time in January, I made my announcement as a candidate for the office, but since announcing I have given the matter more careful consideration and have decided to withdraw my announcement for the reason that it seems to me under the circumstances it would be a losing proposition to me from a financial standpoint. While I regret very much to disappoint my many friends who have solicited me to make the race and who have so loyally supported me this far, but in as much as I would be taken away from my new practice that pays me more than I could ever expect to receive from the office, I feel it my duty to myself and family to withdraw from the race.

Mr. Russell, is a very able lawyer and I am sure he will give the people of this district a faithful and energetic administration of the affairs of the office.

Thanking my friends for the interest they have taken in my behalf, I am.

Respectfully,
 C. W. Tate.

Methodists Adding New Metal Roofing

A new metal roof is being put on the Sunday School department of the Methodist Church building here, replacing a composition roof which has been there for several years. Howe and Allen have the contract for the new roof. They recently installed a first class heating plant in the same building.

Visitors Here From Mexico

Mrs. C. H. Cantelou and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. H. L. Cantelou, are here from Tampico, Mexico, visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gilmore.

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Lightning Kills Big Spring Man

BIG SPRING, April 21.—T. N. Rutheford, pioneer resident of this place, was electrocuted when he attempted to disconnect a light fixture during a severe electrical storm during the night.

Sam Kelton Hurt By Horse Fall

Sam Kelton suffered a broken leg Monday when the horse he was riding fell with him. The break occurred above the knee.

Mr. Kelton is foreman of the N A ranch of the Scharbauer Cattle Co.

He was chasing a cow and had his horse running at full speed. The animal jumped over a clump of bear grass and stepped in a hole, throwing the rider ahead of him. When the horse rolled over, his hip struck Mr. Kelton on the leg.

The injured man is at the Llano hotel, and is getting along nicely.

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