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HOW UNITED STATES WILL FINANCE WAR

Bond Issue of Five Billion Dollars Has Been Asked For By the Administration.

Washington, April 8.—President Wilson's policy outlined in his address to Congress of paying America's war bill, so far as possible, while the war is being waged, leaving a minimum debt to posterity, was reflected tonight in a virtual decision by leaders in the house and senate to raise 50 per cent of the first year's expenditures by taxation.

Under this program congress will be called upon to raise war revenue of \$1,175,000,000 through new and increased taxation during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918. This is exclusive of the \$5,000,000,000 bond issue, authorization for which will be sought this week. The total demand upon the financial resources of the country during the first year of war, under this program, would be \$6,750,000,000.

Of the bond issue, \$3,000,000,000, it was definitely stated tonight, would be loaned to the entente allies. The entire issue will bear interest at 3 1/2 per cent. It is proposed to make the loan to the allies at this rate, which is lower by far than the rate on their previous issues.

The remaining \$2,000,000,000 will be applied, as necessary, on the cost of the military and naval establishments and other war expenses of the United States. Indications are that with the new war revenue measures in effect, the full amount of \$2,000,000,000 would not be entirely exhausted at the end of the first year.

In requesting authorization for a \$5,000,000,000 bond issue, administration leaders have in mind the necessity of allowing for a slight margin of safety, so that the work of the war and navy departments would not be handicapped by a lack of funds due to the possible failure of proposed tax measures to raise the entire sum of 50 per cent desired.

Details of the proposed bond issue have not been fully disposed of at present. The proposal that congress authorize immediately the issuance of \$3,000,000,000 in bonds to finance a loan to the allies and afterward take up the request for \$2,000,000,000 for the army and navy is considered in some quarters.

In support of this proposal it is pointed out that the need of the allies for funds is more immediately pressing than America's needs, the money to be obtained for the latter purpose being extended over a period of 14 months.

Indications are strong that congress will be asked to authorize the \$5,000,000,000 in one lump. Legislation to this effect will be considered by the ways and means committee within the next day or so, possibly tomorrow, and probably will be reported to congress for action before the end of the week.

In general terms, it seems certain the bulk of the additional revenue will be raised through revision of the income and excess profits tax laws. It is also likely that the tax on whiskey, beer and tobacco will be raised.

As to what outlines the income tax law will assume upon emerging from the committee, one man's guess, an official, said tonight, is as good as another's. There appears to be a general sentiment for lowering the present exemption and raising the rates heavily on large incomes. A graduated scale may be adopted in revising the excess profits tax law.

Suggestions that part of the war revenue by the imposition of stamp taxes on checks and other documents, and that a consumption tax be placed on sugar, tea and coffee, have been made in both branches of congress, and it appears likely these will be considered.

Officials in charge of the financial

HOME GUARDS ARE NOW DRILLING

Daily Drills are Putting Our Midland Boys in Shape for Military Service

The home guards were organized last Friday and starting in with Saturday the boys have been making daily drills, thus showing that Midland, along with the rest of the great United States are patriotic to the core and would be willing to fight for home and country at the call.

The organization of the home guards is not for actual military service, or to go to the front, but is simply to give our home boys an opportunity to learn the work of a soldier, so that if an uprising, or a raid should be made in this vicinity, we would be prepared to meet such conflict. No one who joins the home guards obligates himself in any way. Up to this time something like a hundred volunteers have joined the guards and the drilling keeps up daily. There are several young men in the company who have had considerable military training and they are working hard with the boys to get them in shape.

Keep it up, boys, for it shows the right spirit.

problem found themselves today the center of a country-wide bombardment of telegrams and letters of approval. From every section came assurances of support. Offers of co-operation were received from individuals, organizations, firms and banks. Many of the latter offered to place at the disposal of the proper authorities all means within their power for distributing and aiding in the sale of bonds.

EXPLOSION KILLS MANY IN MUNITION PLANT

Chester, Pa., April 10.—One hundred and twelve persons, most of them women and girls, lost their lives, and 121 were injured by a series of terrific explosions today in the munition building of the Eddystone ammunition corporation at Eddystone, one mile from this city. Many of the injured were mortally hurt and it is feared the final death toll will reach 150, while others probably will be maimed for life.

Explosion Caused by Bomb
Chester, Pa., April 11.—The explosion was the result of a diabolical plot conceived in the degenerate mind of a demon in human guise," declared a high official of the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation today. He said that for obvious reasons he could not permit the use of his name.

This official said that investigation concluded this afternoon had shown that a bomb manufactured from a shell in the plant by one of the employees had caused yesterday's explosion and the loss of at least 116 lives.

The revised list of fatalities today places the number of dead at 122, the majority girls and young women. Between 125 and 150 men, women and girls were injured, at least ten being so burned and torn by shrapnel fragments that death was momentarily expected. Twenty-three others are missing.

PAYMENT RECEIVED BY W. O. W. BENEFICIARY

B. G. Pemberton, clerk of the W. O. W. Camp of this city, received one day this week a draft for \$990.50, the amount due Mrs. Maud Hooks, the beneficiary of W. G. Hooks, who was insured in that order. The beneficiaries of sixteen deceased sovereigns have received \$24,736 since the Camp was organized.

REVIVAL WILL START SUNDAY

All Preparations for the Big Meeting are Made and Evangelist Klein will Start Campaign

The editor having been away on a fishing trip, and the publication committee officially appointed by the church, having turned in no data, we (the cub) are at a loss for something to say on the subject of the Methodist revival which is due to start in the opera house Sunday. Nevertheless, such data as we have gleaned by announcements made from the pulpit and the talk on the streets, the revival will start next Sunday in the opera house. The evangelist, Dr. Klein, who is now winding up a great meeting in Dallas, will arrive next Tuesday, and will at once enter into the activities of the work planned by the various committees, for the purpose of having a great revival.

The choirs from the other churches are urged to come and assist in the song service, as this is to be one of the features of the meeting. We understand that Dr. Klein has a very fine singer and director and two or three other helpers that he carries with him to assist in his work, and no doubt Midland is destined to see one of the biggest meetings of her history.

SECOND DISTRICT SCHOOL ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Mrs. Mary E. Norwood, deputy grand matron of District No. 2, Order of the Eastern Star, will conduct a school of instruction at the Masonic Temple in Midland on April 26th and 27th. The following program has been arranged for the occasion:

Thursday, 1:30 p. m.
Opening ceremony—Midland Chapter No. 253.
Presentation of Grand Officers.
Welcome song—by Chapter.
Opening of School of Instruction.
Grand Matron—Mrs. Mabel Lee Eldridge.

Study of Ritual and Constitution
Queries.
Examinations—Mrs. Rebecca Robinson, Committee on Work.

8:30 p. m.—Reception
Music.
Address of Welcome.
On Behalf of Masons—Judge E. R. Bryan.
On Behalf of Midland Chapter—Mrs. America Rhea.

Response—Mrs. Flora Penix, Grand Conductress.
Vocal solo—Mrs. Meame, El Paso.
Reading—Miss Bessie Reynolds.
Address O. E. S. Home—Miss May Cherry.
Address—Mrs. Mabel Lee Eldridge, Grand Matron.
Reading—Mrs. Flora Penix.

Friday, 9:30 a. m.
Music.
Balloting Exemplified—by Delegates.
The Least An O. E. S. Member Should Know—Mrs. Norwood.
Why We Should Understand Parliamentary Law—Mrs. Emily Andrews, Toyah.
Parliamentary Drill—Grand Matron.
A Point I Wish Made Clear—Delegates.

Examinations—Mrs. Robinson.
Luncheon—12 m.
1:30 p. m.
Exemplifications of Degrees—By Delegates.
Discussion of Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Order—Led by Grand Matron.
Report of Committees.
Examinations.
Closing.
Auto Ride from 4:30 to 5:30.

MEXICO AND CHILE TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

Guatemala is Expected to Declare War Against the Central Powers Soon

Washington, April 10.—Much of the uncertainty as to Latin-America's attitude in the war between the United States and Germany was cleared away today by definite advices that Chile and Mexico will remain neutral, and increasing indications that Brazil and Guatemala and Peru will join Cuba and Panama on the side of the United States.

The decision of Chile, the first of the American republics to announce her neutrality, caused some surprise. In many quarters, it had been expected that she eventually would break with Germany, but would postpone her decision until advised definitely of the course of Argentina and Brazil, the other members of the influential A. B. C. group in South America. What effect her stand will have on the smaller nations of the continent is a matter of much speculation.

Discredits Pro-German Reports
Mexico's decision, on the other hand, caused no surprise and is regarded as certain to have little influence with her sister republic. Reports that General Carranza was softening to a distinct pro-American attitude have not been credited by officials here, and neither have they believed widely circulated stories that he was preparing to ally himself openly with Germany. Information as to his decision reached the state department informally today, and a proclamation of neutrality is expected after the Mexican congress meets April 15th.

Official confirmation of Brazil's break with the Berlin government still is lacking, but officials believe there is no doubt that the authorities at Rio have definitely decided for war. As the largest South American nation, Brazil's influence on the other republic of the new world is expected to be second only to that of the United States.

Officials here professed to be ignorant of the purpose of Peru, as announced in press reports, in sending a naval officer to Washington "on special naval mission," but it was taken as a sign that opinion in that country is crystallizing in favor of belligerency.

Official advices from Guatemala during the day left little doubt that the proclamation of martial law there was a preliminary to a break with Germany.

BLAIR'S COMEDIANS POSTPONED ENGAGEMENT

The Jesse Blair Comedians, which were billed to open their show here on Monday for an engagement have postponed their date two weeks on account of the Methodist revival, which starts in the opera house next Sunday. The Blair Comedians is a company of versatile performers and they have been playing to capacity houses all over Texas this season. The postponement of their engagement here, under the circumstances, is very commendable in Mr. Blair, and when he arrives two weeks from next Monday we trust that his patronage will double the door receipts. Anyhow we all will extend to him a hearty welcome.

Postmaster Geo. Gentry, of Pecos, who has been in Miners' Wells for some time in the hope of benefiting his health, has returned not much improved. Mrs. Gentry, who is a teacher in the Midland public schools, is nursing him and has been with him for some time. The Reporter hopes to hear soon of his improvement.

Chas. McClintic returned home yesterday from Fort Worth.

EASTER OBSERVED BY THE CHURCHES

Our Three-Churches, Methodist, Baptist and Christian Celebrate in Appropriate Way

Last Sunday being Easter, the Methodist, Baptist and Christian churches observed the occasion with appropriate programs by the choirs, young peoples societies and the pastors, who preached special Easter sermons. As the pastor, Rev. J. T. McKissick, of the Christian church was out of the city, the morning hour was given over to a delightful Easter program by the Junior Endeavor and the evening hour was turned over to the choir, assisted by members of the other churches, a very delightful musical program was carried out.

The Baptist church had a special Easter sermon by the pastor, Rev. Ernest Quick, and the choir also rendered some very appropriate music.

Rev. J. W. Cowan, of the Methodist church preached a most powerful and inspiring sermon, and while the subject was appropriate to Easter, still it had the evangelistic spirit in it throughout, as the revival starts next Sunday. The choir rendered a most beautiful anthem and quartette and also an appropriate offertory was played.

Thus our entire city observed this day most religiously and in keeping with Christian citizenship.

SOLD RANCH PROPERTY THIRTY MILES SOUTH

Rev. J. S. Moore and daughter, Miss Ethel, sold their ranch property located 30 miles south of Midland, to a party from Riley Springs, Texas. The sale was effected about three weeks ago.

GUARD IS ASKED FOR NEW MEXICO BORDER

Santa Fe, N. M., April 10.—Asking that the State do something immediately to secure protection for the citizens of Grant and Luna counties, exposed to invasion by German reserves and Mexicans on the southern border, and menaced by the presence of 5,000 Old Mexico natives inside their own boundaries, prominent citizens from those counties conferred with Gov. Lindsey today and tonight, and as a result, prompt action was taken by the executive. He wired the war department asking that sufficient troops of the regular army be placed along the border to safeguard New Mexico, failing which he asked that arms and ammunition be furnished to handle the emergency for the present.

Captain De Bremont, of Battery A, was summoned to Santa Fe to see the governor, who not only wishes to use the battery for State defense but to make it the nucleus of a big artillery unit. The governor has decided to call an extra session of the legislature, and is in communication with chairman John S. Clark of the senate finance committee on the financial end of the proposition.

PRETTY GOOD SHOWERS COVER MIDLAND COUNTRY

We have not heard from all directions, but south of us pretty good rains have fallen. Stockmen and farmers say that the moisture has met and that everything is in fine shape to start crops and grass to growing. If we can have another good rain within the next two weeks, crops are practically assured for the Midland Country. A pretty good rain fell in Midland Tuesday afternoon and night and everybody is feeling jubilant over the thought that there's more yet to come.

SUCCESS OF THE WAR DEPENDS ON FARMERS

United States Must Have More Food in Order to Successfully Prosecute the War.

The following bulletin has been issued by the Extension department of the A. & M. College of Texas:

War means higher prices for food, unless more is raised. Wheat is \$2.00 a bushel, corn \$1.30 and bacon 30 cents a pound, and the tendency is still upward. The United States will soon have a million men under arms. Many more men taken out of production. Many people in Texas may go hungry before another winter ends unless extraordinary efforts are put forth. The fate of the nation—the issue of the war—depends upon the food supply even more than upon the supply of men, arms and ammunition.

Therefore, increased food and feed is a matter of both self-interest and national welfare.

It is not too late to plant. Peanuts, kafir corn, milo maize, sorghum, June corn, Sudan grass, peas, and all staple vegetables are in order through April, May and June.

It is folly to assume that our entrance into the European war will end it speedily. It may last a year or two years. The South fought for four years. The central powers are somewhat crippled, but they are by no means exhausted. The submarine warfare continues with no sign of abatement. By fall there may be no ships for anything but food and feed-stuffs. In that case our cotton will bring little or nothing. Even at good prices it will not go far in buying food and feed at war prices.

The United States Department of Agriculture reports that supplies of all things to eat throughout the world are short and growing shorter. Argentine wheat is a failure and none will be shipped from that country. The world's herds of cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry are being consumed faster than the natural increase. These facts constitute an alarming situation which will grow worse as the war continues, and will continue for a considerable time after the war closes.

Famine is worse than war. Every back yard and every vacant patch should yield something for man or beast.

B. F. FLOYD BUYS REGISTERED HEREFORD BULL

Chas. Wither, one of Midland's prosperous cowmen, is here this week from Wither & Estes ranch near Odessa. He reports that B. F. Floyd, this week selected and bought one of his registered herd, one specially fine young registered Hereford bull, a yearling, and for which he paid \$1,000. It is as fine a young animal as one would care to see. Mr. Floyd will take the new purchase to his ranch 20 miles east of Midland and use him for breeding purposes. We congratulate "Timberline" and wish for him continued success with a rapid realization of his fondest hopes. Wither & Estes are courteous and fair-minded in their dealings and will meet the expectations of those who are looking for quality breeding stock. Their herd of registered Herefords will also be represented at the Midland Fair & Inter-State Stock Show this fall.

WERE MARRIED AT METHODIST PARSONAGE

Miss Gesna Higgins, of Odessa, and Mr. Homer T. Fort, of Corsicana, were married in Midland last Wednesday at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. J. W. Cowan officiating. The Reporter extends congratulations to the contracting parties.

To the Ladies of Midland and Vicinity:

You are invited to attend a cooking demonstration and lectures beginning Monday, April 16th, and continuing through the entire week. This demonstration will be conducted by Miss Hewey, representing the Red Star Mill & Elevator Co. of Wichita, Kan. Miss Hewey is not of the ordinary demonstrating type, but comes well recommended as a highly educated Domestic Science lecturer and Cook. She will have many new recipes and demonstrates with them.

Dry Goods Phone 284
Grocery Phone No. 6

THE MERCANTILE

The Store that Saves You Money

Supply Your Needs From Our Present Stock.

We are advising our customers to anticipate their needs and buy everything they will need that they possibly can, for the next six months and even twelve months, from our present stock.

The fact that this country is now at war and we are more than ever obligated to supply other nations, is going to raise prices higher than ever.

So we urge you to buy now---from present stock, every item possible that you may need for the next twelve months, especially in shoes. Buy now before sizes are broken, for shoes that we are selling at \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 will cost us more than that at wholesale today--and prices will continue to advance for many months to come



Cotton is Up \$8 per Bale Since Uncle Sam Declared War

and every indication is that prices must go higher.

Our present stock is owned fully 25 per cent less than wholesale prices for the same merchandise today. In fact, we are selling practically every item in cotton goods and staple dry goods for less than we can buy them for today.

Ready Hemmed Napkins

Save your good linen; you could not replace it for twice what it cost today and prices of linen is still going higher. Buy these extra quality Cotton Damask Napkins for daily use and save your good linen. Two sizes, cut perfectly and nicely hemmed. Look and feel like linen.

Size 20x20, the dozen napkins, ready hemmed...\$1.25
Size 24x24, the dozen...\$1.75

Before the War Prices on Towels

Our present stock of towels is priced very much under value, in fact, we could hardly replace them for what they are priced to sell. Buy what you will need for some time to come at present prices.

Extra quality, bleached Turkish towels, size 22x44 inches, the pair...50c
Good quality, bleached Turkish towels, size 17x34 inches, the pair...25c
Extra quality, colored plaid towels, in gold, pink, blue and lavender, size 19x36 inches, price the pair...65c

Cash Prices on Bed Spreads

Krinkled, Dimity bed spread, plain hemmed, suitable for crocheted edges, size 80x90 inches, our cash price, each...\$1.75
No. 235, plained hemmed chocheted quilt, size 80x90, a good quality, light weight spread, price...\$1.25
No. 517, heavy crocheted quilt, fringed, size 80x90, an extra good value that will give splendid service, price, each...\$2.50
No. 855, extra large satin bed spread, size 88x96, scalloped and cut corners, price each...\$4.00
No. 875, two only, of this extra choice satin quilt, size 88x96, in scalloped and cut corners, price each \$5.00

Sheets and Sheeting

With cotton going higher, prices of staple cotton goods will naturally go up. Supply your needs at present prices.
81x90, Perfection sheet, extra fine quality, torn and hemmed, each...\$1.00
81x90, Pullaway sheets, each...90c
42x36, Perfection Pillowcases, torn and hemmed, each...22 1-2c
42x36, Franklin Pillowcases, each...17 1-2c
Nine Quarter bleached Pepperell sheeting, the yd 35c
Pillowcase lace, 1 1-2 to 4 1-2 inches wide, the yd...5c
New Wirthmore waists at...\$1.00

New Wirthmore Waists at \$1.00.

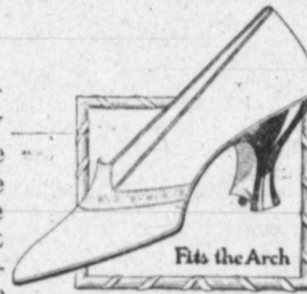
Clean-up on Ladies' and Misses' Slippers

in plain and strap pumps, lace and button Oxfords, in patent, plain kid, white canvas and Buck--mostly small sizes, 2, 2 1-2, 3, 3 1-2, 4, 4 1-2 and a few 5 to 6.

Lot No. 1, Choice \$1.00 per pair. Lot No. 2, Choice \$1.85 per pair



and the wise customer will buy more than one pair, if possible to be fitted. These are shoes that could not be replaced for two to



three times the price that they are offered. Don't wait--see these early.

Beautiful New Numbers in Spring Pumps at \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.00.

New Sport Oxfords in black and white, brown and white kid with white leather soles and rubber heels, the pair...\$4.50

White canvas sport Oxfords with white rubber soles and heels...\$2.25

White Tennis Oxfords, child's sizes, 75c. Ladies' and Misses' sizes, 85c, and men's and boy's sizes, the pair...\$1.00

Sandals and play shoes, child's sizes, 75c; girls' and boys' sizes \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Boy Scout Shoes, small sizes, \$1.75; large sizes, \$2.25 and \$2.50.
Men's dress shoes at \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$8.50.
Men's dress shoes at \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$9.50.

Shoes and the proper fitting of shoes is our hobby

We believe our efforts to hold prices down is being appreciated by the public in general, from the fact that our business grows every day. We have eliminated every possible expense and sell for cash only--and sell for less.

Wadley-Patterson Co.

One Price--the Lowest--For Cash Only

Special Offerings for Saturday and all of Next Week

Five pieces of yard wide, soft finish Pajama Checks, that on today's market is worth at least 15 to 17 1-2 cents the yard. Special value for Saturday and all of next week, the yard...10c
We will not sell this item to other stores as it is less than wholesale price today.

Coronation Longcloth, good quality, soft finish, 10 yards to the piece, special value, the piece...\$1.40

Two pieces, 32 inch, narrow stiped, tissue gingham, positively fast colors and worth 35c the yard if bought today; special for these two pieces only, the yd...15c

About 25 part pieces of laws, Dimities, etc., carried over from last year and sold up to 25c the yard a year ago. Special values in view of the advanced price of all materials, to close, the yard...10c

Five pieces, wide striped and wide plaid, tissue gingham, absolutely fast colors, an extra good 35c value, 32 inches wide, special for Saturday and all of next week, the yard...25c

New Middies at \$1.00

Special values in Middies in genuine Pepperell jeans, some slipover styles, some buttoned all the way down, all well made and trimmed in good colors. A dozen styles from which to select, all sizes, each...\$1.00

Children's Summer Underwear

At 50c the suit, this Cash Store is showing the best values we have ever shown in boys' summer unions of genuine Porosknit and Longwear Knitted fabric in all sizes up to 16 years. The fact that we cannot buy these garments today for the price we are selling them, should prompt you to buy now for the entire season before stock is broken in sizes. The suit...50c
Children's Nainsook Union, with buttons like the Nazareth waists. Does away with the separate under-waist and is made drop seat, no sleeve, knee length style of a splendid quality of Nainsook, suitable for either boys or girls. Size 2 to 12, the suit...50c

Sale of Neckwear

A table of all odds and ends in Fancy Collars and Collar and Cuff sets, in lace and embroidery. Numbers that originally sold from 35c to \$1.25. Choice of the lot...15c

See What's New in Ready-to-Wear

"THE VALUE OF A LIFE" SHOWN IN THE MOVIES

Under the direction of Head Consul A. R. Talbot, of Lincoln, Neb., the Modern Woodmen of America is now showing two reels of motion pictures, entitled "The Value of a Life," featuring George Gray in a true and realistic film story of his part in the present war--not of bloodshed--but in the fight against conquest of that menacing monster of the human flesh--tuberculosis. Gray is one of the million members of the Modern Woodmen of America. Discovering that he is afflicted with this disease, he takes advantage of the comforts, care, and cure of the sanatorium owned, maintained, and operated by that society, free of charge to its members. For several years that fraternal institution has thus actively and effectively co-operated in the world-wide movement advocated by the Red Cross and medical authorities, to stamp out the dread "white plague" and Gray is the beneficiary of this Woodmen life-saving station. It is an intensely interesting and heart-gripping story of the leave-taking of wife and children. Weak in body and hopeless in mind

he journeys to the beautiful Rocky Mountain region near Colorado Springs, Colo., where, in the rarefied climate and constant sunshine, at an altitude of 7,000 feet, he is destined to spend nine months at the foot of Mount Cedar, in the care of the most modern sanatorium in the world. His experiences in "chasing the cure," his absolute rest from all cares and labor, his gradual return to health and strength, his "hikes" among the fragrant pines and over the rocky trails of the U. S. forest reserve, leased by and adjoining the sanatorium, result in his final return to family and friends, victorious over his foe. "The Value of a Life" is a thrilling and dramatic story--and absolutely true as well; indeed Gray's experience has been duplicated by nearly 3,000 of his fellow neighbors, who have already enjoyed the benefits of this justly celebrated institution. This film is pronounced by competent authorities to be one of the very best in this highly developed age of motion pictures, and is in such great demand that it can be booked for only one day and night in each town or city. It is a rare opportunity one can not afford to miss. These interesting pictures will be shown at the Unique Theatre, Wednesday, April 18th. adv

Sheriff's Sale

(Real Estate)
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the district court, of the 70th judicial district of Midland County, Texas, on the 6th day of March, A. D., 1917, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 6th day of February, A. D., 1917, in favor of Paul C. Keyes, as receiver of the Merchants & Farmers National Bank of Cisco, Texas, and against J. Harrison White, No. 1414, on the docket of said court, and whereas the said judgment is a foreclosure of a vendor's lien on the hereinafter described real property, I did on the 6th day of March A. D., 1917, at 2 o'clock p. m., levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situated in the county of Midland, State of Texas, to-wit:

All of section No. four (4), block No. thirty-eight (38), township three (3) south, of the Texas & Pacific Railway Company Survey in said Midland County, Texas, containing 640 acres, more or less, and on the first day of May, A. D., 1917, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash the above described property to satisfy said judgment and foreclosure of said vendor's lien aforesaid and costs of suit.

Dated at Midland, Texas, this 5th day of April, A. D., 1917.

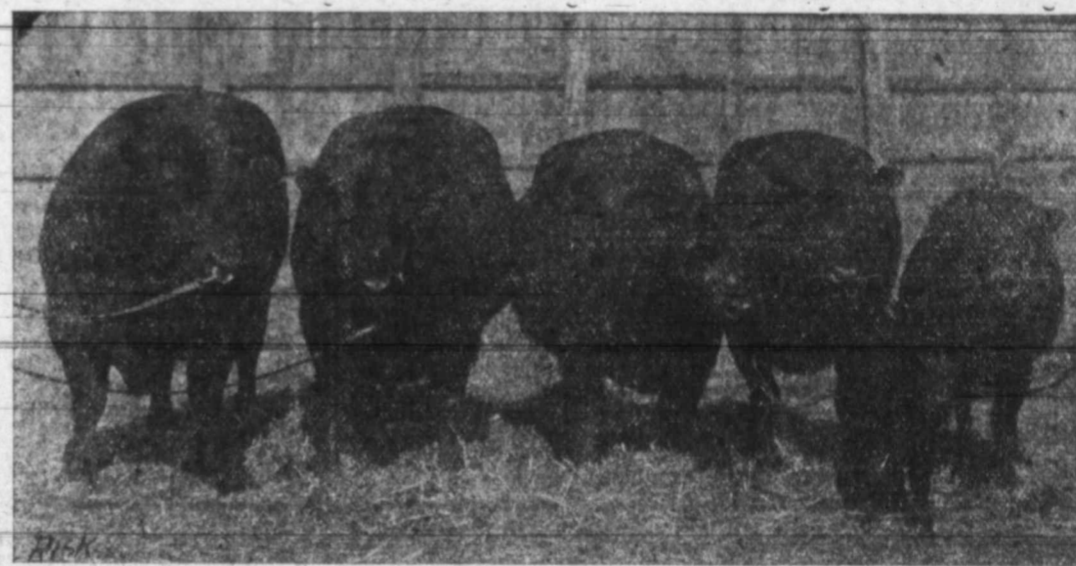
W. E. Bradford,
Sheriff Midland County, Texas,
adv 26-4t.

"Look here, I bought a bottle of your hair restorer last night, and all its done is to raise these big lumps on my head."

"My gracious!" said the beauty doctor; "we must have sold you a bottle of bust developer by mistake."--Tit-Bits.

Doc Coates, a prosperous cowboy, from Cooper, N. M., was here this week. While here he purchased a new Studebaker No. 6 from the Price Auto Company, and left for his home yesterday.

Manning Thompson, range boss of the "H" ranch near the New Mexico line, spent a few days here this week. Says stock conditions are good out his way.



Champion Aged Herd at The National Feeders and Breeders Show, Fort Worth, 1916 and 1917.

At the two 1917 spring shows at Oklahoma City and Fort Worth were competed for 14 championships and won 10.

Angus Bulls For Sale

200 young Angus Bulls (full blood unregistered), ready for service.

450 young Cows in fine condition with big calf crop. (A bargain)

Small bunch yearlings (mixed steers and heifers) priced to move.

A few choice young Registered Bulls.

When in need of BULLS let us show you our cattle.

G. F. Cowden & Son,

MIDLAND AND ODESSA, TEXAS

THE CASH MARKET

ANDREWS & BOSLEY, Props.

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Midland people especially know the senior member of this firm, John Andrews. They know he will furnish the best meats to be had. Mr. Bosley, too, is an expert cutter, and to trade at

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means absolute satisfaction. We guarantee it.

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Office Phone 85-2 ring Room 85-3 rings
Office hours: 8:30 to 12:15 to 5:30

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who has been a Piano Student
of the most eminent instructors
of Galloway, Searcy, Ark.,
Landon Conservatory, Dallas,
and American Conservatory, of
Chicago, Ill., now has her Stud-
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The highest standards main-
tained. Thoroughness the slo-
gan. Study with definite aim

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C. P. Neild came in the first of
the week from the Balmorhea dam, where
he is working on a contract. The dam
is 45 feet high and will require about
two more months of work to complete
it. The dam will cover about three
sections and will impound a lot of
water.

C. C. Dorr, ranchman from near
Grandfalls, was here Monday. Gives a
good report of stock conditions and or-
dered The Reporter sent to him.

**LARGE INCREASE
IN MEAT EXPORT**

Compiled by the Foreign Trade De-
partment of the National City
Bank of New York

The European war is making great
inroad upon the meat supply of the
United States. A compilation by the
Foreign Trade Department of the
National City Bank of New York
shows that despite the marked de-
crease in the number of food animals
of the country, the export of meats
has trebled since the beginning of the
war and of beef alone is ten times as
much as before the war.

The compilation shows that the ex-
ports of meats of all kinds which ag-
gregated 455,000,000 pounds in the
fiscal year 1914, the year immediately
preceding the war, were 885,000,000
pounds in 1915 and 1,339,000,000
pounds in 1916.

This increase of 100 per cent in the
total meat exports in the first year
of the war and 200 per cent in the
second year when compared with
the exports of the year immediately
preceding the war, is, however, trifling
when compared with the increase
in exports of beef alone. The quanti-
ty of fresh beef exported jumped
from 6,400,000 pounds in the fiscal
year 1914 to 170,000,000 pounds in
1915 and 231,000,000 pounds in 1916.
The fresh beef exports of 1915 are
36 times as much as in 1914. In the
two years of the war the fresh beef
exports have been 29 times as much
as in the two years immediately pre-
ceding the war.

Of beef of all kinds, the exports of
1916 were practically 10 times as
much as those of 1914, having been
for 1916 320,000,000 pounds against
33,000,000 pounds in 1914. In the
two years of war, the exports of beef
of all kinds has been 597,000,000
pounds against 73,500,000 pounds in
the two years preceding the war, or
8 times as much in the two years
of war as in the preceding two years
of peace.

This large demand upon the beef
supply of the country is more strik-
ing in view of the fact that the sup-
ply of beef cattle in the United States
is now but about two-thirds as much
per capita of population as a decade

ago. The total number of cattle
other than milk cows on the farms
of the United States was officially re-
ported in 1907 at 51,566,000 and in
1914 but 37,067,000, while the popula-
tion of the country in the same period
grew from 87,321,000 to 100,264,000.
In the eight year period, 1907 to 1915,
the number of beef cattle fell off 25
per cent while the population increas-
ed 15 per cent. This decline in the
number of beef cattle coupled with
the increase of domestic consumers,
resulted in a fall in the exports of
beef from 281,652,000 pounds in 1907
to 6,394,000 pounds in 1914, the year
immediately preceding the war.

Imports of beef also show a marked
fall, having been in the fiscal year of
1914 but 71,000,000 pounds against
180,900,000 in 1914, the year preced-
ing the war.

The increase in exports of meats
occurred almost exclusively in the
movements to the countries at war.
To Great Britain the exports of beef
in 1916 were 117,000,000 pounds; to
France 40,000,000 pounds, and to It-
aly for the second half of the year
48,000,000 pounds. In the year pre-
ceding the war there were no exports
of fresh beef to any of these coun-
tries, the 6 1-2 million pounds of
fresh beef exported in 1914 going
chiefly to Panama, Canada and the
West Indian Islands.

Pork exports also show a marked
increase, though not as great as those
of beef, having been in 1916 998,000,
000 pounds against 597,000,000 pounds
in 1915 and 411,000,000 pounds in
1914.

The value of all meats exported in
the fiscal year 1916 was \$181,980,000
against \$62,732,000 in 1914, these
figures being of meat only and not in-
cluding lard, tallow, oleo oil and other
meat products of this character. Ex-
ports of salmon, of which the supply
is just now reported as showing a
great fall, were in 1916 152,952,000
pounds against 37,751,000 pounds in
1914, the movements to Great Brit-
ain alone being in 1916 110,107,000
pounds.

The usual demands of Europe for
meats are not confined to the United
States. Canada's exports of beef in
her fiscal year 1916 were about five
times as much as in 1914, while those
of Australia and Argentina also show
large increases.

AT THE UNIQUE

We overheard the "Young Lady
Across the Aisle" remark to the red-
headed fellow the other night: "I won-
der why it is that so many ladies
wear their hats in the picture show?
I am so glad that my hair is all at-
tached to my head, so I can remove
my hat at any time."

The crowd that came to see Billie
Burke Monday night was up to the
usual standard of attendance regard-
less of the conflicting attraction in
the city. This popular actress has
won many friends in Midland by her
unique portrayal of "Gloria's Ro-
mance," and all are sorry that the
end of this great serial is not far off.
The other pictures in comedy Monday
night were very fine and made the
audience go away with a feeling of
"That it was good to be there."

One of the best, if not the best,
productions that the Paramount Com-
pany has ever produced was seen last
Tuesday night with Lou Terrigen and
Cleo Ridgley in "The Victory of Con-
science." The plot and scenes were
laid in France, just before the late
war, and these two screen performers
portrayed the characters of a priest
and a cabaret dancer to perfection.
The spectacular bombardment of the
convent walls by the enemy was in-
deed awe inspiring just at this crisis
in the world's history and many of
us thought of General Sherman's re-
mark that "war is hell!" The sweet
romance that terminated in a Chris-
tian-like way was very touching and
some very fine emotional acting was
here portrayed by the two stars.

Wednesday night, beside the mys-
terious serial "The Purple Mask," with
Francis Ford and Grace Cunard, which
is growing constantly in popularity,
an L-KO comedy was shown featur-
ing Dan Russell in "The Battle of
Let's Go." This big funny fellow was
seemingly, at his best in this farce,
and he fairly made the fans howl by
his ridiculous capers. This Dan Rus-
sell, and Frank Daniels and Gale Hen-
ry with a touch of Col Heezali on
the side, would make up a comedy
cast that would be a credit to the
larger cities.

"The Secret Kingdom," last even-
ing, brought out some new characters
from those seen in the last two epi-
sodes. To our mind this serial is go-
ing to prove equally as popular as
"The Purple Mask," and other serials
that have been shown in the past.

Tonight we will have another op-
portunity to see Fanny Ward. The
name signifies enough to bring out a
large crowd.

On May 8th, the management has
booked a noted feature of war-time
scenes and plots, "The Eagle's
Wings." Manager Garner has pur-
chased this feature at a great expense
and should be patronized liberally.
For further particulars, read the Uni-
que Herald.

**SOME STOCK SALES
MADE THIS WEEK**

Hugh Campbell, cowman from near
Kermit, was here Wednesday on busi-
ness. He reports the sale of 200 cows
and calves, and one good bull, also
the sale of his ranch which consisted of 9
deeded sections and 4 leased sections,
to Phillip & Martin, at a considera-
tion of \$26,000.

Geo. Tom, of Stanton, sold to G. C.
Robertson, of Sioux City, Ia., 29 cars
of steer yearlings and they were ship-
ped to Cody, Neb., last Monday.

E. R. Crews, of Andrews County,
is here this week. He reports the sale
of 400 twos, to H. Shilling, of Iowa,
at \$46 around.

C. C. Robertson, cowman from Flo-
rey, was here Tuesday. He has just
returned from Fort Worth, where he
went to attend the funeral of his
mother.

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WOMAN AND WAR

Now that Miss Rankin, of Montana, our first woman to enter Congress, has secured the honor she worked for, she is getting into shape her ammunition for some of the legislation she hopes to help put through the House. An eight-hour law for women workers, an enactment providing that women receive the same wages as men, for equal amounts of work, a further extension of the present child labor ruling, a mother pension law, and a provision for universal education, are among her first of attack. We wish she could influence cheaper print paper, or an editor's pension.—Glen Rose Reporter.

Miss Rankin recorded her first congressional vote with a sob. Her initial experience as a Congresslady was one which might have made a much harder and more seasoned politician struggle with his emotions, for she was called upon to say whether or not her country should go to war. She voted against war, declaring with streaming eyes that she wished to stand for her country always, but could not support war. That was a thoroughly womanly sentiment. If the women had their proportionate influence in the legislative bodies of the world, and if the world had legislative bodies responsible to the popular will, then certainly wars would cease. But civilization has not yet attained that degree of perfection where the greatest good for the greatest number invariably is the rule. The vanity of upstart princes, the prejudices of narrow minds, the greed of commercialists, the aspirations of dynasties, yet serve their wretched purpose to bring hate between Nation and Nation. Sometime, and before a great while, woman will be called to equal partnership in the world's affairs, and when that day comes universal peace will simultaneously appear. In the meantime the liberal nations must protect themselves from the other sort.—State Press in Dallas News.

DR. H. W. SEARS.



Dr. H. W. Sears, sometimes spoken of as "The Tuffy Man," "The Laughing Philosopher," is one of the most popular and best loved men on the public platform. It has been reported that his lectures are a "remedy for dyspepsia, despondency, worry—in fact, for almost every human fault, and that the medicine is as palatable as ever mortal swallowed." To hear him is to discover that life is worth living, that joy can be found in every day life no matter where we may be and that there is a place for everybody. Dr. Sears will lecture on the third day of the Chautauqua.

With the Chautauqua April 27, 28 and 30.

In Society



And Events Most Talked About (By M. T.)

Wednesday Club
 Mrs. Jax M. Cowden entertained the Wednesday Club at the regular meeting this week. The afternoon's lesson was on California, its industries and beauty spots. A very interesting one indeed. The discussions were enlivened by the enthusiastic remarks of the members who have been fortunate enough to "summer" in California. Mrs. Cowden led the first part of the lesson and Mrs. Watts the second.

Priscilla Club
 Mrs. Marie Riggs was hostess to the Priscilla Club on Wednesday afternoon, at which time there was a full attendance, two of the members, Mrs. E. R. Bryan and Mrs. Henry Rohlfing, having returned after absence of several months' duration. The time was spent in crochet and other kinds of fancy work and in a few games of "42," after which a delicious two course luncheon was served. Miss Lillian Bryan was a guest of the club.

Ninety-Nine Club
 The regular meeting of the Ninety-Nine Club was held with Mrs. Jennie Collum last Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock with a good attendance. Mrs. Burton Brown conducted the lesson, which was a study of two of the small South American states, Uruguay and Paraguay. Many points of attractiveness, especially in regard to the first, were stressed. The paper of the afternoon, "Their Possibilities and Resources," was read by Mrs. Marie Riggs. Miss Fannie Bess Taylor gave reading, "What is a Woman's Club?" which was heartily enjoyed.

Junior-Senior Banquet
 It has become a custom, and a very happy, fitting one, for the Junior class of the Midland high school to extend to the Senior class of each succeeding year and the faculty of the school their hospitality and genial fellowship, these affairs usually being in the nature of a banquet and symposium, as was the case this year.

Last Friday evening, the Rhea Cottage, with its broad verandas and large living and dining rooms was the scene of this annual festivity. Under the able direction and guidance of their grade teacher, Mr. J. E. Nelson, every arrangement for the entertainment and comfort of the guests had been looked after. Over windows and doors, from chandeliers to the tables had been draped festoons of the class colors, white and gold. As the guests arrived they were given large paper "Ts" on which had been written questions to be answered with a word ending in "ty." As the answers were formed these cards were exchanged for others bearing some fictitious name by which the holder was to be known during the evening. These were arranged so that the guests could secure partners for entrance to the dining room, as "Punch and Judy," "Priscilla Mullis" and "John Alden."

It was about 9:30 when the dining room doors were opened for the guests to be seated around the banquet board. In the center of each of the three large tables a bouquet of jonquils had been arranged, thus continuing the use of the class colors, while the refreshments served displayed old rose and gray, the colors of the Senior class.

Places were marked at the tables by quaint little pen-and-ink sketches, each of a different design. Sam Hendricks ably presided as toast master, so that as the feast of good things, capably and skillfully prepared, was deftly served, "the feast of reason and flow of soul" accompanied it.

The following toasts were responded to, each in a pleasing, gracious manner:
 The Senior Class, by Ida Mae Willoughby; The Salutatorian of the Class of 1917, by Elizabeth Davis; The Valedictorian of 1917, by Clella Denton; Miss Davis, the New Member of the Faculty, by Leon McCormick; The High School Faculty,

by Zula Mae Miles; The Junior Class, by Reuben Collins.

The menu was a splendid one of five courses, as follows:
 Iced fruit cocktail, sliced turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, French peas in pates, potato chips, hot biscuit, ice tea, salad, nut bread sandwiches, cheese straws, olives, ice cream with strawberries, cake. Fruit nectar was used to drink the various toasts.

After enjoying several musical selections the guests dispersed with many expressions of appreciation and keen enjoyment. The entire evening reflected much credit upon the members of the class having it in charge. Besides the Senior class and the high school faculty the guests were Misses Frank Luther, Lera Brown and Mary Alice Pritchett.

Easter Concert
 Last Sunday evening at the Christian church, the choir, assisted by Messrs. W. W. Lackey and N. Y. Hendry, rendered a program of Easter anthems and special numbers to a large and appreciative audience. The church had been appropriately decorated for the occasion with Easter lilies, pot plants and roses. Among the most enjoyable numbers were a vocal duet by Miss Pritchett and Mr. Hunter and a quartette by Misses Wilhite and Graves, Messrs Lackey and Hunter. Miss Brown read "The Resurrection," in a very impressive manner. Pres. F. G. Jones spoke in regard to the origin of the Easter celebration and its meaning to Christian hearts and lands.

MR. GALE IN SIOUX COSTUME.



Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gale, who will appear on the afternoon and night of the second day of the Chautauqua, are gifted musicians and splendid entertainers. The Gales are an authority on the music of the American Indian. Their collection of Indian musical instruments is one of the largest and finest in the world. The striking costumes and a perfect museum of Indian relics will prove of interest in interest. Their exclusive programs are highly educational and sure to instruct and entertain the audience from the eldest person to the youngest boy and girl.

This is one of the attractions with the Chautauqua, to be held in Midland April 27, 28, and 30.

THE EDITOR

The Rustler is the only household necessity we know of that has not advanced in price. So there can be no other reason than pure cussedness in anyone for not taking the Rustler—Rice Rustler.
 Or maybe it is impure "cussedness." Lots of folks who refuse to subscribe for a paper are animated by meanness. They would rather keep the money than to keep themselves informed. The paper on which the Rustler is printed, costs the editor twice as much today as it did two years ago, but he is selling it at the same old price. He lives in hope that paper prices will soon be reduced. But it is a matter wholly beyond his control. Whether he is to sink or swim, survive or perish, is largely in the hands of the paper makers. And yet there are people in every town who wonder why their editor looks like he drinks out of the creek and sleeps in a hollow log.—State Press in Dallas News.

WITH THE CHURCHES

The Ministers of the City are Cordially Invited to Use this Column as They Care

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Regular services on Lord's day by the minister. We hope that the measles have about run its course and all can be present at Bible school.
 Bible school at 9:45 a. m.
 Junior Endeavor at 2 p. m.
 Senior Endeavor at 6:45 p. m.
 All cordially invited.
 J. T. McKissick, Minister.

BAPTIST CHURCH

9:45 a. m. Bible school.
 11 a. m. sermon. Subject, "The Power of the Coming Christ."
 4 p. m., Junior B. Y. P. U.
 7 p. m., Senior B. Y. P. U.
 There will be no evening services so long as the evangelistic meeting is being held in the opera house. All members, visitors and strangers are urged to make the morning service the large service, being this is the only service held during the week. The prayer meeting will be suspended for the time. A hearty co-operation in this great effort for righteousness is urged upon all members of the church.
 Ernest Quick, Pastor.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Leader—Thalbert Thomas.
 Topic, "Books and Stories."
 Opening hymn, "Lamp of Our Feet," No. 14.
 Prayer—Leader.
 Song, "Holy Bible, Book Divine," No. 214.
 Memory work—by all.
 Bible reference, Phil. 4:8.
 Open discussion of topic.
 Vocal solo—Vera Rohlfing.
 Roll call.
 Bible drill.
 Song, "Break Thou The Bread of Life," No. 304.
 Announcements and benediction.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Subject, "The Lord's Day the Best Day."
 Leader—Henry Stilwell.
 Song and prayer service.
 Scripture lesson, Neh. 4:1-23.
 Roll call.
 "The Lord's Day the Best Day for Worship."—Hugh Clark.
 "The Things That Make Us Forget the Sabbath."—Winnifred Stallings.
 Special music—Ned Watson.
 "The Things That Make Us Keep the Sabbath."—Lucile Avant.
 Address by leader.
 Sentence prayers.
 Announcements and benediction.

Rev. J. T. McKissick, of the Christian church, returned home Wednesday from Gainesville, where he has been conducting a most successful revival. He will occupy his pulpit at the usual hours Sunday.

Prof. Maurice L. Derdeyn and wife will leave this afternoon for Houston where he has accepted a summer engagement with an orchestra in that city. He will be gone until the latter part of September.

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Dr. Hurt came up from Big Spring yesterday to visit his daughter, Mrs. Jno. B. Thomas.

The Church Goer
 Mrs. White—Did you go to church this morning?
 Mrs. Black—Yes, our telephone is out of order and I wanted to invite some friends to bridge tomorrow night.—Judge.

Inspector Dick Arnett came home from Gaines County this week, where he has been on an extensive business trip. While gone, he dipped for Proctor & Sons, 1900 head of stock cattle with no losses.

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REV. G. A. KLEIN OF Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. G. A. Klein of Nashville, Tennessee, will conduct the meeting to be held in the opera house, beginning Sunday, April 15th.

The Services for Sunday, morning and evening, will be at the Methodist Church. After then, at the opera house, twice each day. Morning Services 10:00 to 11:00 o'clock sharp, no delay and out at 11 sharp. Evening Services at 8 o'clock.

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have the agency for it. Will also carry some in stock. Call and ask them about it.

Phone No. 3

Robt. Currie reports that he has bought of Henry M. Half, 26 1-2 leased and 5 deeded sections of land in Upton County. This ranch is well improved and watered and Mr. Currie is to be congratulated on acquiring it.

Best ice cream to be had at Taylor's.

Justice R. E. Crowley went to Lamesa the first of the week to visit his laughter, Mrs. Lee Shive, at that city.

BRAZIL TO KEEP OUT OF WAR FOR PRESENT

Rio Janeiro, April 12.—It is believed here that the government will confine itself for the present to the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany and that a declaration of war will not be issued, at least in the immediate future. A decision as to seizing the German ships in Brazilian harbors has been postponed. The German minister has been given his passports.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Rates, five cents per line each insertion. No ad accepted for less than 25 cents. Cash in advance is required of those not having a regular account with this paper.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—4 1-2 sections mixed red sandy land, solid body, 2 miles south of Andrews. 2 good four room houses, 2 wells and mills. Ranch fenced and cross fenced, some hard land and some shiner. State debt \$4.88 per acre, owner's price \$4.00 bonus, 1-3 cash, no trade. A. H. Hall, Andrews, Texas. 27-3t

FOR SALE—My residence and three lots, two blocks west of south side school building. Ethel Moore. 1t

FOR SALE—120 acres, all fine land, one and three-quarter miles north of Midland, in shallow water belt. Part of Dell Dublin home place. For sale at a bargain, on easy terms. Address E. B. Henley, Brownwood Texas. 24-4t

FOR SALE—Two lots next to the square. Very desirable for residence, close in. Phone 132. adv 24-1t

FOR SALE—LIVE STOCK

FOR SALE—Forty-five head 2-year-old heifers. Well worth the price asked. Cattle located 14 miles north of Stanton. C. Willingham, Stanton, Texas. 1t-pd

FOR SALE—The Texas Colonel, registered Duroc Jersey boar, weight about 650 pounds. See H. M. Ramsay 9-1t

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Suit case, between Midland and "C" ranch. Finder please leave at City Drug Store. Mrs. Maud Howell, Shafter Lake, Texas.

BUSINESS NOTICES

SHELLED SPANISH PEANUTS

Why waste your money planting unshelled peanuts? It only takes from 10 pounds to 12 pounds to plant an acre of shelled peanuts. They cost 12c per pound f.o.b. DeLeon, Texas. Cash with order. No order taken for less than 100 pounds. You get a better stand and they come up in 5 to 7 days.

In planting unshelled peanuts it takes 11-2 bushels to plant an acre and about three weeks to come up and then hardly ever get a stand. **DeLEON PEANUT COMPANY,** DeLeon, Texas.

If you need any veterinary work done, phone 441. All work done scientifically. Examinations free.—Dr. J. A. McBee, V. S. 27-1tpd

ONE HUNDRED ENLIST AT QUANAH IN 10 DAYS

Quanah, Texas, April 12.—With a population of less than 13,000 Hardeman County has furnished over 100 recruits for the army and navy within the last ten days.

PREACHERS IN CHICAGO WON'T MARRY SLACKERS

Chicago, Ill., April 12.—While the army, navy and marine corps recruiting officers in Chicago clamored for recruits, the rush for marriage license continued today.

Recruiting delegates were stationed in the license office to attempt to dissuade men seeking matrimony to evade war duty. Meanwhile a num-

ber of ministers announced that they would not perform a wedding ceremony for a "slacker."

SOCIALISTS OPPOSE U. S. ACTION ON WAR

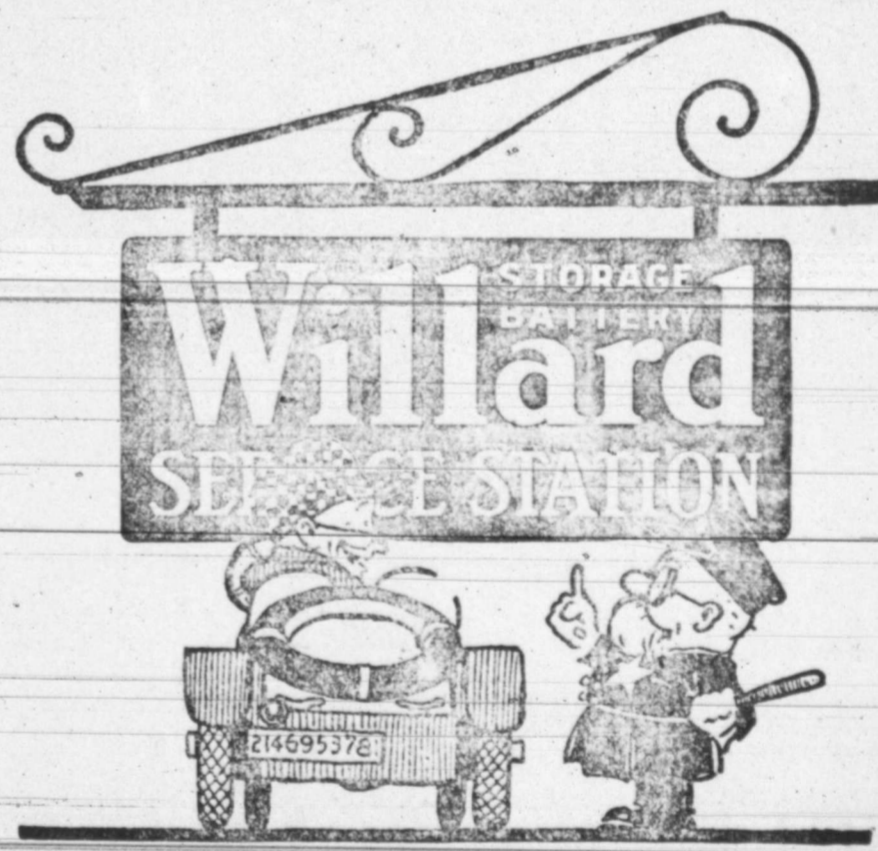
St. Louis, Mo., April 12.—The national convention of the Socialist party in session here adopted a basis report last night voicing unalterable opposition to the action of the United States government in declaring that a state of war existed between this nation and Germany. The vote was 140 for the majority report, 31 for the minority report of Louis Boudin, of New York, even more radical in its denunciation by John Spargo, of New York, which virtually

declared that every Socialist should support the United States in the present war.

Try the fancy brick cream at Taylor's.

OBSTRUCTIONS FOUND ON TRACK OF I. & G. N.

Marlin, Texas, April 12.—Roadmaster Cates found two angle bars belted squarely across the rails and some bridge timbers thrown across the track on an International & Great Northern railroad bridge between Hillbank and Lufkin Wednesday. A troop train had passed through Wednesday morning.



To All Car Owners

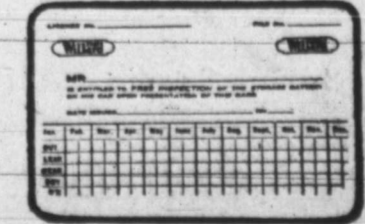
Don't forget to have your battery tested

Testing warns you of things you can't see and might not find out until too late to prevent trouble.

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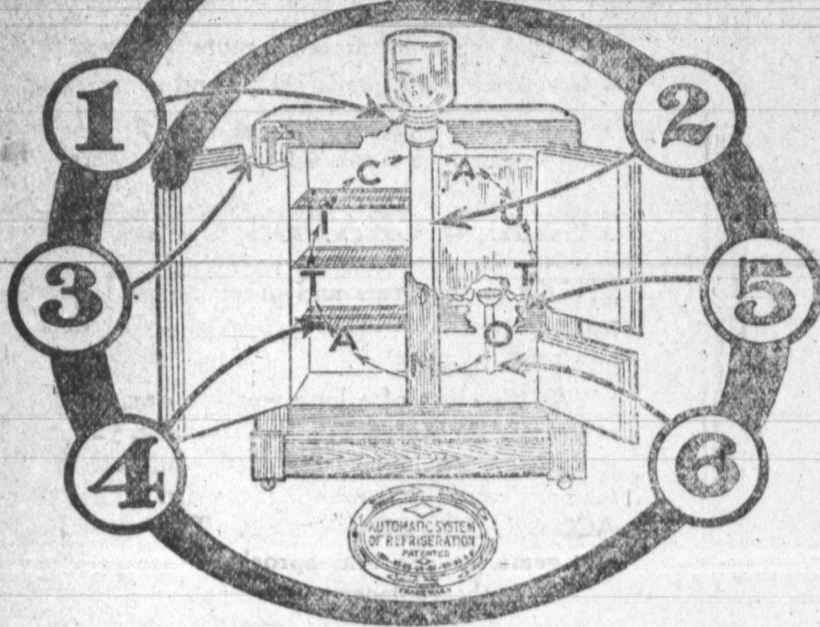
And if you do need repairs, we have factory trained battery experts who can do a good job for you.



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Deposits

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Total Resources

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AMERICA MAY FIGHT JAPAN ACCORDING TO GERMAN PAPER

Amsterdam, Holland, April 9.—Under the caption "the bitter bit," Sunday's Koelnische Volkszeitung prints an article under a Berlin date which purports to explain America's plans in the Far East. It says: "The antagonism between America and Japan arose over China, but Washington proved craftier than Tokio and forced China to break with Germany by which action Japan, like Esau, was cheated of its rights as the first born. President Wilson realizes the importance of Chinese and Japanese questions better than any of his predecessors and adopted a strong policy in support of the prestige of the United States, a policy which also became anti-German."

"It would be wrong to attribute this policy to pro-Britishism. During the war President Wilson pursued an American policy above all to which is ascribable America's huge development in the production of armaments."

"Every child knows that no one in Germany ever thought of the possibility of a German-American war. President Wilson himself hardly seriously contemplated a German danger, but did contemplate a Japanese danger."

The article says that on the surface nothing is more natural than that America should equip a giant army and fleet. It continues:

"They are not for use, however, in this war, during which they virtually will not fire a shot, but for use afterwards against Japan. Thus, our enemies play with their own allies the game of 'the bitter bit' with Japan in the leading part."

RICHARD OLNEY, NOTED DIPLOMAT, PASSES AWAY

Boston, Mass., April 9.—Richard Olney, secretary of state under President Grover Cleveland, died at his home here last night.

Mr. Olney, who was 82 years old, had been ill several weeks, although it was not until yesterday that his condition became serious. In an announcement issued by the family today it was stated that he died suddenly at 8:45 o'clock last night. Mrs. Olney and their daughter, Mrs. George R. Minot, of this city, were with him at the end. Mr. Olney's other daughter, Mrs. C. H. Abbott, is residing temporarily in Paris.

Recently while unable to leave his bed, Olney had displayed very deep interest in the international situation. It was said that he warmly commended the action of the government when members of his family informed him on Friday that President Wilson had signed proclamation of war.

GOVERNOR GIVES REASONS FOR VETOING BOUNTY BILL

Governor Ferguson vetoes the house bill which carried an appropriation of \$200,000 to pay bounties for the destruction of wolves, wildcats, jack rabbits and certain other wild animals. In vetoing this measure the Governor filed this message with the secretary of state:

"I hereby give official notice that the within house bill No. 28 is vetoed and disapproved. In so doing I am not anxious to perpetuate either the scream of the wild cat or the howl of the wolves. In fact I am willing to go farther and approve a large amount for the extermination of wolves and wild cats. We have all heard them too much. We hope they will hush."

"While this is true, I cannot give my official approval to anybody being paid to hunt jack rabbits. It is too much fun, and besides if the prices of meat continue to go up we may need the jack rabbit to live on. I think an appropriation of \$200,000 as provided would only mean \$10,000 for wolves and wild cats and \$190,000 for jack rabbits."

"This is more rabbit meat than I think the State ought to buy at this time."

CONCERNING UNCLE SAM'S NAVAL PREPAREDNESS

A great deal of high-priced white paper and ink are being used by alleged expert writers in advertising the inefficiency of this country's naval preparedness, and forecasting results in case of actual warfare. We recall the same condition at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war. Admiral Mahan, head of the naval board gave out a grave statement that the two torpedo boats that were alleged to be waiting off the coast of Brazil to sink the Oregon on its flying trip to Atlantic waters around the Horn, were almost a match for the entire American navy in themselves. But in actual test at the battle of Santiago, the Gloucester, which was the converted pleasure yacht of J. P. Morgan, under command of Lieut. Wainwright, met and sank both these "dreaded monsters" single handed, and within fifteen minutes after the first shot. The Gloucester did more effective work in that July 4th battle, than any of the battleships of Sampson's squadron. Theoretical fighting is a science that doesn't always pan out in actual conflict, where conditions arise instead of being made to order.—Colorado Record.

MIDLAND DECORATED IN NATIONAL COLORS

Most of the show windows and the interior of our stores have national emblems and flag decorations and many homes are waving "Old Glory." Nearly every one in town wears emblems of some kind, and the Unique Theatre has the whole lobby of this picture house decorated in bunting. This theatre also runs patriotic slides nightly. These little marks of patriotism are indeed commendable.

THE CHRISTY SHOWS NOT WELL ATTENDED

The Christy show, which played in Midland last Monday night, was not as well attended as usually with tented aggregations of the kind. The only reason we can give is that the epidemic of measles still prevails in Midland. The show, in some respects, was very good, especially the bar and trapeze work.

"Our pleasure to please--the house of courtesy"

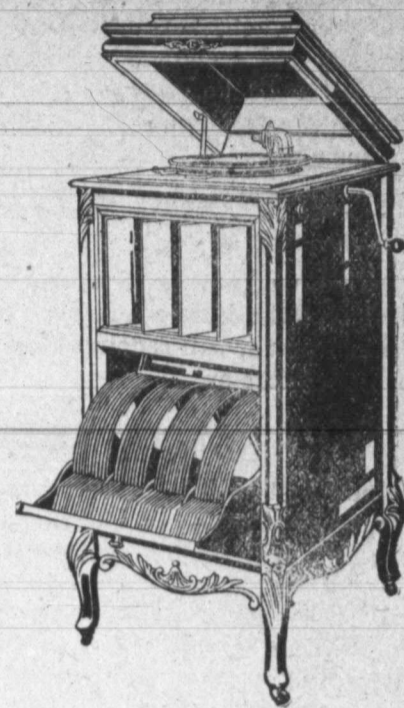
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Own a **Columbia Grafonola**

and have, at your instant command, the songs, the music that you like best--songs and music by the foremost artists of the musical world.

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EPIDEMIC OF MEASLES NOW IN MIDLAND

A perfect epidemic of measles is now prevalent in Midland. We have been informed there are between 75 and 100 cases. There have been no serious developments, so far, that we have heard of and all the patients seem to have it in a rather light form.

SAYS NEGRO HIT GERMAN BARTENDER

Will Manning returned from a business trip to Houston last Sunday. Mr. Manning says while he was in Houston he saw the Kaiser buried in effigy, and another incident occurred while he was there which was quite laughable. A negro plumber went into a saloon to get a glass of beer when he heard the bartender, who was a German, curse President Wilson and the American flag. The negro said to the "barkeep," "Boss, yo' is talking too much wif yo' mouth." The bartender then railed out upon the negro and made a pass at him, when the coon picked up a piece of lead pipe and laid the German out. Mr. Manning said that when the authorities learned of the incident, they did not even arrest the negro.

BOYS HAVE RETURNED FROM GUARDING BRIDGE

The party of Midland boys who left some two weeks ago to guard the T. & P. bridge, near Kent, returned this week, saying that the T. & P. Ry. Co. had called most of the guards in. The boys report nothing of any consequence that happened on the trip.

MIDLAND EVIDENCE FOR MIDLAND PEOPLE

The Statements of Midland Residents Are Surely More Reliable Than Those of Utter Strangers

Home testimony is real proof. Public statements of Midland people carry real weight.

What a friend or neighbor says compels respect.

The word of one whose home is far away invites your doubts.

Here's a Midland woman's statement.

And it's for Midland people's benefit.

Such evidence is convincing.

That's the kind of proof that backs Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. H. Rohlfing, Midland, says: "My kidneys gave me a great deal of trouble and my back was always the worst source of pain. It was weak and I had constant, dull ache through the small of my back. At times I suffered from sharp, cutting pains. An annoying kidney weakness gave me additional discomfort. I had nervous headaches and always felt tired and languid. I used Doan's Kidney Pills for this trouble and they have never failed to relieve me. I get Doan's Kidney Pills at Taylor & Son's drug store."

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Unique Theatre

MONDAY, APRIL 16th
Billie Burke in the 12th episode of the great society serial, "GLORIA'S ROMANCE."
Universal special feature—a new kind of war drama, with Allan Holubar, Irene Hunt and little Zoe Rae, "THE WAR WAIF."
A Victor comedy, with Ralph McComas and Eileen Sedgwick, "IT'S CHEAPER TO BE MARRIED."

TUESDAY, APRIL 17th
Paramount Night
Dustin Farnum as,
"THE PARSON OF PANAMINT."
Paramount-Bray Cartoon Comedy.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18th
A 2-reel Special Feature,
"THE VALUE OF LIFE."
The story of George Gray in the war on tuberculosis at the Modern Woodmen of America Free Sanatorium.
The 4th episode of the thrilling and romantic Vitagraph serial, featuring Charles Richman, Dorothy Kelly, Arline Pretty and Joseph Kilgour,
"THE SECRET KINGDOM."
A Joker comedy with Gale Henry and William Franey,
"HIS COMING OUT PARTY."

THURSDAY, APRIL 19th
The great Universal serial, featuring Francis Ford and Grace Cunard,
"THE PURPLE MASK."
A Bison mountain drama, featuring King Baggott and Irene Hunt,
"THE BOONTON AFFAIR."
A Powers Educational and Cartoon Comedy,
"HIS WIFE GOES FOR A REST" (MR. FULLER PEP) and "IN NORTH CHINA, AS SEEN BY DR. DORSEY."

FRIDAY, APRIL 20th
Paramount Night
Mae Murray in a beautiful photograph,
"THE BIG SISTER."
Black Diamond Comedy.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21st
A Rex drama with Douglas Gerrard, Maude George, Ruth Clifford and Albert McQuarrie,
"THE MELODY OF DEATH."
A Powers Educational,
"GIANTS OF THE AMERICAN FOREST."
A Captain Jinks Comedy, featuring Frank Daniels.
A Big V Comedy, with Hughie Mack,
"393 POUNDS OF JOY."

Quality in Photoplays

P. Z. Stevens, of Hamilton, is here this week a guest of his son, A. D., for a few days.
R. W. Cowden came home Monday from his ranch 65 miles northwest of town and reports conditions very fine, and very little loss of stock.
Joe Jay came in from his ranch near Jayton, Texas, this week and gives a good report of conditions out his way. After spending a few days here he left yesterday for the ranch.
W. P. Estes, ranchman from near Grandfalls, was here last Monday.



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Colors to suit your taste—ask for color card.
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THE HONORABLE MR. OXENHAM
(Episode No. 4 of "The Secret Kingdom.")
Phillip reaches New York, and finds that Julia is stopping with the Manwaring on Fifth Avenue, whose home faces the hotel at which he is stopping.
Madam Savatz tracks Phillip to New York, where she meets the "Hon. Mr. Oxenham," an old friend of hers, of questionable repute. The two conspirators engage a band of thugs to steal a sealed packet and take Phillip's life.
Madam Savatz warns Princess Julia that Phillip is an impostor seeking to claim her father's throne, and shows her cablegram from Simond her father, proving the truth of this statement, and ordering Princess Julia to cease relations with Phillip.
Julia, already deeply in love with Phillip, is grievously hurt; but she dismisses Phillip, who is puzzled by this sudden coldness. He tries to see her again, and when Julia refuses, the young Manwaring boy, taking compassion on Phillip, tells him that Julia is a princess.
Despairing, Phillip leaves, and outside is waylaid and beaten by a gang, under the direction of Saxatz; while Oxenham, gaining entrance to Phillip's apartments, steals the sealed packet. Phillip is taken into the Manwaring home, and is nursed back to health by Julia.
Oxenham delivers the sealed packet to Saxatz; she turns it over to Julia, who, in turn, gives it to Phillip, whom she loves and trusts.
Julia employs Savatz as her maid, upon instructions from her father. Savatz and Oxenham attempt again to steal the sealed packet by rifling the Manwaring safe. They are surprised at work by Julia, who is rescued from them by Phillip. A policeman recognizes Oxenham as a notorious yeggman and takes him off.
This is the story of the fourth episode of the romantic Vitagraph serial, "The Secret Kingdom," entitled "The Honorable Mr. Oxenham," which will be shown at the Unique Theatre next Wednesday.

Notice to the Public
As we have to pay spot cash for our beef cattle and packing house products and sell the same on a very narrow margin of profit, it is necessary that we get the cash for our meats. We do not keep any books and the practice of keeping files of ticket charges has resulted in endless confusion and no little expense. To avoid this we have purchased a supply of coupon books in denominations of \$3.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00 and ask that our patrons purchase these instead of asking us to make tickets for small purchases and thus enable us to render better service. We want to discontinue our ticket system by May 1st and we urge the co-operation of our patrons in the matter.
Yours for better service,
The Cash Market.
27-3t

Receiver's Notice
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Midland.
Know all Persons by these Presents, That I, Elliott H. Barron, Receiver for the Midland Land & Irrigation Company, by and through the authority vested in me as such Receiver, do hereby give public notice, that I shall hold for sale, and sell, after the expiration of 30 days from this date, the following described property:
First: All that part of section 41, block 38, tsn. 1-south, T. & P. Ry. Co. survey, Midland County, Texas, lying south of the T. & P. Ry. Co. right-of-way, containing 314 acres; known as the Campbell Demonstration Farm.
Second: The north one-half of section 44, block 38, tsn. 1-south, T. & P. Ry. Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, containing 320 acres; also known as the Campbell Demonstration Farm.
Third: The south one-half of section 42, block 38, tsn. 1-south, T. & P. Ry. Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, beginning at a certain cedar post in the west line of survey 42, thence north 15° west 919 varas to stake for corner, thence north 77° east 1900 varas to stake for corner, thence south 13° east 297.4 varas to stake in the north line of the T. & P. Ry. Co.

to place of beginning, containing 386.2 acres, known as the J. Moffett tract.
Fourth: Being all of the north one-half of the northeast one-fourth of survey 42, block 39, tsn. 1-south, Midland County, Texas, T. & P. Ry. Co. survey, containing 80 acres, known as the S. M. Francis tract.
Witness my hand, this 14th day of March, A. D., 1917, at Midland, Texas.
Elliott H. Barron,
adv 25-3t Receiver.

WARNING TO KILL YOUR PRAIRIE DOGS
The prairie dog law goes into effect August 28th, 1917. Anyone owning lands for prairie dog breeding will be expected to kill his dogs. Whoever fails or refuses to kill his dogs will be reported to the sheriff by the county commissioners. The sheriff will then notify the land owner to destroy his dogs, and if he fails to do so, the sheriff will have it done at the expense of the county and the land will be subject to sale to pay for it. The sheriff will get \$5.00 per day for superintending the work. Two years is the limit for the destruction of the prairie dog.
adv 201f W. E. Bradford, Sheriff.

RECEIVER IS ASKED FOR COLLEGE INDUSTRIAL ARTS
Kaufman, Texas, April 9.—Judge V. W. Grubbs, known as the father of the College of Industrial Arts, maintained by the State at Denton, Texas, filed a suit in the district court of Kaufman County this afternoon charging the school had been commercialized by enrollment requirements and unreasonable examination to such an extent that the girls, for whose benefit the school was established were excluded from its benefits.
He also alleges that the school is now under the domination of a political machine of which the present is a member.
The plaintiff asks damages in the sum \$10,000 for the alleged action of the defendants in repudiating the terms of the Lydia Grubbs scholarship. He asserts that there is a considerable sum of money in the hands of one of the defendants which was contributed by his friends in Texas and elsewhere and which he seeks to have refunded to them.
He also asks for the appointment of a court receiver for the college and seeks an order enjoining the regents from excluding the girls of Texas who most need the training of the school, by the maintenance of unreasonable enrollment requirements and high cost of attendance and seeks an order removing the present board of regents from office.

Women!
Here is a message to suffering women, from Mrs. W. T. Price, of Public, Ky.: "I suffered with painful...," she writes, "I got down with a weakness in my back and limbs. I felt helpless and discouraged. I had about given up hopes of ever being well again, when a friend insisted I
Take CARDUI
The Woman's Tonic
I began Cardui. In a short while I saw a marked difference... I grew stronger, right about—and it cured me. I am stouter than I have been in years." If you suffer, you can appreciate what it means to be strong and well. Thousands of women give Cardui the credit for their good health. It should help you. Try Cardui. At all druggists. E-73

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You can speed where you will and come back when you will.
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Notice to Water Consumers

In accordance with Rule 36 of the ordinance governing the water works of the city of Midland, water service will be discontinued when consumers fail to pay their accounts by the 5th of each month and will not be turned on until the amount due is paid, together with a fee of one dollar to cover the cost of turning off and on of such service. All bills are payable at the City Hall.

Newnie W. Ellis, City Manager.

Read The Reporter's Want Ads.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Do you want a quart of clean Jersey sweet milk? Phone 424. 26-1f

A. R. Crocker, of Hill County, is here visiting his father, 14 miles east of town.

Dr. Buchanan as usual will be in his Midland office Saturday, tomorrow. adv

Mrs. W. F. Youngblood and son, Frank, are in Fort Worth this week on a business trip.

J. M. Stokes, of El Paso, is here this week visiting his brother, J. V. Stokes and family.

P. M. Shamburger, Mark Phillips and Mr. Brown, all of Andrews, were business visitors here Thursday.

Our fountain is newly equipped and our drinks are tip-top. Try them. C. A. Taylor & Son. adv

Racine tires will give better service on Ford cars than any other. Let us prove it. W. H. Spaulding & Sons. adv. 27-2t

J. B. Whitely, cowman, was in the city this week. He reports the sale of 300 coming yearlings at private terms.

C. Tom, of Stanton, was here on Thursday. He reports a good rain up that way. He renewed for The Reporter.

E. T. Coob, cowman from near Garder City, was here this week and reports good rains and stock doing reasonably well.

John Bleicker, ranching 27 miles south of Midland, was here this week. Mr. Bleicker reports that he bought of A. Price, of Plainview, 88 young cows and 1 bull at \$65 around.

L. E. Haynes came in from Cloverdale ranch, southeast of town and reports good rains. He ordered The Reporter sent to his father at Beehouse, Texas.

COLLARLESS FROCKS THE NEWEST WHIM

Some Designers Dispense with Collars, Others Bring Out New Styles

To dispense entirely with collars separate blouses and dresses is one of the latest fancies of fashion designers. writes The Reporter's New York correspondent. Perhaps this will be a trying style for the majority of women, as most faces require the softening influence of a collar around the neck; but for those to whom it is becoming, the collarless neck, as a novelty, is sure to make an appeal. There is nothing that women like more than something a little different, for to tire of a certain style, however becoming, is only human.

Many and varied are the new outlines and finishes for these collarless dresses. Square, round, oval and V shapes are all among the different outlines in vogue. The oval outline going across the neck from shoulder to shoulder at a rather shallow depth is very interesting and is shown in the accompanying sketch. In this model the neck is finished with a cross-stitch embroidery design, one of the newest forms of embroidery, or rather, one of the oldest forms of embroidery recently revived. The cross stitch of generations back has returned, now that embroidery of



Peplum Blouse with Pleated Skirt

every description enjoys so strong a vogue. It is fascinating work for those who like needlework, and so simple to do that many spring and summer frocks will be adorned with it, worked out in the attractive colors used for embroideries.

The peplum blouse illustrated is the kind that is worn with the new loose-hanging skirts, an example of which is shown in the sketch. This skirt is attached to a skeleton lining the lining so called, hanging from the shoulders and cut on straight, loosely-fitted lines. The lining is made of some soft or thin material such as net, China silk or fine lawn. The object of this type of skirt is to preserve the straight-line silhouette. It makes an excellent foundation for the peplum, or outside blouses, as they are called.

The blouse that buttons straight down the back is making its way surely but slowly into the fashionable world. Crocheted and decorative fancy buttons make these back closings rather attractive. Some novelty buttons are made of colored beads bunched together in ball shape. These are generally used on waists that button in front.

Strings of colored beads to go with waists are being much worn. The beads either match the waist in color or are of a contrasting though harmonious shade; for instance, old rose with blue makes a charming combination.

New Fancy Collars

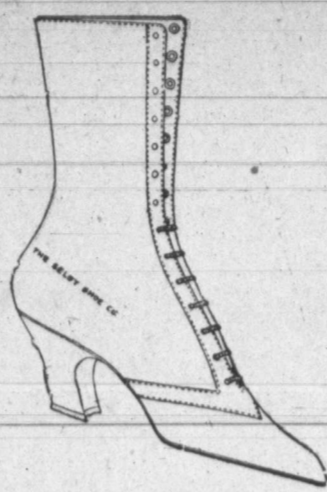
While collarless styles are fashionable, dainty collars have by no means been discarded; on the contrary, this is an accessory made very much of. Some of the new shapes fall in rather long points over the shoulders, others are pointed in front and square at the back, and the familiar sailor collar is ever present. Fine voile, marquisette and handkerchief linen in white and colors are used for the new collars. Some are hemstitched by hand, others by machine, and on almost every one there is some touch of hand embroidery. Double collars are usually made with the upper one of some collar and a white one, a little larger, under it.

The high stock collar is being worn by smart women as much for sports as for use with tailored costumes. Usually it is made of pongee or some heavy silk with ends that cross in front of striped or figured silk.

For sports wear a white silk blouse with one of these collars and a skirt matching the figure or striped silk in the collar, make a very attractive costume. This idea is also carried out in linens and the new figured cotton materials which are so smart for sports skirts. Instead of the high stock collar, some open-neck blouses are worn with graceful four-in-hand ties made of the skirt material.

In Barrel Effect

The barrel or bowling pin silhouette appears to be meeting with success not only in skirts of the tailored type, but in afternoon frocks. The effect obtained by soft draperies and pleats at the upper part of the skirt makes very graceful lines and is especially pretty in afternoon-silk



Spring Display of Stylish New Foot Wear

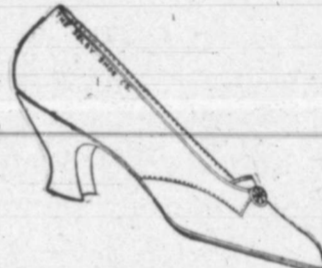
Boots are still in great demand and here you will find unusual values.

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Notice is hereby given that bids will be received at the City Hall of the city of Midland on the 25th day of April, 1917, for city scavenger of the city of Midland for one year. Wagon and team to be furnished by appointee. The city reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Newnie W. Ellis, City Manager.

Young Lee, an old time cowboy and cowman of Midland, has been appointed inspector by the Livestock Sanitary Board of Fort Worth and is now in active service.

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Notice

In addition to the Columbia Grafonia department of the City Drug Store, Mr. V. Reynolds has added a complete line of popular sheet music. Come in and hear it played. He will handle only the very latest, right off the "reel." adv 1t

J. B. Ratliff was here Wednesday from his ranch in Glasscock county. He reports very good rains down his way. He ordered The Reporter.

Notice to the Public Accounts for purchases made for the city of Midland without an order signed by the proper authority will not be paid.

Newnie W. Ellis, City Manager.

Get your ice cream at Taylor's. The best only. adv.



in Barrel Effect

Afternoon Frock of Dotted Foulard frocks. The sketch shows one of these models developed in dotted foulard. The waist of this design is particularly interesting, as it features the new kimono sleeve cut so as to form a part of the body of the waist. The curved line starting from the collar and going under the arm is seen in many designs and allows for the use of two materials, that most popular effect. Collar and cuffs of this dress are of sheer white organdy.

Short sleeves reaching just above or below the elbow, as in this model, are likely to be popular when the warm weather comes, for every indication points that way just now. The long sleeves will continue to be worn, however.

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