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HECTOR No. 510,614

The above is a picture of Hector at the time he was Junior and Grand Champion of the Ft. Worth Fat Stock Show, March, 1917. We are again exhibiting Hector, together with some of his first calves, at the show in Ft. Worth next week, and the purpose of our ten-head exhibit is to demonstrate the excellence of Herefords raised in the Midland Country.

B. N. AYCOCK & SONS, Midland, Texas.

MIDLAND CATTLE NOW IN FT. WORTH

Three Herds to be Exhibited in The Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show

Midland show herds are to be most splendidly represented in Ft. Worth next week, during the Fat Stock Show. We want to have so many cattle there, perhaps, but the quality is surely second to none. For instance, B. N. Aycock & Sons' famous bull, Hector, which was the grand sweepstakes champion there two years ago, will be entered again, together with some of his get. See Hereford's picture on our first page.

B. N. Aycock & Sons will have ten head on exhibition, to be entered in the various classes. Mr. Aycock was not certain yesterday morning whether or not they would enter the auction sale on the 13th, which is next Thursday, on account of the fact that they did not decide to do so in time for their cattle to be catalogued.

Scharbauer & Eldson, owners of the Lone Star Herefords, which for so long has enjoyed the reputation of being the largest herd of registered Herefords in the world, are not entering a full showing this year. Just why we did not learn, but they are taking only 6 or 7 head, about half of which will be entered in the auction sale.

Mr. M. Halff will have a fine presentation of nine head, which is the more conspicuous by a far, a newly bred young bull, Beau H. 19th, a Beau Donald-Earl of Shade and Anxiety Fourth-Corrector two-year-old, which will head his list of head to be entered in the auction sale. Beau H. was first in his class and senior champion at the Oklahoma State Fair last September, and it is expected that the bidding will be fast when this young fellow is put up. See a picture of him elsewhere in this paper, it being used in

an announcement by Mr. Halff. All of this stuff was shipped to Fort Worth this week, is now there, stalled, and being rested for the competition next week.

Everything is in practical readiness for the opening of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show next Monday. With a much-increased exhibit array and every branch of the exposition improved, the show management looks forward confidently to the largest attendance

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THE FIRST RIG NOW ON WAY TO MIDLAND

It is rumored, and rather well substantiated, that the oil drilling outfit shipped the first of last week from Brownwood and billed to Stanton, has been ordered on to Midland, where it will be unloaded, and from here hauled to the Brunson ranch in Glasscock County. This rig is the one that will start development by the Texas Pro-

ducers Oil Company, who have secured 15,000 acres of Brunson Bros. of Midland, and it ought to arrive in Midland now almost any hour. The company, under the circumstances, should be enabled to start operations within the next ten or fifteen days.

Besides this company, the States Oil Corporation, and the New York Oil and Development Company, there are substantiated rumors of other outfits or companies who are negotiating for acreage in the vicinity of Midland, and in the course of a few

months the oil boom should be on in great shape.

In all likelihood The Reporter will be enabled to give its readers some definite information in its next issue.

LATER—We are informed that the rig arrived at Stanton this morning and that it will not be brought to Midland, but will be hauled out to the drilling site from there.

B. C. Girdley made a brief business trip to Fort Worth the first of the week.

OIL DEVELOPMENT STILL IN ABEYANCE

Midland Committee Now Awaiting Acceptance or Rejection of The Acreage Secured

The Reporter can give its readers nothing new about the proposed oil development in the immediate vicinity of Midland, that concerning the 10,000 acres gotten up at the instigation of the New York Oil and Development Company, the limits of which were prescribed by Geologist Colyer.

As announced by this paper last week, the acreage was assured and sent to the company at Snyder, Okla. It had been hoped that their acceptance would have been received ere this, but up to this morning nothing had been heard from them. However, confidence in such an acceptance has been in no wise disturbed, and Midland people are planning great things when the real excitement of an oil boom starts in.

In the meantime, during the past week or ten days many oil and gas leases have changed hands, over and over again, with the price advancing with each change. A number of strangers have been with us during the past week, too, all more or less interested in prospective oil development in this vicinity.

Said one man: "Never saw such a 'wild bunch' as you have at Midland. Why, you can lease land in 20 miles of Ranger cheaper than you can at Midland."

This is pretty much true, but the leasing to date has been going, strictly among our home people, and the price has ranged from 25 cents to \$15 per acre, according to location the prescribed territory by Geologist Colyer being the most favored.

Other prospective oil developments are mentioned briefly in other places in this issue.

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STATE'S MINERAL RIGHTS DISCUSSED

Stamford Mayor Supports Attorney General in Decision Against Commissioner Robison

The latter part of last week a little flurry of excitement was occasioned by a special delivery letter to County Clerk C. B. Dunagan, the same containing mineral leases to a man named Moss, of Dallas, under the act of 1883, in which the State reserved mineral rights to certain lands in West Texas. When it was sifted down, however, it was learned that only about 240 of the 10,000 acres made up for the New York Oil & Development Company for a drilling contract were involved, which are not sufficient to jeopardize the project in hand. Despite this satisfactory condition an injunction was issued by Judge Chas. Gibbs, at the instance of a number of citizens, restraining Clerk Dunagan from re-

corded these leases, pending such protection W. shrdlumfwppcmfw protective action as may be possible.

The State's so-called mineral rights, under the Act of 1883, has become a subject of intense interest all over West Texas, and The Reporter has seen no more able discussion of it than comes from Mayor Penick, of Stamford, which appeared in last Saturday's issue of the Dallas News. His presentation was as follows:

"I have read with interest the statement of Commissioner J. Y. Robison against the passage of House bill No. 298, now pending in the legislature, in which the Commissioner states that the effect of the bill would be to give away to the owner of the soil the mineral which belongs to the State's asylums of the orphan, blind, deaf and dumb, A. & M. College and the University and the public free school funds. Commissioner Robison takes the position that the act of April 12, 1883, reserved in the State the minerals under the lands above referred to. This very question is now pending before the Supreme Court in the case of C. D. Greene vs. J. T. Robi-

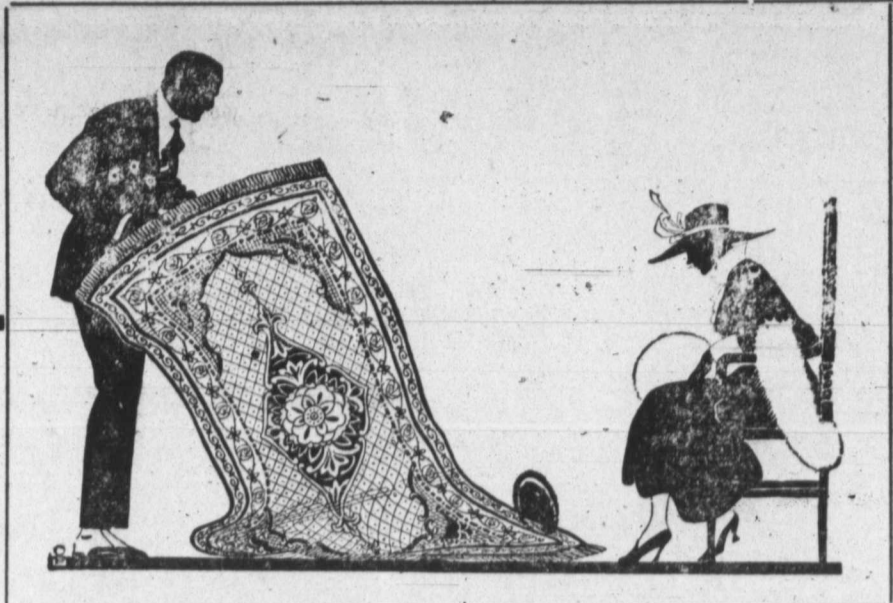
son, commissioner, et al. In that case the attorney general of Texas, whose duty it is to represent the State in all such suits as this, filed a printed argument in which the attorney general construes the act of April 12, 1883, and in a forceful argument states that said act did not reserve to the State the minerals in lands sold for grazing or agricultural purposes and that the law reserving minerals applied only to lands known to be mineral lands.

"The provision of the act of 1883, says the Attorney General 'had reference to known minerals and did not have the effect of reserving to the State the minerals in lands classified and sold as agricultural or grazing and not known to contain valuable minerals; second, that if the minerals were reserved to the State when the land was sold, they were released by the State to the owners of the land by Article 4041, Revised Statutes of 1895.' The attorney general says further, 'In considering the effect of the sale of the tract of land involved herein in so far as it relates to the minerals, we desire to call attention to the court to the uniform and long-continued departmental construction of the act of 1883.

"In the beginning the Land Board classified this land, and other similar lands, as agricultural, and sold such lands as agricultural, and did not undertake to require the purchasers any waiver of minerals that might be in the land, and did not cause any of their records to show a purpose to reserve the minerals in such lands. Surely the purchasers and their vendees have through all of these years believed, and have been justified in believing, that they owned the whole of the lands which were purchased from the State, including the minerals, especially when there has been nothing in the records anywhere indicating an attempt or a policy of the State to claim or reserve the minerals."

"There is no difference in the principle between the two acts of 1883 and the two acts construed by the Supreme Court in the case of Schendell vs. Rogan (94 Texas 686, 63 S. F. 1,001). The language in the two acts of 1895 construed in that case and reserving mineral lands from sale is no less positive than is the language of the sales act of 1883, reserving the minerals. If the letter of the law, is to be followed blindly in the one, it should be followed blindly in the other. If lands containing in fact valuable minerals were in good faith classified by the Commissioner under the act of 1895 as agricultural, and sold without reservation of the minerals, the Supreme Court would have been compelled, if it had adhered to the letter of the law, to hold that such sales were void, but a reasonable construction was given to the law and it was held that the language reserving land containing valuable minerals from sale related only to such lands, as were known to contain valuable minerals and that when lands were classified as agricultural and sold as such the sales carried to the purchaser the title to the minerals. The same rule, and for the same reasons announced in the Schendell case, should be applied to the act of 1883, reserving the minerals; that is, that it reserved the known minerals."

"As I understand it, there are about 100 homes of settlers of Jones County that this act affects, who had no knowledge at the time they purchased the land that the State contended that the minerals were reserved under said act, their land being classified as either grazing or agricultural lands and purchased as such. I have in mind one citizen of Jones County who purchased his land under this act as agricultural land at \$2 per acre on thirty years' time at 5 per cent interest. A few years later, after the West had experienced a severe drouth the legislature passed a law allowing the settler to forfeit his land and refire at \$1 per acre on forty years' time at 3 per cent interest, as I understand it, and this citizen refused to take advantage of this offer, stating that he had made a contract with the State to pay \$2 per acre at 5 per cent interest, and that he would under no conditions repudiate his contract with the State to pay \$2 per acre at 5 per cent interest, and that he would under no conditions repudiate his contract with the State or the debt he had honestly contracted with the State, in which he promised to pay the State \$2 per acre at 5 per cent interest. After his death his heirs have paid out and procured a patent to this land and there is absolutely no reservation in the patent of any minerals and no reference thereto, and yet, under recent activities, inspired perhaps by the late development in the oil business, these lands in Jones County, above referred to, have been filed upon by speculators and those who are seeking to profit by placing files or applications for



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the right to file on all of the lands sold under the act of 1883, without the slightest notice to the owner of the land, and thus have affected the mere act of the attempted file the peace and security of the homes of the citizens of this country.

"The Commissioner of the Land Office states, 'the purpose of the bill is argued to be in favor of the owner of the soil and who went to the present site of oil development in an early day and underwent the hardships incident to a frontier life. That may be the good faith purpose of its author, who is possessed with a commendable ambition to serve his people, but in oil fields the poor man or widow don't hold their land long. Those who follow know how to accomplish their purpose and it seems they are dangerously near their goal now.'

"If Mr. Robison is correct in his construction of the law and the attempted files recently placed by the speculators are to be recognized and the owners of the lands deprived of any rights to the minerals in their lands, which they have owned in many instances for thirty years. Mr. Robison's conclusion that the landowner would get no benefit might be correct, but his construction of the law aids the speculator to take from the home owner that which in all good conscience should be his property.

"The actual settler who came to this country in its early days and withstood the hardships of a frontier life and made possible the splendid development of a most splendid country and a most splendid citizenship deserves some consideration, and they are justified in their faith in the integrity and fidelity of their State in dealing with them justly and fairly, and when the State of Texas sold them agricultural or grazing land without any reservation and without limitation, and as an actual settler he has continued to occupy and improve said property, resting in confidence in the security of his home and in the integrity of his government, he ought in all good conscience be not disturbed by the speculator or the politician in this way and manner, and the bill now pending before seeking to validate and make certain his rights which have so recently been questioned by the commissioner of the General Land Office should become a law, so that the home owner might rest secure under the protection of a gov-

ernment whose integrity he had the right to rely upon."

DISTINGUISHED MEN IN MIDLAND MONDAY

General Manager S. M. English, of the Western Union, was in Midland last Monday, accompanied by Mr. Austin, assistant general manager; Mr. Hancock, traffic superintendent, and Mr. Hilbert, plant superintendent. They were here on an inspection trip, and complimented the Midland office for the fine condition in which they found it, and for the volume of business done.

During 1918 approximately 34,000 messages were handled at the Midland office, on which tolls on inbound and outbound business aggregated over \$15,000.

During the three years Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Durbin have been in charge of the Midland office, the enormous

business of this office has without one cent of loss to the State, been maintained by the Gulf Division, and Mr. Durbin is justly proud of it.

J. F. Whitefield, D. H. Roettger, Addison Wadley and Rev. J. T. McKissick, are the first to brave the uncertain elements of early spring and last Tuesday morning fled forth in the direction of the Concho for a few days' fishing.

Edgar Lawrence, another one of our soldier boys, returned home this week from Fort Sam Houston, where he has been in the mechanical auto repair work for Uncle Sam. All are glad to see "Red" home again.

Terry Elkin was in from Station Monday looking for some furnished rooms, and will locate temporarily in Midland.



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COUNTY CLERK'S QUARTERLY REPORT

Quarter Ending January 31, A. D., 1919 To the Honorable Commissioners' Court Midland County, Texas, February Term, A. D., 1919.

W. E. Bradford, sheriff, in account with Midland County, Texas: Debit Dec. 2, 1918. To col. for Nov. \$ 355.32

Jan. 3, 1919. To col. for Dec. 6003.91 Feb. 8, 1919. To col. for Jan. 15068.71

By balance \$20417.94

W. E. Bradford, sheriff, in account with Midland County, Texas: Credit Dec. 5, 1918. By amt. 1st class fund recpts No. 322. \$ 9.37

Dec. 5, 1918. By amt. 2nd class fund recpt. No. 323. 28.14 Dec. 5, 1918. By amt. 3rd class fund recpt. No. 324. 215.70

Dec. 5, 1918. By amt. 4th class fund recpt. No. 325. 28.14 Dec. 5, 1918. By amt. 5th class fund recpt. No. 326. 9.37

Dec. 5, 1918. By amt. 7th class fund recpt. No. 327. 16.90

By com. on amt. col. for Nov. 17.70

Jan. 4, 1919. By amt. 1st class fund recpt. No. 348. 132.23

Jan. 4, 1919. By amt. 2nd class fund recpt. No. 349. 396.65

Jan. 4, 1919. By amt. 3rd class fund recpt. No. 350. 3040.81

Jan. 4, 1919. By amt. 4th class fund recpt. No. 351. 396.65

Jan. 4, 1919. By amt. 5th class fund recpt. No. 352. 132.22

Jan. 4, 1919. By amt. 7th class fund recpt. No. 353. 661.05

By com. on amt. col. for Dec. 244.27

Feb. 7, 1919. By amt. 1st class fund recpt. No. 373. 409.70

Feb. 7, 1919. By amt. 2nd class fund recpt. No. 374. 1229.10

Feb. 7, 1919. By amt. 3rd class fund recpt. No. 375. 9423.14

Feb. 7, 1919. By amt. 4th class fund recpt. No. 376. 1229.10

Feb. 7, 1919. By amt. 5th class fund recpt. No. 377. 409.70

Feb. 7, 1919. By amt. 7th class fund recpt. No. 378. 2048.51

By com. on amt. collected for Jan. 309.46

To balance \$20417.94

C. B. Dunagan, county clerk, in account with Midland County, Texas: Debit

Jan. 26, 1919. C. B. Dunagan's fee. \$2.00

Jan. 26, 1919. Steno's fee. 3.00

To balance 6.00

C. B. Dunagan, county clerk, in account with Midland County, Texas: Credit

By amt. paid treas. recpt. No. 359. \$3.00

By amt. paid treas. recpt. No. 359. \$3.00

A 24-Hour Opportunity

The Owens-Buchanan Oil Co. (No 1) was offered to the public January 14th. In less than thirty-six hours after the initial offering the stock was over subscribed by more than \$12,000.00.

Inasmuch as Owens-Buchanan Oil Company, No. 2 is located on the same West 1-2 of Block 42, Burkburnett, as well No. 1 it is not exaggerating to believe that this will be but a twenty-four hour opportunity.

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Name.....

Address.....

Feb. 1, 1919. To balance. \$ 396.65

Feb. 1, 1919. To First National Bank recpt. No. 367. 84

Feb. 7, 1919. To W. E. Bradford recpt. No. 376. 1229.10

To amt. trans. to other funds. 694.97

To balance \$2371.61

I. H. Bell, county treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Sixth Class Fund: Debit

Nov. 1, 1918. To balance. \$207.33

Dec. 5, 1918. To W. E. Bradford recpt. No. 325. 937

Jan. 4, 1919. To W. E. Bradford recpt. No. 353. 661.05

Feb. 1, 1919. To First National Bank recpt. No. 369. 83

Feb. 1, 1919. By amt. paid out during quarter. \$ 87.06

By 2 per cent com on amt received. 33.07

By 2 per cent com on amt paid out. 1.74

By balance. 1649.32

To balance \$2767.03

I. H. Bell, county treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Third Class Fund: Credit

By amt. paid out during Quar. \$ 2790.22

By amt. trans. to other funds. 694.97

By 2 per cent com on amt received. 253.65

By 2 per cent com on amt paid out. 55.80

By balance. 1649.32

To balance \$2767.03

I. H. Bell, county treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fourth Class Fund: Credit

By 2 per cent com on amt. rec'd. \$ 17.10

By balance. 2891.99

To balance \$2909.09

I. H. Bell, county treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Fifth Class Fund: Credit

Feb. 1, 1919. By amt. pd. out during quarter. \$ 744.48

By 2 per cent com on amt received. 33.11

By 2 per cent com on amt. pd. out. 14.89

By balance. 1649.32

To balance \$2767.03

I. H. Bell, county treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Sixth Class Fund: Credit

Feb. 1, 1919. By 2 per cent com on amt. received. \$ 11.04

Amount to balance. 748.31

To balance \$759.35

I. H. Bell, county treasurer, in account with Midland County, Texas, under the Seventh Class Fund: Credit

Feb. 1, 1919. By amt. paid out during quarter. \$1041.25

By 2 per cent com on amt received. 55.14

By 2 per cent com on amt paid out. 30.82

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URGED TO PLANT GOOD COTTON SEED

By Walton Petett, Specialist in Cotton Marketing, Extension Service A. & M. College

While a substantial reduction of cotton acreage is very important, it is equally important that Texas farmers should at this time give serious thought to the kind of cotton they will raise this year.

The wise thing for farmers to do this year is to plant good seed of some one of the approved good staple varieties of cotton, such as: Lone Star, Rowden, Acala, Bennett and Truett.

Cotton spinners, both in this country and in Europe, are coming to demand better staple cotton and the preferred lengths are 11-16 to 11-8 inches.

Great care should be exercised by farmers in buying seed, because large quantities of oil mill and gin seed are being sold as first class planting seed of select varieties.

And don't forget we sell Acorn flour at \$3.15 per sack Moore's grocery.

The fishermen of the season, B. F. Whitefield, D. H. Roettger, Addison Wadley and Rev. J. T. McKissick, returned yesterday from the Concho. The weather was so unfavorable that their luck was very poor.

A Good Bunch to Tie to

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Over Three Hundred People Hear a Program by Well Known Organization Tuesday Evening

The Midland Choral Club, under the conductorship of Supt. W. W. Lackey, rendered its first formal program for the winter on last Tuesday evening in the auditorium of the Baptist church, many pronouncing it the best selected, the best prepared and the most artistically rendered program in the history of the organization.

The program, which began with a beautiful procession as the members entered the stage from the choir room, consisted of five full choruses, three duets, four solos, two ladies' choruses, one male quartet and one reading, and lasted for one hour and fifteen minutes.

The schools owned by the Baptists of Texas are Baylor University, at Waco; Baylor Medical College at Dallas; Baylor Female College at Brownwood; Marshall College, at Marshall; Wayland College at Plainview; Rusk Junior College at Rusk; San Marcos Academy at San Marcos; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth; Burleson College, Greenville, and Decatur College, Decatur, Texas.

The Baptist general convention at its last meeting in Dallas in December, authorized the issue of \$1,000,000 in bonds to be known as the "Loyalty Loan."

Following is a list of the officers and members of the club, together with the patrons for the current winter:

Officers: J. E. Nelson, president; W. H. Foster, vice-president; Miss Elma Frances Graves, secretary-treasurer; W. W. Lackey, director; Miss Frank Luther, accompanist; Miss Eddie Taylor, assistant accompanist; Franklin Whitefield, librarian.

Soloists: Miss Mary Wilhite, Miss Lula Mae Brunson, W. H. Foster, and W. W. Lackey.

Viola: Misses Elsie Wolcott and Lady Connell.

Readers: Misses Winifred Holloway and Nellie Elkin.

Sopranos: Misses Mary Wilhite, Lula Mae Brunson, Beulah Graves, Golda Wilhite, Lena Kate Baker, Eileen Harrison, Annie Merle Moran, Annie Maud Aycock, Thelma Wuifjen, Mary Barron, Katie E. Boyce, Beulah Talley, Anna Carlton, Reba Nugent, Winnifred Holloway, Laura Johnson, Ruby Clark, Susie Brunson, Elizabeth Davis, Clara Wright, Grace Broyles, Thelma Garrett, Thelma Estes, Faye Taylor, Corinne Connell, Dora Snodgrass, Elizabeth Lynch, Annie Wall, Clifford Heath, Alice Haley, Geraldine Cowden, Isabella Floyd, Gladys Basham, and Mesdames N.R. Smith and S. R. Tandy.

Altos: Misses Cammie Sue Green, Elma Graves, Eddie Taylor, Brookie Lee, Lotta Williams, Alma Williams, Josie King, Lorraine Davis, Vern Clark, Frances Miller, Lillie B. Williams, Eleanor Connell, Lula Elkin,

Ruth Terry, Leora Bell. Tenors: W. H. Foster, J. E. Nelson, Robert Fasken, M. D. Johnson, Curtis Nance, M. Levinson, W. B. Carson, R. S. Tandy, James Harrison, Hugh Crossett.

Bassos: W. W. Lackey, T. P. Barron, Pope Snodgrass, Franklin Whitefield, Lloyd H. Rhodes, S. A. Pitzer, Lonnie Griffin, John Alexander, R. L. Terry.

Ushers: C. S. Karkalits, M. C. Ulmer, J. P. Howe, R. M. Barron.

Patrons: The following have subscribed \$5 each for the maintenance and support of the club for the winter of 1918-19: Chris Scharbauer, J. M. Caldwell, M. F. Burns, R. M. Clayton, Jr., First National Bank, Midland National Bank, Clarence Scharbauer, Millard Eidson, Dr. J. B. Thomas, W. B. Elkin, Phil Scharbauer, John M. Cowden, W. F. Cowden, Henry M. Halff, Lige Davis, Jax M. Cowden, B. N. Aycock, T. A. Fannin, John Scharbauer, W. A. Dawson, Mrs. O. B. Holt, Mrs. J. T. White, Mrs. Jno. R. Johnston, W. D. Ellis, Tom T. Garrard, Charley Goldsmith, Claude Cowden, J. M. DeArmond, Robert Fasken, B. Frank Haag.

LAST SUNDAY AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH: Last Sunday was a big day at the Baptist church. The crowds were good at both services and Bro. Hull preached two fine sermons.

The schools owned by the Baptists of Texas are Baylor University, at Waco; Baylor Medical College at Dallas; Baylor Female College at Brownwood; Marshall College, at Marshall; Wayland College at Plainview; Rusk Junior College at Rusk; San Marcos Academy at San Marcos; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth; Burleson College, Greenville, and Decatur College, Decatur, Texas.

The Baptist general convention at its last meeting in Dallas in December, authorized the issue of \$1,000,000 in bonds to be known as the "Loyalty Loan."

Following is a list of the officers and members of the club, together with the patrons for the current winter:

Officers: J. E. Nelson, president; W. H. Foster, vice-president; Miss Elma Frances Graves, secretary-treasurer; W. W. Lackey, director; Miss Frank Luther, accompanist; Miss Eddie Taylor, assistant accompanist; Franklin Whitefield, librarian.

Soloists: Miss Mary Wilhite, Miss Lula Mae Brunson, W. H. Foster, and W. W. Lackey.

Viola: Misses Elsie Wolcott and Lady Connell.

Readers: Misses Winifred Holloway and Nellie Elkin.

Sopranos: Misses Mary Wilhite, Lula Mae Brunson, Beulah Graves, Golda Wilhite, Lena Kate Baker, Eileen Harrison, Annie Merle Moran, Annie Maud Aycock, Thelma Wuifjen, Mary Barron, Katie E. Boyce, Beulah Talley, Anna Carlton, Reba Nugent, Winnifred Holloway, Laura Johnson, Ruby Clark, Susie Brunson, Elizabeth Davis, Clara Wright, Grace Broyles, Thelma Garrett, Thelma Estes, Faye Taylor, Corinne Connell, Dora Snodgrass, Elizabeth Lynch, Annie Wall, Clifford Heath, Alice Haley, Geraldine Cowden, Isabella Floyd, Gladys Basham, and Mesdames N.R. Smith and S. R. Tandy.

Altos: Misses Cammie Sue Green, Elma Graves, Eddie Taylor, Brookie Lee, Lotta Williams, Alma Williams, Josie King, Lorraine Davis, Vern Clark, Frances Miller, Lillie B. Williams, Eleanor Connell, Lula Elkin,

We aimed high last Sunday and lacked just one going "over the top." Two hundred and forty-nine were present and our offering was over \$27. The mark has been set for 300 next Sunday.

The morning and evening services were very largely attended. Bro. McKissick's sermons at each service were on "Advice to New Converts." These discourses were soul-stirring and uplifting.

The Christian Endeavor meets at 8:15 at the church each Sunday. A splendid program has been arranged for the next meeting.

Church Reporter.

Early Spring Millinery The Ladies' Store In Llano Building. Including the popular Elzee Hats and many other patterns, as well as the season's best banded hats. We are receiving large shipments now, so you will favor us, and also have a greater variety from which to choose, if you come in early.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

Presbyterian Church: Last Sunday was a good day at this church, both in Sunday-school and hours of worship.

Baptist Church: Sunday-school at 9:45 a. m. Classes for all ages, Jno. M. Cowden, supt. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Union Christian Endeavor: Subject, "Lost by Looking." Leader—Franklin Whitefield. Song—Selected. Scripture, Prov. 23:29-35—Isabel Floyd.

Christian Church: Bible school rally at 9:45 a. m. All are urged to be present. Preaching at usual hours by the regular minister. Special music at both services.

B. Y. P. U.: Leader—Curtis Nance. Scripture—100 Psalm. "Carry On"—Union. Piano solo—Etha Norwood. Solo—"There's a Star on the Flag for You"—Lula Mae Brunson.

Special music by the choir that makes preparation, at both morning and evening hours. Fifteen minutes congregational singing preceding the evening service.

A interesting meeting for young people at 5:30 p. m. If you are a member of the Baptist church it is your duty to be present at all these services.

is a most cordial invitation to be present at any or all of the above services.

3. Gossiping—Miss Shaw. 4. Dancing—Grace Broyles. Special music—Bro. McKissick and Thelma Garrett.

Talk, "The Defeat of John Barleycorn"—Mr. Howe. Sidelights. Song—Selected. Business. Mizpah.

Attorney E. M. Whitaker was with us this week from El Paso. He spent most of the week here, looking into our prospective oil development.

Just received, a shipment of Ready to wear suits, blouses and dresses. Come in and see them early. The Ladies Store.

We buy twice a week. Keep it coming all the time. Nothing old in our stock. Moore.

Widif Skinner, cashier of the Citizens National Bank, was a business visitor this week from Odessa.

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CHAS. L. KLAPPROTH Attorney at Law Practice in all Courts Room 201, Llano Hotel Bldg. Phone No. 2.

MISS LYDIE G. WATSON 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 Studio open for the term 1918-19.

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FOR SALE—Two good underground gasoline tanks and pumps for filling stations. Western Auto Supply Company. 47-tf

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WANTED TO BUY—Oil and mineral leases in Midland and Glasscock counties. State price, acreage, location, etc. Address, P. O. Box 95, Midland, Texas.

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LOST—A blue silk tissue veil, Friday, on street. Leave at Reporter office.

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FROM THE SOLDIER BOYS

Letter From Bordeaux

Clyde Barron is expected home now, almost any time. At least he has landed in America, and a letter came to him here the first of this week. The letter is interesting, especially in view of how this French chum of Clyde's employs the English language. It was written at Bordeaux, France, Feb. 6th, and we reproduce it verbatim:

My dear friend: As now you are certainly in America perhaps even at home, I wish at you that, I write for you ask if you are in good health and also if you ad make a good passage on the ship.

I shall very glad if in your letter, when you will answer at me to know your impressions about the France and also about the french people.

Now here he snow and the time is cool. I am not at Langviran. I am at the school at Bordeaux.

Do you recall the first of January when we were together? Me I recollect this day always because I had make your knowledge.

I direct my letter at your home because I don't recollect your address at the army. In your next letter give me her.

I hope also what all your family is in good health.

My family beg to me to present at you his kindness and hope to behold again you at home in one year chiefly my old great mother who has been very glad to make the knowledge of one American soldier.

Now at Langviran there is much American soldiers.

If you are desirous of views of Bordeaux said at me that.

In your next letter write me in French.

Good bye dear friend, Your french chum who thing at you frequently,

Garaud Jean.

My address is Monsieur Jean Garaud Romaine de Chauvin, Langviran, Gironde, France.

In my letter there is a view of my house.

If its American Beauty or Empress flour you want, Moore has it. Phone 425.

SOCIETY

By L. G. W., Phone 88

Rebekah Lodge Reorganized

Vice President Mrs. Kate Doss, of Colorado City, who is an important character in the Odd Fellow world, was a visitor in Midland on Tuesday, Feb. 25th, and re-organized the Rebekah Lodge, with eighteen loyal and true members. Inspired by Mrs. Doss's visit and her lectures, the lodge, which is known as Regina Lodge No. 203, has received new impetus, and a period of interest and pleasure is now anticipated. Mrs. M. L. Collins, as noble grand and Mrs. Loro Kilcrease, secretary, urgently invite all Rebekahs to visit them in their regular meeting each Monday evening at 7 o'clock. At their last regular session three candidates were initiated and after the business was finished a social hour was enjoyed during which refreshments were served. Mrs. Kilcrease has been elected delegate and Mrs. Collins alternate to the Grand Lodge of Rebekahs which convenes in Dallas on March 17th. Mrs. Doss, who is very efficient in this line of work, and who possesses a magnetic personality will also be elected president of the assembly at this convention.

Mrs. Ben Anthony, Honoree

Mrs. Anthony, who has enjoyed much popularity in Midland, both as maid and matron, has been the honor guest of a number of farewell parties prior to her departure for Cisco, where she and her estimable husband moved this week. On Thursday afternoon of last week the ladies of the Christian church of which Mrs. Anthony was an active and efficient member, entertained most delightfully for her at the attractive residence of Mrs. George Ratliff. About 25 ladies enjoyed the charming hospitality. A progressive conversation and also a musical contest were enjoyable features. In the latter the honoree received the prize, in recognition of her skill in bringing harmony out of such a pot-pourri of tunes. The important part of the afternoon's festivities, however, was the presentation of a beautiful cut-glass bowl to the honor guest. Her surprise was all to genuine to have been assumed, but quickly regaining her equilibrium, she very appropriately and graciously thanked her friends for the lovely token of their appreciation. The afternoon was pleasantly concluded with dainty refreshments.

On last Saturday another charming event and one around which was clustered much heart interest was the handkerchief shower which the lovely young girls of Mrs. Anthony's Sunday-school class gave her. Mrs. Anthony has worked indefatigably for and with these girls and during her regime the membership has grown from six pupils to thirty-five. Her labors have indeed been fruitful and the many lovely gifts which they brought were an eloquent evidence of the love and esteem which they had for her—their friend and teacher. Before leaving the girls were served nut bread and cocoa.

Mrs. Henry M. Half and children left this week for a sojourn in Mineral Wells. From there they will run over to Fort Worth and visit the stock show at pleasure.

Why Suffer? Mrs. J. A. Cox, of Alderson, W. Va., writes: "My daughter... suffered terribly. She could not turn in bed... the doctors gave her up, and we brought her home to die. She had suffered so much at... time. Having heard of Cardui, we got it for her."

CARDUI The Woman's Tonic "In a few days, she began to improve," Mrs. Cox continues, "and had no trouble at... Cardui cured her, and we sing its praises everywhere. We receive many thousands of similar letters every year, telling of the good Cardui has done for women who suffer from complaints so common to their sex. It should do you good, too. Try Cardui. E-77"

Wednesday Club

A most artistic and interesting program was enjoyed by the members of the Wednesday Club this week with Mrs. Chancellor as hostess. Mrs. Haley was leader and the subject, War Art, was discussed in its different phases by a number of women. Mrs. Half's subject was the Liberty Loan posters. Mrs. Scharbauer discussed Russia's contribution to the war art. Mrs. Rowe had Canada. Mesdames Holt and Jax Cowden had England, and lastly Mrs. DeArmond discussed France's contribution, and one picture which she very intelligently described is certainly worthy of special comment. The painter commenced his masterpiece, the day after the first battle of the Marne. It is a picture of 6000 French heroes, some were painted from life and others from photographs of those who had fallen upon the field of honor. When complete this wonder painting was 400 feet long or concretely speaking the length of a city block.

Mrs. Chancellor conducted the parliamentary drill and at the close of most dainty repast consisting of brick ice cream, cake and salted nuts. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Jax Cowden.

Mary Elizabeth is the pretty name of the sweet little baby girl who arrived in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Campbell on March 4th. The Reporter extends congratulations and a welcoming greeting to the tiny stranger.

Miss Mable Shaw, who for the past six months has been enjoying a visit with her father, Prof. R. D. Shaw, of Bellevue, Texas, returned home on Saturday night and is being cordially greeted by relatives and friends.

Geo. Sinclair left last night for Wichita, Kans., to take a mechanical and commercial course.

Cupid Smiles at Obstacles Cupid smiles at obstacles, Even Himalayan hills, Lets fly his barbed darts Wheresoever he wills.

A quiet marriage took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. M. Cowden Sunday afternoon, March 2nd. The high contracting parties being their son, Edwin H. Cowden, and Miss Lett Baker, of Fort Worth. Rev. O. J. Hull officiated in a short but impressive ceremony. Dick, as his friends call him, had been ill with the "flu" for six weeks. For more than a month Miss Baker was his capable, faithful nurse, and Dick concluded he would try to induce her to be his nurse and companion for life. She was to have gone home the 3rd of March and he was to go after her in a month, so she planned, but he begged her not to leave him, but to take him for "better or for worse" right now, and she did. Dick is a lucky fellow and everybody wishes them joy and happiness unalloyed and unlimited. They will live on a ranch. Auntie Sterling.

Womens Missionary Society

The Womens Missionary Society met with Mrs. Phil Scharbauer on Monday, March 3rd. There were 28 present. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. W. H. Brunson. After a brief business session the class thoroughly discussed and heartily enjoyed the Bible lesson. The secretary registered ten names as members of the study class at this meeting, and it continues to grow. It is no social affair. The society voted as one that no refreshments be served. The time is spent in hard study and prayer. The meetings are thoroughly spiritual. Mrs. Brunson has a way of inspiring the spiritual side while Mrs. Thomas inspires the intellectual. She makes us feel that it is a crime not to know and understand God's word. The class will meet with Mrs. M. J. Allen on Monday, March 10th at 3:30 p. m. Bible lesson, Exodus, chapters 26-40. The society has for a number of years supported an orphan girl. The sewing bee will meet with Mrs. John Haley on Thursday March 13th and do the young lady's spring sewing. The rule is, bring a dish, spend the day and sew. All ladies of the church invited. The society is very much pleased at having as a visiting member, Mrs. Chas. Donald, of Hereford. Ethel Moore, Secy.

Our old friend and former townsman, Lod Calohan, was with us the first of the week from Kansas City. He was on his way to visit the Panhandle & Southwestern Stockmen's Association meeting in El Paso.

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J. Tom White and Dee Murphy were down from their Gaines County ranch this week. They report conditions very fine.

Opening March 8th, 10 A. M. New Store--New Selling Plan

By putting on no style and holding down my expenses, I wish to make Midland a cheap place to live in, so far as I can help to do so.

Table listing prices for various goods: Colorado spuds, extra fancy, per pound - 2 1-2; 5 bars white soap - .25; 25 pound box fresh white corn meal - \$1.20; Acorn flour, 48 pound sack - \$3.15; Best corn chops, per 100 pounds - \$3.25; No. 2 white clipped oats, per bushel - \$7 1-2

All goods sold equally cheap. New stock out and out. At the Jemison and Wight & Anthony store. I invite a trial of my goods and will strive to please you.

J. N. CARSON, Proprietor

MIDLAND CATTLE NOW IN FT. WORTH

(Continued from page 1)

in history.

Tomorrow night, an athletic carnival, featuring Jess Willard, the world's heavyweight champion, and several bouts between other high-class boxers, will be held in the Coliseum building, for the benefit of the Roosevelt Memorial Fund. The event will be under the auspices of the Salesmanship Club of Fort Worth. On Sunday, a splendid sacred concert will be rendered by Armour's Quality Band.

More cattle entries than ever before in the history of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show have been received for the classes of the spring exhibition. This was announced following a conference of M. Sansom, Jr., secretary-manager of the show, and Ed R. Henry, former secretary-manager, and a comparison of records.

Sheep and hog classes also are making a highly creditable showing.

Sam J. Garret, of Cheyenne, Wyo., world's champion trick roper, will attend the stock show and participate in the various classes. Garret won the championship in 1916 at Kansas City. He also will be a strong contender for the trick riding championship, in which there are a number of entries already.

A carload of Brahma steers, 30 in number, gathered especially for the Southwestern Exposition, and Fat Stock Show, in South Texas by Tom East, a prominent ranchman of that section, has arrived here. The steers are being given a long rest so that they will be at the fiercest when they are brought into the Coliseum arena to be ridden by the leading "brone busters" of the country.

Brahma steer riding is an innovation of the Rodeo, the afternoon and evening attraction of the Fat Stock Show. It proved one of the most thrilling events of last spring's Rodeo and a larger bunch of Brahmas was brought this year. East took particular care in selecting only the wildest and most unruly.

Tractor races will be held three afternoons during the Stock Show week as a part of the Horse Show and Rodeo attractions. Young announced Thursday morning Young society women of Fort Worth will drive the tractors.

Tractors for the purpose will be furnished by the Indiana Silo Company, the Hub-Diggs Company, the J. I. Case Implement Company, and the Avery Company of Texas. The tractors will be of the light sort that will not injure the delicate sod of the Coliseum arena.

J. Shade Selman, horseman of Dallas, has entered his fine animals in nine different classes of the Horse

Show, Selman's horses always make strong bids for first place in every class in which they contest.

With Camp Bowie horses as a nucleus and the Keel and Selman stables already entered, together with other excellent horses, the prospects for the Horse Show classes are excellent, according to the show management.

GEOLOGIST SAYS TEXAS OIL BOOM IN INFANCY

A. T. Pollak, of San Francisco, arrived in Fort Worth Saturday to investigate the West Texas oil fields. Pollak is one of the most noted geologists of the Pacific Coast and is a representative of a large corporation which purposes to buy in the fields.

"Oil is like tea in a cup, the more you drink the less you have," is a favorite slogan of the geologist. He disapproves of the drilling of wells close together for he considers the future rather than the present. He prefers a steady stream of gold pouring into coffers rather than a rush that overflows and is wasted.

"There are more persons interested in the oil game than the oil business here, it seems," Pollak said Saturday. "The oil business begins when oil is produced. Drilling a well is frequently a game, a gamble. After it comes in then the business begins and must be managed carefully and shrewdly."

That Texas fields will furnish the lubricating fluids for Europe is the opinion of Pollak. He says that it will be many years before the Galician or Roumanian fields are restored to their former production. The oil produced in Texas is of the kind best for lubricating purposes. Texas will become the mecca of oil refiners.

The crowds are just beginning to come to Texas, Pollak asserts. Wanderlust will increase the oil fever in the Spring. The fact that the roads about the oil fields are impassable is known widely but with Spring these will clear up and the influx of people will start in real earnest.

There is going to be more buying of stocks and leases in the Spring, Pollak declares. He thinks that the reason is a psychological one. The great out-of-doors will beckon and all will respond. Deals will be consummated just because the weather will put all in more agreeable and venturesome moods.

Pollak has been in practically all the oil fields. He says that the boom in Texas is greater than any he has ever seen or heard of, even now, when it is but in its embryonic stage.

The Ladies Store expects soon a machine to do hemstitching and peccoting. Any work you have in this line, bring or send to us. Will appreciate your business. adv

BUILD A HOME

Mary had a little lot Right on the edge of town, And every time she went up street, She paid a little down.

It kept her digging every day; And at last she had it paid for, And then she planned a little house, For that was what 'twas made for.

"Now, why should Mary build a house?" The neighbors all did cry, "Because," said she, "it's cheaper far To build, than rent or buy."

But Mary had a further thought Of what that house would do; For when she went into her home, She took a husband too.

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QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT OF ANDREWS COUNTY AFFIDAVIT OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT

TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT FROM

Nov 11, 1918 Term, to February 10 Term, 1919. Filed this 14th day of February, A. D., 1919, R. M. Means, County Clerk, Andrews County, Texas.

In the Matter of County Finances in the hands of G. E. Moxley, Treasurer of Andrews County, Texas.

We, the undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Andrews County, and the Hon. A. N. Brown, County Judge of said Andrews County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said county, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 14th day of February, A. D., 1919, at a regular quarterly term of our said court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of G. E. Moxley, treasurer of Andrews County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 11th day of November, A. D., 1918, and ending on the 10th day of February, A. D., 1919, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Andrews County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County treasurer since his last report to this court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said treasurer's hands on the said 10th day of February, A. D., 1919, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 29, 1897.

And we, each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected the affidavit of M. I. Phillips, assistant cashier of Andrews State Bank, the county depository, showing all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Andrews County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 14th day of February, A. D., 1919, and find the same to be as follows, to-wit:

Jury Fund
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 11th day of November, 1918 \$ 422.11
By amount to balance \$ 422.11
Total 422.11 422.11

Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 14th day of February, A. D., 1919, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of November, A. D., 1918, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of 422.11

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 11th day of November, 1918 \$ 33.98
By amount to balance 33.98
Total 33.98 33.98

Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 14th day of February, A. D., 1919, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of Nov., A. D., 1918, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of 33.98

GENERAL FUND
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 11th day of November, 1918 \$1968.81
To amount received since said date 5681.47
By amount disbursed since said date 1473.55
By amount to balance 6176.23
Total 7649.78 7649.78

Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 14th day of February, A. D., 1919, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of filing of his report on the 11th day of November, A. D., 1918, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of 6176.23

County Special Fund
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 11th day of November, 1918 \$3503.12
To amount received since said date 475.76
By amount disbursed since said date 11.88
By amount to balance 3967.00
Total 3978.88 3978.88

Balance to credit of said County Special Fund as actually counted by us on the 14th day of February, A. D., 1919, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of November, A. D., 1918, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of 3967.00

Drouth Relief Fund
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 11th day of November, 1918 \$2679.11
To amount received since said date 115.12
By amount to balance 2794.23
Total 2794.23 2794.23

Recapitulation
Feb. 14. Balance to credit of Jury Fund on this day \$ 422.11
Balance to credit of Road and Bridge Fund on this day 33.98
Balance to credit of General Fund on this day 6176.23
Balance to credit of Co. Spec. Fund on this day 3967.00
Balance to credit of Drouth Relief Fund on this day 2794.23
Total Cash on hand belonging to Andrews County in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us 13393.55

Witness our hands, officially, this 14th day of February, A. D., 1919. A. N. Brown, County Judge.

(SEAL)

C. W. Hart, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, O. D. Cook, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, W. V. Gates, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, W. A. Meador, Commissioner Precinct No. 4. Sworn to and subscribed before me, by A. N. Brown, County Judge, and C. W. Hart, and W. V. Gates, and O. D. Cook, and W. A. Meador, county commissioners of said Andrews County, each respectively, on this, the 14th day of February, A. D., 1919. R. M. Means, County Clerk, Andrews County, Texas.

GOOD ROADS INCREASE THE FARMER'S PROFITS

Who gets the money that comes to a community from road improvement? The men who build the road and furnish the materials get it, but as they give work, bridge material, cement, or other things in return, it is plain that they give as much value as they get. Those who haul over the road are the ones who really get something for nothing, in a great saving in time and work and wear and tear on their teams and wagons, for the yearly 50 cents, or whatever it may be, on the \$100 valuation that is usually about 30 to 60 per cent of the real value of their property. In a number of counties in Virginia, in which government representatives took a traffic census before and after road improvement, the haulage cost was cut approximately one-half, a reduction from 33.5 cents to 15.7 cents per ton-mile. This means that every time a farmer drives to town and home again, if he lives a few miles out he saves in work and time the total amount of his year's tax for building the road and for keeping it in good shape. The farther away he lives the more he profits in haulage. If he hauls ten bales of cot-

ton to market in one trip where he could formerly with much difficulty haul three, he makes the total amount of this yearly tax in one trip and the saving on the remaining haulage during the entire year is clean profit.

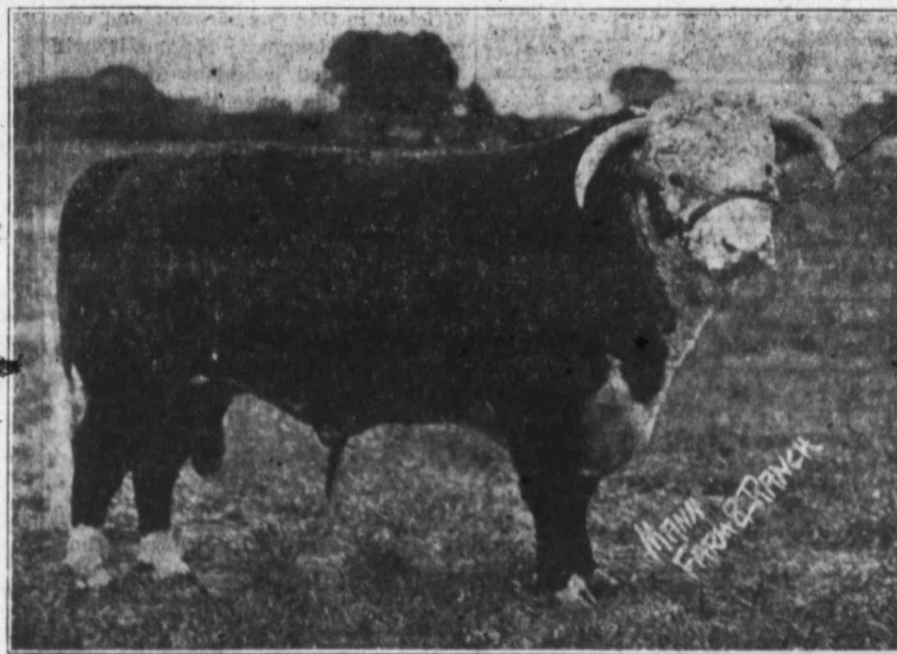
The individual saving in haulage costs, which goes into the farmer's pocket cannot be expressed in dollars and cents, because one farmer will use a road more than another, and he will use it more in one year or one season than another. The annual saving for a county can be easily figured by taking a traffic census on the roads, thus the annual saving for haulage cost over 1,232 miles of improved roads was \$627,400, or more than \$500 per mile. The cost of building was \$3,330,070.21, or an average of \$2,711 per mile. In other words, the roads are putting into the pockets of the farmers who use them approximately four times their cost in twenty years of life of the bonds by the saving made in haulage cost, to say nothing of gains in farm values and community living.

Texas is learning that good roads are a profitable investment.

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PLANT FEED CROPS INSTEAD OF COTTON

"With the present good season in the ground, Texas is assured of a good corn crop this year," writes R. W. Crawford, of Muenster, to the state cotton acreage reduction committee in Dallas, recently. The reduction of the corn acreage in northern and western states, combined with the guaranteed price for this year's wheat crop, makes certain a good price for corn. What better tip than this does a sensible farmer want? If he had half as good a hunch on oil he would go his limit.

"Here is another tip he might consider: Banks and cotton-buyers are helping to hold last year's crop; if the cotton acreage is not reduced, however, the farmer will find himself with the crop of 1919 in the position of the ghost the negro left.

"A negro and a ghost ran a five mile heat over bad roads; the negro became exhausted and dropped by the roadside, and when the ghost whispered to him, 'we are both here,' the

negro answered, 'Yes, but dey won't be but one of us, jes' as soon as I gits my wind back.'

"The farmers in Cooke county are doing real diversified farming these days, and increased acreages of wheat, oats, corn and barley will reduce the cotton acreage fully 50 per cent. Our farmers still have a lingering bitter taste in their mouths from the six-cent cotton crop of 1914, which makes \$1 corn and 17c hogs look good.

"Some farmers have told me that cotton produces more money per acre than any other crop, but few of them know whether it clears more and that is the point.

"The old negro that bought corn across the river for \$1 a bushel, and then hauled it to the other side and sold it for the same price did a big business, but—well, if the farmers keep planting all cotton they have no 'edge' on the old negro.

Try This for Sour Stomach Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly. Eat but little meat and none at all for supper. If you are still troubled with sour stomach take one of Chamberlain's Tablets before going to bed. Mar 11

A BIVOUAC ON THE RHINE

All quiet along the great river to-night By its waters we bivouac, the camp-fire our light; The lights of old Coblenz are too far away, And yet can be seen, like meteors at play.

Chorus

Away to the open breeze West, Where every man is free, whatever his quest, Away, away, away out West in Texas.

As I pen these lines in my ragged write-book, My thoughts travel swiftly to mine own inglenook, On the Stakes Plains of Texas, to my small herd of cattle, O, the thought of it has borne me through many a battle.

Chorus

My wife and blue-eyed baby are holding down the ranch,

And I have yet some stunts to do, ere I can cross the branch; A few more months of patience, dear mother and dear wife, Your lieutenant prays to join you, on his honor, on his life.

Chorus

O, ship of the line draw near, a Texas cowboy waits, With all the patience at command that open door and gate, God help me to forget this hateful, horrible dream, And by His grace uplift, set my life to a higher scheme.

Chorus

—Auntie Sterling.

(Auntie Sterling wants to find some of the musical talent in our town who will set these rhymes to music, make a rollicking song of it, sell it, and make a name for Midland talent, and encourage those who write.)

For a Bad Cold

Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has stood the test of time and can be depended upon. Mar 11

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution, Giving the Legislature Power to Give or Lend, or Authorize the Giving or Lending, of the Credit of the State for the Purpose of Assisting Citizens, Heads of Families, to Acquire or Improve their Homes.

House Joint Resolution No. 19. To amend Section 50, Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, to provide that the Legislature shall have power to give or lend, or authorize the giving or lending, of the credit of the State for the purpose of assisting citizens who are heads of families to acquire or improve their homes; authorizing the Legislature to create such agencies as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section; providing that obligations created under this section shall be secured in addition to the usual liens by an annual assessment collected as a tax against the land; and providing that the Legislature shall have no power to relieve any person from any obligation entered into under this proposed amendment...

to carry out this resolution. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas...

Section 1. That Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by striking out and repealing Section 20 thereof and substituting in lieu of said Section 20 the following: Sec. 20. General. The manufacture, sale, barter and exchange in the State of Texas, of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever except for medicinal, mechanical, scientific or agricultural purposes, are each and all hereby prohibited. The Legislature shall enact laws to enforce this section. (b) Until the Legislature shall prescribe other or different regulations on the subject, the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever for medicinal purposes shall be made only in cases of actual sickness, and then only upon the prescription of a regular practicing physician, subject to the regulations applicable to sales under prescription, and that such obligations shall be secured in addition to the usual liens by an annual assessment collected as a tax against the land...

Be placed on an official ballot which shall have printed, or written, thereon the words: "For the amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing qualifications for male and female voters," and also the words: "Against the amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing qualifications for male and female voters."

Section 2. That Section 50, Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by striking out and repealing Section 20 thereof and substituting in lieu of said Section 20 the following: Sec. 20. General. The manufacture, sale, barter and exchange in the State of Texas, of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever except for medicinal, mechanical, scientific or agricultural purposes, are each and all hereby prohibited. The Legislature shall enact laws to enforce this section. (b) Until the Legislature shall prescribe other or different regulations on the subject, the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever for medicinal purposes shall be made only in cases of actual sickness, and then only upon the prescription of a regular practicing physician, subject to the regulations applicable to sales under prescription, and that such obligations shall be secured in addition to the usual liens by an annual assessment collected as a tax against the land...

New South Oil Association Capital Stock \$400,000 C. C. POLLARD, Midland Representative Our Holdings Seventeen tracts in Callahan County, 1887 acres, in blocks of from 40 to over 400 acres, scattered about in desirable places. Ten well located tracts in Eastland County, aggregating 260 acres, some of which are surrounded by production. Three tracts in Comanche County, aggregating 87 acres, 17 acres of which are in three miles of the great Duke and Knowles wells. Two tracts in Coleman County, 122 acres, close to the Gray field. Production is found here at 2500-feet. One tract of 81-2 acres in Stephens County, is in less than two miles of the wonderful Stoker well. Eighty acres in Erath County, just south from Stephenville, where there is great activity. Fifty acres in Mills County, 1600 yards from a drilling well. There is much interest here. Three tracts, 145 acres, in Shackelford County, all close to the Moran field where several deep tests are being made. We have 80 acres in Jones County, quite near the Fort Phantom Hill Well. In Taylor County, near the Andy Urban Well, we have 100 acres. Other tests are being made near by. In Rannels County, five miles east from Winters, we have 100 acres. If you know the oil situation in West Texas, you know we cannot fail to win with our holdings. Opportunity is a knocker, has knocked, and is knocking. Our holdings are in veritable fields of gold, and we are going to drill soon. Let our Mr. Pollard tell you about it, or you can write to our home office, Cisco, Texas.

NEW SOUTH OIL ASSOCIATION Par Value of Shares \$1. Minimum Issue, \$25 sum of money specified on the face of said note. Plaintiff further alleges that he is the present legal and equitable holder and owner of said notes numbered 8 to 7 inclusive; that before maturity, for a valuable consideration, and in due course of business, said notes were endorsed and assigned to plaintiff. Plaintiff further alleges that said notes were given in part payment of the following described real estate and premises situated in Midland County, Texas, to wit: Lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), in block No. one hundred ninety-one (191) of the Southern Addition to the town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, with all improvements situated thereon. That said property was on the 10th of June, 1916, conveyed by Mrs. L. A. Nutt by her deed in writing to Mrs. Jennie Dykstra and in consideration, among other things, of the notes heretofore described, and that in said deed of conveyance a lien was reserved to secure the payment of said notes; that each of said notes is due and unpaid, and defendant, though often requested, has hitherto failed and refused to pay same or any part thereof to plaintiff's great damage in the sum of \$775.00 including principal, interest and attorney's fees. Plaintiff further alleges that he has employed an attorney to collect said notes and has agreed to pay him the fees specified in said notes, the same being reasonable and the usual custom of the law. Plaintiff prays for judgment against defendant for the amount of his debt, interest, attorney's fees, costs of suit, and for a foreclosure, for an order of sale to issue, and that the sheriff or constable, when called upon, shall execute and sell same place the purchaser in possession of said property within 30 days from date of sale and for relief general and special, and in law and equity. Herein defendant has before the said court, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Midland, this 6th day of February, A. D., 1919. C. B. Dunagan, Clerk. (DISTRICT COURT, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS.) Adv. 19-4t (SEAL) Forgiven What He Needed From the Republic, Mt. Gilman, Ohio: The editor had an interesting experience some time ago, when a young gentleman came to this office and asked for a copy of the Morrow County Republican. He scrutinized it carefully when a copy was handed him, and then said: "Now I know! What is it you are looking for," we inquired. "My wife sent me after a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I forgot the name. I went to several stores and the clerks named over everything in the line on the shelf except Chamberlain's. I'll try again, and I'll never go home without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." The Republican would suggest to the proprietors of stores that they post their clerks, and never let them substitute. Customers lose faith in stores where substituting is permitted to say nothing of the injustice to the owners of good goods and the disrepute to the law and equity. Notice of Election Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the City Council of the city of Midland, an election was ordered to be held on the first Tuesday in April, 1919, for the purpose of electing a mayor, marshal and three aldermen for a term of two years. Said election will be held at the City Hall in the city of Midland. W. A. Dawson, Mayor. Attest—Jno. Winborne, adv. 22-4t Acting City Secy. H. L. Weiland and wife arrived in Midland this week and will locate here. Mr. Weiland is traveling sales man for the Magnolia Petroleum Co., and we welcome them to our city.

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Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Prohibiting the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

House Joint Resolution No. 20. A resolution proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Texas, by amending Article 16 thereof and repealing said Section 20, Article 16, and substituting in lieu thereof a new Section 20, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, barter or exchange in the State of Texas of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever, except for medicinal, mechanical, scientific or agricultural purposes; and providing that the Legislature shall enact laws to enforce this section; providing that until the Legislature shall prescribe other or different regulations on the subject the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever, shall be made only in cases of actual sickness, and then only upon prescription of a regular practicing physician, subject to the regulations applicable to sales under prescription, and that such obligations shall be secured in addition to the usual liens by an annual assessment collected as a tax against the land; and providing that the Legislature shall have no power to relieve any person from any obligation entered into under this proposed amendment...

Senate Joint Resolution No. 13. A resolution proposing to amend Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as follows: Strike out the words "Four thousand dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the words "Ten thousand dollars," and adding after the word "and" the words "and this clause shall be self-enacting," and making an appropriation to pay necessary expenses hereof.

Section 5. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of such proclamation, publication and election. GEO. F. HOWARD, Secretary of State. (A true copy) 20-t

Senate Joint Resolution No. 14. A resolution proposing to amend Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as follows: Strike out the words "Four thousand dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the words "Ten thousand dollars," and adding after the word "and" the words "and this clause shall be self-enacting," and making an appropriation to pay necessary expenses hereof.

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Citation by Publication The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greetings: You are hereby commanded to summon Mrs. Jennie Dykstra, a feme sole, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in a newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 70th judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Midland county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Midland, on the first Monday in September, A. D., 1919, the same being the first day of September, A. D., 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 13th day of January, A. D., 1919, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 1512, wherein Kirby E. Nutt is plaintiff, and Mrs. Jennie Dykstra is defendant, and said petition alleging that the said Jennie Dykstra is a feme sole, and that on or about June 10th, 1916, the defendant made, executed and delivered to one Mrs. L. A. Nutt her certain seven promissory notes in writing, being numbered from 8 to 7 inclusive (the first two, being numbers 1 and 2, have been paid) and notes 3, 4, 5, and 6 being for the sum of \$100.00 each, and number 7 being for the sum of \$150, each bearing date on the year and day aforesaid and numbers 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 due respectively March 10, 1917; June 10, 1917; Sept. 10, 1917; Dec. 10, 1917; and March 10, 1918, payable to the order of the said Mrs. L. A. Nutt, bearing interest from the date at the rate of 8 per cent per annum until paid payable annually and provides for 10 per cent additional on the amount of principal and interest as attorney's fee if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. Whereby the defendant became bound and liable and promised to pay Mrs. L. A. Nutt or her assigns the

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EXPECT TO START BEFORE JUNE FIRST

One of Midland's citizens was in Fort Worth one day this week, and called on J. G. McCaskey, president of States Oil Corporation, and inquired of him as to the corporation's plans regarding their large holdings south of Midland. Said Mr. McCaskey: "Upon my return from Pittsburg the latter part of next week, we shall immediately begin our plans to start operations at Midland, and we expect to do it on an elaborate scale. We believe in the Midland field, and instead of a single test, we shall start from three to five rigs at once, and push the tests to the end of absolutely determining the values there."

TO THE PUBLIC

I have now the 1919 lines of wall-paper hangings, some cheap enough for the most economical, and some of the swellest ever shown in Midland; also a complete line of sanitariums for bath rooms and kitchens. Chas. B. Herrmann, phone 368, adv 21tf

Lee Heard has moved his restaurant business back to the Warnock Cafe stand. Pete Jones has moved into the Garrett & Brown building vacated by Mr. Heard. Both places are again down to regular routine business.

M. & N. W. PROPOSES DAILY SCHEDULE SOON

T. J. O'Donnell, president of the Midland & Northwestern Railway, returned from Washington the latter part of last week where he spent a couple of weeks in the interest of the Midland & Northwestern. He reports a successful trip and that mail service will be established on the railway, beginning about March 15th. He also reports the company has now in the course of construction at an El Paso machine shop a motor truck for passengers and mail service and the same is to be delivered on or before the 15th of March. The car, in addition to having space for mail and express, will seat 16 passengers, which is expected to take care of the business for the time being. It is also contemplated to erect a suitable freight depot at Seminole to take care of the increased business that is developing at this point. By installing a daily service for passengers and mail the business on the line will be very materially increased and prove a great service to the people of Seminole as well as the people who are patrons of the railway who live in New Mexico. The mail will leave Midland in the morning and a schedule will be worked out to enable the passengers who desire to go East to make the east bound T. & P. that goes through Midland at 4:37 p. m.

J. J. Williams and wife were visitors this week from their ranch near Seminole. Mr. Williams reports that the oil excitement has reached the neighborhood up there, and mineral leasing goes merrily on.

DR. GEO. W. TRUETT ON Y. M. C. A. WORK

Dr. Geo. W. Truett, while passing through New York last week on his way to Dallas from France made the following statement in conference with the leaders of the War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A. The statement was wired to Dallas from the New York office:

"The work of the Young Men's Christian Association with our American soldiers and sailors everywhere has been wide-reaching and helpful beyond all human computation. Through the Association several thousand of Americans, capable and unselfish men and women, have followed our radiant men of the army and navy everywhere ministering to their physical, intellectual and spiritual needs in such sympathetic, patient, glad and practical way as will forever make such record one of the most praiseworthy and thrilling chapters in connection with the world war. The thoughtful people of America will not only know how to appraise the measureless and vitally blessed ministry of the Association overseas but will also know how to interpret the criticisms which have been brought against the organization even as they will know how to appraise criticisms which have been touching all the war efforts of America."

In passing judgment on the work of the Y. M. C. A. in the war zone, it has been generally conceded that the public would form its opinions largely from the statements of soldiers. Captain Tom Knight, well known young attorney of Dallas, who graduated from the first officers training camp and has been on active duty until recently discharged from a hospital, states the case in a judicial and impartial manner.

Speaking before Dallas audiences on several occasions since his return he has praised the strong personal patriotism of the soldiers and their individual efficiency and courage. Three things however, he declared are wrong. The first is the dislike shown for the British, due partly to German and Irish propaganda, which is unfair and should be corrected. The second is the tendency on the part of the American people to degrade the wounded soldiers with donations, as if they were mendicants. Hospitality and appreciation should be shown, certainly. The third is the attitude of many soldiers toward the Y. M. C. A., which he characterized as very unjust to that organization. Mistakes were made, he said, both in personnel and policy; but the mistakes were few and insignificant compared to the great good done for the American, French, and other allied armies. The criticism is based almost wholly upon the canteen service, he declared, and this task was in the first place an impossible one wished upon the Y. M. C. A. by the government and undertaken by the organization from purely patriotic motives. Supplies were demanded of it in quantities impossible to obtain, and the service was rendered at heavy financial loss.

The personal service of the association, he said, was fine, the recreational, entertainment, and religious features doing much to strengthen the morale of the fighting forces. From both his personal experience with Y. M. C. A. and his observations over a rather broad territory, from ports to the front, from the Swiss border to Verdun and the Argonne Woods, he considers the personnel of the organization remarkably good.

The criticism he attributes to the failures and disappointments, little and big, that were unavoidable, but to overshadow the advantages and privileges enjoyed through the efforts of the Y. M. C. A. secretaries.

PROPOSED EDUCATION FOR DISABLED SOLDIERS

Over 400 trades, occupations, professions and callings are subject to choice by disabled soldiers and sailors who wish to take the free education and support offered by the Federal Board for Vocational Education.

Indicating the class of institutions in which this free education is given may be mentioned: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harvard Law School, New York School of Commerce, Columbia University, Maryland State Agricultural College, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Virginia Polytechnic, North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College, Tuskegee Institute, Clemson College, University of Tennessee, Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College, Michigan State Agricultural College, University of Michigan, University of California, University of Texas, American Institute

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for Banking. Applicants who qualify as being entitled to compensation under the War Risk Insurance Bureau, which is a necessary preliminary, are allowed \$65 a month support fund if single; more if married. All tuition, library and laboratory or other fees, including books, are paid by the government. A job is found for the man when he has qualified for it.

The Federal Board for Vocational Education is earnestly endeavoring to get in touch with all war disabled men, whether their disability be due to accident, disease, or in fighting, and will appreciate patriotic citizens furnishing the names and addresses of all such men, so that the offer may be made direct to the individual, and kept extended to such individuals as have not yet made application to the War Risk Insurance Bureau. This service will also be rendered free. A postal card or letter addressed to the Federal Board for Vocational Education at Washington will bring full particulars.

TEXAS FAIR CIRCUIT ANNOUNCES SCHEDULE

The big Texas fair circuit held its annual meeting in Fort Worth Monday for the purpose of arranging a fair and racing program for the fairs of the State. J. L. McBride, secretary and manager of the East Texas Fair and three years president of the big Texas circuit, called the meeting to order. Mr. McBride resigned from his position as president of the circuit today and Jerry Davenport, of Cleburne, was elected to the position. Will Masterson, of Clarksville, was elected vice president and Gus S. Caldwell, of Paris, secretary.

Dates for the fairs of the state were announced as follows: Childress July 28 to August 2nd; Quanah, Aug. 4th to 9th; Vernon, Aug. 11th to 16th; Wichita Falls, Aug. 18th to 23rd; Ft. Worth, Aug. 25th to 30th; Greenville, Sept. 2nd to 6th; Paris, Sept. 9th to 13th; Clarksville, Sept. 16th to 20th; Temple, Sept. 23rd to 27th; Cleburne, Sept. 29th to Oct. 4th; Tyler Oct. 7 to 11th; (this will be changed later on account of conflicting with Dallas date) Dallas, Oct. 6th to 19th.

Racing schedules were discussed at the meeting and partly arranged, as were some of the principal amusement features.

Our trade is growing daily, so is our stock. Moore's grocery. adv

UNIQUE THEATRE

Regardless of the sandstorms and windy March weather, fairly representative audiences have attended the show every night this week. On last Tuesday night the second episode of "The Lure of the Circus" with Eddie Polo, was witnessed by an appreciative audience. A big "norther" was in full blast and another local attraction was going on and we heard the manager remark that he didn't believe that he would make enough to pay for the "juice," but at 7 o'clock the crowd began to roll in and all enjoyed the performance heartily. Beside this serial there was a two-reel feature featuring Neal Hart and Eileen Sedgwick in a western drama entitled "Roped and Tied." This was one of the best these two stars have been in for some months. An official British war picture concluded the performance.

Ruth Clifford in "The Lure of Luxury" was a 5-reel drama on Wednesday night, and it was pro-

nounced by all as being a strong bill.

"The Lion's Claws" with Marie Walcamp on Friday night, a great Universal serial; is becoming more popular all the time. Each episode is a story within itself, with scenes laid in the heart of Africa and Egypt. The beautiful scenery is worth the admission price alone, besides seeing one of the best acted plots in film-dom. You can start in any time on this serial and get the drift of it as a short synopsis is always given on the first reel. You will lose nothing by starting in tonight and keeping up with it.

Mr. Stilwell is trying to book "The Heart of Humanity," a great feature that is now setting the big cities wild with enthusiasm. It will be some little time, however, before we will get to see this picture, as the dates for it have not yet been decided on. But some other good features have been booked and by the time the air-dome season opens everything will be tip-top for a good summer season of attractions.

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If you are what our youths would call young, you only know by hearsay of barn dances, the jigs, reels, and jolly square dances of other days.

But perhaps you are of that other, that wiser generation. Perhaps you remember some barn dance of your childhood—with a hayride, perhaps, following?

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