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GREATER WEALTH THAN ANY OIL FIELD

POTASH BEDS SOUTH RICHER FAR THAN EVER FOUND IN GERMANY.

Now there bids to be some sure enough excitement in the Midland Country shortly. Our readers know all about potash discoveries in this section, how the discovery was first made in Bryant well No. 1, nine miles south of Midland, and how this find led our neighbor, Odessa, into a campaign of publicity and development which has been so far-reaching, so wide-spread, and so important that the United States Government has taken the matter up and may exhaustively experiment in this vicinity in the near future.

Odessa deserves much credit for what she accomplished in broadcasting the story of rich potash beds in West Texas, and now she, Midland, and other points bid fair to come in to their rewards. Read the story as it appeared in the last issue of the Texas Oil World:

West Texas again takes the center of the stage with tales of fabulous wealth.

The wonder country is not content with the development of a vast oil field that is showing up with remarkable speed on the Sheffield Terrace of the Marathon Fold in Reagan County.

This time it is potash in Crane County where a drill has just penetrated 20 feet of 11 per cent potash at a depth of 700 feet. On the basis of figures compiled by geological experts and published in the Petroleum Refiner, the ground surrounding this hole is now worth \$380,000 an acre, according to U. S. Government estimates.

Hold 48,000 Acres

The find was made on the property of the Texas Development Company with headquarters at Midland, Texas, which holds 48,000 acres in the southeastern corner of Crane County. The company has been drilling for oil at the Johnson camp 14 miles northeast from the Girvin station on the Orient Railroad and 60 miles south of Midland on the Texas and Pacific.

The drill hit the red beds at 70 feet which is the shallowest for that section of the state. The salts were encountered at 590 feet indicating an uplift of the entire horizon as figured from the showings in the Big Lake oil field.

The percentage of potash increased according to repeated sampling until the high grade mineral was found at 700. There was 20 feet of the high percentage showing the red crystals in pure form. The well is now down to 800 feet but the zone of salts has not been traversed.

To Sink Shaft

On this showing a new deal has been declared in Crane County. A new company is being formed to sink a double-compartment shaft in the vicinity of the Johnson well to mine potash. At the 700 foot level it will drift on the potash stratum, elevate it to the surface, crush it and precipitate the pure mineral. The assays and dimensions given indicate the presence of nearly 8,000 tons per acre of surface area, figuring solely from the 20 feet of high grade. The lower-grade rock of commercial value indicates a possible 100 feet in vertical extent and as the beds of the country are practically horizontal, the lateral domain may be miles in all directions.

Just from the one vein it far outdistances the deposits of Germany which held the world monopoly on potash for many years. It means a unbelievable wealth for West Texas and the oil wells are still going down. Because of the uplifting horizon the Johnson well is figured to strike the oil-bearing strata of the Big Lake field at 2,700.

Worth More Than Gold

It is the only well in Crane County, which has a total population of 37 persons. It was started for oil but it has already uncovered riches far greater than any oil they may strike. They can step now and go mining for potash but the contract calls for more drilling.

Prof. John Lathrop, noted economist, writer and world-wide traveler, one time political adviser of Poland, who recently visited West Texas said that if the potash beds come up to the expectations of the U. S. Geological Survey and the department of agriculture, "It will be worth more to the United States than her gold and silver

Lynch Davidson the Man to Beat the Klan

If the klan candidate for governor happens to be in the run-off, the forces opposed to the klan need a candidate upon which they can unite, says the Houston Post editorially, in its issue of July 21st. The comment continues:

A factional candidate, any man who has appealed to blocs and cliques for support, or one who has posed as the candidate of any one group of the people, would be handicapped in his effort to defeat the klan, by reason of his inability to unite the anti-klan voters.

Without doubt, the majority of the voters in Texas are not in sympathy with the Farm-Labor program espoused by T. W. Davidson. Many of the socialistic proposals in that program are utterly unacceptable to the great mass of the sane, conservative people of the State.

At the very point at which T. W. Davidson, in case he were the anti-klan candidate in the run-off, would have to appeal for strength to defeat the klan, he would find himself weakest because of his alliance with this socialistic group. It is not an exaggeration, and not a reflection upon the klan, to say that the opposition to that order is found for the most part among the conservative element in the population.

With his affiliations, T. W. Davidson could not hope to attract that great force in the Texas electorate.

The logic of the situation points unmistakably to Lynch Davidson of Houston as the most available man to defeat the klan candidate in the run-off, in case the order's candidate gets into the second contest. Lynch Davidson has made no deals with any of the factions. He is under obligation to no bloc. He takes orders from no clique. He probably would lose some votes among the more rabid Farm-Labor people, for that reason, but there is evidence that their strength has been sadly dissipated.

But as a general proposition there is a greater chance of the anti-klan forces regardless of their differences on other issues, getting behind Lynch Davidson, than behind any other candidate in the race. Mr. Davidson has been a consistent opponent of the klan, but has appealed for support from all the people. In a very real sense he is the people's candidate.

All the great masses of the voters who are conscientiously opposed to the klan, who regard its participation in politics and its attempt to dictate government in Texas, as a menace to our free institutions, should realize their responsibility in this matter.

If some of them have preferences among other candidates, who whatever their merits, are reasonably sure of having no chance in either the first or second primary, it surely is the part of patriotism and wisdom to concentrate behind the strong candidate opposed to klanism, and with a united front prevent the government of Texas from being turned over to the titans and dragons. Lynch Davidson is by long odds the logical candidate to face the klan's choice. He should be put into the first primary by such an overwhelming vote of people who favor open, efficient and economical government, as to leave no doubt of his ultimate election.

mines, and of greater value to Texas than all her oil fields.

Potash experts claim that if deposits only five feet in thickness are found of commercial percentage, acreage in this field would be worth from \$5,000 an acre up. If both oil and potash are found in this field in large quantities, it will be, by far, the richest field in the world. There is a market in the United States for over one million tons of potash a year. The matter has the utmost significance to Texas in the fact that potash assays have been found over many counties in the western part of the state. It is a relic of the Permian age when the gulf laid down its precious salts. The area of possible production extends for miles north, east, south and west of the Castle mountains in Crane County where the only real surface geology in West Texas is available.

Since potash deposits in quantities are more valuable than oil it's very probable that there will be an epidemic of diamond drilling in the country in the next few months because this method of exploring the substrata is the only reliable means of getting at the exact potash content.

Land Forfeitures August Fifteenth

Stockmen and other land owners who may be behind with their State interest, are given notice that forfeiture will occur August 15th for delinquencies prior and up to Nov. 1st, 1920. No forfeitures will be made for later interest until April, 1925.

A wire to this effect from Land Commissioner J. T. Robison reads as follows:

"All lands on which the interest to Nov. 1st, 1920, is unpaid will be forfeited August 15th. No forfeitures for later interest until April, 1925."

We don't know how many of our land owners will be effected by this ruling. It is timely warning, however, and they should be guided accordingly.

The Cowden-Murphy Marriage Announced

The Mineral Wells Index carried the following announcement in its issue of last Saturday:

"Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Geraldine Cowden, of Midland, and J. A. Murphy, Jr., of this city, which occurred in Palo Pinto on Wednesday, July 9th, the ceremony being pronounced by Justice Cleveland.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Fred Cowden of Midland, she with other members of the family from Midland having been in Mineral Wells for some time. The Cowden family, members of which are well known in Mineral Wells, as visitors, are one of the most prominent in West Texas.

The groom, who is the oldest son of J. A. Murphy of this city, has grown up in Mineral Wells and has a host of friends among the younger set."

The bride, who is the youngest child of Mr. Cowden, is equally popular in Midland, and many friends here join those in Mineral Wells in wishing them good luck.

MANY INQUIRIES RECEIVED BY C. OF C.

EVERY MAIL BRINGS REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION FROM FARMERS.

That the expected influx of farmers into the Midland Country is about to begin is indicated by the numerous inquiries received during the past ten days by the Midland County Chamber of Commerce. Nearly every mail from the east brings inquiries from farmers who are directly interested in coming to the Midland section.

One inquiry came last week from a man in Blue Springs, Miss., who said he had seen a Midland story in "Cotton News," a big cotton magazine published in South Carolina, which is using Midland publicity. This man said he wanted to purchase land in the Midland country and asked for details.

The rains of the last week seem to practically guarantee good crops. With a half a bale of cotton to the acre, Midland will almost have boom times. Every loyal Midland citizen should eat, breathe, think, talk Midland. If everyone in Midland boosts Midland with sincerity and with pep, this will be as Porter Whaley, manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, predicted, the next Abilene or Amarillo of West Texas.

The ruler of the rains has done his part, Midland people will do their part, and this country will grow like it deserves to grow.

Last week all the Keltons went to the home of Sam Kelton and had a family re-union. The mother had all the sons and daughters, and their families together, and they had a most enjoyable season of festivity. "Grandmother" Kelton staid to spend the week with Mrs. Bill Kelton and family at "5 WLS" and will then spend a week with Sam Kelton and family before returning to her home at Sweetwater.

Coolidge Believes in Chambers of Commerce

"The work of organizing the industrial and commercial agencies of every community, as carried on through Chambers of Commerce and like instrumentalities, is manifestly of the greatest importance in the proper development of each individual community. It has an extremely important place, also in connection with the interests and co-ordination of the interests and activities of different communities and sections of the country. A well conducted and intelligently directed organization of this kind is certain to be of great value to every citizen."—President Calvin Coolidge.

Yarbrough Takes Over Texas Agency

We congratulate our townsman, M. T. Yarbrough, upon securing the agency for The Texas Company in this district. He assumed his duties yesterday, having bought the equipment of J. S. Cordill, who has had this agency for some years past. Mr. Yarbrough will add to his service facilities, and proposes to go strong for a goodly share of the oil and gasoline business of this section.

Drilling Contract Let in Upton County

Contract for drilling a 3,500-foot oil well on University land in Upton County, four miles east of Rankin, was closed this week.

The leases are owned by Porter Rankin of Midland, R. C. Harlen, Pearl Rankin and Tom Richardson of Rankin. They hold the lease on 16 sections of the land.

Drilling is due to start as soon as machinery can be placed on the ground. K. O. Reagan of Chicago, experienced driller, is in charge of operations.

Bailer samples and cuttings will be kept for potash tests.

The acreage owned by the Midland and Rankin men lies only six or eight miles west of the Big Lake field and is on the Marathon Fold. It is east of other land in which Midland men are interested and on which a test is to be sunk soon. The half well, which is to be spudded in soon, is about six miles north of Rankin.

Masonic Program Early in August

The Masonic Service Association, working under the auspices of the Grand Masonic Lodge of Texas, will present a public program in the Rialto Theatre, on the afternoon of August 5th.

The committee, headed by Wilbur Keith, the executive secretary, left Dallas some days ago and have been presenting programs at various towns in the Panhandle. They are now in New Mexico and will be at Barstow on the night of August 4th, at Midland on the afternoon of the fifth, and at Stanton the night of August 5th.

The personnel of the committee is not exactly known as a number of the speakers on this program go out for a week and are then replaced by others. It is possible that M. B. Terrell, Judge Richardson and Henry Williams will be with Keith and possibly W. H. Browning, who is well remembered as one of the members of the thirty-third degree team which visited Midland some time ago.

The subjects for this program will be at the wish of the committee, but it is probable that moving pictures showing various scenes about the Masonic Orphans' Home will be shown, but whatever the subjects in the program rendered, they will be well handled and of great interest to the general public as well as to the fraternality.

Thousands have heard the educational programs given under the direction of the Masonic Service Association during the last two years. The subjects deal with Americanism, education and patriotic loyalty to the highest principles of our government and its citizenship.

Willis Brookman and little sister Allaura, children of our foreman, J. F. Brookman, leave this evening for Temple, there to join their aunt, Miss Allie Brookman, trained nurse at the Scott & White sanitarium. These young people will attend school at San Marcos this ensuing school year.

JUST A WONDERFUL RAIN LAST FRIDAY

TWO AND A HALF INCHES AT MIDLAND AND LESS IN OTHER SECTIONS.

Midland and the Midland Country may have, in times past, needed rain worse than it did last week, before the coming of the great precipitation that was visited upon us last Friday evening and night, but we needed it bad enough and everybody considered it a God-send. It is a great pity that it was not a general rain. It was especially heavy at Midland, two and a half inches, but it was much lighter in spots.

The rain seemed to extend all the way northwest into New Mexico, but south it did not go very far. Practically none fell at the Floyd ranch 20 miles southeast, none at the Midkiff ranch south about a like distance, none at the Van Huss ranch southwest about 20 miles, and was "spotted" between Midland and Odessa, although as a general thing crops received what might be termed growing showers.

A great portion of the country was beautifully blessed, and the moisture came right at the time when it will do the most good. It means the making of fine crops where the rain was heavy, and it is expected that Midland will grow more cotton this year than ever before in its history. Farmers are accordingly quite encouraged, as are our business men, especially since the recent big jump in the price of cotton.

Our chamber of commerce is receiving many letters each day from farmers back east. They have their eyes on Midland and we may expect a great influx of home-seekers here this fall. As a result of this everybody ought to line up with our chamber of commerce and help to make their coming a promising event in their lives.

Farmers ought now to begin selecting their exhibits for our fair this fall.

The rain last Friday, too, will make splendid grass where the precipitation was sufficient, and this will put these stockmen in good shape. There is yet lots of time for the making of good winter grass, and the last half of 1924 is really looking very encouraging.

U. S. Dept. of Agri. Crop-Range Report

The U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Weather Bureau at Amarillo sends out the following brief summary of weather conditions for this district, together with the influences thereof upon crops, ranges, and livestock:

Amarillo District: Weather during the week was favorable to the ranges, and the livestock industry, except more moisture will benefit, in general, the range conditions throughout the district. Ranges and livestock fair to good condition but more moisture needed especially in the southwest and northeast portions.

Weather and Crop Report: Weather generally favorable, except dry at places. Wheat about harvested, yield good. Cotton, south plains, good condition.

Telegraphic Summaries of the Effect of Weather on Ranges and Livestock: Utah. No rain. Drought becoming acute with ranges very dry, and deteriorating rapidly. Livestock fair, except poor condition in the south portion. Arizona. Moderate to heavy rainfall over eastern and southern sections of the grazing area increased stock water supply. Young stock progressing well. Wyoming. Ranges improved west, but are deteriorating east, especially central and southeast portions where grass is burning, but haying is favored. Dry-land crop lighter than expected.

Special Notice to All Ex-Service Men

The Woods W. Lynch Post No. 19, American Legion, will assist all Ex-Service men in filling out their applications for Bonus Insurance on Tuesday night, July 29th, at Post Hall over Everybody's Store. This invitation is extended to all Ex-Service men regardless of whether you are a member of this Post or not. It is necessary that you bring your Discharge as that we may properly fill out the blanks.

O. W. Fannin, Post Commander.

"The New Baby"

Of all the things that you can do for the new baby, one of the best is to open a Savings Account for it.

As it grows up, teach it the habits of thrift. Let it come to the bank with you and learn banking methods

We welcome Savings Accounts for Boys and Girls.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK MIDLAND, TEXAS

SCIENTIFIC FACTS ABOUT GRASS HOPPERS

R. R. REPPERT, COLLEGE STATION ENTOMOLOGIST, SAYS PESTS ARE DONE

By this time the damage from grasshoppers is diminishing, and by the end of July it will be hardly noticeable.

To reassure the farmers, the following facts are given:

After becoming mature about the end of June, the hoppers during August and September lay their eggs in solid soil, usually in sod land of pastures, along fence rows, or in the grass along creeks. One female will lay about 200 eggs. These pass through the winter and hatch in the spring, especially following a warm rain. They continue to hatch over a period of four to six weeks, but after those overwintering eggs hatch, no more young grasshoppers will appear until the following spring. Thus there is but one generation of grasshoppers a year, and after the spring hatching is completed, the farmer need not be apprehensive of other young grasshoppers the same season.

Damage Unlikely in 1925
It has been learned that in some sections tenants, fearing a repetition next year of this season's damage, are signifying their intention of moving to other sections.

There is little basis for this fear. It is unusual to have heavy grasshopper damage two years in succession, as has occurred in 1923 and 1924.

The reason for this is that grasshoppers are usually held to small numbers by various natural causes. Several kinds of flies attack them. The larva of the blister beetle disease sweeps away great numbers, especially in warm, moist weather.

Only in seasons when conditions favor the hopper and are unfavorable to these various enemies do the grasshoppers multiply to greatly destructive numbers. A great number of grasshoppers furnish an abundance of food for those various parasites, and they also during a year of excessive grasshopper damage, multiply to such numbers that the hoppers are effectively controlled the succeeding year and for a number of years thereafter.

Already these factors are working this season. It is too early to make any definite statement as to how effectively they will reduce the number of hoppers next season. Observations will be made and the facts given to the public late this fall and winter. We feel reasonably safe, however, in assuring the farmers that no extensive damage will occur for the season of 1925, and damage will be restricted to small and isolated areas, such as is reported almost every year from some section of the state or other. These small infestations will be easily reduced by the proper measures, and no great apprehension should be felt regarding them.

No Leaf-Worm Yet in Sight
The leaf-worm has not yet made its appearance in Texas. Our winters destroy all stages of this insect in our state, and infestation always progresses from Mexico northward. This situation in the Rio Grande Valley is being closely watched and, to date, none have crossed into Texas. Farmers of central and northern Texas may feel reasonably safe from this insect during the month of July at least. However, they should be fully prepared, with poison and equipment, to fight it as soon as it appears. Information concerning approaching damage will be given the public as soon as we learn of such.

TEXAS RADIO MARKET AUSTIN NEWS SERVICE

BY U. S. BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS DIVISION.

Special to The Reporter from Austin July 22:—Although a few cars of peaches and tomatoes were rolled from Texas loading stations the past week, the period was mostly notable for the remarkable watermelon movement and for the shipments of onions, cantaloupes and grapes, the last three of which commodities moved very lightly but from opening rather than closing deals, according to Texas Radio Market News Service. The grape movement from the Ingleside territory was interesting because of the tendency toward development of this commodity which is even more pronounced this year than last, according to the co-operative service, which advises that last year but five cars were rolled, all from San Patricio County, and indications are for considerable increase this season. The report continues:

"With peaches running later than expected, and the watermelon deal in northeast Texas opening on top of heavy shipping from the southeastern portion of the state, attention was largely turned to the latter crop which rolled well past the hundred mark daily, averaging in fact very close to 150 cars a day in this period. Markets on this commodity were not very strong at any time, although the wire order call for supplies was brisk at low levels. Texas quality was largely the selling factor for nine-tenths of the offerings in Chicago and other markets, which were of Florida, Georgia origin were reported badly spotted, and occasionally of such poor quality as to bring less than freight."

"At Bellville buyers were quite active around 40-50c cwt cash and 65c cwt wire order for 30s, paying a five cent differential up and down for other averages, but unable to secure any size less than 35c cwt f.o.b. In Kansas City \$335 bought most 30-31 lb. cars Tom Watsons; in St. Louis 30s were in demand at \$300; in Denver 30-34s looked up to \$2.00 with the close of the week, and in Minneapolis and St. Paul which were fed generously from Texas 30-32 lb. Watsons and 26-30 lb. Irish Greys generally jobbed at \$1.75 cwt."

"Too few peaches were on the jobbing markets to make them quotable for Texas Elbertas. Miscellaneous varieties in Fort Worth brought \$1.00-1.25 bushel, with Georgia's offerings quoted up to \$2.00-2.25."

Miscellaneous commodities in markets of the state wholesaled as follows: Beans, green and wax, \$1.50-2.00 per bushel; Beets 35-50c dozen bunches; Cabbage \$4.00-4.50 cwt; Carrots 30-40c doz. bunches; Cantaloupes \$1.50-2.00 bushel basket; Cucumbers 6-8c lb.; Eggplant 15-20c lb.; Green corn 30-40c doz.; Okra 8-10c lb.; Onions, green, 30-40c dozen bunches, wax \$1.75-2.00 crate; Bermuda \$1.25-1.50 crate; Peanuts Texas No. 1 Spanish 12-13 1/2 lb.; No. 2s 10-11c; Parsley 50-60c doz. bunches; Peas, blackeyes, 4-6c lb.; Peppers 20-25c lb.; hot 25-30c lb.; Peaches, Texas Mamie Ross and Miscellaneous \$1.00-1.25 bushel; Plums \$1.25-1.50 bushel basket; Squash \$1.00-1.50 bushel; 6-8c lb.; Tomatoes \$1.50-2.00 four basket crate; and potatoes \$3.00 cwt for new Triumphs."

Mr. and Mrs. Oris Coates, of Odessa, were down Saturday night and Sunday, the guests of relatives and friends.

"AUNTIE STERLING" WRITES OF HENRY FORD

MUCH INTERESTED IN MUSCLE SHOALS AND REVIEWS SUBJECT.

("Auntie Sterling" is now in San Antonio, but writes that she may be there only a short time longer. Her friends, and they are very numerous in this section, will be interested to read another story from her, and especially upon the subject she has chosen, Henry Ford and his Muscle Shoals venture. It follows herewith. Editor.)

Under the aegis of free expression, a small woman in the prime of life (eighty-four) feels an urge to write on a great subject, much in the limelight of the world today.

The man in question is concerned in a great scheme in my native state, Alabama, the Muscle Shoals on the Tennessee river. I am greatly interested in what is being said and written about the great prospect that is to be carried out there through large capital, manipulated by Henry Ford. The scheme when worked out will mean much in the uplift of industrial life, not in Alabama alone, but in all the Southland.

In the realm of science, it will be a marked and profitable success. His mastery of Physics on many lines gives him prestige, confidence, and establishes faith in the on-looker. He stands in the forefront of this Western hemisphere as "The Man of Destiny."

He is a dreamer, whose dreams come true, an inventor, who works out his inventions, that enriches the fields of industry of applied science. Already he has unraveled webs in the looms of many industrial and mechanical concerns. His great aim is to bring forth out of the depths of his introspective mind, that which will leave "footprints in the sands of time."

If we undertake to sum up his qualifications, his gifts, his insight, his wonderful grasp on all material things, we are baffled at our lack of phraseology to approach an ultimatum. Patience, Prudence, Power, Penetration, are followed by insight, profound self-command, and above all a God-given genius—a brain that three not.

Not through help of, but despite the opposition and criticism of his enemies in Congress in their late confabulations on the Muscle Shoals problem, the almost savage effort on the part of a few in power to brand him a "mere money grabber," was an insult to great genius.

It is to be hoped he was not disturbed by it. The unbiased thinking minds will revolt at the insinuations flung at him with bitterness. They should remember the many great inventions of his great brain that have helped to turn the wheels of industry in America and across seas to better results and finer uses. The world, Economic, Industrial, Revolutionary, will look to this American prodigy for still greater achievements and discoveries in the realm of Physics and of Nature. If Henry Ford is a super-man, he is that by the Grace of God—He who raiseth up now and then in all countries—a genius; a man endowed with intelligence and insight above the common. He endows them with courage of a Galileo, an Isaac Newton, to work out problems in science for the betterment of the races of all time.

"I doubt not through the ages one increasing purpose runs, And the minds of men are widened by the process of the suns."

On a small farm in Oklahoma, there lived a few years back, a man and family of several children. They owned a horse and a small farm; they found it most difficult to make a living. The father and the oldest son of twenty-two went to a distant city to work for Henry Ford, of whom they had heard, as a man who paid good wages to his men and was not indifferent to their welfare. They found things even better than they had heard. They worked for him year after year, going home once a year. His family at home worked, went to school and obtained fair English educations, helped out by the wages of the father and son. In their letters home they told of the good treatment they had, and the many advantages enjoyed; they were furnished with facilities to improve their minds and keep their health.

They had off hours certain days in the week when they could go to picture shows or gymnasiums. In fact, they had many diversions to make them feel they were men, and not beasts of burden.

If testimony furnished by men who were in his employ for several years be accepted, it is proof worth while of the respect or kindness of the man in question, which was his habit to bestow to the men "lower down on the ladder."

Henry Ford is a good man—and does not cash it in.

It's The Values That Make

WADLEY-WILSON'S CLEARANCE SALES SUCCESSFUL

We're Ahead of Last July So Far—These Last Few Days Must Go Over Big.

DON'T FAIL TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS BIG SALE WHILE YOU CAN SAVE.

SATURDAY NIGHT AT 9 O'CLOCK IT'S ALL OVER

Here are a few business bringing bargains — Remember every thing on sale

English Broadcloth 55c In white and two shades of tan, yard wide regular dollar quality; a bargain that we pass on to you—don't overlook it. The yard 55c	Men's Silk Striped Shirts \$1.35 Just in. Collar attached, pocket, coat style, made of fine madras, worth \$2.50 each. Sizes 15 to 17 1/2. \$1.35 Each
32 Inch Gingham 19c Here are Gingham that are worth 35c the yard; all the 25c and 35c have been priced at once price until Saturday night. The yard 19c	Cotton Checks 10c This will be worth 20c this fall the way cotton is going, good for quilt linings; better save now. The yard 10c
Shangtai Colored Pongee 69c Regular dollar quality everywhere. We bought some of this at a bargain. Fast color, 30 inches wide; one of the biggest values of this sale. Yard 69c	Best Quality Sheets \$1.29 The way it looks now you will pay \$2.00 for this same sheet within 30 days. Field quality, taped edges, 81x90. Each \$1.29
Lykelinens and Voiles 25c These are all 36 and 40 inches wide and value up to 45c the yard. You are passing a real Clearance Sale bargain when you fail to buy these. Yard 25c	Yard Wide Cretonnes 17c This fall when you have to pay 35c the yard for this quality goods you will wish you had saved. All yard wide, nice patterns, to Sat. night only, the yd. 17c
Extra Heavy Bath Towels 29c This is a large size, athletic ribbed double thread towel, our regular 85c the pair quality. Sale price, each 29c	65c Flocked Dot Voiles 39c About ten patterns left in this very popular summer fabric, priced to close this last week of clearance sale, yd. 39c
Munsing Unions 83c The customer who knows quality and value will buy these now for it looks like these will be not less than \$1.25 soon. In fact most stores get that for them all the time. To Saturday night in 83c	Men's Guaranteed Unions 69c These are made of the best quality nainsook, cut big and full, every garment labeled. Not a cheap, skimpy garment, but a big full cut, well made Nainsook Union worth a dollar. Each 69c
27 x 54 Rag Rugs 85c We feel like stating that if you can buy these anywhere for less than \$1.50 each we will give them away. Only a few of these left; don't overlook this bargain; as long as they last, each 85c	Yard Wide Bleached Domestic 12 1/2 About five pieces of this left; if you don't buy now you will pay 20c for this same qual. before fall; cotton is going up every day. To Sat. night, yd. 12 1/2c
Good Dark Cotton Blanket \$1.75 This is a double blanket, dark grey with colored borders, size 58x80 inches, weighs 3 1/2 pounds; will be worth \$3.00 the way cotton is going. Sale price \$1.75 Each	Heavy Bleached Domestic 15c Here is a quality that is worth 20c today, and will be worth 25c the way cotton is sky-rocketing this week. Buy it while you can save. Yard 15c
Imported Gingham 39c There are numbers of pieces in this lot of finest zephyr gingham that cost us 41c the yard. You will pay 65c to 75c the yard for this same goods elsewhere. Wonderful patterns; why not save on the children's school dresses now. To Saturday night at 9:00, not a minute later, yd 39c	\$1.00 Quality Voiles 59c Only three or four patterns left, these are wonderful in both quality and pattern and are priced at less than cost to move them out. Until 9 o'clock Saturday night, the pard 59c SATURDAY IS THE LAST DAY!
Dresses Will you take a little look at the few dresses left? Some of the prices have been revised, for we will positively not keep them here. You have never seen such values. We have never offered such values and we are the biggest value giving store in West Texas (or any other portion of Texas).	House Dresses 89c There are two lots of these; one at 89c worth up to \$1.85, the other at \$1.39 for dresses worth up to \$3.50. Honestly you cannot buy the materials for the price and every one is as well made as possible and of fast color materials. If you don't you will wish you had: Saturday night at 9 o'clock is the last chance.

The Most Wholesome

appetizing foods and delicacies are still being served by us. The public demands the BEST, we serve the BEST.

Midland's Best Cook

is at the head of our kitchen to serve you well-cooked foods with scrupulous sanitation.

Become one of our many Satisfied Customers

The Elite Cafe

J. D. McDURMON, Proprietor

SOMETHING WE ARE PROUD OF

That customers from as far away as 250 miles and who live in larger towns than Midland send to us for merchandise. Friday and Saturday, the first two days of the Clearance Sale, we handled more than 100 foreign checks totaling \$1,610.00.

That means that \$1,600.00 was brought to Midland from banks in other towns, in checks alone. We have no way of checking the actual cash that out of town customers spent here. IT'S VALUES ALONE THAT DOES THIS!

COTTON WENT UP \$10.00 BALE THIS WEEK. SATURDAY IS THE LAST DAY. SAVE WHILE YOU CAN AT

Wadley-Wilson's Saving Sale

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Women Enlist in National War Against Germ-carrying Flies; Provide Millions of "Swatters"



Every fly swatted at this season of the year probably would have been the founder of a dynasty if allowed to live out its allotted time. The genius of Fydom, the Napoleon who will lead his armies, laden with the deadly germs to destroy the purity of milk and pollute clean and wholesome food, is crawling about the upper wall of your kitchen today, as a harmless, easily destroyed youth.

Swat him! With one stroke you will wipe out pages and pages of history and the millions of his offspring will be nothing but the might-have-beams of fiction.

Swat every fly whether he seems to show promise of a great career or not. Talent takes strange twists and the puny little fellow they gave up for dead as a baby may develop into a Gladstone. Caesar was assassinated in his youth probably; and Scipio, as a child, had to hold on tight to the railings when the wind blew.

Swat the fly irrespective of sentimentality. If you swat at him and by some seemingly providential intervention of a swinging door you miss him, you may imagine that Fate has decreed he should be spared. Like a whimsical Caliban you may choose to let this particular fellow survive because you've taken a fancy to him. His purpose should know no sentimentality. Don't cultivate intimacies among even the most engaging flies. Swat one, swat all.

A million and a half fly swatters are being distributed just now throughout the country by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company as a part of the health campaign of their welfare division. Definite realization of the disease danger from flies is evidenced in this annual distribution. A thorough-going fly-swating campaign at this season of the year is fostered by private and public health agencies. It has many times the value now that it would have later.

Swat the flies! Swat them now!

LOSSES SUFFERED BY RANGE CATTLE IN 1922

ESTIMATES FURNISHED BY U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Cost of production studies made by the United States Department of Agriculture covering about 55 cattle ranches in Colorado, New Mexico and Oklahoma, for 1922, show its cost prairie ranchmen in that year an actual cash outlay of \$27.98 to produce a calf which sold on the ranch for \$21.50. It cost cattlemen operating mountain ranches a cash outlay of \$31.68 to produce a calf which sold for \$25. Prairie ranches thus lost \$6.48 per calf. In addition to this loss, the ranch proprietors received no interest on their investment and no return for their own labor.

Production cost differed widely on the ranches studied. One ranch with a calf crop of 70 per cent, had a gross cost per calf of \$31.50, while another ranch, which had a calf crop of only 36 per cent, had a gross cost per calf of \$66.12. Methods of managing the breeding herd, says the department, were largely responsible for this difference in cost. In general, it is declared, the size of the calf crop, the winter feed bill and the labor cost were the factors having the most influence on the cost of calf production.

On 17 prairie ranches the cost per calf varied from \$19.46 to \$82.60, while on 24 mountain ranches the cost varied from \$28.66 to \$66.12. On the 17 prairie ranches the average annual gross cost of carrying a cow was \$20.51. This total included leases paid on land, actual interest paid on land and cattle, interest on the operator's investment, and a charge for the labor of the operator for work actually done. On the mountain ranches the annual gross cost of carrying a cow was \$35.88 more than on the prairie ranches. This higher cost was mainly due to the greater expense of feed and labor required in handling cattle on the mountain ranches.

Breeding herds on the ranches, says the department, compared favorably with the best cattle owned by western stock growers. The value of breeding cows on the mountain ranches varied from \$33 to \$72 per head, with an average value of \$48.97. The value of the bulls averaged from \$80 to \$298. Some individual bulls cost as high as \$350 to \$500.

Costs on some ranches were greatly increased by blizzards which destroyed many calves at calving time. On some forest ranges there was a heavy death loss from larkspur and other poisonous plants, says the department, can be avoided by fencing the worst patches, herding the cattle away from them, or grubbing scattered larkspur.

Many areas in the national forest in Colorado, the department says, should be controlled by means of fences wherever practical. Any change that would enable stockmen to fence and improve their leased forest land so that they can protect their herds, would help to cut production cost materially. The department says long term leases, under conditions holding each ranchman responsible for the part he occupies, would encourage the protection of the carrying capacity of the forest ranges.

In order that cattlemen may operate on the national forests efficiently, it is said, they should be permitted to graze a large enough number of cattle to make an efficient and economic unit. If compelled to reduce their herds below this limit, their operating costs become prohibitive.

The principle causes of overgrazing, it is noted, are early grazing, poor distribution of stock, too many stock, and improper handling of stock due in part to lack of range improvements. Better utilization of the range, says the department, will help ranchmen to reduce their production costs. Animals in good flesh it is pointed out, usually sell to advantage. While no more feed should be fed in winter than is necessary to keep stock in a thrifty condition, the department says it is not economy to let animals get too thin. It urges that serious consideration should be given means for increasing the calf crop by better managing of breeding herds.

This can be done, it is declared, by culling nonproductive cows, by providing the proper amount of range to maintain the cattle in good flesh, by owning enough good well-bred bulls, and by holding the breeding herd in small pastures before turning them out on the open range.

On the ranges covered in this study the average rate of turnover of capital was very low. It was 9.2 per cent on the prairie ranches and 13 per cent on the mountain ranches. This low turnover was partly due to the low prices prevailing for cattle and to the fact that cattle were held on the ranges for higher prices. Cutting down the average age at which cattle are sold, it is pointed out, is one effective means of speeding up the turnover.

Ranchmen would find it advisable, says the department, to distribute their steers over a longer season of marketing, to sell them as 2-year olds rather than 3-year olds, and where they are well bred and ranchmen have the necessary grass, to let them go to market as yearlings or even as calves. If these cattle are as fat as possible and are in good condition generally, beef buyers will bid on them in competition with feeder buyers.

Santa Fe Summer Excursions

California Colorado-Arizona-New Mexico Rockies Grand Canyon National Park

To help plan your trip ask for folders "Grand Canyon Outings, California Picture Book, Colorado Summer, Off the Beaten Path, Old Santa Fe" Through Pullmans Fred Harvey meals

low fares most everywhere

Mrs. Edwin Martin, Mrs. B. C. Hendrick, Mrs. Ely Jones, and Mrs. Colbert, the latter a sister of Mrs. Martin and from San Marcos, were here from Odessa Wednesday, taking advantage of the great July sales now being conducted by Midland merchants.

Miss Lotta Williams returned Tuesday morning from a very delightful summer outing in Colorado. She was gone several weeks, and visited the Grand Canyon, Pike's Peak, and other noted places; played in the snow, gained four pounds and returns with a single regret—that she did not gain another pound so she would weigh a hundred. Small packages, though, you know.

Jno. R. Johnston and wife were in the first of the week from their ranch in Upton County, near Rankin. Mr. Johnston reports very little rain, and the country very dry.

CONSTIPATION must be avoided, or torpid liver, biliousness, indigestion and many other ailments result. Easy to take, thoroughly cleansing.

CHAMBERLAIN'S TABLETS Never disappoint or nauseate—25c

EIGHTH PRODUCER IN REAGAN FIELD

TEST 1200 FEET NORTH OF NO. 9 SHOWS THE FIELD TO BE MUCH RICHER.

Producing wells in the Reagan County field, less than thirteen months old, increased to eight in number when Big Lake Oil Company well No. 10 came in at 10 o'clock Friday morning, July 18th. The well began flowing shortly after drilling in was begun at 2,935 feet and from only four feet into the sand made 115 barrels the first hour. Due to the same thorough preparations that were made before No. 9 came in Thursday, June 19, not a barrel of oil was lost, the production being immediately diverted into storage tanks.

Officials of the Big Lake Oil Company early pronounced No. 10 apparently to be "as good or better than No. 9," whose production now is averaging 1,600 barrels a day. No. 9 came in only one day over two weeks ago, making a fraction more than 51 barrels an hour from only three feet into the sand at 2,982 feet. But the rate of flow is now between 66 and 69 barrels an hour. No. 9 set a high record of 1,667 barrels in twenty-four hours ending at 7 o'clock Wednesday morning, and has not made less than 1,550 barrels a day the last week. Accordingly, if No. 10's flow increases proportionately to No. 9's, it may be good for 150 barrels an hour or 3,600 barrels a day.

Big Lake No. 10 does not extend the field, being only 1,200 feet north of No. 9, which is 1,334 feet due east of the discovery Santa Rita. It does reveal the greater richness of the proven area, showing that the trend is pronounced to the northeastward and brightens prospects for greater production at No. 8, already a producer, and for a big well at No. 11, a half mile east of No. 5. The extent of the proven area northeastward is now marked by No. 5, located 11-2 miles northeast of the discovery Santa Rita. No. 10 also indicates that the structure rises to the northeast, since production was obtained in this

test at not over 2,950 feet, whereas No. 9 hit it at 2,979 feet, a difference of at least thirty feet in a distance of 1,200 feet northward. The exact depth at which No. 10 entered the pay formation was not available here early Friday morning.

Twenty-two tank cars were in the field Friday and were being loaded fifteen at a time. By night new racks were provided and twenty-one cars can be loaded simultaneously. The Big Lake Oil Company, with the cooperation of the refineries at Hodge and El Paso, and the Orient railroad, are so marshalling equipment that beginning Saturday a solid trainload of oil was moved out of the Big Lake field daily. The erection of two 10,000-barrel tanks at the Big Lake Oil Company's tank farm is being rushed and this storage was expected to be available by Sunday at the latest. Installation of a central pumping plant at the tank farm went forward at the same time. The tank farm is 5,000 feet northeast of No. 9 and on ground sufficiently low to permit gravity flow, but so great has been the production even from No. 9 that pumping has been necessary. The distance from the tank farm southeastward is 6,000 feet.

The steadily increasing showing of No. 9 has attracted to Reagan County representatives of many of the major oil companies, which have been negotiating with the Texon Oil and Land Company for leases on part of its fifty-eight sections. The drilling in of No. 10, as great a producer and possibly a better one than No. 9, stamps the field as potentially as important as any in Texas and is certain to bring big drilling programs both by the Big Lake Oil Co. on its sixteen sections, by the Texon Oil and Land Company and on acreage which

this company will lease. All the producers and the acreage held by the Texon Oil and Land Company and the Big Lake Oil Company is University of Texas land. And the drilling in of No. 10 insures still heavier royalties for the University, at the rate of one-eighth, and needed tonnage by the Orient Railroad in its rehabilitation and expansion program.

Jack Edwards Will Receive Scholarship

Jack, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards, of Odessa, is about to receive a very high honor, upon which his friends here join others in congratulations. This honor is indicated in a letter received by Mrs. Edwards from Wm. E. Hobgood, registrar of the Texas Military College at Terrell. The letter follows:

"My dear Mrs. Edwards:— I have taken the matter of Jack's securing the Southwestern Fellowship Appointment for his Congressional District with the officials of the school and I am very glad indeed to inform you this morning that they have awarded the Appointment to him."

"This is indeed quite an honor for Jack and I congratulate him. I was delayed in mailing his diploma owing to the fact that I had to order some pasteboard tubes in which to mail diplomas. However, the diploma is going in this next mail. I received your check. Thanks for the promptness."

"Looking forward with pleasure to another year's work with Jack, I am," etc.

H. S. Ratliff came over from Odessa yesterday, to do some shopping at our sales.

The Touring Car \$295

Runabout \$265

Coupe \$525

Tudor Sedan \$590

Fordor Sedan \$685

All prices f. o. b. Detroit

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Midland, Texas

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The announcements given below are for Democratic preference in the July primaries. Candidates will be required to pay in advance, and at the following rates: District and County \$15.00 Precinct Offices 7.50

For Chief Justice Court of Civil Appeals: JAS. R. HARPER CHARLES GIBBS.

For County Judge: CHAS. L. KLAPPROTH (Re-election) J. WILEY TAYLOR J. G. HALL

For District and County Clerk: C. B. DUNAGAN (Re-election) J. M. GILMORE

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: A. C. FRANCIS (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor: NEWMAN W. ELLIS (Re-election) W. G. COCHRAN ED DOZIER

For County Treasurer: B. W. LEE (Re-election) W. G. PEMBERTON MRS. LIZZIE QUINN JAS. H. SHEPHERD

For Justice of Peace Precinct No. 1: I. W. TOWERS

ECTOR COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Tax Assessor: C. H. COMBS

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TODAY.

It was the date upon which The Reporter man arrived in Midland—about 10 o'clock at night July 25th, 1899, just a quarter of a century ago. We stopped at the Llano. Only three were in the lobby, the proprietor, Geo. G. Gray, John Scharbauer and Taylor Brown. The two last named were discussing a badger fight that was to take place the next day. They were courteous to the stranger within their gates, very.

The next day ye editor was the star performer in a two-act badger fight. We've learned a lot since that long ago day. Commenced to learn right then, and we know Midland people, and love them, generally. But what a long time ago it was. We were just a kid then; only just past twenty-four. Now we are approaching fifty. It is a long time of service, a long time of unselfish service, for The Reporter's columns have always been an undefatigable champion of the greatest good to the greatest number of those we have tried to serve, and we must today, speculate upon whether or not we have accomplished anything.

Twenty-six different persons have contested our right to supremacy in the newspaper field in Midland, and we have been alone since 1911. Twice The Reporter plant has been totally destroyed by fire, and once partially so. The last total loss was on October 18th, 1909, and after our rehabilitation then the paper has not missed an issue. Regularly during these fifteen years it has appeared, on Friday, chronicling the joys and sor-

rows of its people, rejoicing with them in their prosperity, and sympathizing with them and sharing their adversities. A work of unselfish devotion, at times and many times a personal sacrifice to the shrine of principle, much as some may scoff, and never with an ascendant thought of gain. Today The Reporter is the oldest business in Midland, from a standpoint of unchanged management, and as we pause at this quarter century post, the question arises: Is our conscience clear in the conduct of Midland's medium of publicity throughout the length of these long years? Frankly, it don't hurt, much. Those things it has championed, it has championed fearlessly; its promulgations have been unmistakable and inspired by a sense of justice toward all men.

Sometimes it has been difficult to eliminate a consideration of that which might promote its own strength in our financial fabric, sometimes it has been tempted by subtle, artful, insinuating hypocrisies that promised some gilded emolument, but it has smothered, thrown off the instinctive drosses that are inherently selfish, to trim its lights as a guide in the causes of common weal.

It is stronger today, then, than in the days of yore, skeptics, doubters notwithstanding, and as it passes on and along with the years, it will not weaken in its conservative championship of Midland's good interests.

Growing old in a service of fellowship and good will! Thought of the creeping years is not just to our liking, but the consciousness of clean sincerity, a knowledge of frank openness to guide us in heralding the causes of Midland and the Midland Country in unrestricted and constructive publicity, carry with them the thrills that mayhap sometime mislead, but no less do they thrill and inspire, and not less are we moved toward the task ahead, captured and strengthened by a thought of malice toward none, but charity toward all.

And, may the years roll on!

AS A TRADING CENTER

The reader will note the advertisement of Wadley-Wilson Company, half of page 2. At the bottom note this heading: "Something We Are Proud of." Following is a statement that any small-town merchant indeed will be proud of. Read their claim: "That customers from as far away as 250 miles and who live in larger towns than Midland send to us for merchandise. Friday and Saturday, the first two days of the Clearance Sale, we handled more than 100 foreign checks totaling \$1,610.00. That means that \$1,600.00 was brought to Midland from banks in other towns, in checks alone. We have no way of checking the actual cash that out of town customers spent here."

What does this statement suggest to the reader? It suggests to us the caption of this comment: "Midland as a Trading Center." It means a lot that one store in Midland should take in over \$1,600.00 the first two days of its July clearance sale from other towns, other banks, in checks alone, and probably half as much again in cash. The fact appeals to us in the light that there is hardly any limit to what Midland merchants might accomplish.

Wadley-Wilson Company accomplishes results like this through a systematic campaign of advertising and we see no good reason why other merchants could not do equally as well; and, suppose they did? Can you think what it would mean to the business interests of Midland? It would make you rather dizzy, no doubt if you could. "Another Amarillo or Abilene" to say the least.

When we approve of the Wadley-Wilson advertising campaign, we are not confined to what the reader notes in the columns of The Reporter, although we are very sure this is one of the larger considerations, or their

advertisements would not appear so regularly from week to week. Rather do we mean their whole network of advertising procedure. The manager studies, effects and he gets results. The subject smacks too much as an appeal by The Reporter for a greater advertising patronage for us to handle it extensively, and we only suggest that what one man has done another can do—if he works, if he studies, if he applies honesty and constructive publicity to his business conduct, and seeks the attention of the buying public with the confidence that arises through his own sincerity of purpose, his belief in himself, and his trust in his fellows. Business may have reached a low ebb with some of us. Certainly this is partly due to our own neglect of opportunity.

SIX BIG THINGS

Midland ought to feel all perked up! At any rate, everybody but the candidates, whose fate is to be decided tomorrow, should be saying, "I should worry!"

Here's what's happened to Midland in the last ten days:

1. A new road ordered which opens a vast new trade territory, and gives a direct route to Lamesa.

2. A fine state park within about 20 miles of Midland practically certain.

3. A three-inch rain which means from a quarter to three-quarters of a bale of cotton per acre, and green ranges for cattle.

4. The striking of potash by the Texas Development Company on the Jax M. Cowden ranch in such beautiful quantities that the land is estimated to be worth over \$300,000 an acre if the potash is developed commercially.

5. Operations or preparations to operate on six oil wells, all of which are in Midland's trade territory, the furthest away being only 60 miles and the two closest 18 miles. These are: contract for a 3,500-foot well in Upton, location for a hole on Henry M. Hall's ranch, erection of a rig on Frank Ingdahl's ranch, bringing in of a gas well 31 miles north on F. A. Lane's place, resumption in drilling on the Brunson ranch, and continued drilling on the Texas Development well.

National publicity for Midland in the current issue of The Country Gentleman, called the highest class farm journal in the world.

It's time for Midland people to return thanks for their actual and potential good fortune.

Baptist Campaign Has Put \$4,000,000 Into Care of South's Orphan Children

Benevolent Phases of Forward Movement Are Set Out In General Statement From Headquarters—Hospitals and Material Relief Greatly Extended.



A Group of Happy Homeless Boys Provided for in a Baptist Orphanage.

Of the \$4,500,000 that has been collected in cash on the Baptist 75 Million Campaign to January 1, 1924, the sum of \$7,732,831.53 has gone to such benevolent work as caring for orphan children, healing the sick and ministering to aged, worn-out preachers. It is announced by the headquarters of the Campaign.

\$4,000,000 Went to Orphanages. More than half of the benevolent fund, or \$2,999,192.63, has gone to the 21 Baptist orphanages of the South, two of which have been established as a result of this movement and all of which have been greatly helped by this forward program. Nearly 4,000 orphan boys and girls are being housed, fed, clothed, educated and trained for Christian citizenship in these orphanages and the Campaign has put between \$800,000 and \$900,000 into the maintenance of these institutions each year. The orphanages are now caring for more children than their normal capacities permit, but despite this extra effort the institutions have been compelled to turn down the applications of 2,000 other orphan boys and girls, simply because there was no room for them.

Work and Suffering Alleviated. Large advance has been made in the ministering of Southern Baptists to the sick and suffering during the four years of the Campaign. At the time this movement was inaugurated Southern Baptists were operating twelve hospitals. The number now in operation has grown to 23, six of which are practically completed and ready for service, while two more have been projected. At the time the Campaign began the value of Baptist hospital property

In the event that Texas Democracy should elect a Ku Klux governor the last hope of a National Democratic victory would be shattered. Without the Irish Catholic vote of the east—and it is ours for the asking—no ray of hope could be reflected for Democracy. Texas is the banner Democratic state, but if you think an Irish Catholic, or anything else Catholic, will throw in with a band of Ku Klux, you've, to say the least, got another think coming.

Our constructive airing of some of the deplorable affairs of our county administration during the past few weeks has been dubbed by some as "campaign thunder." "Truth crushed to earth shall rise again," and you mark it, the facts, the absolute truths, The Reporter has aired, the charges it has preferred, will not be forgotten, and the tax payers of Midland County will ultimately profit by our utterances.

Moreover it doesn't matter much to The Reporter who our county officials may be, we are going to keep tab on them a lot closer in the future than we have in the past. Where praise is due it will be given; by the same token you may look out for any constructive criticism that may occur to us.

For a quarter of a century the columns of The Reporter have been wholesome, fit reading for the cleanest hearts. Possessed of such knowledge its editor cares little for the misconstructions of those whose hearts are corroded by malice, perverseness, and pessimism.

Wasn't it grand and glorious—the feel and sight of that wonderful rain last Friday, evening and night?

Midland Publicity In The Country Gentleman

The July 19 issue of The Country Gentleman, called America's aristocrat of farm publications, carries an article of special interest to cattlemen and farmers. The story gives the history of the conversion of cattle country in West Texas into farming country. An illusion is made to the 226,000 acres now being subdivided into 1,200 cotton farms. The July 26 is filled with Midland publicity. The writer was "loaded" with Midland propaganda and pictures while here several weeks ago.

LAST CALL

A Business Proposition For Taxpayers

Every man and woman that owns a home, or a farm, business property, or a ranch, or anything else that is taxable, ought to be interested in my tax plan for Midland County.

If I should be elected I promise you that my best effort will be put forth to convince two of the commissioners that lower tax values absolutely mean lower taxes, and if I fail in my efforts the first year, I will resign. There is no doubt that my tax plan will save for the people thousands of dollars in state tax, and hundreds of dollars in county tax.

Respectfully submitted, J. WILEY TAYLOR.

Highway Platform By National Democrats

Mr. J. A. Rountree, director general of the United States Good Roads Association also of the Bankhead National Highway Association, after an absence of a month has returned to headquarters of these two associations. During his absence he attended the Democratic National Convention in New York for the purpose of securing a plank in the Democratic Platform for the continuation of Federal Aid. He was quite successful in his efforts, being invited by Hon. Homer Cummins, chairman, and Hon. William Jennings Bryan, vice chairman of the platform committee, to explain the demands of the good roads people throughout the Nation on the subject of good roads and their wishes. On motion of Hon. Newton D. Baker, former Secretary of War, Mr. Rountree presented the plank which was adopted by the Democratic Convention. This was quite a compliment as he was the only good roads advocate invited and given recognition before the platform committee.

The United States Good Roads Association, at its meeting in Albuquerque, May 26th to 31st, appointed a committee of 25 prominent men and women, with Mr. Rountree as chairman, consisting of senators, governors, congressmen, highway commissioners, engineers and leading good roads advocates to meet in New York which they did, to secure the endorsement of the Democratic party for Federal Aid. As spokesman, Mr. Rountree carried out the plan of the United States Good Roads Association and its committee.

En route home from New York Mr. Rountree spent several days in North Carolina as the guest of Hon. Bennehan Cameron, president of the Bankhead National Highway Association, for the purpose of discussing the future work and development of this noted trans-continental highway, which is being built so rapidly by the thirteen states through which it traverses. Director General Rountree accompanied by officials of the Bankhead Highway will traverse this great highway during the coming months and hold public meetings in the interest of the same and arouse enthusiasm in this famous highway.

Lee Germany and wife were visitors to Midland yesterday, shopping at our July clearance sales.

Remarkable Is Right. The commuters' smoking car was filled, mostly with proud young fathers, who had been relating everlasting clever anecdotes of the clever remarks made by their offspring. Finally, Mr. Spiffington, seeing a hole in the conversation, horned in by saying: "I don't like to talk, but I honestly think that boy of mine is the most remarkable little fellow I ever saw." Everybody yawned. "Yes," pursued Mr. Spiffington, "he's six years old, and, so far as I recollect, he never said a bright thing in his life."—American Legion Weekly.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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

WANTED BAD!—Customers for optical goods, jewelry, watch repairing, etc. J. P. Inman. 33tf

EMPLOYMENT WANTED—First class auto mechanic, acetylene welder, and battery man. Twelve years experience. Address Box 237, Midland, Texas. 36tf

FRUIT TREES—Nursery stock of all kinds, suitable to this section. I represent the Ramsey Nursery, of Austin. Let me take your order now for fall delivery.—V. C. Ray, Midland, Texas. 42tf

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Call or see Mrs. J. H. Wilhite, phone 261 42tf

MY HOME FOR RENT—12 rooms, furnished in four apartments for light housekeeping. Sink in rooms and bathroom with hot and cold water. Want to rent for a year or longer.—Mrs. W. N. Connell, Box 523, Midland, Texas. 42tf

FOR RENT—Two down stairs rooms nicely furnished. Two down stairs rooms unfurnished. Price is right. See Bookkeeper at Midland Merc. Co. 1tp

Ten Millionth Ford Crossing Continent

With half its journey from New York to San Francisco completed, the Ten Millionth Ford car is rolling along across the western states to the Pacific, reeling off a vivid and colorful motion picture for the automotive history of America.

Crossing the Missouri River into Nebraska, the sturdy little car that represents ten million transportation units of one kind, left behind it for the eastern section of the United States along the Lincoln Highway a picture that will live long in the memory of the thousands that enjoyed it—a picture filled with enthusiastic scenes, lengthy processions and unique features, all in tribute to the great industry of which the car is a product.

As it progresses westward the picture takes on a new and varied atmosphere, with the great welcoming hand of the West outstretched to receive it on its journey to the coast.

Entry of the Ten Millionth Ford into Chicago was triumphant, if anything, for it was accompanied by a parade of 300 cars. The trip across Illinois was one ovation after another. At Clinton, where the car entered Iowa, the state in which rain has lately been trying to outdo the corn, it was greeted by a big delegation of Ford dealers, a band of Scotch bagpipers and songs written to the optimistic tune of "It Ain't Going to Rain No More." At Omaha city officials are preparing a warm welcome for the car, and will participate in the big parade which will feature its entry into Nebraska's metropolis.

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State aid in memorial construction projects is provided by Idaho, by the terms of a law recently enacted by the legislature of that state. Under the law a memorial commission is authorized in each county, to be composed of the commander of the American Legion post, heads of other established and recognized war veterans' organizations and the county commissioners. Each county commission is empowered to decide on a memorial to honor the World war dead. When the county appropriates \$1,000 and acquires a site for a memorial, the state will provide an equal sum.

County recorders are directed to record all discharge certificates of World war service men on application, and to make certified copies of the record when requested. A fee of 25 cents is authorized for making the record or furnishing a certified copy.

Legion Benefit Picture, "The Arab"

This famous picture, a close follower of—but greater than—"The Four Horsemen," "Scaramouche," and several others, will be shown at the Rialto Theatre next Monday and Tuesday under the auspices of the Woods W. Lynch Post of the American Legion. "The Arab," featuring Ramon Navarro and Alice Terry, is another of those thrilling, fiery stories of the desert and has a cast that was selected entirely, with the exception of the two stars featured, from among the great players of the European stage.

This picture is based on Edgar Selwyn's sensationally successful stage play, was screened in Northern Africa and thousands of Arabs, Berbers and other tribesmen take part in the scenes set in the teeming cities and the open desert. It is handled only as Rex Ingram can handle them, is a real "sheik" story and packed full of thrills, picturesque locations and daring situations. By seeing this picture you will get real value for your money and at the same time be assisting the ex-service men of Midland County. Don't miss "The Arab" Monday and Tuesday nights at the Rialto.

Making Friends In The Big Bend Section

The following, under the caption, "Midland Candidate Making Friends in The Big Bend Section," was published in the Alpine Avalanche in its issue, July 17th:

Judge Charles Gibbs of Midland was here Friday and Saturday in the interest of his candidacy for Chief Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals of this district. He was accompanied by Mrs. Gibbs.

Judge Gibbs is at present District Judge of the Midland district, a trust that he has satisfactorily fulfilled. He refers with pride to the fact that he has reduced court expenses fifty per cent in his district and believes that as Chief Justice he can do something to expediate the business coming before the appellate court, and thus, while serving efficiently all interests at bar, save some of the taxpayers' money the while. We recently saw a comment introducing the candidacy of another aspirant for

this position, to the effect that the candidate had been too busy mastering principles and forms of law to become the owner of a herd of white-face cattle—a patent reference to Judge Gibbs' claims announced through these columns some time ago. We never expect to be interested personally in a case before the appellate court of this district; but since its business is entirely concerned with property rights, should we ever get before it, either as appellant or appellee, we would feel very safe in having a man sit in judgment over our interests who had not only saved the taxpayers 50 per cent in conducting a trial court but who had also managed his private business so well that as a sideline in his law practice he had become a "cowboy" judge with lowing white-face herds to his credit.

Judge Gibbs is a man of fine personal appearance, an open countenance and pleasing personality. If he is not also a capable judge and a clean, honest man, he should be fined for wearing a false face; his face and countenance bespeak a man of refinement and integrity.

SUMMER MASONIC TOUR ANNOUNCED

Dallas, Texas, July 25.—Over 200 speakers have agreed to take part in the summer campaign of Service and Education now in progress throughout Texas. The tour opened at Decatur on the night of Monday, July 14, Haskell, July 15, and Quanah July 16. Two days were spent at Memphis on July 17 and 18. The remainder of the route is as follows:

Saturday, July 19, Shamrock.
Monday, July 21, Clarendon.
Tuesday, July 22, Dimmitt.
Wednesday, July 23, Plainview.
Thursday, July 24, Canyon.
Monday, August 4, Barstow.
Tuesday, Aug. 5, Midland (noon).
Tuesday, Aug. 5, Stanton (night).
Wednesday, Aug. 6, Sterling City.
Thursday, Aug. 7, San Angelo (lunch, night).
Friday, Aug. 8, Coleman.
Saturday, Aug. 9, Brady.
Monday, Aug. 11, Menard.
Tuesday, Aug. 12, Junction.
Wednesday, Aug. 13, Mason (lunch).
Wednesday, Aug. 13, Goldthwaite (night).
Thursday, Aug. 14, Llano.
Friday, Aug. 15, Fredericksburg (noon).
Friday, Aug. 15, Kerrville (Legion) night.
Saturday, Aug. 16, Bandera (noon).
Saturday, Aug. 16, Pearsall (night).
Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 18 and 19, Laredo.
Wednesday, Aug. 20, Rio Grande.
Thursday, Aug. 21, Mercedes (noon).
Thursday, Aug. 21, Harlingen (night).
Friday, Aug. 22, Brownsville.
Saturday, Aug. 23, Raymondsville (noon).
Saturday, Aug. 23, Falfurrias (night).
Monday, Aug. 25, Victoria.
Tuesday, Aug. 26, Yoakum.
Wednesday, Aug. 27, Brenham.
Thursday, Aug. 28, Huntsville.
Friday, Aug. 29, Crockett.
Saturday, Aug. 30, Wills Point.

State Commander of American Legion

Robert M. Wagstaff of Abilene has been prominently mentioned as the successful candidate for State Commander at the forthcoming American Legion Convention at Brownwood, August 18-19. The campaign of this West Texas man has gained considerable momentum in the last few weeks as hundreds of pledges of support from all over the state have been received by the local post.

Wagstaff is an overseas man and has been definitely identified with the activities of his post during its entire existence. He is a lawyer of outstanding ability and success. His father, J. M. Wagstaff, has been prominent in educational, business and legal affairs in Texas for a generation. R. M. Wagstaff, if elected, intends to give a year of his time from his lucrative professional duties to the up-building of Legion affairs of this state, both from the point of view of the work of the Legion itself and its relationships to the public welfare of the State. At the earnest solicitation of his post, he consented to become a candidate for this office.

Parramore Post No. 57 is now the second largest in membership in the State, and will be represented by a large delegation at the State Convention.

Ray Gwyn, young son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Gwyn, and who suffered of infantile paralysis, is now in the Masonic hospital at Dallas for an operation. Probably two will be necessary and he will be gone two months or more. Friends of the boy and his parents sincerely hope he may soon be restored to the condition of health they anticipate.

TEXAS WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL LOG

Bad legislation and exorbitant prices and wages are the same thing; that is, they are equivalent to prohibitive costs. Fundamentals are sound and business will be good unless prospects are neutralized by avoidable mistakes.—Journal, Lorain, Ohio.

Claude—\$40,000 light and water bonds voted.

Laredo—Henne, Winch & Fariss No. 1 gasser on Martinez ranch comes in making 60,000,000 cubic ft. daily.

Brownsville—Contract let for construction of \$150,000 five-story office building.

Rio Hondo—\$52,000 high school building to be erected.

Irving—\$25,000 bonds voted for installation of water system.

Baird—Contract let for \$137,000 for construction of Bankhead highway across Callahan county.

Fort Worth—Fort Worth's bank clearings increased \$900,000 during one week.

Waco—Contracts to be let for erection of two units at Texas State School of Technology.

College Station—Construction under way of \$128,000 fire proof gymnasium at Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas.

Mexia—Mexia Country Club to build \$25,000 club house.

Corsicana—Since first of the year city has expended and contracted to expend \$1,500,000 for building construction.

Houston—Jackson street to be paved from Pierce avenue to Tuam avenue, costing approximately \$14,000.

Fort Worth—Construction of another huge textile mill planned.

Big Lake—Big Lake Oil Company brings in well at depth of 2,979 feet, flowing 955 barrels.

New stream gauging stations being opened throughout state to determine volume of flow of Texas rivers in conservation and reclamation plan.

Marlin—Falls county votes \$115,000 bond issue for road construction.

Flonora—40 carloads of gravel to be placed on State highway No. 3, through here.

San Antonio—San Antonio Public Service Company increases wages of

street car operators 3 cents and 8 cents an hour for two and one-man cars respectively.

Colorado—Texas & Pacific railroad laying new tracks in this vicinity.

McAllen—First car of broom corn shipped June 23.

Rock Springs—Highway to be built from this place to Kerrville.

Katy—Work progressing nicely on construction of Missouri-Kansas-Texas railway ware house; structure costing \$500,000.

Rockdale—\$75,000 road bond issue to be sold.

Dallas—4,000 acres of land in Denton county to be condemned for construction of \$5,000,000 reservoir.

Canyon—Santa Fe railway to build \$65,000 depot here.

Moore—Seven carloads of water-melons shipped from here in one day.

Fockdale—First oil gusher in Milam county brought in making 30 barrels.

San Angelo—Establishment of woolen mills for sheep-raising section of West Texas, urged.

Jutana—Junior Oil Company brings in well at depth of 336 feet, flowing 20,000,000 cubic feet.

Lalhart—New Cotton gin to be in operation by September 15.

Houston—Harris county to receive \$221,000 state-aid for road and bridge construction.

Dallas—Floors of Santa Fe terminal being paved with rock asphalt.

Fugerton—Construction of new cotton gin under way.

Laredo—Brick school building to be erected.

Department of Agriculture expands and improves cotton market news service so that cotton growers and the industry may have current official information on market conditions and prices; service to cover entire cotton belt by mail, telephone, telegraph and radio.

Recharging Ford Batteries One Dollar.—Chas. E. Lange, "The Battery Man." 43-4f

Pearl Rankin came up this week from the oil fields at Big Lake. He reports the country pretty dry, but much activity in oil operations.

Miss Leah Edwards is visiting at "5 W L S" and at the north Curtis ranches, a guest of the Keltons.

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Rev. W. S. Garnett, pastor of the Baptist church here, is away holding a protracted meeting. His pulpit, we understand, will be vacant again this coming Sunday.

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RANGE-LIVESTOCK REPORT FOR JULY

BUREAU OF L. S. ESTIMATES AT
DENVER, U. S. DEPT. OF
AGRICULTURE.

Grazing lands in most of the Western States suffered from lack of moisture during June, especially west of the Rocky Mountains, according to the U. S. Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates. The drought is keenly felt in California, Nevada, the Southern third of Utah, and in parts of Oregon, Idaho and Washington. Ranges are drying in the region extending from central Wyoming south to the Gulf and as far east as the western third of Kansas and Oklahoma, but, except in the southern part of this belt the grass is still good for feed. In Texas some shrinkage of cattle and sheep is recorded, on ac-

count of the loss of succulence in the grass and weeds. On the other hand, a marked improvement due to rains took place in the pastures and ranges of Montana east of the Continental Divide, North Dakota, South Dakota, and parts of Nebraska. The average condition of all ranges in the western states for July 1 was 81 per cent of normal, compared with 84 on June 1 and 94 on July 1, 1923. Farm pastures in the west average 79 on July 1 this year, compared with 82 on June 1. In the United States as a whole, pastures averaged 87.6 on July 1, compared with 82.2 a month ago. The plentiful rains in the east more than offset the injury to grazing done by the lack of moisture in the west.

Cattle and sheep are generally in good condition, except in parts of Utah, Nevada and Idaho, but in several other states there is a slight decline in condition of stock during June.

Details by States

ARIZONA—A slight drop in condition of ranges occurred during June, due to hot dry weather, but on the average, grazing is still very good. Cattle and sheep each declined one point in condition in the past month.

CALIFORNIA—Range pastures are in very poor condition. Natural feed is now very short and scarce in the valleys and foot-hills. Stubble fields are being pastured as soon as available, which is affording a very good supply of feed in some localities. However, generally cattle and sheep are faring quite well.

COLORADO—Grass is drying, as if maturing for winter, but it is fairly plentiful and of good quality. Hence stockmen report the range to be in very good condition. The drought was unbroken in most parts of the State during June, and for a longer period in some sections of the southeast. Cattle and sheep continue in very good condition.

IDAHO—The poor condition of ranges on June 1 was still lower on July 1; while cattle and sheep deteriorated during the month from good to only fair.

KANSAS (Western)—Shortage of moisture in June caused a slight decline in the short grass pastures of western Kansas. In the northwest pastures are already turning brown, but good early growth is fairly well cured and is still furnishing feed. Cattle remain in the same very good condition as a month ago.

MONTANA—Heavy general rains were followed by a marked improvement in ranges during June, especially east of the Continental Divide. The lack of moisture and poor condition in the southwest is more than offset by improvement elsewhere. Some cattle have already been marketed as grass fat. Sheep and lambs are in excellent condition, many lambs weighing 40 to 50 pounds already.

NEBRASKA—Ranges and pastures improved during June, but part of the area still needs rain badly. Understocked pastures saved the grass. Its quality is much better

than a month ago.

NEVADA—Ranges are poor throughout the state except that White Pine County has not yet reached the stage of extreme dryness found elsewhere. Cattle and sheep deteriorated during June.

NEW MEXICO—Ranges were generally drying during June, but local rains at the close of the month, which became general early in July, have improved grazing prospects. The average condition for the State was good on July 1, but was ten points under June 1. Cattle and sheep each under is reflected in a gain in the condition.

NORTH DAKOTA—Following good June rains, grass growth improved markedly in every district in the State and the quality is generally reported as excellent. This improvement is reflected in a gain in the condition of cattle and sheep.

OKLAHOMA—The June rains did not offset the injury from dry hot winds, so the pastures deteriorated during the past month, especially in RANGE CONDITION Gal two the western third of the state. However, even the dryer pastures still afford good feed. Stock water is generally sufficient and cattle are excellent.

OREGON—Farm pastures were materially injured in June; they averaged 67 per cent of normal on July 1, compared with 75 on June 1.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Good rains in the latter part of June and favorable temperature brought the range up to a very good condition on July 1. Grazing conditions have continued good for over a year. This caused all classes of livestock to shape and to make a good start this spring.

TEXAS—Dry weather and hot winds in the Plains, West and West Central districts have turned the grass brown and shortened its growth, but an abundance of subsoil moisture has held the range up remarkably in some sections. The loss of succulence in the grass and weeds has caused some shrinkage in cattle and sheep, and some cattle are being moved to better range. Calves and lambs are still doing well.

UTAH—The best range is in the northwest, while in the southern third of the State, especially along the southern border conditions are especially bad, due to long continued drought. Losses of cattle, due to lack of feed, are being reported from this section.

WASHINGTON—Although Washington experienced dry June, ranges are still reported as fair, but farm pastures are much worse. Beef cattle are holding up well and sheep are still very good.

WYOMING—Sheep remain in excellent condition, cattle very good, and ranges also very good, but showing a slight decline since June 1. Lambs in many flocks are heavier than last year.

Exhibit Building A Thing of Beauty

"A thing of beauty and a joy."
That's the verdict on the handsome new interior of the great main Exposition Building at the State Fair of Texas, now nearing completion. As has been told, the new plan for the interior simulates a Spanish village, with its vari-colored walls and red tiled roofs. The effect is at once colorful and unique, and the completed result will be the most attractive exhibit building anywhere in the country.

All the basic walls and roof skeletons were finished by the middle of July, with a force of more than fifty artisans hard at work. Painting commenced immediately thereafter, with the various exhibitors exercising their individual tastes and ideas in the decorative theme. Many exhibitors have watched the progress of the work since its beginning, and every one of them has expressed the keenest appreciation of its beauty and completeness.

The red-tiled roofs are now being placed and every indication is that Aug. 15 or Sept. 1, at the latest, will see the whole new interior complete in every detail and ready for the numerous attractive exhibits that will be made during the 1924 State Fair, Oct. 11-26.

Proper Feeds to Plant This Late

Red top sorghum and feterita are the proper kinds of feed crops to plant in the Midland Country now, according to farmers who have been here a long time and are acquainted with local conditions.

These farmers say it is too late in the season to plant maize or kafir. Sorghum and feterita will have time to mature. It now looks as if there might be a good local market for feedstuffs, as a large influx of newcomers is expected, and they will require feed for their work stock.

Cattle Hold Firm While Hogs Advance

Hog prices were up another 25 to 35 cents today, the advance taking the market on best classes above \$8 for the first time in more than ten months. So states Chas. M. Pipkin, general market correspondent at Kansas City, in his weekly review of the markets given The Reporter for publication. His review continues: Compared with a week ago the market is 60 to 75 cents higher. Trade in cattle showed a more active turn, though prices were not quothably higher than late last week. Trade in stockers and feeders developed increased volume. Prices for sheep were higher and lambs lower.

Today's Receipts

Receipts Monday were 18,000 cattle, 10,000 hogs and 6,000 sheep, compared with 21,000 cattle, 16,000 hogs and 5,000 sheep a week ago, and 20,650 cattle, 9,375 hogs and 7,025 sheep a year ago.

Beef Cattle

Fed cattle in proportion to total arrivals were in moderate supply, and generally plain in quality. They sold readily at strong to slightly higher prices. Most of them brought \$7.75 to \$9.75. Grass fed cattle were offered freely in mixed quality and sizes, and out of the total run only a few bunches showed even size and smoothness. The run of grass cattle is getting under way, but thus far shipments have not been especially good quality. Grass fat steers sold at \$4.50 to \$7.75. Fed cows and heifers were steady but grass fat classes were 10 to 15 cents lower. The calf market remained slow and weak.

Hogs

Hog prices Monday advanced 25 to 35 cents, the biggest advance scored in any one day this year, and the general market reached the highest level in many months past. Indications are that there will be a further gain this week. The top price Monday was \$8.25 and bulk of sales \$8 to \$8.15. Packing sows sold at \$7.25 to \$7.40, and stock hogs and pigs at \$5.75 to \$6.25. Compared with a week ago prices are 60 to 75 cents higher.

Sheep and Lambs

Declines elsewhere forced lamb prices here down 25 to 50 cents. Colorado lambs sold at \$14 to \$14.35, and native lambs \$13 to \$13.50. Sheep were in limited supply. A few Western ewes sold at \$6.50 to \$6.75.

Horses and Mules

Trade in horses and mules remains quiet and at about mid-summer proportions.

Bone Chewing May Cause Loin Disease

A fatal disease of cattle occurring on the Coastal Plains of Texas, and known locally as Down-in-the-Back or Loin Disease, has caused considerable losses to cattlemen and has been studied by the Texas Agricultural Experiment station since 1910 when first reports of the malady were received by the station. Dr. H. Schmidt, of the division of veterinary science has had charge of the investigational work on this disease and his preliminary report has just been published by the station in bulletin No. 319. This report describes in detail the behavior of numerous animals under observation in connection with these studies. The report states that the chewing of bones and attached toxic carcass material by bone hungry cattle is probably responsible for Loin Disease, and if no other than the toxic cause exists, the results obtained in the experiments clearly indicate that the logical procedure to stop the disease would be to check the bone-craving habit of the animals on the range. Feeding the animals sweet bone-meal in sufficient amounts to supply the deficiency necessary for the upkeep and normal development of the body should retard spread of the disease in all cases. Scrupulously cleaning the range of all carcass material, not only of cattle, but also other animals, should have a tendency to decidedly check, if not entirely prevent losses, depending upon the degree of thoroughness with which the cleaning is carried out.

A number of suspected causes which it has been found are not responsible for the disease are also discussed and much experiment proof noted. The bulletin will be mailed free on request made to Dr. B. Youngblood, director, College Station, Tex.

To Give Expression Recital at Lamesa

Mrs. Creola Richbourg-Vickers will give a recital at Lamesa next week. Her program will include folk lore readings, Scotch dialect numbers, negro spirituals, humorous readings and classics. She will also give several solos and give combination singing and reading numbers. This Midland expression teacher will appear in Lamesa under auspices of the Epworth League there.



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Now is the time to push the Midland Country. The rains have assured a good crop. Farmers in Central and Eastern Texas are beginning to "lay their crops by" and are ready to look about for better and cheaper land.

The better and cheaper land lies all about Midland. It is the proper time to push the country. One of the best methods is for Midland people to write their friends, enclosing Midland literature.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Glenn returned home last Sunday morning from Robt. Lee, where they visited Mrs. Glenn's sister, the latter having been quite sick.

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Arthur Jenkins, in Wednesday from his place 25 miles southeast, reports no rain last Friday when so much of the Midland Country was blessed by a fine participation. Says the country there is getting pretty dry.

Noted Churchman Praises Karnak



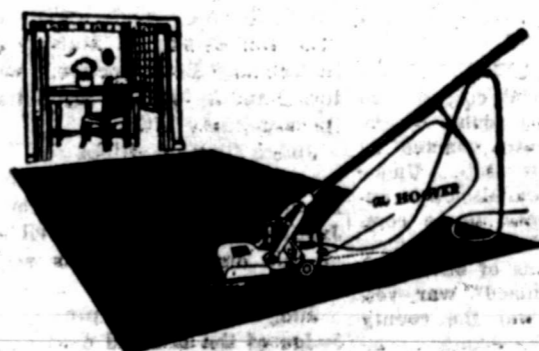
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Cotton Advances On Condition-Report

As a result of the surprising low Government condition report on the cotton crop as of July 16, there was a sharp and sudden advance of \$10 a bale in the cotton market last Monday.

A condition of about 71.5 per cent, indicating a crop of 12,400,000 bales, was looked for, based on reliable private bureau and Southern advices. However, with the Government's report showing a loss of 2.7 points, being 68.5 per cent, as against 71.2 per cent on July 2, and the indicated crop reduced from 12,144,000 bales on that date to 11,934,000 bales, there was a wild scramble by the many short interests to cover.

This resulted in October option in New York jumping from 25.65c to 27.65c and December from 24.75c to 26.70c, or the full limit of 200 points permitted by the exchanges in any one day. The advance on Monday shows a net increase in the crop values from the recent low levels on July 7 of \$19 a bale for October, \$17 for December, while on July the gain was \$23 a bale.

Burdens Increase With Bond Issues

The latest Government estimate concludes that there is a total of fifteen billion dollars of tax-exempt securities outstanding in this country, says the Texas Public Service Information Bureau.

Much capital that would otherwise be invested in industries has shifted to these tax-exempt securities.

Under the tax laws of the recent past it has often been more feasible to practice tax-avoidance by investing in bonds rather than in stocks. The result is that aside from either the question of safety or yield the large investor has in recent years showed a decided preference for bond issues.

Several results have flown from this tendency of capital to seek tax-exempt bonds first, and bonds generally in preference to other investments. One of the most serious results has been to lead capital out of productive industry. Another result has been to encourage the floating of debts by municipalities and municipal subdivisions, as their securities are not taxable as the securities of industries are. These conditions have caused slackening of industrial development and increases in taxes. The capital that has hidden in tax-exempt municipal bonds is not working for production and the taxpayers of the municipalities that issued such bonds are burdened with the necessity of contributing to pay the interest and provide for retirement of such bonds on maturity.

Some Satisfaction To Be Had Out of It

The young medico coughed rather gravely.

"I'm sorry to tell you," he said slowly, looking down at the very sick man in the bed, "there is no doubt you are suffering from scarlet fever, and, as you know, it is extremely contagious."

The patient slowly turned his head upon the pillow and looked toward his wife.

"Dearie," he said in a faint but distinct voice, "if any of my creditors call, you can tell them at last I am in a position to give them something."

Blinding Headaches

"For about twenty years," says Mr. P. A. Walker, a well-known citizen of Newburg, Ky., "one of our family remedies has been Black-Draught, the old reliable. I use it for colds, biliousness, sour stomach and indigestion. I was subject to headaches when my liver would get out of order. I would have blinding headaches and couldn't stoop about my work, just couldn't go. I used

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"About eight years ago my wife got down with liver and stomach troubles. We tried all week to help her, but she didn't get any better. One day I said to the doctor, 'I believe I will try Black-Draught, it helps my liver.' He said that I might try it and to follow directions. She was nauseated and couldn't eat or rest. She began taking Black-Draught and in two days she was greatly improved and in a week she was up."

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THE PASSING DAY

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

Most of us are quitters. We start out well, but most of us soon tire in what we undertake. This characteristic develops early in life. It is much in evidence with students of the University of Texas with whom I come in contact, and, for that matter, with young people everywhere. They start to school with their minds made up to use their time to the best of their advantage; in a short time they begin to weaken in their determination, and by the end of the first term they are sent home solely because they lack interest in their studies. They are just quitters, plain quitters, who lack the energy to work at a thing till they succeed.

Once the piking habit is formed, it is hard to shake it off. It soon develops into an "oh-what's-the-use" attitude toward everything in life that requires effort. The school loafer in most cases will loaf through life whenever he gets the chance. Procrastination so on becomes habitual. It is always easier to follow the lines of least resistance, to drift from one day into another. It takes effort to go against the current, and when effort fails not only does progress stop, but the advance already made is soon lost, and more strength is required for another trial.

One often wonders why some fail in business while others with less capital, fewer friends and poorer opportunities, succeed. The failures are usually quitters. They start out well with plenty of money, many acquaintances and bright prospects, but when reverses come or business gets dull, they stop and take a rest. I once knew a prosperous merchant with a good trade who found his business up against a serious drought that considerably diminished trade. He decided to begin to cut down expenses by cutting off his advertising. He saved some \$30.00 a month in that way, but his business fell away to almost nothing. A young fellow, almost a stranger in the town, doubled his advertising as the drought became worse, and was so on doing twice as much business as any other store in town. The old merchant had to close his store after two years of unprofitable business, but the chap who wouldn't quit is now the leading merchant of that town.

Some farmers are quitters. When the sun gets hot and the ground gets so dry that the weeds will not grow, they quit working their crops. They reason that as weeds are not growing and rains do not bake the soil there is no need to keep the plows and hoes going. It does not take a good farmer to see the folly of such a method. Farming requires intelligent action just as much as it is needed in business. The worse the crop prospects look the greater, usually, is the need for hard work and intelligent effort. Whatever one is doing should get his best efforts all the time and especially when the outlook is most discouraging.

When the smoke of this political campaign has cleared away, as it will soon clear, we will be left wondering why so many people allowed themselves to get so excited. It is good politics for a candidate to arouse the people to a high pitch of political fervor, for otherwise many of them would go through a campaign unnoticed, but it is largely a wasteful pastime for the average citizen. He seems to enjoy it, though, and it is a harmless sport, no serious objection can be offered. It enables voters to let out a large amount of pent-up enthusiasm in a way that does little or no harm.

Most of the large towns in Texas are growing. Many new and improved homes are being built in them. Except along a few well-constructed highways not many new country homes have been built in this state in the last few years. The most noticeable improvements in country districts recently has been in the school buildings, largely as a result of consolidating school districts. The ideal condition is where farm improvements keep steady pace with those in the towns and cities. Improved machinery and quick transportation over country roads are taking many people out of the country, because so many are not needed to do the farm work. Those who are left in the country should soon be doing well enough to build better homes and to live more comfortably.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dowdy and daughter, Miss Lucile, accompanied by Miss Olive Allen, returned home last week from a very pleasant trip to the Davis Mountains. They were gone less than two weeks, but every day counted and every minute was thoroughly enjoyed.



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This Incubator is Largest in the World

The largest electrical chicken hatching plant in the world is located at Petaluma, Cal., where a great new hatchery is rapidly being completed, which will house an electric hen capable of covering 508,000 eggs at one setting. That would indeed be the talk of the barnyard if it could be visualized before the eyes of the common two-legged variety of hen.

The Petaluma hatchery is electric throughout, and its new plant will be able to ship 25,000 chicks daily. The output for a single season is three million chicks. Thirty of the largest egg farms in the vicinity are kept busy supplying eggs for this hatchery. The owner of this super-hen studied electric incubation for two years, both in this country and abroad, and finally came to the conclusion that hatching by electricity is the last word in artificial incubation. He holds that it produces a sturdier, healthier chick and one that matures more rapidly to the producing age.

Throughout the heavy hatching season, from the first of September until June, the temperature in each of the twelve hundred incubators is maintained at 103 degrees without the slightest variation. In the new plant of this hatchery, electric heaters are to be installed in the offices, so that it will be an all-electrical plant, using no other kind of fuel except electricity.

HEED THE WARNING

Many Midland People
Have Done So.

When the kidneys are weak they give unmistakable warnings that should not be ignored. By examining the urine and treating the kidneys upon the first sign of disorder, many days of suffering may be saved. Weak kidneys usually expel a dark, ill-smelling urine, full of "brickdust" sediment and painful in passage. Sluggish kidneys often cause a dull pain in the small of the back, headaches, dizzy spells, tired, languid feelings and frequent rheumatic twinges.

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Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Shepherd had. For-Milburn Co., Mfrs; Buffalo, N. Y.



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

Ira Bacon, representative of the Linotype company, was a pleasant and much welcome caller at The Reporter office Wednesday.



DR. H. S. THACHER Do You Feel All Tired Out?

When your appetite is gone and your digestion bad; when your food sours on your stomach, causes gas to form and makes you nervous and feel like smothering; when you feel all tired out and unfit for work you need Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup. Miss Forrest Deese, Route 9, Cullman, Ala., says: "My health was failing fast; I felt tired and worn out and could hardly get my breath. Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup is our family medicine and it soon relieved my sufferings." Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup is now being used by countless numbers of men and women because it not only improves digestion but helps to soothe the nerves, wake up the sluggish liver, relieve constipation and send purer, healthier blood coursing through your veins. Your money returned if it fails to bring relief.

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See Cowden & Ulmer. A few used cars on hand, worth the money. adv 42-2t

Mr. and Mrs. John Hix and little daughter, Annie Laurie, left yesterday morning for an extended visit to Mrs. Hix's father, A. B. Long, at Commerce. Mrs. Hix will spend the balance of the summer at Commerce, while John will spend a part of his time at Corpus Christi and other points.

Miss Lydia G. Watson of Galloway College, Searcy, Arkansas, Landon's Conservatory, Dallas, Texas, and American Conservatory, Chicago, Illinois, will open her studio September 1st. Those desiring to seriously study music will confer with her. She will be pleased to receive her old students and new ones given special attention. adv. 43tf



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EARLY HISTORY OF TEXAS FREEMASONRY

Before his death, that noted Texas statesman, soldier and Mason, Anson Jones, first grand master of Masons in Texas, wrote a brief historical sketch of Freemasonry in Texas. The Committee on Masonic Service and Education has had numerous requests from the press, and Masons over the State, for copies of this sketch. It is here given exactly as taken from the Grand Lodge records of Texas:

"As I took an active part in laying the first foundations of Freemasonry in this country, originated and was personally present at, the first meeting ever held here, and cognizant of the earliest steps taken for the organization of a lodge, I place upon record the following facts which may be of interest perhaps to the fraternity hereafter, and would otherwise be lost, as I am now the only one living of the five brethren who originated Holland Lodge.

"In the winter of 1834-5, five Master Masons, who had made themselves known to each other, consulted among themselves, and, after various interviews and much deliberation, resolved to take measures to establish a lodge of their order in Texas. This resolution was not formed without a full appreciation of its consequences to the individuals concerned. Every movement in Texas was watched at that time with jealousy and distrust by the Mexican Government, and already had its spies and emissaries denounced some of our best citizens as factionists and disaffected persons; already were the future intended victims of a despotic power being selected. It was well known that Freemasonry was particularly odious to the Catholic priesthood, whose influence in the country at that time was all-powerful. The dangers, therefore, attendant upon an organization of Masons, at this time, which was 'trying men's souls,' were neither few nor unimportant. But zeal for a beloved institution, a belief that it would be beneficial at a time when society seemed especially to need some fraternal bonds to unite them together, predominated; all fears of personal consequences were thrown aside, and the resolution to establish a lodge, as above mentioned, was adopted. The five brethren were John H. Wharton, Asa Brigham, James A. E. Phelps, Alexander Russell and Anson Jones, and they appointed a time and place of meeting to concert measures to carry their resolution into effect. In the meantime, another Master Mason, came into their plans—Brother J. P. Caldwell.

"The place of meeting was back of the town of Brazoria, near the place known as General John Austin's, in a little grove of wild peach or laurel, and which had been selected as a family burying-ground by that distinguished soldier and citizen. The spot was secluded and out of the way of 'cowans and eavesdroppers,' and they felt they were alone. Here, and under such circumstances, at 10 o'clock in the morning of a day in March, 1835, was held the first formal Masonic meeting in Texas as connected with the establishment and continuance of Masonry in this country. The six brethren I have mentioned were all present there; and it was concluded to apply to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana for a dispensation to form and open a lodge, to be called Holland Lodge, in honor of the then Most Worshipful Grand Master of that body, J. H. Holland. The funds were raised by a contribution to defray expenses, to which each contributed as he felt willing and able. A petition was in due time drawn up and signed by them, which was forwarded to New Orleans having been previously signed by another Master Mason, Brother W. D. C. Hall, and perhaps one or two more; but of this I do not recollect.

"The officers named in the petition were: For Worshipful Master, Anson Jones; Senior Warden, Asa Brigham; Junior Warden, J. P. Caldwell, who filled those offices respectively until the close of 1837. The dispensation was granted, after some delay, to these brethren, and Holland Lodge No. 36, under dispensation, was instituted and opened at Brazoria, on the 27th day of December, 1835. Brother Phelps was chosen treasurer, and M. C. Patton, secretary; the other officers I do not recall. The lodge held its meetings at Brazoria, in the second story of the old court house, which room was afterwards occupied by St. John's Lodge No. 5. About this time the difficulties with Mexico broke out into open hostilities, and our work was very much retarded by that circumstance, and by the members having to be absent in the service of the country. Still, there were a few others from time to time introduced into the order, either by receiving the degrees or by affiliation. The lodge struggled on until February, 1836, when I presided over its last meeting at Brazoria. I will recollect the night, and the fact that

Brother Fannin, who one month after became so celebrated for his misfortunes and those of his unfortunate party at Goliad, acted as Senior Deacon. It seemed indeed, that the gloom which prevailed in the lodge that night was a foreshadowing of its and their unhappy fate, which was so soon to overtake both.

"In March Brazoria was abandoned. Urrea soon after took possession of the place at the head of a detachment of the Mexican army, and the records, books, jewels, and everything belonging to the Lodge, were utterly destroyed by them, and our members were scattered in every direction. Brothers Wharton, Phelps and myself joined the Texan troops on the Colorado, about the 18th of March. In the meantime, the Grand Lodge of Louisiana had issued a charter for Holland Lodge No. 36, and it was brought over to Texas by Brother John M. Allen. This, together with some letters from the Grand Secretary, was handed to me by Brother Allen, on the prairie between Grace's and San Jacinto, while we were on the march, and carried by me in my saddle-bags to the encampment of the army on Buffalo Bayou, at Lynchburg. Had we been beaten here, Santa Anna would have captured the charter of Holland Lodge at San Jacinto, as Urrea had the dispensation for it at Brazoria; but, as the members had been lessened in numbers by death, or scattered in the army and elsewhere in the service of the country, no attempt was ever made to revive the work of the lodge at that place.

"In October, 1837, however, it was reopened by myself and others, at the city of Houston, having been in existence about two years.

"In the meantime, two other lodges with charters from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, were established in Texas—Milam at Nacogdoches, and McFarlane at San Augustine. Delegates from these, and from Holland Lodge, met in convention in Houston in the winter of 1837-38, and the Grand Lodge of the Republic was formed. By advice and direction of this body, the three subordinate lodges transferred their allegiance from Louisiana to their own Grand Lodge, surrendered their charters to Louisiana, and received others from Texas; and Holland Lodge No. 36 under the former, became Holland Lodge No. 1, under the Grand Lodge of the Lone Star Republic. By this course, the causes of the many difficulties which have afflicted by many of the Grand Lodges of the United States were considered and obviated in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

"Holland Lodge No. 36 was the only one established in Texas prior to the Revolution which separated her from Mexico.

"Such is a brief but faithful sketch of the first establishment of Freemasonry in Texas. It was founded, like our political institutions, amid the stern concomitants of adversity and war, but its foundations were laid broad and deep; and upon them has been raised a superstructure of strength and beauty, symmetrical in its proportions and vast in its dimensions, which I trust will rise 'usque ad astra,' and continue as a beacon to guide and cheer worthy Masons on their journey of life, and against which the wasting storms of time shall beat in vain, and the restless waves of persecution cast themselves to destruction in angry foam; while the presiding genius of the institution, from its lofty walls, shall ever continue to exclaim in emphatic tones, to be heard by all—east, west north and south—

"Procul! O Procul! est profani! Tu que invade viam. Far hence, ye profane! Welcome ye initiated, to these glorious courts! Tread ye them right!"

Recharging Ford Batteries One Dollar.—Chas. E. Lange, "The Battery Man." 43-1f

\$100 Per Acre Offer For Midland Farm

One of the most popular places in Midland County this week has been S. H. Gwyn's peach orchard. But Mr. Gwyn's ripe peaches are about a thing of the past. He has sold all he had left for market.

Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn have one of the best improved farms in West Texas. They refused \$400 an acre for their 20-acre tract last Sunday. The place has a fine bearing orchard of peaches, plums and apples, and a grape arbor 170 feet long. Mr. Gwyn has some cotton which promises now to produce a half-bale per acre.

Notice to the Public

Monday morning, July 27, 1924, I am installing a colored Hand laundry with well experienced help in charge. Will do the work good and the prices will be reasonable. Will call for and deliver the clothes. Your laundry work will be appreciated and will try my utmost to please. Call No. 86 or see Mathew Pickard. adv.

SEEING WITH COMFORT.

No matter how well a patient may see after being fitted with glasses, if he doesn't do so with comfort, the correction is not as satisfactory as it should be. Many folks see well enough without glasses, but wear them because of the comfort they give. Consult us for the good of your eyes.

J. P. INMAN

Jeweler and Optometrist

Midland, Texas

We have a few second hand cars, worth the money. Cowden & Ulmer. adv 42-2t

Mrs. J. P. Inman and children left Wednesday morning in their car for Abilene, where they will spend some time visiting relatives.

Mrs. Ed Erickson is now visiting in Craig, Colo. She ordered The Reporter sent to her address during her absence.

The Methodist Missionary Society will meet in business session at the church next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

W. H. Williams, manager of the Midland Light Company, made a business trip to Dallas last Sunday, returning Tuesday night.

Allen Connell and wife were visitors this week from Judkins, here to shop some at the big July sales now on in Midland.

Addison Wadley, Wadley-Wilson Company buyer, is expecting to leave the latter part of this week for his fall and winter marketing trip.

Aldredge Estes, wife and little son, Arthur Johnson's grandson, Partner, came in Wednesday from their ranch near Monahans. Mr. Estes reports a very good local rain at his ranch, but that it was not general.

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The ladies of the Christian Church will hold a market all day tomorrow, in the Howe & Allen tin shop on Wall Street. A lot of nice things will be on sale, dressed hens, friers, cakes, pies, etc., for your Sunday dinner, besides serving sandwiches, cold drinks, and the like. We bespeak for them a liberal patronage.

Paul Brown and family arrived in Midland yesterday morning from Eastland. Paul returned home last night, but Mrs. Brown and the children will remain several days, visiting relatives.

See Cowden & Ulmer for a good second hand car. They are priced to move quickly. 42-2t

CHURCH NOTICES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass will be on every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. Beginning of mass at 10 a. m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible School 9:45 a. m.
Communion 11 a. m.
Preaching 11:20 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.
A Welcome for all. Please report the sick.
W. B. Blount, Pastor.
Phone 133.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
League at 7:45 p. m.
Midweek Service, Wed. 8:30 p. m.
You are cordially invited to meet with us.
L. U. Spellmann.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Program for July 27.
Subject: "Sojourners and Settlers from Over the Rio Grande."
Scripture: James 2:1-9; Gal. 3:27-29
Leader—Eunice Allen.
Piano Voluntary Mexican Music—Olive Allen.
Song and Prayer Service.
Spanish Hymn.
General Facts and Customs—Leader.
Tragedy of 16th Century—Roy McKee.
Obstacles of Self-Government—Beattie Johnson.
What of Tomorrow—Lucile Dowdy.
Intercessory Prayer.
Announcements.
Benediction.
Every member is urged to be present and to bring a friend Sunday, July 27, 7:30.

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