

THE SPEARMAN REPORTER

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Spearman's New School Building Will Be Completed March 1; Electric Lights, Water and Ice Plants are Being Rushed to Completion and the Gin Will Be Ready for the 1924 Crop.

THE ONE-CROP FARMER

Is rushed with work part of the year and has nothing much to do the rest of the year. He has his labor at stake on one crop which he may never harvest.

His selling times are too far apart. He will go in debt and get hard up between times. He has to sell his crop when harvested whether he wants to or not—for he will have it mortgaged and his debts will have to come out of his only crop.

If the price is low when he sells, he won't get much—if the crop fails, he won't get a thing.

When the one crop farmer brings his first load to town, he has to face all his creditors.

Why not diversify and have an income throughout the year.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

SPEARMAN, TEXAS

THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION

Washington, Feb. 3.—President Coolidge's proclamation on the death of Woodrow Wilson follows:

By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation: To the People of the United States:

The death of Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States from March 4, 1913, to March 4, 1921, which occurred at 11:15 o'clock today at his home at Washington, District of Columbia, deprives the country of a most distinguished citizen, and is an event which causes universal and genuine sorrow. To many of us it brings a sense of profound personal bereavement.

His early profession as a lawyer was abandoned to enter academic life. In this chosen field he attained the highest rank as an educator, and has left his impress upon the intellectual thought of the country. From the presidency of Princeton university he was called by his fellow citizens to be the chief executive of the state of New Jersey.

The duties of this high office he so conducted as to win the confidence of the people of the United States, who twice elected him to the chief magistracy of the republic. As President of the United States he was moved by an earnest desire to promote the best interests of the country as he conceived them. His acts were prompted by high motives and his sincerity of purpose cannot be questioned.

He led the nation through the terrific struggle of the World War with a lofty idealism which never failed him. He gave utterance to the aspiration of humanity with an eloquence which held the attention of all the earth and made America a new and enlarged influence in the destiny of mankind.

In testimony of the respect in which his memory is held by the government and the people of the United States, I do hereby direct that the flags of the White House and of the several departmental buildings be displayed at half-staff for a period of thirty days, and that suitable military and naval honors under orders of the secretary of war and of the secretary of the navy may be rendered on the day of the funeral.

SUCCESSFUL FARMING

The future of our country depends upon the success of the farmer and stockman.

The experience of other localities situated similar to ours is, that diversification along these lines brings in a greater net revenue than the following of a one crop system.

The farmers and stockmen in those localities are making a success of diversified farming and stock raising. With a few hogs, chickens and milk cows an energetic farmer can pay his living expenses.

A diversified crop system will surely prove to be a success in this country as it has in others. Let us give this a fair test this year and prove its merits.

GUARANTY STATE BANK

Spearman, Texas

At the Churches

PRESBYTERIAN

To correct a statement in last week's issue, or rather an excuse, in regard to the limitation of our equipment. Since we have heard the sermons of Dr. Fincher of Amarillo, and began to take stock, or an inventory of our equipment, we find there is no limit to the great library we and all other Sunday schools are equipped with. This library contains 66 books, all written by one great author, the master mind of all minds, which lays a foundation for every phase of life and every walk of life. In some way or other these books are the foundation of every constitution, every government, of every nation that amounts to very much. They are the books from which every great writer draws his ideas to frame a foundation for the great volumes of literature which we have today, and will continue to have until the trumpet shall sound and time shall be no more. These books are the books of the old and new bible, and the author is God, Himself, the creator and keeper of all things. Why not come out to Sunday school and help us read and meditate over such great teachings, that we may be able to straighten out some crook in our lives that may be approaching in the near future, that might doom some innocent soul.

Sunday school every Sunday morning at the I. O. O. F. Hall at 10 o'clock. Preaching every third Sunday at 11:00 and 7:30. Come and be with us and help us. We will try to make you feel welcome and will appreciate your presence.

BAPTIST

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Preaching first and third Sundays at 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. On the next third Sunday at the morning service, the pastor will preach, not from, but to, the subject, "Old Fashioned." We will sing the songs that our fathers and mothers used to sing. Make your plans to be with us.

We have a good Sunday school, with Prof. Wilcox as superintendent, and a fine group of teachers. They are capable, and make the lessons very interesting. The pastor has not moved his family yet, but hopes to soon. Help us to make Spearman a Sunday school and church-going town.

METHODIST

Regular services at the Methodist church Sunday. A hearty welcome awaits all who attend. Special attention is called to these lines from J. R. Lunsford.

Ten ways to Boost for a Church

1. Never miss a service on your own account, and always try to be on time.
2. Enter heartily into the worship of song, prayer and praise.
3. Don't find fault if people are not "sociable," but be sure you greet everyone you pass and speak cordially to all you meet.
4. Don't seek a place of prominence, or get mad if you are not promoted, but accept cheerfully the place offered you and work faithfully to fulfill your duty.
5. If things do not go to suit you,

don't knock, but enter in and try to reform them.

6. If you are pleased with the minister's message, or the music, tell the minister or choir master, and by all means tell others who were not there.

7. Always co-operate with any forward movement attempted, and do not oppose a movement merely because it is "new".

8. Speak to the unsaved at every opportunity about the Christian life, but remember that what you are speaking louder than what you say.

9. If someone accuses you of wanting to "run the church" go on about your Christian duty. Remember you are the servant of God, and that Satan uses every means possible to mar your influence.

10. Never "go with the crowd," except as "the crowd" goes right.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE PROGRAM

Subject—"The Beginning of Methodism."

Song—"To be selected"

1st Scripture reading: John 3-16, Daniel 1-8—Pope Gibner.

2nd Scripture reading: Joshua 1-7, Joshua 24-15—Wilburn Wheeler

Prayer—

Reading of minutes and roll call

Talk—"Wesley's Passion"—Juanita Haney.

Talk—"Misunderstood by Family and church"—Helen Harvey

Piano Solo—Blanche Archer

Talk—"Constant Travel and Reading"—Eric Dodson

Talk—"Attacked by Mobs"—Ruth Prutsman

Talk—"The The Winning of other Leaders"—Warner Davis.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Blake

Talk—Rev. Wheeler

Song—"To be selected"

Business

League Benediction

The blizzard and snow storm of the past week did very little damage in the Spearman country. Feed is plentiful and stock are well protected. The weather is fine now and farming and building operations are proceeding with unusual alacrity.

The Date for the

DOLL CONTEST

Has been set for Saturday,

FEBRUARY 23rd.

We will give the big \$20. Doll to the little girl holding the most votes, at 4:00 o'clock,

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1924.

As a special inducement we will give double votes on the following Nyal Products:

Nyolus Delux Face Power

Nyal's Tooth Paste

Nyal's Hair Tonic

Standing of the contestants will be shown in the window every Saturday.

Hillhouse Drug Co.

"The People With the Goods"

Spearman, Texas

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To loan on Farms and Ranches in any county north of the Canadian river. Big values, low rate of interest and good settlement options. Also buy and extend vendors lien notes.

THE BEST

That money will buy in Farms and ranches and on terms never offered before in this section of the country. Business and residence lots and acreage. We have just what you want.

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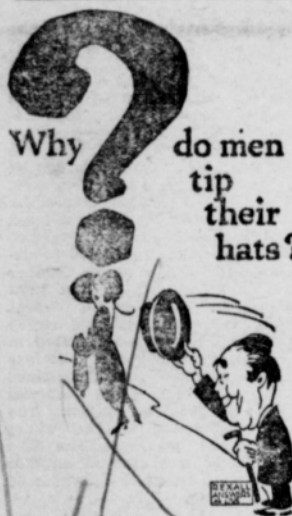
A Fire Insurance Policy in the Home of New York will secure your financial independence from loss by fire.

represented by

A. F. BARKLEY

Phone 42

The most inexcusable blunder the Reporter made last week was the failure to announce the arrival of a fine 9-pound girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Womble of the Lieb community. The young lady arrived on Thursday, January, 29, 1924, and has been named Wilma Ruth.



Why do men tip their hats? because, when they used to wear armor, they thought it safe to remove the helmet when talking with a friend. This action, a compliment, passed into our custom of raising the hat. Customers compliment us on

Puretest ASPIRIN TABLETS because they gain from them safe relief from colds, gripe and headache. Absolutely true aspirin, tablets so skillfully made that their beneficial action begins in 15 seconds. Highest purity, never irritate or burn.

One of 200 Puretest preparations. Every item the best that skill and conscience can produce.

Hale Drug Co.

The Rexall Drug Store

Spearman Schools

Freshmen Class Report

All the Freshmen Class are glad to have Wesley Hancock back in school. Now as the mid-term exams are over the Freshmen are going at it double force.

We were all glad to notice last Wednesday morning at chapel that the Freshman was the only class that did not have a tardy. Come on Freshmen! Let's make it a rule, to be on time at chapel the same as at school.

Pat Barbour has been absent three days this week on account of sickness but is now back at work.

Elma Buckley was on the sick list Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday but was back in school Thursday.

Darlene McLeod was absent three days last week because of tonsillitis.

The boys and girls basket ball teams are going to Perryton this Friday afternoon for a game with the high school teams of that place. This will be the third and deciding game between the boys' teams, and much interest is manifested in the outcome. Several of the boys went to Canadian, expecting a game at that place with Perryton on Monday night, but the snowstorm prevented the other members of the team going, so it was arranged to play the third game at Perryton this afternoon.

AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church met in regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Sam Archer on February 5, 1924, at 3:00 p. m. Mrs. Archer had charge of the devotional exercises and gave an interesting lesson on the book of Genesis. A goodly number of the members were present, but as the Auxiliary literature was not here, no program had been planned for this meeting. Mrs. Branch Archer favored us with some splendid and appropriate readings, and a piano solo by Miss Blanche Archer was enjoyed by all. The next regular meeting will be held on February 19, 1924, at the home of Mrs. June Balentine.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society met with a large attendance at the residence of Mrs. Gibner, on February 6. Rev. Wheeler made a very interesting talk on the Prophet Jeremiah. The society will have a cherry pie social on February 23 at the Hays Building on main Street. Everybody come and eat cherry pie like little Jack Horner. Our next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. J. D. Hester.

NEED A JAIL

Police Judge Eberhart complains that the city has no jail, hence no place to put an obstreperous person who violates the law, or sins against the peace and dignity of the community. A jail is not a good advertisement for a place, and it would be much better to spend this money for sidewalks, but for fear someone does need to be locked up, we suppose that it is better to have a jail. Perhaps the city council could throw in with the commissioners and erect a jail for both the city and county.

COMMERCIAL CLUB ENJOYS LUNCHEON

Cotton Acreage and a Gin for Spearman are Principal Topics of Conversation—All Committees Busy.

The Farmers and Citizens Commercial Club of Spearman enjoyed a luncheon at the Palo Duro hotel at 12 o'clock on Friday of last week. Matters of importance concerning the town and community were discussed at this meeting and the various commercial club committees were allowed to make a report. All committees were heard from and from the reports given, are doing satisfactory work. The cotton committee seems to be doing a great work in the line of encouraging farmers to plant a few acres to cotton this year, and this committee also assures us that Spearman will have a gin up and ready for business by the time the 1924 crop of cotton is ready for picking. The county agent committee assures us that everything possible is being done to secure a county agent. The publicity and road committees made favorable reports. The Commercial Club is doing a good work now, and all members seem to be interested and ready to do anything in their power to advance the commercial, industrial, agricultural and business interests of Spearman and the Spearman country.

MRS. HAYS FOR CLERK

We are duly authorized this week to place in our announcement column the name of Mrs. Pearl S. Hays, as a candidate for County and District Clerk of Hansford county. Mrs. Hays has been a resident of Hansford county for the past seventeen years, and during that time has been so closely connected with the growth and development of the country, that she needs no introduction from the Reporter. For ten years she assisted her husband, Jno. L. Hays, with the work of running a mercantile establishment at old Hansford and later at Spearman. She has always stood for the betterment of conditions and the development of the country along proper lines. The better schools, churches, roads, farming and livestock movements find in Mrs. Hays a loyal supporter. In the 1922 campaign Mrs. Hays was a candidate for tax assessor against the present incumbent, R. W. Thompson. A race in the second primary was necessary to decide who the nominee should be. Mr. Thompson winning by a small majority. She put up a clean fight for this office, and though defeated, was not disheartened or discouraged, but, with malice toward none, meekly bowed to the will of the majority. Mrs. Hays is well qualified to fill this important position, and asks that you give her claims due consideration before casting your ballot in the July primary election.

JESSE WOMBLE FOR CLERK

Jesse Womble is the third candidate to announce for the office of county and district clerk of Hansford county. Jesse E. Womble is well known to practically every voter in the county. For the past six years he has been connected with leading mercantile establishments of old Hansford and Spearman, among them being P. M. Maize & Co., Andrews Hardware Company, and the Equity Exchange. He has been a resident of the Spearman country for about 16 years, and knows the people of the country as well as any man living here. Jesse is prominent in lodge circles of Spearman and is a handy man anywhere you put him. He is well qualified for the position to which he aspires and if elected will make a good clerk. Before casting your ballot in the July primary election, consider the claims of Jesse E. Womble.

BUILDING OPERATIONS PROCEEDING NICELY

Spearman Continues to Grow, and With Coming of Spring Will Move at a Rapid Rate.

Work on Spearman's new \$75,000 school building is proceeding entirely satisfactory, despite the bad weather of the past week. Mr. Coffee, superintendent of construction for the Bone Construction Company, has staid by his post manfully on this job, and now has the pleasure of knowing that his work is almost completed. He has worked many days when the average contractor on public work would have laid off. But Mr. Coffee knows that Spearman needs that school house, and needs it badly, and he is not losing any time when it can be avoided. The building will be completed and ready for the school by March 1, and no one will be half so proud of it as the school children and the faculty.

Work on the electric light plant, the water plant and ice plant is progressing nicely. The big engine is working like a watch—that don't need fixing—and is furnishing electric lights to all buildings that have been wired. Electricians are wiring the buildings as fast as possible, and Spearman will soon be an electrically lighted town. The street lights show up fine. The new well will soon be completed, which will insure an abundance of water for many years to come. A crew of workmen arrived from Wichita the first of the week to erect the water tower, and are making good progress with the work. This tank has a capacity of 75,000 gallons, and it will be 140 feet from the ground to the maximum water line, or 150 feet from the ground to the top of the tower. This will give a pressure of 65 pounds to the square inch, in the business section of the town, which means that Spearman will soon be ready to fight its greatest enemy—fire—with some little hope of winning out. It also means cheaper insurance rates. The buildings for the ice plant are nearing completion. Spearman and the Spearman country will use home-made ice during the summer of 1924, which will mean a great saving in the ice bill.

The "Cotton and Gin" committee of the Farmers and Citizens Commercial Club report that they have positive assurance that there will be in the neighborhood of 5,000 acres planted to cotton in the Spearman country this year and that arrangements have been made for a gin. The gin will be located in Spearman and will be equipped to handle a 3,000 to 5,000 bale crop with perfect ease. It will have all the modern equipment for the handling of "bollies," as well as the high grade cotton.

Merit Bread, fresh every day, at the D. C. D. Dining Room.

Harold Lloyd in "Dr. Jack," Lyric Theatre February 18 and 19.

LOOK—Your Ford Shod all around for \$37.50 at EQUITY FILLING STATION.

F. D. Galbraith of the Department of Education, was here the first of the week, inspecting the Spearman school.

Enlargements, as fine as can be made, and one-half the price of agents, at the H. C. Eberhart Gallery, Spearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Merl D. Jackson are happy over the arrival of a fine daughter at their home in Spearman, on Thursday morning, February 7, 1924.

Not merely must the modern school be provided with playgrounds but it needs to have a sufficient number of ice cream soda and soft drink places within easy reach.

EXHIBITION

STYLES and WOOLENS

Spring and Summer

1924

Are now here. Newest, Smartest and Most Fashionable.

The Spearman Tailor Shop

SID CLARK, Proprietor

Cleaning—Pressing—Repairing

SPECIALS

Be sure to give us a call. We have specials in all lines, for the cash, that will surprise you, in Everything to Eat and Wear.

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EVERYTHING TO EAT and WEAR SPEARMAN

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Reporter is authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election to be held on July 26, 1924:

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,
GEORGE T. PIERCE
ALVINO RICHARDSON

For County and District Clerk,
S. F. POWERS
MRS. PEARL S. HAYS
JESSE E. WOMBLE

For Tax Assessor,
J. E. SLAVIN
R. W. THOMPSON

For County Treasurer
MARY SPARKS
MRS. J. H. BUCHANAN

School buildings in many places said to be overcrowded. Probably the kids would be willing to stay out until more spacious quarters are provided.

Read the Reporter.

THANKS TO FRIENDS

February 5, 1924

Editor Reporter:—We want to thank you, and through the columns of your paper, thank our neighbors, friends and the people of this vicinity for their words of sympathy and encouragement, and many kindnesses all of which have made more bearable the recent loss of our home. We know of the uncertainties of human life, and try to be prepared to meet them, but when we faced the shocking spectacle of our home and its contents in flames, we were most forcefully reminded of the many things which money cannot buy—true friendship's, gifts, keepsakes, relics—reminiscence of days gone by. Then our friends came to the rescue, helped gather up the fragments and loaned us of their goods that we might proceed with our work.

Day by day we are getting better adjusted to new conditions. No where in the world could friends have been kinder than you have been "out here where the west begins."

Again, we thank you all, and may our Heavenly Father bless and protect you.

Sincerely,
MR. AND MRS. GEO. M. WHITSON.

CAN'T KEEP HOUSE WITHOUT REPORTER

Astoria, S. D., Feb. 1, 1924

Editor Reporter:—Enclosed find check for \$3.00, as per your statement. I can not very well keep house without the Reporter. I own a one-half section farm in the McBride district. Frank Wallin is my tenant. So, you see, I am interested in the Hansford county news. I am interested in the McBride district news, only I wish it to come oftener. An improvement to your paper would be the grain and produce market prices. Wishing you a prosperous New Year, I am

Yours respectfully,
C. J. PETERSON.

Boost for Spearman.

OUR WHEAT SITUATION

By Bartlett Frazier Co., Chicago

Accumulation of Stocks

The outstanding feature of the present wheat year in this country, up to date, is the rapid accumulation of stocks in the commercial visible supply and the heavy total of such accumulation. On July 1, 1923, when the present crop is regarded as having begun to move, the visible supply stock was 26,313,000 bushels. On November 3 the total was 69,189,000, an increase in three months of 42,876,000 bushels. Last year during the same period the increase in visible stocks was 14,505,000 bushels with the aggregate on November 3 only 32,278,000.

At the date of writing these comparisons are still more impressive, visible stocks on November 24, being 75,000,000 bushels against 35,191,000 last year. With exception of 1918 and 1919, when by reason of government control grain movement was not normal, the visible stocks at the beginning of November this year are the largest at that date since 1894, while the total on November 24 this year has been exceeded but once at any time in any year since 1895. The preliminary official estimate of the 1923 wheat crop is 788,000,000 bushels, which is 74,000,000 bushels less than was harvested in 1922 and 92,000,000 bushels smaller than the average production for the five years 1918-1922. It is apparent therefore that the relative size of the crop only adds to the marked disparity between stocks in second hands this year and past records. The unusual accumulation of wheat stocks in second hands, out of a crop materially smaller than that of the previous year, suggests some marked interference with a normal distribution of wheat, and particularly some failure in final distribution in comparison with last year.

Hold Your Wheat Advice

At and after harvest this year American wheat growers were urgently advised by farm leaders to hold back their wheat in the belief that current prices did not fairly represent a proper supply and demand relation. Some students of economics and many political advisers gave the same counsel urging what they called "orderly marketing" in place of sales upon a large scale immediately following thrashing operations. The purpose named at by the three classes of advisers was to induce wheat growers, as individuals or by concerted action through various forms of cooperative organization, to hold their wheat off the market in the expectation of inducing buyers to become active bidders for the grain and thereby advancing prices.

Wheat Not Held on Farm

The records of crop movement during the first four months of the season show that so far at least as physical possession of the wheat is concerned what growers have not acted in harmony with the advice they received. For the five years 1917-1921 the receipts of wheat at primary markets during the first four months of the season, July-October, averaged 23 per cent of the total estimated crop. Last year

for the same period the percentage was 24. This year receipts during the four months in question represent 23 per cent of the estimated crop total. The total primary receipts aggregated 179,000,000 bushels, against 206,000,000 last year, a proportion which bears a close relationship to the relative size of the crops of the two years.

Our Exports Have Been Arrested

This normal flow of wheat from the farm to the market terminals has not continued beyond that point and it is the consequent backing up of the stream that has resulted in the abnormal size of the visible stocks. The domestic distribution in the or mill grindings represents for the period July to October a decrease of only about 6 million bushels as compared with last year, a decline which is so nearly nominal as to be negligible. The export situation is very different. For the four months our clearances of wheat and flour were only 75,818,000 bushels against 114,161,000 last year, a falling off in this class of final distribution of 39,161,000 bushels in the first third of the crop year as compared with the previous season.

When it is noted that the visible supply stock on November 3 this year is 36,911,000 bushels larger than that of last year at the same date, while our export clearances from the new crop up to the same date have been 39,161,000 less than last year, the reason for the usual accumulation of wheat at terminal points becomes apparent. The two totals are strikingly alike and in connection with the very moderate change in domestic mill grindings furnish emphatic evidence that it is our loss of export trade that accounts almost in full for our near-record visible supply stocks, and for the price influences that have flowed and may hereafter flow from such an accumulation.

World Exports Normal

It becomes important that intelligent consideration be given to the actual reasons that underlie our loss of export trade on this crop. Early in the season many opinions were current suggesting that by reason of materially better crop returns in Europe this year, coupled with continued inability of some countries to finance needed purchases, the wheat requirements of importing countries as a whole would aggregate smaller than last year. As the season passed and our export shipments continued upon a reduced scale that fact was quite generally regarded as confirmation of the theory of smaller world import requirements.

One third of the present crop year is now past and it becomes possible to test theories by an analysis of facts. Such a test proves that during the period when the increased crop production of Europe should be most effective in reducing her food dependence upon over-seas wheat purchases, the actual import takings for the world show no material change from those of last year. The actual exports of wheat for the months of July to October this year and last, as reported weekly by Broomhall were as follows:

	1922	1923
	Bushels	Bushels
United States and Canada	158,196,000	130,428,000
Argentina	32,665,000	37,090,000
Australia	8,780,000	13,656,000
India	208,000	10,296,000
All other	3,155,000	7,885,000
TOTAL	203,004,000	200,855,000

Importing countries during the first third of the present cereal year have taken only 2,149,000 bushels of wheat less than they absorbed during the same period last year, a difference of less than one per cent and too small to possess any significance. While the totals are approximately the same, however, the contributions from the different world sources of wheat supply are radically changed. The United States and Canada have furnished 27,768,000 bushels less than they contributed last year, this falling off having been made good by increased shipments from India, Australia, Argentina and Russia and the Danubian countries. The actual situation, therefore, is that while we have refused to accept world market prices for our surplus wheat and have permitted it to accumulate in visible supply stocks, the importing countries have been able to supply their requirements upon scales as large as last year from increased shipments from competitive wheat producers. The world has bought wheat upon a liberal scale, but it has not bought it from us.

Prices Have Checked Our Exports

This situation makes it clear that our near-record accumulation of visible stocks is due to our unwillingness or inability to meet export prices established by other producing countries. It raises the question of whether the early season advice to our wheat farmers to hold back their crop may not in fact have been effective through change of physical position from the farm to the terminals without corresponding change in ownership. Whether actual ownership of these visible stocks is more

largely or less largely in original producers than usual, however, is of small general importance, the salient fact being that they represent wheat held back from the export trade because owners, whether producers or carriers, have been unwilling to meet world prices.

The problem which now confronts the grain trade, producers, carriers and distributors, is the probable result of our refusal to this time to distribute our wheat surplus on the basis of current world prices. In seeking to determine this there is one fundamental factor that must receive first attention. It is that the orderly progress of seed time and harvest the earth over provides a certain definite period of the year during which the world relies upon each of the great sources of wheat supply for its food requirements. When the grain trade is permitted to function normally there is a steady flow of wheat from exporting to importing countries, with a volume that is uniform and regulated day to day by consumptive requirements. At one period the bulk comes from one country and at another from another, but the flow is so uniform as to excite admiration for the highly organized and effective machinery that distributes the world's daily bread.

Each Country Has an Export Period

Taking the four great surplus wheat producing countries, United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia, which have dominated the world trade in recent years, and dividing the grain year into three periods of four months each, we get the following showing of wheat exports averaged for the five years 1918-19 to 1922-23.

	July-October	November-February	March-June
	per cent of Exports Period	per cent of Exports Period	per cent of Exports Period
United States	118,032,000 54	79,239,000 36	80,544,000 36
Canada	43,505,000 20	80,512,000 36	40,987,000 19
Argentina	37,287,000 17	34,399,000 16	63,935,000 29
Australia	20,600,000 9	27,644,000 12	36,218,000 16
TOTAL	219,424,000 100	221,794,000 100	221,684,000 100

This statement shows, first the certainty and the regularity with which wheat is distributed in every season of the year, and, what is more important in our present discussion, the fact that during the period July-October the United States is the source of supply to the extent of more than one half of the world's purchases; during the period November-February Canada holds first position as country of supply, while for the period, March-June, the southern hemisphere, Argentina and Australia combined, take first place in aggregate shipments. In each case the period of primacy for each country is determined by time of harvest, the period immediately at or following harvest and threshing representing the segment of the year when each country in turn is drawn upon and in which it meets the least competition in the world market.

Holding Back Increases Later Competition

It follows that unless each country disposes of the substantial portion of its surplus wheat during the period in which it naturally occupies the predominant place, it will be compelled to market its supplies, if at all during that year, in direct conflict with the wheat from a rival producer. It appears therefore, that having this year failed to market our surplus wheat during the period which we naturally dominate as a source of supply, because unwilling to meet world prices competition, we now face the necessity of either carrying our surplus into another crop or of selling it during the next six months in still more direct competition with Canada during the first half and the southern hemisphere during the second half of the period.

During the time we have held our wheat back the southern hemisphere has made liberal shipments, thus cleaning up old stocks in advance of new crop movement, and the fact that both Argentina and Australia show liberal increases in acreage under wheat this year and that their harvest is now under way without any crop complaint to this time, can only be regarded as emphasizing the seriousness of the price competition which they will offer should we endeavor to dispose of our accumulation during their period of natural market domination.

U. S. EXPORTS BY PERIODS OF THE YEAR

Crop Year	July-October		November-February		March-June	
	Bushels	Per Cent of the year	Bushels	Per Cent of the year	Bushels	Per Cent of the year
1918-19	88,528,000	29	101,473,000	34	110,435,000	37
1919-20	79,729,000	36	61,720,000	28	78,242,000	36
1920-21	145,232,000	40	111,348,000	30	108,774,000	30
1921-22	161,692,000	58	60,440,000	22	57,982,000	20
1922-23	114,979,000	51	61,214,000	27	48,186,000	22
Average						
5 years	118,032,000	42.5	79,239,000	28.5	80,544,000	29.0
Average last 3 years	140,634,000	48.6	77,677,000	26.8	71,347,000	24.6

The ocean tonnage situation in 1918-19 and to a less extent in 1919-20 was abnormal by reason of scarcity of vessels resulting from war losses, and this coupled with the urgent food requirements of Europe, forced the purchase of wheat where it could be most promptly delivered with but small regard to price. This condition destroys the value of the records of the first years for comparative purposes. Discarding them therefore and considering only the last three years when normal conditions have ruled, it appears that during the July-October period our shipments of wheat have averaged 48.6 per cent of our total for the year; for the second period 26.8 per cent, and for the third, March-June 24.6 per cent. In other words our export trade under normal conditions demands that approximately one half our years' exports of wheat be delivered from the farms in time to clear our posts during the first four months of the year, and this concentration of demand during the period immediately following harvest represents real "orderly marketing" so far as export trade is concerned.

That this experience of ours is the same experience of all other wheat producers is evidenced by the fact that for the past five years Canada has shipped 49 per cent of her total year's exports in the four months that similarly corresponds to her harvest time, and Argentina has shipped 47 per cent of her annual contribution during the four months that represents the segment of the year corresponding to her threshing season.

Holding Back Wheat Has Been Tried Before

"Hold your wheat" propaganda is not entirely new in this country. In 1890 we produced only 399,000,000 bushels of wheat or 91,000,000 less than the year before. As a result of this shortage the price of wheat ruled high, the cash price of contract wheat in Chicago reaching \$1.16 in April 1891 a figure much above the normal of that day. A much increased acreage had been seeded for the 1891 crop when harvest time was reached with the largest crop ever grown up to that time. 612,000,000 bushels, the price had declined by

"Orderly Marketing" Only A Phrase

In much of the discussion of the wheat situation which has accompanied the various recommendations that producers hold back their crop great stress has been laid upon the necessity for what is very loosely called "orderly marketing." Records of the Department of Agriculture showing that there is a heavy marketing of wheat from farms during the four months July-October are cited as evidence that wheat is dumped upon the market immediately following harvest in volume sufficient to unduly depress prices. These records of marketing from the farms, consolidated into periods of four months each, make the following showing for the last five years for which they are available:

	July- Oct.	Nov.- Feb.	Mar.- June
	per ct	per ct	per ct
1921-22	64.3	21.5	14.2
1920-21	52.9	23.9	23.2
1919-20	67.0	20.4	12.6
1918-19	69.3	23.7	7.0
1917-18	57.1	29.9	13.0
Average	62.6	23.5	13.9

The phrase "orderly marketing" has no definite meaning, and is therefore construed by each man according to his individual understanding. If it be intended in the case of wheat to mean that marketing should be evenly distributed throughout each of the twelve months of the year its use indicates a lack of knowledge of the factors of wheat distribution. The wants of wheat buyers are not regulated evenly by calendar divisions, but are based upon requirements that fluctuate with the season as well as with the world situation.

Export Demand and Farm Marketing Co-incide

Our export trade, as previously pointed out, is largely concentrated in the first four months of the crop year, and the grain to supply this demand must necessarily leave the farm at and immediately after harvest. The full extent of this centering of our export demand in the first period of the year and the consequent requirement for an "orderly marketing" from the farm that will supply the needed wheat is emphasized in the following statement:

July to 85 cents for the same wheat in the same market. The Farmer's Alliance and its various political offshoots of that period in our history urged farmers to hold their wheat as a means of forcing the selling price of a record crop up to the high figure that followed the short crop of the year before. This advice was followed with the result that farm holdings of wheat on March 1, 1892, were 171,000,000 bushels or the largest on record. The price, however, did not respond to this action on the part of wheat growers, but continued to decline reaching 69 1/2 cents in October 1892. Another big crop in 1892 completed the disaster that wheat hoarding had started, and a free movement at low prices resulted in visible supply stock accumulations until totals were reached never since equalled except during the abnormal period of government control. The experience demonstrated that wheat held off the market at one time could only be marketed at another period in competition with wheat of later production.

Official Comment On Disaster Following Hoarding

The 1891 effort to arbitrarily interfere with the process of orderly marketing of wheat distributed the price of wheat for several years, and was a factor in the encouragement of wheat growing in other countries. The U. S. Department of Agriculture in March 1893 commented upon this price control experiment and results in the following language, which should be carefully studied by all interested in wheat growing, as well as in general agriculture, at this time of newly suggested but actually old and discredited economic remedies.

"Reserves now (wheat March 1893) are all the smaller for the disastrous experience of last year, when grain was systematically withheld, through ill-advised counsel, from a crop, the largest ever known in the world's history of wheat growing giving opportunity for search in all corners of the earth for required supplies, and insuring precipitate fall of prices on the recurrence and increased momentum of the movement. This season's free movement has naturally followed the heavy losses and bitter experience of last year."

To Market

I will leave on Saturday, February 9, for Wichita and Kansas City, where I will purchase my Spring Line of

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The new stock will be on sale on Saturday, February 16.

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SPEARMAN

DUROC HOGS

We have recently purchased the Joe Meade herd of Duroc Jersey Hogs, consisting of about 60 head of the best bred hogs in the southwest. Mr. Meade bought the highest priced boars on the market and built up a herd that can't be beat.

We are selling out this bunch of registered Duroc Jerseys, and invite the farmers of the Spearman country to come and look them over. The herd consists of boars, sows, gilts and pigs. We are ready to start you in the pure-bred hog business. These hogs can be seen at the Finis Maize farm, one and one-half miles southwest of Spearman.

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WALTER WILMETH.

COTTON SEED FOR SALE

I will have about 12,000 pounds of cotton seed for sale for the 1924 crop. This seed is of the O. B. Burdett variety, and was grown on my farm in the Grand Plains community last year. Despite the wet fall and cold winter, I gathered over one-fourth bale of cotton per acre. If you intend to plant cotton this year, see me at once and I will save you some of this fine seed. It is bred up to develop early; the bolls will open before frost catches it.

E. E. BURROW, Spearman-Guymon Route.



NATIONAL HIGHWAYS ASSOCIATION

Newspaper Association No. 6167

It is not only essential to build a hard road if highway transportation is to be possible: it is necessary to keep it open to traffic. There is no economic difference between a broken-down bridge and a three foot fall of snow, as far as stopping traffic is concerned. There is no economic difference between a road blocked with a fallen boulder or tree and one which is snowed under so that neither team nor truck can travel over it.

Few communities would wait an instant to repair the bridge, or remove the boulder or tree; the idea that the hundreds of thousands of dollars invested in the good road should lie idle, and a whole section be cut off from the benefits of transport, until the bridge mended itself, the boulder rolled off, or the ice rotted away, is abhorrent. But many communities regard a heavy fall of snow as a visitation of Providence, with which man need not interfere, because in time the same Providence will melt the snow and open the road!

In regions where snow blocks the roads, modern engineers are using rotary snow ploughs, attached to trucks, and opening the road as soon as it closes, exactly as the railroad right of way men keep the tracks open for trains regardless of the state of the weather.

Rotary ploughs to be applied to trucks are not expensive; push and scraper ploughs for lesser snowfalls are still less costly. Opening the road for traffic after a snowfall is as essential as mending bridges and maintaining the surface. Communities in the snow belt which do not have the benefits of their roads all the year 'round, "save at the spigot

to lose at the bung hole," since the momentary value of one day's lost traffic is more than sufficient to buy the equipment and keep the snow bound road open all winter.

Lee Highway Association To Hold Convention

Third annual convention of the Lee Highway Association will be held in Washington, D. C., on February 5 and 6. The delegates will hold session all day and both evenings. It is expected that delegates from the 115 counties traversed by the great highway will attend, to lend the force of their presence to the action of the convention—endorsing and pushing pending bills in Congress, looking to one hundred per cent Federal financing of the cost of construction in the sparsely settled Western States.

All of the 3,000 members of Lee Highway Association are, without appointment, entitled to seats and the privilege of delegates. The governor of the State, the mayor, the judge of the county court or board of supervisors, or the president of the local Lee Highway Association, chambers of commerce, Rotary, Kiwanis, or other business clubs, may appoint delegates, who with members of their families are entitled to reduced rates. Full fare is paid to Washington and receipt is requested and given. (On sale several days before February 5, good to reach return point February 9.) This receipt, when validated in Washington entitles the holder to purchase return ticket (over same route) at one half fare.

By building only 45.6 miles in Virginia and only 21.6 miles in East Tennessee, Lee Highway will be a modern motor-way from New York to Chattanooga, a distance of 724.8 miles. By building 45.6 miles in Virginia, 70.4 in Tennessee, 57 miles in Alabama, and 71.8 miles in Arkansas, a total of 249.8 miles, Lee Highway will be a modern motor way half way from Washington to San Diego. By building less than 400 miles Lee Highway will be a modern motor way from New York to San Francisco. The value of such a road, to each community for its own use and to the whole country for long trips is so great that Lee Highway Association backed by appeals from President Harding and Coolidge, urges the immediate closing of the gaps.

Railroad Endorses Motor Truck Hauling

On the first page of a four page dining car menu the Pennsylvania Railroad is advertising to its patrons the fact that "a new plan or coordinating motor truck and railroad transportation facilities was recently inaugurated on the Pennsylvania Railroad system. What is known as less-than-carload" or "package freight" is handled as far as practicable between Philadelphia, Pa., Wilmington, Del., and intermediate stations in motor trucks instead of in local freight trains. It is believed that this new method will bring about greater efficiency in handling this kind of freight and so relieve railroad facilities as to expedite also the handling of long distance and heavy shipments in regular railroad freight service."

Railroad systems, as such, have looked askance at the great road building programs ever being initiated by States and helped by the Federal Government. Their managers have believed that the more good roads, the more freight hauling would be done over them by truck, and therefore, the less freight there would be for the railroads. Proponents of roads and trucks have argued that the highway transport would relieve the railroad of the unprofitable short haul and by creating more business, create more freight for the long haul.

Friends of highway transport and hard surfaced roads are enthusiastic over the conversion of the Pennsylvania Railroad to the idea that the good road and the motor truck are co-operators with, rather than competitors of, the freight car.

Highways not built By Rule of Thumb

In the early days of road building, any contractor who could spread stone and roll it was good enough to "engineer" the road to be built. Today all organizations engaged in road building are looking for the trained road engineer, and when there are not enough to go round, sending their own men to college for better training in highway building.

In 1919 the University of Michigan, which has departments of Highway Engineering and Highway Transport (Professor Arthur H. Blanchard) offered graduate short period courses in highway engineering and highway transport, leading to the degree of Master of Science in Engineering, arranged especially for men engaged in the practice of highway engineering and highway transport.

In 1919-20 the attendance was 29; while in 1922-23, 110 men attended these courses, the average age of the men being 27 years, ranging from 23 to 56 years. These men came from the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, state, county, and municipal highway departments, contractors' organizations, companies manufacturing motor trucks, highway machinery, and materials, universities, and from the field of highway transport. During 1923-24, 18 graduate short period courses will be offered, 10 in the field of highway engineering and 8 in highway transport. These courses will be given by a staff of 9 professors and 10 nonresident lecturers. The road building world is looking to the engineer, the trained man, the

technician, for light on how to build better, less expensive, more permanent highways. It is generally recognized now that the day of the rule-of-thumb builder is gone, and that only the engineer, proficient in the art and familiar with the best practice, is the economical spender of the taxpayer's money!

Some of these hats being thrown in the ring look as if they were of a style several years back.

The politicians are trying to pick the bandwagon, but many will choose the dump cart by mistake.

Some of the presidential boomers sound as if a gas filled projectile were being used.

Germany is said to be in danger of breaking up, but this can be avoided by coughing up.

The college students may not study geophagy, but they all know where the girls' schools are located.

Good opportunities are always knocking, and some people are willing to accept them if somebody else will get up and open the door.

It is proving as difficult to get reparations out of the Germans, as from the boys who throw baseballs through the kitchen windows.

Claimed that the art of conversation is dead, but you would never know it if you attended one of the afternoon teas.

If a public official neglects his duty, he is considered inefficient, and if he does it, then he is accused of trucking for votes.

Remarkable skill is shown by many girls in driving automobiles, but can they operate a sewing machine equally well?

Claimed that American girls are getting "hard boiled," but that can't be because they spend so much time over the cookstove.

Even if the garage does take considerable room in the back yard, there should be room enough left for the sawhorse.

Claimed the present generation is living too rapidly, but you would never realize it by watching some people work.

The use of automobiles may result in wearing less shoe leather, but anyway more trousers seats will be worn out.

The empty seats so frequently seen in Congress suggest that the Congressmen are better at delivering speeches than they are in listening to them.

"What is the country coming to?" is a question frequently asked by alarmists. Well, just now it is coming to the point where it must get out its income tax returns.

Presidents are supposed to be in danger of being killed by overwork, but it has not so far been necessary to beg people very hard to take the job.

It used to be said the school pupils got bow legged carrying so many books. The pupils say this can be avoided by giving them an automobile to go to school with.

While the poets write their lovely verses about the footprint on the sands of time, the housewives are

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more worried about those on the newly painted floor.

It may not be possible to round up the boys when you want the wood chopped up, but if you ring the dinner bell they will show up from somewhere.

Complaint is made that the citizens do not display the national colors on patriotic occasions. About all some folks are willing to do is to hang out their washing on the clothes line.

Through the greasy smiles of promoters of oil wells that never came in, because of the wiles of "blue-sky" salesmen of questionable stock, and as a result of the gaudy promises of "100 per cent. on your money," the people of the United States lost more than \$500,000,000 last year—between \$4 and \$5 for every man, woman and child in this country, according to statistics received by Postmaster C. P. Ellis from Dinsmore W. Hume, Director of Government Savings in this reserve district, whose headquarters are in the Federal Reserve Bank at Dallas.

"Most of these losses were preventable losses. Nine out of ten of them would not have occurred had the investor investigated a bit," the Postmaster said.

"The woods are still full of unscrupulous people and companies whose motto is find 'em, fool 'em, frisk 'em and forget 'em! But losses in our community are becoming rare

because of two things. Most people know that the U. S. Government has made it possible for them to obtain a compound interest-bearing Government security right here at the post-office that is loss-proof and fool-proof. A security that earns good interest, that is cashable at any time by the owner and one that can be obtained in large or small denominations. I refer to Treasury Saving Certificates. Another thing our people are doing that is saving themselves is consulting their bankers before making an investment they are not fully acquainted with and of whose safety they are not absolutely certain," according to Postmaster, C. P. Ellis.

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The Farm Outlook For 1924

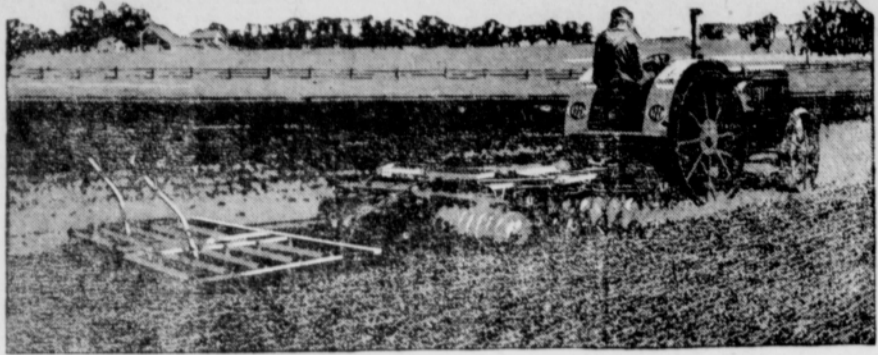
The Government says that crops for 1923 show an increase value of \$1,600,000,000 over 1922. Farm conditions from many points of view show a decided improvement. Good planning and good management should mean a good profit for this year.

Money-making farms are those on which most work is done in least time, with least labor. Try to increase your crop yield per acre, cut down your labor cost diversify. Plow more furrows as you go along, cultivate more rows, cut wider swaths. Plant every hill full—the missed hills in the field have a surprising effect on the seasons yield.

Let tractor and engine power help you. Modern equipment, well handled, is the key to profitable farming, it makes farming pleasanter, too.

There should be a tractor on your farm. Give us an opportunity to tell you why it should be an OilPull Rumely.

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Come to our store for your cotton-growing machinery and tools. We will have Cotton planters, single or double row; Harrows; Listers; Cultivators, Disc, spring tooth or shovel; Sweeps, Drags, Hoes—anything you may need in your cotton patch.

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We are offering some rare bargains at present. We want to move a goodly portion of our furniture line during January, and are offering many articles which you need in your house or kitchen at exceptionally low prices.

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SAVING YOUR MONEY

Secretary Mellon's program for tax reduction has brought a flood of approval from every section of the country. In black and white he has set down just exactly the number of dollars that every one of our nearly six million taxpayers with incomes ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000 will be able to save. This is definite. The people can see where they benefit. Also they can see that every day Congress delays action nearly \$1,000,000 of unnecessary taxes are being taken from their pockets.

David Lawrence in the Saturday Evening Post of January 5 records in interview with Secretary Mellon which every voter should read. In part Mr. Lawrence says:

"There sits a man in the Treasury Department who was never elected to public office, who never had much to do with politics and has no political aim, who has made a financial success in his private business, who is not under obligation to any interest or group of interests in America, who is sixty-eight years of age, and has nothing to gain or lose but a reputation for honesty and business sense, and whose only ambition in public office is to serve the American people effectively and to the best of his ability."

Mr. Mellon, in the course of his interview with Mr. Lawrence, said: "The usual argument in favor of high surtaxes is that people should

be taxed according to their ability to pay. But in practice that theory has its limitations. History has shown that there always is a point of diminishing returns beyond which taxes cannot be pushed, if the revenue receipts are to be maintained. In wartime it is at one point, in peacetime at another, for if the tax is not productive of revenue the whole purpose of the tax is lost. Taxes cease to be productive when they are oppressive and this results in so many different disturbances to the economic life of our people that high living costs, decreased opportunities for everybody and other ill effects are bound to follow.

"It is an axiom that you can't force a man to work against his will. Labor insists upon its rights to quit work whenever a wage commensurate with effort is not forthcoming. So also it can be taken for granted that capital will not work if the return is not worth while.

"For instance, in the year 1916 there were 1296 persons in the United States who on their income-tax returns showed that they were receiving a taxable income of \$300,000 a year or over. The total amount of the income of these 1296 persons was approximately \$1,000,000,000 that year. By analyzing the income-tax returns we found that of that \$1,000,000,000, \$706,000,000 came from dividends and interest on investments generally. But every year since then we

have noticed a drop in the number of persons in this class of returns. For instance, in 1918 it dropped to 627, and finally in 1921 only 246 persons were in the group of incomes of \$300,000 or over, and the total amount of their taxable income from dividends and interest on investments amounted to only \$155,000,000, as against \$706,000,000 in 1916.

"One of the most unfair features of our present tax law is the failure to distinguish between earned income and income from investment. I sincerely trust that my recommendation on this point to reduce taxes on earned incomes may be approved by the Congress. It would mean much to millions of deserving American workers.

Asked as to what he thought would be effected during 1924 if it were believed a tax bill along lines of his recommendations would be passed. Mr. Mellon said:

"People would have more confidence in the future. They would be able to plan expansion. Capital would flow more freely. Take the salaried man, the lawyer, the doctor, the skilled mechanic, the laborer, or any man or woman who earns money without the use of capital. Suppose our proposition is put into effect. Such a taxpayer would get 25 per cent reduction. Knowing that he or she will have to provide less money with which to pay income taxes in 1925 and thereafter, the buying power of that class of people will immediately be increased."

In summarizing the interview, Mr. Lawrence says: "It will be noted that Mr. Mellon did not discuss political effects. He feels that the readjustment of surtaxes is not in any sense a partisan measure, because it has been recommended on substantially the same basis by every Secretary of the Treasury since the end of the war, irrespective of party.

"So far as the mass of taxpayers are concerned, of course, they would feel the effects of an improved situation in countless ways. The proposed repeal of taxes on admissions affects millions of persons who attend the theatres or the movies. The Mellon program includes also the repeal of taxes on telephones and telegraph messages, and miscellaneous taxes which have not improperly been termed nuisance taxes in legislative parlance.

"Not since the war has there been a single issue raised of such far-reaching importance to the people of the United States. And not since the war has there been such an opportunity by a single piece of legislation to relieve the burdens of the people and at the same time lead them to the road they have yearned to travel—the road to an enduring prosperity."

POWER

It is a singular fact, but one universally known, that the man who yearns for power is never the man who is capable of using power wisely.

To aspire to be a leader among men is a worthy aspiration; but to plot and scheme to reach that leadership is proof positive of a man's unworthiness and inability to serve in such a capacity.

worthiness and inability to serve in such a capacity.

One who possesses the attributes of a leader will be recognized as a leader by those around him and they accord him that position and he fills it nobly.

Let a man of "little" soul attain by scheming or by chance a position of authority or power, be it ever so petty, he is instantly elevated in his own opinion and becomes a very self-important man. But he invariably abuses what little power he has, and seeks the aggrandizement of himself and of his family. His is the "rule or ruin" spirit and such a spirit will destroy good feeling and cause discord in any organization or community and that community will be known far and wide as one of continual strife. Its value to the members of it is destroyed.

He of the "rule or ruin" spirit is always a detriment to his community—a most undesirable citizen. He has such a "little" soul and such a large ego that he is affronted if some other be given the leadership in anything. Even though it be a movement that will be of great benefit to his community and thereby to himself, he refuses to give it his support. He must be at the head of every neighborhood activity or have there one whom he can control. If member of the school board he must "boss" the school and thorny is the path of the teacher who does not recognize his "boss-ship". Such a man desires to be a Kaiser among his neighbors and such a one always find subjects.

In every organization or neighborhood there are some who are incapable of forming their own opinions or of making their own decisions those who are fitted only for serfs. They feel that just to lick the boots of this petty Kaiser, no matter what manner of man he may be, gives them a reflected glory. These are his subjects and hard is the lot of the man who refuses to be one of them. This aspirant for a little kingdom which he may rule should remember the fate of that other Kaiser, and his was a world-wide aspiration; not a petty one of ruling some dozen people.

It is a strange thing that the man with the "rule or ruin" spirit so often "ruins" even when he does "rule" thus proving that he is not capable of ruling. So he is also a "rule and ruin" man.

When Mr. "Rule or Ruin" gets to the lofty pinnacle of power where he has a dozen followers he boasts of what he does for his community and of his worth to the place. What he really does is to drive out peace and scatter discord—injure his own family along with others and make his "empire" a place of bad repute among wise and good people. "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

Shakespeare says on the abuse of power, "O, it is excellent to have a giant's strength; but tyrannous to use it like a giant."—Perryton Herald.

SHIRT SLEEVE DIPLOMACY

A recent cartoon in the Portland Oregonian shows General Dawes sitting on a high stool in his shirt sleeves at the Reparation Commission table which is surrounded by a group of European diplomats garbed in full dress with gold braid and all the tinsel that went with officialdom of the past. Under the table each of these diplomats has a keg of power, a revolver, bowie knife or some other instrument of warfare with which he hopes to gain an advantage over his neighbor.

General Dawes silently watching from his stool, says: "Gentlemen, while I am here, we will play all the cards on the table." Consternation appears on the faces of the diplomats as Dawes makes this statement. For five years jealousy, intrigue, personal ambition and greed have dominated in place of an honest desire to settle the reparations tangle.

The only aim of the American members on the Reparations Commission is to secure an early and peaceful settlement of the financial troubles of Germany which are upsetting the industrial rehabilitation of all of Europe today.

"Diplomatic poker players" in Europe are not going to put over any slight-of-hand tricks on "Hell and Maria" Dawes or O. D. Young while these gentlemen act as representatives for the United States on the Reparations Commission. The American members of the Commission are paying their own expense and are living illustrations of "shirt sleeve diplomacy" which will appeal to every red blooded American and give new hope to millions of befogged and befuddled European citizens.

Mr. Coolidge says that a party platform should be short and concise. But wouldn't such a platform be open to the criticism that the voters would be able to understand it?

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The people demand relief from taxes and they are not concerned whose plan is accepted whether it be that of the republicans or that of the democrats, just so that the plan adopted shall accomplish the most in tax reduction.

The people realize that a heavy sur-tax on large incomes not only diverts to the public treasury large sums which might better be turned into the channels of commerce and industry but that in the ultimate end this burden finally falls on the shoulders of the consumer.

The people are just as insistent on the discontinuance of tax-free bonds the purchase of which affords investors an opportunity to escape tax burdens while others less fortunate bear this burden in addition to their own, a condition so devoid of justness and fairness as to effect its own condemnation.

Both these reforms have been put before Congress in a way that permits of no evasion of responsibility. It is up to Congress to act. Failure to act, for whatever reason, will precipitate such a revulsion in the public mind that those responsible, whether they be the "blocc" or other "round robins," may well prepare for a dignified retribution at the hands of a betrayed electorate.

President Coolidge has recommended nothing more than tax-distressed people are entitled to. Nothing less will be satisfactory. The people endure war burdens patiently and patriotically, with each succeeding year. They now not only ask but rightly demand that these burdens be lifted from their shoulders to the extent that an economical administration of public affairs makes possible.

Let us have more tax-free people and less tax-free bonds.

FULL SPEED AHEAD

There is every reason to believe that business generally will prosper in 1924, particularly in the states of the Middle West, according to William A. Baehr, of Chicago, vice president and general manager of the Illinois Power and Light Corporation.

"In spite of this being presidential year, I believe it will be a good one for the public utility companies and industries in general.

"The banking situation is sound and prospects now appear exceptionally bright."

"I look for a great year in building and improvement in the public utility business, which means not only steady employment for wage earners, but also earning power for the savings of the thrifty communities invested in the properties that are serving the territory."

BUSINESS ON THE FARM

The Illinois Grange recommends that farmers advertise their products as one method of solving "farm problems."

The telephone and the classified advertising pages of newspapers used with discretion and some faith and understanding which business men display in advertising their products, could be of inestimable value to farmers who had courage to use them.

Why should a farmer not utilize modern selling methods in disposing of his products direct to consumers? The automobile makes delivery or farm gate sales profitable and rapid. Business methods will do more than political methods to solve the farmers' problems and the Illinois Grange is to be commended for its progressive action.

WHAT WOULD TAKE ITS PLACE

The tariff should be considered as a business, not a political question. Aside from protecting industry and well paid workmen, the tariff is vital to our tax revenue.

If the tariff, yielding over \$500,000,000, a year in federal revenue, and lessening by that amount the maximum to be derived from the income tax and from other sources, were to be removed, what would be the effect on the nation?

A correspondence course claims to teach "everything a moving picture star needs to know." Including, we assume, a course in marksmanship.

A California man with seven wives has been pronounced insane. Who can blame him?

The papers report that Mr. Jack Dempsey has gone to Florida to rest, but fail to explain what he is resting from.

Turkey has a prohibition law and its president gets \$450,000 a year. That's the place for Mr. Bryan to go and run for president.

Treasury experts have compiled an explanation of the Mellon tax plan which occupies two newspaper pages, but it's easier to understand the plan than the explanation.

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

Theford's

BLACK-DRAUGHT

and it relieved me. "About eight years ago my wife got down with liver and stomach trouble. . . 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." Try Black-Draught. It costs only one cent a dose. Sold everywhere. E-99

HUNTERS TAKE NOTICE

Hunting will not be allowed in the VZ pasture, on the Palo Duro. Hunters will please take notice and avoid trouble, as I will positively prosecute all such as trespassers. RUTLEDGE HENDERSON, Manager.

S. C. TYLER, Owner.

NO TRESPASSING

The public will please take notice that I will not allow hunting or fishing in my pasture on the Palo Duro, west of Spearman. Please observe this notice and avoid trouble. 20116p Mrs. J. W. JONES.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

No hunting or fishing will be allowed in the Diamond C pastures, on the headwaters of the Palo Duro. These lands are posted and trespassers will be prosecuted. JAMES H. CATOR & SON.

TO THE PUBLIC

Having posted my ranch lying in the northeast corner of Hansford county, along the Palo Duro creek, as required by the law of Texas, this is to specially call attention to any one fishing, hunting or trespassing in any way therein, that they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. GUS B. COOTS, 36752* Owner of Palo Duro Ranch.

A. F. & A. M.

Hansford Lodge No. 1040 A. F. & A. M., Spearman, Texas. Regular meeting Saturday night on or before the first full moon in each month. Visiting brethren welcome. P. A. LYON, W. M.

I. O. O. F.

Hansford Lodge No. 785, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, meets Thursday night of each week at hall. Visiting brothers are accorded a royal welcome. R. L. McCLELLAN, N. G. S. E. HARBELSON, Secy.

W. E. Caldwell Rebekah Lodge No. 23 meets every Friday night. Mrs. R. D. CHAMBERLAIN, N. G. Mrs. FRANK DRESSEN, Sec'y

W. O. W.

Palo Duro Camp No. 3353 meets the second and fourth Monday nights of each month. M. C. HEAD, C. C. J. E. WOMBLE, Clerk.

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I make Farm and Ranch Loans, and will give you prompt service. I also buy Texas Vendor's Lien Notes. When you need anything in this line, call me on the telephone or write me, and I will give you immediate service.

WILL CROW
Attorney-at-Law

CANADIAN, TEXAS.

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The extremely high quality of the granite and marble out of which they are artistically carved makes Roberts Memorials as durable as they are beautiful.

I will be glad to show you the large variety of designs in Roberts Memorials and tell you why it is that Roberts Memorials cost no more than ordinary monuments.

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The Largest Furniture Store in the Panhandle

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Let us furnish you Home, Cash or Credit. Our easy terms are open to all Panhandle people

We Pay the Freight to all Panhandle Points

PLENTY OF COAL

LUMP \$13.50 Per Ton
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Cottonseed Meal and Cake and other feeds. Buy your feed and haul it out while the weather is nice and roads are good. You will need it during February and March.

COTTON FARMERS, we have made arrangements to handle the Famous "MEBANE" Cottonseed. Leave your order now, that we may have an idea of the amount of seed to order. Be careful about your cottonseed. Plant only the varieties best adapted to this soil and climate. Also, be sure you steer clear of the boll weevil. Let us tell you about "MEBANE" cottonseed.

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I have had twelve years exper-
ience and know the business.

Farm Sales a specialty.
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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The public will hereby take notice
that the books of the City of Spear-
man are open to inspection at any
time, and that I will take pleasure in
explaining in detail to any one in-
terested, any phase of the city's busi-
ness. I have not had time as yet to
make up a financial statement for
publication, but this will be attend-
ed to as quickly as possible.

FLOYD SUMRALL,
City Manager

FINE HOME FOR SALE

One of the best improved homes
in the Spearman country; 2 1/2 miles
east of Spearman. Seven-room house
with bath and basement; shade trees
orchard, corrals, graneries for 8,000
bushels of wheat; chicken house
garage, and blacksmith shop; cement
cave, elevated water tank with water-
piped to the house and barn. 160
acres of land, all level, 110 acres in
cultivation. This farm can be
bought at a bargain by seeing the
owner. Write or come to see me.

E. R. WILBANKS, Owner
Box 501 Spearman, Texas

NOTICE

All male citizens between the ages
of 21 and 45 inclusive, are subject
to pay road tax. If you are a citizen
of Spearman and have not paid this
tax, see the undersigned at once, if
you wish to pay same. If you prefer
to work out this tax, the work of
putting the streets of Spearman in
proper shape will begin as soon as
the weather will permit, and those
who have not paid their road tax
will be warned out to work on the
streets.

FLOYD SUMRALL, City Mgr.

FOR SALE

Good registered Hereford bull
calves.

4t5p. WALTER WILMETH
Spearman-Guyton Route.

SMOKE PALO DURO 10c HAVANA CIGAR

The Cigar that Has Stood the Test

Made in Amarillo by
"THAT MAN BENESCH"

Your Dealer Has Them

ORDINANCE NO. 11

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR
AN ANNUAL DOG LICENSE
FOR ALL DOGS RUNNING AT
LARGE WITHIN THE CITY OF
SPEARMAN.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the
City Council of Spearman, it shall be
the duty of the owner or harbinger of
any dog or dogs running at large
within the City of Spearman to obtain
from the Chief of Police annually a
tag for each dog of which he
is the owner or harbinger the cost of
which shall be \$2.00 for each male
dog and \$5.00 for each female dog,
and every such owner or harbinger
shall be required to place upon said
dog one of said tags securely fasten-
ed thereon.

Section 2. That it shall be the duty
of the Chief of Police to issue license
for dogs and it shall be his duty to
furnish tags for dogs to any person
applying therefor for the sum of
\$2.00 for each male dog and \$5.00
for each female dog and the Chief of
Police shall receive the sum of fifty
cents out of said fund collected for
each tag furnished, the same to cover
his fee for the issuance of said
tag and the cost of said tag; the bal-
ance of said sum to be turned into
the City Treasury to the credit of
the street fund.

Section 3. No dog shall be allowed
to go at large in the city limits of
the City of Spearman which has not
been tagged in accordance with this
ordinance and it shall be the duty
of the Chief of Police of Spearman to
take up and confine any dog found
running at large within the city
limits without a tag as provided for
herein.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of
the Chief of Police upon taking up
of any dog under the provisions of
the preceding article, to notify the
owner or harbinger of such dog in
person if upon reasonable diligence
he can be found within the City of
Spearman and if such owner or
harbinger cannot be found within the
City limits then it shall be the duty
of the Chief of Police to publish a
description of the dog impounded
for one week in a newspaper with the
City of Spearman.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of
the Chief of Police of the City of
Spearman to collect from the owner
or harbinger of any dog impounded
under the provisions of the preceding
articles the sum of five dollars
for each dog impounded and upon
the payment of said sum it shall be
the duty of the Chief of Police to
furnish a tag for each dog which
shall be good for one year from the
date of issuance; out of the said five
dollars under the provisions of this
ordinance the Chief of Police shall
turn into the City Treasury the sum
of \$1.50 and after paying all other
expenses of impounding said dog in-
cluding cost of notice, if any, the
Chief of Police shall retain the bal-
ance of the \$5.00 as his fee for is-
suing of said license and the im-
pounding of such dog or dogs.

Section 6. It shall be lawful and
the duty of the Chief of Police to
kill any dog impounded under the
provisions of the foregoing articles
provided that the owner or harbinger
fails or refuses to pay the \$5.00 im-
pounding fees, after being duly no-

Tires and Tubes

Cupples Cord and Corduroy
Cord tires. The Corduroy
Cords have side wall protec-
tion to prevent rut cutting.
Get prices on these tires be-
fore you BUY.

Headquarters for Mobile Oils,
EQUITY FILLING STATION

At Equity Grain Office, Spearman

ified in person or by publication as
above set forth, providing no dog
shall be killed until it shall have been
impounded a period of ten days.

Section 7. For every dog killed by
the Chief of Police under the provi-
sions of the foregoing article he shall
receive the sum of fifty cents which
shall cover the expense of disposing
of the body, this sum to be paid by
the City upon presentation of claim
duly verified and allowed by the City
Council.

This ordinance was duly approved
and passed by the City Council of
the City of Spearman and will be in
force and effect after March 1, 1924.
(Seal.) H. E. JAMES, Mayor.
R. L. McClellan, Clerk.

FARMER'S SHORT COURSE

AT GOODWELL P. A. & M C

On Thursday night, January 31,
we were entertained by several good
numbers from the college orchestra
and a lecture by Doctor Bradford
Knapp, president of Oklahoma, A. &
M. college. Following these we were
entertained by a radio concert given
by Harry Horner Houghton, profes-
sor of science.

There was a very good attend-
ance during the evening. The con-
gregation complimented the speaker
on the grounds that he drew their
interest in such a way as to keep
them from becoming sleepy, or rest-
less.

The farmers are getting great
benefits from the Short Course, be-
cause they learn things from the var-
ious lecturers that cannot be found
in books, even if they had the time
and knowledge that it required to
search out the things of importance.
Upon coming here and attending the
various courses that are being given,
they find results of many years of
experimenting that have been car-
ried out along all lines of agricul-
ture. They are given a chance to
gather up the different opinions of
experts from all over the great pan-
handle country. They find each
member of the agricultural board
eager to help them solve any diffi-
cult problem that has arisen in the
past or that may arise. We are all
eager to help the people who come
here to attend these courses, and we
want them to go away feeling as if
they had spent their time in a worth-
while way, and that they would like
to return as soon as possible.

H. T. KIRK.

NOTICE

Get your dog tax license from H.
C. Eberhart before March 1st, 1924,
at the rate set out in the ordinance.

If you need some lumber for
chicken houses and other out build-
ings and want to build them cheap.
Come get some of that 4 inch, 4 ft,
and 6 ft. lumber at \$2.50 per hun-
dred while it lasts at White House
Lumber Co. 6t5p.

LAKESIDE NOTES

We are having excellent weather.
Freighting is the order of the
week.

Mrs. Lura Spivey has been on the
sick list but is O. K. now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ottinger were in
Texhoma Monday evening.

Everyone is invited to attend the
program on February 22nd, at Lake-
side.

Shelby Wells and sons, Darris and
Willie are at Ideal threshing this
week.

The Woodrow school and the Mc-
Bride school met here Friday, Feb-
ruary 1st to play basket ball.

The Lakeside and the Woodrow
schools played a game of basket ball
Friday, January 25. Lakeside was
beaten, but was victorious in yelling.

School is progressing nicely under
the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Ot-
tinger. The attendance was fine the
last two weeks.

Literary was held at Lakeside
Saturday, January 26. A fairly good
program was rendered. We are
planning on a large Washington day
program on February 22nd.

Rex McRee had his arm broken
Sunday night, January 27, while
trying to crank a truck. He was
taken to Texhoma to consult a phys-
ician. We hope he can be with us in
school again soon.

Sunday school was well attended at
Lakeside last Sunday. Bro. James
from Texhoma came out and brought
his young people of the Christian as-
sociation, who put on an excellent
program which everyone enjoyed
very much.

SAYS IT IS WORTH \$5

Stillwater, Oklahoma,
January 30, 1924.

Editor Reporter:—After writing
out my check to you in the amount
of \$1.50, for which to pay my sub-
scription for 1924, I decided to write
you a few lines.

I notice in the Reporter that the
Spearman country produced a bumper
crop in 1923, and has a wonder-
ful prospect for 1924. Tell all the
boys that they can count on me be-
ing back to the North Plains of the
Panhandle just as soon as I get
through with my course of studies
here at the A. & M. College of
Oklahoma. The college here has
livestock is what I am interested in,
some wonderful live stock, and as
principally, I never tire of looking
them over.

I think I shall visit Spearman this
summer during vacation. I must not
forget to compliment you on your
paper. It is worth \$5 per year.
Thanks for the \$3.50 discount.

Yours very truly,
ROY F. DUNLOP.

Arrived Yesterday

and we are erecting
today

Waterloo Boy Tractors

Car Load of John Deere Farm Implements

Van Brunt Drills, Disc Harrows,

Cotton and Corn Planters

Cotton Attachments for Your Old Lister

Pipe and Pipe Fittings, Oils

Queen Incubators.

Womble Hardware Company

Fone Four-Four

Spearman

MEETING OF FAIR SECRETARIES

A meeting of the Fair Secretaries
of the Panhandle will be held at the
Amarillo hotel in Amarillo on Feb-
ruary 14, at 2.30 p. m. The purpose
of this meeting is to agree on Fair
dates for the towns represented, so
that there will not be any dates that
will conflict, and also to work out
plans for better attractions, such as
shows, horse races, automobile races,
exhibits, etc. Spearman should
have a representative at this meet-
ing, and this matter should be at-
tended to at once.

WE ARE FOR HIM

Regardless of who has already en-
tered or may enter the race for lieuten-
ant governor, the Reporter ex-
pects to support Will C. Edwards,
editor of the Denton Record-Chrone-
icle for this position. No better man
can be found in Texas for lieutenant
governor. Mr. Edwards is capable,
honest as the day is long, a hard
worker, has the knowledge of the
state's needs, knows men like a book,
kind hearted, but stern if the need
arises at any time, in line with his
duty. We haven't mentioned it to
Will, but we are "for" him from
here on out.

REGISTERED POLAND CHINAS

Boar pigs and gilts; all ages, from
weaning pigs up. Blood lines: Fa-
mous Liberator and Big Bob cross.
Will sell these registered pigs a
cheap you cannot afford to keep a
scrub. E. C. SPIVEY,
Postoffice address, Texhoma, Okla.
farm 25 miles northwest of Spear-
man.

RHODE ISLAND REDS; SPRING WHEAT, BARLEY

Genuine Rose Comb Rhode Island
Red eggs, about 500 bushels of good,
clean spring wheat and about 1000
bushels of barley for sale at my farm
22 miles northwest of Spearman, on
Spearman-Guyton mail route.
6t4p. S. H. HIGGS.

LOST DOG—\$5 REWARD

I will pay \$5 reward for return to
me of one black and tan trail hound;
heavy built, answers to name of
"Red." Disappeared from my home
in Spearman on Wednesday, Decem-
ber 23. See me at the Spearman
Motor Company.
6t2p. D. M. JONES.

FOR SALE

Two draft stallions, weigh about
1800 pounds each, good ones, and
one black Mammoth Jack, five years
old and a good worker. Also, have
several young work mules for sale.
Time on any of this stock, if desired.
If you are interested in this kind of
stock see me at once.

CHRIS SANGSTER,
Ideal, Texas.

Typewriter ribbons and Carbon
paper for sale at the Reporter Office.

WHEN HUNGRY

Don't fail to stop at the D. C.
D. Cafe, where a good meal
or short order is waiting for
you.

We will continue to serve the
best

Short Orders
and
Regular Meals

The D. C. D. CAFE

GEO. N. REED, Proprietor

GOOD
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Per ton . . \$14.00

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Scott Brothers Elevator,
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I represent Stark Brothers, of
Louisiana, Missouri, one of the old-
est nurseries in the country. I can
sell you anything you want in the
way of fruit or shade trees, orna-
mental shrubbery, vines, etc.

Now is the time to set out trees.
The splendid season in the ground
will give them a good start.

If you need anything in the Nur-
sery line see me at any time. I can
get what you want.

J. M. GLOVER,
5t10p. Spearman.

The politicians say we must lis-
ten to the voice of the people. The
loudest manifestation of that voice
is noticed from the rah-rahing at the
baseball games.

YOUR SUNDAY DAILY PAPER

By special arrangement between this paper and the Amarillo Daily
News our readers can obtain a combination rate on our weekly and
the Sunday News at a great saving.

AMARILLO SUNDAY NEWS, per year \$2.50
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This applies to our old subscribers who may be in arrears, or who
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You save \$1.00 and get a Sunday Morning Newspaper, crammed
full of Local, Market, Sport, State and International News, with the
worlds leading comics—

Old Home Town Jiggs and Maggie Our Boarding House
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4 Page Colored Comic 4 Page Pink Comics,
8 Pages Western Weekly Magazine Section

This is political year—Keep up with State and National Politics.
We can also save you money on a combination of this paper with the
Amarillo Daily News, daily and Sunday. Call at our office or by
telephone.

This paper weekly and the Daily and Sunday News, one
year for \$6.00

Winter Clothing

Next week will be the last week of our offer of 50 per cent. discount on

Ladies' and Children's Coats and Ladies' Dresses

Men's Corduroy Pants

Thirty-Three and One-Third Per Cent. Off

Boy's Odd Pants

Thirty-Three and One-Third Per Cent. Off

Save your Shoes During the Muddy Weather with a Pair of Overshoes. We have many odds and ends in Winter Clothing which we are closing out at a great discount to make room for our Spring and Summer stock. You will save money by coming to our store for your dry goods and clothing.

Come in today. We are always glad to see you, whether you buy or not.

Help boost for Spearman and the Spearman country. Plant a little cotton but don't forget the hens, pigs and chickens.

Blake Dry Goods Co.

SPEARMAN

Lincoln



Harold Lloyd in "Dr. Jack," Lyric Theatre February 18 and 19.

Kodak Finishing at Eberhart's Gallery, Spearman 4tf.

1,000 bushels of seed oats for sale. This is good, sound, clean seed. See or write

H. A. KOONTZ, Spearman-Plemons Route. 4tf.

W. J. Ruttman of the Blodgett community was called to Woodward on Thursday by a telegram informing of the death of his father.

Some people had not stopped groaning about their last income tax payment, before they got a blank calling on them to make out a new return.

81 MILLIONS TO BE EXPENDED BY SANTA FE

A 1924 expenditure of \$81,150,000 for improvement of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad was announced February 4, by President W. B. Storey. The amount is approximately \$10,000,000 in excess of an official prediction two months ago. A new bridge across the Canadian River in Texas and extension of double track were among the outstanding improvements announced. New equipment to be delivered during the year includes, President Storey's statement says, 5,200 freight cars, 57 locomotives and 78 passenger cars, the total costing \$22,100,000. More than one hundred miles of second track will be constructed at a cost of \$2,250,000 giving a double track along the entire main line from Chicago to Los Angeles, with the exception of about 75 miles, it was declared.

Home Baked Pies; Merit Bread. D. C. D. Cafe.

Harold Lloyd in "Dr. Jack," Lyric Theatre February 18 and 19. You can get any kind of a picture frame at the H. C. Eberhart Gallery, Spearman. 4tf.

Three pure-bred Light Brahma roosters for sale. See Mrs. Frank Dreessen, Spearman. 7tlp.

Hemstitching and Pechot edging, 10 cents per yard. Work guaranteed. Mesdames Wheat & Burran, Darrouzett, Texas 2tl2p.

Why not have a big celebration at the new school building early in March. Just a general get-together jollification, in celebration of the completion of the new school building, the electric light and water plant, the ice plant, gin and other good things in store for Spearman. The Commercial Club could appoint a program committee and have everything in readiness for a grand blow-out early in March. And let all this be free—let it be a community meeting, for the good of the community in a social way.

J. F. WOMBLE DEAD

Jesse E. Womble received a telegram Monday morning stating that his father, J. F. Womble, died that morning at his home at Vinta, Okla. Deceased was father of Jesse and Olin Womble of Spearman and a brother of Carson Womble of the Lieb community. He was a splendid old gentleman and was well known to many of our people.

"COLD IN THE HEAD"

is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Those subject to frequent "colds" are generally in a "run down" condition. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a Treatment consisting of an Ointment, to be used locally, and a Tonic, which acts quickly through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, building up the System, and making you less liable to "colds." Sold by Druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Spring Hats

We have on display a nice assortment of Ladies' Spring Hats. Come and see this line before you buy.

We have just received a complete assortment of Ladies' Spring Dresses, all made up in the latest styles. It will be worth while for you to see them before making purchases in this line.

We have a few pairs of shoes left, on which we are allowing a very liberal discount, in order to make room for our spring line.

W. L. RUSSELL

Phone 78 DRY GOODS - GROCERIES Spearman

Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Forecasting A Tremendous Spring Demand

739,626

more Ford cars and trucks were produced last year than the previous year, an increase of over 50 per cent.

In spite of this tremendous increase in production, it was impossible to meet delivery requirements during the spring and summer months when orders for 350,000 Ford Cars and Trucks could not be filled.

This year winter buying for immediate delivery has been more active than ever before—and in addition 200,000 orders have already been booked through the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan for spring delivery.

These facts clearly indicate that the demand during this spring and summer will be far greater than ever, and that orders should be placed immediately with Ford Dealers as a means of protection against delay in securing your Ford Car or Truck or Fordson Tractor.

Ford Motor Company

Detroit, Michigan

A small deposit down, with easy payments of the balance arranged, or your enrollment under the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan, will put your order on the preferred list for spring delivery.

See the Nearest Authorized Ford Dealer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE FARMERS AND CITIZENS COMMERCIAL CLUB OF SPEARMAN, ON JANUARY 7, 1924

Receipts from Dues:—	
Balance on hand June 1st	\$ 45.35
June Deposits	67.00
July Deposits	46.00
August Deposits	42.00
September Deposits	64.00
October Deposits	45.00
November Deposits	44.00
December Deposits	67.00
January Deposits	41.00
TOTAL	\$449.35

Disbursements:—	
June 2 to Oran Kelly, printing	\$ 2.50
June 6, to Hazel Lowe, salary	12.00
June 16, Bread for Adobe Walls Celebration	8.00
June 27, Pickets for Adobe Walls Celebration	6.75
June 28, Oran Kelly, printing	11.00
July 9, telegram to Rampa	.35
August 14, Rotospede Company	1.00
August 24, C. W. Carson, flowers	5.00
August 26, C. L. Thomas, Adobe Walls Celebration expense	25.00
August 26, J. M. Bonner, D. C. D. Highway Association	50.00
September 1, White House Lumber Company, paint	3.10
September 12, Independent Telephone Company	.40
November 3, Andrews Hardware Company, tacks	.60
November 20, Cash, stamps	3.00
December 19, Fair Association	5.00
December 17, H. E. James, Badges and Expense Guymon D. C. D. Convention	9.50
January 1, K. L. McClellan, D. C. D. Highway Expense	35.00
January 7, Balance on hand in Guaranty State Bank	86.45
January 7, Balance on hand in First National Bank	184.20
TOTAL	\$449.35

WOODROW WILSON

Born, Staunton, Va., Dec. 28, 1856.
Son of Rev. Joseph R. and Jessie Woodrow Wilson. Scotch-Irish ancestry on both sides.
Graduated Princeton U., 1879.
Graduated in law, Virginia U., 1881.
Practiced law, Atlanta, Ga., 1882-83.
John Hopkins U., post graduate, 1883-85.
Married Ellen Louis Axson, Savannah, Ga., June 24, 1885 (died Aug. 6, 1914.) Second marriage to Edith

Bolling Galt of Washington, D. C., December 18, 1915.
Took up first educational work in 1885, at Bryn Mawr.
President of Princeton University, 1902-1910.
Governor New Jersey, 1911-1913 (resigned when nominated for Presidency in Democratic National Convention, Baltimore, 1912).
Elected twenty-eighth President of the U. S., Nov. 4, 1912. Renominated and elected for second term, 1916-1920.
Declared war on Germany and Central Powers, April 6, 1917.
Left for France December 4, 1918.



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Author of various historical works.
Home: 2300 S. Street, Washington, D. C.
Died: February 3, 1924.

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A rip-snorting norther struck the Spearman country Sunday afternoon, February 3, accompanied by snow and sleet. February has a habit of cutting up along this line, but the severe spells are usually of short duration. The present blizzard is doing very little harm, except to stop all kinds of out-door work.

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